

West Cork: Stories of the Revolution, 1916-1923

Cover Sheet – Dreeny National School

Name: Grace Kingston

Age: 10

School: Dreeny National School, Dreeny, Skibbereen, Co. Cork

Class: 4th class

Name of person/ people you spoke to:

Paul Kingston and I collected the documents
from my grandad's first cousin Sam Kingston

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Grace Kingston

4th class

Dreeny N.S.

Kingston Family Tree

William's sister was Mary Monica Kingston. (Mona)

William Kingston + Mary Anne Hegarty (great grandparents)

Paul Kingston + Peggy Hayes (grand parents)

William Kingston + Siobhan O'Donovan (parents)

Cathal
Kingston

Grace
Kingston

Paul
Kingston

West Cork stories of the Revolution 1916-1923

Mary Monica Kingston (Mona) was my great grandaunt.

Mona was born on the 25th of October 1899 to Paul and Margaret Kingston. They had twelve children but three died shortly after birth, four sons and five daughters survived.

Mona Kingston was head of Cumann na mBan in the Skibbereen Battalion area. And organised the Cumann na mBan for that area. First aid dressings were prepared, changes of clothes were kept in stock for the column and a certain amount of despatch work was carried out by the Cumann na mBan also. Mona often travelled to Cork by train from Madore Station on Rebel business with a revolver in her pocket as she was in danger doing her job and she had no way to know her enemies were near.

She went on to become a teacher in England

She retired to Cork city where she lived with her sister Lou. She died.

I heard this story from my Grandad Paul Kingston, Tooreen Skibbereen. My grandad's first cousin Sam Kingston gave me the documents.

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REGISTRATION OF BIRTHS AND DEATHS IN IRELAND.

Certified Copy of Entry in the Register Book of Births deposited in the Superintendent Registrar's Office. See Endorsement.

1829 BIRTHS Registered in the District of *Armagh* in the Union of *Armagh* in the County of *Armagh*

No. of Birth	Name of Child	Sex	Place of Birth	Parents	Time of Birth	Time of Registration	Signature of Registrar
1829	Mary	F	<i>Armagh</i>	<i>John & Mary</i>	<i>Armagh</i>	<i>Armagh</i>	<i>Armagh</i>
1830	Mary	F	<i>Armagh</i>	<i>John & Mary</i>	<i>Armagh</i>	<i>Armagh</i>	<i>Armagh</i>

Armagh being, Sept. 1829
Armagh 1829



Armagh
Superintendent Registrar of Births and Deaths
for the District of *Armagh*



I hereby certify that the foregoing is a true Copy of the Entry No. 1829 in the Register Book of Births of the above District deposited in my Office.

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CLÁRÁDÓ NA MBREIT, NA MBÁS ASUS NA BPÓSAD.
REGISTRATION OF BIRTHS, DEATHS AND MARRIAGES.

Cóip Deimnithe D'iontráil: ISCLÁR-LEABAR NA MBREIT AGÁ FÉ CÚRAM AN CÉANN-CLÁRÁDÓRA.
Certified Copy of Entry in the Register Book of Births deposited in the Superintendent Registrar's Office—(See Endorsement).

Year of Birth	Sex	Parents	Place of Birth	Age at Birth	Signature of Registrar	Signature of Parent	Signature of Midwife	Signature of Doctor	Signature of Nurse
1899	Female	Mary & Thomas	London	22	James Brown	James Brown	James Brown	James Brown	James Brown
1899	Male	Paul & Margaret	London	22	James Brown	James Brown	James Brown	James Brown	James Brown
1899	Female	Mary & Thomas	London	22	James Brown	James Brown	James Brown	James Brown	James Brown

Whereof one has been given to the Registrar as a true copy of the entry No. 23 in the Register Book of Births in my Office.

THE YEAR OF BIRTH SHOWN IN THE ABOVE CERTIFIED COPY IS
not thousands, eight hundred and ninety nine

James Brown
Superintendent Registrar of Births and Deaths



INTERMEDIATE EDUCATION BOARD
FOR
IRELAND.

CERTIFICATE

Junior Grade.

This is to Certify that at the Examinations
held in 1917.

Mary M. Kingston Exam. No. 11564
passed the Examination, having obtained passes
in English, Latin, French, History and
Historical Geography, Arithmetic with
Algebra, and Commercial Course.

W. F. Butler
W. A. Houston

Assistant Commissioners

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Military Service Pensions Act, 1934.

M.S.P. 34/3.

SERVICE CERTIFICATE.

In the matter of the application of *Mona Kingston, Orinagh, Dunmanway, Co Cork* for a Service Certificate in accordance with the terms of the Military Service Pensions Act, 1934, and the Regulations made thereunder,

WHEREAS the Minister for Defence has taken into consideration the report of the Referee appointed under the Act on the application. THIS IS TO CERTIFY that the said *Mona Kingston* has rendered Service in the Forces and during the periods as set out as follows:—

Service period prescribed in the Act.	Forces in which Active Service was rendered.	Duration of Active Service during each of the prescribed periods as established to the satisfaction of the Referee.
1. The week commencing on the 23rd day of April, 1916		
2. The period comprising:— (a) the period commencing on the 1st day of April, 1918, and ending on the 22nd day of April, 1916, and (b) the period commencing on the 30th day of April, 1916, and ending on the 31st day of March, 1917		
3. The period commencing on the 1st day of April, 1917, and ending on the 31st day of March, 1918	CUMANN NA MBAN	$\frac{1}{2}$ OF ENTIRE PERIOD
4. The period commencing on the 1st day of April, 1918, and ending on the 31st day of March, 1919	CUMANN NA MBAN	$\frac{2}{3}$ OF ENTIRE PERIOD
5. The period commencing on the 1st day of April, 1919, and ending on the 31st day of March, 1920	CUMANN NA MBAN	$\frac{1}{2}$ OF ENTIRE PERIOD
6. The period commencing on the 1st day of April, 1920, and ending on the 31st day of March, 1921	CUMANN NA MBAN	
7. The period commencing on the 1st day of April, 1921, and ending on the 11th day of July, 1921	CUMANN NA MBAN	
8. The period commencing on the 12th day of July, 1921, and ending on the 30th day of June, 1922	CUMANN NA MBAN	
9. The period commencing on the 1st day of July, 1922, and ending on the 31st day of March, 1923	CUMANN NA MBAN	
10. The period commencing on the 1st day of April, 1923, and ending on the 30th day of September, 1923	CUMANN NA MBAN	

AND THAT for the purpose of the Act the grade of rank of the said applicant is Grade nd 10. Dated this 22nd day of *October* 1940.

M. J. Ryan
Referee
Rinal, Koinn Cosanta

GUTHAN 71881
(Telephons)

UIMHIR THAGARTHA
(Reference No.)

34SP/46529



MSP 34/6

ROINN COSANTA,
(Dept. of Defence)

GEATA NA PAIRCE,
(Parkgate)

BAILE ÁTHA CLIATH.
(Dublin.)

23 OCT 1949

A CHARA,

I am directed by the Minister for Defence to refer to your application under the provisions of the Military Service Pensions Act, 1934, for a service certificate and to forward herewith the certificate granted as a result of that application.

You are requested to acknowledge its receipt on the enclosed form and to return the form as soon as possible. An addressed envelope, which need not be stamped, is enclosed for the purpose.

This certificate should be very carefully preserved, and in this connection your attention is directed to the terms of Section 14 of the Act printed overleaf.

A communication will be sent to you at an early date regarding the granting of a Military Service Pension.

Mise, le meas,

E. Rinaldhe.

Miss M. na Kingdon,


Bairnagh,

Bunmanaway,

Co. Cork.

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AWARD CERTIFICATE.

Any further communications on this subject should be addressed to  and the above number quoted.

ROINN COSANTA,
(Department of Defence),

GEATA NA PAIRCE,
(Parkgate),

BAILE ÁTHA CLIATH
(Dublin).

// November, 19..40.

I am directed to inform you that in accordance with the terms of the Military Service Pensions Act, 1934, the Minister for Defence has granted you a pension of 61.13.4. (Sixty-one Pounds, Thirteen Shillings and Four Pence) per annum, which is payable as from the 1st October, 1934, and which will be subject to deduction under Section 20 (1) of the Act in respect of receipts by you from Public Moneys.

I have also to state that it is your duty to inform the Minister at once of any receipts by you of any Public Moneys as defined by Section 20 (1) of the Act.

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Rúnaí.

* To Miss Mona Kingston,
"Paddock Villa", Drinagh,
Dunmanway, Co. Cork.

Section 20 (1) of the Mil. Ser. Pensions Act, 1934, defines Public Moneys as—“ Any remuneration, pension, or allowance payable out of public moneys, whether provided by the Oireachtas or out of the Central Fund or by means of the poor rate or any other rate imposed by a local authority.”

Extract from Mil. Ser. Pensions Act, 1934, Section 19 (1) & (2)—“ If any person with a view to obtaining either for himself or any other person a grant or payment of a pension under this Act makes, signs, or uses any declaration, application or other written statement knowing the same to be false, such person shall be guilty of an offence under this section, and shall be liable, on summary conviction thereof, to a fine not exceeding twenty-five pounds, or to imprisonment for a period not exceeding six months, or at the discretion of the Court to both such fine and imprisonment.

If any person so convicted as aforesaid is in receipt of a pension obtained by reason of such false declaration, application, or other written statement he shall forfeit such pension as from the date of such conviction.”

N.B.—This Certificate is no security whatever for debt. It should be carefully preserved, as it will be of the greatest assistance to you when completing the Pension Warrants, which will be sent to you.

* In the event of the death of the person to whom this Form is addressed, the person who notifies the death to the local Registrar of Deaths should deliver this Form and any other Pension papers held by deceased, to him, and will receive from him the sum of one shilling for so doing.

Irish National Foresters Sash.

This sash was found in my grandaunt's belongings. It is a rare 19th century Irish National Foresters sash made by T. Elliot of Dublin from Irish Poplin.

The Irish National Foresters Organisation began in 1877. Its members could not meet openly, so they gathered in forests and gave names associated with forestry to their leaders.

The I.N.F grew rapidly and soon became the largest friendly society in Ireland.

It supported Irish nationalism and its constitution called for 'government for Ireland by the Irish people in accordance with Irish ideas and Irish aspirations'.

The I.N.F is a mutual aid society, established to help members in distress and the relatives of members who have died.

The sash is beautifully hand embroidered with shamrocks in gold thread with initials INF and a Harp. The letters P.C.R. stand for Past Chief Ranger. The sunrise emblem is generally associated with the Fenians.



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