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MY History

In 1685 Charles II died. After his death, his brother James II replaced him turning him into the King of England, for he was a catholic, Britain evidently was not. James the second wanted Britain a catholic community once again. Britain was not fond of their King, because James was trying to turn the people catholic.

James made himself very unpopular and because of that a man called William of Orange made a deal with the Scots that they help him snatch the

thrown from James II, he will ²
get rid of the church of Scotland.

After the battle of the
Boyne, in Ireland, James II
accepted defeat and he fled
to France, where he died.

William of Orange claimed
the throne. He remembered the
promise with the Scots and
got rid of the church of Scotla-
nd and everyone involved in ^{the} church
of Scotland. The problem was the
people who established the church
of Scotland were Episcopalians,

and my ancestors were Episcopal-
-ians. They were threatened death

or Exile? Without a second thought He told His children Judith, William, and Thomas to get every-
-thing packed.

They rowed in an open ^{boat} in ruff water for twenty miles, to county Down in Ireland.

Shortly after the departure of Scotland, the father of the three children died.

After the father's death Judith and William went back to Scotland.

But Thomas scamped down to county Cork.

His son built Drishane House in 1780, and that is where we have lived for the past 236 years. By Hal Somerville
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Lighter By The Step

It was in 1915 the battle Gallipoli in ^{which} my Irish Great Grandfather was charging ^{across} the ^{battlefield} with no armor, but a tin hat. He was charging with his gun across the desolate field, towards the Turkish Trenches.

But at each step he noticed, he felt lighter, and he took a look at his water bottle. And as he turned, he had a bullet through his water bottle, and that shows how dangerous it was. He was hit through both legs. And then he was sent to the hospital in Malta.

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One Left In The Spout (1915)

In the battle of Gallipoli, now this is before my Irish Great Grandfather went off to hospital, this was in the middle of the battle. Before getting shot in both legs of course. He was charging towards the Turkish trench, and he thought there was no possibility of coming out alive, when a shell dropped into the trench and brought the Turkish soldiers flying out of it. Which saved my Irish Great Grandfather's life.

Naval officer whom was on the battle ship off shore. After my Irish Great Grandfather said how the shell saved his life. The Naval officer started laughing and said "It turns out that we had one shell left in the spout and I ordered them to fire it," and that was the shell that saved my Irish Great Grandfather's life.

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An Inch Of Luck (1917)

In the First World War, in the battle of Passchendaele. My English Great Grandfather fought in it. And something very lucky happened to him.

He was charging across the battlefield. With no armour, but a tin hat. And he was charging and charging, but just then, a bullet went right through his hat and left below a bump and a scratch on his head.

And it has been told, if he been an inch taller... he would have been dead.

And that, is the advantage of being small.

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The Sword on the Wall

At around 1922 my great great great Aunt Edith Somerville hid a sword on her wall, in the Hall.

At first you would look at it and say "that's a magnificent sword", by how it was discovered the sword that hung on the wall was not balanced correctly.

As Edith kept the sword, two men from the I.R.A. came, they requested it and wanted it for battle, willingly and gladly Edith gave them the sword and they scampered down the drive.

That night Edith had a dream, about the sword being thrown into a bush.

In that very morning, ^{she went to,} the bush that she dreamed about, and looked all over it.

She came back ... to Drishane (home) with the sword in her arms. And we have kept the sword on our wall, in the hall, in Drishane house ever since.

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A Ship Destroyed By Paper

The ship Bismark was launched in 1939, it was the pride of the German Navy. In 1941 it was destroyed.

3 days before it sunk, it destroyed the ~~the~~ ^{the} ~~ships~~ ^{ships} of the British, the Hood. 115 died, only 3 survived.

In May 1941 Jane Fawcett, then known as Jane Hughes worked in Bletchley Park. She decoded the message from a German Officer whose son was on the Bismark. And needed to go to Brest for repairs. And on the way to Brest, The Bismark was attacked and destroyed. And brought triumph to the British. Jane Fawcett was my Grandmother's friend. She died last year.

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As Though Had Legs (1978)

My Grandfather from my mother's side (Sally's) was in southern Germany and was in his flat in a town called Kaiserslautern.

one When he slept there his bed was on side of the room and when he woke up he was on the other side of the room.

his And it turns out an earthquake pulled bed to the other side. And he was only 2 hours drive away from the mountains.

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It hit my Grandfather by surprise, it only ever happened to him once.

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