MISCELLANEA.

INFORMATION OF DR. ZACHARY ORMSBY.

The enclosed extract from an old Information was taken for me (at the Public Record Office, Dublin) from the original, and as it relates to Limerick, may be worth printing in this Journal. Perhaps some of the local Antiquarians or Historians can then tell us more about it, and about the occasion referred to and the mysterious paper.

E. R. McC. Dix.

LIMERICK CITY AND COUNTY.

Carton 63 No. 805.

31 January, 1712.

The information of ye Rev. Doct. Zachary Ormsby taken before Aldo Edward Wight, one of her Majesties Justices of ye Peace for ye said County.

Saith that on 30th of this instant January in the house of one Mr John Boucherie, who keeps a Coffee House in ye city of Limerick, he asked whether any public prints came by that days post, whereupon a little maid that usually attends ye Gents with coffee brought this Informt yo Dublin Gazette & another printed paper entitled The Lord Know What etc. Further that having read part of ye said printed paper he found as he apprehended yt ye same contained many scandalous reflections on her sacred Majesty, her administrators & ministers, as also insinuations of designs of bringing in ye Pretender. - said Informt tried to find out where the paper came from & asked the wife of said John Boucherie & then asked said J.B. who at length said he received said printed paper after the following manner. That he was walking that day on the Exchange of Limerick a country getleman ---gave him said paper & J. B. brought it to said Coffee House & left it on the table for the perusal of his customers. The person that gave him the paper was William Waller Esq of ye County of Tipperary.

Z. ORMSBY.

Edwd Wight.

WILL OF A LIMERICK PRINTER OF THE 18th CENTURY.

As it may be of interest to the readers of this Journal, I submit a rather full extract from the Will of Andrew Welsh, who for so many years in the 18th century carried on the business of a Printer in Limerick. He also printed and published newspapers. The extract was made for me from the official copy in the Public Record Office, Dublin, some time ago.

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Will of Andrew Welsh in the City of Limerick = being in declining health but of sound disposing mind &c., do make & publish this my last Will and Testament to be interred in the Parish Church of S. Munchins in the City of Limerick & my Executors or one of them to cause such vault or Tomb to be made in or upon the place of Burial & apply the stones I got prepaired & have for that purpose, Lodged in the Infirmary store house in said City = with all convenient speed after my decease, and in such manner as Either of them shall think fit, and = order to be done = I give Devise & bequeath all my Estate & Estates & Lands & Tenaments & Interest = Stock of Cattle and all my Plate Household furniture of every kind and debts whatsoever due and owing to me, by Book account Bonds, Bills, Notes or otherwise howsoever, and all other my Goods, Chattles, and Effects of every kind and nature whatsover & where = soever in the Kingdome of Ireland or Elsewhere, they be, which I shall die seized and possessed of or be anyways entitled unto at the time of my Decease, and by me not already settled or Disposed, save as herein after mentioned to my Son = Andrew Welsh & the Revd George Massy, of Elmire in the County of Limerick, Clerk, Trustees appointed and Executors of this my Will. To hold to them my said Trustees & Executors and their Respective Heirs Executors and Administrators & the Survivors of them & the Executor or Administrator of such Survivor according to and consistent with my several and respective Estates and Interests in the Same, and to take & Receive the Same & yearly Rents Issues and profits thereof and of every part and parcel thereof respectively to and for the several uses Intents and Trusts

and purposes herein after mentioned of and concerning the same = that is to say by sale of all, or a competent part of all such my Landed Estates and Interests and of all other good's = Chattels and Effects, or by such other Lawful ways and means in their power to raise & Levy out of mony arising upon the foot of such sale or sales to pay and discharge all my Just Debts & funeral Expenses, and afterwards my Several Legacies, herein after mentioned as soon after my Decease & in respect of my said Debts and Expences as my said Trustees and Executors possibly can accomplish the same = And in respect to the Several Legacies = I give my sons Thomas Welsh and George Welsh at such times and in such manner and form as herein after is mentioned of and concerning the same and each of them respectively, and after payment of all my said Debts, Expences and Legacies and after payment of the Jointur herein after appointed for my Wife = Then as to the Rest Residue and Remainder of all my said Estates Effects and fortune undisposed of = To the use and benefit of my said Son Andrew Welsh his Heirs Administrators and Assigns & to take and receive the same, as his and their own Estate, & as his and their own Estate, and as his and their own proper goods & chattles for ever, and to Dispose of the same and any part of such surplus or residue as he and they shall respectively think fit without being accountable to any person for the same, or any part thereof = I bequeath and give to my wife £30 a year for Life in augmentation of her Jointure of £50 a year by me already made and settled on her & £10 for mourning, and all my wearing aparel, both Woollen and Linnen together with my one Horse Chais, and Harness, and Implements thereto belonging, and my Chais horse that usually drew the same and one such other Horse as she shall makes choice of, or as my said ececutor or Either of them shall think most fit and proper to Lead the same, of which said Aparel I recommend that she give a part and of such Quantity to Michal Casey my Servant as she shall think proper, the £30 augmentation to be paid = to be paid by my Son Andrew, out of my unsettled Estates and Lands annually, during her life = for better support and maintenance with her jointure of £50/0/0 = To his son George Welsh Five hundred pounds, to be paid at the Expiration of his Apprenticeship and not before, an other sum of £500/0/0 to be paid to him. £100/0/0 a year to be

reconed and Computed in respect of payment, for and after the time, he shall or will set up in Business for himself, To whom I also give & bequeath my Lease Interest of and in a Dwelling house Shop & premises in the Main Street, in the Irish Town near the Market House, in the City of Limerick, which I hold under Wm Green Esq. To hold said house &c. for the time being therein, but in the mean time I desire one of my Executors shall out of the issue of the profits of the house = apply £25/0/0 annually towards the payment of such notes in the hands of his Master, George Davis, Undischarged, which I passed him as apprentice, then if George Welsh should die before the expiration of his Apprenticeship = the said Legacies shall revert to my residuary Estate. His Son Thomas Welsh is to be paid £200 one year after my decease and £,300 afterwards, in 3 annual payments of £100, also one half or moity of all outstanding debts due me &c., each Ececutor to be accountable for his own acts and acts = To his Son in Law James Going, his gold watch & £10/0/0 each to self and wife for mourning. To his Cookmaid Honora Marony £5/0/0. The Rest and Residue of all my property not by me already settled, gives every part to my son Andrew Welsh whome with the said G. Massy I appoint Trustees &c.

Signed 14th January 1772.

Witnesses Thomas Vokes, Raymond Evans, Edmd. FitzGerald.

Probate granted to Andrew Welsh & Revd. George Massy 20th

July 1772.