Carr.
By Noel Murphy

Freemen of Limerick:

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<td>Major Carr</td>
<td>24th Regiment</td>
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<td>John Carr,</td>
<td>Corporal. L.C.M.</td>
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<td>Richard Carr,</td>
<td>Shopkeeper, Gort.</td>
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<td>William Carr</td>
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<td>Printer, by marriage</td>
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<td>Francis Benjamin Carr</td>
<td>Eldest son of John Carr</td>
<td>06/10/1851</td>
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Note in the vast majority of cases Burgess signifies an ex-Sheriff and Alderman signifies an ex-Mayor. Most Sheriffs if they lived long enough went on to be Mayors. The average waiting period was 10 years. A few men were elected Burgesses without serving as Sheriff and an even smaller number of men were elected Mayor without serving as Sheriff.

List of Mayors and Sheriffs of Limerick City.

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In 1769 an Annuity Society was formed in the City, amongst the first 100 members was Christopher Carr fitzChristopher

John Ferrar’s Trade Directory of 1769 mentions the following Carrs.

- Thomas Carr, Gunsmith of Main St. Englishtown.
- Robert Carr, Tanner of Main St. Englishtown
- Christopher Carr is listed as a Burgess who was admitted to the Council in 1755.
- Thomas Carr was a Warden in the Guild of Smiths
- Robert Carr was a Warden in the Guild of Sadlers.

Richard Lucas’s Trade Directory of 1788 gives,

- Robert and William Carr, Tanners of St. Michaels
- Christopher Carr, City Treasurer for the Corporation.
George Carr of Limerick City.
Thomas Carr of Limerick City
Robert Carr of Limerick City
Christopher Carr fitz Christopher, Burgess.

Christopher Carr = 1st Penelope Minchin
Francis Sargent = Anne Minchin
M. 16 May 1747 in Dublin.  M. Feb. 1750
D. 1798.  D. 1775

Christopher Carr fitzChristopher = 3rd wife, Frances Sargent
Burgess. 1755  B.
Mayor. 1771  M. July 1764
B.
D. March 1791  D. 1774

Magazines of Magazines, July 1760.
Married at Limerick, Christopher Carr, Burgess, to the widow of Henry Miller.
Note: - Because he is named as a Burgess this Christopher is the son of another Christopher i.e. fitzChristopher. As can be seen the widow Miller the 2nd wife, didn't live very long as Christopher married Frances Sargent in 1764.

Limerick Wills.
Anne Carr,  widow,   Adare  1727
James Carr,  Cordwainer,   Adare  1723. (Cordwainer = Shoemaker)
John Carr,  Alderman  Limerick 1740. (This is the 1725 Mayor)
Thomas Carr,  Gunmaker  Limerick 1776
William Carr,  Alderman  Limerick 1733. (The 1711 Sheriff)

The Peerage.com
Christopher Carr  =
Ballynantybeg  Limerick

James Colthurst = Susan Carr

Nick Reddan’s Registry of Deeds, Mentions: -
Lease. 86880. 29/04/1710. Christopher Carr, Innkeeper.
Lease. 5185. 31/08/1713  David Carr.
Lease. 18305. 14/08/1717  William Carr, Burgess. (Sheriff 1711)
Leonard Carr, son of William.
Christopher Carr. Gent. (Probably brother of William)
John Carr, son of Christopher.
Lease for lives of William, Leonard and John.
Lease. 13570. 30/05/1719.  William Carr. (Sheriff 1711)
Lease 48691. 25/11/1727  Leonard Carr. (Son of William)
Formerly held thatched cabin and plot in Curragh Lane, owned by Wm. Norris
Lease. 77575. 05/09/1743.  James Carr. Gent. of Limerick City.
Limerick Archives. D0321. Anno 1721
This is an Indenture between James Gubbins of the 1st part and Christopher Carr Snr. Burgess of the 2nd part. (The 1712 Sheriff).
Christopher Carr Jnr. Gent. and Elizabeth his wife, daughter of James Gubbins, of the 3rd part.
Joseph Gubbins of Clogher, Co. Limerick of the 4th part.
Mentions the Marriage Settlement of 1720 and £500.
Christopher Carr Jnr. had been previously married to Grissell Monckton, daughter of Nicholas Monckton of Liskennet.

Limerick Archives. DO322. Anno 1778.
This Marriage Settlement was between Christopher Carr Christopher, Alderman and James Carr his son and heir Gent of the 1st part,
Edmond Bourke of the City of Limerick and Charles Sargent of the 2nd part,
Francis Sargent, Burgess and Edmond Bourke, Attorney of the 3rd part,
Catherine Bourke, Spinster of the 4th part,
William Marritt of Middleton, Co. Clare and Elizabeth his wife, Nee Carr, of the 5th part,
Thomas Carpenter of Limerick, Gent., of the 6th part.
(Carpenter married Christian/Kitty Sargent on the 13/9/1764. She was sister to Francis above).
Mentions an Indenture of 1747 between Christopher Carr Jnr. And Penelope Minchin, daughter of Charles Minchin of Annagh, Co. Tipperary.
Also states that James Carr and Catherine Bourke were to marry.

Rosemary ffolliott’s BDM’s from microfiche in Co. Library.

Irish Genealogist
Grisel Monckton married Christopher Carr on the 2 Nov. 1719.

Faulkner’s Dublin Journal, Saturday 19 July 1760,
Married in Limerick, Mr Christopher Carr, Burgess of that town to the relict of Henry Miller Esq.

Faulkner’s Dublin Journal, Tuesday 3 Nov. 1761,
Died in Limerick Mrs Carr wife of Mr Christopher Carr, Burgess.

The Cork Journal, 25 Oct 1762,
Henry Carr, Gunsmith, who had served his time to his brother Thomas of Limerick, has opened shop in Paul’s St. at the Sign of the Cross Blunderbuss, Cork. (Henry’s wife died in 1774).

Faulkner’s Dublin Journal, Tuesday 17 July 1764,
Married last week in Limerick, Mr Christopher Carr, Burgess of said City to Miss Frances Sargeant.

Dublin Hibernian Journal, Friday 13 May 1774,
Died at Limerick the wife of Alderman Christopher Carr Christopher.
(Frances Sargeant)
Clare Journal, Monday 15 June 1778,
Married on the 1st June at Port Patrick, Scotland, James Carr Esq. son to Alderman Carr of this City to Miss Catherine Bourke of Madeboy……handsome fortune.
(A runaway marriage like this usually indicates a mixed marriage, i.e. Catherine was a Catholic or Catherine was underaged or did not have parental permission to marry).

Dublin Hibernian Journal, Wednesday 22 May 1782,
Died in Limerick the wife of Mr. Robert Carr.

Limerick Chronicle, Thursday 6 Feb. 1783,
Married this morning, Mr George Rogers, Master of a vessel belonging to this Port, to Miss Carr daughter of the late Capt. Carr.

Limerick Chronicle, Thursday 31 Aug 1786,
Married this morning, at Meelick church Mr Frederick Minchin, Merchant to Miss Carr, daughter of Christopher Carr Esq. Alderman and Treasurer of this City.

Clare Journal, Monday 28 March 1791,
Died a few days ago, Christopher Carr, one of the Aldermen of this City.

Ennis Chronicle, Monday 18 Aug. 1794,
Married at Meelick church Edward Waller Esq. to Miss Carr daughter to the late Christopher Carr Esq. Alderman of the City of Limerick.

Limerick Chronicle of Wednesday 30 July 1800,
Advert. Persuant to an Order of the High Court in Ireland – to be set during the minority of Thomas Carr Esq. now 15 years, a house and stores in the Main St. of the City lately in the tenure of Thomas Appleyard, a bankrupt.

Limerick Chronicle, Saturday 16 May 1801,
Died yesterday in Mary’s St. Miss Carr, daughter of the late Captain Carr.

Ennis Chronicle, Thursday 14 Jan. 1802,
Died on Monday last, Frances Carr, youngest daughter of Christopher Carr Esq. Alderman of this City. Buried at St. John’s Jan. 13th.

Ennis Chronicle, Monday 4 April 1803,
Married at St Mary’s Cathedral on the 18th March, Lieut. Wickham of the 17th Regt. quartered in Limerick, to Miss Carr, daughter of James Carr Esq. and niece to the late William Bourke of Modeboy, Esq.

Ennis Chronicle, Monday 11 June 1804,
Died last Thursday at an advanced age, Robert Carr Esq., of Garden, Little Island, Co. Limerick.

Clare Journal, Thursday 19 Dec. 1811,
Died on Friday last in Patrick St. Limerick, Miss Carr, 3rd daughter of the late Robert Carr Esq.
**Limerick Evening Post**, Saturday 21 Nov. 1812,

**Clare Journal**, Monday 25 Jan. 1813,
Died in Bath, Mrs Carr relict of the Rev. Mr. Carr and widow of the late Joseph Gubbins of Kilfrush, Co. Limerick.

**Clare Journal**, Monday 5 July 1813,
Died at Bath, the widow of Colonel Carr.

**Limerick Chronicle**, 1817
Francis Carr voted for Vereker

**Clare Journal**, Thursday 6 May 1819,
Died in Mary Street, Limerick, Mr. Francis Carr, son of the late Alderman Christopher Carr of that City.

**Limerick Chronicle**, Wednesday 12 May 1819,
Married this morning at St. Munchin’s Mr Hugh Sims to Lucy, daughter of the late Mr. Francis Carr of this City.

Christopher Carr = Grisel Monckton
M. 2 Nov. 1719

Christopher Carr Ald. = Penelope Minchin (1st wife)
Limerick
D. March 1791
M. 16 May 1747

James Carr = Catherine Bourke
Son and Heir
B.
M. 1 June 1778

William Bourke = Madeboy

Lt. Wickham = Miss Carr
B.
M. 18 March 1803
According to the 1901 and 1911 Census, No. 32 Patrick St was a shop with 7 windows in the front of the house and contained 7 rooms. The house faced the opening of Ellen St.

**See Local Studies Obituaries for 5 Carrs**, John 1890, Anastatia 1902, Laurence 1909, Margaret 1892 and William 1891. The parents, John and Anastatia and three of their children, all of 32 Patrick St.

**Limerick Chronicle, 6/4/1909.**

Death of Laurence Carr last Sunday at his home on Patrick St. He had attained his seventieth year. He was an R.C. and was buried in Mount St. Laurence cemetery. The Chief Mourners were Michael and John Carr, sons. Michael D. Carr, brother. Rev Carr and Dominick Carr, Nephews. John Irwin, Son-in-law. William Stephens, brother-in-law and Joseph Stephens, nephew-in-law.

Mount St Laurence Register gives his age as 64 and his address as 32 Patrick St.
Christopher Carr =

**Alderman Christopher Carr** =
Limerick.
Sheriff 1754.
Mayor 1771.

Unknown Carr =

Benjamin Maddock = Eleanor Goggin
B.c. 1790
M.10/10/1801
D. 21/01/1819

John Carr = Anne Maddock
Printer
L. 1830
M. 29/04/1824 in St Mary’s Cathedral Limerick.
D. 1890

1 — Eleanor Carr. Bt. 25 Jan 1825
2 — Anastatia Carr. Bt. 28 Apr 1826
3* — Francis Benjamin Carr. Bt. 29 Jan 1828
4 — Margaret Carr Bt. 20 Jan 1830
5 — Benjamin Maddock Carr. Bt. 31 Jan 1830
6 — Jane Carr. Bt. 15 Jun 1834

6 John McClennan = Jane Carr
B. 1834
M. 1853

3* Francis Benjamin Carr was admitted a Freeman on the 6/10/1851 as the eldest son of John Carr. A Francis Carr, Compositor, died in Liverpool, but from Limerick, on the 13/1/1863 aged 35. He was very probably Francis Benjamin Carr above.

I would deduct from the above information that the unknown Carr, above, is Francis Carr, the Hatter, who died in 1819.
Christopher Carr =  
Christopher Carr = Mayor 1771

Anthony Sims =  
Francis Carr =  
B.  
M.  
D. by 1819

Hugh Sims = Lucy Carr  
B.  
B.  
M.  
M. 12/5/1819

= Anthony Sims = Charlotte Barker  
B. 1820  
B.  
M.  
M. 1849 in Madras, India.  
D. 1859  
D.

Thomas Sims = Lydia Thorpe  
B.c. 1841  
B.  
M.  
M. 1863

1829 Freeholders Registry for Limerick
An Anthony Sims of New Road, Thomondgate, Limerick, registered his Freehold holdings, which was the house and land he lived on in Thomondgate on the 20th May 1823. His lease was from Tim McGuiness, a Weaver, and was held for the lives of Hugh Sims, Anthony Sims and James Alexander. Anthony was a Miller by trade. The lives named would all have been young children when the lease was taken out. The two Sims children would have been his own children. Anthony re-registered his holdings in 1825 because he now had a new landlord, one Hugh Sims. (Could be a close relative, even his father or brother)

Freeman List for Limerick City.
Hugh Sims was admitted a Freeman of Limerick City on the 29th Aug. 1823, by right of Marriage. This means either that he was not the first born son of his father or that his father was not a Freeman himself. It definitely means that Lucy Carr’s father, Francis was a Freeman. He was the Francis who became a Freeman in 1772 and was the father of Francis, John and Lucy.

List of Mayors and Sheriffs of Limerick City.
A John Symmes was Sheriff of Limerick City in 1665. (Having served as Sheriff he would have been elected a Burgess in 1666.)

Limerick Corporation Minuet Book, 1672 – 1680.
One of the Burgesses of the Corporation of Limerick was a John Sims. He was present in Council in 1672.