

"Old Limerick"

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How the Sarnall got its name

A VIEW OF THE ABBEY RIVER
IN SIR HARRY'S MALL, 1922

The boat nearest the camera is the traditional "Brecaun" as used by the Abbey fishermen. Behind this can be seen another boat, a sand cot, which brought river sand from Corbally or Plassey and unloaded at this spot - hence the reason for calling this Mall the Sand Mall. In the large house (two chimneys) on the right, J. Ferrar, the historian lived for some time. His History of Limerick was written there. Note a shop front in the right background with a white entablature. This was McNerney's pub, which was burned in reprisal by the Black and Tans as the proprietor was the driver of the car which went to Banna Strand to meet Roger Casement.

