Dirt Poor Spirit Rich

Commemorating the Dispersion of Members of the Carrucan Family from West Clare, Ireland

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The Story

The story of the Carrucan Clan extends back to the tortured Atlantic coast of West Clare with its tempestuous history.

From the small villages of Fanore and Fisherstreet, some of the children ventured forth to seek new lives in Australia, America and England while others stayed to continue the family traditions.

A worldwide family numbering over five thousand has burgeoned from these small beginnings.

This book seeks to record their story by collecting many of the anecdotes which tell of their travels, their homes, their struggles and experiences, their schooling and their jobs, their loves and friendships and their wartime experiences.

A family history is not only about the people, who they are, when they were born and died, whom they married and the work they did. History is also about where and how people lived, their interactions with others and their communities, their struggles, challenges and achievements and the effects of development and change on their lives.

The Process

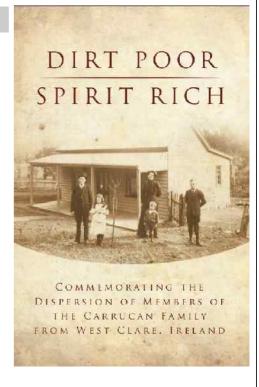
Editors Jim Martin, Tim Erickson and Frank Carrucan along with the committee of the Carrucan Family History Fellowship have delved deeply into the shared family history of the Carrucan clan.

This book is the result of many years of historical research and gathers together anecdotes, pictures and memories from many sources and contributors.

Endorsements

"This is a wonderful volume for all Carrucan descendants and their relations. Beyond that it is an important record of people's lives in Ireland, England, Australia and America. From the beginning of the nineteenth century to the first decade of the twenty-first century, this book offers a great diversity of individual and family stories. I found the insights into life in the west of Ireland, both in earlier and in recent times, a moving and vital background to the wider saga."

Peter Cuffley, Author/Historian



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