



**Major Dooley Division  
Richmond, Virginia**

# The Dooley Dispatch

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**Celebrating 33 years of Friendship, Unity, and Christian Charity**

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Next Meeting - Tuesday April 9<sup>th</sup> 12<sup>th</sup> 7:00 p.m. St. Paul's Church

### **The Story Behind O'Donnell Abu** The Division's Opening Ode

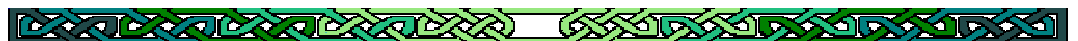
O'Donnell Abú (O'Donnell Forever), also known as the Tyrconnel War Song, was written in the mid-19<sup>th</sup> century by one Michael McCann. It's a rousing marching song about the Nine Years War (1594 – 1603), when O'Neill and O'Donnell challenged Elizabethan rule in Ireland.

After losing the war, O'Neill and O'Donnell left Ireland, never to return (the Flight of Earls). Their lands were colonized by English and Scottish Protestants (the Plantation of Ulster), hence the demographic complications of modern Northern Ireland.

*Proudly the note of the trumpet is sounding  
Loudly the war-cries arise on the gale  
Fleety the steed by [Lough Swilly](#) is bounding  
To join the thick squadrons on [Saimer's](#) green vale  
On, every mountaineer, strangers to flight of fear  
Rush to the standard of dauntless [Red Hugh](#)  
Buanadha and [gallowglass](#) throng from each mountain pass  
Onward for Erin, O'Donnell Abú*

*Princely [O'Neill](#) to our aid is advancing  
With many a chieftain and warrior clan  
A thousand proud steeds in his vanguard are prancing  
'Neath the borderers brave from the banks of the [Bann](#)  
Many a heart shall quail under its coat-of-mail  
Deeply the merciless foeman shall rue  
When on his ear shall ring, borne on the breeze's wing  
[Tír Conaill's](#) dread war-cry: "O'Donnell Abú"*

*Wily old [Desmond](#) the war-wolf is howling  
Fearless the eagle sweeps over the plain  
The fox in the streets of the city is prowling  
And all who would scare them are banished or slain  
On with O'Donnell then, fight the old fight again  
Sons of [Tír Conaill](#) are valiant and true  
Make the proud Saxon feel Erin's avenging steel  
Strike for your country, O'Donnell Abú*



**Prayer List** – Please pray for the repose of the souls of **Jack Cassells brother** and **Greg Nowles father**. Please pray for those who are suffering from chronic illness or receiving medical attention: **Jim Cremins** is recovering from surgery, **Catherine Kiernan**, mother of **Brian**, recovering from surgery to reset bones in her arm following a fall, **Jack Griffin's son, Neil Griffin** will be begin treatment shortly for cancer, **Jack's daughter, Carleen**, has also been diagnosed with cancer, **Wanda Walsh**, wife of **Tom**, receiving treatments for cancer, **Michael Maynes**, son of member **Ed Maynes**, continues to be challenged with cancer, **Bill McKay** who continues to struggle with back pain, and Walt Fergusson's sister is battling a long illness, **Jessie Naughton, Dick Moore appreciates your prayers his cancer is in remission, Thomas Zahn**, brother of Father Zahn, **Jeannie Barrett** wife of **Tom Barrett**, and **Don Reilly**. Please pray for the members of our Division who are serving in the Military. **Father David McGuire**, has returned from Afghanistan. He is serving as Chaplin with the 1<sup>st</sup> Special Operations Wing of the Air Force. **CW2 David Bulger**, US Army has been deployed to Iraq with "B" Co. of the 5/159th Aviation Regiment, **Dennis Flanagan, son of Jack**, is a helicopter mechanic in Afghanistan.

### Upcoming AOH Dooley Events

- Business meetings second Tuesday of the month except July, August, and December
- May – fishing trip
- June – baseball game
- 7/4 – Fourth of July picnic
- 8/18 – Our Lady of Knock Mass and pool party
- 9/14 – Commodore Barry commemoration and picnic at St. Michael's

### **Gotta Badge? Gotta Cap?**

Unlike Alfonso Bedoya in the movie Treasure of Serra Madre, we like our "stinking badges". They help those of us with Irish Alzheimer's (we forget everything but the grudges) remember names. We also have Division caps to keep you warm and looking sharp. If you need a badge or a hat, please contact Paul McFadden at 550-0347.



### 2013 Jack Cassells Annual Fishing Trip on May 11

Mother's Day is May 12, but we should be back Saturday afternoon/early evening.

**You only have to be Irish to fish**, you don't have to be a fisherman, since the captain and 1st mate do all

the work for us. Requirement is to have fun, you don't need to know how to fish. See link at bottom of email for Captain Crabbe charters website.

If we get 10 people or more to go (up to 28 max) it lowers the price for everyone. (10 people \$100 per person, 15 people \$92 per person)

We can carpool, it's about 2 hours from Richmond. Boat departs at 6 am Saturday morning, so you might want to stay Friday night!

### STAYING OVER FRIDAY NIGHT, MAY 10

**We've reserved the Sloop Creek Lodge for May 10** Since it's an early morning departure, 4 bedroom house with rollout couches. (10 people \$25 per person) See below for link to accommodations.

Questions; please email me at [kkcaffrey@hotmail.com](mailto:kkcaffrey@hotmail.com) or call me at 512-6288

Sloop Creek Lodge <http://www.rivabhizz.com/>  
Captain Crabbe <http://www.crabbescharterfishing.com/>

### **Food Drive for St. Paul's Food Pantry**

Pat Naughton is coordinating a food drive for the St. Paul's Food Pantry. Bags will be passed out at the next meeting with a list of needed food items. Food can be brought to the next meeting, dropped off at the Columbian Center, or call Pat for pick up 360-2969. The following are needed.

- cans of tuna \*
- peanut butter \*
- jelly
- cans of soup
- can of fruit (apple sauce, mixed fruit, peaches etc.)
- can of pork and beans
- package of pasta
- cans spaghetti sauce \*
- cans vegetables
- box of cereal \*
- box of crackers
- box of pancake mix

\* - Urgently needed

## Major James Henry Dooley

Major James H. Dooley, was an extraordinary Irish American Scholar, lawyer, soldier and financier, Dooley was above all a philanthropist whose good work are still aiding the unfortunate 79 years after his death. Born January 17, 1841, in Richmond, James Dooley was the oldest child to survive early childhood of the nine children of John and Sarah Dooley, who had emigrated from Limerick Ireland, in 1832. Although they were cousin, they first met during the Atlantic crossing. They married in 1836 and moved to Richmond. John Dooley became a successful hatter and furrier and leader of Richmond's large Irish Community. He was commander of the Montgomery Guard, a volunteer militia company that acted as the focus of the Irish social life in the city.

James Dooley catered Georgetown College (now Georgetown University) at the age of 15 and was awarded a number of medals there for academic excellence. He received his BA. Degree just before the War between the States and returned in 1865 for his MA.

When the war broke out, James proudly marched out of Richmond in the green Richmond uniform of the Montgomery Guard, still commanded by his father. He was wounded in the wrist and captured at the Battle of Williamsburg in May 1862. The wound limited the use of his right arm for the rest of his life.

Returned in a prisoner exchange three months later, he was commissioned a lieutenant in the Ordnance Dept. in Richmond where he served for the rest of the war.

Dooley entered the practice of law with a leading Richmond firm in 1865, but looked upon the legal profession mainly as training for politics and finance.

In 1869, James Dooley married Sallie May, descendent of an old Virginia family that could trace its lineage back to King Edward III of England. Her parents did not attend the ceremony, very likely because they objected to their daughter marry an Irish catholic.

While Dooley remained active in the practice of law until; 1898, and served six years in the state legislature in the 1870s, he began to devote most of his time to his growing business interests. By this time , Maj. Dooley was one of the leading citizens of Richmond. IN his book Major Dooley, Dr. Charles M. Caravati writes of Dooley that, "Though now only forty-eight years old his prestige was such that his advice and participation were sought not only in legal and financial matters but for civic, philanthropic, cultural and charitable endeavors. He was probably endowed with a mind bordering on genius, with uncommon capriciousness and clarity. His work was planned and methodical. He hailed indolence and like Thomas Jefferson, he determined never to be idle and agreed it is wonderful how much can be done if we are always doing."

Major Dooley died in 1922 and Mrs. Dooley shortly after that in 1925. The Dooley's left large sums of money to Episcopal and Catholic churches, the Richmond Library, the Crippled Children's Hospital, and the Sisters of Charity of St. Joseph's Villa.

### DOOLEY HERITAGE

#### EDUCATION

Richmond Public  
Library  
Dooley School  
Richmond  
Cooperative  
Educational  
Association

#### RELIGIOUS

St. Paul's Church  
St. Paul's Home  
St. Joseph's  
Orphanage

#### HEALTH CARE

Crippled Children's  
Hospital  
Dooley Hospital  
Roanoke Crippled  
Children  
Medical College of  
Virginia

#### RECREATIONAL

Maymont  
Art Club of Richmond

#### CITIZENSHIP

Soldier  
Legislator  
Business Leader  
Philanthropist

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# Hibernian Unity



The Dooley proudly marches in the St. Patrick's Parade prior to the St. Patrick's Church Festival