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The required search has now been completed, and considerable success has been attained.

Though three generations of the pedigree have been established in the 18th and early 19th century, there still remains some small difficulty with regard to the parentage of Tonson Lewis Blair. This being so, his marriage certificate was examined at the Office of the Registrar General, but the particulars are as previously stated, viz.,

Marriage in the Roman Catholic Chapel of Skull, Co Cork

24 March Tonson Lewis Blair, full age, bachelor, sailor
1874 of Cashelleen, son of Richard Tonson Blair,
 gent

to

Ellen Cleary, 20, spinster, Dunbeacon, daughter
of Maurice Cleary, publican

By Patrick O'Regan, P.P.

Witnesses: Cornelius Cleary: John Shanahan

The Blairs were, in general, Protestants, though the records indicate that they may have married Catholics on several occasions. Marriages, other than those celebrated by the Catholic clergy, were civilly registered from 1845. Search was therefore made for any marriage of Richard Tonson Blair between 1845 and 1852, but none such is listed.