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Heirlooms and Hand-me-downs : stories from Nicholas Street, Bride Road and the Rosser, Dublin. ed. Chris Reid. *Dublin City Council*. 235 pp pb 23 cm +0-9554281-4-2. This is published under the auspices of the council's Public Art Commission and funded by the Per Cent for Art scheme. Reid himself is a graduate of the National College of Art and Design. The book is the last phase of a project in which he used the testimony and reminiscences of people in Dublin 8 to produce a series of bronze plaques mounted on walls recalling aspects of local history. The book carries on that work relating in their own words the history of this community over the last hundred years. It is a handsome production rather self-consciously 'designed' and packed with the family photographs. ♣♣ → * ✓