CARRICKFERGUS.

REPORT upon the Proposed Municipal Boundary of the BOROUGH of CARRICKFERGUS.

THE ancient Limits of the Borough are those of the Parliamentary Borough, Ancient Limits. which extend to the Limits of the County of the Town, embracing an area of 16,699 statute acres.

This ancient Sea-port Town is situated on the North-west shore of the Belfast Description of Lough, or Bay of Carrickfergus. It has a small Harbour formed by a Pier and THE TOWN. Quay, which admits the smaller class of coasting vessels, of 100 tons burden, at high water. The imports consist of coals, iron, timber, bark, salt, slates and general goods; the exports, of black cattle, grain, alabaster and part of the produce of the manufactories, amounting together to rather more than 10,000 tons per annum. The manufactures consist chiefly of leather, cotton and flax-spinning, affording employment to a considerable portion of the inhabitants at various establishments in the Town and neighbourhood. The suburb called Scotch Quarter is mostly inhabited by fishermen, who contribute materially to the supply of the Belfast fish-market.

The Population within the proposed Limits amounts to 3,800, which is thought Population. to be a small increase on the Census of 1831.

There are no local Rates or Tolls; the property belonging to the corporation is Local Rates. sufficient to pay its expenses.

There is no County Rate levied separately on the Town. The average of the County Rate. Cess levied under Grand Jury Presentment on the County of the Town is about 10 $\frac{1}{2}$ d. per acre, amounting to 729 l. 12s. 7 d. per annum.

With reference to the second paragraph of the Instructions, dated 12th April 1836, in case a more restricted Boundary should be at any time contemplated, I recommend the following. It will include the suburbs called Scotch and Irish Quarters, with Ellis Street and Clipper's Town, which are now considered to form connected portions of the Town, and it embraces also all the ground in the vicinity that appears likely to be built upon in the event of an increase.

From the Point (1) on the North-east of Carrickfergus, at which a Water-Proposed New course (flowing along the Lane which forms the Eastern Boundary of a Plot Boundary. of Land called Peg's Land) meets the Sea-Shore, along the said Water-course to the Eastern Stone Pillar (2) of a Gate in the said Lane, which Gate is distant Five hundred Feet (a little more or less) measured Northward along such Lane, from the Point at which the same leaves the Larne Road; thence along a straight Line drawn from the said Stone Pillar to the Ruins of a Windmill, on Mill Hill (called Windmill Stump) to a Point (3) which is distant One hundred and thirty-two Feet (measured Eastward along such straight Line) from the Point at which the same crosses Ellis Street; thence, Northward, along a Line drawn parallel to Ellis Street, and to the Lane which turns Northward from Ellis Street at Clipper's Town (at the same distance of One hundred and thirty-two Feet to the East of the said Lane), to the Point (4) at which such Line cuts a straight Line, drawn from a Point on the Ballynure 301.

Road, which is distant Five hundred Feet (measured Northward along such Road) from the Point at which the same leaves the aforesaid Lane at Clipper's Town, through a Point on the said Lane, which is distant Five hundred Feet (measured along such Lane) from the Point at which the same leaves the Ballynure Road; thence along the straight Line through the said two Points to a Point (5) which is distant One hundred and thirty-two Feet (measured Westward along such straight Line) from the Point at which the same crosses the Ballynure Road; thence, Southward, along a Line drawn parallel to the Ballynure Road and Ellis Street (at the same distance of One hundred and thirty-two Feet to the West of the said Road and Street) to the Point (6) at which such Line cuts the before-mentioned Line of direction from the Gate Pillar to Windmill Stump; thence, Westward, along the said straight Line to Windmill Stump (7); thence in a straight Line through a Point on the Belfast Road, which is distant Five hundred Feet (measured Westward along such Road) from the Point at which the same meets Davy's Street, to the Point (8) at which such straight Line cuts the Sea-Shore; thence, Eastward, along the Sea-Shore to the Point first described.

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From the Ordnance Survey

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