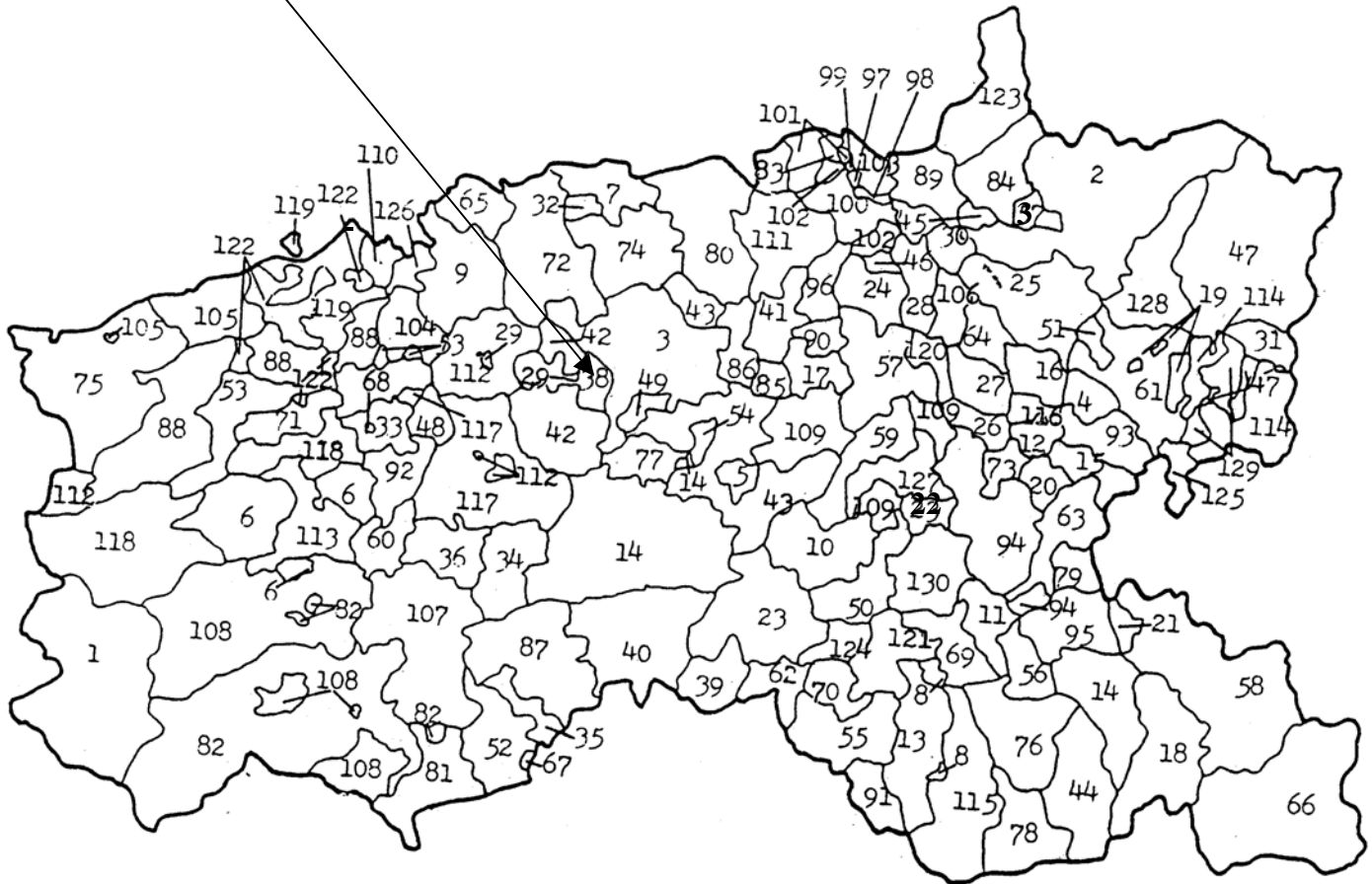


No. 38 – CLONSHIRE



PARISH OF CLOONSHEER- BARONY OF CONNELLO LOWER

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PARISH OF CLOONSHEERCloonsheer Ph.

1

Cluain Siar, west Cloon. J. O'D.

Cloonsheer	-- J. O'D.
Clounsheer	-- Boundary Surveyor's Sketch Map
Clounshire	-- Survey & Valuation Report 1824
	-- Revd. M. Bouchier Rathkeale
Clounshera	-- Barony Map
Cloinesheire	-- Down Survey
Cloneshire	-- Civil Survey 1654-56

This parish is situated in the North of the County of Limerick. It is bounded on the N. and E. by the ph. of Adare, and on the S. and W. by Croagh parish. Its length is 2 miles; breadth,  $1\frac{1}{2}$  miles. It contains 1,517 acres, st. measure.

It is of a rectangular form, with the exception of the townlands of Graigue and Knockdromin which run out in a narrow neck to the West, and increase the breadth of the parish to 2 miles 3 furlongs. The road from Tralee to Limerick passes through the interior. The land is excellent in quality. In 1834, the population numbered 564 persons - 7 Protestants and 557 Roman Catholics.

Townlands

Clounsheerbeg -- B. S. S. M.

2

Cloonsheerbeg -- J. O'D.

See the name Cloonsheer above, page 1.

This townland is situated in the north of the parish. It is the property of J. Pigot, Esq., Capard, Queen's CO. Middleman is Col. John Dixon, Cloonsheerbeg, who holds on a lease for ever, and who occupies a part of it. The remainder he sublets to 5 tenants, 1 having a lease of lives renewable for ever, 1 having a lease of 3 lives, and 3 at will.

Co. Cess is from 2s.6d. to 3s.4d. per acre yearly. Tithe - £17 16s. 10d. on this townland and the td. of Boherbraddagh. The size of farms is from 3 to 100 acres. The soil is argillaceous, producing potatoes, oats and wheat. Fuel is scarce. The Crinagh waters this townland. Prevailing Names - Russell and Wesley.

Coolballyshaun

-- B. S. S. M.

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Coolballyshaun (contd.)

Cúil Bhaile Sheáin, the corner of John's town. J. O'D.

Coolballyshane	-- J. O'D.
	-- Sur. & Val. Report 1824
	-- Barony Map
	-- Presentments Book
Cooleballyshane	-- Down Survey

This townland is situated in the S. of the parish, and contains 292 acres. There are 3 ancient forts here.

It is the property of the Bishop of Limerick. Middleman, Eyre Lloyd, Esq., Wales. Agent, John Maley, Rathkeale, who lets to 5 tenants on a lease of 21 years. Rent from 30s. to 50s. per acre. Co. Cess per acre 2s.6d. to 3s. Tithe per acre 2s.1d. Size of farms - 6 to 60 acres. Fuel scarce. Soil argillaceous, producing wheat, oats & potatoes. Prevailing Names - Mealy and Hinshan. There is a school here, containing 50 boys and 20 girls, all R. Catholics. The teacher is paid by the pupils; quarterly rates, from 1s.6d. to 3s.

Boarheenbraddagh

-- B. S. S. M.

4

Bóthar Bradach, the thievish road. J. O'D.

Boherbraddagh	-- J. O'D.
Boherbradagh	-- Sur. & Val. Report Ireland 1824
	-- Presentments Book
Bohereenbraddagh	-- Meresman
Boarheenbraddagh	-- Revd. Mr. Bouchier, Rathkeale.

Bóithrín Bradach, the pilfering little road. - Local name.

This townland is situated in the S. of the parish, and contains 156 $\frac{3}{4}$  acres.

It is the property of J. Pigot, Esq., Capard, Queen's County. Middleman, Col. John Dixon, Cloonsheerbeg, who sublets to 5 tenants, 2 of whom have leases of lives, & 3 at will. Rent from £1 8s. to £2 5s. per acre. Co. Cess per acre 2s.6d. to 3s. Tithe per acre 1s.6d. to 2s.6d. Size of farms - 10 to 32 acres. Fuel scarce. Soil argillaceous, producing wheat, oats and potatoes. Prevailing Name - Kelly. In this townland stand the ruins of Garraunboy Castle.

Garraunbwee

-- B. S. S. M.

5

Garrán Buidhe, yellow shrubbery. J. O'D.

Garraunboy -- J. O'D.

Gurraunbwee (contd.)

Garraunbuy	-- Barony Map
Gurraneboy	-- Presentments Book
Garraneboy	-- Down Survey
Garranboy	-- Acts of Settm. &c.

This townland is situated in the East of the parish, and contains 258 acres.

It is the property of Anthony Butler St. Ledger, London. Agent, Pelham Babbington, Arthurstown, Co. Wexford, who sublets to 5 tenants on a lease of 2 lives or 31 years. Rent, from 12s. to £1 11s. 6d. per acre. Co. Cess per acre yearly from 2s.6d. to 3s.4d. Tithe, 1s.6d. to 2s.6d. per acre. Size of farms - 10 to 32 acres. Fuel scarce. Soil argillaceous, producing wheat, oats and potatoes. Prevailing Name - Kelly. The ruins of Gurraunbwee Castle stands here.

Glebe of Cloonsheermore No. 1 -- B. S. S. M. 6

Glebe of Cloonsheermore -- J. O'D.

This Glebe is situated in the north part of the parish. It is the property of the Revd. Charles Walberton, Rathkeale. It is let to 1 tenant on a lease of 21 years at the rate of £1 10s. per acre. Co. Cess per acre yearly from 2s.10d. to 3s. Size of farm - 1. Soil light, producing wheat, oats and potatoes. Fuel scarce. Prevailing Name - Shanaghan.

Glebe of Cloonsheermore No. 2 -- B. S. S. M. 7

This Glebe is situated in the centre of the parish. It is the property of the Revd. Chas. Walberton, who lets it to a tenant on a lease of 21 yaers. Co. Cess as in Glebe No. 1. Size of farm - 2½ acres. Fuel scarce. Prevailing Name - Shanaghan.

Gurtnagrouer -- B. S. S. M. 8

Gort na hCreabhar, garden or field of the woodcocks.

Gortnagrouer	-- J. O'D.
Gurtnagrouer	-- Revd. Mr. Bouchier, Rathkeale
Gortnagrouer	-- Sur. & Val. Report 1824
Gortne Croire	-- Civil Survey 1654-56

This townland is situated in the North of the parish, and contains 100 acres.

Gurtnagrouer (contd.)

The proprietor is Anthony Butler St. Ledger, London. Agent, Pelham Babbington, Esq., Co. Wexford. Middleman, Richard Adams, who lets to 2 tenants on a lease of lives and years. Rent, £1 4s. to £1 7s. per acre. Co. Cess yearly from 2s.10d. to 3s. per acre. Tithe per acre, 1s. 10d. Size of farms - 1 to 47 acres. Soil light, producing wheat, oats and potatoes. Fuel scarce. The Grinagh river flows here. Prevailing Name - Gleeson.

Graigue

-- B. S. S. M.

9

Graig, a village. J. O'D.

Graigue

-- J. O'D.

-- Revd. Mr. Bouchier

-- Presentments Book

Graige

-- Acts of Settlement

This townland is situated in the west of the parish, and 71 acres.

It is the property of the Revd. Dean Preston, Limerick. Agent, James McMahon, Esq., Limerick. Middleman, Eyre Lloyd, Wales, whose agent J. Maley, Esq., Rathkeale, lets to 6 tenants, 5 of them at will, and 1 on a lease of 21 years. Rent per acre, £2. Co. Cess, 2s.4d. to 3s. per acre yearly. Tithe, 1s.4d. to 2s.6d. per acre. Size of farms - 3 to 21 acres. Soil light, producing potatoes, wheat and oats.

Knockdrummin

-- B. S. S. M.

10

Cnoc Dromain, hill of the back. J. O'D.

Knockdromin

-- J. O'D.

-- Presentments Book

Knockdrommin

-- Barony Map

Knockdrummin

-- Revd. Mr. Bouchier

Knockdrum

-- Down Survey

This townland is situated in the western extremity of the parish. It contains 148½ acres.

This townland is the property of the Bishop of Limerick. Middleman, Eyre Lloyd, Wales. Agent, John Maley, Rathkeale, who sublets to 2 tenants on a lease of 21 years, at a rent of £2 per acre. Co. Cess per acre yearly - 2s.6d. to 3s. Tithe per acre, 2s.4d. to 3s. Size of farms - 21 acres. Soil argillaceous, producing wheat, oats and potatoes. Prevailing Name - O'Conner.

Clounsheermore

Clounsheermore

B. S. S. M.

11

Big Cloonsheer.

See parish name. J. O'D.

This townland is situated in the N. of the parish. It is the property of the Bishop of Limerick. Middleman, Eyre Lloyd, Esq. Wales. Agent, John Maley, Esq., Rathkeale, who sublets to 7 tenants on a lease of 21 years. Rent per acre, £2 to £2 10s. Co. Cess per acre yearly 2s.6d. to 3s.

It contains 218 acres. Size of farms - 3 to 53 acres. Fuel scarce. Soil argillaceous, producing wheat, oats and potatoes. Cloonshire River waters the townland. Prevailing Names - Shanahan and Connor.

Miscellaneous Features.Clounsheermore Castle

-- Local

12

See name of parish. J. O'D.

Situating in the td. of Cloonsheermore.

This is a rectangular building, 28 feet long and 22 feet broad. The walls are perfect. It is 4 stories high; the lowest story was arched, the upper stories lofted. On the W. side is a tower, joined to the castle. It is a square of 8 feet side, & is ascended by a spiral staircase, which is still nearly perfect. On the E. side is another tower, 15 feet by 13 feet, the walls of which are tolerably preserved. It is 3 stories high.

Gerraun-Buidhe Castle

-- Revd. Mr. Bouchier

13

Garrán Buidhe, yellow shrubbery. J. O'D.

This old ruined castle stands in the td. of Garraunboy, and is of a rectangular form, 44 feet by 28 feet. The east, west and north walls are standing; the south wall is razed to the ground. The lowest apartment is 24 feet by 16 feet inside. Over this apartment were 3 lofts. This is evident from holes in the walls at regular distances, made to support the joists.

Clounsheer Church Ruins

-- Local

14

Cloonsheer

-- J. O'D.

These ruins stand in the Glebe of Cloonsheer.

This church was a rectangular building, 50 feet long

Clounsheer Church Ruins (contd.)

and 22 feet wide. The walls are perfect, with the exception of the south wall, part of which is down. There is a belfry on the west wall. The door is also on the West; it is 5 feet high and  $2\frac{1}{2}$  feet wide, covered overhead with a large slab.

Clounsheer House

-- Local

15

Cloonsheer House, als Cloonsheer Lodge.

This house is situated in the townland of Cloonsheerbeg. Colonel John Dickson is the proprietor.

It is a comfortable, slated cottage, built in 1812 by Col. Dickson. Annexed to it are a small artificial pond, a good garden, with some planting and ornamental ground.

Clounsheer Bridge

-- Local

16

Cloonsheer Bridge.

This bridge is situated on the boundary between the parishes of Cloonsheer and Cappa.

It is built on a bye road over a small stream.

Tooeey Bridge

-- Local

17

This bridge is situated on the boundary between the parishes of Cloonsheer and Adare.

It is built over a small stream, called by the peasantry the Grinagh river. (Greanach = gravelly stream).

End of the Parish of Cloonsheer.