MARYBOROUGH.

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

THE ancient Limits of the Borough of Maryborough are prescribed by the Ancient Limits. Charter granted to the Town by Queen Elizabeth, to extend to a distance of 8,000 feet from the Walls of the Castle, or Fort, on every side. The length of the Boundary Line will be about nine miles and a half, and will embrace an extensive rural district.

Maryborough is the County Town of the Queen's County, in which it holds Description nearly a central situation; it is a Town of very little importance or wealth, pos- of the Town. sessing a very inconsiderable Market, compared to other Towns in the County (particularly Mountmellick), as it has not a great facility of water carriage very near it, by which to send the agricultural produce either to the large Towns or to a Port for exportation. It is stated, however, that within the last few years the quantities of grain brought to the Market have increased.

Considerable sums of public money have been expended within the last five or six years in building the New County Gaol and the Lunatic Asylum, for the District comprising the King's and Queen's Counties, and the Counties of Westmeath and Longford.

The Population of the Town, from the same cause as at Carlow, viz. the num- Population. ber of mechanics employed in erecting the public buildings in 1831, appears to have been greater at that period than in 1834, when these persons had left the Town. The probability is, that the Population at present does not exceed (if it is even so great as) what it was in 1831, viz. 3,220 souls.

There are not any Local Rates.

Local Rates.

The amount of County Rate paid by persons resident in the Town was, from County Rates. Summer Assizes 1835 to Spring 1836, the sum of 67 l.; the charge for the preceding half-year was about 75 l.; making a total for the year of 142 l.

The old Boundary of the Borough, as before stated, enclosing a considerable extent of country, I propose a new one, of which the following is a description:-

From the North-east Angle (1) of the Enclosure Wall of the New Gaol, Proposed Eastward, in a straight Line to a Point (2) on that Road to Mountmellick, Boundary. which runs along what is commonly called the "Ridge," at which a Lane, leading into some Fields turns off from it to the North-eastward, and which Point is about One hundred and forty Yards North-west of the place where a Road from the Town, passing between the Zion Chapel and the Old Fort, and crossing a small Stream, meets the said Mountmellick Road; thence in a straight Line to the Point on the Green Road to Mountmellick (3), at which a Lane turns off to the Eastward to the Green Mill; thence in a straight Line to the Point (4) on the Bye Road which runs close to the South of Mr. Harper's House and Offices, at which such Bye Road is crossed by a very small Stream, which Stream is the Boundary between the Parishes of Borris or Maryborough and Clonenagh, and is stated also to be the Western Boundary 301.

Boundary of the old Green or Commons of Maryborough; thence, Southward, along the said Stream (being the Parish Boundary), till it meets the Road to Mountrath and Limerick, at what is termed the "Bloody Bridge" (5); thence, Eastward, in a straight Line to the South-west Angle of the Enclosure Wall of the Barracks (6); thence in a straight Line to the Point (7) on the old Road to Ballyroan, at which a Bank or Hedge leaves the said Road on the East Side, and which Bank is the South Boundary of the Grounds belonging to Mr. Woodroffe, and is also the Boundary between the Townlands of Little Borris and Downs; thence, Eastward, along the said Bank, for about Thirty Yards, to the summit of the Rise called the "Ridge;" thence in a straight Line, in the direction of the Cupola of the Lunatic Asylum, until such straight Line cuts the Stradbally Road (8); thence, Eastward, along the said Stradbally Road to the South-east Angle of the Enclosure Wall of the Lunatic Asylum (9); thence, Northward, along the East Enclosure Wall of the said Lunatic Asylum to the Dublin Road (10); thence in a straight Line to the Point first described.

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From Local Survey

The Ancient Boundary from the Report of the Municipal Commissioners



REFERENCES.

Ancient Boundary Green

Proposed Boundary Purple

Scale_One Inch to One Statute Mile. 2 Miles. Green Mill 44 M. Harpers PARISH OF PARISH BORRIS CLONENAGH New Gaol MARYBORROUGH (10) Infirmary Fort Castle Lunatic Asylum Church School Ho.

Scale Four Inches to One Statute Mile.

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