

PARISH OF RATHJORDAN – BARONY OF CLANWILLIAM

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Situated about 8 miles S.E. of the City of Limerick. It is bounded E. by Kilteely and Aghlishcormick phs.; N. by Ballybrood ph.; W. by Caherelly ph.; and S. by the phs. of Ballinard and Kilcullane. Contains 1064 acres.

This parish is about 2 miles long and  $1\frac{1}{2}$  miles broad, and is of an irregular form, with a level surface. It contains but 3 townlands, and has no roads through it.

## Townlands

Rathjordan Ph.

Galboola

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#### Galboola (contd.)

Gall-Bhuaile, the English booley or dairy-place.

Galboola -- J. O'D.

-- Inhabitants

Ballybola -- Presentment Book 1834
Gallaboula -- Tithe Compn. Book 1833

Galboly -- Down Survey

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Situated in the east end of the parish. Bounded on the E. by the ph. of Kilteely; W. by Rathjordan Td.; N. by Ballybrood Td.; and S. by the td. of Rootiagh and the ph. of Ballinard.

This td. contains 250 acres, which are arable. Soil partly light and without limestone, producing potatoes, corn and flax. The proprietor Major Maunsell has it let to Mr. Thos. Barry of Caherline by a lease of 3 lives at £1 16s. per acre, and he again to 8 tenants for same tenure and at £2 7s. per acre in farms of 60 to 12 acres. County Cess generally 1s.2d. to 1s.8d. per acre ½ yearly. Tithe 1s.6d. per acre. Bog used for fuel is in abundance. Prevailing Names: Ryan.

# Glebe of Rathjordan

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See parish name. J. O'D.

Situated in the west end of the parish, and is bounded on all sides by the td. of Rathjordan.

This Glebe contains 6 acres, which are arable. Soil light and rocky and without limestone, producing potatoes, corn and flax. The proprietor, the Revd. Geo. Madder, has it let to Mr. Henry Smedick, and he again to 2 tenants by leases of 3 lives at £3 per acre. Co. Cess generally 1s.2d. to 1s.8d. per acre ½ yearly.

## Rathjordan

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See parish name. J. O'D.

Situated in the west, north and south of the parish. Bounded on the E. by Galboola Td.; W. by Caherelly Td.; N. by Ballybrood Td.; and S. by Ballinard Td.

This td. contains 807 acres, of which about 10 are bog, the rest arable. Soil partly deep, with some limestone, producing potatoes, corn, flax and some wheat. The proprietor, J. Wyse, Esq., has it let to Mr. Henry Smedick by a lease for ever at £1 per acre, and he again to 28 tenants

## Rathjordan (contd.)

by leases of 3 lives at £2 15s. to £1 10s. per acre in farms of 100 to  $2\frac{1}{2}$  acres. Co. Cess generally 1s.2d. to 1s.8d. per acre ½ yearly. Tithe 2s. per acre. Bog in abundance. Prevailing Names: Dwyer.

#### Miscellaneous Features.

#### Thobar na Shestree

-- Inhabitants

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Tobar na Seisrighe, well of the ploughland.

Tobernasheshry

-- J. O'D.

The Plough Well (Eng.)

-- Inhabitants

Situated in the N.W. part of the td. of Rathjordan and also E. of the Glebe.

This is a spring well, about 4 feet wide, and placed in a green field. It is a legend, maintained by the natives, that as men were in the act of ploughing in this field formerly they together with the horse and plough were swallowed in that spot, after which this well sprang up and was called as above.

## Rathjordan Church

-- Inhabitants -- J. O'D.

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Situated in the Glebe of Rathjordan and on the mddle of the west boundary thereof.

This church or graveyard is about 2 chains long and  $1\frac{1}{2}$  chains broad, with a small ruin in its centre, nearly level with the ground.

## John the Baptist's Well -- Inhabitants

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St. John the Baptist's Well -- J. O'D.

Tobar Eoin Bhaisde

-- Inhabitants

Situated near the middle of the west part of the td. of Rathjordan, a little west of Rathjordan Glebe and Church.

This is a spring well, about 3 feet wide. It is held sacred by the natives, and stations are generally performed at it on the eves of Sundays, also on the anniversary of the Saint, the 24th June. There is, however, no pattern held at it.

Caogh Y Dhu

-- Inhabitants

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Cae Dubh, black quagmire.

Kaeduff

-- J. O'D.

Situated on the west side of the td. of Rathjordan, and forms the boundary between the phs. of Rathjordan and Caherelly.

This is a stream, about 12 feet wide. It rises at the west side of the td. of Doonvullen (Ph. of Ballybrood), runs south and falls into the River Commogue.

End. of the Ph. of Rathjordan