

PARISH OF STRADBALLY OR CASTLECONNELL – BARONY OF CLANWILLIAM AND COUNTY OF THE CITY OF LIMERICK

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#### BOOK I

#### PARISH OF STRADBALLY OR CASTLECONNELL

#### BARONY OF CLANWILLIAM

Stradbally or Castleconnell Ph. )

-- B. S.

Sráid-Bhaile or Caisleán Uí Chonaill, recté Caisleán Ui Chonaing, O'Conaing's Castle.

Stradbally or Castleconnell ) -- J. O'D.

Stradbally

-- Sur. & Val. Report 1824

-- Down Survey

Castleconnell

-- Ferrar's Hist. of Limerick

Situated in the extreme north of the Barony of Clanwilliam. Is bounded on the N. and N.W. by the River Shannon, which forms the boundary between it and the County Clare; E. by the Co. Tipperary; S. by Killeenagarriff Ph.; and S.W. by Stradbally in the County of the City.

This portion of the parish is about 5 miles long and 2 miles broad, running N. and S. It contains the town of Castleconnell and its celebrated Spa. It is well cultivated, and there are several Gentlemens' residences in the south end of it.

#### Townlands

# Ballinacourty

-- B.S.

1

Baile na Cuirte, town of the Court or mansion house.

Ballynacourty

-- J. O'D.

-- Barony Map

Ballinacourty

-- Tithe Composition Book

Situated in the south end of the parish. Is bounded on the E. by Woodroad Td.; W. and S. by Hermitage Td.; and N. by the tds. of Park and Sallymount.

This td. contains 109 acres, of which 100 acres are coarse, boggy land, and the rest arable. Soil light & gravelly, producing potatoes, oats and wheat. Lime is seldom used for manure. The proprietor Lord Massy has it let to tenants by leases of 3 lives at from £1 6s. to £1 10s. per acre. Co. Cess from 1s.3d. to 1s.4d. per acre half yearly. Tithe 1s.1d. per acre. Bog used for fuel plentyful. Prevailing Name : Conway.

Brackloon

-- B.S.

3

Breac-Chluain, the speckled meadow or bog island.

Brackloon

-- J. O'D.

-- Tithe Compn. Book 1825

Situated in the south end of the parish. Is bounded on the E. and W. by Gardenhill Td.; W. by Parkwood Td.; and S. by Woodroad Td.

This td. contains 66 acres of arable land. Soil, light and gravelly, producing potatoes, cats and wheat. There is about 16 acres of bog. Lime is used for manure. The proprietor Mr. Thomas Westropp has it let to tenants by leases of one life at from £2 16s. to £3 per acre. Go. Gess from 1s.3d. to 1s.6d. per acre half yearly. Tithe 1s.6d. to 1s.7d. per acre. Bog is used for fuel. Frevsiling Name: Mulcahy.

#### Bunkey

-- B.S.

4

Bun Caedh, foot of the quagmire

prond. Bun-key.

Bunky

-- Tithe Compn. Book

Bankeah

-- Barony Map

Bunkey -- J. O'D.

Situated in the S.W. end of the parish. Is bounded on the E. by the td. of Bunkey in the Ph. of Killeen-a garriff; W. by Gardenhill Td.; N. by the Ph. of Kilvellane; and S. by Killeenagarriff Ph.

This td. contains 112 acres, of which half is bog, and half arable. Soil light and gravelly, producing potatoes, cats and wheat. Limestone is brought from Sallymount and burned for manure. Proprietor Sir Edmd. Waller has it let to tenants by lot and lease of lives at the average of 26s. per acre. Co. Cess 1s.4d. per acre half yearly. Frevailing Names: Mulcahy.

#### Cloon & Commons

-- B.S.

5

Cluain, the meadow, lawn, or bog-island.

Cloon Commons

-- Tithe Compn. Book

Cloon & Commons -- J. O'D.

Situated in the west end of the parish. Is bounded on the E. by Gooig Td.; W. by Killannalea Td.; N. by Lacka and Derreen Tds.; and S. by Coolreiry Td.

This td. contains 222 acres, of which  $\frac{1}{4}$  is arable, producing potatoes, oats and wheat. The proprietor Sir

#### Cloon & Commons (contd.)

Richard De Burgh has it let to tenants by division. Wm. Gabbett has part and has it let, part for building at 3 (sic) per foot and part to Mr. Watson at £8 per house and plot. Liable to pay County Cess and Tithe.

#### Coolbawn

-- B. S.

6

Cúil Bhán, white angle, nook or corner.

Coolbane

-- J. O'D.

Coolbawn

-- Tithe Compn. Book

Collebane -- Acts of Settlement

Situated in the West end of the parish. Is bounded on the E. by Goolreiry Td.; W. by Cloon and Commons Td.; S. by the td. of Stradbally N.; and N. by Clocn and Commons Td.

This td. contains 94 acres, all of which are arable. Soil deep and good, producing potatoes, oats and wheat. Proprietor Sir Richd. De Burgh has it let to tenants, now out of lease. Some pay from £8 to £10 per house & garden in the town of Castleconnell.

#### Coolreiry

-- B. S.

7

Cuil Ruaidhri, Rory's corner or angle.

Coolreiry

-- J. O'D.

recte Coolrory.

Coolrery - Tithe Compn. Book Coolereagh - Acts of Settlement &c.

Situated in the south end of the parish. Is bounded on the E. and S. by Woodpark Td.; N. by the td. of Cloon and Commons; and W. by Coolbane Td.

This td. contains 149 acres of arable land. Soil deep and good, producing potatoes, oats and wheat. Onefifth of the td. is bog. Lime is used for manure. Proprietor Counsellor Dwyer has it let to tenants by lease of 999 years at 4s.6d. per acre. Co. Cess from 1s.3d. to 1s.6d. per acre helf yearly. Tithe from 1s.6d. to 1s.9d. per sore. Bog used for fuel. Prevailing Fame: Freean.

# Coolready

-- B.S.

8

Cuil Ui Riada, O'Reidy's corner or angle.

Coolready

-- J. O'D.

-- Tithe Compn. Book

-- Barony Map

# Coolready (contd.)

Situated in the N. end of the parish. Is bounded on the E. by the Ph. of Kilcomenty (Co. Tipperary); W. by Portcrusha Td.; N. by Montpelier Td.; and S. by the tds. of Derrylusk and Gooig.

This td. contains 383 acres, of which & is bog; the rest arable. Soil light gravelly, producing potatoes, oats and wheat. Proprietor Sir Richd. De Burgh has it let to Henry Bridgeman, and he to tenants by leases of 3 lives at £1 2s. per acre. Pays Tithe and Co. Cessby each division from 7s. to 7s.6d. per acre half yearly. Prevailing Names: Ryan.

#### Derryhasna

-- B.S.

9

Doire Thasna, Tasna's oak grove.

Derryhasna

-- J. O'D.

-- Tithe Compn. Book

Derrycarna

-- Barony Map

Situated in the N.E. end of the parish. Is bounded on the E. by the Ph. of Kilcomenty; W. by Montpelier Td.; N. by Fairyhall Td.; and S. by Coolready Td.

This td. contains 205 acres, of which 30 are bog, the remainder arable. Soil deep gravelly, producing potatoes, oats and wheat. Proprietor Wm. Henry Bridgeman has it let to tenants by lots and leases of 3 lives at about 30s. per acre. Co. Cess 1s.3d. per acre half yearly. Tithe from 7s. to 7s.6d. per lot. Limestone is brought from the Co. Tipperary and is burned for manure. Bog is used for fuel. Prevailing Name: Muldoon.

#### Derrylusk

-- B.S.

10

Doire Loisothe, burnt oak grove.

Derrylusk

-- J. O'D.

-- Tithe Compn. Book 1825

Drilisk

-- Barony Map

Situated in the centre of the parish. Bounded on the E. by Gooig Td.; W. by Lacka Td.; N. by Coolready Td.; and S. by Derreen Td.

This td. contains 114 acres of bog and arable land. Soil light and gravelly, producing potatoes, cats and wheat. Time is brought from Castleconnell and burned for manure. The proprietor Sir Richd. De Burgh has it let to Mr. Henry Bridgeman, and he to tenants by lot, at the average rent of 30s. Co. Cess per acre half yearly 1s.3d. Tithe half gale 7s.6d. Prevailing Name: Burke.

Derreen

-- B. S.

11

Doirin, little oak wood.

Derreen

-- J. O'D.

-- Tithe Compn. Book

Situated in the centre of the parish. Is bounded on the E. by Gooig Td.; W. by Lacka Td.; N. by Derrylusk Td.; and S. by Cloon & Commons Td.

This td. contains 82 acres, of which 30 acres are arable and about 50 acres bog. The proprietor Sir Richd. De Burgh has it let per his agent Joseph Walplate, Esq., on leases of 999 years at the average rent of £1 14s. per acre. Pays Tithe 30s. per year for the farm.

#### Druminboy

-- B.S.

12

Dromuin Buidhe, yellow ridge.

Drominboy Dromminbuov -- J. O'D.

-- Barony Map

Situated in the south end of the parish. Is bounded on the E. by Killeenagarriff Ph.; W. by the Ph. of Stradbally in the County of the City; N. by Ballynacourty Td. and by Woodroad Td.; and S. by Knockbrack Td.

This td. contains 92 acres, of which & is bog, the remainder arable. Soil light & gravelly, producing potatoes, oats and wheat. Proprietor Mr. Henry Trant has it let to tenants by lots yearly at about £2 per acre. Co. Cess 1s.3d. per acre half yearly. Tithe is included in the rent. Bog used for fuel. Frevailing Name: McGrath.

# Fairyhall

-- B. S.

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Fancy name. J. O'D.

Fairy Hall

-- Tithe Compn. Book

Fairyhill

-- Barony Map -- J. O'D. Fairyhall

Situated in the N. end of the parish. Is bounded on the E. by the Ph. of Kilcomenty (Co. Tipperary); W. by Montpelier Td.; N. by Killaloe Ph.; and S. by the td. of Derryhasna.

This td. contains 105 acres of arable land. Soil deep and good, producing potatoes, oats and wheat. The proprietor Sir R. De Burgh has it let to tenants on leases of lives at £1 10s. per acre. Co. Cess 1s.3d. per acre half yearly. Tithe 1s.9d. per acre. Bog used for fuel is scarce. Prevailing Name: Mullony.

Gardenhill

-- B.S.

13

Gardenhill

-- J. O'D.

-- Tithe Compn. Book

-- Barony Map

Situated in the east end of the parish. Is bounded on the E. by Bunkey Td.; W. by Huntingstown Td.; N. by Gooig Td.; and S. by Woodroad Td.

This td. contains 538 acres, of which 20 acres are bog, the remainder arable. Soil wet heavy bad land, producing potatoes and oats, seldom wheat. Lime is used for manure. The proprietor Councellor Dwyer has it let to Mr. John Fruen, and he to tenants by lease of 3 lives and 31 years at £3 per acre. Co. Cess half yearly 1s.3d. per acre. Tithe 1s.7d. to 1s.9d. per acre. Prevailing Name: Blackall.

#### Goigue

-- B.S.

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Guaig, meaning uncertain.

Gooig

-- J. O'D.

Goug Goig -- Sur. & Val. Report 1824

-- Tithe Compn. Book

Guog

-- Barony Map

Situated in the east end of the parish. Is bounded on the E. by the Ph. of Kilcomenty; W. by Derrylusk Td.; N. by Coolready Td.; and S. by Cloon and Commons Td.

This td. contains 573 acres, of which ½ is bog, and ½ arable. Soil light and gravelly, producing potatoes, oats and wheat. Proprietor Sir Richd. De Burgh has it let to Mr. Wm. Kelly, and he to tenants by leases of 1 life at from £1 3s. to £1 16s. per acre. Co. Cess generally 1s.3d. per acre. Pays no Tithe. Lime is used for manure. Prevailing Name: Ryan.

#### Gurtnalougha

-- B. S.

16

Gort na Láthach, field of the puddles.

Gortnalahagh

-- J. O'D.

Gurtnalougha

-- Tithe Compn. Book

Situated in the south end of the parish. Is bounded on the E. by Brackloon Td.; W. by Sallymount Td.; N. by Farkwood Td.; and S. by Woodroad Td.

This td. contains  $24\frac{1}{2}$  acres, all arable. Soil light and gravelly, producing potatoes, cats and wheat. Lime used for manure. Proprietor Mr. Thos. Westropp has it

#### Gurtnalougha (contd.)

let to tenants by leases of one life at the yearly rent of £2 6s. per acre. Co. Cess generally from 1s.3d. to 1s.6d. per acre half yearly. Tithe 1s.6d. to 1s.9d. per acre. Bog used for fuel, none. Prevailing Name: McGrath.

#### Hermitage -

-- B. S.

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Hermitage

-- J. O'D.

-- Tithe Compn. Book

-- Barony Map

Situated in the west end of the parish. Is bounded on the E. by Ruan Td.; W. by Stradbally Ph. in the County of the City; N. by the td. of Stradbally N.; and S. by Ballynacourty Td.

This td. contains 167 acres, part wood, the rest arable, not cultivated. Proprietor Lord Massyhas it let to Francis Spright, Merchant in Limerick, who has taken it for 10 years at £300 per annum.

#### Huntingstown

-- B.S.

18

-- Tithe Compn. Book

-- J. O'D.

Situated in the south end of the parish. Is bounded on the E. and S. by Gardenhill Td., and on the W. and N. by Woodpark Td.

This td. contains 28 acres, all arable. Soil wet bad land, producing potatoes and oats. Proprietor Councellor Dwyer has it let to John Fruen, and he to tenants by leases of 3 lives at £3 per acre. Co. Cess generally from 1s.3d. to 1s.4d. per acre half yearly. Tithe 1s.6d. to 1s.9d. per acre. Bog is used for fuel. Prevailing Name: Hassett.

# Knockbrack

-- B. S.

10

Onoc Breac, the speckled or mottled hill.

Knockbrack

-- J. O'D.

-- Tithe Compn. Book

-- Barony Map

Knockbracke

-- Acts of Settlement &c.

Situated in the south end of the parish. Is bounded on the E. by Killeenagarriff Ph.; W. by Stradbally Ph. in the County of the City; N. by Drominboy Td.; and S. by the Ph. of Killeenagarriff.

This td. contains 16 acres, all bog. The proprietor

#### Knockbrack (contd.)

Sir Thos. Molyneux has some tenants on it, each having from 20 to 30 perches reclaimed, and paying from 5s. to 7s. and to 10s. per acre. No taxes. Prevailing Names: Ryan.

#### Lacka

-- B.S.

20

Leaca, hillside.

Lacka

-- J. O'D.

Lacke

-- Tithe Compn. Book

-- Barony Map

Situated in the west end of the parish. Is bounded on the E. by the tds. of Derrylusk and Derreen; W. by the Ph. of Kiltennanlea (CO. Clare); N. by Portnacrusha Td.; and S. by the td. of Cloon & Commons.

This td. contains 248 acres of arable and 45 acres of bog. The proprietor Hohn Dwyer, Esq., has it let to Mr. Joseph Walplate by lot at lease of 99 years, now only 80 to run. Average rent per acre £2. Pays Co. Cess & Tithe for 60 acres.

#### Mountpellier

-- B. S.

21

Montpelier Mountpelier -- J. O'D.

-- Sur. & Val. Report 1824

-- Tithe Compn. Book

-- Barony Map

Situated in the north end of the parish. Bounded on the E. by Derryhasna Td.; W. by Portcrusha Td.; N. by the td. of Fairyhill; and S. by Coolready Td.

This td. contains 264 acres, all arable, producing potatoes, cats and wheat. Proprietor John Going, Esq., has it let to Sir Richd. De Burgh, and he again to tenants by leases of lives and a lump rent averaging £1 per acre. Pays Co. Cess and Tithe half yearly. Bog used for fuel is plentiful. Prevailing Name: Mullony.

#### Newgarden

-- B.S.

22

-- Tithe Compn. Book

-- J. O'D.

Situated in the north end of the parish. Is bounded on the E., N. and S. by Ballynacourty Td., and W. by the Td. of Newgarden in the Ph. of Stradbally in the County of the City.

This td. contains 7 acres, all moory bad land producing oats. Proprietor Hugh Lloyd, Esq., has it let as

#### Newgarden (contd.)

waste with a farm to the tenants of Newgarden in the County of the City.

#### Park

-- B. S.

23

Páirc, a field.

Park

-- J. O'D.

-- Tithe Compn. Book

-- Revd. Joseph Crampton, Rector

-- Barony Map
-- Down Survey

-- Acts of Settlement &c. 1666-1684

Situated in the south end of the parish. Bounded on the E. by the tds. of Parkwood and Sallymount; W. by Ruan Td.; N. by Woodpark Td.; and S. by the td. of Ballynacourty.

This td. contains 73 acres, all arable. Soil wet and gravelly. Limestone burned and used for manure. Proprietor Mr. Thomas Westropp has it let to tenants by leases of 1 life at the yearly rent of from £2 10s. to £1 5s. per acre. Co. Cess per acre half yearly 1s. 3d. Tithe 1s.3d. per do, Bog used for fuel, none. The land produces potatoes, oats and wheat. Prevailing Name: Farrel.

#### Parkwood

-- B.S.

24

Parkwood Woodpark -- J. O'D. -- Barony Map

Páirc na Coille, field of the wood.

Situated in the S.E. end of the parish. Bounded on the E. by Gardenhill Td.; W. by Park Td.; N. by Woodpark Td.; and S. by Gortnalahagh Td.

This td. contains 21 acres, all arable. Soil light and gravelly, producing potatoes, oats and wheat. Lime is used for manure. Proprietor Mr. Thos. Westropp has it let to tenants by leases of 1 life at £1 18s. per acre yearly. Co. Cess 1s.3d. per acre half yearly. Tithe 1s.1d. to 1s.6d. per acre. Bog used for fuel, none. Frevailing Name: Farrel.

#### Fortcrusha

-- B.S.

25

Port Croise, Fort of the Cross. Annals of the Four Masters.

#### Porterusha (contd.)

Porterusha Porterush

Porterush Upr. PortCrushy )

Lr. Portcrushy
Upper and Lower
Portrusse

-- J. O'D.

-- Revd. Jos. Crampton

-- Down Survey

-- Acts of Settlement &c.

Situated in the N.W. end of the parish. Is bounded on the E. and N. by Montpelier Td., and W. by the Phs. of Kiltenanlea and Killaloe.

This td. contains 286 acres, all bog, of which about is reclaimed and produces potatoes and meadow. The proprietor Councellor Gabbett has part of it let to the Dublin Canal Co. on a lease of 99 years at £3 per acre, and part to Joseph Walplate, Esq., who sublets to Stean & Co. by lease of 999 years at £100 per year. No County Cess or Tithe paid.

#### Powell's Island

-- B. S. -- J. O'D. 26

Situated in the centre of the River Shannon and on the west side of the parish. It is bounded on the W. by Kiltenanlea Ph.; E. by the td. of Stradbally North; and S. by Hermitage Td.

This island contains Oa. 2r. 5p., all coarse bushy pasture. The proprietor is Councellor Powell by purchase of an old date.

#### Ruaun

-- B.S.

27

Ruadhán, reddish land.

Ruan

-- J. O'D.

-- Tithe Compn. Book

Situated in the south end of the parish. Is bounded on the E. by Park Td.; W. by Hermitage Td.; N. by the td. of Stradbally South; and S. by Ballynacourty Td.

This td. contains 47 acres, all arable. Soil gravely and good, producing potatoes, oats and wheat. The proprietor Lord Massy has it let to tenants by leases of 3 lives and 21 years. Co. Cess 1s.3d. per acre half yearly. Tithe 1s.4d. per acre half yearly. Bog used for fuel is scarce. Lime is used for manure. Frevailing Names: O'Halloran.

# Sallymount

-- B.S.

28

-- J. O'D.

-- Barony Map
-- Tithe Compn. Book

#### Sallymount (contd.)

Situated in the S. end of the parish. Is bounded on the E. by Gortnalahagh Td. and Woodroad Td.; N. by Park Td.; and S. by the td. of Ballynacourty.

This td. contains 68 acres, all arable. Soil light & gravelly, producing potatoes, oats and wheat. Lime used for manure. Proprietor Mr. Thomas Westropp has it let to George Bruce, and he again to John Abraham at lease of 1 life at the yearly rent of £4 10s. per acre. Co. Cess per acre half yearly 1s.3d. Tithe per acre from 1s.4d. to 1s.6d. Lime is used for manure.

#### Stradbally North

-- B.S.

29

Sráid-Bhaile, street town.

See parish name.

Situated in the N.W. end of the parish. Bounded on the E. by the tds. of Coolreiry and Woodpark; W. by the Ph. of Kiltenanlea; S. by Hermitage Td.; and N. by Coolbane Td.

This td. contains 180 acres, all arable. Soil light and gravelly. Proprietor John Dwyer, Esq., has it let to tenants by farms, some yearly and some by lease of 10 years, and on those farms reside Gentlemen O'Callaghan, White, Tuthil and Massy. The tenants pay Co. Cess of 2s.6d. per acre half yearly, and Tithe of 3s.1½d. per acre. No bog.

#### Stradbally South

-- B.S.

30

See preceding name.

Situated in the N.W. end of the parish. Bounded on the E. and N. by the td. of Stradbally North; S. by Ruan Td.; and W. by Stradbally N. Td.

This td. contains 3½ acres, all arable. Soil deep & good, producing potatoes, oats and wheat. Proprietor Lord Massy has it let to Mrs. Wallace, and she to Mr. George Gore who pays her £60 per year.

# Woodpark

-- B. S.

31

Woodpark

-- J. O'D.

Situated in the S. end of the parish. Is bounded on the E. by Brackloon Td.; W. by Park Td.; N. by Parkwood Td.; and S. by Gortnalahagh Td.

This td. contains 158 acres, all arable. Soil wet &

# Woodpark (contd.)

partly bad, producing potatoes and oats. Proprietor Councellor Dwyer has it let to Mr. Patk. Carey, and he to Councellor Devitt at lease of lives renewable for ever at £3 15s. per acre. Subject to Co. Cess and Tithe. Bog used for fuel is plentiful.

#### Woodroad

-- B.S.

32

Bothar na Coille, road of the wood.

Woodroad

-- J. O'D.

-- Sur. & Val. Ireland 1824

-- Tithe Compn. Book

Situated in the S. end of the parish. Is bounded on the E. by Gardenhill Td.; W. by Sallymount Td.; N. by Brackloon Td.; and S. by Drominboy Td.

This td. contains 134 acres, all arable. Soil deep & good, producing potatoes, oats and wheat. The proprietor Mr. Thos. Westropp has it let to tenants by leases of 1 life at £1 14s. per acre yearly. Co. Cess generally from 1s.3d. to 1s.6d. per acre. Tithe 1s.6d. to 1s.9d. per acre. Bog used for fuel, of which there is about 20 acres in the td. Prevailing Names: Farrell.

#### Discellaneous Features

# O'Brien's Bridge

-- Inhabitants

33

Droichead Uí Bhriain, O'Brien's bridge.

O'Briens Bridge -- J. C'D.

Situated in the N. end of the parish, and on the River Shannon on the boundary of the counties of Clare

and Limerick.

O'Briens Bridge, and on the south side is Montpelier Town with 2 publick houses. The people say that formerly there was a wooden bridge here, and that two men, one named O'Brien, agreed to build the present bridge on the understanding that it would become the property of the survivor. When the bridge was finished within one arch, the two men were walking along it when one fell in wind was drowned. The survivor, the one named O'Brien, thus became owner of the bridge, which has ever since been known as O'Brien's Bridge. So runs the tale.

#### Cranduff Bridge (contd.)

Crann Dubh, black tree.

Cranduff

-- J. O'D.

Situated in the N.E. end of the parish and on the County boundary, on the road from Montpelier to Birdhill.

This was formerly a toll bridge, and has taken its name from some stuff for colouring wood raised in this stream, which forms the boundary between the counties of Tipperary and Limerick. The bridge is about 10 feet long with one small arch about 4 feet high.

#### Stradbally Lodge

-- Inhabitants

35

-- J. O'D.

Situated in the W. end of the td. of Stradbally and on the E. side of the road from Limerick to Castleconnell.

This house was built by Lord Massy in 1822. It is handsomely constructed, is about 2 story high, 40 feet long and 23 feet broad, and is seated on an eminence overlooking the village of Castleconnell.

#### Stormount House

-- Inhabitants

-- J. O'D.

Situated in the W. end of Coolbane Td. and about 60 feet from the R. Shannon.

It is 2 story high, 56 feet long and 20 feet broad. It stands on an eminence overlooking the River Shannon on one side and the village of Castleconnell on the other.

# Kilebeg als. Kil Vaughan

36

Cill Bheag, little church.

Eylebeg

-- J. O'D.

-- Inhabitants

recte Kilbeg.

Situated in the E. end of Woodroad Td., 4 chains W. of the road from Limerick to Newport.

This is a circular place, enclosed by a ditch and bushes, where strangers and young children are generally buried. It is on an eminence, and has the appearance of a fort.

37

# Clogh rhoo na Pistia (contd.)

Cloch Ruadh na Péiste, the red stone of the serpent.

Cloghroena peastia -- J. O'D.

Situated in the W. end of the td. of Ruan, and on the E. side of the road leading from Limerick to Castleconnell.

A serpent is said to have had its abode under a stone here, but St. Patrick is said to have cut it in two, whereupon the two parts sprany off to a bog near the Shannon, into which they sank. The hole they made in sinking existed till a few years ago and was called Pul na Pesta Rooa (Poll na Peiste Ruaidhe, the hole of the red serpent).

#### Castle Connell ruins -- Inhabitants

38

Caislean Uí Chonaill, recté Caisleán Uí Chonaing.

The true name is Castle Conaing.

Castleconnell

-- J. O'D.

Situated near the W. end of Coolbane Td. and S. of the village of Castleconnell.

This old castle is said to have been built by the O'Briens, and to have remained in their possession till 1690, when it was destroyed by General Ginkle. No member of the O'Connell family is said to have ever possessed it. It was built on a rock, and is in or about 160 feet long and 100 broad. Small portions of the walls are still standing.

# Rock Lodge.

-- Inhabitants

40

Situated in the S. end of Coolbane Td.

This house was once the seat of Captain Kearn, but is now in ruins. It is about 50 feet long, 40 feet broad, and 16 feet high. It is seated on an eminence, where General Ginkle is said to have placed his cannon for bombarding the castle.

# Woodpark House

-- J. O'D.

Situated near the N. end of Woodpark Td.

This house was built in 1821 by Councellor Devitt at the expense of about £300. It is 2 story high, 60ft. long and about 30 ft. broad.

#### Shannon Lodge

-- Inhabitants -- J. O'D.

41

Situated near the S. end of the td. of Stradbally.

This house is now the property of Mr. Wm. White. It is 60 feet long, 20 feet broad, and 2 story high. It is seated on an eminence overlooking the River Shannon.

# Belle Mount House

-- Inhabitants

Bellemount Ho.

-- J. O'D.

Situated near the centre of Stradbally Td. and W. of the road from Limerick to Castleconnell.

It is now in the possession of Mrs. Wm. Massy, and is handsomely built. It is about 54 ft. long and 37 ft. broad, and is 2 story high. It is seated on an eminence overlooking the R. Shannon.

# Sallymount Fort

- Inhabitants J. O'D.

42

Situated in the S. end of Sallymount Td.

Is about 140 ft. in diameter, with trees growing around it. This fort is not cultivated, and on the south side of it stand the ruins of Gallymount House, of which the walls have been thrown down and taken away. The house was about 30 ft. long and 20 ft. broad.

# Sargants Well

-- Inhabitants

Sargent's Well - J. O'D.

Situated in the E. side of Ballynacourty Td., 20 links S. of Old Road.

This well takes its name from a man named Sargent, who formerly lived in Sallymount House. The well is in an old ditch, and has a large thorn bush overhanging it: but it is now choked with mud.

#### Ruins of Gardenhill House -- Inhabitants -- J. O'D.

43

Situated in or about the centre of Gardenhill Td.

It is about 40 ft. long, 30 ft. broad and 10 ft high. It was formerly the seat of Mr. John Fruen, and is seated on an eminence commanding a fine prospect of the mountains of Tipperary.

#### Park Fort

-- Inhabitants

-- J. O'D.

# Park Fort (contd.)

Park Fort

-- J. O'D.

Situated in the centre of the td. of Park.

This fort is about 160 links in diameter, and has a few thorn bushes around it.

# Castle Connell Church

-- Rector Crampton -- J. O'D.

44

Situated about the centre of Stradbally Td. and one chain E. of the road from Limerick to Castleconnell.

It was built by the Board of First Fruits in 1801, and an addition was made to it in 1827. It is 2 story high, about 60 ft. long and 30 ft broad, with wings, and with a graveyard near the centre of it. Close by are the ruins of an old church, 40 ft. long and 4 ft. high.

#### Castle Connell School

-- Rector Crampton

45

This school was established in 1810, and is now supported chiefly by the Rector, who pays the Mistress £8 per year for teaching the girls, and the Clerk of the Church £15 per year with a house and garden for teaching the boys. Average number of pupils: - Boys, 40; Girls, 50.

# R. C. Chapel

-- Inhabitants

-- J. O'D.

Situated in the N. end of the td. of Stradbally.

It was built by subscription about 50 years ago. It is about 90 ft. long, 20 ft. broad, and 10 ft. high, and is seated near the R. Shannon.

# World's End.

-- Inhabitants

**4**6

Situated in the W. side of Lacka Td., and within 1 chain of the R. Shannon.

It received this name in consequence of the road ending there at what was then the edge of the bog, but is now reclaimed land.

# Cloon House

-- Inhabitants

47

-- J. O'D.

Situated in the W. end of Cloon Td. and about 2 chains E. of the road leading from Castleconnell to the World's End.

#### Cloon House (contd.)

This house is 2 story high, 30 ft. long and 24 ft. broad. It is said to have been built by a man named Burke, who became insane and died as the result of stopping a blessed well, which had formerly been where Cloon House now stands, and the waters of which had cured the blind and the lame. The house is said to be still haunted by some invisible being. As regards the well, it is said that, after being stopped by Burke, it burst forth on the edge of the Shannon, through which it flows without mingling, so that its water can be taken out of the river without any mixture with the river water.

#### Tantoyne

-- Inhabitants

48

Tontine

-- J. O'D.

Situated in the west end of the td. of Cloon and Commons, and about 4 chains E. of the Shannon.

This house was built by subscription, and was after-wards sold to Messrs Watson, Gabbett and Arthur.

#### Lisheen

-- Inhabitants

-- J. O'D.

Lisin, a small fort.

Situated on the boundary between Fairyhall and Montpelier, and about 6 chains S. of the R. Shannon.

This is a circular enclosure, about 2 chains in diameter, where are buried children, strangers and people that are drown'd in the R. Shannon.

# Cloon Island

-- Inhabitants
-- J. O'D.

40

Oilean na Cluanach, island of the meadow.

Situated in the R. Shannon, near the west side of Coolbane and Cloon tds.

It is said that this island was artificially made. A Franciscan Friary was founded on it in 1291, and its remains have been converted into a coach house and offices to a newly erected house, 2 story high, 50 ft. long and 45 ft. broad. It is said that persons were buried on the island in former times; but there is now no trace of a burial ground.

#### Woodland House Woodlands

-- Inhabitants

50

-- J. O'D.

Situated in the W. end of the td. of Stradbally N.

#### Woodland House (contd.)

and about 5 chains E. of the River Shannon.

This house was built in 1799 by John Meade Thomas, Esq., and now belongs to Jeremiah Tuthill. It is 54 ft. square, 2 story high, and seated on an eminence overlooking the R. Shannon.

#### Castle View

-- Inhabitants

31

-- J. O'D

Situated in the W. end of the td. of Stradbally North, and 160 ft. E. of the Shannon.

This house was rebuilt by Mr. O'Callaghan in 1818. It is 2 story high, 45 ft. long, 30 ft. broad, and seated on an eminence overlooking the R. Shannon and the ruins of an old castle.

#### Hermitage House

-- Inhabitants

52

Hermitage

-- J. O'D.

Situated in the N.W. end of Hermitage Td., and about 8 chains N.E. of the boundary between Hewgarden and Hermitage tds.

This house was built by Mr. Saul Bruce about 1818 or 1819. It is 3 story high, 70 ft. long, 66 ft. broad, and seated on an eminence overlooking the R. Shannon.

# Spaw Well

-- Inhabitants

53

Spa Well

-- J. O'D.

Situated in the S.W. corner of Lacka Td., and on the west side of the road leading from the town of Castleconnell to World's End.

This well is covered by a shed, and is conveniently situated for the accomodation of those who go to use its waters. It rises off an iron mine, and its waters have great curative properties.

# Laurel Lodge

-- Inhabitants
-- J. O'D.

54

Situated in the S. end of Lacka Td., and on the N. side of the road leading from Castleconnell to Montpelier.

This house was built in 1830 by Edmund Homan at the supposed expense of £300. It is 2 story high, 40 ft long and 20 ft. broad.

#### Woodville Lodge

-- Inhabitants

54

Situated in the S. end of Lacka Td, and about 2 chains W. of Laurel Lodge.

This house was built by Mr. Fenny in 1815 at the supposed expense of £300. It is 2 story high, 30 ft. long, and 16 ft. broad.

# Castleconnell Hotel, or Dowling's Hotel

55

do.

-- J. O'D.

Situated in the N. end of the td. of Cloon and Commons, and to the east of the road leading from Castleconnell Town to the Spa well.

This house was built in 1759 by Vier Hunt, Esq. at the expense of £500. It is 30 ft. long, 25 ft. broad, and 2 story high.

# Hawthorn Hotel

-- Inhabitants

-- J. O'D.

Situated in the N. end of Cloon & Commons Id.

This house is now nearly in ruins, and takes its name from a large hawthorn bush which was in front of it, but which was blown down by storm in Jan. 1839. It was a thatched house, 40 ft. long, 20 ft. broad, and 20 ft. high.

# Coolbawn House

-- Inhabitants

56

See townland name. J. O'D.

Situated in the centre of Coolbane Id.

This is a thatched cottage, about 40 ft. long, 20 ft. broad, and about 12 ft. high. It is seated on an eminence overlocking the Shannon.

# Mons Loage

-- See letter

In the td. of Portacrusha.

The residence of James McNeal, Esq.

# End of Book I.

#### BOOK II

#### PARISH OF STRADBALLY OR CASTLECONNELL

#### COUNTY OF THE CITY OF LIMERICK

#### Stradbally or -- B.S. Castleconnell Ph.

See parish name Book I.

Situated in the east end of the County Limerick, about 3 miles E. of the City. It is bounded E. by the Ph. of Stradbally, Barony of Clanwilliam; S. by Killeenagarriff Ph.; W. by Kilmurry Ph.; and N. by the County of Clare.

This portion of the parish is about 2 miles long and the same in width, being nearly circular. It has in it the extensive Demesne of Mountshannon, belonging to Lord Clare.

#### Ballingowan

\_\_ B. S.

2

1

Baile na nGabhann, town of the smiths.

Ballynagowan

-- J. O'D.

Ballynagown

-- Sur. & Val. Report 1824

-- Tithe Compn. Book

-- Revd. Jos. Ctampton, Rector

Situated in the south end of the parish. Is bounded on the E. by Knockbrack Td.; W. by Richhill Td.; N. by Mountshannon Td.; and S. by the Ph. of Killeenagarriff.

This td. contains 14 acres, mostly bog. The proprietor Sit Thomas Molyneux has a few tenants on it, who pay him from 10s. to 50s. per years, each having a few perches reclaimed. No. Taxes nor Tithe.

# Ballyvolane

- B. S.

3

Baile Ui Mhaolain, O'Mullan's town.

Ballyvollane

-- J. O'D.

Ballyvillane

-- Tithe Compn. Book

Ballyvollin

-- Acts of Settlement &c.

1666-1684.

#### Ballyvolane (contd.)

Situated in the west end of the parish. Is bounded on the E. by Lisnagry Td.; W. by Rivers Td.; N. by the Ph. of Kiltenanlea; and S. by Garraunykee Td.

This td. contains 318 acres, all arable but not cultivated. The proprietor Kilnore Brazier has it let to Lord Clare, who has it incorporated in his demesne.

#### Carrowkiel

-- B. S.

4

Ceathramhadh Chaol

-= narrow quarter.

Carrowkeel

-- J. O'D.

Carhuceall -- Tith

-- Tithe Compn. Book 1824

Situated in the N. end of the parish. Is bounded on the E. by Richhill Td.; W. by Garraunykee Td.; N. by the td. of Mountshannon North; and S. by the Ph. of Killeenagarriff.

This td. contains 21½ acres, all arable, part of which produces potatoes, oats and wheat. The proprietor John Brown, Esq. has it let to tenants, of whom Lord Clare has the greater part and has it let into his demesne. Rent £3 per acre. Tenure, leases of 3 lives. Pays Liberty Taxes of 4s.6d. per acre. Tithe 2s.3d. per acre half yearly. Bog used for fuel, none. Prevailing Names: Ryan.

# Gurraunakee

-- B.S.

5

Garran Ui Chaoidh, O'Kay's shrubbery.

Garraunykee

-- J. O'D.

Gurraunakee

-- Tithe Compn. Book

-- Revd. Jos. Crampton, Rector

Situated in the S. end of the parish. Is bounded on the E. by the td. of Mountshannon North; W. by Kilmurry Ph.; N. by Rivers Td.; and S. by Killeenagarriff Ph.

This td. contains 89 acrea, all arable. The proprietor Kilnore Brazier, Esq. has it let to Lord Clare, who has incorporated it in his demesne.

#### Knockbrack

-- B. S.

6

Cnoc Breac, the speckled hill.

Situated in the south end of the parish. Is bounded on the E. by the Ph. of Stradbally or Castleconnell in the Bary. of Clanwilliam; W. by the tds. of Mountshannon South and Ballynagowan; and S. by Killeenagarriff Ph.

This td. contains 24 acres, all bog. The proprietor

# Knockbrack (contd)

6

Sir Thomas Molvneux has part let to poor people. Who have built cabins on it and pay him from 5s. to 10s. per year.

#### Lissnagry

-- B. S.

7

Lios na nGroidhe, fort of the cattle.

Lisnagry

-- J. O'D.

Lissnagry

-- Tithe Compn. Book.

--- Revd. Joseph Crampton Lisnegrey

-- Acts of Settlement &c.

Situated in the centre of the parish. Is bounded on the E. by Newgarden Id.; W. by Ballyvollane Id.; N. by the td. of Prospect N.; and S. by the td. of Mountshannon N.

This td. contains 429 acres, all arable; part producing potatoes, oats and wheat. The proprietor John Brown, Esq. has part let to Lord Clare, and part to tenants, by leases of 3 lives at £2 6s. per acre. Taxes 4s.6d. per acre half yearly. Tithe included in the rent. No bog.

#### Mt. Shannon North

-- B. S.

8

Mountshannon N.

-- J. O'D.

Mt. Shannon

-- Tithe Compn. Book

-- Revd. J. Crampton, Rector

Mountshannon

-- Co. Map 1821

Situated in the south end of the parish. Is bounded on the E. by Richhill Td.; W. by Garraunykee Td.; N. by Lisnagry Td.; and S. by Carrowkeel Td.

This td. contains 301 acres, all arable, not cultivated. The proprietor Lord Clare has it as a demesne.

#### Mt. Shannon, Part of

-- B. S.

O

See preceding name.

Situated in the north end of the parish. Is bounded on the E. by Knockbrack Td.; W. by Richhill Td.; N. by Lisnagry Td.; and S. by Ballynagowan Td.

This td. contains 17 acres, all bog. Proprietor, John Brown, Esq.

# Newgarden

-- B. S.

10

Garraidh Nua, new garden.

#### Newgarden (contd.)

Newgarden

-- J. O'D.

-- Fithe Compn. Book

-- Revd. Jos. Crampton

Garrynoe, or Newgarden -- Sur. & Val. Report 1824

Situated in the north end of the parish. Is bounded on the E. by Hermitage Td.; W. by Prospect Td.; N. by the Ph. of Kiltenanlea; and S. by Lisnagry Td.

This td. contains 203 acres, all arable. Soil deep and good, producing potatoes, oats and wheat. The proprietor Eyre Lloyd, Esq. has it let to John Massy Reeves, Esq. by lease for ever at £3 per acre. Pays Liberty taxes, etc.

#### Frospect North

-- B. S.

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10

Prospect

-- J. O'D.

-- Tithe Compn. Book

-- Revd. Jos. Crampton

Situated in the N. end of the parish. Is bounded on the E. by Newgarden Td.; W. by Ballyvolane Td.; N. by the Fh. of Miltenanlea; and S. by Lisnagry Td.

This td. contains 289 acrea, all arable. Soil deep and good, producing potatoes, oats and wheat. The proprietor Dyre Dloyd, Esq. has it let to tenants by leases of 1 life at £2 6s. per acre. One of the tenants is Mr. Gabbett, who has his portion relet to Godfrey Massy, Esq. Tenants pay taxes of 4s.6d. per acre half yearly. Tithe is included in the rent. Prevailing Name: Ryan.

#### Rivirs

-- B.S.

12

Cluain Cliabh, meadow of the baskets.

Anciently Clooncleave.

Rivers

-- J. O'D.

Rivirs -- Tithe Compn. Book

-- Revd. Jos. Crampton

Situated in the west end of the parish. Is bounded on the E. by Ballyvolane Td.; W. by Kilmurry Ph.; N. by the Ph. of Eiltenanlea; and S. by Garraunykee Td.

This td. contains 119 acres, all arable. Soil partly good. Proprietor Kilnore Brazier has it let to Lord Clare, who has made it part of his demosne.

型ichhill

-- B. S. -- J. O'D. 13

Situated in the south end of the parish. Is bounded on the E. by the tds. of Mountshannon S. and Ballynagowan; W. by the tds. of Mountshannon N. and Carrowkeel; and S. by the Ph. of Killeenagarriff.

This td. contains 65 acres, all arable. Soil deep and good, producing potatoes, oats and wheat. The proprietor John Brown, Esq. has it let to Wm. Howly, Esq. by lease for ever.

#### Miscellaneous Features.

# Newgarden House

1

-- Inhabitants

14

-- J. O'D.

Situated in the east end of Newgarden Td.

This house is about 75 ft. long and 21 ft. broad, and is 2 story high. It is seated on an eminence over-looking the R. Shannon, and has a very decayed appearance.

# Prospect House

-- Inhabitants

-- J. O'D.

Prospect Hill

-- Co. Map 1821

Situated in the east end of the Td. of Prospect N. and 3 chains west of the road leading from Castle-connell to the Bleach Green.

This house is 2 story high and about 40 ft. ong and 35 ft. broad. It is seated on an eminence overlooking the R. Shannon.

#### Lisheen

-- Inhabitants

15

Lisin, small fort.

Lisheen

-- J. O'D.

Situated in the west end of the td. of Prospect N. and about 2 chains from the R. Shannon.

This fort is about 2 chains in diameter, and unbaptized children and persons who are drowned are buried here.

#### Logalean

-- Inhabitants

Log a' Léin, hollow of misfortune.

Logalean

-- J. O'D.

Situated near the centre of Newgarden Td.

# Logalean (conta.)

It is about 2 chains in diameter, not cultivated.

#### Mount Shannon

-- Inhabitants

-- J. O'D.

16

Situated near the west end of the td. of Mountshannon North.

This house was built about 30 years ago by an ancestor of Lord Clare. It is a handsome structure, 3 story high, about 80 ft. long and 70 ft. broad. It is seated on an eminence overlooking the R. Shannon.

#### Richhill

-- Inhabitants
-- J. O'D.

17

Rich Hill

-- See letter

Situated near the south end of Richhill Td. and about 6 chains N. of the road leading from Limerick to Castleconnell.

This house was built by Mr. Wm. Howly. It is 2 story high, and about 60 ft. long and 56 ft. broad. It is seated on an eminence overlooking the Demesne of Mount Shannon.

#### Caherline

-- Inhabitants

Cathair Lin, stone fort of the flax.

Caherline

-- J. O'D.

Situated in the east end of lisnagry Td., on the south side of the road from Limerick to Castleconnell.

This house is 2 story high, 60 ft. long and 40 ft. broad. sested on an eminence overlooking the R. Shannon.

# Liberty Stone

-- Inscription on Stone -- J. O'D.

18

Situated in the south corner of Ballynagowan Td., in the front wall of Terence Gleeson's house, near the road side leading from Limerick to Nenagh.

This stone is about 3 ft. high and 12 ft. high. It was placed here in 1786 by Sir Christopher Knight, the then Mayor of Limerick.

End of the Parish of Stradbally or Castleconnell