

THE PARISH OF KILLEELY.

SITUATION. This Parish is situated partly in the north east corner of the Liberties of Limerick and in the south east part of the County of Clare. It is bounded on the east by the Parish of St. Munchin, on the north by part of the same and by Kilfintenan in Clare, and on the south by the River Shannon.

NAME. This is called in Irish Cill Fhiadhaile, which seems to signify the Church of St. Fiadhal, whose name is mentioned in the Irish Calendar at the 24th of December.

For an account of the site of the original Church of this Parish see letter on the part of this Parish lying in the County of Clare.

In the Townland of Coonagh West in this Parish and about a quarter of a mile to the north of the Shannon are the ruins of a castle called Corrin. All the walls are destroyed except a part of the west wall which is eighteen feet in height and only two feet six inches in thickness. 59

The extent of the foundations of this castle cannot be determined, as no trace of the other walls is visible and potatoes now grow on the space occupied by their foundations.

Near the east boundary of the detached portion of this Parish is situated the Townland of Moin na mBráthar (Monabraher) the Bog of the Friars, which is mentioned in the Annals of the Four Masters at the year 1510. See the entire passage quoted in my notice of the Parish of Stradbally or Castleconnell.

Antiquities examined by Mr. A. Curry.

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Askeaton.
