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Lackeen Castle

(Sheridan)



Lorrha & Dorrha
Parish. (Lipp)

Dominican Priory
Church. (Sheridan)

1269. A. D.



Lorrha &
Dorpusa Parish

Church of The
Canons Regular
1. Cent. (Sheridan)

I.T.A. TOPOGRAPHICAL AND GENERAL SURVEY

NATURAL FEATURES, ANTIQUITIES,
HISTORIC ASSOCIATIONS, ETC.

[BARONY OF LOWER ORMOND

TOWN OR VILLAGE LORRHA PARISH LORRHA & DOORNA COUNTY TIPPERARY

TOPOGRAPHY

Brief description of outstanding scenic views in the district, natural attractions, or unusual topographical features.

Glavin Bay, an inlet of Lough Derg is bounded partly by this parish and partly by the neighbouring parish of Templeless: there are some excellent glimpses of the hough from the Portland-Cairngahing road [which continues from Cairngahing on the "East" road via Old Court, Dromingagh and Ballinacorney]. Lorrha has a modest beauty-spot in the Friar's hough, a miniature lake with a pleasant wooded setting $\frac{1}{2}$ ml. from the village.

See re-write no. 1

GEOLOGY ^{not}*Brief notes on unusual geological features, such as caves, eskers, etc.*

See draft no. 2

MANSIONS, CASTLES AND ESTATES ^{not}
OF IMPOSING CHARACTER

*Location and brief description. Owner. Past associations. Libraries or art collections?
Gardens? Open to visitors? Admission charge?*

NONE

ANTIQUITIES

Abbeys, Castles, Fortresses, Round Towers, Early Churches, Sculptured Crosses, Stone Circles, Ogham Stones, Cairns, Souterrains, Pillar Stones, Cromlechs, Forts, Rathes, Moats, Tumuli or ancient monuments of any kind. Exact location of each with short description, noting condition, etc. Relate local legend or tradition associated with building or object. State if in charge of Office of Public Works. Right of way to public? Admission charge (if any). Name and address of caretaker, or where key is kept.

See re-write, sheet (3)

LORRA. In the village of Lorra are the ruins of three ancient monastic establishments. Two of them, ~~are~~ the remains of buildings erected by the Canons Regular who came to Ireland early in the 12th century, stand on the site of the original monastery of Saint Treadhan which was founded in 550 A.D. and continued to be occupied by Irish Columban monks until about the beginning of the 12th century. The third and principal ruin is that of the Dominican Priory founded in 1269 A.D. by Walter de Burgh, Earl of Ulster and Lord of Connacht.

Adjoining Lorra ball-alley is the Church of the Canons which measures 100' x 22' on the inside. The port-door, which faces the road is ornamented with figures and has a carved head of a woman over the arch. It measures 7' in height by 3' 6" and is well-preserved, as is also the east window, a mulioned and pointed arch 8' high. This ruin has, of course, been roofless for centuries. The companion ruin which adjoins the Protestant Church seems to have been a residence-house of the community; its external dimensions are 60' x 36' and it contains a vaulted chamber and a stone staircase leading to a (roofless) room above the vault. The entrance-corridor is beautifully ornamented and has a sculptured figure of a man's head surmounting the arch; it is believed to have originally belonged to the Church.

In the ancient graveyard in which the Protestant Church is situated there are remains of two stone crosses of great antiquity; each consists of part of the broken upright of the cross and the solid block of limestone which formed its base. Tradition says that the cross near the abbey marks the grave of Saint Treadhan and the other that of Conchobhar, Lord High of Ireland who died at Lorra in 910 A.D.

The Church of the Canons is in the care of the Commissioners of Public Works [entrance off the public road]. The other ruin is situated on parochial property; the key can be had from Miss P. DYER who lives opposite the Protestant Church.

The Dominican Priory is situated in the grounds of the Catholic Church. Its ground-measurements 145' x 24 1/2' and the walls rise to a considerable height. Though it has lost its roof and suffered no little disfigurement it is an impressive ruin; in the east wall may be seen the remains, partially destroyed and built up, of what must have been a magnificent window. The ruin is in the care of the Commissioners of Public Works. Inside the church, embedded in the walls, are three interesting old Latin tombstones - two of them to the O'Kennedys, one to a MacGowan - with legible inscriptions in Latin: solemn reminders of the vanity of human life juxtaposed with the proud crests of the dead they commemorate.

A few yards from the Priory stands the ruined rectangular wing of Lorra Black Castle: completely camouflaged by ivy, it is the sole remnant of a 12th & 13th century Anglo-Norman fortress. ~~Object of all the antiquities of Lorra is the Green Mount, a small circular mound which is situated by the roadside a short distance below the Protestant Church.~~

Other ecclesiastical remains in the district are those at PORTLAND, BONAHUM, PALLAG, LACKEEN and ROSS. The last three are very slight and hardly likely to interest anyone except the specialist. Portland Old Church is picturesquely situated on a hill in the former Portland estate overlooking Lough Derg. It has a semi-

(Plain sheets of foolscap paper to be used, if necessary, for recording additional information).

Topography.

This district, lying E. of the Shannon, at the N.E. end of L. Derg, consists mainly of gently undulating land, with few points exceeding 300' above sea-level. The scenery is generally of a very pleasant nature—green pastures & colourful patterns of cultivation, together with the more sombre bog-brown, combining in charming fashion to please the eye. From many of the higher points fine views are to be had over wide stretches of country. To W. & S.W. especially, good prospects are obtained of the Shannon & its great river-lake of L. Derg. Along the road from Portland to Carrigrohery one gets some excellent glimpses of L. Derg—the land on the farther shore rising gently to terminate in the ~~distant~~^{high} background of the Slieve Aughty Mountains. Occasional woodlands, notably that of the Portumna Castle estate, lend variety to the scenery at this end of the lough. To the E. also there are long ~~range~~ views of an attractive, well-wooded countryside, beyond which rises the distant outline of the tall Slieve Bloom range.

Liar's Lough, a miniature lake $\frac{1}{2}$ mile from the village of Lorrha, makes a modest beauty spot in its pleasant, wooded setting.

Parish: Lorrha & Dorrha (2)
Geology

The geological structure of the district is Lower Carboniferous Limestone — part of the Great Central Limestone Plain.

Rich pastures ~~and~~ + well cultivated tillage forms the greater part of the land, with some fairly large tracts of bog, especially beside the Shannon & the Little Brosna River.

DOMINICAN PRIORY, LORRHA: Situated in grounds of Cath. Church, Lorrha village, the Priory, tho' roofless & disfigured, is an impressive ruin. Ground measurements are $145' \times 24\frac{3}{4}'$ & the walls rise to a considerable height. In the E. wall are the remains, partially destroyed & built up, of a once magnificent window. Three interesting old tombstones with legible Latin inscriptions are embedded in the walls, inside - two to the O'Kennedys & one to a Mac Egan. The ruin is in charge of the O.P.W.

The Priory was founded in 1269 AD by Walter de Burgo, Earl of Ulster & Lord of Connacht, & became an important establishment. In 1688 a provincial chapter of the order was held here, at which 150 friars were present.

CHURCH OF THE CANONS (LORRHA ABBEY): A roofless ruin adjoining the ballalley, Lorrha village. Interior measures $100' \times 22'$. The well-preserved main door, which is $7'$ high $\times 8'$ wide is ornamented with figures, the arch being surmounted by the carved head of a woman. There is also a well preserved, mullioned E. window in Early Pointed style, $8'$ in height.

The earliest religious establishment here was the 6th centy. foundation of St. Ruadhan, who presided over 150 monks & died in 584. Ruadhan's monastery flourished uninterruptedly until 844, when, says Archdall, it was even under Ingearius destroyed. The town. The abbey was later restored & occupied by the Canons Regular in 12th centy, & was accidentally destroyed by fire in 1154, 1157 & 1179. The date of the present building is about the 13th centy. St. Ruadhan's head was preserved in a silver reliquary in the abbey up till its suppression.

(~~XX~~ INSERT HERE PARAGRAPH BELOW, MARKED XX)

LACKEEN CAS.: Situated $\frac{1}{2}$ mile N.W. of Abbeville, $2\frac{1}{2}$ m. E of Lorrha & $1\frac{3}{4}$ miles S of The Pike, this castle of the O'Kennedys is the largest & most impressive of the ruined castles of the district. It has a 16th centy rectangular tower & is in an excellent state of preservation. Tho' roofless, the floors, stairways & narrow, arched chambers & corridors are intact. The castle is in charge of O.P.W.

INSERT BEFORE 'LACKEEN CAS'

XX Adjoining the Prot. Church is the ruin of what appears to have been the residence house of the community. Its external dimensions are $34'$, & it contains a vaulted chamber & a stone stairway leading to a roofless room above the vault. The entrance doorway is beautifully ornamented, a sculptured masculine head surmounting the arch. These believed to have originally belonged to the Abbey church.

REDWOOD CAS.: Situated 4 m. N. of Lorrha & 2 m. from Ballincor X-roads, on road running N. from Birr-Portumma road at that point (Portumma Ballincor 5 m.). [Continue with surveyor's account under 'REDWOOD CAS.']

THEN continue with 'Ballyquirke Cas.' & 'Ireton's Cas.' etc.

Antiquities (Contd.)

- circular arch in the Hiberno-Romanesque style and the lancet windows of a later period. It measures 50' x 24'. The site is approached by the new Land Commission road branching S. from the Portunna-Birr road a mile from Portunna bridge. Boshum Church belongs to a very ancient style of Irish ecclesiastical architecture of a date not later than the middle of the 11th century. It measures approximately 43 x 22' and the walls are 15' high. The distance, via Rathcavan, from The Pike on the Birr-Portunna road is just under 2 mls. [Birr-The Pike: 6 mls.]

LACKEN Castle of the O'Kennedys, is situated not far from Obbeville and is 2½ mls. E. of Lorra village and 1½ mls. S. of The Pike [see Boshum Church, antl.]. A comparatively modern building of the rectangular tower type, it is the largest and most impressive of the ruined castles of Lorra; it is in an excellent state of preservation - floors, stairways and narrow arched chambers and corridors are all complete: only the roof is missing. This monument is in the care of the Commissioners of Public Works.

[For situation etc. see rough sheet no 3]

REDWOOD CASTLE is situated just under 2 mls. N. of Derrinacorney Roads on the Birr-Portunna road

[Portunna-Birr 5 mls.] ^{THIS} ~~It dates from Elizabethan times and is a quadrangular tower 30' high with a~~ ^{dates from Elizabethan times.}

save ~~the~~ towers attached to the S.E. angle. The walls are well-preserved, though of the interior little remains

except the staircase and the main arch. It was from this stronghold that the MacLagan of the time, who was High-Chief of Tullymore and in alliance with the English, vowed to attack O'Hullivan Place during the latter's historic march to the North but the owners of Redwood Castle had a long record of patriotism and

scholarship which more than ^{atones} ~~compensates~~ for this ^{isolated} ~~isolated~~ act of treachery. The MacLagans were a noted race of

bretons and scholars in ancient Ireland, and during the 16th and 17th centuries Redwood Castle housed the celebrated school of law and history in which Michael O'Clery, the chief author of the Annals of the Four Masters, and Duaid MacFirbis, the author of the ^{CHRONICON SCOTORUM} ~~Chronicon Scotorum~~, received their early education.

Redwood Castle is thus directly associated with two of the most valuable of our ancient historical records, and it is indirectly connected with a third, the ^{LEABHAR BREAC MHC ADHAGAIN} ~~Leabhar Breac Mhc Adhagáin~~ which was written by an

unknown member of the MacLagan family about the end of the 14th century. The last episode in the history

of Redwood Castle is significant of the changes which had overtaken the fortunes of the Irish nation by the end of the 18th century: after the suppression of the 98 Rebellion the ruin became the refuge, until his capture

and death, of James Meany, a brave local leader of the United Irishmen, commonly known as 'The Bold Captain' and 'Meany the Outlaw'.

BALLY AUGHRE CASTLE is situated ^{2 m.} ~~1 m.~~ S. of Lorra village, in the vicinity of Conisphaing. Built in 1480, it is a quadrangular tower of the usual type and is in a fair state of preservation. Walls, towers and one floor - that which rests on the stone arch - are complete; the roof has disappeared. The house is kept by Miss Watson, Ballypishke House, at the entrance to whose property the castle is situated.

RETON'S CASTLE, or, as it is also known, DERRY ISLAND Castle, is a small castle of unusual design, now unfortunately in a very ruinous condition, situated at Derrinacorney, 1½ m. S.E. of Portunna. The approach is by way of the Carriganorrig road and a lane across the callows, and the distance by road from Portunna is 3 mls. In 1801, Connolly's son-in-law, is said to have lodged in the castle - hence its name.

PORTLAND OLD CHURCH. Picturesquely situated on a hill in the former Portland estate, overlooking L. Derg. Approach by the new Land Commission road branching S. from the Portunna-Birr road, one mile from Portunna bridge. It measures 50' x 24', has an arch in the Hiberno-Romanesque style & lancet windows of a later period.

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BONAHUM CHURCH: Situated 2 m. from ~~The~~ Pike, on the Birr-Portumna road, via Rathcabban. (Bus: The Pike, 6 miles). Measurements are approx. 43' x 22, and the walls are 10' high. The architectural style is of a date not later than the middle of the 11th centy.

LORRHA BLACK CAS. stands a few yards from the Dominican Priory. A ruined rectangular wing, greatly ivy-grown, is the only remnant of this 12th or 13th centy. Anglo-Norman fortress.

I.T.A. TOPOGRAPHICAL AND GENERAL SURVEY

AMENITIES AND GENERAL INFORMATION.
TOWNS AND VILLAGES (Other than Seaside)BARONY OF LOWER ORMONDTOWN OR VILLAGE LORRAHA PARISH LORRAHA + DORRHA COUNTY TIPPERARY

Location and brief description.

Population 80 approx.

~~The barony of LORRAHA is situated~~ ^{lies} ^{1 1/2 m.} S. of Ballinacree x-roads on the Buis-Potomna road. It is ^{5 m.} ~~1 1/2 m.~~ from Potomna, 6 1/2 from Brinsford and 10 1/2 from Buis. ~~It is a pleasant situation in a~~ ^{could} ^{on re-write,} ^{inside,} ~~partly wooded hollow but its appearance is indifferent. In the village are 12th and 13th century ecclesiastical ruins noted under "Antiquities" Form A.~~

Is there a Town Hall? No Location -Parks, Gardens and Recreation Grounds. Brief description: none

Brief comments on water supply and sewerage:

No general water-supply or sanitation systems in operation.

PUBLIC SERVICES

Nearest station Buis Distance 10 m. Bus? Dublin - Potomna within 1 m.Public lighting by—Electricity? None Gas? NoneDANCING none

Dance hall _____ Proprietor _____

CINEMAS AND THEATRES noneCinemas _____ Pictures shown _____
(nights)Theatre _____ Kind of shows _____
(Drama, Comedy &c.)

LIBRARIES

Public Libraries *Branches of Tipperary County Library at Corka and Rathkeale
National Schools.*

Private Lending Libraries *None.*

CHURCHES AND SERVICES

Church *R.C.* Services (Sundays) *11 a.m. (O.T.); extra service
at 9.30 on 1st Sunday in month.
Ch. of I. 11 a.m. (N.T.)*

POSTAL FACILITIES

Location of Post Office *Centre of village*
Business (? M.O., Telegraph, Telephone) *all*

BANKING

Banks *None*

SPORTS AND PHOTO SUPPLIES *none*

Sports Dealers

Photographic Stores

SWIMMING POOLS AND BATHS

Swimming Pool? *Frian's hough* Location *$\frac{1}{2}$ m from village*

Public Baths? *-* Location *-*

Form D Parish: Lorrha + Dorrha

~~It is~~ Situated pleasantly in a prettily wooded hollow, the hamlet itself is an unimpressive-looking group of houses, its former glory reflected in the 12th & 13th centy. ecclesiastical ruins, noted under 'Antiquities', Form A. ~~Slieve Donard, an inlet of L. Derg, lies 2 m. to S.W.~~

Continue with rest of Form D.

HOLIDAY REPORT.

Name of Resort.

Holiday Bookings.
(state whether
good, fair or poor).

How do they compare
with last year?

Prospects for July, August
and September.

Any visitors of note
at present staying
on holiday or booked
for later on in the
season.

Excursion parties
booked.

Angling in the district.
Big catches, condition
of rivers, etc.

Any other remarks.

SIGNED _____

DATE _____

SOCIAL CLUBS, CULTURAL SOCIETIES, &c. *Wahl*

Social Clubs.....

Cultural Societies.....

INDUSTRIES AND HANDCRAFTS *Wahl*

Industries.....

Handcrafts or Cottage Industries (Give names of craftsmen, employer, &c.):

PUBLIC MONUMENTS *Wahl*

(Brief description ; inscription to be quoted)

IMPORTANT PUBLIC BUILDINGS

(Give brief notes on architectural features)

Catholic
The ~~Ch~~ Church is a small cruciform building dating from 2nd decade of last century.
The diminutive Protestant Church was erected early in the 19th century; attached to the
western gable are ruins of portion of the 12th century monastery of the Canons Regular.

SCHOOLS AND COLLEGES

Sancho National School

HOSPITALS *Wahl*

FAIRS AND MARKETS ; HALF-HOLIDAY

Monthly fairs and markets *None*

Weekly market day *None* Half-holiday *Thursday*

GARAGES AND PETROL STATIONS

Garage: H. B. Lyman. No petrol (at present)

CONVEYANCES FOR HIRE (Owners) : *None*

Taxis

Motors (Touring)

Boats (State type)

Bicycles

Caravans

Horses

CAMPING SITES

(At principal holiday resorts)

Location Landowner

Local Improvements Committee

Secretary

DATE *Dec 2, 1943* (Signed) *Walter Glavin*

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SPORTS AND GAMES

BARONY OF LOWER ORMOND~~TOWN OR VILLAGE~~ LORRAHA PARISH LORRAHA and DORRHA COUNTY TIPPERARY

ANGLING (Fresh water)

If there is only one river or lake in the parish this form (B) will suffice. For additional waters Form Ba to be used.

RIVER ~~OR LAKES~~ LITTLE BROSNA Nearest point to town (distance) -DERRINGALLAGH BR. to SHANNON

KINDS OF FISH HELD:

Brown Trout; "Croneen" (Lake Trout), Pike and Perch, & a ^{kind} ~~variety~~ named locally 'Croneen' or 'Lake Trout'

AVERAGE WEIGHT OF:

Salmon - ~~Lake~~ 'CRONEEN' ~~Sea trout~~ 1 1/2 lb. Brown trout 3 lb.

BEST SEASONS FOR:

Salmon - 'CRONEEN' ~~Sea trout~~ End of June on Brown trout May - September

SUITABLE FLIES:

Salmon -

'CRONEEN' ~~Sea trout~~ Butcher, Bloody Butcher, Nails, Coachman, Black and Silver, Orange Grouse.

Brown trout Nickel's Fancy, Olive Gull, Gimp Gull, Orange & Black Tail, Olive, Pale Olive, Dark Olive and Iron Blue, ~~Dark~~

State if angling is—"entirely free"; "free except on preserved stretches"; etc.

Entirely Free.

Preserved stretches with names and addresses of Proprietors: none

NONE

Note

Croneen Fishing: Pike are numerous in this stretch of the river; an occasional large specimen has been hooked but they are mostly small, 6 or 7 lbs. being quoted as the average.

Owners of boats for hire, and charges per day: none

NONE

Convenient angling centres (where accommodation is available):

Banshee (1 1/2 mls. from mouth) and Pine (Derringallagh Br. 2 1/2 mls.) on Oppaly side.
Potanna (New Bridge 1 1/2 mls.) on Tillymore side.

SEE BIRR REPORT (NONE IN PARISH)

Local Angling Club has been on foot for some time Membership Fee -

Secretary (and Address) - Pine

SEA ANGLING

Brief notes on fishing grounds :

NONE

Kinds of fish to be caught :

Owners of boats, type of boats, and charges per day :

Bait available locally ?..... Fishing tackle ?.....

Representative of B.S.A.S. or other sea angling Assn.....

GOLFING *ml*

Name of Club..... No. of holes.....

Situation and brief description of course :

Name of Professional.....

Is there a clubhouse on course ?..... Licensed ?.....

Green fees (Visitors) : Per day..... Per week.....

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SPORTS AND GAMES

BARONY OF LOWER ORMOND

~~BARONAGE~~ VILLAGE LORRAHA PARISH LORRAHA AND DORRAHA COUNTY TIPPERARY

ANGLING (Fresh water)

RIVER OR LAKE SHANNON Nearest point to town (distance) -

KINDS OF FISH HELD:

Coarse: Pike, Perch, Bream

AVERAGE WEIGHT OF:

Salmon Sea trout Brown trout

BEST SEASONS FOR:

Salmon Sea trout Brown trout

SUITABLE FLIES:

Salmon

Sea trout

Brown trout

State if angling is—"entirely free"; "free except on preserved stretches"; etc.

Entirely Free

Preserved stretches, with names and addresses of Proprietors: none

NOTE

This stretch of the river extends from Meelick to Potlunnua. Apart from coarse fishing, its value to the Angler at present is stated to be almost nil. Pike, perch and bream are numerous; 15 lb. Pike are far from rare and large ones are frequently taken.

Owners of boats for hire, and charges per day:

None in Parish, but boats available at Potlunnua (q.v.)

Convenient angling centres (where accommodation is available):

Potlunnua (q.v.)

Local Angling Club None in Parish Membership Fee -

Secretary -

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RACING ^{none}

(Including "Point-to-Point" and "Flapper" meetings)

No. of meetings normally held during the year.....

Under which rules?.....

Situation of course.....

HUNTING

Hounds which hunt in the district:

Foxhounds The Omond Hounds.....

Harriers.....

Beagles.....

COURSING

Name of Club Lough and Dooine Coursing Club Meeting held annually? Yes in October, date variable.

GREYHOUND RACING ^{none}

Name of Company.....

Races on (nights).....

SHOOTING

Brief notes on shooting areas, stating kinds of wild fowl or game, and if free shooting is available:

Large numbers of duck & geese are found on
1. Day good rough-shooting ^{over} ~~afforded~~ ^{acres} thousands of ~~acres~~ of bog in ~~the~~ KILREGANE, BEDWOOD, BALLYMACEGAN, KILCHARRON, and CUMMAGHAGLASS, ~~but it is~~ birds being scarce, partridge and pheasant, and game in smaller numbers. ~~In addition a party is provided by the landlord along the Shannon and Little Dooine, but no duck and geese are attracted in great numbers. The shooting is~~ ^{virtually} ~~free~~ ^{free} by permission of the landowners.

If preserved, give names of landowners or lessees and addresses:

1000 acres of Rathcabban and Ballymacegan: Capt. Willington, St. Kierans, Rathcabban. C. T. T. P.

Shooting Club None Secy. None

CLAY PIGEON SHOOTING ^{none}

Name of Club..... Competitions held?.....

ROWING AND SAILING ^{none}

Rowing or yacht clubs, with address of club-house.

GAMES AND RECREATIONS

Name of Club or Committee concerned with the following :
(In each case give location of sports ground or recreation hall)

Gaelic Football None.

Hurling 3 local Hurling Teams in Laha, Rathcabban, Abbeville. Field in each locality - see Supplement.

Handball Alley at Laha village: no organisation Handball alley? Yes.

Soccer None

Rugby

Cricket

Hockey

Bowls

Bowling (on public roads)

Lawn Tennis Kinds of courts

Croquet

Billiards

Badminton

Table Tennis

Bridge Club

Other games or recreations (inc. "Cross Roads" dancing)

ATHLETICS AND CYCLING None

Name of Club Events held under rules of
do.

ANNUAL EVENTS

Give list of annual events held in the town or parish, naming promoters (Clubs, etc.)
in each case. Include pilgrimages and patterns.

Annual Meeting of Laha and Doolin Caring Club (venue: Rathcabban). Promoters L. & D. Caring Club Committee.

DATE October 2, 1963

(Signed)

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HISTORIC SITES

Royal Seats, scenes of historic events—battles, mass meetings, historic festivals, &c. Location.
Landowner. Historical or traditional notes.

O GULLIVAN BEARE. The passage of the Shannon by O Gullivan Beare during the epic march from Dumbog Castle to the country of the O Donnells at the end of 1602 took place on the stretch of river between Wexford and Portland, in the neighbourhood of Redwood Castle. Local tradition indicates White's Ford, 4 mls. up the river from Portland as the point at which the crossing was accomplished. The corresponding spot on the left (Tippin) bank is accessible from the by-road from Ballinacree X-roads (on the New-Portland road) to Redwood Castle, or, more directly, from the bog road branching N. from the main road (i.e. on the Portland side of the crossroads; its distance by the latter route from the main road is $2\frac{1}{2}$ mls.
* See "Antiquities".

HISTORIC HOUSES; BURIAL PLACES ^{none}

(a) Birth places or one-time residences of distinguished Irishmen or other personalities. Location and description. Present owner or occupant. (b) Burial places of distinguished personalities.

NONE

SPAS OR MINERAL SPRINGS ^{none}

Spas formerly in use. Location and present condition. Access. Right of way to public?
Mineral content and curative properties so far as known locally.

NONE

CURIOSITIES

Curious objects, structures, monuments, landmarks, sights, etc. For example, Wishing stones or "chairs," freaks of nature (i.e. grotesque rock formations)—in fact, any scene or object which may be regarded as queer, quaint or mirth-provoking. Location and description. Any story or legend to be related.

THE STOLEN RAILWAY. This has already been noted in the Report on Brea Parish. A bridge and cutting may be seen from the main road at Portland within a few hundred yards of Potemna Bridge.

CUSTOMS, PATTERNS, ETC. ^{none}

Brief account of old customs, traditional cures, etc., still practised in the district. Pilgrimages to Holy Wells, Shrines, etc. Patterns.

NONE

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