

GRAVESTONE INSCRIPTIONS --- COUNTY TIPPERARY

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### CIVIL PARISH OF FINNOE

The Civil Parish of Finnoe contained 4,003 statute acres and in 1837 had 1,399 inhabitants. It is now part of the modern parish of Terryglass. In the Church of Ireland divisions it belongs to Borrisokane Union.

The Church of Ireland church and graveyard lie about  $1\frac{1}{2}$  miles from the village of Borrisokane on the right hand side of the road to Carney, down a short laneway and is not easily seen from the road.

There are two memorials within the church and 46 headstones in the graveyard, all of these have been copied.

One of the most interesting monuments is that to the Greenshields family. The wording is rather unusual and James & William Greenshields appear to have 56 years service as Rectors of Finnoe between them. They may have been succeeded by the Rev. Archdeacon William Trench whose tomb lies nearby.

There is also an interesting connection with the murder at Finnoe House of Thomas Waller and Miss Vereker in 1843. His daughter and grandson have monuments here.

Most of the stones have been deciphered. Where it has proved impossible to decipher a word it is indicated thus ----.

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FINNCE GRAVEYARD

ABBOT

See Bowler No. 4 .

ARDILL

1. In memory of William Ardill who died 11th Jany 1850.  
Also of Margaret his widow who died 24th Feb 1871.  
'Until the day break and the shadows flee away.'  
And of their daughter Anne who died 18th Feby 1897.  
The Lord shall give thee rest.'

BOND

2. Erected by Wm. Bond in memory of his beloved sister Maria Bond who departed this life Aug 1875.  
Also M.E. Bond died Nov 1898, and W. Henry Bond died Nov 1922, daughter and son of the above Wm. Bond, Garrycastle House, Banagher.

BOWLER

3. Here lieth the body of Captain Elias Bowler of Whitestone who departed this life Octbr 7. 1793 aged 255 years.  
Also the body of his son Wilm Pitt Bowler, Lieut R.N. who departed this life Septr 16. 1823 in the 35 year of his age. He was a brave officer and truly regretted by all to whom he was known.
4. Beneath this stone lie the mortal remains of Sarah Maria, daughter of Saml. Abbot Esq of Barnagrotty, and wife of W.P. Bowler of Whitestone who departed this life 15th Feb 1819 in the 23rd year of her age.

BURGESS

5. In loving memory of George Burgess who died 11th May 1901 aged 70 years and of his wife Anne (nee Givens) who died 14th March 1915 aged 84 years.  
Also his son Samuel A. who died 6th October 1889 aged 27 years.  
'Peace perfect Peace.'
6. In loving memory of John Burgess who died 17th January 1915 aged 55 years, 'Thy will be done.'
7. In loving memory of George Burgess, Kylomadane, died May 23. 1920  
And his wife Isabella died June 27. 1908. Their daughter Florrie died Nov 12. 1913. Their son Georgie died May 6 1925 and his wife Deborah died Dec 2. 1966.

BURKE

8. Here lies the body of Thomas Burke who died the 10th of May 1760 aged 52 yrs.

CLEARY

- See Lawler No. 25.
9. Erected by Thomas Cleary of Coorevan in memory of his beloved



9. father Thomas Cleary who died Nov 23rd 1867 aged 75 years.

CORCORAN

10. In loving memory of John Corcoran, Finnore died Nov 29th 1908 and his wife Jane Ann who died April 4th 1936.  
Also their son Thomas who died March 10th 1956.

DENNISON

11. To the beloved memory of George Arthur Dennison, Springmount, died 24 Oct 1971.  
Robert Henry Dennison died 13th Feb 1923. His wife Elizabeth died 24 June 1942. Their daughter Emily Kathleen died 21 Oct 1922.

FEEINEY

12. Here lieth the body of James Feeiney who departed this life February 19th 1819 aged 36 years. May he rest in peace.  
Also his daughter Bridget died May 1818 aged 13 years and his son Tim died June 1818 aged 11 yrs.

FLANNERY

See Lawlor No. 26.

FOX

13. In loving memory of Thomas Fox, Brockagh who departed this life 5th April 1895 for him and posterity.

GIVENS

See Burgess No.5.

GREENSHIELDS

14. Underneath this tomb do lie ye remains of Elizabeth Greenshields ye elder, who died in ye year of our Lord 1739 aged 74.  
Also of ye Revd James Greenshields, Rector of Finnore 26 years & died in ye year 44 aged 76.  
Also of Elih. Greenshields ye younger who died in year 48 aged 24  
Also of ye Revd William Greenshields, Rector of Finnore for 30 years who died in ye year 1772 aged 68.  
His son Wm. Greenshields caused this monument to be erected in token of his profound respects to ye deceased.

GREGORY

15. Here lieth the body of Lieutenant John Gregory who died on the first day of May 1763 aged 60 years.

HAYES

16. Erected by Brothers and Sisters in fond and loving memory of our dear brother Thomas Hayes, Rose Cottage, Finnore who departed this life on 1st June 1929.  
Also William E. Hayes, Kylemaddaun, Finnore who departed this life on 13th June 1937. 'Safe in the Arms of Jesus.'



17. In fond and loving memory of James Hayes, Rose Cottage, Finnoe who departed this life on the 9th of Dec 1947.  
His daughter Lilian Maud who departed this life on the 19th March 1953. Also his wife Sarah who departed this life on the 11th Dec 1956. 'Safe in the Arms of Jesus.'
18. In loving memory of George Hayes, Finnoe House who died 18th Feb 1952 and his wife Eveline Hannah died 26th Sept 1964.  
'Safe in the Arms of Jesus.'

HEWITT

19. Erected to the memory of John Hewitt who died Nov 6th 1930 and of his parents, brothers and sister who predeceased him.  
His wife Bridget who died Feb 23rd 1942.

HOBES

20. In loving memory of Henry Hobbs, Ballinagrass, Borrisokane who departed this life December 29th 1893 aged 75 years.  
'There remaineth a rest to the people of God.'
21. In fond remembrance of George Hobbs J.P., Rathmore House, died 4 Nov 1957 aged 77.  
His wife Kathleen died 1 Sept 1979 aged 84. Their beloved daughter Ivie died 1 Sept 1928 aged 8. God's love.

HOGAN

22. Here lies the body of Patrick Hogan who departed this life the 25th of March 1785 aged 54 yrs. May he rest in peace.

KEAVEY

23. Erected by John Keavey of Belgrove in memory of his wife Bridget Keavey who died 15th December 1882 aged 46 years.

LAST

24. In loving memory of Kathleen Last died 20th January 1955 aged 69 years, also her husband Henry Mark died 15th April 1970 aged 84 years. 'Gone but not forgotten, O Lamb of God I come.'

LAWLER / LAWLOR

25. Erected by John Lawler in memory of his mother Mary Lawler alias Cleary who depd this life Novr 15th 1819 aged 54 yrs.  
Also his father Edward Lawler depd this life April 23rd 1837 aged 79 yrs. May their souls rest in peace .
26. Erected by Mrs. Flannery in loving memory of the Lawlor family and also the above Mrs. Flannery.

LEGGE

27. In memory of Blanche Legge who depd this life April the 25th 1812 (?1819) aged 46 years, and Michael Legge Esq who depd this life August the 1st 1834 aged 66 years.  
This monument has been erected by their children in testimony of their love.



LYONS

See Star. No. 40.

MEARA

28. Erected by Patrick Meara in memory of his sister Mary Meara who depd this life August 14th 1846 aged 25 yrs.  
Also his mother Mary Meara who depd this life March 7th 1848 aged 56 yrs.

MERRITT

29. This tomb is placed here by Charles Merritt in memory of his father Henry Merritt who died Jan the 27th 1833 aged 71 years.  
Also of his mother Anne Merritt who died Jan 17 1826 aged 55 years.

MINCHIN

30. Here lie the remains of the Reverend Charles Minchin who departed this life on the 17th day of June 1826 aged 28 years.  
He possessed all the qualities which constitute an aimable and affectionate son and brother and a kind hearted and sincere friend

McMULLEN

31. Erected by George McMullen in memory of his beloved wife, Eliza McMullen who died 19th August 1893.  
The above George McMullen died 14th February 1911.

PALMER

32. In loving memory of John Francis Palmer died 20th Dec 1942 and his wife Annie died 26th Jan 1951.

PENDER

33. Norah Pender died June 16. 1933.  
Also her husband Thomas and their son Patrick.

PERSSE

34. In loving memory of Richard Persse, Bell Park died 19th July 1946.  
His wife Charlotte died 26th Sept 1958. His sisters :  
Isabella died 30th November 1950.  
Sarah died 9th April 1961. 'Peace perfect Peace.

POWELL

35. Erected by Thomas Powell, Claudlands, Hamilton, New Zealand in memory of his father Thomas Powell who died 28th Feb 1893 aged 72 years. Also his mother Anna Powell who died 28th August 1907 aged 88 years.
36. In loving memory of Abraham Powell, Curraghmore House, Borrisokane who died 26th Jan 1934 and of his wife Helena Frances who died 13th Dec 1943.
37. In memory of Thomas Powell, Shragh died 1st Aug 1954 and his sister Catherine died 14th Aug 1957.



RALPH

38. Erected by John, George and Adam Ralph of Curraghvolla in loving memory of their father Adam Ralph who died April 30th 1882 aged 72 years. And his infant children, one daughter and two sons.

Also his son James Ralph who died June 8th 1897 aged 25 years.  
 Their mother Mary Ralph died March 15. 1905 aged 75 years.  
 Also her son John Ralph died August 14th 1910 aged 54 years.

STANLEY

39. In loving memory of James Stanley, Ballamona died 15 June 1976 aged 75. 'Jesus mercy.'

STAR

40. Erected by Mary Star alias Lyons in memory of her beloved husband Timothy Star who departed this life Feb the 2nd 1840 aged 28 years.  
 May his soul rest in peace.

STONEY

41. In loving memory of Anna H. Stoney wife of T.G.Stoney J.P. formerly of Arranhill and Kyle Park who died 25th May 1880 aged 75 and is interred by her desire with her father Thomas Waller, Finnoe House and aunt Miss Vereker.  
 This stone is erected by her son Edward Waller Stoney, C.I.E., M.I.C.E. August 1910.

TRENCH

42. The remains of the Revd Archdeacon William Trench, Rector of Finnoe. Departed this life the 9th of July 1790 in the 67th year of his age.

VEREKER

See Stoney No.41.

WALLER

See Stoney No. 41.

UNKNOWN

43. This humble stone what few vain marbels on may truely say, here lies an honest man.  
 (this stone is very deeply buried ; there may be a name on it but the present compiler could not unearth it further.)  
 There is one more stone in this graveyard which has fallen, face downwards, and could not be read.

MEMORIALS WITHIN FINNOE CHURCH

STONEY

1. In memory of Edward Waller Stoney, C.I.E. fourth son of Thomas George Stoney J.P. of Kyle Park, Co. Tipperary. For many years chief Engineer Madras and Southern Mahratta railway. Born February 10th 1844. Died at Bournemouth October 4th 1931. 'Into Thy hands.'

WOODWARD

2. In loving memory of Jane Woodward, wife of Francis S.L. Woodward entered into rest 15th Augst 1904 aged 78 years. Also of Francis Sadlier Woodward, born 12th March 1820, died 1st April 1908. 'Lo I am with you always ,even unto the end of the world.' Matt. XXVIII. 20.

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