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Donaghmore Ph.

-- B. S.

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Domhnach Mór, dominica magna, the great church. J. O'D.

Donaghmore

Donoghmore

- J. O'D.

- Inhabitants

- Co. Map 1821

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Donoughmore -- Revd. R. Bourke, P.P.

Situated in the west end of the County of the City of Limerick.

It is bounded on the E. by the phs. of Berrygalvin and Cahernarry; N. by St. Nicholas Ph.; S. by Caheravally Ph.; and W. by Knocknagaul Ph. It is about 2 miles from the City of Limerick.

This passish is about 2 miles long and one broad, and contains 942 a. 2 r. 39 p. of flat good arable land. It is well accommodated with roads, the principal being:- one lying N. and S. through the east end of the parish and leading from Cork to Limerick, and another from Limerick to Kilpeacon through its west end.

Borheen

-- B. S.

2

Bóithrín, a little road. J. O'D.

Borheen (contd.)

Bohereen

Boarheen

Borheen

-- J. O'D.

-- Inhabitants

-- Revd. Robert Bourke P.P.

-- Co. Map 1821

Situated in the N.E. end of the parish, and bounded on the E. by Inchmore Td. and Derrygalvin Ph.; W. by Rathurd Td.; N. by the Ph. of St. Nicholas; and S. by Drombanny Td.

This townland contains 102 acres which are arable. Soil gravelly with limestone, producing potatoes, corn, wheat and flax. The proprietor Benjamin Friend, Esq. has it let per his agent David Fitzgerald, Esq. to Mr. James Shine, Middleman, and he again to 8 tenants at will in farms of 6 to 1½ acres at £6 6s. to £4 per acre, tithe included. County Cess generally 4s.6d. to 6s. per acre half yearly. Bog used for fuel is very scarce. Prevailing Names - Mullony.

Drombanny

-- B. S.

3

Druim Bainne, ridge of the milk. J. O'D.

Drombanny

Drumbanny

-- J. O'D

-- Inhabitants

-- Revd. R. Bourke, P.P.

-- Co. Map 1821

-- Civil Survey 1654-1656

-- Down Survey

Situated in the E. side of the parish, and bounded on the E. by Derrygalvin Ph.; N. by Bohereen Td.; W. by Routagh Td.; and S. by the Ph. of Cahernarry.

Contains 356 acres which are arable. Soil partly deep and some gravelly, producing potatoes, corn, wheat and flax. There is limestone in the td., but it is not much used. The proprietor Daniel Barrington, Esq. has it let per James O'Brien, Esq., agent under the Court, to 31 tenants, 12 with leases of 21 years at £2 to £2 15s. per acre, in farms of 30 to 4 acres. Co. Cess generally 4s.6d. to 6s. per acre half yearly, and Tithe 3s.6d. per acre. Bog used for fuel is very scarce.

Rathured

-- B. S.

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Ráth t-Súird, arx Surdi. This is the place called Ráth Árd Súird in the Annals of the Four Masters. J.O'D.

Rathurd (prond. rath-oord. -- J. O'D.

-- Inhabitants

-- Revd. R. Bourke, P.P.

Rathured (contd.)

Rathturde -- Co. Map 1821

Rathwirde \ Rathurde \ -- Civil Survey 1654-56

Kilprickhane als) -- Down Survey South Ratehard)

Rathurd (North) als.) -- Acts of Settmt. &q.

Situated in the N. end of the parish, and bounded on the E. by Bohereen Td.; on the S. by Drombanny and Routagh Tds.; on the W. by Routagh Td.; and on the N. by the Ph. of St. Nicholas.

This td. contains 139 acres, of which about 20 are rough ground; rest arable. Soil light and gravelly, with limestone, producing potatoes, corn, wheat, & flax. The proprietor Benjm. Friend, Esq. has it let per his agent David Fitzgerald Esq. to 7 tenants, 2 with leases of 1 life, at £3 10s. to £4 4s. per acre, in farms of 70 to 1½ acres. Co. Cess generally 4s.6d. to 6s. per acre half yearly, & Tithe 3s. to 2s.6d. per acre. Bog used for fuel is very scarce. Prevailing Names - Clancy.

Routagh

-- B. S.

5

Ruaiteach, reddish land - a place whose colour is reddish. J. O'D.

Routagh -- J. O'D

-- Inhabitants

Routhea, or Red House -- Revd. R. Bourke, P.P.

Situated in the W. end of the parish, and bounded on the E. by Rathurd Td.; W. by Knocknagaul Ph.; N. by the Parish of St. Nicholas; and S. by Caheravally Ph.

This td. contains 345 acres, og which about 10 are rough ground; rest arable. Soil light and gravelly, producing potatoes, wheat, corn & flax. The proprietor George Friend Esq. has it let to 38 tenants by leases expiring in 1844 at £2.2s. per acre, in farms of 22 to 1½ acres. Co. Cess generally 4s.6d. to 6s. per acre half yearly, and Tithe not paid since 1834. Bog used for fuel is very scarce. Prevailing Names - Briens.

Patrick's Well

-- Inhabitants

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Tobar Phadruig, St. Patrick's Well. J. O'D.

Patrick's Well -- J. O'D.

Situated at the centre of the east boundary of Rathurd Td. This is a small spring well, about 2 feet in diameter, and covered overhead. It is esteemed by the natives as a Holy Well, though no services are now performed at it.

Donaghmore Chapel

-- Inhabitants

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See parish name. J. O'D.

Situated at the south boundary of Bohereen Townland, and 5 chains N. of Donoghmore Old Church.

This Chapel was built in 1820 at the expense of about £600, collected off the parish. It is capable of containing about 700 persons.

Donaghmore Church

-- Inhabitants

8

See parish name. J. O'D.

Situated in the townland of Drombanny, near the middle of the north boundary of same. It is about 5 chains south of Donaghmore Chapel.

This is the ruin of a R. C. house of worship, which is about 40 feet long, 20 feet wide, and 12 feet high. It is covered with ivy, and attached to it is a burial place, 2 or 3 chains in diameter and interspersed with some hawthorns.

Drombanny Old Castle

-- Inhabitants

9

Drom Bainne

See townland name. J. O'D.

Situated in the S.E. corner of Drombanny Td., about 5 chains west from the E. boundary.

The ruin of this castle, which is square, is about 30 feet wide and about 40 feet high.

Golden Well

-- Inhabitants

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Golden Well

-- J. O'D.

Situated in the S.E. corner of Routagh Td. and about 8 chains W. of the east boundary.

It is a spring well.

End of the Farish of Donaghmore