

## KNOCKNAGAUl PARISH.

**SITUATION.** Knocknagaul Parish is situated in the Barony of Pobble Brien and the County of the City of Limerick and is bounded on the north by Mungret and Saint Nicholas's Parishes; on the south by Kilpeacon Parish; on the east by Caheravilla and Feddamore Parishes and on the west by Caheracora Parish.

**NAME.** The name of this Parish is pronounced Cucc na nGall in Irish, which signifies the Hill of the Foreigners, i.e., collis alienigenarum, which, though now a Parish name, is not of ecclesiastical origin.

The ruins of the old Church of this Parish are situated in the east of the Townland of Glebe of Lemonfield. Only ten feet in length of the south wall and thirty feet of the north one remain (these portions are eight feet high and three feet thick). It had a nave and choir, but the middle gable had been entirely destroyed. Materials of the building are large lime stones (not quarry ones) and cement of lime and sand mortar. The grave yard here is large and has but a few graves. It has no wall enclosing it and is covered over its surface with briars, elder and white thorn.

Ballyclogh House, the residence of Edmond Morony, Esq., is built on the site of a Castle, part of the walls of which, being about eight feet thick, remain quite perfect in the north end of the house.

A cashel or fort built of stone, in Irish Caisleán, is situated in south of the Townland of Ballyclogh. Fitzgerald in (Vol.I, p.344) notes Knocknagaul Parish as being partly contained in Pobble Brien Barony.

The antiquities of this Parish were examined by Mr. A. Curry; notes arranged by Mr. T. O'Connor.

J.O'D.