

**BALLYRAGGET,**

A VILLAGE in the county of Kilkenny, 48 miles south west of Dublin, 10 south west of Carlow, and 8 north west of Kilkenny, is pleasantly situated near the river Nore, over which is a neat stone bridge of 10 arches; it is the property of Thomas Cavanagh, Esq. whose domain is contiguous to the town. Here are the remains of a castle, surrounded by a wall 15 feet high, and its former strength is evident even in its ruins. Not many years ago this town was a place of very considerable trade, particularly in the brew-

ing and distilling business; at present its trade and manufactures are inconsiderable. The public buildings are the Roman Catholic Chapel, which, although small, is handsome, and has three galleries and a good organ; a dispensary; and a charity school now erecting for the education of children of both sexes. Six fairs are held in the year; viz. on the 20th of February, the 20th of April, the 22nd of June, the 4th of September, the 20th of October, and the 10th of December. The population is 1339.

**POST OFFICE.**—*Post Master*, Mr. John Maher. The Dublin Mail arrives from Castlecomer at half-past eight in the morning, and returns at five the same evening. The Durrow Mail is conveyed at five minutes past eight. Office hours from seven in the morning till eleven at night.

**GENTRY AND CLERGY.**

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| ✓ Brennan G. esq. Eadon Hall 13/31 | ✓ Delaney Rev. John 730    | ✓ Phelan Captain Edward, J. 131 |
| ✓ Butler Honbl. Pierce, Ballyconra | ✓ Gorman Rev. Wm.          | ✓ Pratt Rev. Wm.                |
| ✓ Cavanagh Thomas, esq.            | ✓ Mossom Mrs. Mount Deland | ✓ Stanard Wm. L. esq. Grat.     |

**MERCHANTS, TRADESMEN, &c.**

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| <b>PROFESSIONAL GENTLEMAN.</b>    | ✓ Coogan James, publican           | ✓ Phelan Wm. grocer and woollen draper |
| ✓ Cullinan Joseph, surgeon, &c.   | ✓ Coogan Patrick, publican         | ✓ Thornton Edmund, baker               |
| <b>TRADERS &amp; SHOPKEEPERS.</b> | ✓ Gorman Catherine, grocer above   | ✓ Timmins John, publican               |
| ✓ Bowe Timothy, publican          | ✓ Kelly John, innkeeper for export | ✓ Walshe John, publican                |
| ✓ Campion Wm. publican            | ✓ Kenny Robert, brewer             | ✓ Walshe Mary, publican                |
| ✓ Campion Wm. baker               | ✓ Lawler Daniel, miller 131        | ✓ Wright George, baker                 |
|                                   | ✓ Phelan Catherine, grocer 131     |  |

**BALTINGLASS,**

TWENTY-NINE miles south from Dublin, is pleasantly situated on the banks of the River Slaney, in the united parishes of Baltinglass and Ballinmore, and upper barony of Talbot's Town in the county of Wicklow. The town is the property of Lord Aldborough, whose residence contributes to enliven the place. The remains of an ancient abbey dedicated to St. Mary, and of a venerable castle are still to be seen, with some druidical altars and other monuments of

heathenish superstition. The church and its tower are neatly built, and situate near the river; the other public edifices are the gaol and court house, and the infirmary. The Catholics have also a good chapel here. Besides the market which is held every Friday, there are six fairs in the year, viz. on the 2nd of February, the 17th of March, the 12th of May, the 1st of July, the 12th of September, and the 8th of December.—The population is 1490.

**POST OFFICE.**—*Post Mistress*, Mrs. Mary Jackson. The Mail is daily conveyed by horse to Castle Dermot, at 45 minutes after three, and returns next morning at seven. The Mail is sent to Hacketstown, every Sunday, Wednesday and Friday, and returns on the same day. The office is open from seven in the morning till eleven at night.

**GENTRY AND CLERGY.**

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| ✓ Aldborough Earl, Stratford Lodge | ✓ Grogan Rev. William               | ✓ Sanders Morley, esq. Sanders Grove |
| ✓ Byrne Thomas, esq. 131           | ✓ Johnson Wm. esq.                  | ✓ Sanders Robt. esq. Sanders Grove   |
| ✓ Cavanagh Rev. Thomas above       | ✓ King Thomas, esq. Carrigeen       | ✓ Shea Rev. John, P. P.              |
| ✓ Cummins Geo. esq. Ballinacorney  | ✓ Orr Jas. esq. Stratford on Slaney | ✓ Taylor Rev. Thomas                 |
| ✓ Dennis Thos. esq. Fort Granante  | ✓ Palmer James, esq. White Hall     | ✓ Waters Lieutenant, 21st, H. P.     |
| ✓ Greene Wm. F. esq. Greenville    | ✓ Sanders General, Golden Fort      |                                      |

**MERCHANTS, TRADESMEN, &c.**

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| <b>PROFESSIONAL GENTLEMAN.</b>                                  | ✓ Emmis Michael, woollen draper below | ✓ O'Brien James, baker below     |
| Heath Nicholas, surgeon   | ✓ Gilfoyle Michael, tailor            | ✓ O'Brien Thos. hat manufacturer |
| <b>SHOPKEEPERS &amp; TRADERS.</b>                               | ✓ Griffin Patrick, baker and grocer   | ✓ Park Robert, bleacher          |
| ✓ Barrington James, and at Carlow, auctioneer and cabinet maker | ✓ Harris Wm. carpenter                | ✓ Rawson James, grocer           |
| ✓ Brennan John, leather cutter below                            | ✓ Hendy Francis, publican and grocer  | ✓ Roach Michael, publican        |
| ✓ Byrne James, carpenter 130                                    | ✓ Higgins Martin, innkeeper           | ✓ Shaw Robert, timber merchant   |
| ✓ Cooke John, woollen draper                                    | ✓ Kough John, chandler                | ✓ Stafford Joseph, butcher       |
| ✓ Cooke Wm. grocer & draper                                     | ✓ Kitson Edward, grocer & draper      | ✓ Steel Thomas, baker            |
| ✓ Cope Thos. boot & shoe maker                                  | ✓ Kitson Wm. grocer and baker         | ✓ Stephens Wm. tailor            |
| ✓ Duffy Matthew, cooper   | ✓ Lawlor Patrick, publican below      | ✓ Strahan Sandy, cabinet maker   |
|   | ✓ Leonard George, boot & shoe maker   | ✓ Stafford James, publican       |
|   | ✓ Moorehouse George, brazier          | ✓ Winnett Henry, grocer & baker  |

**BANAGHER,**

Is a Post, fair, and market town in the King's County, and situated on the banks of the River Shannon; it is 66 miles to the south and west of Dublin, 14 south east of Ballinasloe, 17 south of Athlone, and 40 north by east of Limerick. About one mile south of Banagher are the ruins of Garry castle, near which stands Garry castle house the seat of Captain Thos. St. George Armstrong. At the north-end of the town is a spacious stone bridge of 18 arches, built about the year 1049 by Roderick O'Connor, then king of Connaught. This bridge unites the two provinces of Leinster and Connaught, one half being in the county of Galway, and the other half in the King's county. Near the bridge, on the Galway side, are two large towers, each planted with one 2lb. traversing gun; and at the south west of the bridge is a sod battery, mounting three 24 pound traversing guns for the purpose of protecting or destroying the bridge, in case of an attack being made by the people of Connaught. At the foot of the bridge is a good barrack for two companies of foot, and apartments for three officers, with a military battery mounting three 12 pound guns, and a large magazine

underneath, which is bomb and water proof. This barrack was formerly a nunnery, and communicated with the church by a subterraneous passage of about 400 yards. Banagher has an extensive trade in corn, of which great quantities are sent to the Dublin and other markets. At Cubo house, distant about 1/4 of a mile, is the royal school endowed by letters patent in the 4th year of the reign of King Charles the first on the plan of Erasmus Smyth. The church is in a very ruinous state, but it is expected that a new one will soon be built, which will accommodate about 500 persons: the site fixed on is a very pleasant situation at the end of the main street leading from Parsonstown, and opposite to Cubo house. The Catholics also are building a chapel, which, when finished, it is computed will contain 1000 persons. The market day is Friday, and there are three fairs; the principal one commences on the 15th of September and continues four days, the first for sheep, the second for horned cattle, the third for horses, and the last day is the country fair for linen, woollens and other merchandize. The other fairs are on May 1st. and November 8th.—Population is about 1500.

**POST OFFICE.**—*Post Master*, Mr. Richard Sharpe. The Mail is despatched for Dublin at three in the afternoon, and returns at ten in the morning. The Cork and Limerick Mails are sent at ten in the morning, and return at twenty minutes past two in the afternoon. The Eyrecourt, and Portumna bags are despatched at ten in the morning, and return at forty-five minutes past three in the afternoon. Letters to and from England and Scotland are conveyed by the Dublin mail.

**GENTRY AND CLERGY.**

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| ✓ Armstrong Capt. Thos. St. George, Garry Castle House               | ✓ Drought Captain Bartholomew    | ✓ Kenny Lawrence, esq.                                    |
| ✓ Armstrong Captain Andrew   | ✓ Enraght Francis, esq.          | ✓ Mould James, Purveyor H. P.                             |
| ✓ Banko James, esq.  | ✓ Flattery Daniel esq.           | ✓ Mulock William esq. Park                                |
| ✓ Batt Samuel, esq.  | ✓ Flattery Ensign Bernard, H. P. | ✓ O'Moore Colonel   |
| ✓ Bell Allan Clerke, L. L. D. Master of the Royal school, Cubo House | ✓ Grant James esq. Claremont     | ✓ Purify Rev. Thomas                                      |
| ✓ Burdett Rev. John, Glebe House                                     | ✓ Harton William, esq.           | ✓ Smith Joshua, esq.                                      |
| ✓ Custelloe Loury, esq.  | ✓ Hayes John, esq.               | ✓ Taylor Mrs.   |
| ✓ Cumming Alexander, esq. ?  | ✓ Hennings Captain Matthew       | ✓ Warburton Richd. Lietenaut King's County Militia, H. P. |
| ✓ Daly Arthur, esq. ?  | ✓ Hussey Captain Thomas          | ✓ Whitley Thomas, esq.                                    |
|  | ✓ Kenny Rev. John                | ✓ Woods W, Lieut. 15 Reg. foot, H. P.                     |

**MERCHANTS, TRADERS, &c.**

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| <b>PROFESSIONAL GENTLEMEN</b>                                    | ✓ Hoy John, baker ?                              | <b>INNKEEPERS.</b>  |
| ✓ Bird William S. physician                                      | ✓ Killeen Thomas, miller                         | ✓ Hearn Simon   |
| ✓ Boyce Robert, surgeon  | ✓ Miller David, grocer                           | ✓ Mann Edward, Harp Inn   |
| ✓ Burke Richd. Walter, attorney, and 1, Blachhall Parade, Dublin | ✓ Miller Thomas, Revenue Officer                 | <b>PUBLICANS.</b>   |
| <b>SHOPKEEPERS &amp; TRADERS</b>                                 | ✓ Miller Thomas, weigh master                    | ✓ Bennett Thomas  |
| ✓ Ashenburt Charles, cabinet maker                               | ✓ Mitchell James, linen and woollen draper       | ✓ Boyle Patrick, (and grocer)   |
| ✓ Colgan Joseph, corn merchant                                   | ✓ Molloy Kiran, brewer                           | ✓ Burke Michael   |
| ✓ Deehan Ths. linen & woollen draper                             | ✓ Aloylan Michael, linen and woollen draper      | ✓ Carroll Ellen, Bird in Hand   |
| ✓ Duffield William, baker  | ✓ Mulharg Daniel, tailor                         | ✓ Dolan Thomas  |
| ✓ Duffy John, linen & woollen draper                             | ✓ Mullock Mary, baker                            | ✓ Kelly Garret, Red Lion after before   |
| ✓ Dyas Thos. boot & shoe maker                                   | ✓ Richardson, John, tailor                       | ✓ Killeen Thomas  |
| ✓ Fallon John, grocer and tobacconist                            | ✓ Swiney Benjamin, baker                         | <b>CONVEYANCE</b>   |
| ✓ Forster James, tallow chandler                                 | ✓ Treacy Geo. linen & woollen draper             | <b>By Water.</b>  |
| ✓ Glenn Eliza, linen draper                                      | ✓ Walsh Solomon, tailor                          | Shannon Harbour is two miles from Banagher, whence goods are conveyed daily by the canal to Dublin, and by the river Shannon daily to Athlone and Limerick: also a Packet Boat every afternoon at half past three to Dublin |
| ✓ Harton John L. miller  | ✓ Woods Richard, tallow chandler and soap boiler |   |
| ✓ Hoare Dennis, linen draper                                     |  |   |

**BIRR, OTHERWISE CALLED PARSONSTOWN,**

Is a good post and market town, and by far the most considerable of any in the King's County, 63 miles south west of Dublin, 6 south east of Ballagher, 9 south west of Frankford, 10 north of Roscrea, 19 north east of Nenagh, 19 south west of Tullamore, and 40 north east of Limerick. It is situated on the river Birr, and adorned with a fine castle, built by the family of the Parsons, but now the residence of the Earl of Ross, the proprietor of the town. This castle was besieged by General Sarsfield, and relieved by Kirk; it has since been rebuilt by the present

Earl. In the middle of the town is a stone column of the Doric order, with a shaft about 25 feet high, and surmounted with a pedestrian statue of the Duke of Cumberland in a Roman habit, cast in lead, and painted of a stoue colour; it was erected in 1747. The church, which was built about 14 years ago at an expense exceeding 11,000l. is a beautiful edifice of stone, built in the Gothic style, and possessing a square tower and one bell. The Roman Catholic chapel may vie with the church, being also built of stone, and in the same style; it is adorned with a