

firm the observation; for this skillful warrior was repulsed in two assaults, and, on the surrender of the place, granted his enemies honourable terms of capitulation, contrary to his usual vindictive practice on such occasions; and he candidly acknowledged, that he had lost more men in the storming of Kilkenny, than in taking the town of Drogheda. The castle, built on the site of one destroyed by the Irish in 1175, was exceedingly well calculated for defence from the natural strength of its position on the summit of a precipice overhanging the bend of the Nore. On the river side the natural barrier was rendered more formidable by the erection of a wall of solid masonry, forty feet high; the remaining parts were protected by bastions, curtains, towers, and outworks, and the castle stood in the centre of the platform. The building, as it now stands, was erected by the ancestors of the present noble proprietor, the Duke of Ormond. But the most conspicuous architectural ornament of the city is the cathedral, built in the Gothic style of architecture at a very great expense; it was begun in the year 1202, and finished in 1252. It is cruciform; its length from East to West is 226 feet, and the breadth of the cross from north to south is 123 feet, being perhaps the largest cathedral building in the kingdom, if we except St. Patrick's and Christ's Church in Dublin, and in the beauty of its nave it exceeds each, the roof being supported by five pillars and a pilaster of black marble. In the north transept is the chapel of St. Mary, in which the parochial vicar of St. Canice formerly officiated. The church contains an elegant organ, at which Mr. Christopher Bettesworth Baily, professor of music, presides; a gentleman highly esteemed for his professional talents; the choir is elegant, the ceiling being adorned with beautiful fret-work, and the wooden stalls elegantly ornamented. The exterior of the building, though a solid fabric, has a neat and light appearance; on the outside a regular battlement runs round the church, and at the western end are two small spires; the tower was never completed, but it possesses a peal of six bells. The church-yard, to which there is an entrance from Irishtown by a flight of twenty-seven marble steps, is regularly planted with trees; on the west side is a handsome terrace walk, from which there is a beautiful prospect of a fine and well cultivated country. There are some monuments scattered about the church which, though they are irregularly disposed, have an imposing effect. One of these merits particular attention; it is erected to the memory of Doctor Nicholas Smyth, bishop of Ossory, who was assassinated by one James Dallard, as he was undergoing an examination in the bishop's palace on a charge of adultery; the entire tomb is cut out of a solid block of marble. On the south side is one of those round towers so frequently met with in Ireland; it is of great height, and in a good state of preservation. The bishop's palace communicates with the cathedral by a long colonnade, built in the modern style; the palace itself is a handsome building, and its present possessor is the Right Rev. Robert Fowler, Bishop of Ossory: the Dean of Ossory is the Honourable and Very Reverend Joseph Burke. Besides the cathedral there are two other Protestant churches, St. Mary's and St. John's. St. Mary's is situated in the High-street of English-town; it is a good building in the form of a cross, with a high steeple and spire, and has a good organ. St. John's, situated in John's-street, is a handsome building, erected on the ruins of the old abbey in the year 1817. There are also four Roman Catholic parish chapels, a convent chapel, a friary chapel, and a Methodist meeting house. Over the river Nore are two stately bridges, named St. John's and Green Bridge; the latter is more distant up the river, and is composed of seven arches; St. John's, which is nearer to the castle, has but three arches, but of very wide span; it is of hewn marble, while the rails of the battlements are iron. The college, which stands on the opposite side of

the river to the castle, is a most beautiful building; it was founded and endowed by the Duke of Ormond in the year 1684. In 1688 it was taken possession of by King James II. and converted into a Roman Catholic college, but in 1691 it was again restored to its original object, and so it still remains; it is the residence of the Rev. Wm. Baillie, the present master. In this establishment many learned men have been educated, among whom Swift, Berkeley, and Congrave are enumerated. Here are two charity schools belonging to the Roman Catholics, and one to the Protestants, all supported by subscription, and conducted on the Lancasterian plan; and a female orphan school at the nunnery, where at present 35 orphan children are educated. The ruins point out the site of three old monasteries, called St. John's, St. Francis's, and the Black Abbey; belonging to the latter are the remains of several old monuments, almost buried in rubbish. The court of St. Francis is converted into a horse barrack, and that of St. John has been a foot barrack, but is now an asylum for decayed servants, lately founded by Joseph Evans, Esq. There is also a newly erected barrack for four companies of foot soldiers; this has a light and elegant appearance, possessing an extensive area, and enclosed by a good stone wall. The main street of this city is an English mile in length, wide and well built. The market place is spacious, and the tholsel is a good building with a lofty steeple, in which is a clock, of great service to the citizens, and the numerous peasantry who resort to the market. The mayor holds his office here, and over it are a subscription library and a news room. In the English Town stands the city gaol, a very handsome stone building, with a fine sculptured figure of justice in front; at the west end of the town is the county gaol, which is also a good and handsome stone building. Without the city, at a short distance, we see a female asylum, founded and endowed by the late Mr. James Switsir, in 1803. In this asylum there are five houses, each house has four rooms; and each room is appropriated to one widow, twelve of whom are Protestants, the other eight Catholics; each widow is allowed twenty pounds a year, besides the produce of a garden. Here are also a fever hospital, a house of correction, and a mendicity asylum; the latter has been lately established, and promises to be attended with the most beneficial effects. Not far from the castle is the theatre, a small but neat building; formerly there were general performances, chiefly by amateurs of the first families, and the receipts, after paying all expenses, were given to the poor of the parish; but within these few years, it has been totally neglected, and is now nothing more than a hay store. The manufactures carried on here are coarse woollen cloths, blankets of extraordinary fine quality, and considerable quantities of starch. In the neighbourhood are also made very beautiful chimney pieces of that species of stone called Kilkenny marble; they are cut and polished by water, a mill for that purpose having been invented by the late Mr. Collis, and this is perhaps the only one of the kind in Europe. About a mile and a half from the city there has lately been discovered a spa, which has been analyzed by some of the first chemists in this kingdom, and pronounced to be of considerable benefit for scurvy, consumptions, &c. The markets, particularly the shambles, are well supplied with every necessary of life. This city received a incorporated charter from King James I. in 1609. A little more than an hour's walk distant is the famous cave of Dunmore, well worth the attention of the curious stranger. The fairs are on the 5th and 28th of March, the Thursday after Trinity Sunday, the 17th of August, the 12th of September, the 11th of October, and the 9th of November. The market days are Wednesdays and Saturdays, besides Tuesdays and Fridays, for cattle, pigs, &c. The population is about 28,000.

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| The Right Rev. Robert. Fowler, | Gorman Rev. James, Butts | Madden Mrs. Patrick-street |
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| The Hon. and very Rev. Joseph Bourke, Dean of Ossory, Deanery | Green Henry, esq. Patrick-street | Mathews Cpt. Ponsonby, William-st |
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| | McCreery James, esq. secretary to the grand jury for the city of Kilkenny, Coal-market | Tallent Thos. esq. governor of the city gaol |
| | | Tresham John, esq. William-st |

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| Anderson Louis, (ladies') John st | Cantrell J. H. Medical Hall, Parade | Watters John, (town clerk and clerk of the peace of the city of Kilkenny) Patrick-st |
| Baillie Rev. Wm. (Kilkenny College) John-street | Cummins Phillip, High-st | AUCTIONEERS. |
| Cody James, (ladies' boarding and day) Wellington-place | Gregory Joseph, John's-bridge | Douglas Wm. Jackson, Coal market |
| Doyle Margaret, (ladies' boarding) King-street | Hutchinson Thos. High-street | Walters Lewis, King-st |
| Geddes Mr. & Mrs. (ladies' boarding) William-street | Magee James, High-street | BAKERS. |
| Hendricken Jno. (day) Coal-market | O'Reilly Thos. Parade | Barron Patrick, High-st |
| Leech Geo. (ladies' boarding) Parade | Prim Thomas, High-street | Browne Catherine, Green-st |
| Pack Mrs. W. (ladies' boarding) Patrick-street | Spear Christopher, High-st | Comertford Thos. Coal-market |
| Shearman Rev. Nicholas, (Lay College) St. James's-green | ARCHITECT. | Corcoran Martin, High-st |
| Teape Sarah, (ladies' day) King-st | Robertson Wm. William-street | Coyne Francis, Walkin-st |
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| Anderson Paris, (to the British Fire Office, London) King-st | Bibby Richard, Coal-market | Fogarty Patrick, Patrick-st |
| Barwis John, (to the Earl of Ormond) Parade | Cornick Wm. William-street | Grace Edmond, John-st |
| Freeman Martin, (to the Royal Irish Assurance Company, Dublin) Coal-market | Costelloe Patrick, Coal-market | Healy James, (and land surveyor) High-street |
| Johnson Andrew, (to the Mail Coach Office) Patrick-st | Denroche Edwd. & Chas. John-st, and 13, Grafton-street, Dublin | Jackman Wm. Coal-market |
| Kilroy James, (to the National Assurance Company of Ireland, head office, 3, College-green, Dublin) Parade | Devereux Harvey, (secretary to the grand jury of the county of Kilkenny) Patrick-st | Keally Matthew, High-st |
| Macartney John, (to the Albion, London) John's-quay | Fitzpatrick John, High-st | Kelly James, Rose Inn-st |
| Maxwell Cornelius, (land) Patrick-st | Flood John, (clerk of the peace for the county of Kilkenny) Parade | Liston Michael, Dean-st |
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| Quinn Francis, (to Robert Flood, esq.) Walkin-street | Hartford Thos. King-street | M'Donnell James, High-st |
| Semple Humphrey, (under agent to the Earl of Ormond) Castle | Hyland Michael, Patrick-st, and 25, Lower Dominick st, Dublin | Rothe Joseph, High-st |
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| | Kelly John, Patrick-st | Brackney Wm. Henry, King-st |
| | Kelly Thomas, King-st, and 27, Greek-street, Dublin | Kinselah John, John-st |
| | Nixon Henry, King-st | Leech Wm. P. Parade |
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