

Drumrat Parish**Knockgrania Townland****1838 map**

The Drumrat, Toomour and parts of Kilshalvy Parish Townland Information sheets bring together the first bits of information that inquisitive people ask about when looking for a relation and where they lived. These pages provide some name and place lists and online sources to introduce you to those who lived hereabouts in the recent, and not so recent, past.

Our hope is that your search fosters an appreciation for the past and its peoples and the lands they called home.

Our goal is to be helpful. Welcome to the neighbourhood.



The red numbers in the map note the specific Griffith's Valuation (GV) fields/parcels of land. See the GV list for this town land below to match with tenants and owners holding these fields in 1857.

Lands boundaries have been redone since over the years, and of course land has changed hands. Information from the Land and Tenant Rate books at the Valuation Office will be a good source for more information about the people living on and working the land after this 1857 information. See the section below re Valuations.

We begin with the Down Survey of Ireland and other descriptive information about the townland below to get our bearings. Some sheets may contain estate records we were able to locate to give names of tenants early in the 1800s. We move on to the Tithe Applotment listings which tell us the heads of families in the town land in 1833. The Census records of 1901 and 1911 tell us who was in the houses in the townland on Census night. By visiting and searching other web sites, URL addresses provided, you may be able to track people via church records and civil records of births, marriages and deaths. Hint: The more information you have before searching, the better.

The Down Survey of Ireland

Taken in the years 1656-1658, the Down Survey of Ireland is the first ever detailed land survey on a national scale anywhere in the world. The survey sought to measure all the land to be forfeited by the Catholic Irish in order to facilitate its redistribution to Merchant Adventurers and English soldiers. For more information and to view the maps, go to <http://downsurvey.tcd.ie/index.html> and explore the site.

Townland of KNOCKGRANIA (ED Drumrat)

Down Survey Name: Knockgrany & Sniggin

1641 Owner(s): [Hurley, Owen \(Catholic\)](#); [McDonnogh, Mulrony \(Catholic\)](#)

1670 Owner(s): [Taaffe, Theobald earl of Carlingford \(Catholic\)](#)

County: Sligo

Barony: Corran

Parish: Drumratt

Profitable land: 82 plantation acres

Forfeited: 82 plantation acres

1659 Census

Total: 9

English: 9

The Ordnance Survey Name Book John O'Donovan 1836

John O'Donovan (1806-1861) led the Ordnance Survey project collecting information about the topography of Ireland. The work was carried out by sundry surveyors visiting every parish in Ireland. O'Donovan wrote the place name reports based on the data the surveyors collected.

For more information: <http://www.askaboutireland.ie/reading-room/history-heritage/irish-genealogy/what-is-griffiths-valuati/>

***NOTE:** A townland description has yet to be located. Enter it in this space when found.*

Townland Place names

Knockgrania / **Cnoc Ghrainne (134 — 39)**

Knockgrany, *CPR* 33 1b (1617), Knockgrane, *STR* 189, *Cen.*, Knockgrany, *DS*, *HMR* 45, 54, 74, 76, *K:grange*, *HD*, Knockrany, *Co. Map/OSNB*

This information from "The Placenames of Corran," by Nollaig O Muraile, given in a lecture at the 2008 Ballymote Heritage Weekend.

Sources cited: **Tax.**: Ecclesiastical Taxation, 1306; **F:** Fiants of Tudor Sovereigns (searched selectively); **CPR:** Calendar of Patent Rolls of James I; **Str:** Strafford's Inquisition, 1635 (from Wood-Martin's *Sligo*); **DS:** Down Survey, c 1655 (most citations taken from OSNB); **Cen.:** 'Census' of Ireland, c. 1659; **HMR:** Hearth Money Roll for Co. Sligo, 1665 (ed. MacLysaght); **HD:** Hiberniae Delineatio (al. Petty's Atlas), publ. 1685 (but engraved c 1663); **OSNB:** Ordnance Survey Parish Namebooks, 1837 (consulted - especially for evidence of Irish forms collected from native speakers of the language).

Population, landowners and tenants

Population figures for this townland 1841-1901

1841 1851 1861 1871 1881 1901

NOTE: The above number figures need to be located and entered.

SLIGO TITHE APLOTMENT BOOK Parish listings

Below are the names of heads of families in the Toomour and Drumbeat parishes in 1833-4.

The Tithe Applotment Books are records compiled between 1823 and 1837 to determine the amount which occupiers of agricultural holdings over one acre should pay in tithes to the Church of Ireland. We recommend a visit to the sites below for more information.

<http://titheapplotmentbooks.nationalarchives.ie/search/tab/home.jsp>

<http://titheapplotmentbooks.nationalarchives.ie/search/tab/about.jsp>

<http://titheapplotmentbooks.nationalarchives.ie/search/tab/aboutmore.jsp>

Knockranie Townland, Drumrat Parish, Co. Sligo 1833

[Healy, Domk](#)

[Davey, James](#)

[Healy, Hugh](#)

[Healy, Patt](#)

[Davey, James](#)

[Higgins, Michl](#)

[Killoran, Thomas](#)

[Higgins, John](#)

[Davey, Martin](#)

More information may be found at the National Archives Genealogy Website. Access the Census Records for 1901 and 1911 and many other informative sites at <http://www.genealogy.nationalarchives.ie>

Parish Online Resources

Diocese of Achonry | County of Sligo Variant forms of parish name: Keash [includes townlands in Drumrat and Toomour]

This website contains images from the National Library of Ireland's collection of Catholic parish register microfilms. The registers contain records of baptisms and marriages from the majority of Catholic parishes in Ireland and Northern Ireland up to 1880. Go to <http://registers.nli.ie/about> These are incomplete but you may be surprised!

Other online resources for other denominations may be found at https://www.familysearch.org/wiki/en/County_Sligo_Ireland_Genealogy#Church_Records

Griffith's Valuation 1857

County of Sligo, Barony of Corran, Union of Boyle

Griffith's Valuation is the name given to the Primary Valuation of Ireland, a property tax survey carried out in the mid-nineteenth century. The survey involved the detailed valuation of every taxable piece of property and published county-by-county between 1847 and 1864.

The information with tenant and owner names for this town land is below. You can see the rest by going to the page on the GV site.

Explore Griffith's Valuation online at these sites:

<http://www.askaboutireland.ie/griffith-valuation/index.xml>

<http://www.askaboutireland.ie/reading-room/history-heritage/irish-genealogy/>

<http://www.askaboutireland.ie/reading-room/history-heritage/irish-genealogy/what-is-griffiths-valuation/>

Looking for more about properties? See the Valuation's Office web site at

http://www.valoff.ie/en/Archives_Genealogy_Public_Office/

Follow the links. Some material is online, other information is digitized at their office to view.

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	Tenant	Owner	Holding Land, house, offices or land
1	Sir Alex. Crichton	In fee	Land (bog)
2	Patrick Killoran	Sir Alex. Crichton	Land
3	a Patrick Killoran	Same	Land, house and office
4	Patrick Killoran	Same	Land
-	a Unoccupied	Patrick Killoran	House
5	a John Higgins	Sir Alex. Crichton	Land, house and offices
6	a } John Davy	Same	{ Land, house and offices
7	} " "		{ Land
8	a Hugh Healy	Same	Land and house
9	a Eliza Davy	Same	Land and house
10	a Michael Healy	Same	Land (severance)
11	} Michael O'Dowd }	Thomas Jones	{ Land (severance)
	} Thomas O'Dowd }		{
12	} " "		{ Land (severance)

13	}	Margaret Gorman	}	Sir Robt. Gore Booth,	{	Land (severance)
14	}	Harry Gorman	}	Bart.,	{	Land (severance)
15	}	“	“		{	Land (severance)

Census of Ireland

Census pages may be accessed through The National Archives of Ireland.

This is the home page: <http://www.census.nationalarchives.ie>

We recommend reading the information available to become familiar with the records. We only provide names, ages and the briefest of other information. The Census pages has more about individuals and families and their houses and land.

Ireland Census 1901

Co. Sligo Drumrat Parish, Knockgrania TL, Drumrat DED, Boyle Poor Law Union

Occupants and houses (private dwellings/buildings). Ages as given in Census.

House 1 Stone Thatch 2 rooms 4 Outbuildings Landholder is John Davey

Davey	Bridget	60	Head of family	Farmer's wife	Widow
	Patrick	30	Son	Not married	
	Andrew	26	Son	“	
	B	24	Daughter	“	

House 2 Stone Thatch 2 rooms 7 Outbuildings Landholder is Michael Killoran.

Killoran	Michael	35	Head of family	Farmer	
	Mary	30	Wife		
	Ellen	15	Daughter	Scholar	None of the siblings are married
	Thomas	14	Son	“	
	Patrick	11	Son	“	
	John	9	Son	“	
	Michael	7	Son	“	
	James	5	Son		
	Derenda	3	Daughter		

House 3 Stone Thatch 2 rooms No outbuildings Landholder is Thomas Killoran.

Meehan	Edward	40	Head	Shepard	
	Margaret	30	Wife		
	Hugh J	13	Son	Scholar	Not married
	Thomas J	12	Son	“	“
	Mary K	8	Daughter	“	“
	Edward	3	Son		

House 4 Stone Thatch 2 rooms 2 Outbuildings Landholder is Bridget Higgins.

Higgins	Bridget	51	Head of family	Farmer	Widow
	Patrick	23	Son	Not married	
	Mary	20	Daughter	“	
	Maggie	16	Daughter	“	

House 5 Stone Thatch 2 rooms No Outbuildings Landholder is John Healy.

Healy	John	55	Head of family	Farmer	
	Margaret	50	Wife		
	Batty	9	Son	Scholar	Not married
	Ellen	12	Daughter	“	“

House 6 Stone Thatch 2 rooms 4 Outbuildings Landholder is Martin Healy.

Healy	Martin	63	Head of family	Railway Ganger and Farmer	
	Kate	55	Wife	Servant	
	Michael	33	Son	Railway Ganger	No siblings are married.
	Martin	19	Son		
	Bridget	21	Daughter		
	Mary E	24	Daughter	Dressmaker	
	Kate	15	Daughter	Scholar	
	Magie	12	Daughter	Scholar	
Morian	Corneilus	20	Servant	Servant	Not married

House 7 Stone Thatch 2 rooms 2 Outbuildings Landholder is Patrick Davey.

Davey	Patrick	65	Head of family	Farmer	
	Mary	63	Wife		
	Patrick	34	Son	Not married	
	Mary Agnes	28	Daughter	“	

Ireland Census 1911**Co. Sligo Drumrat Parish, Knockgrania TL, Drumrat DED, Boyle Poor Law Union**

Occupants and houses (private dwellings/buildings). Ages as given in Census.

House 1 Stone Thatch 2 rooms 4 Outbuildings

Healy	Kate	68	Head of family	Farmer	Widow
	Michael	34	Son	Single	
	Martin	30	Son	“	
	Maggie AJ	23	Daughter	“	
Gilroy	Kate A	26	Daughter	Married 1 year w/ one child born and still living	
	John	32	Son-in-law	Married	Constable RIC Born Co. Mayo
	Patrick JV	Under 2 months old		Grandson	
Davy	Patrick	18	Servant	Farm Servant	Single

House 2 Stone Thatch 2 rooms 2 Outbuildings

Davey	Agnes	60	Head of family	Farmer	Single
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House 3 Stone Thatch 2 rooms No outbuildings

Healy	John	72	Head of family	Farmer	
	Margaret	65	Wife	Married 42 years w/ 12 children born live and 7 still living	
	Batty	19	Son		

House 4 Stone Thatch 2 rooms 3 Outbuildings

Higgins	Bridget	71	Head of family	Farmer	Widow	Married 38 years	3 children born/ 3 living
	Patrick	33	Son	Single			
	Mary	28	Daughter	“			
	Maggie	24	Daughter	Single	Dressmaker		

House 5 Stone Thatch 2 rooms 4 Outbuildings

Killoran	Michael	52	[note hard to read on screen]	Head of family	Farmer		
	Mary	53	Wife	Married 30 years w/ 8 children born live and 7 still living			
	Thomas	25	Son	Single			
	Patrick	23	Son	“			
	John	21	Son	“			
	Michael	19	Son	“			
	James	17	Son	Scholar	Single		
	Deriuda A	15	Daughter	“	“		

House 6 Stone Thatch 2 rooms 5 Outbuildings

Davey	Elizabeth	30	Head of family	Widow	Farmer
	Bridget	78	Mother-in-law	Widow	
	Bridget	5	Daughter	Scholar	
	Mary Angela	3	Daughter	“	

What else can we know about our old parishes and townlands?

County Sligo is long inhabited, and the folks who lived here left many reminders - like the ring-forts dotting our fields. We can now learn more of these and other monuments via the Archaeological Survey of Ireland, a unit of the National Monuments Service, and its' online database base. Go to <https://www.archaeology.ie> and look for the [Historic Environment Viewer](#) - an on-line digital service provided by the Department of Culture, Heritage and the Gaeltacht. Tis quite a tool. The viewer is accessible on most browsers and platforms, including smart phones.

Future additions to assist users of these Townland Information Sheets

The local people of the Keash/Culfadda Parish area will continue to refine these Townland information sheets as time goes on. With the valuable help of neighbors and relations they will add names of residents who came to live, work and pass on to others the fields and homes of these townlands for a few more years beyond the 1911 Census, to bring knowledge of the past up close to current memory and understanding. They will also do their best to name the local fields and gathering places of by-gone days - where, for instance, our ancestors used to dance at the cross-roads or meet at a well marked land mark, etc. This way, even as old places take on new meanings befitting the era, the past is not lost and our ancestors might still be seen along the roads, in the fields and their old homes - here or gone.

Questions or something to add? Contact _____