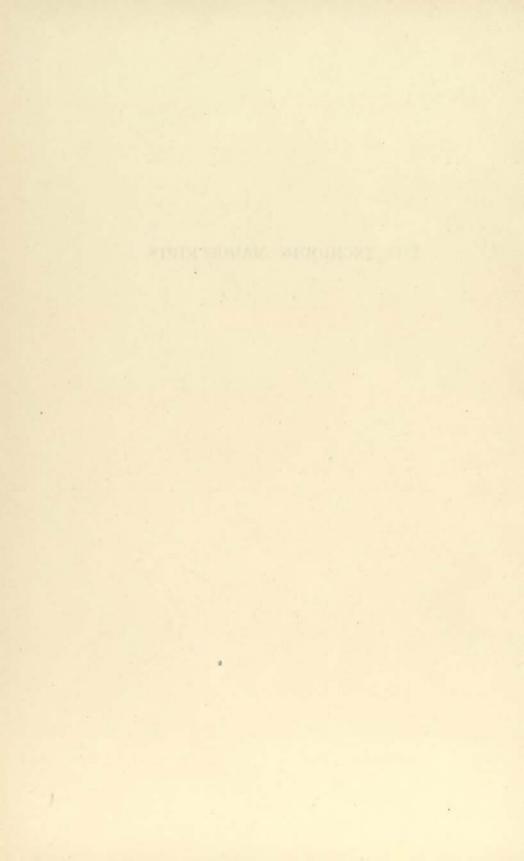


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This volume does not include the documents, literary and legal, in the Irish language referred to by Dr. E. McLysaght in his interim report on the Inchiquin Manuscripts, which was printed in *Analecta Hibernica* No. 15 (1944). It is intended to print the legal documents in extenso in a future publication.

INTRODUCTION

The papers calendared in this volume are concerned with the estate and family of the O'Briens, Earls of Inchiquin, Earls of Thomond, and (since 1855) Barons Inchiquin; also with smaller groups of the families of Hickman and Neylon, allied by marriage. They have been made available through the kindness of the present Lord Inchiquin, by whom they are preserved (with a degree of care unusual in private collections in Ireland) in the muniment room at Dromoland Castle, Newmarket-on-Fergus, Co. Clare. The arrangement of the papers, which has greatly lightened the labour of calendaring, was made about 100 years ago by the 13th Lord Inchiquin and by his cousin Robert O'Brien, who was also his estate agent. Nearly all the items are in a good state of preservation.

In common with nearly all Irish family collections (Kildare and Ormonde are obvious exceptions) its value consists in the light thrown by it on local, social, economic, and domestic affairs in the 17th, 18th, and early 19th centuries. While several members of the family, including one direct ancestor of Lord Inchiquin's, are given notices in the Dictionary of National Biography, there is no place for that perplexing personality—whether attractive or unattractive is hard to say-Sir Donough O'Brien, the 1st Baronet of the Dromoland line. He was born about 1645 and died in 1717; was the first of his family to conform to the Established Church; was made an Irish Privy Councillor by Queen Anne; and was considered by his neighbours, ten years after the surrender of Limerick, the richest commoner in Ireland. His character does not clearly emerge until 1689, and then in a curious way: he was (apart from the 5th Lord Cahir) almost the only Irishman of importance who did not declare himself either for King James or King William. Since his health seems to have been good, and he was hardly too old for active service, it is just possible that he was neither a Jacobite nor a Williamite; his only known activity, apart from serving as Sheriff of Co. Clare in 1689, was the raising of a local defence unit, to protect his own and his neighbours' lives and property from rapparees. Inevitably, he and his tenants suffered from the depredations of both armies (the figures which he or his agent gives, to show the fall in rents in the years 1690-1695, are startling); but perhaps he was lucky, to have had—as far as he himself was concerned—nothing more than a warning from some Jacobite officers and a summons to Dublin to explain himself to the Williamite Privy Council.

Of the regard in which he was held by his neighbours, small or great, and his tenants there is no doubt; unluckily, his private life is obscure. Hardly anything comes to light about either of his wives, Lucia Hamilton and Elizabeth Deane; while between him and his eldest son Lucius—a more attractive person than his father—there was bad feeling at least from the time when Lucius was reading Law at the Temple in 1695. The surviving letters show only the not uncommon complaints, on the father's side, of extravagance and incompetence—other young men with less money make a better figure than Lucius; Lucius should not lay out shrubberies at Corofin; Lucius must not arrive late for the Parliamentary sessions in Dublin. What deeper disagreement underlay this snappishness, is impossible to tell; at any rate, Lucius was to predecease his father, dying in Paris almost alone, while still in his prime, much regretted by his fellow-Claremen.

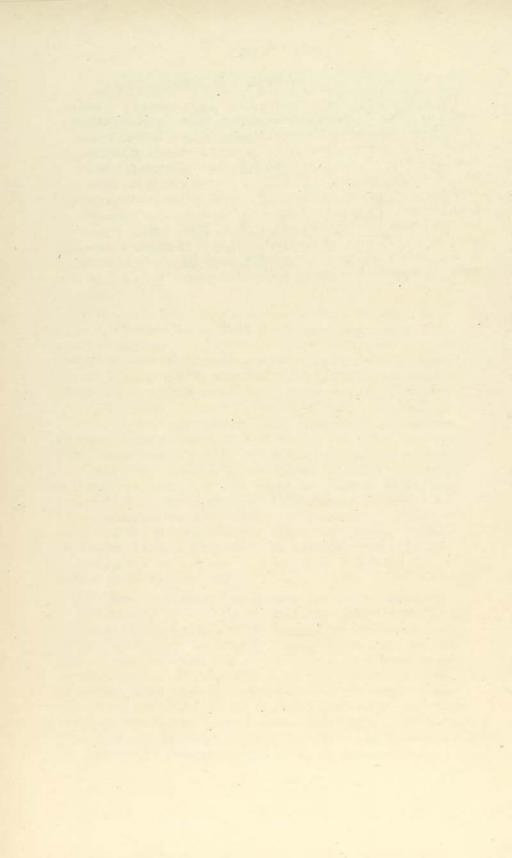
Sir Donough's daughter-in-law (born Catherine Keightley, whose father had recently been a Lord Justice of Ireland) was an eventempered lady, who got on with her tough father-in-law, and was allowed (since her son Edward was not more than nine when he became the 2nd Baronet) a fairly free hand in his upbringing. In spite of the protests of his grandmother, Lady Frances Keightley, Sir Edward went up to Oxford. In the 1730s and later he emerges as an eminent patron of the turf—even then, appallingly expensive by contemporary standards-without much idea of the management of his large but rather embarrassed estate. In spite of bad health, he was active in local affairs: less so, probably, than his son Sir Lucius (1735-1795) a barrister-politician, a genuine expert on economic affairs, who worked hard for the development of the Shannon Navigation and for local industries, was in opposition for the whole of his Parliamentary career, and had at his command a fairly strong "interest" in both the English Houses of Parliament. He was unlike most of his kind, in that he took seriously the condition of the Established Church, then at about its lowest ebb.

It is impossible to do more than glance at the various topics covered by the Inchiquin MSS. There are two fairly complete stories, each a mixture of the amusing and the horrific; the ingenious attempt of Mr. Patrick Hurly to secure Sir Donough's conviction for high treason; and the attempts of the soi-disant Lady Lismore to get herself recognized. There is the usual crop of local scandals (including at least one secret marriage); there are several frank accounts of pre-election manoeuvres for the Co. Clare and Ennis seats; there is a staggering report on the unpreparedness of the Militia in the Seven Years War; and an incisive sketch of one of the young ladies whom Sir Edward's grandmother thought he should not marry.

This volume has been indexed by Mr. Michael Hewson, M.A.

The main printed sources for the history and biography of the family are: Hon. Donough O'Brien, History of the O'Briens, 1000–1945; John O'Donoghue, Historical Memoirs of the O'Briens; Frost, History & Topography of Clare, pp. 239 et seq.; Dictionary of National Biography, XIV, 750–781; The Complete Peerage, III, 251–254 (Clare), VII, 50–57 (Inchiquin), XII, 702–716 (Thomond); A. & H. Tayler, 1745 and after, pp. 13, 34–36, 223 (for Daniel O'Brien [1686–1759] Lord Lismore); Froude, The English in Ireland, II, pp. 232 et seq. (for Sir Lucius O'Brien.) Of several Hist. MSS. Comm. reports which refer to members of the family, the most useful are Egmont, pt. 1, pp. 154 et seq., pt. 2, pp. 376–378, where there is to be found much information about the 1st Earl of Inchiquin.

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1. CORRESPONDENCE

1.

31 Jul. 1577.

John Whyte, Mayor of Limerick, to his cousin Constance Ailward, Sub-sheriff of Co. Clare.

"Mr Constance my L: hath writen unto you to delyver to Taig Mac Moroghe O Brien the castell of Kahirsharcon (?) so as you should recave my lettre certefying you that I have receved surties for the paiment of the xl li fine as I have had instructions from the Quens Attorney I therfor certefie you that I have receved bonds & surties accordingly . . . Therefore it is met that you delyver him the castell without delay . . ."

1 p.

2.

12 May 1595.

Richard Gill (from Askeaton) to Richard Wingfield (in Dublin). Begins, "Mr Wingkfeild"; ends "Yor very lovyng frend".

Wingfield having written to the effect that "the office [inquisition] founde against Murto Mc Turlogh was not sufficient never thelesse I praye seeke hard for an abatement I have also delt wth Mr Clovell in that behaulf I pray confer wth him . . . I think Murto . . . holdeth of viij plough lands accordinge the last office found at Shannagoolding if it be so the abatement . . . dothe amount to . . . xxxij li viij s & viij d by the yeare . . . As touchinge Captaine Collom I have deliuered Roger Rice some money and hee will laie out the rest for to fee mee a councellor and an attorney . . . offer him that it might be reffered to the measuringe of the land and if it faule out to lesse . . . then [than] he paieth for I am contented to abate him I think any reasonable man wilbe contented wth this offer . . . touchinge my bargaine wth you in Shrolaund Teige Mc Glauncye hathe serued mee wth prosses for the thirde parte . . . now I hear hee hath brought a contempt against mee I meane to lett him enter into the thirde parte . . . untill I heare from you . . ."

1 p.

I June 1599.

R. Wingfelde (from Galway) to his wife (at Smithstown, Co. Clare). The Lord Lieutenant having agreed with "my brother Mr. Teig O Bryan" to put the castle of Smythestown again in his posseson, he asks her "presentlie to take awaye such things of myne as are in our chamber & such wrytings & other things as I leafte in the cheste thear & to delyver the sayd castell unto my sayd brothers assygne..."

1 p.

4.

28 Nov. 1642.

[Murrough O'Brien 1st] Earl of Inchiquin (from Cork) to [Richard Boyle] Earl of Cork, Lord High Treasurer.

Encloses petition of Thomas Peryam, brother and administrator of William Peryam late of Youghal, merchant; with a request that the first part of it, "that tickett may be given for comodityes & provisions received into his Mats: stores" be granted, while the second part, "that certaine quantityes of tallow butter & hydes may bee exported" should be refused.

Ends "yor. Lps. affeccionate freind and servaunt".

1 p.; with covering letter from Richard Caulfield to the 13th Lord Inchiquin, 1865.

5.

15 Apr. 1644.

[Morrough O'Brien, 1st Earl of] Inchiquin (from Cork) to Col. Connor O'Brien of Leamaneh.

"I understand by Ulick Bourk, and by my servant Mlaghlin Oge, that you doe continue very full of those expressions of respect and curtesy towards mee, whereof you have formerly made large profession . . . now that the hope of a speedy settlement & composure of the unhappy distempers of this kingdome gives me just ground to expect that I shall once again be mr of my owne estate in that county . . . it doth befitt & concerne mee to enquire . . . after those who have had by any sinister meanes all this long tyme the benefitt of my goods and estate . . . And as I cannot be ignorant how that my brother Christopher hath made many severall inconsiderate bargaines & contracts, and embezeled & disposed of my estate in severall preiudiciall wayes . . . I thought it very necessary to give you this notice & premonition, that I shall be inforced to question and disavow all manner of contracts or agreemts. . . . entred into by him . . . I am hopeful you will not need more inducemts. to comply wth this just request . . ."

1 p.

2 June 1644.

The same (from Downerayle) to Capt. Connor O'Brien (at Leamaneh in Thomond).

Thanks him for giving up the bargain between Lord Inchiquin's brother and himself. "... Whensoever you please to send for a stand of arms you shall have them. I should desire you to send me the bay gelding you have by Mlaghlins man ..." (and another nag of his, if it is to be found).

1 p.

7.

16 July 1644.

The same (from Cork) to Mlaghlen Oge.

About the lands of Ballycassin, which were promised to Conor O Brien. "... Where my wourd is ingaged I will not breake it for the inheritance of ten times soe much land ... fr [for] Ullick Burk I thinke he has noo reason to expect to keepe my land except he will doe as much as you proffer . . ."

Copy, 11 pp.

8.

1648 (?).

Lieut.-Col. David Crosbie to Morrough O'Brien, 1st Earl of Inchiquin.

"Right honorable—the Lord of Castlehaven1 (as I suppose for want of information of the assignment made to your Lordship both of the grand applotment & nine weekly assignments) hath written a letter unto the commissioners of this county threatening that he will destroy them all for the neglect of their payments. whereof I writ . . . that all those payments were assigned unto your Lordship & therefore desired him to forbear bringing or sending any of his troops into this poor country. To which purpose I humbly beseech your Lordship to write . . . or cause Sir George Hamilton to write unto him . . . least any party may be by his Lordship sent hither which would certainly disable & starve the inhabitants from answering the payments, with much difficulty settled for your Lordships regiment of foot & other regiments assigned by your Lordship on this county, amounting to the full payment of the assessment weekly, and if there be any means come into your Lordships disposition I beseech your Lordship to remember my regiment left trusting to delinquents and the 30f per week which 30f is money small enough to content the officers . . . I am enforced to quarter in the country many of them as cannot find a way of payment fit

¹ James Touchet [c. 1617-1684] 3rd Earl.

out of the assignment upon the score of excise not raised or on foot here & claims part of the tithes most of which are disposed to churchmen. Wherefore I humbly beseech your Lordship to countenance my quartering of them . . . & to send me authority to receive & levy so much of the tithes money as is not disposed of . . . that it may in some measure give the country a sense of your Lordships care of my regiments provision . . . I humbly beseech your Lordship to cause the secretary to intimate unto me the condition of the army and of your Lordships success whom I beseech God to bless in all your undertakings & preserve your Lordship for all your friends . . . Cap. Shewells troop is likewise unprovided for whom I beseech your Lordship to be mindful of ".

Copy, made c. 1860 by the 13th Lord Inchiquin.

9.

31 May 1648.

Earl of Inchiquin (from Cork) to Lieut.-Col. David Crosbie.

Has heard that Mr. Edmond Fitzmaurice "doth not only contend to keep his regiment in your county contrary to the late articles . . . but . . . labours to engage the people of the county to join with him in driving you out of it. Wherefore I have sent this horse unto your assistance & do desire you . . . to cause . . . the said Edmond Fitzmaurice to be apprehended together with all his party or adherents . . . & if he shall offer any actions of hostility towards you that you return the like to him . . . "

Copy, made c. 1860 by the 13th Lord Inchiquin.

10.

5 June 1648.

Earl of Inchiquin (from Cork) to Lieut.-Col. Crosbie, Governor of Co. Kerry.

Begins, "Sir"; ends, "your loving friend".

Has heard complaints (which he believes unfounded) from the county against Crosbie, and therefore desires him to "propose all possible means to give the country satisfaction, provided you omit nothing that may tend to the delay of levying the applotment . . . as to any report of removing you from the place of Governor . . . as is it is far from me to give ear unto it, so I would have you . . . not to omit any part of your charge for such report. I would not have you think of my Lord of Kerrys¹ regiments going thither yet for reasons you shall hereafter be acquainted with . . . as to the rest of your demands I have given instructions unto Charles Sughroe . . . "

Copy, made c. 1860 by the 13th Lord Inchiquin.

¹ Patrick Fitzmaurice [1595-1661] 18th Baron.

8 Jul. 1648.

Earl of Inchiquin (from Blarney) to Lieut.-Col. Crosbie.

He has agreed to give protection to David Mc Carthy "as other of the country . . . and to that end do authorise you to article with him . . . to deliver up the possession of the castle [Castlemaine] with speed . . . the truth is the Supreme Councell are about to receive him and to get the castle into their hands & therefore . . . you are to plant Cap. Grene in the castle with a party . . . until I determine how to dispose of it . . . I remain your affectionate friend . . . "

Copy, made c. 1860 by the 13th Lord Inchiquin.

12.

17 Sept. 1648.

Earl of Inchiquin (from Ballynakill) to Lieut.-Col. Crosbie or his deputy.

"... according to your desire I shall write to Sir Davide O Bryen & Patrick Purcell not to engage in the relief of that place of the reducing whereof I shall expect speedily to hear.

And although you have not yet looked after O Sulivane yet I shall desire you to make him very much your care & endeavour to seize upon him an the privatest way you can & to secure the person of his son.

I have reduced Nenagh & am this day marching after Owen Roe either to the Byrre or Borris in Leix—Preston is before Athy & being possessed of part of it three days since, it is confidently believed he is master of it by this time. I have now only to advise you to use your best care in keeping your country in good order . . . "

Copy, made c. 1860 by the 13th Lord Inchiquin.

13.

29 Aug. 1659.

Denis O'Brien (from London), to his mother, Mrs. Mary Cooper (in Limerick.)

Has written seldom, because no letters passed by Chester "since the begining of these troubles . . . " His stepfather intends leaving him in the Temple, "& to recommend me to one Mr Fitchjarrald [FitzGerald] brother to Major Willsons wife, where I hope with Gods assistance I may attaine to those things which may be for my future benefit . . . I would waite on the Earle of Inchiquins lady, but that she hath noe fancy to see any of her husbands relations for his beeing a papist . . . pray send me in the next a note of what things you would have bought here . . . "

5 Nov. 1659.

Same to [his stepfather,] John Cooper.

It is reported here that "Monk is risen in Scotland, whom my Lord Lambert is gone with 12 or 14 thousand men to opose on monday last . . . not one packet in three . . . comes safely into Ireland by reason of cross winds & stormy weather . . . " Asks for money to be sent him, "that I might exercise myselfe at the dancing school for I know not how to employ my selfe & time is pretious . . ."

11 pp.

15.

30 Oct. 1660.

Same to Mrs. Cooper.

Our countrymen here are in great hopes of enjoying their estates in Ireland; but none (except Lord Ormond and Lord Inchiquin), have as yet had them confirmed; "Mr Stagbould having had audience before the King conscerning the affayres of Irland, was made Recorder of Limerick . . . "

1 p.

16.

13th Nov. 1660.

Same to same.

Has had much kindness from Lord Inchiquin, "but not for your sake, for I perceiue my Ld. is much displeased with you, & without doubt both he & my uncle Kitt will fall on your back as soone as they come into Irland . . . "

 $I_{\frac{1}{2}} pp.$

17.

18 Dec. 1660.

Same to same.

Lord Inchiquin has been "very carfull of my buisnesse". Has petitioned Lord Ormond for, and obtained, "his certificate of the death & faithfulnesse of my father is his Matis: service... & doe beleeve therby shall obtaine his Matis: positiue order to enioy all that is my birth-right... I presume there will be noe great delay, if not for want of money, which at present is very short with me... heare is our cossin Coll. Danyell O Bryen, come out of Spaine, & very much in favour... Mr John Mcnemara, of whome I understand you desire to heare, is in this towne & as he tells me is confident of enjoying all his estates..."

2½ pp.

12 Mar. 1660[1.]

Same to John Cooper.

Has been ready, for the past three weeks, to leave London, "had I received your commands & the unum necessarium togeather". Lord Inchiquin goes for France next Thursday; his Lady starts for Dublin next Monday; he would very willingly enjoy the latter's company, if he could. Your old acquaintance, Sir James Shane, leaves town this week, "he is one of the Comissioners of Reprizalls in Ireland & thefore is commanded away in regard the Court sitts in Dubline very speedily . . . "

2 pp.

19.

30 Aug. 1661.

Same to Mrs. Cooper.

"I much admire your forgettfullnesse of your nephewe Timothy . . ." (for whom the best employment, next to that of a tradesman, would be that of page to a noblemen.). ". . . I have very good hopes of my buisnesse & question not to recover my estate in despight of all that would keepe it from me . . . yesterday the Irish agents were disputing the buisnesse of Ireland with the Inglish Commissioners before the King & Councell it is said the Irish got somthing the better of it . . ."

2 рр.

20.

29 Jul. 1663.

[Morrough O'Brien, 1st] Earl of Inchiquin (from London) to

Begins, "My Lord".

Giving an account of proceedings in Parliament. He believes the King will "be stayed by a bill that my Lord of Anglesy¹ brought from Ireland, whereby new wayes are to be taken for the settlemt. of that kingdom . . . "

2 pp.

21.

22 July 1663.

D. O'Brien (from Dublin) to [Henry O'Brien] Earl of Thomond (c/o Mr. Daniel Arthur, "marchant", in London.)

"... I belive your Lopp. heard ear this, how Col. Warren Captn. Tomson and Gibson of Trim wer hanged, the rest of the conspirators will be tryed next tearm ... My cussen Mrs. Cooper is now in great truble being charged with murther and tryed for her

¹ Arthur Annesley [1614-1686] 1st Earl of Anglesey, Vice-Treasurer and Receiver-General of Ireland.

life, I owe her a great many civilitys, wch my wife receaved from her, beside my neer allyance. And I would be glad to doe her any curtesie. If your Lop. pleases to quit her by your letter and orders to Mr. Hickman I doe ingadge myselfe to pay punctually . . . in London the hunderd pound she owes you, before the last day of Michaelmasse tearme next . . . I shall beg a warrant of your Lop. for a buck in your next letter . . . " .

2 p.

22.

10 Nov. 1665.

Mary Cooper to [Henry O'Brien] Earl of Thomond.

Begins, "Rt. Honble."; ends, "yor Lps. most obleidged & most faithfull servt. till death".

Concerning repayment of a loan made to her "in my extremitie & troubles in England". Asks Lord Thomond to order his servant Hickman" to forbeare his violent persecution of my son. . .".

2 pp.; sealed with O'Brien armorial seal.

23.

1673.

Two letters (one from Joh: Emerson to Donough O'Brien, the other from Emerson and Donogh O'Hehir to Lord Inchiquin) about a reference to determine the bounds of the lands of Fyanemanagh and Knockgillahanah, within the manor of Inchiquin.

24.

25 May 1679.

Christopher Hurt to Donough O'Brien (in Dublin.)

"... This is the third lettre I have sent ... for this gales rent and arrears of Rinaneagh &c but neuer receavd any answer ... my chatle are at Bunratty since Tuesday last and I have noe other meanes to redeeme them but depending on you ... I have disposd of Ballynecragy to my brother Hughes (?) a litle to my losse ... pray will you order me the covering of a mare".

1 p.

25.

7 June 1679.

John Durey (from Limerick) to Sir Samuel Foxen (at Annabeagh (?)).

Begins, "Sr"; ends, "Your assured humble servt".

The bearer, Mr. Mortagh Hogan, will produce an injunction for Sir Samuel's signature, for possession of a parcel of land called Crosseighter; "the matter concernes particularly your cousin Donogh O'Bryen, soe as you may have the greater regard in point of fees, alsoe he has an execution for 17 li. costs agt. one Flanagan who defended the lands hitherto . . . "

1 p.

26.

17 June 1679.

[Daniel O'Brien, Viscount] Clare (from Limerick) to Capt. Donough O'Brien (at his house in Butter Lane, Dublin.)

Begins, "Dear cossen"; ends, "your most affect. kinsman & serut."

Asking him to be go surety in a case involving a writ of error obtained by Clare from England, "... for I suspect much that Cusack deals perfidiously wth me . . . "

 $1\frac{1}{2}pp.$

27.

8 Nov. 1679.

Richd. Wilson (from London) to Capt. Donough O'Brien (at Dromoland, Co. Clare, near Limerick.)

He can make no progress in his business on account of the indisposition of Sir Joseph [Williamson] and his lady."... Theres a rumour heere about the house that Hales has told Sr Joseph yu. proffered him 350 li. bribe to allow of yor. pretentions to Dromoland. But if you take any notice of itt make as though yor. intimation came from yor. cozn: Connr: O'Brien..."

 $1\frac{1}{2}pp.$

28.

1678-1682.

Five letters from [Daniel O'Brien, 3rd] Viscount Clare to Donough O'Brien. On 3I Jan. 1678 he writes "... Though I have not seen the 2 Nepallitan stoned coults, yet because I hear they are of the cullour I will giue you 30 l. for them ..."

29.

1683 et seq.

Letters1 to and from the following persons:

To Sir Donough O'Brien from Nicholas Arthur, Lord Inchiquin, Michl. Goold, and others. 20 letters, 1683 to 1692.

To Lucius O'Brien and Catherine O'Brien from Sir Donough. 26 letters, 1695 to 1717.

¹ The letters grouped under this heading have been examined, and found of insufficient interest to be calendared; other letters of nearly all the writers mentioned above have been abstracted.

To Sir Donough from various correspondents. 10 letters, 1702 to 1705.

To Mrs. O'Brien from Lord Rochester. 6 letters, 1702 to 1711. To Sir Donough from various correspondents. 25 letters, 1697 to 1700 and 1710 to 1713.

To Mrs. Catherine O'Brien from Thomas Amory (her solicitor), J. Dawson, David England, Henry Thornton, and others. 45 letters,

1710 to 1724.

To the same from Lucius O'Brien. 22 letters, 1711 to 1715.

To the same from Danl. Grady. 15 letters, 1717 to 1724.

To the same from John Davoren. 20 letters, 1717 to 1725.

To Lady O'Brien from her mother in law, Mrs. Catherine O'Brien, and others. 10 letters, 1727 & 1728.

To Sir Edward O'Brien from various correspondents. 65 letters, 1730 to 1739, 1746 to 1749, and 1760 to 1765.

Sir Edward O'Brien to and from Counsellor William Spaight. 14 letters, 1748 to 1760.

To Lucius (afterwards Sir Lucius) O'Brien from various correspondents. 1762 to 1779.

30.

6 Apr. 1683.

Edmund Daniel to Stephen Rice (at Limerick.)

In the reference made by Mr. Daniel Mc Nemara and the writer to Rice as umpire, in the dispute between O'Brien and McNemara they omited letting him know that McNemaras witnesses "did differr about the treading and setting out of the bounds" while O'Brien's witnesses were unanimous on this point.

1 p.

31.

30 Oct. 1683.

Florence Macnemara to Capt. Donough O'Brien.

He has been told that he believes the differences between Capt. O'Brien and Thomas Macnemara cannot be settled by counsel. "... it ought to be agreemt. to all intents and the several suits upon that matter suspended ... I make it my study to compose this and doe hope [for] an amicable end ..."

Ends, "your affectionat kinsman and humble servt."

 $I_{\frac{1}{2}}pp.$

32.

26 May 1683.

Nicholas Arthur (from Dublin) to Donough O'Brien (at Limerick.)
"... Woolf is in town still & not well pleasd that Mr. Fra:
Meara son & executor to the Doctor & I referd at the instance of

Justin macarty our difference to Mr. Nagle on his side & to Mr. Whitshot an intimat of Sr. Josue Allen on myne empowering em to choos Sr. John Temple umpire . . . I long to see yu. & my coussine ym. good spouse in this citty . . . prethee make hast for I am very melancolick wthout company to my likeing . . . "

2 pp.

33.

14 Sept. 1683.

Same (from London) to same (at Leamaneh, in Limerick.)

"... I writ to my honor'd kinsewoman yr. lady of my readienes to obey her comands, but Mrs. Arthur will not venture to have the manto made up for want of the measure of her stayes ... as for Pa: Arthur I have that from paris as will set things to right wth him maugre his insatiable longing for Dagenbrack ..."

2 pp.

34.

12 Apr. 1684.

Same to same.

About "the great joy and news" of Baron Worth's landing that morning with the Commission to redress defective titles, and also that for the military establishment. "...yu. will have allready the Lord Deputys escape in the accidentall fire happen'd on monday last 2 a clock in the morning his Excs. particulare losse is valued 4000 li & the Kings a building of a royall pallace for his Lrs. Lefts. in this kingdome ..."

3 pp.

35.

24 Jan. 1684.

Mortagh Hogan (from Crosse) to Capt. Donough O'Brien 1 (in Dublin.)

Begins, "Hond Sr"; ends, "yor one servt.".

"I have recenied yor lr with the copie of Mary Doughertys bill and haue from the faire of Turlagh last sent an acct. of what offered here . . . as for Mary . . . I here she letts her sutte fale . . . Therlagh O Hoyne presents his humble seruis . . . & prayes that you may be pleased to lett him haue the tennantcy of the cartoron of Pullinemny where Fanyagh Heyne liued, and he will pay seuen pounds per anum for itt that hee may plant some laborars there to improue his farm . . . the last was a very good faire a greate dele of money & strangers . . . I understand that the shenesschall shipp of this manr. is to be remoued, and if soe, I desire you may . . .

¹ O'Brien armorial seal on cover.

specke in my behalfe to my Ld, for I wantt some thing of an imploymt to recrutte my losses in my loung sickness . . . "

1 p., enclosing copy of Exchequer bill of Mary Deverix of Scouneragha, Co. Clare, spinster, v. Donough O'Brien.

36.

7 May 1684.

Capt. John Molony to Donat O'Brien.

Begins, "Worthy Sr." The wood was cut last December twelvemonth (as far as he and Mortagh can remember) on the height of Carhinanaffrin and Poulenagad, by Owen Mc Gillavoyle, David Flannra, Phillipp Mc Cahill, and Mahon Mc Nemara, and was carried away by David Mc Gillavoyle.

1 p., written at night.

37.

30 Jul. 1684.

Henry Ivers to his brother in law Cornet John Cooper.

Concerning the estate of Dromore, of which Lord Thomond requires an account. "... pray get a list of such lands... as belonged to the house in 1641 which Captain O Brien can give you for I have not the survey of these baronies that returns the proprietors but for Insiquin..."

Copy, made c. 1860 by the 13th Lord Inchiquin.

38.

7 May 1685.

Nicholas Arthur to Donough O'Brien.

"... intimat to left. Coll. Macguier as from a wellwisher twill be convenient he should write to his patrons in England to endeavor that no ill offices be don him ther about his employmt. ... absence is fatall to concerns of like nature ... "

2 pp.

39.

23 May 1685.

Same to same.

An express has come from the Earl of Antrim "to advise that . . . the Lord Argile landed on the island of Islay wth. 400 men & great store of armes and amunicon tended by three ships . . . likewise wee hear these Scotch rebells made progres to Kintir an adjacent peninsula . . . but wthout any considerable encreas of theyr number how ev[er]all things are put into good posture in Ulster . . . "

2 pp.

16 June 1685.

Same to same.

Sends the required power, "wth. what yu. have already to cleer wth. Woolf . . . I refer all my concerns in this countrie to yr. order provided yu. remove sd. Woolf & one White of Poulghoran and take Connor Guiran to look to the land . . . "

1 p.

41.

5 Sept. 1685.

O'Brien to Arthur.

Hopes that they may meet, on this side of the water, to discuss various matters, as he does not care to go to England at present, and "perhaps Ld. Angleseys new method against non test officers may send you over hither . . . "

Сору, 2 рр.

42.

16 July 1685.

Arthur to O'Brien.

"... I see by yrs. of the 3d. inst. yu. cleerd wth. Woolf I am not for promissing or giveing leas of any lands till wee meet... suffer none of Woolfs crew particularly foresworne White & macdonell to breath uppon anything as belongd to me or to yu... I was very neer the scafold yesterday wheron Monmouths head was cutt of the unluckie executioner gave five blowes before he could part it from his body, the sufferer in everybodys opinion acted all his life like a full [fool] and ended it like a beast ..."

2 pp.

43.

28 Apr. 1685.

Connor O'Brien (from London) to his cousin Sir Donough O'Brien. Expresses his concern for Sir Donough's family, which has been "visited" with smallpox. He has "after much labour & earnest solicitation" got a copy "of what you & I long desired though not so perfect as I would have had it"; which he asks Sir Donough to return to him by the bearer or by some other safe hand. "I have likewise sent a copy of a petition which I intended to have presented to the King for my grandmothers 1 estate . . . My Lord Thomond . . . continues still so ill that he has not been able to wait on the King . . . I must refer you to the bearer for an account of our proceedings with the Lady Roscommon 2 and all other affairs relating

¹ Probably refers to Margaret, daughter of Donogh Mc Connor O'Brien of Lemeneagh.
² Probably refers to Isabella [Boynton, d. 1721] second wife of the 4th Earl.

to . . . your most affectionate kinsman & most obliged servant . . . "

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44.

26 May 1685.

Nicholas Arthur (from Dublin) to Donough O'Brien.

His case has been referred to Mr. Nagle, Mr. Dally, and Sir Toby Butler, with Sir John Temple as "umpire".

Col. Talbot, now Earl of Tirconel, is hourly expected. 2pp.

45.

8 Aug. 1686.

[Henry Hyde, 2nd Earl of] Clarendon (from Dublin Castle) to Thomas Keightley.

Concerning an abortive conference with various persons.

"... you never heard an ingenious man (for certainly he is soe, as well as an able one) shift soe in his discourse, as Mr. Nangle does, when he's with us ... he ... professes something should be done to satisfy the world that the K: does not intend to infringe in the least the Acts of Settlement ... Within a weeke, I shall send over the state of the late Farmers Accounts ... I here send you my Ld: Ch: Just: Keating's paper; wch. I think so clear, that I would be glad to see it reasonably answer'd".

3 pp., endorsed as having been answered from Tunbridge, 26 Aug. 1686.

46.

2 June 1687.

[Henry O'Brien, 7th] Earl of Thomond (from Billing) to Sir Donough O'Brien.

"Cousin Donnogh

haueing by my last to you of the 16th of last May given my full answer to your last of the 26th of Aprill (now almost five weekes)

the receipt of the roth of May of a letter from Spaight from the lodge does soe heighly astonnish me, that, pardon me sr. that I send it to your examination; for I am not able to endure my directing an answer to Hen, who had been bread under myselfe twelue yeares and not in the schoole of Spaight. I desire not any younge follyes [fillies?] to be suffered to take horse; and that not any of my Ld. Clare's mares be ever covered more, but that, if any giue suck, lett them runn by the mare side, and never be weaned, for I intend next Aprill to have all those four mares brought for England; but if any of the four be not in fole, nor have suckers upon them, lett

such with all convenient speed be sent away to Dublin by Mathew Dea, who was lately mr. Wilsons servant, and lett the silver'd hair'd bay, wth. a bale [bald] face, now 5 yeares old, last yeare barren, be sent alsoe lett them haue grass mowed, and given them in the house, and not turned abroad. Lett them (I pray) have shoes on before, and being gentled, lett them be shod att Westchester behind, and bring them soberly to me hither; deliver him five pounds. To your wisedome and kindness to me I shall ad now noe more, but that to Hen, I haue comanded that your selfe, and my friend Macnemara of Crattallagh, the High Sherriff, may (at your best conveniencyes) be presented with a buck to each of you. If the Bishop will not allow Mr. Patterson to officiate as my chaplaine, my advowson being only to that end; soe that I comand not any clergyman, not giueing bond to abide, agreeable to my intended advowson; not any minister aliue shall haue any benefitt of my impropriations

your obliged kynsman Thomond " 1

1 p. Endorsed with abstracts of depositions (sworn 13 Jul. 1687) by Daniell Bane, Mathew Costello, Donogh Mc Mahon, and Donogh Mc Shane. These deal with Spaight's unauthorised keeping of horses, cattle, and sheep on Deer Island and elsewhere, to the detriment of Thomond's own stock.

[Another letter from Lord Thomond to Sir Donough O'Brien, 25 Jan. 1686-7 refers to Spaight as "a sinfull transgressing steward . . . you are my eyes, and being on the place, I intrust my honor or fortune to your management . . . " A copy, 10 May 1687, of a letter from Spaight to Lord Thomond, contains severe criticism of Henn's management of the horses; he alleges a loss of £150 to Lord Thomond the previous year on the Islands, apart from 20 mares having gone barren, while two mares and a colt died.]

47.

5 May 1688.

Richd. Wilson (from Dublin), to Sir Donough O'Brien (at Cratloe, near Limerick.)

About suits pending against Maude, Cullen's tenants, and Mr. Vanderlure. "... I hope yu. will be pleased to sett Tyrovanin & Killmcstulla for this yeare, & to secure Captin: Nixs groome & two best mares (as my Lord has desired) before yu: yor: selfe come up..."

1 p.; encloses copy of Lord Thomond's letter to Wilson, instructing him to "spare noe costes" in prosecuting Spaight. 17 May 1688.

¹ The concluding phrase only is in Thomond's hand.

13 Nov. 1688.

[William O'Brien, 2nd Earl of] Inchiquin (from Rostellan) to Sir Donough O'Brien (at Limerick.)

Asking for a loan of about £1,000. He is £600 a year better off by his daughter in law's death; "... I long to talke with you about providing for my sonn soe that he may be happyer in a second match..."

2 pp.

49.

13 Dec. 1688.

Sir Theobald Butler (from Dublin) to Sir Donough O'Brien. Begins, "Sr"; ends, "yor affectionate friend & humble servt.".

The bearer, Connor Flanegan, came on the previous Tuesday (the last day on which the Lord Chancellor sat) "with a long petition, and I being present tould all his vexations and groundlesse prosecutions and that I had my Lord Chiefe Justice his report against him, att last Sr. Richard Nagle and after the Court desired me to recomend him to your charity . . ." Butler promised to prevail with O'Brien, on condition of Flanegan's troubling him no longer and giving him a general release, "to give him a couple of cowes more in charity & to comply with their desires then [than] for any colour of demand that he had . . . the inclosed is a coppy of the notes as Mr Tilson tooke them . . ."

1 p.

50.

10 Aug. 1689.

[Daniel O'Brien, Viscount] Clare (from Cork) to Donough O'Brien of Doogh, Deputy Lieutenant for Co. Clare.

Begins, "Dear Cossen".

Gives a report, from one of King James's gentlemen, of 100 capital ships having been seen at Brest making for Plymouth "to seek the English & Dutch fleet & from thence to come to us, he says we shall have in Kinsale this night or tomorrow 3 frigatts loaden with arms & ammunition & a great many French officers are coming . . . if the King of France gave them leave we may have a hundred thousand men from France upon their own charge such is their zeal to serve our King against his rebells . . . you are to remove all the Protestants from Clare castle & keep them confined at Piers Creaghs house with a guard of your militia & townsmen except George Stamers who you are to leave at Clare Castle with a guard I order for him Mr. Purdon & Thos. Hickman who are both to remain under the charge

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7 Sept. 1689.

Col. Daniel O'Brien (from Innis) to Sir Donough O'Brien (at Dromolan.)

Begins, "Dr cuzen"; ends, "yr affectionat kinsmane and seruant".

Asking for the respiting of certain prisoners due to be hanged the following Monday until "my Lord" [Clare] comes, he having given orders "to take what servisable man I would find in the prisnes".

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52.

9 Sept. 1689.

(Capt.) Morrough O'Brien (from Enniskillen) to the same. "Hond.: Sr:

I doubt not but you heard ere now of my disasters among the rest that fatall day of Lisnashea, fortune being alwaies averse to all my undertakengs hitherto: I was with my single troope without any detachmt. (a thing unheard of on such an expedicion) comanded by Majr. Grall Hamilton to attack 2 troopes of dragoons & 2 company of foote of ene[my] who were planted on a ditch, under shewing of theire horse beyound [the] brooke, and that afoote, my horses being left a quarter of a mile behind; wherupon I lost seuerall of my men, recd. some desperate wounds by shott, and sword, and at last obtain'd quarters before I yeelded; my condicion haue been hitherto miserable, throw my anguish and inconveniency, though pretty well recouered now I thank God; and wee are rendered farr more miserable by stricter confinemt for the escape of one Captn. Bourke of Theaguin [Tyaquin] who stole away hence a weeke a goe, and thereby brought many hardships upon all the officers to the number of 54 that the Ltt. Grall, on whose acct. wee recd. some favour hitherto, can not prevaile for the least libertie for us, but to be crowded together in

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cold and desolate places, though his kindnesse is extraordinary to Captn, McNamara and me, and gott us to be alwaise left together; wee recd. a kind message from the K: that he is sensible of our sufferings, sent us 6 weekes subsistance, and would more, bout for our officers, who were before hand with us, de quibus suo loco; and sent a trumpettr. to offer the people of Gallway for us, wch. message was sent to Shamberge, & noe acct. as yett come, whether wee shalbe exchanged, or ransomed, but if the later I shall be undon if yor, honnr, wilbe not pleased to take that mortgage of Boneale into yr. owne hands for your rent and to helpe me with some mony towds. my releasement, when the termes are known I doubt not but were I at libertie, I would doe well, there being mony due to me, & the K: being sensible of me in particular, but let God, who is the managr. of all things dispose of us to his owne service, & the wellfare of our soules I trust all my poore concerns to yor selfe undr. him & remaine yr. own wist.

Captn. Jon. write to you hours henc Morogh: O Brien"

1 p.; addressed to Dublin and forwarded to Limerick.

53.

16 Nov. 1689.

(Sir) William Talbott (from Dublin Castle) to the same.

Informing him of his appointment by King James as High Sheriff of Co. Clare for the year 1690.

1 p., endorsed " For his Maties. spetiall service".

54.

3 Dec. 1689.

[John Roane] Bishop of Killaloe to Sir Donat O'Brien.

Begins, "Sr"; ends, your affectionat servt Jo. Laonensis" Urging Sir Donat to accept the office of High Sheriff, for which he has been pricked, in spite of his being "not inclinable". Reminds him of "that knowne saying, wee are not borne for our selues, our country challenges a share . . . all that I can foresee . . . is least something of an oath be imposed wch you may not well digest . . . I am not a polititian but a diuine and therefore conceiue you are oblidged to serue yor country wherein you may (salua conscientia) and soe God blesse you . . . "

1 p.

The Bishop uses the form Donat, not Donough. These forms—and indeed Denis also—were used indifferently by his correspondents. It seemed simpler, and more rational, to adhere to the forms used by them.

4 Dec. 1689.

(Dean) Jasper Pheasant (from Killaloe) to the same.

Begins, "Honored Sr"; ends, "Honorable Sr yor ever obliged most humble servant".

Having heard from "some serious gentlemen" of Sir Donat's being pricked for Sheriff, urges him to accept "that great trust" as he will be able to check "many insolencies & outrages daily committed" on the Protestants of Co. Clare.

1 p.

56.

5 Dec. 1689.

(Capt.) Sym: Purdon to Richard Wilson (at Moygall.)

On the same subject as the two previous letters. He has hopes of Sir Donat being prevailed on "to waite these private considerations [the trouble and expense of the shrievalty] for the publick good".

1 p.

57.

5 Dec. 1689.

(Capt.) Sym: Purdon to Sir Donat O'Brien.

Begins, "Deare & Hond. Sr."; ends, "your most obliedged & ever faithfull servt."

Hopes that Sir Donat will accept the shrievalty, in which case he will have "the prayers of many poore people, who now groane under heavy oppressions . . . " About a fortnight ago he was ordered into confinement at "Innish" by (Florence) McNamara, "our Govr. . . . for noe other reason . . . then [than] because I distrayn'd a tent. for May rent last, and would not release his catle on his letter, this tennant was the ringleader of those who would haue betray'd my possession, and for that his good service the Govr. recomended him to me & order'd me to use him kindly. I must confess I was a litle stiff on the matter, & refus'd to obey his orders, haueing first wayted on my Ld. of Lymerick1 and acquainted his Lop. with my circumstance of being honrd. with the Kings commission, & a secretary's letter to the Deputys [Deputy Lieutenants] in my favour. In my letter to Mr Macnemarra he thought I did not obserue the style his quality challeng'd . . . " Purdon has been told by Lord Limerick that his house must either be demolished or garrisoned "because of its neighbourhood to James towne & I doe not doubt but he will get those will sweare that I hould correspondence with the rebbels there & at Innishkillin . . . If by lawfull means I endeavour to gett in my rent for my subsistence, I must be confin'd,

¹ William Dungan, 1st Earl [1630-1698.]

if I refuse to truckle to his arbitrary power, my house must be raz'd if the collr. at my request distrains on my refractory tennants for the Kings dues, he is threatned if he will not quitt the distress, & take myne for what they owe & rather than faile, a dragoon at large must be employ'd to doe the worke. Mr Macnemarra was tould when Hara was committed for takeing poore peoples horses & disposeing of them at his pleasure that I sett his prosecutrs. on, upon which he sent me a kind of threatneing messadge by one of his instruments to desist or else he should looke on me as one that levell'd indirectly at him. I returned . . . answr that I could not beleeve he would employ any person to abuse the country by seizing unservicable horses, & makeing a hand of them, as is was notorious Hara did . . . I have dwelt too long on soe slender a subject, but I thought fitt to lett you understand this man of power's practices . . . if you think fitt to hint something of these practices towards me, my old frind Mr Butler will undoubtedly doe me some right, espetially on vr recomendation "

2 pp.; enclosing draft of Sir Donat's letter to Mr. Butler, Solicitor-General, in similar terms.

58.

17 Dec. 1689.

Jno. Cooper to his son-in-law Richard Wilson (at Dromoland.)

"... McNemaras troop is to come to town & Morres his [sic] to remove, & if soe I would have you to doe as the world doth; complement to yr advantage. Ile tell you more when I see you, which I thought should have been this night but meetinge with a damd drunken dutches it was my fate to receave most damd & raskelly usage as might be expected from persons of such quallyte ..."

1 p.

59.

17 Dec. 1689.

Sir Theobald Butler, Solicitor-General (from Dublin Castle) to Sir Donough O'Brien (at Ennis.)

"Sr—when I found that eight troopes of Coll. Daniel O'Bryens dragoones must of necessity be sent unto that county, and remembered the sad complaints made heretofore of them, I coud not think of a better expedient than that you should appoint their quarters and . . . receave affts, of any extortion they should comitt and send them to the secretary soe that they may be corrected and paymt, made to the parties injured. I would be gladd to preserve all places, and particularly that county, tho I have no interest of my own there now, but my acquaintance with the people. I cannot direct you in this point who knowes the country better than I, but I suppose dragoones

cannot hope to keep their horses all at hay, and therefore good grasse and some corne woud doe well, which I believe the western part of that county can afford reasonably. As for the men, since it is impossible to quatar all in townes, there being none there, I doe not know how itt can be donne better than to send a quota to every chiefe landlord, and then to distribute them among their tenants, & the troopers to buy their beefe, corne. or bread, which the head landlord coud see delivered, att reasonable rates, and we to putt them westward and a troope att Corrofin, another at Killenora, for I must advertise you that what part you place att Ennis, I believe will not be long there, & therefore when ordrs. come so you must have a prospect where to dispose of them

I am

Sr

your very humble servt
Theobald Butler"

14 pp.

60.

17 Dec. 1689.

Sir Richard Nagle (from Dublin Castle) to Sir Donat O'Brien (at Ennis.)

Directing him to find quarters for eight troops of dragoons which are being sent into Co. Clare. "... by their ordrs. they are to pay duely for their forrage and dyet ... if they doe otherwise ... you will receaue what complaints are made of them and transmit them to me ..."

1 p.

61.

30 Dec. 1689.

[Justin McCarthy, Earl of] Mountcashel (from Dublin) to the same (at Dromolan.)

Asking for his help in buying a couple of geldings, which he has commissioned his cousin Macnemarra to get him. "I had rather . . . of my Lord of Thuomonths breed then any other . . . "

1 p.

62.

31 Dec. 1689.

Marquis d'Albaville, Principal Secretary of State (from Dublin Castle) to the Commissioners of Oyer and Terminer for Co. Clare (at Ennis.)

"The many robberies felonies oppressions & outrages comitted through all parts of the Kingdom . . . " have caused the King to

give orders that they should immediately let the Secretary of State know the reasons (if any) why they have neglected their commission. They should also:

 (I) proceed at once to execute their commission, sending the Secretary a weekly account of their proceedings;

(2) take proceedings against any J.Ps. who have bailed malefactors, and against those who have rescued prisoners;

(3) adjourn from one week to another, or not more than a fortnight at the most:

(4) take proceedings against all who have obstructed them in the execution of their commission;

(5) take proceedings against "all persons found guilty of the Kings coynage";

(6) "order all menn to fall upon publick robbers, who have noe

regard of their duty to God, their King, or country . . . "

The King specially orders them to "consider the liberty of conscience granted by Act of Parliamt: & to punish the infringers of that law . . . "

2½ pp.

63.

[1689.]

Terence O'Brien to Sir Donough O'Brien (at Dromoland.)

Gives a list (23 names) "of the men & the names of those that sent'em wth. horses & arm's; they went by day and night to suppress the ropperies where there was any complaint, & tooke seuerall rogues & brought'em before the law to be executed . . . "

1 p.

64.

9 Jan. 1689 [90].

"J C" [John Cooper] to Richard Wilson.

Concerning "that unhapy man Pemerton whome you say is a treacherous knave but I understand not how . . . "

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65.

23 Jan. 1689 [90].

John Gore (from Limerick) to Sir Donough O'Brien.

Concerning his dealings with Capt. Donough O'Brien (from whom he holds the lands of Slapyn (?) and Corkilty) and the Clanchys. "sure I am that I am ronged and must bear it with the rest of my lossis till [it] place God and the King to [do] me right. My servant John Williams writt me word that heares (?) dragons will be sent to quarter on him . . . it will be very hard on him and me . . . pray sr protack [sic] him if you can . . . "

2 pp.

17 Feb. 1689 [90].

Giles Vanderlure (from Rathlahine) to Sir Donat O'Brien.

Enclosing a warrant [not preserved] and a writ against James Mc Teige Carmody of Moyhill, yeoman, and Roger O Mullowny of Gortyfine (?) yeoman, for a debt of £100. He has been "grossly abused" by the former.

1 p.

67.

2 Feb. 1689 [90.]

Nicholas Magrath to the same.

Concerning Mrs. Any Mullony alias Grady and Hugh Mullony, who are keeping him out of possession of a house and lands in Derrymore.

1 p; with two other letters (12 and 13 Feb.) on the same subject.

68.

27 Feb. 1689 [90].

Capt. Francis Wray (from Limerick) to the same (at his house in Georges Lane, Dublin.)

Enclosing "the heads of all I can recollect as answer to the citty answer . . . If you thinke it adviceable, shew the whole paper to the Bp of Kildare¹ . . . I suppose the whole matter wilbe brought before my Ld Leift and Councell . . ."

2 рр.

69.

29 Feb. 1689 [90].

Marquis D'Albaville (from Dublin Castle) to John Grady and Symon Purdon, Commissioners of Oyer and Terminer for Co. Clare (at Ennis.)

Thanking them for showing "so fully and so substantially the condition of the whole nation in that of your county... if you would but have named the officers who give billets in that manner... I would myselfe be the solicitor to have them punished... I am sorry to find so litle of a publick spirit in the Kingdom..." $2\frac{1}{2}pp$.

70.

4 Mar. 1689 [90].

Miles Bourke (from Dublin) to Sir Donough O'Brien (at Limerick). "Inclosed are two venires in order to haue a jury returned for nisi prius att your assizes, they are the concerns of Coll. Garrett Moore . . . "

1 p.; endorsed with names of 24 jurors, beginning with Sir Henry Wadington of Scariff, Kt.

¹ William Moreton [1641-1715] Bishop of Kildare 1682-1705.

6 Mar. 1689 [90.]

John [Roane] Bishop of Killaloe to Sir Donat O'Brien.

Asking him to "make use of yor interest or power" to get Mr. Lawson, or anyone else he thinks fit, to officiate on the next "Lords day" as John Hawkins, the writer's nephew, is "under the drs. hands".

Asks for Sir Donough to spare him a couple of bullocks for his "great family", repaying himself out of the rent of Lyttermoylane "if any may be gott". Thanks Sir Donough for "easing me of such company that I am not fond of".

1 p., with draft of Sir Donough's reply.

72.

6 Mar. 1689-90.

Sir Henry Lynch (from Dublin) to Sir Donough O'Brien ("at Leminneah from Ennis").

Concerning "poore mr Dauin" for whom he will try to get a pardon on his return from circuit.

1 p.

73.

9 Mar. 1689 [90].

John Grady (from Limerick) to the same (at Dromoland.)

Enclosing a letter [not preserved] in reply to the last sent by him and Symon Purdon to the Marquis. Purdon "desires a value may be put upon the claret lately sent you hence before used, pursuant to his Maties. late declaration . . . the Queen of Spain touched at Kingsale on Monday last attended wth. 35 ships from England for Spain if she had not been a Protestant I would be persuaded she came out of devotion to Saint Patrick & to this holy soil but I find she only exchanged Spanish wine for our water & who knows how fruitfull an operation our water may works upon her in the scorching climat of Spain . . . Collonel Craven recd. an express from the Lord Douer signifyeing the expectation of the French fleet wthin three days . . . Sym Purdon drinks yr health here in worse claret than yu. sent . . . "

2 рр.

74.

26 Apr. 1690.

Sir Donough O'Brien to [William Dongan] Earl of Limerick.

As ordered, he encloses a list of "the cheif gentlemen & ablest persons" in the county, who are to bring their "ablest horses without delay to go to Cork for his Majestys service". Expects that many of the horses will be at Limerick the following Monday. "... My Lord it is the want of horses generally throughout this county ... taken from the people by dragoons & others & not the want of a good will to serve his Majesty . . . that makes this county so backward . . . but now I hope what they send will please your Lordship . . ."

Encloses list (about 140 names, arranged by baronies) of the principal inhabitants of Co. Clare.

Copy, made c. 1860 by the 13th Lord Inchiquin.

75.

11 May 1690.

Lieut.-Col. John McNamara to Sir Donough O'Brien.

Begins, "My deare & honrd cosen"; ends, "yor. owne whilst "... I shall not fayle punishing the dragoons you mencon if guilty ... Wee expect hoursly a patent to march els I wold imploy officers and dragoones to put the contents of yor. order in execucion, however I shall discourse further to my Lord Clare about the same, I am to meete his Lp. tomorrow at Cloneroad greene ..."

Ip.

76.

2 June 1690.

Same to same.

"... Just now as I was takeing horse Ignatius Reddane came to mee for a dragoones diet for fiue weekes for wch. I gaue him eight shillings wch. he refused to accept of afore hee had been payed for his horse wch. I tould him I would willingly pay if the dragoone had giuen him a note that hee kept his horse uppon wch. hee fell into a passion & tould me hee was as loyall a man as any in the Kingdom & drew his sword wch I comaunded [sic] & broake, Sr. Samwell Foxen was by & Father Mathew Mullony wth seuerall more to whose testimony I referr myselfe his abusiue language was intollerable . . . & when I disarmed him hee trew stones at me . . . pray acquainte the Comrs. wth. [the] rascalls behauior . . "

2 pp.

77.

3 June 1690.

Marquis d'Albaville (from Dublin Castle) to the Commissioners of Oyer and Terminer for Co. Clare.

Conveying the King's orders "that noe forceble entrys bee made in yr. county or possessions taken contrary to law . . . "

22 Jul. 1690.

Tho: Hickman to Sir Donough O'Brien.

"... I send yu. by the bearer a small yellow chest, and my cabinett, and I heare my father has sent yu. a black chest it being linen I beg yu. to putt them in som place were much moisture may not hurt them, God direct his judgements, for there is great destruction in the County of Limerick Broof [Bruff] demolished, Balligirana walls, Caraffa, Carless house all burnt . . . I beg yu. to permitt yr. little boate to bring mee hether to morrow som few racks that are att Ballihinane which will bee garisoned, or my men (?) betray mee . . . "

1 p.

79.

7 Oct. 1690.

John [Roane] Bishop of Killaloe to the same.

Thanking Sir Donat "for yor. kind letter to Mr Purcell . . . wch. though it came not till I had gott my release yet yor kindnes was nothing the lesse . . . The truth is I could not (though I pressed to know) what they had to accuse mee of, but it was whispered to mee that some designe was that I might be an exchange for some prisoner they desired . . . at liberty, but Sr. Theo. B[utler] told the Duke . . . it was in vain . . . for . . . I would never accept my libertie on those termes . . . the Duke was pleased to graunt me his protection & so I parted from them . . I know not when we may meet but hope God will in due time graunt this mercy to us . . . "

1 p.

80.

21 Oct. [16]90.

Sir Donough O'Brien to [Richard] Wilson (at "the Bridge") Refers to loss by Wilson of a cask of butter, and to uselessness of his (O'Brien's) writing to Col. Hamilton for its recovery, a previous letter having produced no result. "... in the letter I writt to Sr. Toby [Butler] today I desired his advice about sending away my sons, for I am afraid they are not soe safe here as they may be else where since it may be concluded that matters here will not be ended without a sharper dispute then hase been hitherto & it may be feared that many inocents may fall by the hands of people soe inraged & incensed against one another . . ." It will be Wilson's fault if "that fellow" is not arrested next time he is in town.

22 Nov. 1690.

. . . Burton (from Buncraggy) to Sir Donough O'Brien.

Expressing his concern "at Tom Hickmans telling me this day, that you hear Frank [the writer's son] appears against you, there can be noe reason for it . . . "

Ends, "yr. affect. humble servt."

1 p.

82.

28 Nov. 1690.

Wm. Butler (from Bridge [Sixmilebridge] (?)) to the same (at Dromoland.)

"The Duke of Berwick is come to the loadge & goes to yr honrs toomorrow, I have an account from Lymericke that noething is done either for mee or the Bishope" Asks if they may wait on the Duke while he is staying with Sir Donough.

Ends, "yr honrs moste faithfull servt."

Ip.

83.

2 Dec. 1690.

Bishop of Killaloe to the same.

He is under bonds of £5,000 not to depart without licence, in obtaining which he asks Sir Donat's help. "... I have hitherto wth much adoe kept some small beere, but after Christmas I must drinke water if I stay much longer, I shall desire the fauor of yu. to present my petition & letter to the Duke, wch I leave unsealed for you to read . . . and I leave you and the solicitor bearer to manage it as you please in yor wisdomes . . ."

Ends, "yor affectionate friend & servt".

1 p.

84.

10 Dec. 1690.

Wm. Butler (from Killaloe) to Sir Donough O'Brien (at Dromoland.)

Enclosing a letter from the Bishop, who "is extreamely thankefull to your honr, & soe is Mrs Hawkins for yr kindenesse to her sone. The poore Deane is sicke of the gripes & loosenesse by drinckeing of water, & (I am afraide) will not bee able to goe & partake of the honble & seasonable offer made him . . . this fellow [the bearer of the letter] will lead the Bishops mare & the Bishope wants a cupple of lustie garrons, wch I make bould to acquainte yr honr".

10 Dec. 1690.

Bishop of Killaloe to the same.

"I must acknowledge yor great fauor in procuring me a passe for my remouall from this verie troublesome place . . . I wish that yor selfe may find security in yor abode here, and pray that God will send us a comfortable meeting . . . "

Ip.

86.

II Dec. 1690.

Col. Edmund Nugent (from Galway) to the same (at Dromoland.) Asking Sir Donat to take bail from "this poore gent.", Mr. Richard Uniack, and from Mr. James Nugent, who goes with him, as he has secured Uniack's release from confinement at Loughrea on condition he and Nugent stayed at Mr. Edmond Uniack's house "and to be foorthcoming when caled upon".

Ip.

87.

17 Dec. 1690.

Bishop of Killaloe to Sir Donat O'Brien.

Concerning "the engagemt that Mr Wilson & my selfe made . . . concerning a sume . . . lent by him to keep Jon. Hawkins from jayle . . . " Continues, "I know not when I shall be on motion, this day proued so bad that there was noe passing the river . . . "

1 p.

88.

Dec. 1690.

Catherin Cooper to the same.

Begins, "honored sir"; ends, "your most obleiged servant". Asking for Sir Donat's help to get her a "beif" that Mr. Smith bought on her behalf; "it had been killed but for his sickness and mine, worthy sir it is all the relief I haue for my children who . . . are both frendless and fatherless . . . "

1 p.

89.

3 Mar. 1690. [91].

Ellin: Drew (from Ennis) to Sir Donough O'Brien.

Sends her son to fetch a horse promised by Sir Donough, "as you have been the only friend that suplied me in my great wants . . . if you can spare me an old sadle and a bushell of oates for the horses I carry wth. me I am in great want of them . . . "

21 June 1691.

Manus O Grady (from Ballysallagh) to Colonel John Macnamara (at Clare.)

Went on the 18th with John Clancy to Mr. Pemberton's, and shewed him the enclosed order; to which he replied, that he had neither "monnys horses or other efects to anser his Mats. taxes or contribution"; and did not think himself liable for anything beyond the hay and oats promised by him to the Lords of the Treasury. "... we have allsoe delivered 20 horses, harnished wth. sufficiensy of men to Limbrick, ... and got time till Munday next for the delivry of 14 more being the fooll of our proportion ..."

1 p.

91.

29 June 1691.

Mort. O'Brien (from the camp near Athlone) to Sir Donough O'Brien (at Dromoland.)

"Dr. cousin

meeting wth. an opportunity I could not forbear writeing to yu. returning yu. maney thanks for all the keindness I reced from yu .-I arrived here yesterday & was mustered this morning, my staying soe longe has lost my being an eylder officer then I am, whosoever lives a month hence will have a post easey anof. Here has been these four days past vigorus attacks made by the enemy but to noe purpose for they were still beaten of, yesterday they made an attack wth, eight thousand men they filled up the arch wch, was broake by us but after a very hott dispute it was burned by our men there has been many killed & wounded on both sides, none of note was killed on our side Gorden O Neale & Coll. Wat Nugent were slightly wounded, young Coll. Grace was killed last night in the towne, the Generall taks a good way to encurage the men when they doe well to give them money, and prefers them imediatly; a preyvat man that behaved himselfe gallantly the other day before him, he gave him his owne wearing sword wth. some gold & made him a Capt. The enemy has 3 peeces of cannon playing upon the works & towne the latter is all destroyed we exspect to be attacked in three places wth. then [within] these two nights wth. 27 boats, whatever happens yu shall be sure to heare as often as opertunity sarves, if there be any thing here that I can sarve in pray command him who wold be proude if it lay in his power to sarve & to assure yu I remain sr.

yor ever affectionate kinsman to comand whilst

Mort. O' Brien

I shall be undone for want of saurs (?) for I am forced to luck after every thing, all shorts of liquor is very scarce here bread is some

times pleinty & some times none young Rule was killed a Saturday last in the towne my Ld Lucane had very good fortune to miss the shott for the munit before Rule was shott my Ld. gott up from the place where he was hitt ".

1 p.

92.

6 July 1691.

The same (from the camp near Ballinasloe) to the same.

Nothing of moment has happened since the taking of Athlone; "never was a towne wch, was soe well defended before soe basely lost, Coll. Mac Culcudy [McGillycuddy] & Coll. Mac Mahon were all that were killed of note Coll. Maxwell was taken prisoner . . . ". Last Saturday a party of their dragoons on reconnaissance killed a dozen of the enemy, taking ten prisoners-none of their party was hurt except Major Dillon of the Guards, who was shot in the windpipe and will hardly recover; "there is noe store of liquor to be had unless it be wth, some generall officer . . . if wee move towards vu . . . I wold have yu remove what stock yu have there, for those that were yr friends before will hardly prove soe now . . . ". Cusack tells the writer of a report of certain people in Co. Clare-Sir Donough included—who send reports to the enemy; Sir Donough is thought several times to have sent his housekeeper's father to them with intelligence; "this was told my Ld. Lucane who steiffels it & will not lett people give much credit to it . . . use vr discretion in this point Cusack told me of it as a friend . . . " Their general has shot four horses found in the corn, and threatens to serve the riders with the same unless they take more care.

2 pp.

93.

[July 1691.]

John Grady to the same.

He has just met the bearer Mr. Mc Donogh; "it seems you have had some back frends here that gave an account of yor inveteracy agt the English governmt & that you have not onely raised Irish troops but recruited them after the Battel of Boyne. This I had from the General just now . . . the same persons . . . misrepresented you to his Lordship (the late Earl of Thomond) as also Mr. Wilson to the degree that you aimed at his estate on the late revolution & recd all his rents to yr. one use . . . I would advise Mr Wilson to stop to yr. house till things are at ease & I will endevor a guard for you of forreigners as soon as the army marches there . . . "

¹ This letter is written at the foot of a protection, dated 13 July 1691, from Lieut.-General Ginkel to Sir Donat and his children, servants, family, lands, and tenements.

30 Aug. 1691.

Sir Donat O'Brien (from Dromoland), to his sister Mrs. Dorothy Berkeley (in St. George's Lane, Dublin.)

Sends this by a friend, who promises him to forward it by Galway, "to which I presume there is now a comunication from Dublin by the post . . . ". He and his sons are in good health, "but as to other matters not soe well . . . & like to bee soone much worse if God of his mercy dose not soone put an end to the miseries wee with many more groan under . . . "

Copy, in Sir Donat's hand; 1 p.

95.

II Oct. 1691.

(Col.) Arthur Toole (from Limerick), to Donough O'Brien (at Enistymon.)

Begins, "Dr. cossn. . . . being one of the capitulation-men for goeing home I am forced in ordr. to it & for want of horses to trouble my cossn. Christopher to send me the two dragoon horses he promised me . . . I am concerned to heare Sr Donogh O Bryens groundlesse exclamations agt, me for the disordr, of some detchmts, of the partye I had under my comd.abt. some mares & colts of his that came in there way . . . " Points out that Sir Donough might have got them back, by sending someone to Sixmilebridge to collect them; and refers to his "difference" with Brigadier Lutterell occasioned by Toole's not seizing Sir Donough's cattle at Dromoland. He had specific orders from Lord Tyrconnell to take, for provisioning Limerick, "such [beasts] as came in my waye publick circumstances then not permitting the delay of regular aplottments, & if my fathers cattle came in my way I protest before God Ide take them rather than some poore peoples that sufferd by it . . . I must repeat my entreaty not to fail me abt. the nags . . . "

2 pp.

96.

12 Oct. 1691.

Sir Theobald Butler (from Dublin) to Henry Hickman, High Sheriff of Co. Clare (at Ennis, via Limerick.)

Begins, "Sir"; ends, "your affectionat and humble servant".

Roger O'Loghlin, "a poore fellow that can speake noe crafts (?)" has 47a. in Coskean in Burren, Terlogh O'Hyne 36a., and Donough O'Loghlin 34a. in the same; they refuse to divide, because theirs are the lesser proportions. Asks Hickman to send a bailiff to summon them on the enclosed writ of partition [not preserved.] "... your own fee, your bayliffes reward, and the postage of this I will pay you with thanks at next meeting ..."

31 Dec. 1691.

Giles Vanderlure (from Rathlahine), to Sir Donough O'Brien (at Dublin.)

The Sheriff has taken a considerable quantity of black cattle from our late Supervisor, John McNemara; "how that will be resented in Dublin, I know not, for he makes a greate noyse of procecutinge the iniury don hym before the governt". Has lately had from the Bishop of Clonfert¹ an order (obtained from Lieut.-Gen. Ginckle), for the return of certain valuable goods, taken from him at Youghal by Hugh Mc Nemara; who denies taking them "wth oaths and imprecations, of wch. I gave the Bp. an acct. . . ."

1 p.

98.

2 Jan. 1691.

William [O'Brien] Lord O'Brien (from London) to Sir Donough O'Brien.

He cannot expect to see Ireland, because he cannot (with honour) avoid going to Flanders. "I had lately a letter from my father of the 12th of August who was very well . . . & has a mind to ask leave to come over² next summer for his health. My Lady³ is coming away & I find it is true enough there has been some dispute between them . . ."

Copy, made c. 1860 by the 13th Lord Inchiquin.

99.

20 Jan. 1691 [2.]

John [Roane] Bishop of Killaloe (from Kilkenny), to Sir Donough O'Brien (at his lodgings in Georges' Lane, at Capt. Berkeley's house.)

Since Sir Donough intends to go over to London, and is asking for a testimonial of his behaviour during the troubles, "you may bee assured that I should willingly performe all the offices of friendship imaginable . . . yet I must let yu. know that I am bound to preserve the rights of the see & am perswaded there is a right to Dishert (an ancient manor thereof) wch. I must endeavor to recouer . . . when I first came to Dublin I found . . . you were misrepresented to the grandees, some impeaching you as an apostate in yor religion, and most as being a Jacobite (as the phrase is) And some urged that you kept a correspondence wth. the Popish Archbp. 4 & yor lies were to

¹ William Fitzgerald, Bishop c. 1691-1721.

² From Jamaica, of which he was Governor.

³ The writer's stepmother; Elizabeth [1651-1718] daughter and coheir of George Brydges, 6th Lord Chandos.

⁴ Probably John Brenan, Archbishop of Cashel 1677-1692.

be produced &c I did what in me lay to vindicate you from all these aspersions, in so much as the Chancelor told me that I was the best witnes for yr. vindication, & I fayled not to undeceive the grandees ... when you have an occasion for a lycense yor servt. Jo. Hawkins is comissioned by me in my absence to graunt it . . . "

1 p.

100.

4 Feb. 1692.

Dorothy Berkeley (from Dublin), to Sir Donough O'Brien (at Dromoland.)

"... cosen Herey ... doese not improve according to your expectation for he is something given to truenting ... "

Ends, "your effectionat sister & humble seruent". 1 p.

101.

28 Jan. 1691.1

[Rev.] John Hawkins (from Dromoland) to Sir Donough O'Brien (in St. George's Lane, Dublin.)
"Honrd. Sr

yors of the 16th inst. I recd. You find by this that I have very gladly accepted of yor kind invitacon and indeed it was very opportune, for I began to be out of order before I left Rathfolan, I have had a little of my old disper [distemper] (?) in my back parts, besides a troublesome boyle (I hope it will prove noe worse) in the same parts, wch has confined me above this fortnight; but I hope will now be soone over.

The H: Sh: [High Sheriff] has been troblesome to some of yor tenants wch formerly lived att Lattoone on Pemberton's acctt, for corne sd to be lent by him &c. On Sunday the 10th (as I remember) came twoe whoe called themselves the sher: bayliffs to attatch the tenants cattle soone after day break, and weare driveing them away, and wth them some of yors. I doe beleive that the women or some else might rescue, but all was done before I heard of it. the same day to Pemberton's wife; she told me she had given the business into Frank Burton's hands and let him doe what he would &c on the 19th I saw three souldiers wth there armes come doune to the cabbins, and seeing them goe in, the children run out; and hearing the women cry out I crept up to them and demanded the reason why they weare soe rude, and theire pass: one told me they came to looke for victualls and would have it; that they had noe pass, but if I pleased I might complaine to theire officer at Clare. In short I sent the servants and thressors [thrashers] (?) about them,

¹ This letter may have been written either in 1691 or in the following year.

wch perwaded them to be quiett and goe away. It seemes the H: Sher: had sent an information of rescue to Tom: Hickman and gott a warrtt against nine or ten men: soe that wthin an houre these 3 soldiers return'd and wth them twoe bailiffs (not any knowne bayliff of the barony) apprehended twoe men and twoe cowes; the cowes they left att some intercession or on some security, but the men weare carried to Buncraggy, kept there that night, and next morneing before any one could reach them sent to goale, but weare soone bailed and releasd.

Capt. Purdon came here on Tuesday about some sheep Will: Carroll pretends to have bought of you, in wch he is concern'd; he has granted a supersedeas to the warrtt. He brought me the testimoniall you mention'd sent by my cuss. Roane: it was signed by the Bp² and Deane, and Mr Roane, Capt. Purdon and I signed it here; and on consideration did not thinke fitt to troble Mr Fitzsimons with it, nor any one else hereabouts, believeing that he could not keep the secrett. Mr Wilson was wth us, and agreed in the same iudgmt, and to him we have intrusted it, to gett it signed by Mr Paterson and send it to you. If yor enemies should heare of it they would make a great noise and reioyceing and thinke you wanted it. If ever you have occasion to use it (as I hope and believe you will not) there is noe honest man in the countrey but will readily signe it, and more; but still or goeing further with it att the time we conclude would give it wind.

I did ever expect to be in Comission of the Peace wthout paying the full fees, but I have had little assistance from any of my debitors or parishonrs to enable me to pay that or any thing else, or even to live, for out of of 200 li due to me before I went off, I have not verily soe much as one penny since I came and wch greives me much, I am not able to send my poore wife and children any supply: but I hope they are among their freinds. If you think I can be any way serviceable to my countrey and freinds, or to yor selfe in particular in Gods name goe on and I will pay the money to yor order here. Or contrey is pretty quiett, and the more because (as I heare) the H: Sher. is gone towards Dublin. I was told he said openly that he was sent for, and that many complaints weare against him. and that he did not know whether he should returne Sheriff; but if he did not, the country would have a worse. Twoe things I heard of wch, if true, argues that he is a very ill man; one, that he proposed a contract of freindship wth a neighboring gentleman, and that they should have designes upon all the world but one another; th other, that in company he drunke confusion to every man that had a drop of Irish blood in him &c. Tom Hickman can tell whether either or both these be true, but I cannot. Jamy Vanderlure is much

² John Roane, Bishop of Killaloe 1675 to 1692.

concern'd least you should thinke him any of that name whoe has spoken any thing to yr prejudice; he protests he did not, but constantly gave you a verry kind and just character as Dean Sing,3 one Coll. Hamilton, and even the Ld. Cunningsby4 can bare him wittness, besides severall others; and indeed I doe beleive him, as I signified to you in the letter I writt from Droheda and was sent by Long. I cannot heare of that letter; if you have it not, pray write to some one in Lymrick to call for it; I writt to Jon Dury about it, but know not what he did in it.

Sr, I thanke God and you I want nothing here that is needfull for me, but weather to goe abroad to pick up some pence, an honest schenescall in or manners, and a favourable opportunity to let you know how really I am yor most obliged

humble servt Jon. Hawkins"

2 pp.

102.

10 Mar. 1692.

Laurence Chroe (from Limerick) to Sir Donough O'Brien (at the Three Black Lions in King Street, Westminster, London.)

He has been at Leamaneh for the last seven days; "as for yor mares & horses som has got the mang & are by themselves a lureing at Leamineh-old white Venderlure & a 3 yr old filly dyed . . . " Mrs. Pemerton and her daughter have been taken for felony-a week ago three cows of old Dermt, Markihan's were stolen out of Ballyhenan, and killed at her house by Robt. Moulder and two of the Spencers. Malt is now 50/- a barrel, barley the same, beans £3 a barrel; there will be very little oats to dispose of "after sewing yr own soyle . . . poor Morto Moran dyed for want above hereby Lemneh . . . you never order anny thing to be don wth Crivah or Raclony either may be now good for the mares for they want grass . . . "

2 pp.

103.

14 Apr. 1692.

Same to same.

Concerning the difficulties of remitting bills from Limerick (where 12% discount is demanded by most people.) He has set Cratloe weir for the season for £4.10. "... none sufferd at Enish but one man though 12 deserved death, as for Cratlow yesterday I gott 3 horses from thence that were stealing tymber and the fellon was Aurthur Cloghishy that formerly lived there and is of late comd there again, his 2 cows are taken up & he putt himself upon you wn you

Probably Samuel Synge, Dean of Kildare 1679 to 1708.
 Thomas Coningsby, 1st Lord Coningsby of Clanbrassil [1656-1729]; a Lord Justice in 1690.

come home . . . yr honnr cannot belive the condcon of the poor people of this country for they are famish and such as lives cannt live as for Kilkeran laborers they are most miserable for they have neither bread nor milk and for my life I cant get them to goo to Kilkeran again . . . beer is brewed, if you doe not hasten home yr lands in all places I doubt will be weast since you left noe orders about them . . . "

 $2\frac{1}{2} pp.$

104.

2 Mar. 1692.

Jos: Hornsby (from Cobhamhall), to Richard Wilson.

Has defended Wilson against charges of having changed his religion (in which he is supported by Mr. Addison.). "... the horses I brought over proved but badly: the gelding that Sr. Donnogh sent Sr. Jos: proved bad in is sight, but Sr. Joseph gave him away before he was quite blind; & the sorrill stone horse in a little time proved foundered, but by carelessneses of the groome, but however wee were both blamed for it; the white gelding Sr. Joseph has still, but the little grey mare, which he tooke most delight in, is dead; the little grey mare I had of Bryen I have still, but the blacke horse I disposed of him Sr. Joseph never see nor knew of him . . . " Mr. Spaight has given Sir Joseph and my Lady a detailed account of affairs in Ireland (particularly in Co. Clare), representing Wilson in the worst possible light; "how that you had not suffered in your owne particular dureing the warr neither in person nor estate; that your house was not burnt nor your goods take away as was reported. but that you had done very well & was sheltered all alonge under Sr. Donnogh . . . & . . . had received a great deale of theire honrs. rent after I came away . . . "

2 pp.

105.

10 May 1692.

Sir Donat O'Brien to [Charles Somerset], Marquis of Worcester. Encloses account [not preserved] of Lord Thomond's estate, exclusive of his aunt Lady Catherine's jointure and of his mother's settlement. Does not recommend employing a stranger in Lord Thomond's affairs, "because some law suites have been commenced by the Bip. of Killalooe and others for the recovery of severall lands from the late Earle, wch. received noe determination" and his title to a large part of the estate is founded, not in patents from the Crown, but on "other evidences wch. a stranger cannott soe soone find out or understand . . . " Mr. Burton, being himself a tenant, should not be so employed—for that reason Sir Donat has refused to be joined in commission with him and Mr. Hodges.

Two copies, each 11 pp.

4 & 8 Aug. 1692.

Same (from Bath) to [Henry Somerset], Duke of Beaufort (at Badminton.)

Gives reasons for his refusal (as explained to the Marquis of Worcester and to Lord Capel) to take charge of the Thomond estate. Recommends Mr. Wilson as the fittest person for the appointment. Copy, 3\frac{1}{2} pp.

107.

22 Dec. 1692.

Sir Joseph Williamson (from London), to Sir Donat O'Brien (at Dromoland.)

No Irish affairs have yet been dealt with by the English Parliament, except for "some touches . . . relateing to that poore country. Be assured that as anything offers that may concerne yu or it I shall be ever most ready to deserve the favr the country have done me . . . " $I \not p$.

108.

8 Apr. 1693.

Ricard Conell to Sir Donat O'Brien.

Offering £6 a year for three years for the lands of Dromnagah, £8 for the next four years, and £10 for the next four: "... all wch. I humbly offer to yr honors. consideration ..."

1. p.

109.

16 Apr. 1693.

Mortagh Hogan (from Cross) to Sir Donough O'Brien (at Dromoland.)

Has agreed with Mr. Lucas Huntt (?) for setting 438a. in Soulshan for three years. "... I would desire yor honr. to send for the wheate I have provided 22 baggs, & here is soe many customors waiteing yor honrs. comeing hither in order to begg... yor honr. have given forbearance to Anny Ny Hehir tell [till] yor honr. comes to this partes, as shee tells mee, blame not mee if the writtes bee out of date ... I shall louse my few mares for wante of a horse unless yor. honr. gives Denis some orders about them . . ."

3 pp.

110.

12 Dec. 1693.

Lord Inchiquin (from Rostellan) to Sir Donat O'Brien.

"... yu have no reason to aprehend the Parliament of England will now concearn themselfe enough with the affairs of Ireland to any thing that may occation yr aplieing to them ... you may allways depend on all that is in my power . . ."

 $1\frac{1}{2}pp.$

27 Feb. 1693.

Same to same (at Ennis.)

Thanks Sir Donough for a previous letter, containing good advice about leases. "As for my haveing a regimt. I know nothing of itt . . . I design seeing yu in the County of Clare about the middle of next month, if the weather be not very ill, then we'll discourse farther of my niece & yr sone, whoe indeed I shoud be glad to have my nephew . . . I am mighty sorry to hear that Lord Capel is so indisposed, for he is really a very good man, & I believe much a friend to our country . . . "

2½ pp.

112.

17 Mar. 1693.

Daniel Neylon to Sir Donough O'Brien.

Cannot wait on him, as "these eight dayes past I haue the convultions euery day". Asks for directions to Mr. Hickman to forbear a year's rent, which will "pay what areares is due of this toune I liue in, and gett mee those conueniencyes that Doctor Costelloe tells mee I must haue to get my self cured . . ." Complains of Francis FitzGerald as the cause of his being in arrears; "for he has not been satisfyed wth makeing me pay for his sheep that has been taken & stolen from mee, but the lands that he sett mee . . . [he] lets halfe this land to other tenants & the rest he & his brother made use of; his brother grazed his cowes & horses upon the land & himself al his plow garrons wch the tents. wil prooue notwithstanding my haueing his demise & aquitance to showe . . . now he has sent mee word he would next fryday refer the whole matter & I dare not trust any man but Mr. Mort. Hogan . . ."

Ends, "yr honnors most dutifull nephew & euer humblest sert." 3 pp.

[Another letter, 1 Apr. 1694, asks for £5 or £6 and a remission of rent, to cover the cost of "these necessaryes". It is endorsed, in Sir Donat's hand, "on wch. I sent a note of credit to Hickie the apothecary at Lim."]

113.

26 Mar. 1694.

John Ivers to same.

Asks for the return of Flannigan's deeds, lent Sir Donough by his father; and encloses an account; (£266.12.11½—chiefly a debit balance from the year 1688; less £68 recovered by Sir Donough.)

 $I_{\frac{1}{2}}^{1}pp.$

29 June 1694.

Lord Inchiquin to Sir Donat O'Brien (at Dromolan.)

The chief man on whom he depends for establishing a (French) colony at Corofin has gone there with Mr. Bordier; his name is Boydemay. Relies on Sir Donat to assist them, as he cannot himself be there. "I have allso writt to my uncle O Bryen about them, be cause he speaks the language". For the present they will all, he imagines, lodge at Mrs. Lucas's; "when they want more, 'tis the Papist must make room for them, for I do not intend to disturb the Protestants nor Dominick Pr: [Power]—not that I shall be kind to them neither longer than they deserve . . . by their ready compliance with my desires, or their kind behaviour to those that I designe to countenance". Has ordered Mortagh Hogan to assist them on all occasions.

2½ pp.

115.

22 Sept. 1694.

Same (from Rostellan) to same.

"... I can not aprehend that the order yu had to make use of those 20 men can be laid to yr charge as a comasn: [commission]... I send yu my uncles leter... pray write to me at Killpecan, to tell me whether you would advise me to recomend him as... sheriff". Does not know if the Judge returned his candidates, "besides I fear my poor Uncle would never be able to discharge the office..."

2 pp.

116.

7 Nov. [16]94.

Sir Donat O'Brien to Lord [].

Wishes to know "... if it be a cryme that I was made a sheriff when K. J. [King James] was here, att the importunity of my Prot. neighbours with Mr. Daly when a Judge of Assizes here (wch. they did unknowne to me for their owne)—Piers Buttler, whoe yor Lop. knowes soe well that I need not describ him, being then to have it by the intrest of his brother Toby (then Sollicitor Generall) ... wch. had he prevailed, it would be the ruin of all the Prot. in this county ... I did, after refuseing of it when the secretaries letter came to me ... at the importunity of the Bp & Deane of Killalow & others of the clergie ... & by the ernest sollicitacion of the cheifest of my protestant neighbours take it upon me ... I did them service in quieting their possession forced from many of them by pretended proprietors, & puting the law in execucion to the utmost of my power

against robers & others that forced away their cattle & other goods . . . having . . . found above 20 guilty of wch. I executed 13 amoung wch were several souldiers whoe were the most notorious malefactors . . . for wch I was menaced & threatened by some of the officers . . . & particularly by the Ld Clare & his son, whose regimts. they belonged to . . . after I had executed the 13, his Lop. sent orders to the officer . . . comanding . . . at Iniss to turne out all the prisoners in the gayle . . . ". On the orders of the Government, he raised 20 men "for suppressing of the raperies" from among the servants of his Protestant neighbours. "... this is all the comission . . . I ever had from K.J. or would take . . . though [he] often prefered me for a regimt, of horse, foot, or dragoons . . . I intend in a few daies to waite on your Lop. & those worthy gentlemen to whose goodness I am obleedged . . . it cant be worth the labour & expence for any body to goe about to bring a trouble in this matter upon vor. Lp's obedient humble servt."

Draft, 21 pp.

117.

22 Mar. 169 4/5.

Sir Donat' O'Brien (from Dromoland) to Lucius O'Brien (at Mr. Foubert's Academy, in Brewer Street near Golden Lane, London.)

He has received all Lucius's letters written since 13 October last. Doubts the desirability of his being entered at Grays Inn if he "intend to attaine to noe more knowledge but what is ornamentall . . . & you may be certaine that you are in more danger of being fat by that bussiness wh. you call moderat exercise . . . than you would be from exercising your head and mind therfore I would have you to be sincere & ingenious with me . . . & if you will prefer trusting to an Irish insignificant uncertaine being as in your owne time you have seen it to be before what you have alsoe seen others make a great advantage of & live happy . . . come home to follow the plough & hould the mare by the tayle when shee is drooping by the neglect & carelessness of servants or the want of sufficient food to keep her in strenght . . . I wonder to see your letters soe short & barren of what you have seen . . . as if you met with nothing there worth takeing notice of beyound wt you saw at Iniskillin ".

4½ pp.

118.

31 Jan. 1694/5.

Lord Inchiquin to Sir Donat O'Brien.

The Council has sent Mr. Keightley to England with an address of condolence on the Queen's death—" if it be done from any of the neighbouring parts yu'll do well to appeare as forward as yu can in subscribeing . . . "

2 pp.

18 May 1695.

Dominick Power (from Corofin), to same.

Has received £114 towards this gale's rent, of which £52.2. is still in his hands. Mr. Therlagh O'Heyne, James Cassie, Loghlen Heher, Mr. Brigdal, John Emerson, and the Carownegoul tenants have not yet paid. (Gives details of other arrears.) "...I am satisfied that you weare informed before now by Denish O dea or some other body how Michael Gulyrea rescued the distresses taken by two young fellowes who was authorised by me, the 4th [of] this instant, ... to distraine ... and did cut one of them in his head ..."

2 pp.

120.

3 June 1695.

Sir Donat [O'] Brien (from Dromoland), to Sir Stephen Rice, Kt. (at Dublin).

Sir Stephen having appeared as counsel for Sir Joseph Williamson and Lady Catherine O'Brien, and having effected an agreement between them and the writer in 1681, he sends him, by Capt. Fitz Gerald of Carriggoran, four documents relating to the lands in dispute; "as a person indifferent to keep them, for both our uses, & not to parte with them without my consent that have as I think the sole right to have them . . . "

2 pp.

121.

20 June 1695.

Sir H. Ingoldesby (from Dublin), to Sir Donat O'Brien (at Dromoland.)

Has, by this post, sent the writ for election of M.Ps. for Co. Clare to his nephew Sym. Pourdon, "to wayte on you with itt, & to receive your directions beefore he delivers itt to the shreive [sheriff] . . . " $1 \not p$.

122.

24 June 1695.

Sir Donat O'Brien to

Capt. Gore was here yesterday, and told me that he intends to stand for Inish; but that Frank Burton, expecting a competitor in Connor O'Brien, would "put in to be chosen in Kerry... soe that if Burton will trust to Kerry, as he may, haueing the corporacion of Killarny in his own managemt, you must then come in, at Inish or for the county; to contrive wch pray hasten to come..."

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4 July, 1695.

Sir H. Ingoldesby to Sir Donat O'Brien.

Sir Joseph Williamson will not stand for Co. Clare, so that we shall have no opposition; "hee is absolutely for Lymericke, where I make all the interest I have amongst the Inhabitants for him . . . " Expects that he and the Recorder will be elected for that place.

1 p.

124.

19 Nov. 1695.

Daniel Neylon to Sir Donough O'Brien.

Is giving a mortage of the lands of Balinclina, Cluony, Cule, Kilcollue half plowland, Looghine, and Cahirmagorman. Complains of Frank FitzGerald and his brother, "that thaurts mee in euery thing & apeares agst mee upon all ocasions . . . "; and of his mother, who stands by them and "is resolued to keepe al in her hands to keep me poore".

2 pp.

125.

1695-6.

Thomas Keightley to [Laurence Hyde, 1st Earl of Rochester] (?). Concerning "our present calamities" (about which Mr. Southwell can tell him, whenever he chooses to listen); "the Lord put it into your heads & hearts in England to help us out of them quickly". Relates an interview with Lord Capel, in which he stated that "the heats wch were already begun, and (if hee did not prevent them) were like to bee carry'd on in the House of Commons, would prove not only of ill consequence to the Kings business & the good success of this parliament, but in a particular manner to himself, who I feared, to a great degree [would] bee lookt upon in England as answerable for a mismanagement of this nature . . . "For this he received a severe reprimand from Lord Capel, who mentioned his thoughts for "an Act of Indempnity . . . wch. would heal all".

Draft, 9½ pp.

126.

8 Mar. 1696.

Constance Davoren (from Turkinagh), to Sir Donough O'Brien (at Dromoland.)

Has persuaded her uncle, Michael O Dea, to oblige Sir Donough about the 25a. in Glann, "that he has made a sorte of a bargain with Teige O Kearin aboute; he declares plainely that he was made absolute drunk by persons that he will informe yor. honnr. of . . . " In Sir Donough's case pending against Mr. Thomas Hickman, for the lands of Lurga, "he saies plainely he will make Mr. Hickman & his

pretensions void, and there he begins wth. a long passage wch. is here too tedious to be rehearsed . . . " besides promising other services, of which he will give Sir Donough the details by word of mouth.

 $1\frac{1}{2} pp.$

127.

9 June 1696.

Mortagh Hogan (from Kells) to Sir Donough O'Brien (at Dromoland.)

Concerning Mr. Connell's lease of Dromnagah.

"... now that Mr. Connell is distrained & Mr. Longfield to bee att Corofin by Satterday wthout doubt wee disposse of the distresses to Mr. Connells utter ruine if yor honr. dont certific my Lds pleasure & the nonery must be a greate charge to the contery as the friers, for the old gentlemans house is consisteing of no leese thin 15 or 16 women and maidens. I hope yor. honr. will contribut to the keeping of the harrum (?) within, rather thin bee a borden to the contery ..."

1 p.

128.

27 June 1696.

David England (from Dublin), to same (near Limerick.)

Asks for instructions in filing Sir Donough's answer to Mr. Burton's bill. Parliament sat today; and, after congratulating Sir Charles Porter on his promotion to Lord Justice, and signing an "assotiation" adjourned to the 4th August, "having first put out of the house Mr Sanderson of Co. Cavan for refusing to sign the association."

1 p.

129.

7 July 1696.

Same to same.

Has filed Sir Donough's answer to Burton's bill, Sir Stephen Rice being uncertain whether he will go down this circuit; "& yet because there will be inquirys for the King at Limerick Kerry & Cork it is most likely he will goe down to preserve his interest in Tarbert." Has enrolled—at a cost of £1.7.8—Sir Donough's fair and market patent. "... Here was a duel fought by Lord Dillon¹ & Mr. Dennis Daly last friday evening the later being challenged who disarmed the Lord Dillon & gott the better without much further harm on either side ..."

¹ Henry Dillon, 8th Viscount [d. 1714.]

8 July 1696.

Katherine Browne to Sir Donat O'Brien.

On account of her long illness she has received (before it fell due) the half-year's rent (£4. 10.) of the Cahirmcgorman tenants, due last Mayday; and has given them a receipt. Yesterday afternoon your servant Dermott Considine "took what few sheep they had for this rent I receaued, being all the substance the poor people had to maintaine themselfes and theyer children, whoe made such a moan and noise in and about this poore cabbin that I lay in all last night that I had not halfe an howers time to rest". Asks that the tenants' sheep may be restored; and promises to stand to the agreement made, in his behalf, with Mr. Mc Donnogh.

Ends, "yor poor unfortunate sister and most humble seruat." 1 p.

131.

12 Nov. 1696.

Lord Inchiquin (from London) to Sir Donat O'Brien (to be left at the Post house, Limerick.)

"I am so full of yr sones & their governour that I must begin wth that: as for the governour, he is the Teigishest fellow I ever saw, & I think the most improper to have gone wth yr children . . . yu coud have mett wth, & since he has never been abroad will, I believe, be very easily imposed uppon . . . " Yesterday he took his pupils to Gravesend in order to embark on a man of war for Ostend, omitted to take out a pass (though Inchiquin had given him a certificate for this purpose) and so they were stopped, as suspicious persons, by the Mayor and Governor. "I dont wonder att it, for indeed Mr Connor's accent will allways declare what country he is of, but in fine an express was forced to be sent to me, to write to the Mayor to give him satisfaction . . . do yu think it will be no reflection on yu for sending a man wth yr sones, who was denied preferment in the Colledge, because he was suspected to be a favourer of the Papists, or not well intentiond to this Government or the English interest . . . after all, he may be proper enough to keep yr sone Harry to his book, but for God sake put Lucius out of his hands, who I'm sure would improve a great deale more, if . . . left to himself, wth leave to see the world . . . if you would immediatly send me two hundred pnds: it would be an unspeakable kindness

 $5\frac{1}{2} pp.$

132.

17 Nov. 1696.

John Clanchy (from Mogullane) to Sir Donat O'Brien (at Dromoland.)

Last Saturday he had a meeting with Connor Mc Mahon of

Rineanna and Thomas Mc Namara about the difference between "yr. honr." and the lastnamed, whom he told plainly (with regard to a debt of \$\ifsigma 25\) "that I did beleive you would putt him in gaole for yor mony, & asked him what reason he had to graze his cattle upon your lands—he told me that he did graze his cattle uppon his own land. I made answer how should it be his land, when that you pay 3 l. a yeare out of it. I doe not know what to say to him, for I am sure he hase not a dram of sence . . . pray order Teige Clanch or John Mc Conor to give my man halfe a dozen garrons or garronmares for 2 or 3 days, untill I putt an end to my litle fallow . . . "

21 pp.

133.

24 Nov. 1696.

David England to Sir Donat O'Brien.

Has thoroughly informed himself about Nevlan's business. "... I saw Neilan the Quaker & he sayes he will write to you not to concern vor. selfe in an estate . . . wch. he saves ought not by any devices of law to be cutt of . . . " The Irish who were in command under King James are required to give security not to leave Dublin, for three months, without permission; thoe failing to appear are to be secured; Capt. Daniel Nevlan has been taken up on that account. 2 pp.

134.

11 Dec. 1696.

Earl of Inchiquin (from London) to same.

Is glad his cousin Lucius is not going to stay in Holland, or be Mr. Connor's pupil; "to my knowledge he used him like a childe here, & would hardly give him a penny . . . yr sone was in all the concerne of the world at the dctr: & apot": not being payd, but he told me he had not the command of any money . . . Mr. Connor . . . said hyely (?) he had noe directions for itt from yu . . . " 3 pp.

135.

8 Feb. 1697.

Sir Donat O'Brien to Thomas Meagher (an attorney of the Court of Exchequer, at Dublin.)

Mr. Willson, who stated the account between Pemberton and the writer, being ill at present, this must wait till he can find it among his papers. "Its a mayne parte of Pembertons sute against me . . . to sue me for some rape seed, wch. I am able to prove was destroyed by himselfe, and caused some of his owne people to set fire to it . . . soe that you must speake to Sr. Toby to insert an interogatory for this point, & another about the creditt of the chief wittnesses he intends to make use of, whoe were arraigned for fellony since the war & burnt in the hand for it . . . " Has already written about the poor people, whom Pemberton caused to be subpoenaed, and are unable to bear the expense of a lawsuit: if it is necessary for them to petition the Court, making affidavits to be admitted paupers, "pray send me a draught of the forme of them for here is none in the countrey now that can doe it & I hope" it will be time enough to send you their affidavits before the eight days are up. It is a great deed of charity for you to help so many poor people "against the vexacious proceedings of such a rogue that was forced to fly from England for his letigious tricks . . . "

1 p.

136.

16 Feb. 1697.

Mortagh Hogan (from Innis), to Sir Donat O'Brien (at Dromoland.)

"... came this day to a tryall" with Mr. Darcy about the possession and distraining of Carrownacruffy;;"... I had not one of yor. friends to stand by me, excepteing Councell [or] Rich & Mr. FitzGereld & Conr. (?) O Brien who I have retained ..."

I p.

137.

19 Mar. 1697.

George Evans Junr. (from Carassy), to Sir Donough O'Brien (at Dromoland.)

"... in case Mr. Pemberton flyes from a friendly reference when proposed I am sure I shall renounce him & his cause as a test I shall send him yor. lettr. who in good manners ought to haue a better governmt. of his tongue than wht. you represent in yor. lettr." Hopes that the matter will be concluded at Limerick Assizes.

1 p.

138.

15 May 1697.

Christopher O'Brien (from Kilkenny), to same.

He could not send the papers, as asked, on account of being "hastened from Thomastown hither" by Col. Mathew and his son, who were anxious to go to Bath before the season was over; "and I not being able to live without a servt. here and the other imployd, to tend my horses in the country, . . ."

21 June [1697] (?).

Earl of Inchiquin to Sir Donat O'Brien.

Finds the Government of Jamaica is not to be obtained; the King has promised to do something else for him. Sir Thomas Southwell engages to find him a forfeited estate in Ireland, "but I fear there will be more difficulty in it than he imagines".

1 p.

140.

13 Aug. 1697.

Teig Clanchy (from Dromoland), to Sir Donat O'Brien (at the Post Office in Dublin.)

"Honnrble: Mastr

The day that your honnor parted O Briens Bridg being the 4th instant was soe wett and the three next following dayes that your hay heere could nott be toucht, butt since Munday morning last, all the hands were sett to itt, that was wanting to the good ordering of itt, & now is in good order, God grant fauorable wether for the bringing of itt together to its proper places, the twoe carts are dayly goeing on the seabanks these twelve dayes last past, yor. sheepe Cowes, & horses of all sortes att Dromoland Cranagh & Ballyneclogh are well to wch. God grant a continuance, since this day was senect, tho some dayes wett there are three masons erecting a walle for the stable & brewhouse next Daniell O Briens house at Newmarktt. twoe horses drawing stones for them, the masons hafe 8d: per pearch & the labors: 4d: per pearch, wch. as I find by yor. masons the twoe O Connors is the cheapest way to forward it.

on Munday last in the morning I have sett gowing 4 plowghs & twoe harrowes after them on the corkasses of Cahirteige, and doe follow itt closely, & if your honnr. will nott order 9 or ten horses more for their forwardnes & releiff it willbe labor lost & the sooner it be well orderd. the better it wilbe for your honr. pray name what horses & mares together with the McInerhenys that shallbe plowghed, & referr wth. your leave to Denis what other mares shallbe brought from Lemenegh to that purpose, and the sandy gray wall eyed att Crattloe, & to name which geldings of those at Cratloe must plowgh (if any you allow) for the speedy forwardnes of the plowghing at Cahirteig aforesd.

Capt. Mc. Mahons servant sayes that his orders is to cutt all the thatch att Cahirteig, & will leave none uncutt for yor. honrs. use, soe that I know nott what to doe in the mattr. till I heare from yor. honnor. & have yor. direction in that particular, and had not Capn. mc Mahon gon yesterday in the afternoone by boat to the county of Limerick I would know his result in the mattr. who went thither I heare in order to raise a considerable sum of monny from one Mr. Janson to pay off his debts,

& to secure the sd. Janson by some estate in the West, Yesterday morning I sould the sd. Capn. foure of your culld rams for eight pounds payable to yor. honr: the 29 September next.

The tylers, masons, carpenters & shawyers are att work constantly at Ballyneclogh since yor. honnor parted this country & Roger Manahan since last Munday morning about the towers.

The masons Charles & Dono O Connor have yesterday in the afternoone filld upp the small lyme kiln at Ballyneclogh and have in store by them 50 kisses of bad turff brought by Daniell Bane from the West, & five cords of wood brought in your owne boat from Cratloe on wednesday last being had from Teig mcNemara a cooper from Limerick together with three cords more behind by the shoare side at Cratloe, wch. imediatly yor. boatmen would goe for but that at that instance of time, I receaved a note from Richard Glue to send him a load of collu, otherwise that the oylemill masons work must stand still, & upon such short & unexpected warning I have without loss of time dispatched yor. boatmen & Daniell Bane in your honnors. boat to the West in order to gett all the collu they could either there or in the County of Limerick & of their success I cannott have an accot. as yett-Hartegan tells mee that John Arnold gave him an accot: thatsall the gugeons that are to be made for the ovlemills must be made of metall, & enjoined mee to give yor. honnr. an accot. thereof, that thereby you may order what is best in that particular for Hartegan sayes if any of the sd. gugeons happens to break, that you must send to the ironworks, for such cannot be mended, nor made noe nearer, soe that I must referr the matter to yor, honrs, approbation & speedy direction (if needfull).

The hay at Ballyneclogh is brought together & made in midling cocks on the inside of the old stable wall, There is forty dayes mowing saved at Finis Island, & what they mowed these last foure days past there are not hands enough to save itt, & as Daniell Bane sayes he cannot hyre people for mony, but my opinion is that his owne harvest coming upon him both by sea & land hinders the saveing of your hay, haveing men daily carrying rape to Limerick in his boat, & the rest of his people saveing his harvest by land at Finis, Inishnequony &c soe that I thinck itt is butt folly to cutt any more of itt, but what they till too morrow night, & tho. yor. honr. be at this distance, pray direct & order where to pitch hay for yor. rams, & where for yor. bulls, & what quantity (if any) be brought to the shoare side, & where it ought to be settled, or pitcht there, Daniell Bane has now nyne cowes, his nagg & eight calfes in the island, of the surplus I speak nothing off, till I knew whether it was by yor. honnors. permission or not.

On this day was seaven nights, I writ to Daly, Allen and Richard from whome I gott noe fuller accot. then what I sent heerein closed from Allen, & then I have sent to Lemeneh the 14 bullocks, wch. I tooke from mr. Wilson for & in consideration of the 20 li: & six pence

you lent him by me, in order to release his distresses from Mr. Roch, wch. are noe very badd bargain, pray lett me know what coales you secured in Limerick for yor. smith & direct where to be found, & whether there by any securd. for dreying of malt against the next season, that times may be observed for fetching of them away, for Morto Harny who was in Lymerick whilst your honnor was last there had noe accot. of any thing nay much less had noe accot. of the druggs for horses, nor of the lathnayles, that were sent then for to Limerick. As I was coming from the island yesterday morning, I mett Mr. Bayll. Browne at his boat, who told mee that his brother cannott lett you have his rape at Ballineclogh unles he hafe mony paid him in hand at the rate of 8s. per barrell, wherein pray advise, & if the whole be not securd. wch. is not above 40 barrells as Morto Gorman tells me, to let me know what I must doe with your proportion of it, & whether thirds or halfes.

Mr. Browne further tould me that he hase beene courted very often for his barly, by James Warm & others, they will give your honnor. the preference of it, & hase but sixtie Bristoll barrells of beare that he would give you, for he sayes the rest of his beare is of a smale graine & very foule wherein pray advise likewise if you doe nott buey a quantitie in time, & take the best that the country can affoord, in the later end of the yeare, you may happen to buey at the deerest rate & perhaps be concerned for late mannagmt. & to a loss; to prevent such disadvantages if mony be lodged where you think proper, your servants can buey heere and the best corn and as cheap as the country can affoord, or cheaper haveing mony to pay before hand; the bald horss that was lame heere is mending & the colt, and your honnors chestnutt horss in the island is still as you saw him when last I waited of yor. honnor in the island, soe that still he halts & yeelds in his trott,

I have sent yor. note on the sixth instant to Rory Mc Quin & Wm. Flanura about the timber that is to be carryed to Lemenegh & Ballyportrea, Captn Stamers is in the barrony of Tullogh, but I expect to see him att our Newmarkett fayre & to have his answer about the acres in Ballykilly I am resolved to goe to Lemeneh too morrow, soe that by my next I shall be better able to send & give a fuller Accot. of their proceedings in your honnors concernes there, heereinclosed I send an accot: [not preserved] of all the bills, bonds, & agreements that are in my hands belonging to yor. honnor to this day & soe conclude

Yor: honnors: most obedient servt.

Te: Clanchy"

14 Sept. 1697.

Samuel Taverner (from Limerick), to Sir Donat O'Brien (in

"... I have wrote for England to a friend of intrest, to stand in the gapp, about the reducing the duty of rape seed in this kingdome..."; expects no opposition to be made.

1 p.

142.

1697 to 1701.

Six letters from [Henry Hamilton-Moore, 3rd] Earl of Drogheda, and Mary, Countess of Drogheda, to Thomas Keightley, concerning a proposed marriage between Lord Moore, Lord Drogheda's son and heir, and Keightley's daughter Frances.

A memorandum in Keightley's handwriting states Lord Drogheda's willingness, in return for a portion of £6,000, to settle £4,000 clear estate with jointure; and expresses a hope of the continuance of his daughter's pension of £200 as a Maid of Honour. Writing on 20 Mar. 1697, Lord Drogheda describes himself as "a good for nothing but to interrupt men of buishness with maggotts, butt all I wright is not maggotts . . . "

143.

8 Jan. 1697/8.

Connor O'Brien (from London) to his cousin Sir Donough O'Brien (c/o the Postmaster in Dublin.)

Assures Sir Donough of his willingness to "return your repeated favours me to, without which I might have been ruined". He has made acquaintance, "though not without expenses", with the Earl's secretary, who has "this day given me some hopes that his Lord has not yet passed patent of any of my concerns nor will not if he can find anything else of which he is now in pursuit . . ." Describes a "dreadful fire in Whitehall on tuesday last . . . which . . . has so confused & put a stop to business for the present¹ that people do not know what to do . . . coz Lucius I hope gives you so punctual and just an account of himself & affairs that there is no room left for me to add anything . . . my humble service to couzin Harry and poor dear sister who I hope may reap some fruits of my labors . . ."

Copy, made c. 1860 by the 13th Lord Inchiquin.

¹ In another letter (19 Jul. 1698) on the same subject he reports his discovery "that there is nothing done here but petition"; and hopes to find friends who will testify to his estate having been held by Lord Clare only as a trustee for his father and grandfather. In a third letter (7 Aug. 1698) he mentions "some difference between Lord Inchiquin and cousin Lucius" now settled.

15 Jan. 1698.

Christopher O'Brien (from Dublin), to Sir Donat O'Brien (at Dromoland.)

Leaves on the 17th, on board the "Content of England", commanded by Capt. Garvey, "a gentleman from whome I expect all the civilities he can doe me . . ." Has had 70 barrels of "buife", with other commodities, shipped on board for his account; "and shall endeavour to improve it the best I can . . ."

1 p.

145.

5 Mar. 1697/8.

Sir Toby Butler (from Dublin), to [].

Begins, "notwithstanding Captain O Bryens hopes, and the promises made him in England my Lord Albemarles patent (for all the Ld Clares estate among severall others) was sealed last Thursday, I gott a friend to speake to Mr. Conelly about Captn. O Bryen before it passd, he sd he had some time since some intimation to leaue out the sd estate but that he had other orders afterwards, soe that Captn. O Bryen has noe way left now but to compound if he can with Lord Albemarle and buy his right wch. I intend to write to him next packet ..."

Encloses the interrogatories (of which a draft follows), against Pemberton; "I must confesse they are the most numerous that ever I drew . . . I doe not see why Willson and Clanchy, the dfts, might not be examined as wittnesses for you, because they are not concerned in point of interest, and I apprehend you may want their testimony . . .

3 pp.

146.

6 Apr. 1698.

Capt. Hugh Swyne (from Doonemore), to Sir Donat O'Brien (at Dromoland.)

Was ordered by Lord Clare to protect, from time to time, Pemberton's draught bullocks and garrons, "because of his being serviceable to my Lord about the work then going on in Clare, but I am sure it was never my Lds. intent to barr your honor. or any other person from any right you might have to him . . ." Later on, Pemberton wished to supply "us" with some of Mr. Vandelure's timber for the proposed drawbridges, "and my Ld. sent me towards Granaghane to see the timber, but the beames were too short . . ." Pemberton, about November 1689, was offering barley where he thought he could meet with buyers, and sold some to Owen O'Neile

and the neighbours of Clare. "what garrons & colts that were seized of his were restored to him backe by orders, this being what I can at present call to my memory about this affair . . ."

2 pp.

147.

22 June 1698.

Mary [Hamilton-Moore] Countess of Drogheda (from Mellefont) to Thomas Keightley.

"... you may beleve ... I have known you longe anofe to bee extreemly pleased with this aliance ... I wod desier my humble servis to Mis Keatly but that I have not the hapiness to know her ..." $1 \not p$.

148.

7 June 1698.

John Clancy (from Dublin) to Sir Donat O'Brien.

"... when you consider the killing lenght and tediousnesse of the enclosed answer and plea, you will not admire that it has mett with delay . . . if it were practicable in reason to quitt the profession in part, I would never be concernd in drawing such another ". Encloses personal interrogatories for Pemberton, who is to be examined before Sir Donough's commissioners—Mr. Cusack and the Mayor of Limerick—who will no doubt detect him and some of his accomplices. Gives particulars of Mr. Patrick Hurly's dealings with Mr. Thomas Arthur. Asks Sir Donough to remember having ordered him "two good rams uppon account, not out of your iland . . . "

 $I_{2}^{1}pp.$

149.

15 Oct. 1698.

Christopher O'Brien (from Dublin), to same.

Has seen the letter about Mr. O'Brien's marrying and keeping it secret until Sir Donat's death; and considers it "a ridiculous malicious contrivance to ruine him wth. yu. & ev[ery]body indeed that knows him, 'tis very plaine to me who the authors of this damned villany are . . . "

2 pp.

150.

9 Feb. 1698 [9].

[Rev.] Jon. Hawkins (from Killaloe), to same.

"... I am really sencible of and heartily sorry for the disappointment and disrespect wch yor son Harry has given you. Marriage without my knowledge and the change of religion are twoe things I should be the hardest perswaded to forgive in a child ... I hope ... if you can discover where was the minister that he may

be handled as he deserves, although I know that a license may be had for money in Dublin to marry any one. You see the necessity of wt. I formerly pressed, that is, a severe Act against clandestine marriages, and makeing bonds given for licenses suable at comon law . . . "

1 p.

151.

10 Oct. 1699.

Brigadier Rich. Ingoldsby (from Dublin), to same.

"I am well assurd that in the war or trubls, your sister had a large black looking-glass of mine, with an ebony frame," which has since been seen in her custody. Asks that it may be delivered to his brother Pope at Limerick.

1 p.

152.

8 Apr. 1699.

Earl of Inchiquin to Sir Donough O'Brien.

His wife has refused to go out of town, replying in "a rediculous impertinent leter . . . I am sure I should prefer liveing for ever on potatoes in a cabin, to the making so infamous a figure, on the most advantageous terms they could offer me . . . "

 $2\frac{1}{2} pp.$

153.

13 Apr. [16]99.

H[onora] Bryttas1 (from Paris) to the same.

Asks for his good offices in securing from "my unkind nephew my Ld. of Insiquin" the annuity of £20 left her by her father's will, of which £200 arrears are now due.

1 p.

154.

21 Apr. 1699.

Nicholas Westby (from Ennis) to Sir Donat O'Brien (at Dromoland.)

Begins, "Sr"; ends, "yor most faithfull & affect servt".

"Mr Burton & Captn. Mc Donnel has consented to release you the lands of Carownekelly for 300 ll. only Mr Burton insists on 20 s. or some such small thing as cheifery . . . thereout; the sooner you conclude it the better least he & Captn. McDonel should alter their mind . . . "

¹ Wife of Theobald Bourke, 3rd and last Baron Bourke of Brittas.

11 Aug. 1699.

[Sir] Ulick Burke (from Glinsk), to Sir Donat O'Brien.

Sends 12 "Luidors", for which he would like to have "a choise cupell" of yearling bulls. Is also anxious to know prices of hogrell rams, ram lambs, yearling heifers, and two year old heifers, as he can probably get Sir Donat buyers for them.

2 pp.

156.

13 Oct. 1699.

Sir Donat O'Brien to Sir Thomas Southwell.

(Answering a letter which suggested a match between Lucius O' Brien and a daughter of Lord Coningsby.) He hopes to be able to get a further £800 a year, which he has on Lord Inchiquin's estate in Cos. Clare, Limerick, and Tipperary. At their last Quarter Sessions the Grand Jury presented the weir at Limerick as "a nusance for stopping the passage of fish & boats & by adding seaven cribbs more to it lately on the Earle of Thomd. land" in Co. Clare. The J.Ps. have confirmed this, and have ordered the Sheriff to throw down and remove the weir. This will give the several counties that border on the river above the weir an opportunity of asserting their rights.

Сору, 2 рр.

157.

Monday, 6 Nov. 1699.

William Butler (from Ennis) to Sir Donat O'Brien (at Leamington.)

About a meeting with Cornelius Mac Nemara and his cousin Tom, at which the latter spoke "wth extreame violence . . . Capt. Mac Donogh was present when Mr. John Vanderlure has talked latelye of mee for my pretention uppon the act for the preservation of the game; pray bee pleased to take his information uppon oath . . ." 3 pp.

158.

30 Nov. 1699.

Sir Thomas Southwell (from Dublin) to Sir Donat O'Brien.

Lord Coningsby does not design to bring more than £3,000 into any settlement proposed, but he will try to prevail with him to put down £500 more. Asks for details of Sir Donat's contribution.

Ip.

4 Dec. 1699.

Jo. Mc Donogh to Sir Donat O'Brien (at Dromoland.)

Begins, "Honourable Sr"; ends, "your very humble servant".
"I herein send inclosed the copie of what interest or saveing

"I herein send inclosed the copie of what interest or saveing Terlagh O Heyn hath of his concern in Coskeaine from Mr. Patricke French he tells me he can have a firme conveyance from him Heyn will have sixty pounds morgage upon it I know the concernes to be good and that an indifferent inlargement can be made about it if your honour be pleased . . . but of this and other matters I will learne farther about Turlagh more faire expecting your directions & answer in all matters . . . "

1 p.

160.

26 Jan. 1699. [1700].

Timothy O'Brien (from Smithstowne), to Sir Donat O'Brien. About his apprehension of being turned out of the farm he holds from Lord Ikerin¹ by Mr. Patrick Hurly and his adherents. Hurly, having been adjudged the benefit of the Articles of Limerick, has now gone to Dublin to obtain a reversal of his outlawry; after which "hee designes to fall on mee, & turn mee out of my farm . . . hee has made a possitive bargain with a powerfull man (now adays) in this country Mr. Tames Davoren: who with the assistance of his new made brother in law Charles Mc. Donogh, has influenced Mr. Hurly to lett him have my farm, for wch. hee is to give 120 pound . . . on Saturday last there was a meeting twixt James Davoren and Charles Mc. Donagh at Timothies at Ballykeel, and there was an agreemt, concluded that Charles shall have Davorens sister and 200 pound in cash that Davoren is to raise, to pay the debt due to yu. besides a small parcell of cattle this I had from Walter Huonyn who was by . . . "

 $2\frac{1}{2} pp.$

161.

3 Feb. 1699. [1700].

Wm. Butler (from Rossroe), to same.

"... I am apprehensive that my adversarys may againe indeavor by Sr. Josephs meanes or otherwise to remove mee out of the Comission of the Peace, and to prevente it I would desire you to speake to my Lord Blessinton, because I am a stranger to him, he concearned himselfe on my Ld. Ikerrins account, If you thincke fitte to speake to Sr. Harrye who is tould that I head an Irish papiste

¹ Pierce Butler, 4th Viscount [d. 1749.]

² Murrough Boyle, 1st Viscount [1648-1711.]

faction agt the Kings intereste wch any wise man would thincke is not my businesse haveing noething on that foote, nor hopes, but the certainetye of beeing deprived of what I have . . . "

2 pp.

162.

20 Feb. 1699/1700.

Capt. Edmund Stafford to Sir Donat O'Brien (at Sir Humphrey Jarvis's in Dublin.)

"... as yet we hear no further of Mr Staffords bill in Chancery... I long to hear of your daughters safe delivery which is all from your very humble servant..."

163.

9 Mar. 1699/1700.

Capt. Edmund Stafford to Sir Donat O'Brien.

"Sir the gentleman I mentioned in my last has since been with me & offered me a considerable sum . . . if I would join with Major Stafford . . . he could not believe but I knew something of the Majors title. I told him . . . that . . . I did not else I would never have relinquished my thirds & have accepted of an assignment of certain lands in lieu of it which must be void in case the estate was entailed . . . "

Copies, made c. 1860 by the 13th Lord Inchiquin.

164.

8 Apr. 1700.

Lord Inchiquin to Sir Donet O'Brien.

Has been confined to his rooms for 3-4 days "by some little hurts in my head & face that I recd. by an overturn in a coache" but is now recovered. Has mentioned Mr. Hurly to Lord Galway. "... as to the troope, I do not find him at all inclined to remove it, he says they shall soon be in the baraque & that if any of them are guilty of misdemeanours, on complaint made they will be severely punishd ... as for theyr seizing of Roman Catholicks' horses, tis not for him to cheque them for it, but that if they do it in an illegall manner, the law is open to give them redress in it ..."

2 pp.

165.

16 July 1700.

Same (from Rostellan) to same.

He would have been in Dublin, but for a great number of "porposses or such like fish" coming ashore at Ring near Youghal,

¹ Susanna, daughter and coheir of William Stafford, married in 1698 Henry, second son of Sir Donough O'Brien.

² Henry de Massue de Ruvigny, Earl of Galway.

a farm of his held by one Nason; they have afforded a good quantity of oil. "I take them to be a royalty belonging to me, but he is resolved to dispute it at law . . . I shall long to hear what became of Mr Hurley at the assizes . . . "

 $I_{\frac{1}{2}}^{1}pp.$

166.

30 July 1700.

Same (from Dublin) to same.

Is in "the greatest disappointment immaginable" for want of money. "... I find it is not adviseable for me to claime my forfeited leases in the County of Clare, because they have been found by inquisition, & the Kings title is only to the benefitt of them, deriveing from me—so that I have nothing to claime, but that in Kerry, that was mortgaged to Sr Patrick Trant ..."

 $2\frac{1}{2} pp.$

167.

9 Oct. 1700.

Terence O'Hyne to Sir Donat O'Brien.

Begins, "Honrd: Sir"; ends, "yor honr. most obedient sert. to comaund".

"I have sent yor honr, the instrumt, past betweene me & Roger Loghlen wch. I could not gett till now & that cheefely by meanes of Roger I hop yr honr is satisfied in all respects that I am as good as my word . . . "

1 p.

168.

20 Oct. 1700.

Sir Donat O'Brien to Richard Wilson.

Giving directions for conferring about Pemberton's affairs at Killaloe with Mr. Purdon.

Сору, 2 рр.

169.

3 Dec. 1700.

Earl of Inchiquin (from Rostellan) to [John Methuen] Lord Chancellor of Ireland.

Recommends for the Commission of the Peace, for the second time, Mr. Michaell Goold of Garane, in the barony of Imokelly, Co. Cork and hopes that Mr. Willm. Butler (Lord Thomond's steward) will not be put out of the Commission for Co. Clare, "for I have allways had a good charcater of the gentleman . . . "

 $I_{\frac{1}{2}} pp.$

14 Nov. 1700.

Lady Jervis (from Dublin) to Sir Donat O'Brien.

Recommending a housekeeper "the best in Ireland that ever I knew". Lady Rogerson had her the year that Sir John Rogerson was Lord Mayor, and thought highly of her. "... she is a neece to Coll: Purefoy a widow to one Buckly, may be you know her, for she lived at Rossrow in her youth ..."

 $2\frac{1}{2} pp.$

171.

24 Dec. 1700.

Richard Nash (from Limerick), to Richard Wilson (at Sixmile-bridge.)

Apparently refers to Pemberton's case.

1 p. endorsed as follows:

"Wm Ryan says that on Satturday the 28 of Decr. 1700 Edwd. Pemberton met him at the markett house at Limk. & upon some discourse between them desired him to help himselfe & Pak. Hurley & to informe upon oath before a majestrate agst. Sr. Don, O Brien setting forth that Sr. Don. raised a troop of horse for the late King James agst. his present Majesty & sett one of his own name in the Front of them & bestowed 8 horses on Briggadeer Talbott on the same acct. & that if he did sweare the same & what other things should be laid before him agst. Sr. Donat, the informt. should goe in scarlett laced wth goold & ride in his coach at Dublin, & that this was the best time to doe it since at the same time Sr. Donat is taken up at Dublin & upon baile upon wch. the informt. went to the Mayor & Sherriff Parker & informed them therewith."

172.

16 Jan. 1700. [01].

Terence O'Hyn to Sir Donat O'Brien.

"... I haue my accers this 45 yeares... after the comeing in of Sir Redmound the same... were settle upon me as well by arbitration as alsoe by seuerall Records & specially by Sir Redmounds coussen before euer Roger was concearned in the land... my humble request of yor honr is to stand by Capn. Donogh O'Loghlen in answereing the uniust accion of Roger..."

1 p.

173.

6 Feb. 1700/or.

Michael Hickie to Sir Donat O'Brien.

Begins, "Most hond, sr". Is desired by Lady Henrietta to ask Sir Donat to get counsel's opinion about an action being brought

by Mr. Arthur Ward and Mr. Hulett, who are prompted by Mr. Francis Burton. "... Mr. Barron Worth is fallen under the Duke of Ormondes displeasure and the severe censure of most persons about and in London, for what reasons & particulars I know not. I am told Collonll. Allen of Dublin and some others have accused him. I perceave it a most unthankfull office to doe services for great persons ..." Is sending "the rules & methods" used in 1659 by the late Lord Thomond for managing his estate through Mr. Daniel Macnemara and Mr. Hickman.

2 pp.

174.

4 Mar. 1700 [01.]

Richard Wilson to same.

"... as to Sheehan's disposeall of his farm, I am as innocent in it, as Jesus Christ, & as to yor, stall fedd oxen, they were on the 24th ultimo sent to Cratlogh". The flocks, from continual rain and bad weather, look very thin. Gives figures of losses since the last shearing, 3% to 15% in each flock. "... The carprs. at Ballynaclogh have stood still this fortnight past for want of deck boards ..."

Copy, 21 pp.

175.

4 Feb. 1700 [OI.]

Richard Wilson (from Sixmilebridge) to Sir Donat O'Brien.

Six ploughs have been kept going at Phenice every working day since his last letter (21 January). The Dromoland labourers are going on with the stone walls at Leattoon and Ballynecraggy and about the lane at Carrownekelly. " . . . the old Left. Don, Mc Mortogh dyed on fryday last, and tho' he was minded of his obligations to yu, yett he has by will left his coun. Da. Mc Mahon heir to all his expectations; who thereupon brought him home and weaked him at Clenagh, and buryed him at Killmaleeragh, but his cow, horse, and sheep are seized by Teige Gerran and marked by him for yu, for their graseing till yu, are pleased to signifie yr. pleasure . . . " Mentions Mr. Butler "forecasting to get a lease of Tullaghveryanmore" (in which Robin Westropp may also be interested), Col. Perry, Major Smith, Sir Donat's nephew Christopher, Mr. Lysaght, Mr. Cullen, Mrs. Mayne, and others "alsoe persecuting me". The Limerick butchers are offering only £3 a head for the cows; he asks for directions to be sent to Webb to "make them off ".

Copy, partly in Wilson's handwriting; 3 pp.

3 Mar. 1701.

[Rev.] Christopher O'Brien to the same.

A friend of Mr. O'Brien has been telling the writer of a possible wife for him, with one estate of £600 and a very good house. She is a Mrs. Brett, niece to Lady Powerscourt and cousin german to Lord Inchiquin.

4 pp.

177.

29 Mar. 1701.

[Lawrence Hyde, 1st Earl of] Rochester (from the Cockpit) to Thomas Keightley.

Concerning a vacant regiment, for which he would not have recommended either Lord Donegal¹ or "my good friend & Kinsman Dicke Gorges" to have paid; "tho to so charitable an use . . . to make an end of all this, the King hath disposed of the regiment to Coll: Seymour . . ." He has recommended Lord Mount Alexander to the King as a third Lord Justice. " . . . I say nothing to your polititians discourses in Dublin, I never answer any of them here, & will not begin it there".

2 pp.

178.

2 May 1701.

Thomas Keightley to Lord Rochester.

"... I find it a question also (tho it should bee resolvd by the Solicitor Generall) that your Lordship may safely give powers to receive & manage the profits & revenues of the government before you are sworn—whether you must not send over the Kings Letter to the government here to grant their warrants to the Receiver Generall to pay yr establishment . . . "

 $3\frac{1}{2} pp.$

179.

19. May 1701.

Lord Rochester to Thomas Keightley.

The King has ordered that Spanish and French pistoles (in order to be brought into line with the silver), "goe at 18 shillings & sixpence, & not tenpence . . . "

 $I_{\frac{1}{2}}^{1}pp.$

180.

19 June 1701.

Ch: Macdonogh (from Dublin) to Sir Donat O'Brien (at Dromoland near Limerick.)

"... There was a great discovery tryed today in Chichester house concerneing the estate of one Mr. Barnewall, thats vested in Coll. Gorge, and it went agt. the discoverer Murphy—Sir Theo.

¹ Arthur Chichester, 3rd Earl [1666-1706.]

Butler, Sir Stephen Rice, and most of the top lawyers were concerned . . .

I never mett with the fellow of Gun, if it be not Mr. Conor, who is in a deep study, ever since, concerning the forme of the appendix, but did not begin a word of it as yet. Gunn . . . is such an uncertaine fluttering little fellow that he would doe nothing in it, had not his brother urged him to it . . . "

2 pp.

181.

28 June 1701.

Lord Rochester to Thomas Keightley.

As new regiments are to be raised for service in Ireland, he asks Keightley to find out from Lord Drogheda who is "the eldest on the Establishment for halfe pay", and whether he wishes for a regiment. 2 pp.

182.

28 June 1701.

Francis Sarsfield (from Dublin) to John Chaffin (at Newmarket, near Limerick.)

"... it is inherent to our blood to be on all occasions ready to serve the families of the O Briens; tho as to me in particular, I lost 115£ principal, besides the interest these 20 yeares lent to Henry, Lord Ibrican, & above 121£ lent to the Lord Clare . . .

Tho' the Trustees have sent orders to their receiver to gather the rent of Cloggin &c, as belonging to the Lord Brittas, or to shew cause; yett I am put in hopes, notwthstanding the losse of my deeds, that I shall recover the same; and I am very sure it is much easier for the landlord to deale wth. me, than wth. them or those who will buy it from them . . . I hope the noble family of Thomond, so famous for their goodness to tenants, & so generous even to strangers, will in the acct. of arrears, consider in some measure the loss . . . (P.S.) that farm cost me above 300 l., beside interest ever since, & beside the great charges I have bin [at] against Anlan Mc. Brien & Capt. Kennedy Brien, who broke & left the farme ".

2½ pp.

183.

31 Jul. 1701.

[Henry Hamilton-Moore, 3rd] Earl of Drogheda to [
Begins, "My Ld."

Asking for a commission in one of the new regiments for John Wallis, who had been Lieutenant and Adjutant in Drogheda's own regiment. "...he was one or other the best officer in his station...it will be happey for the regement he is posted in ..."

I July 1701.

Earl of Rochester to Thomas Keightley.

He begins his journey for Ireland in about a month. Desires Keightley to supervise the necessary repairs and the buying of furniture for the Lord Lieutenant's house (in Dublin) and for the house at Chapelizod—including stabling for 50 horses. He will not bring over any linen, except what cannot be supplied in Ireland, "... you must consider whether any of the King's furniture can be made use of or noe; that which is very old & quite spoild I will not willingly have exposed to publicke view ..."

4 pp.

185.

10 July 1701.

Fra: Gwyn (secretary to Lord Rochester, from London) to the same.

Concerning Mr. Dawson's letter of 24 June, "wherein he represented the ill condition of the King & Heralds at Armes, Pursuivants, &c concerning their cloathes & liverys, and that they formerly have been sent them out of the wardrobe here . . . mony comes hardly out of the Treasury here for any of our Irish affairs" (but he hopes the Lord Chamberlain will do what is necessary.)

1 p.

186.

22 July 1701.

Francis Sarsfield (from Dublin) to Sir Donat O'Brien.

"... The Trustees orderd last week that my Lord of Thomonds farme in the County of Lymerick, wch. I bought of the Lord Brittas so long time [ago], should be canted at Cullen . . . I intend to try my title . . . very soon to the said farme; & it would not be amiss, that you would be pleased to satisfie Mr. Baron Worth of my right to the said farme, & how I was in possessn. of it till the surrender of Lymerick, to your owne knowledge. It would be much easier for Baron Worth to lett me come into it, & to pay the arrears by gales (if any due) than to have to doe wth. the Trustees, who even will put to acct. what rent could be made of the farme. The Lord Chancellor allowes for the county of Lymerick 3 yeares abatement for the war, as he has done lately in the case of Anay, between Sr. Thomas Hackett and Mr. Tilson; and no Chancelor has ever bin more indulgent than the house of Thomond has bin allwayes to their tenants . . . wee heare the Lord Rochester will be here about the middle of the next month . . . " [The rest of the letter is taken up with news from the Continent.]

2½ pp.

9 Aug. 1701.

Lord Rochester to Thomas Keightley.

He has sent "my finest sett of coach horses, with some servants" to embark at Liverpool; when they reach Dublin, he hopes that Keightley will have an eye to them. "...I am not at all concerned for the want of guards at Dublin for my own reception, being satisfied they are more usefully employed in the necessary service they are now upon ..."

2 pp.

188.

17 Aug. 1701.

Timothy O'Brien (from Smithstowne) to Sir Donat O'Brien (in Dublin).

The Archbishop of Tuam is expected at Kilfenora tomorrow night, to hold his visitation on the following day (Wednesday). "I have beene lately summoned by his senescall, Henery Blood, to bee then there to pay the cheefrent they demand of this farm of Smithstowne, & your land of Ballytarsna . . . if the Archbishop were putt of for this time, I believe it would bee a great delay to the matter thereafter & how that can bee efected I know not, unless the Deane may be prevaild on not to mind the Archbishop of it . . ."

 $2\frac{1}{2} pp.$

189.

19 Sept. 1701.

Lord Inchiquin to Sir Donat O'Brien.

The fleet bound for the West Indies has at last come into Kinsale, where it stays only to embark the two regiments designed for Jamaica. Sir Donough's nephew "a proper comly young fellow" was so kind as to come and see him last night; "he is very well recomended & very well treated by the Comadore of the squadron, Captn. Whetston". There is no further news except "the positive confirmation of K: James's death, wch these ships bring".

2 pp.

190.

19 Nov. 1701.

[Rev.] John. Hawkins (from Newmarket, "very late") to the same (in Dublin.)

"I am heartily sorry that I must send a very sad story after you to Dublin. This day after dinner, Maior Smith, or present High Sherriff, came into my house (he had some business att the mannor cort held here this day) and sate with me for neare an houre. As he went out I followed him; he, and Rawly Nudigate, and I

went into Chaffins, and by or selves had twoe pints of clarett, and one drame of brandy; before we had drunk this the Sceneschall and Connor Macmahon and severall others came to us. Whilst we sate there, the Sherriff recd. twoe packetts of letters from the post office, and after he had read these he was in more hast to be gon than he was before (his clubb was but a shilling) pretending some directions of bussiness from his father Stamers, from whom I saw a letter to Dick Wilson, and believe there was another to you; soe he left us. In some few (2 or 3) houres at most afterward, came a messenger post to me from Killmaleery, to tell me that the Sherriff had been there, and had shott Harry Cooper into the belly. I was in the gout, and not able to putt on a shooe, nor to putt my foote in a stirrup, but sent Geo: Colpoyse and some others to Killmaleery, whoe brought me word, that if I had been able to goe, it had been to noe purpose, for poore Harry Cooper died imediatly wthout speaking Maior Smith came before I heard that Harry Cooper was really dead, and surrendered himselfe, and is now in custody of the High Constable. I could not take any information this night, nor did any one come to offer me any, soe that I cannot yet tell how the matter was, but I feare it is too bad. I doe understand thus much, that the sheriff, after he left this town, went home, tooke his pistolls, and twoe or three servants wth him, and went to Killmaleery about or after five a clock; made one servant hold his horses att some little distance, and another goe wth him to the doore and knock; when it was demanded, whoe was there, his servant answerd he was the servant of Connor O Brien, upon wch. answer the doore was opened; upon wch. the sherriff wth his pistoll in his hand rushed in, and his servants after him, and arrested Har: Cooper sitting by the fire, att the suite of one Thomas Martin on a writt marked 60 odde What scuffle there was I know not. God keep us from sudden and violent death, and from all sad accidents, &c . . . " 1 p.

191.

19 Nov. 1701.

John Chaffin (from Newmarket) to the same.

Concerning Mr. Cooper's murder. Major Smith "imediately seized on Mr. Cooper upon a writt or otherwise, and he having none with him but his wife and the smallest of his children, and [after] some rushlinge [wrestling] (?) with Mr. Cooper he with his pistoll shott him into his belly . . . whereupon Major Smith with two of his servts., Jo: Hickman & Caroll his livery man, fled to Mr. Hawkins house, who comitted them to my custody, wch. is the greatest surprize unto . . . yor, most obedient humble servt."

1701-02.

Five letters between Sir Donat O'Brien and Capt. John Walcott dealing with partition of the lands of Ballygannon, Co. Clare.

193.

15 Feb. 1702.

Ch: Macdonogh (from Ballykeel), to Sir Donough O'Brien (at Dromoland.)

" Honourable Sir.

I had yours att Cahirmenane about II a clock yesterday, and I then mett ther both my uncles Conor, and John, who casually spoke unto me concerneing their former proposeall to your honour about Cahirsherkin, I deliuerred bare faced my thoughts and advice in that matter to them as well in referrence to what acct, you had of it, as alsoe of what I learnt my selfe from the present tenants of its vallue. and on the whole matter my uncle Conor said that Mr. Burke would not consent to sell Cahirserkine alone, without Chroes concernes, whereby he proposed to receave a considerable sume of money for the use of his Daughter, and my uncle John said that he would either procure the consent, else that he would pay your honour all the debts due of him to you before the next assizes, soe that you would send him upp the articles perfected 'twixt him and them, which he left with Mr Wilson; I can't understand how serviceable they may be to him in that particular, but I guess its noe more then to take them out of your hands because its mentioned in them that he was not soe just either to you or his allvance, as I could wish he were, he alsoe said that he would referr the difference in the quant[ity] of the purchase to my uncle Conor & to me when you'd come upp to this country, soe that I conclude he can't deal with any assureance either with yr. honour, or with anybody else, without further advice from his Conoght chevens [sic]—since he was soe foolish as to putt it out of his power; sero sapiunt Phryges.

By my last phrase I think of Mr. Burke whoose letter to me I send enclosed [not preserved] to your honour, & by what I find, I am of my fathers opinion, who is very angry that the young 'squire was not taken for vanting, that he would travell in this country in spight of some persons—as I lately told your honour, and tho' this letter to me, was meerly designed to be shewne you, and to be sollicitted by me to all intents and purposes, yet I find in the close of it an apollogye or rather an excuse for his sons gratitude to Hurly, therefore its not amiss to keep the businesse in suspence for some time before further application be made either by Arthur French, or some other gent. that are sensible of the usage you recd. from that spark—and that if any service can be done them, that its doeing good agt. evill. I was lately att Tuoghayaheny in order to treate with the tenants.

and I found there by hearsay and experience too, that Mr. Davoren made as much entrest as he could with them, to quitt their farmes, and to plowe and digg upp all the fields and craggy mohers, to make it the more useless, I counted aboue a douzen men of his tenants in Glinvane, a digging near his house, on the best part of this farme, in order to help out the work I shew'd the barbareity of the action to Doctor Daly, & to my con. [cousin] Andrew Hehir, who were then present, and on chargeing him with it, he onely prayed, and wished that your honour would line to hate those persons that advised you to take that farme, as much as you did himselfe, but in spight of his endeavours, I aggreed with tenants for the most part of it, that is to say with your tenant Nehemiah Davoren, for his farme of Cahirbollock &c being 14 cartrons, for 44 li per annum inclusive rent, besides recrs. fees and a hogg; Coll. Macraith offerred it him for 38 li but the honnest man is better pleased to pay yr. Honour this rent, then the other to the Coll.; he gaue me a letter he recd. from Captn. Daniel Nealan to be sent you, wch you may see by the enclosed and in your next letter to me, I begg your advice to Mr. Davoren. I alsoe agreed with Harve Macdonogh for Ballycunneere North 8 cartrons att the rent of 24 li per annum, besides recrs. fees and a hogg, Lt. Miller held it last yeare and it was the onely parcill I dreaded most to laye on our hands; I aggreed to sett unto my con. Patt: Hehir & to Theobald Ftz Gerrald their farme of Ballykin martin &c 14 cartrons att the rent of 50 li per annum recrs. fees & 2 hoggs. Cahirelaggane & Cahirmeane are sett allready by Coll. Macraith, to Will Nealan and to me for 40 li soe that there remaines noe more of them lands to be sett, but John Glass his farme of Cahirnekerryly (which your honr, remembers Mr Hogan was very intent upon) and James Davorens farme of Ballyhinna &c and I hope that I will sett them farmes alsoe tho' they use all meanes to hender it, Captns. O Brien of Inistimon, & Smithstowne, together with Mr. Morogh O Brien were these 3 days past att James Davorens, I would wish that you would mention to him, how he has putt you on this undertakeing on purpose to break the arbitrary knott of that collony, as he termed it, & alsoe to convene him, his son Hogan, & Con. Hyne with fattening ground, and to touch him a little in yr. letter of his shuffleing and unsteadynesses and I alsoe pray that youl please to write to me of your resentmt concerneing what you heard from others of Mr. Davorens &c in wasteing your lands, & designeing to leave it waste.

I alsoe recommend to your honour to inquire dilligently in Lymerick of John Skelan about his lawesuite with Davoren concerneing my Ld. Anglesy's¹ if your honour had any businesse to write to Mr. Hogen that lease of Cromlin &c and the nature of that lease, and if you can advise that the entrest is good, as I am sure it is that you

 $^{^{1}\,\}mathrm{Probably}$ James Annesley [1674-1702] 5th Earl, succeeded by his brother John.

will buy it from him, & Stephen Creagh; the late Lord Anglesy's privilledge of Parliament, which he has sett upp agt. them by the perswasions of his recr. Mr. White (who was well considered for it) hendered the merchants from a recovery of it, & I beleiue that this Earl may be wrought upon to stick rather to their entrests—Thom Davenport was receaved into the bosome of the Romish Church in the late warrtime by Doctor Daly in this parrish, on a penitent recantation, & on [making] his corporall oath on the holy Evangelists, & after rece[iving] the sacrament in that Church, that he would never w[ander] from it; his br. John I am told refused then, but hath afterwards reconciled himselfe to that Church before Far. Dermott O Conor, Thom was surjeant to Coll. Charles O Briens regimt. of foott att Sligoe, & else where, went publickly to masse and was very severe on Mr. Rivett in Gallaway as I am told the particullars whereof I will soone learne.

I begg of your honour to prevaile with the sherriffe to send me an order to be his deputy in this barrony, as I haue beene heretofore and as he was pleased to allowe me last sessions, I had it even from Major Smith, 'tis a place of noe proffitt for him, I onely gott some help to drawe & cutt turffe by it, his profitt was in the bayliffeweeck which he bestowed on Captn. Tim O Briens servant, it was sett last year for 8 li. I would be more concerned to lett the county know that I would be discontinued by him, then for the lucre of any advantage that 'tis to honble Sir your most obedt. & most faithfull humble servt.

Ch: Macdonogh

Captn. O Brien of Inistimon does not putt in for Ballydonoghoo, tho he was very pressing for it, with Coll. Macraith, and that you remember how earnest the Coll. was with your honr. in his behalfe, if you see him, discourse him in it for the people thereabouts are told by his aunt Margaret that he is to have the preferrence of it, and therefore they wont bidd, Coll. Mc Craith would have a provisoe for him, to enioy the lands att 16 li per ann:, in pursueance to his promisse, and you may lett him have it soe, and you may mention the same to me, by way of caution in his behalfe, in your next letter, as alsoe that your honr would stock any part of that land that I would recomend."

[Address]

" For

The Honourable Sir Donat O Brien Barronet

att

Dromoland "

17 Feb. 170½.

Lord Rochester to Thomas Keightley.

Knows nothing about "this change of me", or who is likely to succeed him as Lord Lieutenant. Gives directions for sending over servants, carriage horses, etc., and offers Keightley a loan of the chariot "old, & I am afraid, durty".

3½ pp.

195.

11 Apr. 1702.

Same to same.

About "my Ld. Drogheda's ill humours" and the complaints (mostly directed against Rochester) of half-pay officers on losing their subsistence allowance.

Endorsed by Keightley with several memoranda, of which the most important are:

"To know if there bee any particular reason to keep the titular Bishop of Cork ¹ here, on account of any correspondence expected—

That the arms are not come—

No distinction or qualification to bee given for the half pay officers, but as to such as took money for going and did not goe . . . " 2 pp.

196.

27 May 1702.

Same to same.

He expects an account of places vacant by the death of the late King. " . . . I am takeing all the care I can to gett cruizers upon your coasts . . ."

 $2\frac{1}{2} pp.$

197.

13 June 1702.

Thomas Keightley (from Dublin) to Sir Donat O'Brien (at Dromolan near Limerick.)

Has been able to do a service to Mr. John O'Brien by getting him "a pretty good employment in his own way of engineering".

2 pp.

¹ John Sleyne, Bishop of Cork & Cloyne 1693-1712.

14 July 1702.

Jno: Napper (from Limerick) to Benj: Chetwood (at the Quit Rent Office, Custom House, Dublin.)

Giving the fees of the Comptroller of the Port of Limerick (of which a moiety is received by Mr. Thomas Burton, who acts as Deputy Comptroller. "I wish you joy of yor solicitors place to the Revenue"

Fees for 1698-9 were £18. 5. 9; for 1699-1700, £21. 17. 6; for 1700-01, £25. 2. 4; for 1701-2, £21. 18. 11 (the year is reckoned from Ladyday.)

1 p.

199.

I Aug. 1702.

Lord Rochester to Thomas Keightley.

"... I don't know that the French have a better game to play, than to stirr up troubles to the Queen within any of her kingdomes, & of them Ireland seems to be as likely as any, & therefore I am sure you will be watchfull ... as prudent men ought to be ... " $I_{\frac{1}{2}}^{\frac{1}{2}} pp$.

200.

3 Aug. 1702.

Thomas Keightley to Sir Donat O'Brien.

Mentions the impending trial (before a special commission comprising Lord Chief Justice Pyne, Sir Thomas Southwell, and other gentlemen of Counties Limerick and Kerry) of Mr. Thomas Arthur "who it seems is your tenant". Five other gentlemen—Mr. Jeffery Keating of Behus (?), Counsellor Ronan, Cornet Enratt, Francis Creagh, and Daniell Hickey—have already been taken up for acts of treason.

2 pp.

201.

15 Aug. 1702.

Simon Anyon (from Dublin) to Richard Wilson (at Sixmile-bridge, Co. Clare, via Limerick.)

Enclosing habere facias possessionem and dedimus in connection with two fines of Sir Donough's of the lands of Leagh. Gives directions; "... the fine must be read in English to the conisors & then the comrs must ask them doe they freely acknowledge the fine & if they say they doe then the comrs: must take the woman aside & privately examin her whether she acknowledges the fine freely without compulsion of her husband . . . "

3 Sept. 1702.

The same to Lord Rochester.

Concerning the desirability of calling a Parliament. Points out that the presence of the Trustees [of Forfeited Estates] "will still keep up an uneasy if not an angry spirit in our members . . . "

Сору, 4 рр.

203.

22 Oct. 1702.

Same to same.

"... I am not a little concernd at the disappointment with which the Duke of Ormond 1 has met ... it will ... return upon us all our first apprehended difficulties in the sending away the West India recruits from hence, with advantages on the wrong side ... tomorrow is our remarquable 23th of Octobr., which brought yr. Exc. this time twelvemonth too soon from Castlemartyn and the Major Generall [Earle] and I am [sic] to hold it such between us, my Ld. Mount Alex [ander] being out of the reach even of the noyze (?) of his gunns ..."

Copy, apparently incomplete; 2 pp.

204.

21 Oct. 1702.

Lord Inchiquin to Sir Donat O'Brien.

"I was in hopes . . . yu woud have sent me word before now who I should name for officers of my Militia troope in yr County, I depend on yu for it, & tis high time I should return the commissns . . . "Ross O'Loghlin, Joane Bryen, and Hehir have all been asking for leases, which he has deferred making.

2 pp.

205.

12 Nov. 1702.

Sir Donat O'Brien to Lucius O'Brien.

"... I want a full Bobb wigg a light browne; bespeak it & let me know what it will cost ... your Brother to pleas his frends as he saies takes the shiffralty upon him ..."

1 p.

206.

20 Dec. 1702.

[Dr.] Nicholas Shee (from Dublin) to Sir Donat O'Brien.

After a consultation with Dr. Mullineux, Mrs. O'Brien's physician, "we advised her to goe to the Bath in England as soone after Xmas as she can".

 $^{^1}$ Probably the failure of the expedition against Cadiz in August of that year is referred to; cf. D.N.B., vol. III, p. 514.

22 Dec. 1702.

Counsellor Symon Purdon to Sir Donough O'Brien.

Has been turned out of his own house by "the present great floods . . . a foot deepe in my lower roomes . . ." Has no thought of making interest, at Ennis or elsewhere, for Parliament, "yett must confess (as I formerly told you) that I should covett being chosen some where, because I believe it would be an advantage to me in relation to my prophession . . ."

1 p.

208.

7 Dec. 1702.

Nicholas Lynch to Capt. Charles Mc Donnogh (at Ballikeele.) Begins, "Deare Cosn".

He denies the report of his having sold "my little lands" to Lieut. Miller; he has only mortgaged them, on account of Sir Donat's refusal to supply him. He would "waite of" Sir Donat to acknowledge the fine were his wife in a condition to ride.

2½ pp.

209.

9 Dec. 1702.

William Butler (from Sixmilebridge) to Richard Wilson.

Mr. William Fairecloath being behind with his rent "I intreate you to gett Sr Donats forbearance untill the sessions . . . "

1 p.

210.

12 Dec. 1702.

Nicholas Lynch to Sir Donat O'Brien (at Leameneh.)

"... I would waite of you this day, but that I was tould yesterday that you would be this day at Turloghmore fayer where it may not be salfe for me perhaps to appeare . . . "

Ends, "yr honrs most oblidged & moste humble servant". 1 p.

211.

[1702.]

Thomas Keightley to Lord Rochester.

The customs on provisions outwards for 1701 appear, by the Custom House books, to be £5,356 less than they were in 1700—the goods on which this duty would be paid being about £100,000 in value. The cause of the fall in exports appears to be "the extravagant rates, to which the farmers had been (for two or three years together) raising their goods of all sorts" with the result that

it was cheaper to victual ships in England than here. The landlords have raised their rents and are now as much to seek for them as are the tenants for their goods. Reports of a fall in the denominations of coin have caused the present scarcity of money.

Сору, 3½ рр.

212.

6 Jan. 1703.

Same to same.

Expresses satisfaction at Lord Rochester having approved "of what I had endeavourd to learn and had offerd both upon the state of the living and the dead church of this country, so that I have no more to trouble you with upon either of those subjects . . ." Deals with proposals for Sir Richard Cox and Sir Richard Levings, and for a recommendation to be made to the Queen of Col. Cuningham, who "waited with impatience to be advized either by the Majorgenerall or mee . . . We are still poorer & poorer, without any prospect that I can see of help, sooner than the tedious of the mending of trade during so generall a warr as this . . ."

Сору, 3 рр.

213.

6 Jan. 1703 (?).

Same to same.

Concerning leave being given various Army officers to go to England on recruiting service. Admits to having been wrong in Col. Farrington's case. Capt. Otway and Capt. Bradbury went along with the Major-General himself, and "had our leave (as wee then thought) very much for the Queens service . . . " Capt. Crachroad and Lieut. Pike "who really went without the leave of any government at all" have been punished. Thanks Lord Rochester for getting an ensign's commission for "young Mr. Gore".

Copy, 21 pp.

214.

21 Jan. 1702.

Lord Rochester to Thomas Keightley.

"... there will be no need at all of the supper at the Castle" on the Queen's birthday; the public fireworks, with the play, music, and dancing, will suffice.

11 pp.

23 Jan. 1703.

Same to same.

The Major-General told Rochester himself that Capt. Bradbury came away not only without leave, "but directly contrary to his admonishment not to goe . . ." while Otway came away after Rochester's directions had been received. Is pleased to have obliged Brigadier Cuningham "... As to what you say concerning getting provisions of victualls for the Navy to be furnished out of Ireland, which would bring money into that kingdome . . . there is a declaration for victualls for 10,000 men allready made at Kinsale & Corke, which I hope you will soon find the benefitt of . . . In my publicke letter to you both, I have sent you word how the Queen is pleased to fill up the primacy; & how she intends that of Dublin, if it will be agreable to him¹ to whom it is offred; pray send me word, with truth, how this great promotion is received at Dublin."

4 pp.

216.

26 Jan. 1703.

Same to same.

On account of "my poor sister Clarendon's memory" he asks for the post of Vicar-General to the Primate to be given Dr. King. "I am confident I recommend a very good man to him, very knowing in his profession, very honest . . . "

2 pp.

217.

30 Jan. 1703.

Thomas Keightley to Lord Rochester.

He has just signed, with Lord MountAlexander, their joint letter² about calling a Parliament, and adds some remarks "of my own private sense upon that subject . . . wee have told you that it seems the unanimous opinion of all, that the longest time is the best, on the consideration purely in most of them of the present scarcity of mony, & the fresh memory of their sufferings under the Act of resumption, that still (?) live in the generality of people any time before the next winter . . ." Mentions the difficulty of interpreting "the meaning & actings of the solicitor³" so that it is impossible to say whether he should be retained in, or dismissed from, the Queen's service. "I take it for granted the Duke of

¹ William King was appointed Archbishop of Dublin 11 Mar. 1703 on the translation of Narcissus Marsh to Armagh.

² Keightley, with Hugh [Montgomery, 2nd] Earl of Mount Alexander and Major-General Thomas Earle, had been sworn in as a Lord Justice on 11 Apr. 1702.

³ Alan Brodrick (afterwards 1st Viscount Midleton) was Solicitor-General 1695 to 1704.

Ormond will give such directions & encouragement over his estate & part of the kingdom where his influence reaches, about the choyce of members as will be for the Queens service . . . I have and am still keping (?) as much care as I can towards the North, where I hope the three or four active good Bishops belonging to it, will do their parts. I mean Derry¹, Down², Clogher³, & Killaloo⁴, [sic] among which I am inclind to hope the Queen will bestow some of the promotions with may attend the disposition of the primacy . . . & that you would give leave to give some assurance of your favour to Doctor Lesley⁵, a man of very good character & esteem there, as I am informed by all the beforementioned Bishops . . . "

Copy, 4 pp.

218.

4 Feb. 1703.

The same to [James Butler, 2nd] Duke of Ormonde.

Expresses his readiness to carry out the commands of His Grace, of whose appointment to the Lord Lieutenancy in place of Lord Rochester he has just heard.

Сору, 11 рр.

[Another letter (apparently written at the same time) refers to "the greatest part . . . reiovcing over their second deliverance by the Duke of Ormonds coming among them again, in the same manner they did over that of King William . . . one . . . was from Popery and the arbitrary power of a King resolved to take it upon him, and the other is from Presbitery and the insults of dissenting factious people, just going to devour all kingly governments and us together . . . "

Draft, 1½ pp.

219.

13 Feb. 1703.

Keightley and Lord MountAlexander to Lord Rochester.⁶

On his resignation of the Lord Lieutenancy. "... as a greater loss than this of my Lord Rochester could not befall us; so no successor to him could attempt, with so much likelihood, to make us amends, as his friend the Duke of Ormond ..."

Сору, 1 р.

¹ William King, Bishop 1690 to 1702, afterwards Archbishop of Dublin.

² Edward Smith, Bishop 1699 to 1721.

³ St. George Ashe, Bishop 1697 to 1717.

⁴ Probably William Lloyd, Bishop of Killala 1691 to 1717.

⁵ Probably John Leslie, D.D., Dean of Dromore 1681 to 1721.

⁶ Besides the letters from Rochester to Keightley and vice versa calendared, there are 30 others, of less interest, written between 1695 and 1701.

27 Feb. 1703.

Edward Lloyd to Lord Justice Keightley.

Offering detailed information about "Numerous quantityes of seditious libels—in print & manuscripts—handed about . . . "

I p., endorsed by Keightley; "recd the 28th of Febr: . . . read to my Lord MountAlexander &c at the Castle next day—Afterwards on Tuesday the 9th of March I discourst wth Mr Solicitor and Lloyd together at my house, where Mr Lloyd promist to bring mee the copys of some libellous papers &c . . . at present he refusd to name any persons or to bee any ways instrumentall in the proof against any persons for saying or doing anything mentiond in the within letter".

221.

10 Mar. 1703.

[Daniel Finch, 2nd Earl of] Nottingham to Keightley.

An Irish ship, which was at Rochelle on February 11/22, passed for a Swedish; it may be one of those, the names of which he gave Keightley, that "do use the French trade". Ships lately come into Irish ports should be examined "that this practice may be punisht and prevented".

1 p.

222.

26 Mar. 1703.

Thady Davoren to Sir Donat O'Brien1 (at Dromoland.)

Begins, "Honourable Sr"; ends, "your most obedient servt".

"Roger Na Mullane heard that your honour was at Lemeneigh who came to complaine of Rossa Mc Anthony who gaue possession to Sr. Walter Blakes seruants in Terlagh Buy O Heyns part of Coskeaine tho Roger has a precedent lease to Sr. Walters from Heyn the two Heyns are but slender security . . . Roger . . . tells me he would make intr[est] with one of Rossa Mc Anthonyes present tennants to gett the possession of the best or mansion house upon the land and prayes for noe other help but your honours countenance . . . " $1 \not p$.

223.

24 May 1703.

(Counsellor) Ja. (?) FitzGerald to Richard Wilson (at the Bridge or at Dromolan.)

"... If all the articles &c: [concerning Cahersherkin] are deliuered up to Sir Donat I thinke he may safely deal for the lands, but let him get the fine perfected before he parts with more money ... my very humble respects to Sir Donat ..."

¹ Nearly all Sir Donat's letters at this period have been endorsed by Richard Wilson with a note of their contents.

13 June 1703.

Richard Wilson (from O'Briens Bridge) to Sir Donat O'Brien (at Dromoland.)

Begins, "Honnble. Sr."; ends, "yor. faithfull servt."

If Sir Donat approves of alterations in the draft made by Counsellor Mc Nemara, he will receive for the assignment £265. 12. 6 principal and interest from Lieut. Miller.

1 p.

225.

15 June 1703.

Symon Purdon to Sir Donat O'Brien (at Dromoland.)

Concerning the lease and release of Leagh "in wch. I see nothing impropper". Reminds Sir Donat of a parcel of timber at Bielkelly which he intended to fell, and of which he would give Sir Donat the first refusal. Asks that he will send "some skillfull person to view it . . . "

1 p.

226.

29 June 1703.

Lord Inchiquin (from Clonmel) to Sir Donat O'Brien.

The Bishop has had him served with a letter missive and subpoena, in order to get an injunction against the writer. "... this B——p¹ is a strange troblesome fellow—I hope he'll not be able to hinder a schoole being kept at Corofin, but as for his hindering Fowlow to keep it, 'tis what I would do my self ... he is a vile fellow ... " $I_{\frac{1}{2}}^{\frac{1}{2}} pp$.

227.

3 July 1703.

[Henry Howard] Lord Walden (from Dublin) to same.

Has come from England with Lady Harriott's commission to put in execution Lord Thomond's Act. The commissioners are himself, Sir Donat, Mr. Baron Worth, and Mr. Baggs. "Shall be extreamly glad of your good company, as well as assistance in this affair . . ."

1 p.

228.

19 Aug. 1703.

Thomas Keightley to Sir Donat O'Brien.

Apologising for delay in payment of a debt, as he has "streind my self & my money matters a great way" to purchase the fee of Castlemartyn and of his Co. Kildare estate for Mr. O'Brien and his

¹ Thomas Lindsay was Bishop of Killaloe from 1696 to 1713.

heirs. "... The grey horse was a present made either Mr O Brien or you or both, by Captain Elwes a cozen iermin [german] of mine, who has a troop of horse in my Lord Windzors regiment here, and has been bred a jockey & sportsman of all kinds, you may relye upon the horse being as well bred as any horse in England. Our great plate will bee run for at the Curragh on the 16th of next month ... I make it my request to you that I may lodge you at Castlemartyn ..."

3 pp.

229.

26 Aug 1703

Henry Loftus (from Loftus-hall [Co. Wexford]) to the same.

Having heard from Mr Patrick Stafford of his wanting saffron roots, he sends his servant James Currin with as many as his nag can carry.

1 p.

230.

22 Feb 1703 [4.]

Mor: O Brien to the same (at Castle Martin, by Kilcullin bridge, or at Sir Humphrey Jarves's in Dublin)

He has been imprisoned by Walter Neyland and his uncle Ulick Browne, on account of having distrained for Sir Donat's rent and arrears upon the lands of Lyeshhyvorane; he was brought before Col. Gore, and bound over to appear at the next general assizes in Ennish. Since then he has apprehended Browne in the open street of Kilfenora, with the help of his son, Thomas Edwards the constable, and others; "we have likewise pursued Walter Neylane and the rest of his sociats towards the maires of the county of Galway . . ."

2 pp.

231.

7 Sept. 1703.

Simon Anyon (from Dublin) to Richard Wilson (at Sixmilebridge, "to be sent from Lymerick".)

Begins, "Mr. Wilson"; ends, "yor. humble servt."

"... inclosed have sent you a dedimus to take the fine for Donogh O Brien wch you wrote for ... I have made in the concord of the fine agt: the heires of the Mc. Donoghs but if the estate came by the wife then you must before the fine is acknowledged where it is hered[es] of the man ... make it hered[es] of the woman—as to yor owne fine ... fines of that nature are never acknowledged for a man that hath but a lease for yeares can sell by deed wthout a fine & I cannot find a fine in the like case in any books nor any that hath been past in the memory of any of our attornies there are fines

sur concessit but that fine is leavyed by him that hath a fee in the lands & tis to confirme a lease made by tennant of the freehold if any councell can show me or direct me how to doe it I will doe it heartily . . . "

1 p.

232.

I Feb. 1704.

Sir Donat O'Brien to Lady Thomond.

Recommends her to make a match for Lord Thomond, as he is "now come above his father's age¹ when he espoused you . . . & not to insist soe much upon the greatness of a fortune for him as her owne worth . . . before he gets out of your power into such an acquaintance as perhaps may divert him from it . . . "

Copy, 11 pp.

233.

14 Feb. 1704.

Michael Hickie to Sir Donat O'Brien.

He is amazed at the vast sum offered "for the landes and honour of the Earle of Thomond; it's a signe money is fluent there, and that landes are att 10s. per acre . . . you cannot demand less than a thousand pounde for your labour and expense, since you have been so dishonnorably used in your farme—Mr. Roch privately told me Lord Walden designes to sham you and the Baron of, wthout any consideration—I heare his minion Mr. Baggs expects a plentyfull rewd. . . . "

3 pp.

234.

14 Mar. 1703.

Sir Donat O'Brien to Lord Walden.

He may now cross the Channel with more safety—the privateer that troubled this coast, and lately took three merchant ships near this harbour [Dublin] was last week taken by a frigate which the Lord Lieutenant ordered out after her—the crew of 50 are now in prison here. "...here are great complaints from all partes of the kingdom of poverty & want of money such as has not been knowne unless it were in the time of an intestin war..."

Сору, 14 рр.

235.

22 Apr. 1704.

Andrew Comyn (from Ballinagon) to Col. Creagh.

Begins, "Worthy Sr"; ends, "yor very humble servt".

"I am not a little persecuted by Collonel O Bryen concearning the matr. I communicated unto you he gott a writt against me, to force papers from me, & to bring me to euidence whether I wou'd or noe . . . However to quitt my selfe of all blame, & to be resolved

¹ Lord Thomond was then 161.

at full, I prevaild wth my cosn. Mortagh to submitt the businesse once more at the assizes to Sr Donat & have stated the matter in writeing aswell as I coud, I shall entreat you effectually to second my cosn Mortagh . . . "

1 p., endorsed by Richard Wilson "about Cahirsherkin."

236.

2 May 1704.

Mortogh Mc: Mahon to Sir Donat O'Brien.

Sends by Andrew Comyne deeds and papers relating to Cahersheerkin, to which "as I heare" Curtin is not the right heir. Sir Donat has these in his hands, "I thinke yor. enemy can doe vow but little harm . . . "

Ends, " . . . the greate god direct yor honnor. in this & all other occations & longe yow may liue in prosperittye wch. is the wishes of yor. honnors affect. freind & humble servt. at comand . . . "

13 pp.

237.

11 May 1704.

Sir Donat O'Brien (from Dromoland) to Lucius O'Brien (in Dublin, forwarded to Bath.)

Concerning the shortcomings of Hayes [head groom (?)]. "... the boy James . . . has much to say to me about Hayes ill dealing with me in the match with Tighs horse . . . enquire if Sr. Edward Crofton1 be in towne or at home, if in towne desire him to grant me his order [for co]vering a couple of mares by Trumpetter . . . " 3 pp.

238.

3 May 1704.

Sir Walter Blake (from Muckenish) to Sir Donough O'Brien.

Begins, "Sr"; ends, "yr most humble srt & kinsn."

"I have a lease of 21 yeares of . . . Coskeane from Terlogh boy Heyne & I heare its morgadged to yu for . . . sixty pounds. Terlogh being in great want presses me to pay him his rent & I cannott safely pay it without yr orders . . . "

1 p.

239.

6 June 1704.

Roger O'Loghlen to Sir Donat O'Brien.

Terlagh O'Heyn has made a 99 years lease of Coskean to Capt. John Walcott "who is to pay you morgage money and to give him halfe a cartron in Deelin he gaue him in hand two milch cowes and nine poundes . . . "

^{1 3}rd Baronet; of the Mote, Co. Roscommon [d. 1729.]

8 June 1704.

Lord Thomond to Sir Donat O'Brien.

He intends "with my ladys leave" to send over some brood mares next Spring, "and shall be very much oblidged to you, if you will sometimes take the trouble to look upon them, and give those necessary orders you shall think convenient for the improvement of them . . . "

1½ pp.

241.

23 Sept. 1704.

Lord Walden (from Carlow) to same.

Last Thursday Mr. Baggs and he went to the Curragh, to see Sir Donat's horse run the following day, "but meeting wth neither lodgeing nor victualls, we attempted to return that night to Castle Dermod but lost our way, and, in short, lay all night in my currell . . . I have just receaved an account that your horse won his match near half a distance wch. I give you joy off . . . "

 $I_{\frac{1}{2}}^{1}pp.$

242.

27 Sept. 1704.

Morgan O'Brien (from Carrigykittle) to Sir Donat O'Brien.

Begins, "Hond Sr"; ends, "yor affectionat humble ser"

Since receiving Sir Donat's letter, he has seen his brother Neylane; "all the argumt I had with him are [sic] to tedious to sett forth he confesses that it is in the nature of man to be blinde in his one cause . . ." He desires Mr. Wm. Butler as an arbitrator "of" his side, "you joyneing him with any other gentleman, toutching his, his mothers and seruants thier sufferings and you giveing him this reference he will then in place secure you the money he owes you to the utt most of his power . . ."

 $I_{\frac{1}{2}}$ pp ; endorsed by Richard Wilson "mr Morgan Briens further Lr. about Walter Neylan . . . "

243.

4 Nov. 1704.

H: (?) Fitz Gerald (from Waterford) to Michaell Hickie (at Billing, Northamptonshire.)

He will come over, having got for her Ladyship what money he can, as soon as the "umpirage" has been given in a dispute between two of his brothers about a small estate. £60 a year of this is within $1\frac{1}{2}$ miles of Waterford, another £20 a year in the country; he expects £500 for himself, as his share of the personal estate.

23 Nov. 1704.

S. (?) T. [Sarah, Countess of Thomond] to Sir Donat O'Brien. Asks for his help in recovering a debt of £1,200 from Mr. Thom: Fitzgerald, a Waterford merchant, and in pricing 6 geldings, which Mr. Burton wishes to buy at £20 apiece. "... I have seen great trouble & confusion in my family, through the unkindness of my Lord Barnaby, Lady and Lord o Brien to my Lord, myselfe, and then [sic] young children..."

2½ pp.

245.

2 Dec. 1704.

Mic. Hickie (from Billing) to Sir Donat O'Brien (in Dublin.)

"... I finde this antient noble familly's goeing headlong to ruine, through the pretended piety and virtue of the precious, chast, and charittable Lady Harriott, and the tender affection honnest Lord Walden has for the young Earle and his charm'd mother..." Lord Walden and Mr. Baggs have persuaded Lady Harriett to question his own lease of Doonbeg—which he declines to give up, it having been approved by counsel.

3 pp.

246.

22 Feb. 1704/5.

Same to same.

"... all thinges tend to ruin and confusion ... Mr. Fitzgerald, the saint and London merchant, putt out my mony also to Wafer, Captain Dermott Bryan's chirurgeon, for an assignemt. of his mortgage of Ballyhickie, & am now in sute wth. him ... I heare agent Walden's foottmen say they all designe for Ireland next sumer, but I matter nothing of his goeing or staying ..."

4 pp.

247.

1705 (?).

Same to same.

The Duchess of Beaufort, "heighly resenting the unparalelled usage of her grandson Thomond" sent her son Lord Arthur Somerset to divert Lady Mary's mind, and to concert measures to convert her brother from his new father's and mother's "syren imprisonmt." with the help of the Duke and Duchess of Ormond and other of his relations.

 $3\frac{1}{2}pp.$

14 Apr. 1705.

[Mrs.] H. O'Brien (from London) to [].

She has received Mr. Peter Henchy's petition, "... as it appears to me from this side of the water: as to the farm of Cahiracon, the petition does not so much as insinuat any title to it; as to that of Cappagh I am inform'd that he has not had the posestion the petition speaks of ..."

4 pp.

249.

19 Apr. 1705.

Mic: Hickie to Sir Donat O'Brien.

Lord Thomond was lately introduced to Newmarket by Lord Walden, who presented him with a grey stone horse of Sir Donat's breed. Lord Walden has Lord Thomond and his mother "intirely in his dispose"; £20,000 of Lord Thomond's money has been misapplied, and his unhappy estate is under the same encumbrances, or worse, than it was 14 years ago.

2 pp.

250.

17 May 1705.

Catherine O'Brien (from Bath) (?) to Lucius O'Brien.

Referring to the "hazard of my health". The best way of travelling would be "landing in Munster and goeing directly home" Copy, 2 pp.

251.

24 May 1705.

Mic: Hickie to Sir Donat O'Brien.

Lord Thomond's mother is indebted to the extent of over £6,000, which must be paid out of her son's revenue, "the clamour of credittrs. being most insupportable . . . " Sir Donat's son Mr Henry bought a gelding for £14—he says Co. Clare "never afforded such an one for shape, temp[er], and goodness . . . " Lady Mary came here last night; if her brother dies, soon, it is thought Lord Walden' son (now aged 14) will be married to her "to keepe the estate intirely in the Lord Waldens hopefull familify".

3 рр.

252.

26 May 1705.

Fran. Burton to Rt. Hon. Sir Donat O'Brien (at Dromoland.)

"... I cannot see but that this session will have a happy conclusion ... the packet boat in which was the linen bill was taken by 2 privateers, the news from Lisbon brought by the packet

boat driven into Dingle bay you have in the inclosed print [not preserved] . . . I am glad o Briens Bridge goes on to youre satisfaction. I have a letter from Currin who tells me that he has sent 2 boats leaden with timber to Killaloe . . . "

1 p.

253.

28 June 1705.

Richard Wilson (from Dublin) to same.

Lord Inchiquin resolves to prefer his chaplain Mr. Lesse to the living of Ennis, and has got the Bishop of Cloyne ¹ to arrange it with the Bishop of Killaloe in such a way that he gets the vicarage also, "but how farr the Bp. will condisend to it or allow of his lops. titles is not yet known . . . "

11 pp.

254.

12 July 1705.

Thomas Keightley to Sir Donat O'Brien.

He has turned out Sir Donat's two geldings "into such grass as I have, . . . being very much overstockt in this dry season . . . And God knows I see little probability of ever getting any mony for them here, the brown gelding never goes a Mile without cutting his legs off—And for Mr O Briens bay gelding I am afraid hee will find him here also, where hee left him . . . "

1 p.

255.

31 July 1705.

Same (from Wexford) to same.

"... the waters having agreed pretty well with me hitherto, I am like to continue another fortnight or three weeks ..."

4 pp.

256.

13 Sept. 1705.

(Col.) J: O: Brien (from Newhall) to Mr. Owen Kenn ("at his house".)

"I have confided in yor. kindnesse soe far as that I made use of yor. name in a sequestrath, between a friend of myne & John Glasse Mc Donogh soe that I desire yu, will not faile in meeteing me at yor, owne house abt. I or 2 a clock this day in order to goe to Corrofyn to night that yu. & another friend may goe to morrow to sequester the land [Cahersherkin]..."

¹ Charles Crow was Bishop of Cloyne from 1702 to 1726.

8 Oct. 1705.

Rossa O'Loghlen to Richard Wilson (at Dromoland.)

Concerning transactions—involving Sir Walter Blake, Capt. John Walcott, Roger O'Loghlen, and Terlagh O'Heyne—about the lands of Coskeam, of which he had a seven years' lease from May 1696. States Roger o Loghlen to have detained half a cartron of the said lands, and to have "prefered a most scandleous bill in Chancery against Sr. Donnat O'Brien and others . . . "; and that he himself, through Capt. Walcott's agents, "lost a hundred and forty ewes by keeping them from the parte in dispute in a nuke of the land

 $3\frac{1}{2} pp.$

258.

10 Dec. 1705.

Sir Walter Blake (from Menlogh) to Sir Donough O'Brien (at Lemeneagh.)

The bearer, Roger Cullane, and his son have of their own accord given him a 21 years' lease of Coskeam, "for I belieue he thought them to be in another fearme . . . I want the place for a conueniency to Muckenish to help to fatten a few sheepe . . . I have great reason to be angry with this fellow because that Davenport on his corporall oath did inform me that he hath most malitiously scandalously & falsely spoake of me alleadgeing amongst other things that I was the occation of a mans untimely death . . . "

1 p.

259.

[1705] (?).

Ter: Heyne to Sir Donat O'Brien.

"... I have exiected [ejected] (?) the lands detained from me by Roger Loghlen I cannot prosecut it for want of money ... you ought to consider that my cause is yor. owne ..."

1 p.

260.

18 Dec. 1705.

Sir Donat O'Brien to Thomas Keightley.

He has been very angry with Harry Hayse for having come away from the Curragh without paying the writer's debts, as he hates indebtedness to any "especially such a sort of people as wee deal with at the Curragh though Robinson used me ill in setting the stable my horses stood soe long . . . in to an officer whoe forced open the stable dore & removed my horses to another house . . . "

2 pp.

21 Dec. 1705.

Ch: Macdonogh (from Ballykeel) to Rt. Hon. Sir Donat O'Brien

(at Dromolan.)

"... your honours letter of the 15th instant I Recd. but yesterday from a boy that liues in Kilfenora, who told me that he got it then from John Morane..." Relates his conversation with Roger O'Loghlen about the lease of Coskeam; Roger will "discourse you further on this subject at the next sessions. . . . I begg of your honour to lett me know how your son Lucius & his family does . . ."

Ip.

262.

31 Dec. 1705.

Mic. Hickie to same.

"... your kinsman honest Ld. W. his pious Lady and Ld. T." live at the rate of £30,000 a year with eight footmen, two pages, "divers and sundry gentlemen &c".

1 p.

263.

23 Apr. 1706.

Oliver Long (from Dublin) to Lucius O'Brien (at Cratloe, near Limerick.)

Concerning the similitudes between lovers and borrowers; no sooner has parson or scrivener "made use of these fatal words know all men by these presents but the borrower grows cool and the lover indifferent . . . which generally leaves men of my tribe as melancholy as you will me, if you doe not send some subsistance to

your most humble

servant

Oliver Long."

2 pp.

264.

2 May 1706.

Thomas Keightley to Sir Donat O'Brien.

"... I think you will, in spite of all spite, force your breed to be acknowledged and sought for as the best in Ireland, to which I will contribute all in my power . . . "

2 pp.

265.

16 July 1706.

Same to same.

Asking for specific orders about "the plate which you would have bespouk for your fifty pound in Harry Hayes's hands. I

should think one very good and large salver with some candle sticks very proper plate, or if not that some silver plates to begin with, every one with Slovens crest, and so on to the next horse and his crest, might soon make you up a service . . . our greatest difficulty will bee to get stabling and convenient room for keeping provision hay & oats &c . . . "

2 pp.

266.

23 Sept. 1706.

Capt. Ch: Macdonogh (from Ballykeel) to Sir Donat O'Brien (at Dromoland.)

Begins, "Honourable Sir"; ends, "your most obed. humble sert."

"you gueshed right of the cause that hendered me from setleing with Mr. England . . . he proposes to come hither to Kilfenoragh fayre, and I will then use all my Indeavours to fix him of my party, I see noe difficulty in it more then to but a lease he has from Mr Ronan of these lands att an easey rent, 'til redeemed . . . "

Asks Sir Donat to influence "Kitt Brien" to continue his "forbearance" for the £20 "I desired your honr. to undertake for me with your son".

"Watt Nealan teazed Mr Deane Blood this last Week to signe a certificate of admitting him a pauper, in order to sue your honr. but the Deane refused to comply on some instances I offerred; and I am told that he called to Captn. Lynch att Gallaway assises for the recantations he signed, & was abusefull to him in Captn. Fosters presence . . . "

 $I_2^1 pp.$

267.

7 Nov. 1706.

Mic. Hickie to Sir Donat O'Brien.

"... The young Earle and his charmeing sister show all manner of slight to me, be it amongst themselves, for I am innocent of any cause ..."

Will Mr. Harrison exchange Moyheree for Burren? Hickie has been offered £118 a year for Burren. Mr. Harrison has told Mr. Hodges and other "back friends of myne" he paid the writer above £100. If he will not exchange, will he give £103. 15. for it, for 21 years, subject to contingencies in Hickie's lease?

"... the designe of their goeing for Ireland is, for Ld. W.'s insulting the tennants into his friend Bagg's leases, and that our young Solomon Thomond's personall countenance will effect the matter".

4 pp.

26 Nov. 1706.

The same to Lucius O'Brien 1 (at Cratloe, near Limerick.)

Concerning a debt due from Lucius and his cousin Capt. Connor O'Brien to Mr. Porter, who wants security " of a more lasting substance than tenancys for life only . . . The gentleman disowns having received any interest at all, or having so much as heard any thing from you since hee lent the mony . . . I have engagd Sr Thomas Southwell to ioyn in the laying matters home before Sr Donat, but hardly know my self which way to begin, tho something must and shall bee done soon . . . Mrs. Keightley is a very sound citizen of Dublyn, but has yet tryd no other ayr than that of Queen Street . . . "

2 pp.

269.

2 Dec. 1706.

Tho: Keightley to Sir Donat O'Brien.

Has been given notice, by Mr. Savage, of an execution taken out against Lucius O'Brien by Mr. Porter, a gentleman belonging to the Earl of Kildare. Asks for Sir Donat's help, this being only one of several debts which will inevitably get him "not onely into a prison and publick disgrace, but . . . into such a temper, both of mind and body, as will soon after rid you of a son and mee of a daughter . . ." Lucius is willing to make over all his present estate, as a life tenant, to his father, and "live chearfully at Lemineagh, if once out of debt, with such remaining pension out of his own as you shall bee pleasd to allow him, or even by way of farmer, if you will set him a farm . . ."

3 pp.

270.

3 Dec. 1706.

Same to same.

His concern for the subject of this letter (Lucius's debts) must excuse his not having given Sir Donat more frequent accounts of his horses at Ballimanny. An execution or *elegit* against Lucius's estate, if not prevented by one of them, must soon be taken out in the face of the whole country "... to prevent their stealing away wch. they already talk of into some remote corner of England, or Wales, or for ought I know into the Barbadoes (for I have very lately receiv'd such a proposall ... from my daughter) ... is that ... you would immediatly take the circumstances of yr. son (who is lookt on a good one by every body) into yr. private examination first for a list of his

¹ There are six other letters written by Thomas Keightley to Lucius O'Brien or Mrs. Catherine O'Brien, 1705 to 1713. With them is a draft letter of Keightley's asking the Queen to appoint Lucius O'Brien to the vacant governorship of Barbados.

debts . . . Lucius has already told me he would both willingly & thankfully transferr all his present estate into yr. hands, & live chearfully at Lemineay, if once out of debt with such remaining pention out of his own as you shall be pleas'd to allot him, or even by way of farmer, if you will give him a farm . . . "

Copy, 4 pp.

271.

7 Dec. 1706.

Thomas Keightley to Sir Donat O'Brien.

All his horses "continue in health and I do not doubt but they will appear quite other things yet at the meeting in Aprill . . . "
2 bb.

272.

13 Dec. 1706.

Mic: Goold (from Rostellan) to same.

Lord Inchiquin has a pressing need for £800; to secure this, he will make over to Sir Donat that part of his estate which Col. John O'Brien holds for his life.

Encloses list of 15 denominations held by Col. O'Brien, of which the tenants are Tho. Hickman, John Curwyn, Capt. John Steers, Loghlen Hehir, Do. Hehir, and Donh. Kerin.

2½ pp.

273.

17 Dec. 1706.

Lucius O'Brien (from Castlemartin) to Thomas Keightley.

Concerning "the west india project", which proved abortive; "... but now I am to turn my selfe some other way, I must attend my fathers determinations as to my debts... Mrs. Catherin is a little out of sorts at present, but phisick, water &c are now to be plyed a main..."

2 pp.

274.

22 Dec. 1706.

Mic. Hickie to Sir Donat O'Brien.

Lord and Lady Walden are now Earl and Countess of Brotherton; "young Solomon Thomond's money pays for all, both he and sister holding the candle for 'em'. The Duke of Norfolk has, with the Queen's consent, made Lord Walden his Deputy Earl Marshal. Mr. Thomas Fitzgerald ("haveing amused and trifled wth. my Lady by the operation of one Mr. Shanaghan formerly clerk to his brother Nic: Fitzgerald) wee presume has gone off. Mr. John Fitzgerald, another brother, who recomended him to my Lady and putt my mony into his handes, bournes and setts defiance to my Lady and me . . . "

3 pp.

10 Jan. 1705.

Sir Donat O'Brien to Thomas Keightley.

He has suggested to Mrs. O'Brien that a first step towards "a regulacion of her Husbands affayres was to retrench his family charge & expenses wch. is not inconsiderable & that shee with him & what necessary servants shee thinks fit would live with me here when they leave Crattloe . . . & that hers & her husbands stay with me shall be at my expence . . . "

Сору, 2 рр.

276.

17 Jan. 1706 [7.]

Thomas Keightley to Sir Donat O'Brien.

"... What you have offerd to them [Lucius and his wife] of living at Dromoland at your charge of housekeeping can come from nothing but great kindnes..."

3 pp.

277.

8 Feb. 1705.

Same to same.

He is going to Dublin with his guests (Lieut.-General Steward, Lady Grandison, and her daughters) "with hopes of better success in their attempts for England from thence than they have met with from Rostellan, from whence they have embarq'd three severall times and been blown in again . . . "

He expects to hear of the appointment of a new government from England by the time they reach Dublin. "... remember the reprieve I got from the execution to seize his [Lucius's] estate is drawing towards an end, and then there will be an end of all quiet to their lives ..."

3 pp.

278.

8 Feb. 1706/7.

Dav: O Brien (from Cork), to his uncle Sir Donat O'Brien (at Ennis.)

Left Faro the 6th of January, and arrived here the 29th, after a long stay in Portugal "following the law", for recovery of a ship and cargo. Was fortunate in meeting his brother Christopher, whose squadron is waiting for a fair wind; himself is waiting for Alderman Bell's commands where to proceed next.

21 Feb. 1706.

Sir Donat O'Brien to Keightley.

On a recent visit to Crattloe he obtained (on asking for it the second time) a list of Lucius's bonds. The total is £3,543. 16., all contracted since his marriage; he fears that others, not secured by bond, are still to come in. By adding the list to the £700 a year settled on him, he estimates Lucius to have spent £1,600 a year since bis marriage "without keeping house till this year or making any figure like other men that have not spent soe much . . . " Hopes that Keightley will let him know what he thinks the best course to take, he being himself far more concerned for his daughter in law and grandson than for Lucius "whoe has never deserved any favour from me, as I could make appear by many instances . . ."

Сору, 3 рр.

280.

Castlemartyn Febr: the 2d 1707

Sr

My Lady Eustace finding mee work still notwithstanding I am of opinion shee is very near coming to an agreement with mee upon all our disputes, I am oblidgd to send an express at this time to Corofin to save Mrs O Brien from running into some chargeable contempts for not answering her Ladychips bills, and chusing to gratify Will North, who has a desire to wait upon you and Mr O Brien in the county of Clare with the first opportunity, I give him this introduction in the first place to Dromoland, to receive your comands before hee goes farther, tho hee is oblidgd to make all possible hast to speed a comission at Corofin, when that is over I have directed him to take your advice in providing mee with a bull and ten or twelve cows, in order to improve my dary as well by breeding as milking. I have given him a bill of credit on Mr Kirkby the Collector of Ennis, and beg the favour you will direct him where to lay out his mony best. not a word of news to send you, and when I have will do it always from Dublyn: for this Kilcullen post lost mee at least two or three letters to you last Christmass.

My daughters inclinations and her reasons are both so strong for her lying inn at Corofin without any remoovall at all to Lymerick, that I am not onely prevaild on to change my opinion, but to hope too that you will allow her good huswifery in that matter, to bee very consistent with her safety, and that care which ought to bee taken of her, and for that reason leave her to her self too. If it bee possible for mee I will gratify her also in seeing her about that time, and by that means please my self in paying my respects to you at Dromoland, for I am Sr with truth and respect

your most humble servant Tho: Keightley [Address]

For Sr Donate Obrien at Dromoland

2 pp.

in the county of Clare

[This letter is given verbatim as a specimen of the correspondence between Mr. Keightley and Sir Donat, who begins and ends his own letters in the same way.]

281.

23 Feb. 1705.

Same to same.

Encloses letters from Sir Matthew Dudley to Lady Thomond and himself. His grandmother cannot prevent Lord Thomond being "so infatuated & enervated to his father and mother Bindon that nothing can come between—you may observe how they leave my Ld. Leampster¹ and you out of the trust, because of your affinitty, and sincerity . . ."

1 p.

282.

4 Mar. 1704.

Thomas Keightley to Sir Donat O'Brien.

They may hope to see the Duke of Ormonde (who was lately dangerously ill, but is recovered) in Ireland some time next month. He will welcome Sir Donat to Castlemartyn for the Curragh "let what will become of your son, and his debts, and the removall of his family to Lemineagh, of which last I am a little concernd not to hear a word from you . . . he has made it appear very plain to me that he has been very far from receiving 700 ll. a year out of his rents settled at his marriage from that time to this . . . consider sr that never any gentleman who had a present settlement of 700 ll. a year began to live upon it under such disadvantages as hee did; without a farthing of mony put in his pocquet, without any rents to receave in a year after he was marryd, without an house to goe to, without a trencher to eat upon, without a coach or horse to carry him any whither, and with a necessity of undertaking the most expensive sort of Journeys into England, and staying there the greatest part of the time in which hee has incurrd these debts in the most cut throat place of England, and that with a continued charge of Doctors lyings-in &c but suppose some of this charge might with something better management have been spard, does that deserve a gaol for himself and family as long as bee lives (which without some help from you is like enough to happen . . .) onely to leave his son our grandson 1500 ll. pr ann: instead of 1300 ll. . . . "

¹ William Fermor, 1st Baron Leominster [1648-1711]. His third wife was the widow of Donough O'Brien, styled Lord O'Brien (grandson of the 7th Earl.)

9 Apr. 1707.

Mic. Hickie to Sir Donat O'Brien.

Lady Thomond told me this morning that she hears her grandson "is lead by father Bindon into Ireland before his marriage, to move the tennants to accept of the hasty leases . . . "

3 pp.

284.

14 Apr. 1707.

Theobald Butler (from Ballygeagin), to Sir Donat O'Brien (at Dromoland.)

His servant, bringing home a gun from the gunsmith in Ennis and having no English, was comitted by Mr. Bindon, who would not discharge him until the writer's father in law and Watt Arthur gave security for his appearance at this assizes. Asks for Sir Donat's good offices to stay further proceedings; "it's true I am loath to make a request of this sort to your honnour, but necessity has noe law . . . "

2 pp.

285.

3 May 1707.

Thomas Keightley to same (from Dublin.)

Expects that Parliament will be prorogued, and meet again on June 23rd, Lord "Pembrooks" commission not yet being passed. "... hitherto wee are sure that wee shall not bee gratifyd with any alterations either among our great or little officers, tho the Scotch lords & gentlemen are coming thick & threefold into preferments in England ... I know nothing of your horses since they went to sea. "

[A copy of Sir Donat's reply, dated 9 May, is on the third and fourth pages of the sheet.]

2 pp.

286.

28 May 1707.

Charles Macdonagh (from Ballykeel) to Sir Donat O'Brien (at Lemenegh.)

"... my indisposition and the fall of the marketts renders me backward of my rents... wherefore I begg the favour... to respitt me for... Kilcarhagh & Sladoo, 'til I sheere my few sheep..."

1 p.

¹ Thomas Herbert [1656-1733] 8th Earl; Lord Lieutenant 1707-8.

I July 1707.

Dav: England (from Dublin) to Sir Donat O'Brien (at Dromoland.) Concerning the affairs of Michael O'Dea, Constance Davoren, and Mr. Blake (who is setting to Mr. Patrick French of Duras the land mortgaged to Sir Donat.)

"... my Lord Chancelor Freeman tooke his place this day, as did the Ld. Chiefe Baron Rochfort, and Mr. Attorney generall Broderick. The Parliamt. sate this day, and adjourned to Munday next, when my Lord Lieut. goes they say to the house . . . "

11 pp.

288.

5 July 1707.

Sir Donat O'Brien to Lucius O'Brien (at Corrafin.)

Will not discourage his son's staying a little longer to finish "things about your house", but does not advise his putting off his attendance in Parliament till his hay is saved; "& when you goe it ought to be the shortest and privatest way that the less notice may be taken of your going later than any others . . ." John Hallynane has been here to meet Christopher, in order to have Sir Donat's opinion about his wages; he claims 16d. a day for himself and the masons he brought. Sir Donat thinks this excessive, but unavoidable as Lucius made no agreement with him before the work was begun.

2 pp.

289.

[July 1707.]

Mic. Hickie to Sir Donat O'Brien.

Has just returned from London, where he got a decree against Capt. Derby O'Brien "and my beloved Ballyhicky" for £280. 16. principal and 8 years interest @ 10%, plus costs. "The Captain designed to fight me if I should refuse my mony here . . . "

 $1\frac{1}{2}pp.$

290.

15 Sept. 1707.

Jno. Harrold (from Dublin) to the same (at Dromoland, near Limerick.)

"... My haveing sent Jack out of the way—I considerd it as well to bee in London, where hee may in some measure have donn himselfe some service, rather than like an unhappy creature stroll and stragle about the country, well knowing how litle friendship may be expected where every minut he must be liable to a mercenary people, there being but few that a reward of 50 li. wod not corrupt

... soe industrious was the reverend doctor on one hand & the prelate at the board on the other, that the very morning she was ordered into the mothers hands, they were [] the Councill desird by his Excellency to apeare at the Castle in ordr. to finish some certaine bills relateing to the division of some parishes, wch. gave an opertunity to the doctor to gett a second order to gett poore Jack sized & committed to the next goale where ever he was taken wthout baile or mainprize . . . wch. motion was made . . . by peticion from the doctor, alleaging . . . that nothwithstanding wt. their ldships had don in favor of Mrs. Macnemara, yett she possitively asserted her daughter was not salfe, unless the ravisher where secured & putt into custody . . . " Gives an account of his failure to get any satisfaction from the Lord Lieutenant, and suggests that Mr. Lucius or Mr. Purdon may have influence with the doctor.

2 pp., with enclosures;

- (1) Letter of Diney Percivall (from London), suggesting that 40 or 50 guineas given the Attorney- or Solicitor-General would "do the buisnes". 6 Sept. 1707. 1 p.
- (2) Expenses (total, £71. 3. 7½) incurred on behalf of Mr. & Mrs. O'Brien, with the following note; "if any of these articles seem to want management, were my life out I cod not doe better . . . " 2 pp.

291.

14 Oct. 1707.

Capt. Francis Forster to Sir Donat O'Brien.

About his difficulties in taking "that fearm" from Lord Bophin's family, with whom "theres no being att any certainty . . . ". Asks for Sir Donat's approval of his terms—£600 fine and 18d. per acre, or £700 and 15d.

2 pp.

292.

30 Oct. 1707.

Lucius O'Brien (from Dublin) to Sir Donat O'Brien (at Dromoland.)
He finds (by Mr. Serjeant Saunders) that George Hickman is
"Prickt" [for sheriff of Co. Clare] with Mr. Harrison and Mr. Ivers.
Continues, "... your charriott is lined but not naild, & the carriage
is made but the wheels not shod; Hunt says you have sat in it twice
and ... thinks there is room enough in the bulge for your feet to
stretch ... my brother protests you have been misinform'd as to
his takeing advise in order to have any dispute with yu...."

23 pp.

5 Jan. 1707.

Mic: Goold to Sir Donat O'Brien.

"... My unfortunate ld. is still ruining himselfe—he'll doe it in spight of all mankinde—he has now a greate house and familie in Dublin, and, I am sure, the expence here [Rostellan] is not much less ... he'l be by noe meanes nor by any bodie advised, but by Mr. Sugley (?) &c ... "

2 pp.

294.

19 Feb. 170%.

Same to same.

"... My Lady Mary O'Brien will be certainlie married to Ld. Kildare, my Ld. Inchiquin has per this post writt to me to gett the portion readie . . . "

1 p.

295.

16 Mar. 1707.

Thomas Keightley to Sir Donat O'Brien (from the Council Chamber.)

"... what you will have by the publick Accounts of this night about the sailing of the French Fleet from Dunkirk with the pretended Prince of Wales & 5000 men for Scotland is ... as much as can bee known yet, for they saild out of Dunkirk but on Tuesday last ..." Counts on O'Brien's assistance in enforcing the Government's measures "which will goe abroad by this nights Post".

I p.

296.

26 Mar. 1708.

O'Brien to Keightley (from Limerick.)

With other Deputy Lieutenants and magistrates, he has taken such security measures as were possible by taking suspected persons into custody, and issuing warrants to bring in the popish priests. "... I am obleedged to you for what you write about myne & Lucius his horses... but I know not how to think at this tyme of seeing a horse match till wee hear of our enemies being vanquish'd..."

Сору, 1 р.

297.

9 Apr. 1708.

Sir Donat O'Brien to Lord Inchiquin.

Encloses for his approval an address [not preserved] from Co. Clare. Several meetings about the Militia have resulted in the formation of eight troops of Dragoons and one of Horse. "The zeal & ambient of our capus, to serve her Majestie is such, that they would not be contented with a less number of troops". Hopes that Lord

Inchiquin will influence the Government to provide arms and accourrements "without which our men will not think themselves concerned, or be brought to exercise . . . "

Copy, 1 p.

298.

13 Apr. 1708.

Lord Inchiquin to Sir Donat O'Brien.

He has transmitted the Co. Clare address to the Lords Justices, and has spoken to them of the need for arms—of which they expect a quantity from Holland—for the Militia. Hopes that Parliament, when meeting, will "apoint some efectuall way for establishing & arming the militia . . . as well as puting all our forts & garrissons in a good repaire, & apropriating a sufficient fund to keep & maintain them in a perpetuall posture of defence . . . "

 $1\frac{1}{2}pp.$

299.

31 May 1708.

James O'Brien (from Rostellan) to Sir Donat O'Brien (at Dromoland.)

"... I shall never forgett how kind dr Sr Donat was to me during my stay att Dromoland ... in your last ... you mentioned something of the choice of a horse; I leave it intirely to you ..."

Ends, "Your most humble servant".

11 pp., endorsed by Sir Donat "by Parson Gore's servant".

300.

8 June 1708.

Sir Donat O'Brien (from Dromoland) to Lord Thomond.

Introducing Capt. Thomas Fitz Gerald "whose mother is ant by the fathers side to the late Ld. Clare that dyed at the battle of Rammilly", who has lately returned from the Queen's service in Portugal & Spain, where he was wounded and a prisoner. Continues, "I have better hopes of making a hand of the gray mare, than when I writt to your Lop. about him . . . "

Сору, 1 р.

301.

I Jul. 1708.

[William O'Brien, 3rd] Earl of Inchiquin (from Dublin) to Sir Donat O'Brien (at Dromoland, by Limerick.)

Has waited on the Lord Chancellor "wth the informations yu sent me . . . he says yu have done very well, & expressed a great deal of care for the Queen & countrys service; that the men ought to be prosecuted at the next assizes, & that he will give directions to the judges about it. I have given the informations to my cosin Deane,

to return yu when he goes down there. I dont find that my rayleing at the Bishop of Killaloe woud signifie much, but I shall give directions to go on wth my business against him next term; if he will admitt of my presenting an other in the roome of Fowloe, ought not I to close wth it? . . . My aunt O Bryen has been wth me & made great complaints & lamentations that the assignments I gave my uncle four years ago have not yett been paid . . . I was in hopes to have been able by this time to have sent yu word of my daughters marriage, but my Ld Kildare¹ has still some business to setle wth Mr Robarts that is married to the late Lrds sister . . . I hope in a month or thereabouts all our happinesses will be compleated in that matter

Ends, "yr most humble and affect: servant". 2 pp.

302.

13 Nov. 1708.

(Counsellor) Jon. Grady (from Dublin) to Sir Donat O'Brien (at Dromoland.)

He has had a conference with Sir Stephen Rice, who "is full of admiration that either yr. son [Henry] or any of his lawers shoul question yr. title to the wood . . . "

3 pp.

303.

18 Nov. 1708.

(Counsellor) Symon Purdon (from Dublin) to same.

Mr. Daly, with whom Mr. England and the writer had a conference last night is of opinion that Sir Donough's son can be entitled only to one-quarter of Joseph Gray's assets. "... the trust as to the fearme of Tyone is a jest & has nothing in it, and as to the woods... if the lands of Crattello and Portrine, together with the lands you purchased after yr. first settlemt. and before you bought the power of redemption of Crattello &c, amount to 200 li. per annum & the vallue of 1,050 li., you have fully answerd the designe of the settlemt. & the woods will be yr. owne... it is generally believe that the Ld. Wharton will be soone heare, and I find severall people think there will be a new Parliamt., but others believe the contrary..." $2\frac{1}{4}$ pp.

304.

20 Nov. 1708.

Sir Donat O'Brien (from Dromoland) to Mic: Goold.

He has not written sooner on account of the death of Col. John O'Brien, who was buried at Ennis last Tuesday night. He died of

¹ Robert Fitzgerald, 19th Earl [1675-1744.] The marriage did not take place till 7 Mar. 170%; cf. G.E.C., Peerage, vol. VII, pp. 244-5.

a fall from his horse, when returning from Ennis on the 5th, a dark night, was severely bruised in the head, and trepanned.

Сору, 1 р.

305.

20 Dec. 1708.

Wm. Butler (from Newmarket) to Lucius O'Brien (at Corofin.)

Gives an account of his conversations with Counsellor Grady, Col. Dulhunty, Col. St. John, and "cousin Stephens". Ends, "alltho. Sr. D. & you bee much above my reach in understandinge, yet I have somethinge to saye to you as to manadgement at meetinge". $2\frac{1}{2}pp$.

306.

II Jan. 1708[9.]

Capt. Thady McNemara (from Ranna) to Sir Donat O'Brien (at Ennis).

Concerning his conversations with Mr. Hen: Ivers, Mr. Cusack, Mr. Robin Westropp, Augustine Bennis, and Tho: Browne.

"My neighbour Harrison tells me he will not voate for any boddy & dos not know who his bror. votes for, nor the bror. himselfe as yett . . . on what he heares amongst his associates where he was in the west, would lay six to one that Mr. Burton would carrie itt . . . "2 pp.

307.

15 Jan. 1708[9.]

Wm. Butler (from Whitehouse) to Sir Donat O'Brien.

"... I have gotte three (?) protestants and eight papists for you that will take the oath of abjuration. Do you & yr sonne minde this pointe as well as I (?) and Lucius shall not be kicked downe staires to make roome for a man that is not better than hee . . . "

1 p.

308.

17 Jan. 1708[9.]

Same (from Rossroe) to same (at Dromoland.)

"... there will bee noethinge in my poore power that will bee wantinge to yr service... Mr. Frans. MacNamara can influence Mich. MacNemara of Cotteene & John MacNemara of Derryfaddie, Ja. Molonye, Teige, David, & Dermod Molonye, and Molonye of Cladoorine & his Mothers husband Andrew Hickye & divers other proprietors in Killdonellballagh. I doe not remember any this side of the Fergus to Quine, but James Gradye of Killian and little Managh Grady, the widow Maghees husband . . .

The parish clerks well disciplined will make the Bpes of greate consequence all over the nation—viz— by giveinge each as manye parishes as will make him a freeholder & noe more . . . "

21 Jan. 1708[9.]

Same to same.

Giving further details of his canvassing, which included a Club meeting the day before, at which the members present included "little Whiggish Billie, who divers tymes asked whey should not wee agree with the presbyterians . . . R. Ivers is to live at Killestrye & may bee gained . . . "

3 pp.

310.

27 Jan. 1708[9.]

Bryan Stapleton (from Killaloe) to his uncle William Butler (at Rossroe.)

Reporting an interview with the Bishop of Killaloe, who said "that Mr. L. is as fine a gentn. as aney he knowes & that the clause agt. the papists voteing was levelled att the Church . . . his Lordp. talkes of turning the Pretender out of Shire & Borrough . . . wee drank Sr. Toby's health first, then yrs., & next the present knts. of the shire, I beleive wee had a dozen besides . . . "

 $1\frac{1}{2}pp.$

311.

18 Jan. 1708[9.]

Sir Donat O'Brien to Lord Thomond.

"Since the noyse has been spred" of a Parliament being called on Lord Wharton's coming over, Mr. Burton, who has hitherto sat for Ennis, now says that he will put in for Co. Clare, and turn out Sir Donat's son (who was elected unopposed, neither he nor his father soliciting for it.) Hopes that Lord Thomond will contradict a report of his own support having been given to Mr. Burton, and of his tenants being told to vote for him.

Copy, 11 pp.

312.

6 Apr. 1709.

Daniel O'Brien (from Dublin) to Lucius O'Brien.

Concerning Lucius O'Brien's quarrel with [Col.] Burton; congratulates him "for yr. escape from so stout a heroe . . . Sr. Tho: S[outhwell] says you have don like your self, and that every gentleman in the kingdom who is able ought to follow your example. All I desire to know is how you struck him, I mean as to his posture . . . ". Mentions having heard Capt. Neylon declare "that whatever fortune he had in that country [Ireland] must certainly come to Sr: Donat and his issue . . . ", but wishes measures may be taken to avoid "any new brangles wth. my very much respected Ld. Bishop of Killaloe¹ . . . the talk of our Ld: Lieut. is very various, as yet no day fixt for his comeing away . . . "

¹ Thomas Lindsay, Bishop 1696 to 1713, afterwards Archbishop of Armagh.

17 June 1709.

Earl of Inchiquin to Sir Donat O'Brien.

Asking him to meet Inchiquin and Mr. Watson "about eight a clock at the signe of the Battery in Sycamore Alley . . . "

1 p.

314.

19 July 1709.

(Sir) Thomas Southwell (from the Custom House, Dublin) to Sir Donat O'Brien.

Concerning Lucius O'Brien's debts, about which both the writer and Mr. Keightley are seriously concerned.

2 pp.

315.

6 Aug. 1709.

Ambrose Upton (from Dublin) to the same.

Encloses a warrant to the keeper of Deer Island, to deliver a fat buck to Sir Donat on the 14th, which is my Lord Thomond's 21st birthday "and I don't doubt but you'll drink his and his Lady's health with the Bearer hereof . . . "

1 p.

316.

16 Aug. 1709.

Connor Mc Donnogh (from Ballyshanny) to Rt. Hon. Sir Donat O'Brien (at Dromoland.)

Begins, "Honble Sr."; ends, "yr honrs. most assured servt."

Conerning the Crutins' interest in Caherserkin, deriving from Christopher Crutin, who had a final settlement of IOIa. there. His widow Any, who afterwards married Brien mac Mahon, made over I2a. of it to Daniel Mac Donogh (the writer's father) "in consideracion of twenty cowes & foure horses".

Also mentions Hugh Crutin, Peeter Crutin, Walter Wale, Andrew Comyn, and Col. o Brien. The bearer, Connor Crutin, is grandson and heir of Christopher, and "will doe any seruice he can for yr, honr. wishing yr. honr. all happiness I conclud . . . "

1 p.

317.

18 Oct. 1709.

Fran. Burton and Ni: Westby 1 to Sir Donat O'Brien (at Dromoland).

"... You have for this seven years . . . receiv'd the full profitts of the lands of Carrownakelly under our title, without paying any rent or makeing any accot. for the same: its some time since the . . .

¹Seven more letters were written by and to Sir Donat and to Richard Wilson on this subject during 1710 and 1711; they repeat the substance of the letter of 18 Oct. 1709. Agreement was reached the following year.

proposals you made for a refference . . . agreed to by us have been disappointed; we hear now that you have included those lands in a settlemet. which oblidged us . . . to desire you to pay the arrears . . . and . . . give us up the possession . . . "

1 p.

318.

23 Oct. 1709.

Wm. Butler (from Clonmel) to Sir Donat O'Brien (at Limerick;

2d. paid.)

"... I beleive that my br. Stapleton, Mr. Molonye, & Mr. Connell may assiste in directinge the proprietors at Killdonell-ballagh to theire dutye . . . it is looked uppon to bee the magistrates comendable dutye to influence the subject to performe theire dutye, & our Judge heare spente a greate deale of tyme in his charge uppon that subject, to demonstrate that the oath [of Abjuration] was noe more than the oath of fidelitye exemplifyed—soe that I hope it will not bee neglected, notwithstanding some may bee perverse . . . "

 $2\frac{1}{2}pp.$

319.

18 Nov. 1709.

Earl of Inchiquin (from Rostellan) to Sir Donat O'Brien (at Dromoland.)

· Asking Sir Donat to pay Mr. Watson £500 on account, as he

is "going for England about pressing occations . . . "

Continues; "... this post has brought me sad tydeings from a very melancholy famely in Dublin; the Bishop of Cork¹ dy'd on Sunday last, & his lady brought to bed the next day, her condition to be sure must make her grief more dangerous to her. He dy'd of a feaver, as did the next morning my cosine Ane FitzGerald, a younger sister of my Lrd Kildares . . . as good a young woman as ever liv'd . . ."

 $1\frac{1}{2}pp.$

320.

11 Jan. 1710.

Florence: Carty (from Leameneh), to Ambrose O'Brien (at Dromoland.)

Is grateful for warning about his fellow-servants, "for they were all united in a faction here, and manageing Sr. Don. his businesse as they pleased . . ." Knows young Allen to be "a counterfeit". having two years ago bought from him a nag for 50/- that was not worth 15/-, "but a perfect counterfeit like himselfe . . ." Sir Donat has sent a greyhound, to be kept among the shepherds' houses,

¹ Dive Downes, Bishop 1699-1709.

which they do not like, "for tho he expected sheed kill foxes sheell never be fitt for that purpose especially among these rocks, . . . & perhaps kill some of the sheep or lambs . . . "

3 pp.

321.

31 Jan. 1709

Earl of Inchiquin (from Dublin) to Sir Donat O'Brien (at Dromoland by Limerick.)

"... I have made an agreement wth Ldy Inchiquin, to pay her a hundred pound a year dureing my life, & to pay five or six hundred pnd: debts of hers, on wch. she is to levy a fine & quitt half her jointure; tho this will be a preasant inconbeaniance to me, it will be so great an advantage to my son...that... I have been prevailed on to consent to it. The treaty was begun above a year ago between Lrd Jersey¹ & my aunt Mary Dilkes... there will be a good sum of money to be paid at once, & I shall have no way to raise it but by selling what woods I have in the county of Clare, wch I intend to send Mr Goold to do this spring... I can tell yu no news from this dull place, but that our new Lrd Cheif Justice² is come over..."

 $I_2^1 pp.$

322.

19 Mar. 1709[10] (?).

Lieut. T: Fitzgerald (from London) to Sir Donat O'Brien (at Dromoland.)

Concerning the death of Cornet Nick Cooper. "... my sence of the misfortunes of his familly, together with the reall love and esteeme I had for him does soe far prevaile, that after his debts to others are put in a way of payment, what ever remaining ... shall be faithfully remitt'd to whome you think most in need of his sisters ... "

2 pp.

323.

28 Mar. 1710.

Flor: Mc: Nemara (from Dublin) to Morgan O'Brien (at Dromoland, near Limerick.)

Begins, "Dr. Morgan"; ends, ""your assured friend & servt. to command".

"... still nothing but sorrow can be the subject of my letter since the loss of my poor father ... I am extreamly oblidged to

¹ Edward Villiers [1656-1711] 1st Earl, his brother in law. ² Sir Richard Cox of Dunmanway, 1st Bt. [1650-1733.]

Sir Donat for his favours to his corps in laying out mony for his funerall expenses, I never cou'd hear from any body how he died or how he was bury'd, for the servt. that managed there . . . being a knaveish fellow he never lett me know anything . . . " Hopes to pay soon the "smale debt" due Sir Donat. " . . . horses in any good order are growing dear here . . . I shall be out of this confinement fryday and woud before now but the chirurgeons coud not make a report of the mans recovery that I wounded he is now past danger, and more is the pitty for he is one of the greatest rogues in the world except Quinine that old faithfull servant of mine . . . pray excuse brevity and giue my service to little George &c . . . " 3 pp.

324.

5 Apr. 1710.

Flor: Mc: Nemara (from Dublin) to Sir Donat O'Brien (at Dromoland.)

Thanking him for £2. 5. received by John Mc Daniell. Continues, "... there is nothing here obvious or remarkable but Mr. Eustace, who is not taken nor I believe will, 'tis supposed he has made his escape out of the kingdom. His mor. and bror. are in the Black Dogg, and a great many more upon his acct.; a poor priest, flying from the mobb that was searching for Mr. Eustace, being shot by one of them, yesterday dyed of the wound; there is a great deal of prejudice happened the poor on that score ..."

2 pp.

325.

18 May 1710.

Thomas Keightley (from Dublin) to Sir Donat O'Brien. Hoping "that wee shall have both an easy and a short session". 2 pp.

326.

22 Jul. 1710.

Earl of Inchiquin (from Dublin) to Sir Donat O'Brien (at Dromoland.)

Concerning his dealings with Capt. Watson. Continues; "I thank God I am going to leave this devillish expensive towne... Ldy Kildare goes wth me, & my Lrd proposes to follow in a month or six weeks. All here from England agree there is to be a thorough change... the uncertainty of the weather has made me alter my resolution of going by sea, & my horses are come up to carry us by land".

16 Aug. 1710.

Mic: Goold (from Jamesbrooke) to Sir Donat O'Brien (at Dromoland.)

Begins, "Most honrd Sr"; ends, "yr very humble sert".

"My Lady Mary Irwin is here, and is dissatisfied that the intrest of her mony is not paid more punctuall . . . "; £40 due in May 1709 being still unpaid.

1 p.; copy of Sir Donat's reply, in Richard Wilson's hand, endorsed.

328.

17 Aug. 1710.

Connr. Mc Donogh to Sir Donat O'Brien.

Sends his son Malachy, "a practitioner in any Sheriff or Senechalls court and capable to mannage any imploymt. in the country or elswhere . . . " who he recommends to Sir Donat.

"... I owe yr, honr, one pd fifteen shills of last May gale and have noe effects but three cowes foure horses & about 20 ewes, I pray yr, forbearance, till I can dispose of some pt of them ..."

2 pp.

329.

19 Sept. 1710.

Mic: Goold (from Jamesbrooke) to Sir Donat O'Brien (at Dromoland.)

Concerning payment of Lady Mary Irwin's interest, for which Sir Donat's remittance by Capt. Gilman is £10 short. He is a trustee of the settlement made by Lady Mary before her marriage; the others being Lord Orrery, "a gentleman in England", and Mr. Deane. The trust is for the benefit of two of her sons by Col. Boyle, one an Army officer, the other at sea, "to purchase employmts. for them". Fears that he will not be able to wait on Sir Donat before next spring, as "our harvest is very late and backward . . . Ld Inchiquin is now att Rostellan . . . as buesie as ever, building &c; there neaver will be an end. God help him . . ."

1 p.

330.

27 Oct. 1710.

Capt. Chrisr: O'Brien (from "Leake Hospitall at Mahone" [Minorca]) to Capt. FitzPatrick (to be forwarded to Sir Donat O'Brien.)

In selfdefence, he was obliged to draw his sword on Major Syme of Brigadier Whitcom's regiment, "who in seeking my life unfortunately lost his own . . . " As soon as Syme's life was despaired of, he surrendered himself to his superior officer; and was acquitted by the local courts after a dispute between the naval and military commanders, neither of whom was willing to try him.

13 Dec. 17[10].

Christop: O'Brien (from London), to Sir Donat O'Brien.

Hopes to be ordered to the Irish station, as he then will have an opportunity of seeing Sir Donat; "and if a peace shall happen, . . . I shall make more by victualling &c on that coast then on any other . . . the cause of my quarrell proceeded from a haughty despiseing humour, wch. Majr. Syms (in his drink espetially) was guilty off I trouble yu. with a coppy of one of the testimonies taken by one of my boats Crew, wch. wth. what the officr. of Marreons that was with us in the boat, clearly demonstrated the ill abuse I had given me . . . I hear my Lord Oxford 1 says he has an estate in Ireland by his mor. . . . believes she was of the name of O Brien, if so his friendship at this time of day may doe the inferiour gent. of the name some service . . . "

4 pp.

332.

15 Dec. 1710.

John O'Brien (from Rynana), to Richard Wilson (at Dromoland.)
Hopes that Wilson will help him out of Ireland, "since by anny
longer stay I onely make my selfe more odious to the few friends
I have left and ridiculous to the whole country—I'de have gone wth.
pleasure long agoe to carry a musket" if some good and worthy
friends had not hoped either to have obtained Sir Donat's forgiveness
for him, or themselves been able to provide for him at home. Assures
Wilson that "I shant have the command of five pounds to rig me
out . . ."

3 pp.

333.

4 Feb. 1710

Charles [Hickman] Bishop of Derry (from Castlemartin), to Thomas Keightley.

Having had no answer to a letter written two months ago to Sir Donat, he has at last disposed of "my two cast mares, which I made him an offer of . . . "

1 p.

334.

6 Feb. 1710

Thomas Keightley to Sir Donat O'Brien.

Knows that "all Lucius's acquaintance at and abbout the Court do wish and advize his taking a trip over. Especially since things have lately taken a better naturd look . . . my Lord Marlborow being now declard to comand again in Flanders as formerly, and the Duke of Argyle to goe as Generall and Embassador to Spain . . . "

1 p.

¹ Robert Harley [1661-1724] 1st Earl of 2nd creation.

19 Feb. 1710/11.

Sir Donat O'Brien to Lord Inchiquin.

Dick Wilson "after contending with the gout and other illnesses" is at last going to wait on Lord Inchiquin with a schedule of the lands that will be out of lease in three years. Does not think that he will get any increased rental, either by means of fines or by raising rents. Points out that the Burren farms are "rocky barren places without houses or other improvemts, and, what is worse, without any sort of fireing and very often without water for their cattle". Hopes that Lord Inchiquin will give himself the trouble of seeing the estate for himself, in which case he will "wayte on yu, to take a view of each farm . . . as I think everybody ought to doe for himself once in his lifetime . . . "

Сору, 2 рр.

336.

20 Feb. 1711.

Capt. Chr: O'Brien (from Dublin) to Sir Donat O'Brien (at Innistymon).

Dined on Saturday with the Duke of Ormond and his Council; "not one syllable of state affayrs or politicks was mentioned he and the rest of the witts haveing entertaind us wth. pleasant storys that kept us in a perpetuall laughter . . . "

3 pp.

337.

1711 (?).

Lucius O'Brien to [Laurence Hyde,] Earl of Rochester.1

He will be in great difficulty without the £3,000 raised for him by Rochester's good offices, the disposal of which is now claimed by his father in law. "... I could not pretend to raise money to enable us to live in the naked house of Castle Martin & afterward, when my wife had hopes of lyeing in to furnish a house att Dublins haveing had very little or noe assistance from my father who was very uneasy to think of our liveing any where but with him, or at least in his country somewhere near ..."

Draft; 4 pp.

338.

20 Mar. 1719.

[] Hickman (from Barninticke) to Ambrose Upton.

Reminds him of his having paid £47 for the renewal of a life in his own lease of Barninticke on 9 July 1696, at which time he inserted the life of his son Robert in place of that of his sister Rhoda Hickman

¹ His uncle by marriage.

alias Westby, deceased. This was paid to Baron Worth, a Commissioner under Lady Suffolk during Lord Thomond's minority, "& the Baron assured me itt was entered in my Ladys booke, of which proceedings I request yu to take punctuall observation . . . I am glad to see the votes of the 9th inst., by which I find my Ld. is inclined to pass on Hill, that must most certainly redound to my Lds imence profitt & the tennants generall satisfaction, for att present multiplicity of suits will be avoided, for att least 20 were on the anvill fitting for Chancery . . . " Complains of not having his counterpart of the lease of Knocke and Lissane and of the town of Clare, although his fines for it are paid.

Copy, 11 pp.

339.

20 Apr. 1711.

Earl of Inchiquin (from Rostellan) to Sir Donat O'Brien (at Dromoland.)

Mr. Goold has been "much out of order of late in his health"; but is better, and will wait on Sir Donat as soon as possible. "... Capt. Cugley tells me yu were so kind to let him have ten pounds, wch I am much obliged to yu for, & so is he, for I find he coud not have done his business wthout it. I hear the Duke of Ormonde will be in Ireland before the latter end of next month, so I must think of my journey to Dublin"; for which he asks Sir Donat to send him the £100 mentioned in a former letter.

2 pp.

340.

3 May 1711.

Wm. Butler (from Newmarket) to Sir Donat O'Brien.

"... I came hither onelye to excuse my selfe to you & muste returne imediatly to my comission where I will expect you at furthest uppon Munday, & depending uppon yr beeing heare I invited your old friends Col. St. John Mr. Hickman & Mr Cusacke to deyne with you at the Bridge tomorrow uppon a peice of beiffe & parsnepps . . . I have a storye to tell you of an affronte I putte upon the tyrant, when will keepe cold . . . "

2 pp.

341.

5 May 1711.

Same (from Sixmilebridge) to David England.

Ned Wall sent by Pierse a message to the writer, intimating that Mr. Burton said that, if given Butler's company for an hour, they (Burton and Butler) would part friends. "I rejected it with a holy scorne . . . will they . . . suffer him to galluppe on in his carrier untill hee rides us to death . . ."

1 p.

¹ Perhaps refers to Francis Burton of Buncraggy, mentioned in the next letter.

15 May 1711.

Sir Donat O'Brien (from Dromoland) to Earl of Inchiquin.

In accordance with Inchiquin's instructions, he went to Corofin and disposed of the farms out of lease "by cent to the highest bidder, a thing never seen in that Country before . . . " The land will not set so high next year, because Mrs. Mathew, who holds the chief part of it, is "under a nercessity to give [sic] any rate for her farms till she can dispose of her stock, wch she intends to doe as fast as she can, & then wee must look out for another tennant wch will not be soe easily gott for a place that has no house or place of residence upon, wch is too much the condn. of the estate here, and ought to be provided agt. in future leases . . .

The inclosed is an abstract [not preserved] of my proceedings att Corroffin . . . "

Copy; 1 p.

343.

5 July 1711.

[William O'Brien, 3rd] Earl of Inchiquin (from Dublin) to Sir Donat O'Brien.

Concerning the landing and reception of the Duke of Ormonde as Lord Lieutenant. The Duke enquired very kindly for Sir Donat, and hopes to get "a sett" of his horses. Finds the town "very chargeable".

1 p.

344.

8 Sept. 1711.

Flor: Carthy (from Leameneh), to Ambrose O'Brien (at Dromoland.)

Recommends him to ask Sir Donat's advice about "those persons who gave informacons agst. the Doonorles (?) or must they goe to the assizes really (dr Sr) I have a sadde life among these people tho: I never did nor doe design to doe them any harm . . . but I am loath to make any more noise . . . All the cattle are very well (god bless 'em) onely the poor decaying bullock at Clogher . . . the island of Ballynacarragh is very bare for the young incalfe cows . . . "suggests moving them to BallymcDonelbane, and taking the young stone horse from there into some other park.

3 pp.

345.

8 Nov. 1711.

Lucius O'Brien (from Dublin), to Mrs. O'Brien.

"... I thought there had not been an idler fellow in the world than my selfe, but that puppey Danll. O'Brien has convinc'd me of

my mistake, for he has again fail'd of drawing me the letter of attorney I promisd you two posts last past . . . "

1 p.

346.

13 Dec. 1711.

Ambrose Upton (from Dublin) to Sir Donat O'Brien.

Mr. Burton has left with him and his partner the proposals for his five holdings. His figure is £3,880. 10.—not more than 7 years' purchase of Buncraggy (which is worth 10 years) nor the full value of Tromroe. On the late Act Mr. Brodrick's opinion has been taken, and Sir Theo: Butler's is now being obtained.

1 p.

347.

29 Dec. 1711.

Messrs. Upton & Jodrell to Lord Thomond.

Reporting the business done by them, as Lord Thomond's commissioners, at Limerick and Ennis. They have had difficulty in ascertaining the value of any holding, as neither Mr. Burton nor Sir Donat would give their valuation. Not more than one-third of the tenants made proposals (and they not satisfactory ones) for new leases. "... if there will be peace, the beginning of it will be the best time for setting lands, because for the most parte mens expectations of good far exceed what they really find ..."

Encloses instructions for Mr. Moland, who is now going to report to Lord Thomond in England, taking with him the book made up by Mr. Upton and Mr. Jodrell.

Сору, 31 рр.

348.

8 Jan. 1712.

Lucius O'Brien to Catherine O'Brien.

"... I writt to you at large on Saturdaiy last, & have nothing more ... but that I would not have any of the horses sold at this time, for I think I can't faile of much better prises; & when I return I will trye whether they are fit for my own use ... pray order the ground to be well stir'd about all the trees, great & small, in the orchard, & if any of the wall trees in the pleasure garden have failed, let the best of the same kind that are to be had in the country be got to supplye their places ..."

2 pp.

349.

4 Feb. 1712.

Catherine O'Brien to Sir Donat O'Brien.

Mr. O'Brien will be provided for as advantageously in the Revenue without being obliged to reside constantly at Dublin.

1 p.

11 Mar. 1711.

Sir Donat O'Brien to Messrs Upton & Jodrell (in reply to their letter of 6 Mar.)

He is concerned at Mr Grady's slowness in returning the value of Fahyhallorane, but thinks he has made it up by a proposal—brought in this morning—from a responsible tenant to pay £120 for it next year.

"He tells me of a considerable wast done by Mr Vanderlure on the woods of that farm, on wch there was a very fair appearance of many oak saplins, that would make a good wood in a short time, and that some of the very lands of the farm have been taken from it, and are still detain'd by some of the neighbours, both wch. matters seem strange to me to be done by any tennant, and especially by any of the Vandelures, whose father and grandfather were tennants to the house of Thomond . . . "

Сору, 1 р.

351.

8 Apr. 1712.

Messrs. Upton & Jodrell to Sir Donat O'Brien.

Enclosing a list of lands (Ballycarnes and 21 other denominations,) to be posted, with their own and Sir Donat's valuations. In most cases, Sir Donat's are higher by 1% to 5%.

1 p.

352.

19 Apr. 1712.

Sir Donat O'Brien to Mr. Upton.

He suggests holding the cant at Dublin on the first day of next Trinity term, when Mr. Justice Nutley will be able to attend. "... And since you desire my opinion ... I submitt ... whether it may, at a time after sheep shearing will be over the days at their full length, horses strong, corn harvest nor the Assizes not come on, & the law itssuable [sic] term then begining, hinder any of the country to come thether in person or to send his proxye ... in my judgmt. Buncraggy or Doonogooroge ought not to be posted by reason of the great difference between the present vallue & the old reserved rent ..." Lists about 25 other holdings not posted, on which one or more lives have dropped. "... These are the heads of what occurs to my observation ... and must referr yu to the rent rolles and such other books as lye before yu., for further satisfaction ..."

Copy, 21 pp.

24 Apr. 1712.

Messrs. Upton & Jodrell to Sir Donat O'Brien.

"... Mr. Burton never had the perusall of your valuations, nor shall have unless he delivers in his own, which wee find hitherto he is avers to ..."

1 p.

354.

24 Apr. 1712.

Flor. McNemara to the Rt. Hon. Sir Donat O'Brien (at Dromoland). His excuse for troubling "yr. honor" is "my constant knowledge . . . that when any in the countrey have any difference yr. honr. is pleasd to see that such controversies shoud be accomodated, being the office of a good patriot . . . " As Mr. Butler says he will not take the lands, and Sir Donat will not give the value of them, his cousin Florence "will quit the land may day next, and let whoso will possess it . . . "

3 pp.

355.

27 June 1712.

Earl of Inchiquin (from Rostellan) to Sir Donat O'Brien (at the Post Office, Dublin.)

"... yu. chide & reproache me, but it is kindly, & every thing from so good a friend is wellcome..." He is determined to continue with his lawsuit, "for the Bishop 1 has more than ordinarily provoked me in his brisk presenting to these late vacant liveings wch I am perswaded are my right... pray loose no time to act for me as yu woud for yr self..."

Ends; "all here are yr humble serts. as I am most effectly:" 1 p.

356.

9 Nov. 1712.

Lucius O'Brien (from London), to Catherine O'Brien (at Corofin.)
Last Sunday Mr. Keightley had the honour of a private interview
with the Queen, "... who was pleas'd to cut him short by saying,
that she was resolv'd to doe something for me, & desir'd him to speak
to my Lord Treasurer about me..."; cannot predict the result
of this. He will, as desired, write to his father "& thank him for
his good intentions for Ned with whom he may doe what he pleases:
& if he desires that Tom Eden may goe to the Curra his will must
be don..."

¹ Thomas Lindsay, Bishop of Killaloe 1696-1713.

15 Nov. 1712.

James MacNemara to Sir Donat O'Brien (at Dromoland.)

Concerning a lease of the fairs and customs of Sixmilebridge. He complains of Mr. Gore's unhelpfulness, although "when I read in the list of my Lord's concerns that were to be sett by cant, that those fayrs were out of lease, I presd Mr. Gore to put some order to it . . . ".

3 pp.

358.

12 Mar. 1712 [13] (?).

Mrs. Catherine O'Brien to Henry O'Brien.

Denies any knowledge of an allegation that Henry O'Brien has no title, after Sir Donat's death, to the woods of Cratello. The last time that he was with her, Sir Donat asked her "'Did you ever hear in your family that any of your serts. should say that the setlement I made on your brother is but a mouthfull of moonshine; & when my head is laid, it will be of no effect'..." She would immediately have dismissed any servant who had used these words.

3 pp.

359.

24 Mar. 1712 [13] (?).

Sir Walter Blake (from Dublin) to Sir Donat O'Brien.

Asking Sir Donat to secure Lord Inchiquin's interest with Col. Peter Duglasse, "generall" of the Leeward Islands, whose wife is a sister of Lord Doneraile; Sir Walter having acquired an estate there through his wife.

 $1\frac{1}{4}$ pp.; endorsed with covering note from Sir Donat to Lord Inchiquin, 29 Mar. 1713.

360.

4 Apr. 1713.

1 p.

Earl of Inchiquin (from Rostellan) to Sir Donat O'Brien (at Dromolan.)

"I have dear Sr been much out of order . . . my head was so bad when I receiv'd yrs by the last post, that it was then impossible for me to put pen to paper . . . I hope I may count yr friends mine, among wch . . . I have venturd to style Sr Walter Blake . . . I still propose God willing to be at Limk: on the 15th Captn Cugly & my cook will be there two days before to setle the lodgings &c . . . "

27 June 1713.

Thomas Keightley (from London) to Sir Donat O'Brien (at his lodgings in Dublin.)

Assuring him of all being well with Lucius, "tho I know that Mr Molony has already given you the unlucky account, of your sons having had the misfortune to kill his companion & friend Coll. Hickman 1, without being any way hurt himself, or without being any way condemnd . . . by any body who has heard the matter . . ."

2 bb.

362.

12 Sept. 1713.

Thomas Keightley to Sir Donat O'Brien (at Dromoland.)

Lucius was acquitted the previous day at the Old Bailey "in the most handsome manner that ever gentleman was known to bee . . . "

He asks for a reply to a letter of his own, written some time since, about a proposal "to signify that I had some reason to think the Queen would make you a nobleman if you had any inclinations to it . . . "

2 pp.

363.

28 June 1713.

Richd: Wilson (from Sixmilebridge) to the same (in Dublin.)

"... I cannot well reade the hand in wch. a fine is writt, nor have I judgmt. in any thing of that kind, nor did it ever enter into my thoughts that there was need to examin a matter of that consequence, wch. had past soe deliberately & maturely through the hands of yor. honnr. & Sr. Toby Butler . . . and if Mr. Purdon has been remiss in his draught of yor. late mortgages, 'tis what I cannot help . . . " Sends a copy of state of case about Rath and Dysert, and could also send another about Dysert, drawn presumably about 1640. "For thereby youl discover much of Collll. Neylans title, & if twere possible to find an able antiquary, that could shew, either by inquests taken on the dissolution of monnasterys, or other good authorities" what rights of presentation they had, it should go far to help the case.

 $I_{\frac{1}{2}}^{1}pp.$

¹ Perhaps William Hickman, youngest son of Henry Hickman of Kilmore, Co. Clare.

29 Aug. 1713.1

Richd. Morgan (Registrar to the Bishop of Killaloe, from Killaloe) to Richard Wilson (at Sixmilebridge.)

Demanding £16. 10 for Lord Inchiquin's proxies and fees at the last two visitations.

1 p.

365.

2 Dec. 1713.

Catherine O'Brien to Sir Donat O'Brien (at the Parliament House, Dublin.)

If Sir Donat approves, she thinks it convenient to send Tom to Mr. Fountaine, he being now "capable of going thorow any of that scoole rules". The expense will not be great, considering that Brown will be discharged "who must not now be kept, he haveing declared him self a Roman Catholick upon taxing him with not comeing to the sacrament at Christmas and that some preist he had met with that could speak his language told him he would be damd if he did: this put me into so great a passion wth the fellow for deceiving me for four year & comeing constantly to prayrs and once to the sacrament; that I would have dismist him that moment could I have told how . . . "

2 pp.

366.

June 1713—Jan. 1714.

19 letters to Sir Donat O'Brien in connection with the Co. Clare election (in which he and his eldest son Lucius were the successful candidates.)

Writers include Lord Dunkellin ²; Sir Walter Blake of Menlough (who expresses his regret that "most of my relations & tennts are unquallified ³"); and Dennis Daly of Carnonekelly.

Also preserved are: the indenture of election of Sir Donat and Lucius (3 Nov. 1713); and summarised election expenses, amounting to £540. 8. 1.

367.

24 Dec. 1713.

Tho: Hickman (from Barnetick) to Sir Donat O'Brien (at Dublin.)
"... all that knows yu. are pleased yu. are in the House
... a ship belonging to one Mr. Brown merchant in Corke came

¹ This bundle of letters also contains several that are of less interest (e.g., acknowledgments of money received by or for Lord Inchiquin); besides accounts and miscellaneous papers.

Michael Bourke, afterwards 10th Earl of Clanricarde [1686-1726].
 Probably as not having taken the Oaths of Abjuration and Allegiance.

to anchor over against Doune Castell the mob cutt the cabell in the nightt & she drove on som sandy banck butt is as I heare in noe danger the wine beeing unloaded & putt in Doune Castell I expect Captt: Christor. O Brien will flow in the element of clarrett . . . "

2 pp.

368.

24 Jan. 1713 [14.]

Same to same.

He has taken the state of the case and other documents to Mr. Purdon whose opinion is that a *Quare impedit* would lie against the Bishop. He has also sent an attested copy of a lease of Dysert made by Morrogh, 1st Earl of [Thomond] to Connr. O Dea, then ¹ Bishop of Killaloe.

1 p.

369.

28 Jan. 1713 [14.]

Jonathan Wilson (from Dublin) to Richard Wilson (at Six-milebridge).

He is asked by Sir Donat to get particulars of Dr. John Andrew's death; and of whether Morrogh, Earl of Inchiquin, the present Earl's grandfather, died 9 Sept. 1673, when the Earl's father went to Tangier, etc.

1 p.

370.

I Feb. 1713 [14].

Dav: England (from Clonrone) to Rt. Hon. Sir Donat O'Brien (at the Parliament House, Dublin.)

Concerning renewal of four executions and the mortgage on the lands of Skeagh.

Ends. "your most obedt humble servt".

1 p.

371.

21 Feb. 1713 [14.]

Richd: Wilson to Jonathan Wilson.

Encloses copies of affidavits—both of which confirm the date of Earl Morrogh's death as 9 Sept. 1673—furnished by Cornelius Moylan of Carrownemadra, Co. Clare, gent., and by Cornelius Moylan "registered preist for the parrish of Killynaboy", Co. Clare.

1 p.

¹ i.e., 1546 to 1554.

22 Feb. 1714.

Sir Donat O'Brien (from Dromoland) to Catherine O'Brien (at Mr. Keightly's house, Oueen Street, Dublin.)

"... I think you cannot expect such favours from the Queen for your selfe, at the same tyme that your father is craveing of boons from her besydes what he obtained before from the Crowne..."

2 pp., endorsed with the date of reply-27 February.

373.

25 Feb. 1713 [14.]

Richard Wilson to Donough Mc Connor.

Madam Mc Mahon of Clenagh is now, he hears, selling off her stock and moving. He asks Mc Connor to apply on his behalf to her or to her servant, Mr. Paddy Lewis, for the two years' tithes which her husband owes him "& let not my long civill forbearance accation the totall lose of the money . . . if yu. cannot get paymt. in money yu. may take itt in any thing thats vendable".

1 p.

374.

8 Mar. 1713/4.

Sir Donat O'Brien to Catherine O'Brien.

Her husband is mistaken "to continue still the expence of an unnecessary improvemt. & charge for gardens & walkes at a place that will never make any sutable returnes for itt, & where my posterity cannot be presumed to make itt the place of their residence, nor that any tennt. . . . will pay for any part of the expence . . . because tennts. pay for the land they take & not for walkes & gardens, but perhaps you may thinke itt reasonable . . . that yor. husband ought to be allowed to doe these things for his amusement & diversion though never soe expensive & unnecessary, unless itt be intended that place [Corofin] shall demollish & destroy Leamaneh . . ." Continues on this subject; ends, "I intend to see yu. as soon as my distracted affaires heere will allow me . . ."

Сору, 2 рр.

375.

30 Mar. 1714.

Hen: Bridgeman (from Woodfield) to Sir Donat O'Brien (at Dromoland.)

Objecting to Matthew Hickie's valuation of the mill and other concerns at Sixmilebridge which Bridgeman proposes to take; "the house & millraces I presume yr. honnr. will consider are att prst. of little vallue, & will require a great charge & time to render them tenantable . . . I desire yu. take me into yr. one hands in this affaire,

since I can expect no qrtrs from the too [sic] yu. proposed I shld. treat wth. who by their sophistry would render a farme of 3 times the vallue itt now is off . . . "

3 pp. endorsed with copy of Sir Donat's reply, 1 Apr. 1714.

He cannot take under £20 rent for the holding, Wilson and Hickie having agreed with Bridgeman for £25. For mares he usually gets £20 apiece, sometimes more, but will let Bridgeman have six for £100 "wch. is cheaper then I have sold or given when I have bought . . ."

On II Aug. 1714 Bridgeman offered £22. 10. rent, with liberty to improve the concerns and a warranty against [John] Ivers.

376.

5 Apr. 1714.

Richard Nash (from Limerick) to Richd. Wilson the elder (at Sixmilebridge.)

Alderman Roch and Mr. Hodges, who is tenant to the Earl of Thomoud for Aherinaghmor, have been encroaching on that part of Cupanes (?) that Nash has enjoyed for 21 years.

1 p., endorsed "recd. by me the 7th at night after my return from the Sessions".

377.

6 Apr. 1714.

Jonathan Wilson (from Dublin) to Sir Donat O'Brien (at Sixmilebridge).

The late Lord Inchiquin received his commission as Governor of Tangier 19 Feb. 1673, seven days after Mr. Fitzsymons's collation so that he had time enough to present his clerk and prevent a lapse.

The pecition of the Recorder and protesting Aldermen of Dublin, which they sent to H.M. through the Lord Lieutenant, has been referred back to the Privy Council here—and by it referred to the Judges, "so that I hope this affair will in a short time be brought to an happy issue . . . "

1 p.

378.

9 Apr. 1714.

Sir Donat O'Brien to [] Wilson.

Concerning the presentation to the living of Dromcleafe [Drumcliffe.] "... the now Earle will have cause to repent that he refused the Bp. of Tuam's ¹ offer of accepting his Lops. presentation for his son, whoe I saw yesterday at Enniss ..."

Сору, 1 р.

¹ John Vesey, Archbishop of Tuam 1679-1716.

15 Apr. 1714.

Jonathan Wilson (from Dublin) to Sir Donat O'Brien.

Concerning the dispute between Lord Inchiquin and the Bishop of Killaloe over the livings of Rath and Disert; this may be settled if "His Lordships right of presentation shall be admited and his clerk put in possession . . . upon condition that his ldship will not insist upon the profits for the time past . . . " In the House of Lords debate (which he formerly mentioned) there was moved an address to H.M. "to issue her proclamation promiseing a reward to anyone that should bring in the Pretender either alive or dead if ever he should land in any part of her Majesties dominions which I think was the phrase lately made use of by our House of Commons". Lords North and Grey dissented, thinking it contrary to the laws of nature and Christianity, to those of the land, and to the concurrent opinion of the learned; ". . . he would cheerfully dye in defence of the Protestant succession, but would not willingly be damned for it . . ."

Yesterday (the first day of term) a Queen's Bench mandamus issued to the Lord Mayor and Aldermen for the election of a Lord Mayor for the ensuing year; the Sheriffs were each fined £200 for non-attendance.

1 p.

[Encloses notes (mostly in Richard England's hand) about livings and tithes claimed by John Rider (Bishop 1613 to 1633) and Edward Worth (Bishop 1661 to 1669); among these is the rectory of Dromcleafe.]

380.

11 May 1714.

Dav: England (from Clonrone) to Rt. Hon. Sir Donat O'Brien (at Dromoland.)

Concerning "the best meanes to be used about yor affair with the exors. or admrs. of Patrick Connell . . . "

1 p.

381.

6 May 1714.

Mrs. M. Forde (from Dublin) to Catherine O'Brien.

Asks leave to "ride by your new building at Dromoland, and just takeing a short view of that, to overlook two women and their Children, for one week, in your County . . . "

I June 1714.

Rev. Hen. Hart (from Galway) to the same.

Dr. Fowler is coming to wait on Sir Donat to obtain his consent to a proposed exchange of livings. If, upon his resignation, Sir Donat will present Hart to the rectories of Disert and Rath, Mr. Archdeacon Percivall may be persuaded to agree, and Lord Inchiquin's title will be allowed without further trouble or expense. He will resign to the Doctor a living contiguous to his own in this diocese, which, when united, will make nearly £100 a year. This, the Doctor thinks, will be better than to await the issue of a suit which has already kept him waiting 9 or 10 years.

2. pp.

[Sir Donat's draft reply, written 9 June, declines Mr. Hart's offer, as his letter of attorney from Lord Inchiquin is not adequate for such an arrangement.]

383.

I June N.S. 1714.

[William O'Brien] Earl of Inchiquin (from Nerac) to the same.

He had a very dangerous voyage, escaping with difficulty from a violent storm in the Bay. He put into St. Martins on the Isle of Re, from which point the ship went round to Bordeaux, while he continued by land—a very fatiguing, troublesome journey in the depth of winter. " . . . I thank God I have now my health very well, but live in a solitary way" having been obliged to send Capt. Cugley to conduct Lord O'Brien to Paris. "My son . . . has missed of Mrs. Shovell; my lady her mother excused herself, saying she coud not resolve to marry her daughter to one that had no Estate in England—wch. I think a very ill grounded one, since I hear she is goeing to marry her to my Lord Dunkellin, a match made up by my Lord Fevers[ham] . . . I long to hear what vu have done about my advowsonnes, tho I fear Sr Thos. Vesey2 did not continue long enough in the bcrick [bishopric] to end that matter. I don't hear who is his successor, tho I do, that he is removed to Ossory . . . vr. house of Commons, I hear, as well as the city, has been as wild as ever . . . I hope yu. wont let my project of yr. tytle fall ".

 $3\frac{1}{2} pp.$

384.

5 Aug. 1714.

Sir Donat O'Brien (from Dromoland) to [].

"... Since you convers with our chiefs there [Dublin] next time you have an oportunity you may acquaint them that I have an honest man to name for Sheriff ... as well as I have don for the last 3 years.

¹ Michael Bourke, afterwards 10th Earl of Clanricarde.

² Bishop of Killaloe 1713-14, succeeded by Nicholas Forster.

And as to what has happened of late at Enniss it has been done for want of the burgesses being here . . . whoever spoke to you of it, I fancy, did it as a hint to you about your husbands absence now & in gber [November] last, & if he be soe on the 29th of 7ber next & his brother too what then may be retrieved about that proceeding will be past recovery . . .". He has been persuading Mary Eden not to gather wages in haste to give "that base fellow her husband to spend it wickedly . . . its an impostum in him to tott up such a summ for wages . . . besides his doing me severall hundred pounds worth of harm, in killing my horse & by which I have lost the plates at the Curragh for some tyme past and to come".

3 pp.

385.

22 Jul. 1714.

Lucius O'Brien to Catherine O'Brien.

"... I am rejoyced to find that poore Ned is at last sent to a proper schoole, & I pray God to return the favour tenfold to the author of it: but I can't forbear takeing notice that noebody has thought it proper to make him write to me ..." He wishes the mare to come with the gelding, "if it please God to enable you to come hither to me"; otherwise, he is resolved to live in the Isle of Man" as the place most free of any I can hear of from expence ..."

4 pp.

386.

14 Aug. 1714.

Sir Donat O'Brien to Lord Inchiquin.

The suit about Rath and Disert still goes on: Sir Thomas Vesey's removal to Kilkenny has put a stop to the reference proposed, and it is impossible to say how his successor will act. Mr. Jonathan Wilson and the writer are doing all they can to assert Lord Inchiquin's right to Dromcleafe, which is more difficult "because wee can't meet with sufficient proof . . . that Doctor Andrewes the incumbent in the yeare [16]41 was putt in by your grf. or Sr. William St. Leger his guardian . . . " He would advise Lord Inchiquin's son James (on the removal of Dr. Ellwood to the Provostship) being consigned to Mr. Thomas Bindon, one of the Fellows "who I dare promise for, will take more care of him than has been done hitherto . . . " Lord Inchiquin will have heard of Frederick Burton's death—he made use of a great deal of timber from one of the woods in the barony of Inchiquin. His widow continues to commit waste, having lately carried away over 200 ashtrees; by Mr. Purdon's advice he has begun proceedings against her and her son. George Davis has done the same; "abused yr. lops. licence for 200 sticks to 477 & cutt down

the trees of ornament planted by your grandfather and his brothr. . . . & says he will not leave a stick standing . . . yr. lop. will not be offended if I take a course with him . . . "

Copy, $1\frac{1}{2}$ pp.

387.

15 Oct. 1714.

Hen: O'Brien (from Dublin) to his father Sir Donat O'Brien.

"... By what I have heard ever since I came the King is a great enemy to pattent places—and has been heard to say he does not think it reasonable he should have servts. for life whether he will or not—they are strikeing at Mr Savadge's pattents; and are resolved not one Torry shall be as much as a High Constable . . . Brodrick ¹ is landed and it is sayd will be one of the Lords Justices in the roome of the ArchBishop of Tuam ²—Dawson is out of all, and is succeeded in the Secretarys office and Deputy Clerkship of the Councill by one Budgell ³ a relation of Mr Secretary Addisons—I hope your meeteing at Newmarket on Thursday last was to your satisfaction (altho) I much doubt it . . . "

2 pp.

388.

21 Oct. 1714.

Same to same.

He went yesterday afternoon to see Mr. Nutly, where he met the late Lord Chief Justice Doyne and Sir Gilbert Dolbin, "and after a good deale of Mirth was shewn by Mr Doyne and Nutlye, and a seemeing satisfaction at theire being displaced—we began to talk of ellections—these 3 gentlemen think that, though Arthur Gore shd. be made sheriff, you and whoever you intend as yr. colleague shld. not decline standing". He himself is "very well contented not to be chosen now" and recommends his father (if he has come to no other terms with Brigadier Gore) to join him, thus ensuring his (Sir Donat's) return without trouble. For Ennis, he looks upon it as being so much in Major Bindon's power, "that if ambitious Mr. Westby will buy—he will be the person chosen with Bindon to represent it⁴ . . . " Thinks the present Lords Justice will soon be succeeded by the Lord Chancellor and Lord Tyrawley. Sir John Trevor, who had a life patent as Master of the Rolls from King William,

¹ Alan Brodrick (afterwards 1st Viscount Midleton) did not become a Lord Justice till the beginning of 1717.

² John Vesey [1638-1716] Archbishop from 1678.

³ Eustace Budgell [1686-1737] was Joseph Addison's first cousin once removed; cf. D.N.B., vol. III, pp. 221-5.

⁴ In the Parliament of 1715-27 the members for Co. Clare were Francis Gore and John Ivers; for Ennis, David Bindon the elder and Samuel Bindon.

⁵ Charles O'Hara, 1st Baron [c. 1640-1724.]

has been demanded it twice by the King, who on the second refusal granted a fresh patent to another person; "and thus should I have been served".

P.S. "It is noe purpose to struggle for a sheriff". 4 pp.

389.

29 Oct. 1714.

Jo. Ivers (from Mount Ivers) to Sir Donat O'Brien (at Dromoland.) He has long been expecting his share of Sixmilebridge. "I have advised wth. councill . . . & before I prefer a bill . . . desire an amicable end of it . . . there is a small matter I have in Glanslead wh. you have kept me out of these three & twenty yeares it was before the warr sett for twenty shills. . . . you keep me likewise out of an acre Charles Mc Donogh held from me . . .".

 $I_{\frac{1}{2}}^{1}pp.$

390.

30 Oct. 1714.

Henry O'Brien to Sir Donat O'Brien.

What Sir Donat has not observed in the public papers is as follows: Col. Southwell has got the command of the Battleaxes, in the room of Capt. Brin[sley] Butler 1; after the struggle for command of the Army here between Lord Tirawly and General Merydith, the former has got the better of it, has kissed the King's hand for it, and is soon expected here; Col. Allen of Stillorgan and Mr. Hill are to be peers of Ireland², "and there is one other 3 whose name I have not vett to be the like-the Duke of Richmond is likewise to be made a peere here 4—I presume the people on the other side can doe without him but think his yea or nay may be serviceable here . . . " Lord Thomond is made Viscount Tadcaster and, by a commission come last night (as Lord Kildare told the writer) Lord Lieutenant of Co. Clare. " . . . the uppoolsterer I am sure is a rouge, were I to give noe other instance for it but his telling my wife he did not receive one farthing from yu when the contrary appears soe plainly by Mr. Wilsons acct. . . . "

 $^{^1\,[1670\}text{-}1736]$ afterwards Baron Newtown Butler and subsequently Viscount Lanesborough.

² John Allen and Trevor Hill (to whom Henry O'Brien presumably refers) did not become peers till 1717. Cf. G.E.C., Peerage, sub "Allen of Stillorgan" and "Hillsborough".

³ The third prospective peer cannot be identified; but he may be either George Evans [1680-1749] or Gustavus Hamilton [1642-1723] who were created Baron Carbery and Baron Hamilton respectively the following year.

⁴ This creation did not take effect; the 1st Duke of Richmond was, however, made an Irish Privy Councillor in 1715.

7 Nov. 1714.

Lord Inchiquin (from Kinsale Fort) to Sir Donat O'Brien.

He received Sir Donat's letter of 28 October the day after leaving Rostellan—stayed three days at Cork, but was so taken up with company he had not a moment to write. He expects his son Charles will soon be provided for at sea, "for my Ld. Berkeley is mighty fond of him, & the D. of Shrewsbury, his godfather, ownes himself his protector & every body tells me he is a very clever & a prety young fellow . . ." He saw when at Cork a letter from Mrs. Burton to Alderman Hoare "in wch. she tells her story about the timber, & complains of the treatment towards her, but says she is willing to submit to what ever I shall determin . . . I hear my Ld. Thomond is governr: of the county of Clare—I am not suprised at it, nor have any reason I think to take it ill. But, as yu say, I wonder I am left in the Councill . . . it gives me reason to hope I shall be continued in the governt: of this place . . ."

24 pp.

392.

22 Nov. 1714.

Sir Donat O'Brien to [John Ivers] (?).

"... I was not the agressor... when you will let me know of any convenient time and place... with a friend on each side whether lawier or other gent., I will doe it ¹ & make... it appear, that you have deny'd and delayed to doe me right about Ballyluddane more then I have done..."

1 p.

393.

23 Nov. 1714.

Henry O'Brien to Sir Donat O'Brien.

Three packets are due, and there is no news that is worth troubling Sir Donat with. "It is much doubted whether Sir Richard Levings¹, will accept of Judge Cootes place as Judge of the Kings Bench—but considering how well he loves himselfe I believe he will take it . . . Sr William Fownes is uneasy to know yr answer about his Spanish horse . . ."

2 pp.

394.

9 Dec. 1714.

Same to same.

" . . I presume it is noe nuse to yu that William Butler-Mr.

¹ Sir Donat was about 70 years of age at the time.

¹ [c. 1655-1724] ist Baronet, of Knockdrin, Co. Westmeath afterwards Lord Chief Justice of the Common Pleas.

Archdeacon Twigg—Frank Mc Nemara and George Hickman are putt out of the Comission of the Peace in our county—and Arthur Gore William Stamer, and Counsellr. Stacpoole in—but who the fourth is I doe not yet know". Last night's packet brought the names of the Commissioners of Revenue in Ireland (Sir Thomas Southwell and five others) so that Mr. Keightley is now certain of being out. Mr. Chetwood 1 is succeeded, as Solicitor to the Commissioners by []Nuttall, who spoke against Sir Constantine Phipps; Mr. Robt. Fitzgerald of Castle Dodd is their counsel.

21 pp.

395.

24 Jan. 1714 [15.] (?)

Jon. Grady (from Coolreagh) to Sir Donat O'Brien.

Gives an account of his interviews with Mr. Butler and with Florence McNemara, who "fell into a long & impertinent discourse". He also interviewed Mr. Purdon and got his opinion on Humphreys's case, but could not get him to fix a date for being in Limerick until the weather changed.

5 pp.

396.

27 Jan. 1714 [5.]

Jon. Ivers (from Mount Ivers) to the same.

Concerning proposals for building barracks at Sixmilebridge. He does not think that the proposer should contribute (as was suggested at the last Quarter Sessions by Brigadier Gore and Capt. Brady); points out that when barracks were built at Limerick and Clare, the Government either paid ground rent or gave money for permission to build; the barrackmaster would have no difficulty in getting hay, straw, and firing; the district is convenient and healthy. A memorial should be drawn up, by a solicitor, and sent to the Barrack Board.

3 pp.

397.

22 Feb. 171\$.

Lord Inchiquin (from Dublin) to the same.

"... I never have my health in this cursed town ..." The hearing of the case about Rath and Disert has been postponed till next term, but he does not expect it to be removed to England, "for they say this Bishop of Killaloe is a very quiet good man, & I believe has no great comunication with the Lord Primate 2, & that his Grace

¹ Probably Knightly Chetwood of Woodbrook, Kings Co., ancestor of the family of Chetwode-Aiken.

² Thomas Lindsay, Archbishop of Armagh 1713 to 1724.

will not now have any great interest in the House of Lords there . . ." The case has already cost over £300; he believes it would have cost less had Will Fitzgerald had the management of it, "for I hear Tysdall has been unreasonable in his bills . . ." Is so weakened by gout that he cannot do without a coach; wants a set of "plain fresh mares or geldings—I would not have 'em of yr. large breed, nor too young, but such as would be fit for immediat & dayly service . . ." 2\partial pp.

398.

25 Feb. 1714.

Sir Donat O'Brien (from Limerick) to Lord Inchiquin.

If Lord Inchiquin will have any of the writer's breed for his coach, he will get geldings (older and sooner fit than mares); and if he has a good, sober coachman, recommends sending him down to Co. Clare to break them. Mr. Fitzgerald, on giving up practice as an attorney, recommended Mr. Tisdall; Fitzgerald now lives in College Lane, Dublin, where Lord Inchiquin can send for him and get him to examine Tisdall's bills. Having got the advice of the Lord Chief Baron and of Sir Toby Butler "who I doubt not will give it yu. sincerely" his Lordship will then consider poor Fowler's case, as Sir Donat hopes he will that of Mr. Wilson.

Copy, 11 pp.

399.

I Mar. 1714.

Hen: O'Brien (from Dublin) to Sir Donat O'Brien.

"... it happens to be the day of rejoyceing for his Majestyes quiett accession to the throne; all people here are makeing merry... soe that I must deferr untill the next post giveing yu any acct. of the barrack affaire... Moriss Berkly has taken full orders, and intended to goe to be curatt under Jack Hawkins att Killinsullagh—and the reason I spoke to Mr. Roche was because I was told he was like to gett the viccaridges from Mr. Hawkins".

24 pp.

400.

6 Mar. 1714.

Same to same.

He is advised by Mr. Slinsby the Deputy-Barrack Master, to enter a memorial for Sixmilebridge. He "must beg to be excused as to intermedling" in getting a tenant for Corrafinn. He hears Sir Donat has both his horses in good order for the Curragh; asks for directions about them, and suggests borrowing George Wane "to ride on one of them".

19 Apr. 1715.

Wm: Butler (from Rossroe) to Sir Donat O'Brien.

"Sr

By an Expresse iuste arrived from my neighbours I have an account that the younge ladye declared she was neither contracted or marryed, but was by those about her & the Sheriffe deluded to saye soe, & write M.G. and that she resents her lovers carrying matters too farr in affirming that she was breeding by him &c. This truth is sayed to be brought from her by the prudent conduct of Mrs. O: B: of Corballye.

The Sheriffe was there yesterdaye, with whom they were very free.

Mrs. Wallcotte & Mrs. Ward allso paid a visitte there, but were refused entrance & Mrs. Cusacke putte her head out at the windowe, sayed she admired at there assurance, who had contributed all they could to delude & ruine her child, & so they went of with that rebuffe.

Mr. Wilson verye well understood from my selfe, that I desired the coppye of the account signed by us both & of my deed to you & the indorsemt., things being donne in that hurrye that I had neither. What you desire in yr haste shall be donne, as I conceave the matter is plaine & easye, I haveing nothing to prove (?) but deeds & writeings, so that if the devill were to judge it, we cann be in no danger. It is a sadd age, when the cheife magistrate, & many more in conjunction with him, who pretend to be cheifes tho they have no right to it, shall in contempt of the lawse of God & man attempt, by fraud & force, to deprive parents of theire ownlye child, to repaire there owne breaches (?) & carrye on disseignes to the dishonour of God, the King, & his lawes. I am juste going thither, And am, Sr,

yr. moste faithfull & affectionate servt.

Wm: Butler".

 $I_2^1 pp.$

Endorsed in Sir Donat's hand, "Mr. Wm. Buttlers about the transactions at Killkisshin".

Endorsed in Butler's hand, "this to yrself—yr neghbours are friends to the Sher."

402.

22 July 1715.

Sir Donat O'Brien to Lord Inchiquin.

Before he received Lord Inchiquin's last three letters, Dr. Fowler went with writs of *mandamus* to the Archbishop of Cashel, and returned with letters from Mr. Purdon, Mr. Ryan the counsel, and Archdeacon Hickey. Sir Donat cannot think Lord Inchiquin will "disapoint this poor man Fowler that quitted the bread he had in

the county of Corke on the credit of the presentation he had from your Lop, to the liveings of Rath and Dysert for which he has waited almost 14 years without seeking for any other liveings, and has been a great sufferer by his comeing into this country by my persuation . . . the presentation you gave him has prevented the lapce and preserv'd vr. Lops, and posterities right of patronage . . . if he be provoked to insist on it he may defend himself against any other person that your Lop, may put in upon him, notwithstanding wt. Sr. Toby [Butler] has writ to you to the contrary, who I know is noe friend to him nor to any of his sort that forsake the communion of the church he was ordain'd in, and for these reasons I hope your Lop, will not think your self oblidged to establish Mr. Brown in whose favour I writt last year to yr. Lop. on anothr. occasion, for a recommendation of him to Lord Killdare for a Liveing upon the death of honest Mr. Ingram, which shews how good an inclination I have for him otherwise, nor to any other Clergyman, some of which have writt to me of late for my intercession to your Lop, for these liveings; which I could by noe means use because I am prepossess'd wth, an opinion of vr. Lops, honr, and justice to be preengaged already to this man . . . "

2 pp.

403.

11 Sept. 1715.

Day: O'Brien (from Nantes) to his uncle Sir Donat O'Brien.

He hears of his uncle's good health "from people out of them parts who frequently come hither". The decay of trade and continual bankruptcy among the merchants are causing "mighty miserable times" [details given]. There is no price for beef here; it is now selling in the West Indies, particularly at Martinique, for 20-25 livres per barrel; butter has been sold here for 16-18 livres per hundred weight. "... As France consumes most of the Irish goods, the beefe buttr. & tallow must fall in Ireland, but I belive the woole will hould its price it being upon the rise here—I fear that those who have lately taken dear farmes in Ireland will soon finde the smart, for it is impossible (for the above reasons) that the goods can hould the prices they did in Ireland these 2 years past ... this goes by a sloop bound to Limerick under cover to young Crow, who will send it safe to yr. honnr."

4 pp.

404.

27 Sept. 1715.

Peter Cusacke to Richd. Wilson the elder.

In spite of having Mr. Nashe's letter, he has not been paid in full for tracing maps. His total fees are £14. 18. 3, of which Mr. Arthur still owes him £3. 5. 6. and Mr. Nashe £5 17. 11.

16 Oct. 1715.

Richd: Wilson (from Dromoland) to Richard Nash.

He has never been so "teazed" as by Nash's cousin Mr. Peter Cusack. On comparing the map he left with Wilson "wth some Entries of the contentes of yor. lands out of the Records" he seems to have left out 7a. pasturable bog, 28 + 73a. woody pasture in Cappaghkea, and 20a. heathy pasture in Ardetagh.

1 p.

406.

11 Nov. 1715.

Peter Cusack to Richard Nash.

Nash and Mr. Wilson have given him great cause to complain, "and far from doeing any sputter as you call it in your lre, I have done my businesse effectually . . . "

1 p.

407.

15 Nov. 1715.

Jon. Cusack to the same.

He has a copy of Strafford's Survey and of the Book of Distribution. Gives particulars of Capaghkiegh (490a., of which 286a. are profitable.) 1 p.

408.

10 Dec. 1715.

Mor: O'Brien to Teige Clanchy (at Dromoland.)

Asking him to inform Sir Donat of Col. Nugent's having made freeholders of his Protestant tenants before leaving Ireland; "he desired me to make his honr sensible of the liberty Doctor William Daly gives himselfe of talkeing of the dispute twixt him & Mathias McNemara, & villefying his tytle or ryght agt. McNemara & of the braggs he makes in abuseing his servt. maides openly in the face of the countrye, & have abusd myselfe in an open company for obyeing the Colls. comds. in this affaire . . . "

1 p.

409.

17 Dec. 1715.

Counsellor Flor: Macnemara to Thomas Arthur, merchant (at Limerick.)

He has drawn the state of the case for the Chancery suit against Wilson, Francklin, and Trant. Mr. Wilson desires Arthur to meet him "on Sunday next att 12 of the clock precisely att the coachmans house att Crattelloghmore".

5 Aug. 1716.

(Dr.) Wm: O: Daly to Richard Willson (at Dromoland.)

" . . . you ought . . . to take heede how yu deale with the gentleman about the 4 accres of wch yu spake unto me . . . " $\,$

Ends, "your most affectionat and obleedged sert."

1 p., endorsed by Wilson "stateing the case of Cluonykilleen".

15 Aug. 1716. 411.

Saml: Blood (from Holly-well) to Sir Donat O'Brien (at Dromoland.)

Excusing himself, as Sir Donat and Capt. Christopher O'Brien had left Ennis before he heard they were awake; "...neither did I force away my papers for I demanded them civilly...I'm fully resolved not to dispose of it [Cluonykilleen] for it's not worth my while to be at any lost for't..."

Ends, "yr. Honrs. most humble servt."

16 Aug. 1716.

412.

Robt. White to the same.

Begins. "most Honable master"; ends, "your honr. faithfull servant".

By Sir Donat's orders he went to Mr. Blood, who told him that "it was not proper for him to send his message wt any body but him self"; but instead of going to Dromoland, he (Blood) went to Ennistymon, and has not yet returned. "yesterday morning I hav begun to drau hom yor honr hay to Cahirfadda . . . I hav drawn all the slatt to Corofin that was digged at Cahruduffe . . . "

1 p., endorsed by Wilson"... of Mr. Samll. Bloods shuffling evasive answer to his Honnr Lr..."

8 Oct. 1716. 413.

Sir Donat O'Brien to [Hugh Montgomery] Lord Mount Alexander. Thanking him for favour shown to his kinsman Mr. John Cooper. Continues, "... the want of sale for horses in this kingdom, & the villany of grooms & keepers has quite tyred me, & has almost made me hate that creature"

Сору, 1 р.

414.

29 Oct. 1716.

Richard Nash to Richard Wilson. 1

For want of being at home he lost all his hay, through the neglect of servants, and will consequently lose most of his cattle.

¹ There are 15 other letters to Wilson written between 1714 and 1716, of no particular interest; most of them are about encroachments on woods.

20 Jan. 1716/7.

Ter. McMahon (from Paris) to his father Con McMahon.

Giving the "dolefull news" of Lucius O'Brien's death two days previously.¹ He died of the gout, which mounted from his feet and "struck him into a convulsion of the lungs . . . Its by meer chance that Thady mcNemara and I had yesterday an acct of his illness wee went straight to see him and alas found him dead. Wee waited with some others to see him enter'd, wch was done privatly and by stealth in a particular privat place wch. could not be done otherwise because he refused the benefitt of our clergy . . . I am of opinion that yu ought to keep this secrett till Sr Donat himselfe has the news wch. I dread much will finish his Days . . . "

Сору; 2 рр.

416.

18 Feb. 1716 [7.]

[Brigadier] Francis Gore (from Clonrone) to Sir Donat O'Brien.

"... Its demonstrasion that the old burgesses of Ennis are only lifers if a speedy remedy be not applyd... I hope you will lend your hand and not fail being here tomorrow where you shall meet my brother Hickman, Sym Purdon, Arthur, Collonel Bellases, and your very afft humble sert..."

1 p.

417.

20 Feb. 1717.

Dan: O'Brien (from Ballycullane) to Mrs. Catherine O'Brien ² (at Dromoland.)

The steps to the door of Mr. Bury's house—very plain and round—cost 8d. per foot; the Cornish cost 18d. per foot. "There is no other hewn work about the house, but the pillars of the gates, wch. were much the same price . . . "

1 p.

418.

22 Feb. 1716.

George Wann (from French Fures) to Henry O'Brien.

"... Tygar sweat this day and thank god is very well ... there is nothing here as yet to run for the mare & gelden plate ...

¹ Other letters, written between January and March 1717, are from Den. Hickie (the physician who had attended Lucius O'Brien in London, and had travelled with him to Paris by way of the Channel Islands and Brittany); Rev. S. Green (an English clergyman who attended his deathbed); Tim. McNemara; and Mr. Hooke. Two letters of Capt. Henry O'Brien to Sir Donat also refer to Lucius's death.

² There are 10 more letters (of no particular interest) written to Mrs. O'Brien between 1712 and 1721 by Henry O' Brien, Capt. Christopher O'Brien, and David O'Brien.

please yr honr to send the horse cloaths wch is a flanen shet a cheker housen cloath a fillit cloath body cloath & brest cloath sadle cloath & a hod and roules Jackson at Luckesess (?) Coffey-[house] knows best to make them for he makes for all the Curagh . . . "

1 p.

419.

11 Apr. 1717.

Counsellor Den: Molony to Mrs. Frances Keightley (at Mrs. O'Brien's house, on Ushers Key, over against the Bowling Green, in Dublin.)

Condoling with her on the death of Mr. Lucius O'Brien. "... I lost a friend I loved, my country lost one of the finest gentlemen I knew of, and of [sic] a man of more humour & merritt than he hath left behind him ..." Offers his services to Mrs. O'Brien.

Ends, "I have the honnour to be, Madam, with all the respect imaginable, your Ladyshipps most obedient and most humble servt." $2\frac{1}{2}pp$.

420.

26 June 1717.

Mrs. Catherine O'Brien to Sir Donat O'Brien.

She has sold Castle Martin to Mr. Harrison for £15,000 (£800 more than anyone else offered). Mr. Grady will give Sir Donat the details. 1 p.

421.

30 July 1717.

J. Davoren to Madam Catherine O'Brien (at Usher's Island, Dublin). Sir Donat is daily growing weaker; "& considering the factions agt. you & your children (as I hear) nothing can be more for the advantag of the later than to endeayour to humour Sr. Donat . . . "

Encloses copy of gale for May 1717; total rent and fees £295. 13. $5\frac{1}{2}$ less £12. 14. 5. in work by various tenants and rent not recoverable from the executors of Capt. Thim. O'Brien.

2 pp.

422.

5 Sept. 1717.

David England (from Clunrone), to Mrs. Catherine O'Brien.

Is very glad of Mr. O'Brien having got safely to Dublin, and wishes "he may apply himself to his learning & fetch up the time he was from his books . . . since Sr. Donat desires to have Mr. oBrien at Lymerick . . . I think you shou'd not deny Sr. Donat that satisfaction . . . it gave Sr. Donat some disturbance that one Birny a poor man that Sr Donat releived in his wants came to Dromoland before Mr. oBrien went . . . & prayd that Sr. Donat may not live the next day, & that he wou'd not sell his interest in Mr. oBrien if that were so

for 500 li I think masr, did well to reprimand him . . , but if he had kicked him out of doors . . , he had don better . , , $^{\prime\prime}$

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423.

27 Oct. 1717.

J: Davoren (from Lisdoonverna), to Mrs. O'Brien (on Ushers Island, Dublin.)

Has heard, through James Bayly, of Sir Donat growing worse, "& is agt yr takeing away any of the goodds, except the plate wch he aggreed may be taken away by Mrs Mary o Brien . . . I am not surprized at any thing mr Hary o Brien says or does, but take care of wt answear yu make to those he sends to talk to yu—& since yu mentioned him to me it will be an ease to my spirritts to let yu know wth wt injustice & ingratitude he served me . . ." having five years ago borrowed £180 for which he forgot to repay principal or interest, and had from the writer 20 "weidders" when he began housekeeping, and 6 bullocks with their tackling for a year, besides other services. 2 pp.

424.

I Nov. 1717.

Walter Browne to Sir Donat O'Brien.

Making bold to give a return of trespasses on Sir Donat's concerns. "Jon. o Brien hath cutt and wasted much of yr. honrs. woods on pretence of makeing cases [of] which he sould one this yeare . . ." The neighbours can also confirm his statements about trespass and woodcutting by Cusack, the miller in Clonconna; Jon. Ride of Ballymacarans; and Dermott Kelly (who had for some time a cow in the woods of Derrinagon.)

 $I_{\frac{1}{2}}^{1}pp.$

425.

11 Nov. 1717.

J. Davoren (from Lisdoonvarna) to Sir Donat O'Brien.

"... I never did by any act of mine endeavour to give Mrs o Brien or Mr o Brien occation to complain of yu... I went hence as farr as Corrofyn in my roade to waite on yu, but was seizd by a fitt of sicknes that oblidgd me to return hoame..."

1 p.

426.

16 Nov. 1717.

John Davoren to Mrs. Catherine O'Brien.

Overjoyed to hear "master is reconciled to wt may prove thousands of pounds in his way & did dread that Sr Donat should heare his aversion to any thing he desird wch certainly Sr Donat designs for his good . . . "

19 Nov. 1717.

Dav. England (from Dromolan) to Mrs. Catherine O'Brien (in Dublin.)

Sir Donat died the previous day, between 4 and 5 p.m., "and tho he sayed that he will be buryed on Munday next I cant tell if things can be got ready for soe great a solemnity agt. that time; they are now embalming his body, wch. he has ordered to be buryed at Killenasulagh . . . I doe not enlarge here more than to tell you that the house is left for yor son Sr. Edward & I wish him joy of his creation ready furnished & the plate left him also . . . "

 $1\frac{1}{2}pp.$

428.

22 Dec. 1717.

[William O'Brien, 3rd Earl of] Inchiquin (from Rostellan) to Mrs. Catherine O'Brien.

"... pray give my service to Sr Edward ... who I know is a fine boy, & will by yu I hope be made a very good man ... " $2\frac{1}{2}$ pp.

429.

1718-19 and 1747 to 1760.

About 20 letters ¹ and miscellaneous accounts to do with Sir Edward O'Brien's racehorses, which were trained at Kilcullen by John Gillam, and at Newmarket by Tho. Panton. Gillam was paid £20 English a year, with "poundage for the plates I won"; on 23 June 1760 he writes to Sir Edward, "... that is to bee three fifty pound plats at Mr Connelly place nere Naas but wee dont here how they are made ...". He and Sir Edward had a six years' agreement for training.

Other items included with these are;

A list of colts and fillies to be turned out to grass on Mayday 1759 (one three-year-old, five two-year-olds, five yearlings, all by Procter or Young Procter.)

A printed invitation, in rhyme, to a dinner at the Kildare Arms in Maynooth, where Robert Harman, esq., was to be in the chair.

Items in the accounts: "Two doses of horse phisick made of best Barbadoes alloes, powder of jallop, pouder of sena, Cremor tartar pouder, chymicall oyle of anisseed, syrup of buckthorn & ta." 3/8; $\frac{1}{2}$ lb. "pectorall horse balls" 3/-; "cordiall julep in a bottle" 7d; three double girths, 3/3; three currycombs and brushes, 6/6; two "snaphel" bridles, 8/8. Physicing charges for three months amounted to f.8. 7. 5.

¹ Printed in Early Records of the Thoroughbred Horse, C.M. Prior, pp. 155-9.

11 Jan. 1717 [18].

J: Davoren (from Dublin) to Mrs. Catherine O'Brien.

"... As to news you know I am not in any secrets... all I can say is I see no appearance of making up the breach between the King & Prince..."

2 pp.

431.

23 Jan. 1718.

Same (from Corrofin), to same (at Dromolan.)

If Mrs. O'Brien decides to go to England, he advises letting no one know of it, except Lord Inchiquin. "I pray speake to the Sherriff to use his endeavrs. to gett James o Dea (who owes yu. 24 L.), taken or else it will be mony lost". Has been here since yesterday expecting to receive some of Sir Edward's rents, but has only collected £3. 17; finds over £80 " of this gales rents of this side of the country" exhausted.

 $1\frac{1}{2} pp.$

432.

5 Feb. 1718.

Same to same.

Is concerned at her not leaving Sir Edward with Mr. Sheridan; "I see my lord Mountcashell is well treated & does well there, & he sends the best schollars to the colledge. I must say I was allways an enemy to that genteel way of education . . . by a tutor, and am confident had Sr. Edward bin left here he would become a much brighter man . . . "

2 pp.

433.

3 Feb. 1718.

Dan: Grady (from Dublin) to Mrs. Catherine O'Brien (at Dromolan.)

"... My Lady Eustace is pressing for some body to Admr. to Mr. Keightley in the prerogative Court or that she may do it as principle creditor but Ile stopp her, for no one has a right to adm: to him but yr. mother, her cause will not come on till next term . . . "

2 pp.

434.

7 Feb. 1718.

J: Davoren (from Lisdoonvarna), to same.

"... it is very hard and it may sometimes prove very fatal that all the letters that are sent but by your own servants to me are soe shuffled from hand to hand that it is happy I can get them at all ..." "your Lapp." may command his going at any time desired, if there is a hope of coming to an agreement with Mr. O'Brien.

13 Feb. 1718.

Same to same.

Last night Sir Edward's case was "fully argued & wood" by the Attorney General, Mr. Bernard, Mr. Nutley, Mr. Callaghan, and Mr. French at the Rose Tavern until one in the morning; they "expressed jointly & severally greate zeal for yu & yrs & drank in good champaign all yr healths . . ."

2 pp.

436.

23 Feb. 1717.

Tho: Amory (from Bunratty), to same.

Mr. H: O'Brien has agreed to selling the stock [no place mentioned] by auction at Ennis on Thursday in Easter week. An advertisement should be inserted in "Pughs news papers"; printed schedules of the stock to be left there, and at Cork, Limerick, Clonmel, Tralee, etc. 2 pp.

437.

II May 1718.

J: Davoren to same.

"... if some speedy course be not taken with the cattle Sr Edw. will be a considerable looser".

1 p.

438.

23 Jan. 1717 [18].

Dan. Grady (from Dublin), to Mrs. Catherine O'Brien (at Dromoland.)

Your brother has proved Sir Donat's will, left a copy in the office, "& on security got the originall because it concerns a reall estate

2 pp.

439.

25 Mar. 1718.

Bridgett McNemara to Mrs. O'Brien.

About setting the lands of Moughane, for which at least £140 will be offered by "creadible & able persons". She hopes for Mrs. O'Brien's good offices "to doe me & my little helpless orphans the justice that becomes a lady of yr. incomparable good character & conscience . . . "

15 May 1718.

Earl of Inchiquin to Mrs. O'Brien.

"... I am very sorry for the misunderstanding between mr O Brien & James Davoren, I wish it was reconciled . . . "

1 p.

441.

16 May 1718.

J. Davoren to Mrs. O'Brien.

"... let whoso will say the contrary I am sure 400 li is enogh for the lease of Kilcarragh but since yu aggreed to the 25 li more so it must be . . . "

1 p.

442.

4 June 1718.

J. Davoren (from Corrafyn) to the same.

He is having difficulty in getting rent, "tho I preach to the tents. how little yu. have to receive this gale, the bulk of the estate being under the stock till May last, & that after this gale they shall meet wth as kind & easie dealing as ever . . . but all wont do wth some . . . there is such chang of name at Dromoland since I left it, that I dont know how to undertake nameing any of my shee frds. but Miss & Mrs. David Brien, & the rest by such names as youl judg propper . . . "

2 pp.

443.

18 Feb. 1717.

Same to same.

About Lady Eustace's complaints of Mrs. O'Brien's delay in filing her answer; and the sale of stock. "... considering the printed list gives no account of the number of acres or different qualitys of the Land in each holding ..." prospective purchasers will have to view the lands. The 24 days' notice given in the list " is in my humble opinion ... hardly ... enough for the county of Clare, much less for the gentl. who live in other remote countys, and are desirous to deal both for Sr Donoghs land & stock ..."

2 pp.

444.

30 June 1718.

J. Davoren to Mrs. O'Brien.

... what I drank at Quin fayr, & the day before, has soe disorder'd me, that I am not able to waite of your Lapp. this day ... " 1 p.

23 July 1718.

Earl of Inchiquin to Mrs. O'Brien.

"By the carelessness or mismanagement of the Post" he did not receive her letter of the 3rd until the 22nd. Commends her scheme—to which he will contribute—for setting up a Charity School at Corofin; "but as to any thing of building in that place, I desire to be excused; I have contributed towards that too much allready ..."

2 pp.

446.

8 Sept. 1718.

J. Davoren to Mrs. O'Brien.

"I stopt at Corrofyn & discoursd the severall alesellers & found Mrs. Ronan most obstinate & averse agt buying yr mault, unless yu send it to Corrofyn, wch I beelieve yu cant compass, the church is in decent order & do beelive will be consecrated notwthstanding the industry usd agt it, on wch subject I heard so much as made me frett & despayr . . . "

3 pp.

447.

23 Oct. 1718.

J. Davoren to Mrs. O'Brien.

"... as Sr Edwd is but tent. to my Lord Inchiqn. to the lands of Corrafyn and by your marriadg settlemt. but tent in tayl he could not were it his own estate & that he was of age endow the church wth any parte of the lands in yr settlemt. wthout leveying of fynes, by wch it is plain yt is not in yr power to endow it wth any land, ... I wont pretend to judg wheather it will loake well that a guardian & a Bipp should prevayl on a minor of 13 years of age to make any promises of granting and continueing any endowment to the church ... I am told yt is not usuall to make such endowmts. but where the service is removd from the mother church & the new church made the parish church wch I know you wd not expect ... I wish wth all my hearte it could be deferred till Sr. Edwd came of age ... "

3 pp.

448.

27 Oct. 1718.

Same to same.

"Coll. Creaghs daughter fell of her horse in the streete [of Ennis] last night by wch. she was like to be finished, wch putt the company in such confusion, as oblidgd us all to stay in town, she had a miraculous escape . . . "

[n.d.]

Same to same.

"I am come to my good quarters very much tyrd after feeing the atty generall mr Bernard mr Nutley & mr Callaghan who is a sincere frd. I gave them 2 moydrs each & like [sic] so many dropps of blood & gave two pistoles for drawing Muckan bill, there must be a consultation wch wth the meeting wth mr o Brien will cost 8 moydrs more . . ."

 $1\frac{1}{2}pp.$

450.

6 Nov. 1718.

J. Davoren to Mrs. O'Brien.

 $\lq\lq$. . . the manr of some peoples liveing here [Dublin] is uncomon & as such cant be lasting . . . $\lq\lq$

1 p.

451.

9 Nov. 1718.

Same to same.

"... what cash I brought fr hoame being out this day, I drew a bill on my wife for 60 l., & have gott a bill 17 li for London to give Capn. Stamers to release the mathematicall instruments wch I faythfully recomend to mr Stamers because mr oBrien has so ernestly recomended the use of them to Sr Edwd ..."

2 pp.

452.

20 Nov. 1718.

Same to same.

"... notwthstanding my great governmt of myself I gott so drunk last tuesday at mr Georg Purdons house that I could not write to yu... I am at a stand abt yr resolucon of disposeing of 3000 l. of yr Childrens fortune, the continuance of Irish pensions are so uncertain to yr knowledg as the times are ... I hope mr Bindon will be sherriffe in spight of the devills & their works, they are bussy here ..."

2 pp.

453.

25 Nov. 1718.

J. Davoren to Mrs. O'Brien.

"... a very merry affair happened here some days ago—young Dick Wilson came wth. yr. service to me & tould me that yu assured him that I wd. bring him acquainted wth. young mrs Thornley, I accordingly went wth. him to the house where we drank Tea wth.

the young Lady & her Mother, & after we left them he tould mee that he was shure he was mistaken in the name, for that the gentle-woman he intended to see, had no father alive . . . wch. makes me believe yu. meant one of mrs Bourchiers daugrs. but I wd. not go wth. him thither, till I knew yr. pleasure . . . "

 $2\frac{1}{2}pp.$

454.

25 Jan. 1719.

Mrs. Marg. Forde (from Chester) to Mrs. O'Brien.

Is pleased to find that Mrs. O'Brien and her children have benefited from "the vast riches my brother O'Brien has left behind him . . . ": but wishes his death might have taken place sooner, since that might have prolonged "my poore nephew's life whose decaye and melancolie was occasion'd chiefely for want of what was sufficient to pay his debts or live according to his noble sperit, wch. his father could not itt seems find in his heart to part with whilst he lived . . . give me leave to tell you deare niece that you have a relation in my cosen Buttler of Munphin . . . a most deserving worthy young woman but not soe well favour'd by fortune as she deserves . . . "

3 pp.

455.

29 Jan. 1718. [19]

J. Davoren to Mrs. O'Brien.

"... mr Clanchy, Cahar mc Enerny & the rest tooke no manner of notice of the directions I gave (for yr Lapps benefitt) where they were to make their gardens & build their cabbins, but that each of them enclose in so mch ground & in different sids of yr land as wth wt is plowed for yrself maks the rest very insignificant even for the freedoms theron & that in all likelyhood yr own stock will starve . . ." Hopes that she will lay aside all ideas of improvements, since "yr own circumstance wont beare it . . ."

1 p.

456.

29 Jan. 1718. [19].

Same to same.

Has unluckily taken into his service five of Sir Donat's former servants, "by whose roguish neglect whilst I was in Dublin I am at least a hundred pound looser . . . they shift it one from the other that I cannot yett fix it . . . I pray that your Ladpp may be pleased not to shew any letter I write to you to any body whatsoever for I find that any your Ladpp has occasion to shew is improved and Accordingly related to my Disadvantage . . . "

10 Feb. 1718

Earl of Inchiquin to Mrs. O'Brien.

Condoling with her on the death of Mr. Keightley.

He has consulted Mr. Longfield about Lord Doneraile, who told him "that wthout laying the thing plainly before him, it was not to be done, & that he was sure he woud medle wth nothing but land security. He has a great deal of money by him . . . for he sent to offer me to take the mortgage of my estate in the county of Clare . . . at six per cent, but I was in honour engaged to Damer at seven . . . "

 $2\frac{1}{2} pp.$

458.

28 Apr. 1719.

J. Davoren to Mrs. O'Brien.

Has had a conference with Sir Toby Butler "in the tavern before Mr. Grady, when . . . he told me that Sr. Edwd. when of age would be my executioner for disputeing with Mr. o Brien on points that may reflect on Sr. Donats Memory . . . I resolve to drink and discourse with Sr. Toby before I leave town and doe hope he shant gaine any great advantage therby . . . Mr Patrick French and severall others are desireous of becomeing tent to your house . . . I have been soe hurryed from one place to an other that I cod not waite on my Ld Anglesey 1 or the Arch Bpp of Tuam 2 wch I designe to performe to morrow and am to dine with Mr Callaghan and doe designe to leave towne next Sunday after hearing mash publickly at any of the known chapells not knowing whether I shod be allowed any such liberty in the county of Clare there is noe such thing as the least notion of trouble here . . . "

5 pp.

459.

2 May 1719.

Same to same.

"... we are alarmd by the numbers of the spaniards in the highlands & their adherents ..." but all good people believe in a providence that will protect King George, as it did previously.

 $I_2^1 pp.$

460.

23 July 1719.

Same to same.

Warns Mrs. O'Brien that she may be obliged to defer her proposed journey to Bath as much as a twelvemonth; "for the rich wont pay and the poor cant pay, but Ile find a way to prevent the noise of distraineing . . . "

¹ Arthur Annesley, 6th Earl of first creation [d. 1737.] ² Edward Synge, Archbishop 1716-1741.

8 Aug. 1719.

J. Davoren to Mrs. O'Brien.

"... I wish yu could think of some fitt person to take a lease of Mr Ivers lands in Burren for Sr Edwd. rather to prevent lawsuits yn [than] for profitt ... pray let me know the persons yu wd be ridd of to see if I could think of any way to make yu easie ..."

2 pp.

462.

31 Aug. 1719.

[Rev.] C: Upton (from Corofin), to same.

"... the Bustle we had on Sunday night last in this town; for my part I never saw the like in any Christian country. It seems there was a mill stone, wch. had lain for some dayes past on the road, & was to be carryed to Inchiquin mill, but noe day cd. they find out but Sunday: & even them cd. not be satisfied wth. carrying it after the usuall manner, but the more to prophane the day, they hird a piper, whereby a vast concourse of people were gathered together . . ." Hopes that this was not (as he was told), done by Mrs. O'Brien's orders; "... if I have but yr concurrence in suppressing such enormities I shall be pleased . . ."

2 pp.

463.

14 Sept. 1719.

J. Davoren to Mrs. O'Brien.

"... I pray take care to make enstalments wth. Nihill, and mcInerhiny, at least four gales each, and to begin from November 1720, for when yu. consider that Sir Edward pays above 800 l. per annum rent, the land in your own hands, legacyes, lawcharges, for labrs, artificers . . . and since you will be ridd of mr. John Vanderlures debt youl find that that and what bills are due in Dublin on Sir Edwards accot. will make matters pretty difficult for two or three years . . . Mr. Connr. o Brien . . . waits on yu. tomorrow at Dromoland for your leave to David Neale to survey a parcell of my Lord Inchiqns. estate . . ."

1 p.

464.

30 Apr. 1719.

Dan: Grady (at the Globe Tavern, Dublin) to Mrs. Catherine O'Brien.

He will obtain the opinions of the Attorney-General, Mr. Nutley, Mr. Bernard, Mr. French, and Mr. Callaghan on her affairs and on those of her children. Is concerned about "the great apprehensions

we lye under here of haveing troublesome times especially when wee are assured of a great many rebells & enemies to our governmts being landed in Scotland—I am yet in hopes that the Kings forces will get the bettr. . . . "

2 pp.

465.

6 July 1719.

The same (from Banoxtown) to James Davoren (at Lisdoonvarna, near Ennis.)

The Commissioners for Sir Edward are Mr. James Davoren and Mr. Tho: Drew, "marke yu that"; those for Mrs. Marshall are Mr. Justin McCarthy and Mr. Will: Connor "2 honest gentt."

2 pp.

466.

24 Sept. 1719.

J. Davoren to Mrs. O'Brien.

"... I pray youl consider the severall payments and deductions that are to be made out of the next and following gales rents by which you will find that yu. wont be able to compass the payments & expences youl be at in Dublin; therefore woud pray yu. to gett three gales from Nihil and McInerhiny and the first paymt. to begin next May . . . I am sure if yu. ask it they wont refuse yu. which I think yu. may with safety doe, for I woud think it very propper to avoid as much as possible bills of the kind for fear of giveing Mr. o Brien a handle to complain of your mannagement . . .

I go hence (God willing) by four of the clock to morrow morning and hope youl dispatch to Dublin whence I must depart about the 20th of 8ber, to be at Tipperary on the 26th and cant be back here in five weeks time neither can I be any means without sacraficeing my cwn life return to Dublin till next summer . . . " Wishes that Mrs. O'Brien had left to him the collection of rents and payment of outgoings, directing someone to settle the labourers' accounts and those of the tenants that worked for her, " and bring the same stated to me, the collection woud not be halfe so anxtious to me, and that is the method youl find that is observed by & twixt every landlord of note and his receiver . . "

4 pp.

467.

29 Oct. 1719.

J. Davoren (from Pallis), to Mrs O'Brien.

At Sir Edward's request, has canted "a gray philly" of Col. Butler's; does not think her worth £30, but gave £40 "being guided by mc Inerhiny".

4 Nov. 1719.

Same to same.

"... I would choose to be fretting and running amongst the lawyers from 8 in the morning till 7 at night & from thence till elleven, looseing my mony to Mr. Campbell then be oblidged to spend the winter at so uneasy a rate as I am afraid I must twixt your tents. & my own affayres, if I could hear of a hackney coach to come to Lymk. or Gallway any time in December I would take that opportunity of goeing to Dublin . . . tho I use to complain of mr. Cox for the great allowances I was oblidged to make for the worke at Corrofin, yet I fear I shall have more reason to complain of Frank, on whose sencerity I canot much relye, I am afraid the markett house & the church will suffer very much, and Mr. Ronans house which Mrs. Ronan says yu. promised to repaire . . . "

5 pp.

469.

5 Nov. 1719.

Same to same.

Apologises for his part "in conjunction with Mr. Wilson in bringing Counsellor Grady to Dromolan and promise as the boyes doe when they are whipt for a fault that I will take care to doe soe noe more . . . "

2 pp

470.

7 Nov. 1719.

Same to same.

"... I am oblidgd to yu for the acct of the popery bill, & I think mr Campl. a person of such penetration that his Grace of Tuams behaviour this sessions will gain his good esteem, as my Ld. Moulsworth on the popery bill has mine . . . "

2 pp.

471.

20 Nov. 1719.

Hen: O'Brien (from London) to the same.

Concerning the distribution of Sir Donat's personal fortune, to £6,400 of which he is entitled under the will. "... pray what shall I doe with the mathematicall instruments Mr. Pepper gave me for Sr. Edward, to whome and his brother I am an humble servt". $1 \not p$.

¹ Robert Molesworth [1656-1725] 1st Viscount, a member of the Irish Privy Council since c. 1712.

26 Nov. 1719.

Ma: St Leger to Mrs. O'Brien (at her house on Ushers Island, Dublin.)

"... The badness of the weather hinders John Mc. Inerheny from transplanting the young oaks of firrs on the Hill beyond the Lough... Thim: Tells me for certain that the mare bought in the county of Typerary is heavy in foale, wee cannot yett tell whether the rest of Sr. Edwards mares are in foale by reason they are so fatt, but yor. Lpps¹ are tho they have been constantly worked, except one or two..."

3 pp.

473.

11 Dec. 1719.

J. Davoren to Mrs. O'Brien.

"... I dont find any of your principle tents. disposed to pay a farthing if they do not, I must let my Ld. Thomonds my Ld. Inchiqns and Mr. Ivers drivers see what they can do wth them ... unless speedy care be taken of the markethouse at Corofin it will dropp down ... I am afraid unless you get a barrack at Corrofin or some other encouragemt. for trade that it will be in a short time waste ..."

2½ pp.

474.

21 Dec. 1719.,

Same (from Dromoland), to same.

Although a great deal of the rentroll is due for lands in this neighbourhood, he has, in eight days, received only £3. 19. 7 from Teige Clanch: and £25. 6. 11 from Capt. Mc. Nemara, "and wt. is worse that I doe not see I am to receive much more . . ."

2 pp.

475.

24 Dec. 1719.

Same to same.

Since it is quite clear that Mr. O'Brien has been the aggressor, and has refused more than one offer of mediation, "... yu. may propose to Sir Toby by word of mouth to be contented wth. whatever Mr England and Mr. Wilson (who knew more of Sir Donats buisiness & mind then any body alive) woud swear Sir Donat entended by the settlemts. & will he made for each, & if this is refused it is plain that Sir Tobys argumt. canot be construed ... but to prevayle on yu. to forgoe all the advantages yu. have ... and soe doe hope youl ... not ... name an umphire but such as Mr. Callaghan will

¹ Mrs. O'Brien is usually so addressed.

approve of . . . I do not know what to do wth Mr. Connell, Mr. Wilson or wth. the people of Corrofin, Andrew Hehir, Redmond Burke, Wm. Hogan, Wm. Coopr., or Patrick Forster who dont pay, one farthing tho they owe considerable sumes, or wth. Collll. Creagh who says his rent is to be aplyed to another use, neither had I a farthing from Mr. England or Mr. Hickman, I am much troubled that I apprehend a difference like to happen twixt Sir Edwd. & Wm. Butler about the lands of Kildroma . . . "

 $2\frac{1}{2} pp.$

476.

24 [] 1719.

J. Davoren (from Kilkenny), to Mrs. O'Brien.

"I am soe fatieged after thirtee miles rideing this day, that I am obliged to make use of my landlord to give yu an acct. that I came hither, and doe god willing propose to be at tiperary at the prefixed houre . . . "

1 p.

477.

[1719] (?).

Mrs. O'Brien to Thomas Burgh.

"The very terrible condition that I find this house in by the castle being half puld down, all open at the top, & so ill joynd to the new wing that wee are always a swiming in some part or other . . . obliges me to dip my hands in mortar . . ."

3 pp.

478.

4 Jan. 1719.

J. Davoren ¹ (from Lisdoonvarna) to the Hon. Mrs. O'Brien (at her house on Usher's Island, in Dublin.)

Lord Inchiquin's death "gave me as great a shock as ever I had; he did not leave a man behind him of greater honr., honesty, truth & good nature . . . "

1 p.

479.

31 Mar. 1720.

Dan: Grady (from Limerick) to Mrs. Catherine O'Brien (at her house on Ushers Key, in Dublin.)

"... I tould him [Mr. O'Brien] that in my apprehension Sr. Edward wd be relieved in equity & for that end the bills in equity wd be soone filed agt. him & as I had the honr to be related to him & his nephew & the great esteem I had for their family I recomended

¹ There are two other letters written in 1719 by Davoren to Mrs. O'Brien, of no special interest.

to him to make an amicable end of the dispute between them, wch. I do not apprehend to be officiousness or a breach of trust . . . so that I do believe so angry a lettr must have some other foundation. . . . "

3 pp.

480.

3 May 1721.

Lady Frances Keightley ¹ (from Edminton) to her daughter, Mrs. Catherine O'Brien (at Dromolan, Co. Clare, by the Limerick bag.)

"... I am in great concern for your eldest son. I wish he may be easy at Oxford, but I much fear it; for Sr. Edward O Brien in Ierland, where he is amoungst his Tenants & followers, with servant sutable to his estate & ranke, will find it a mighty fall to be at Oxford with onely one servant & a tutor, & where there will be many on an equall foot & not a few above him; these things were never very easy to his father; however a tryall may not be amiss ..."

 $I_{\frac{1}{2}}^{1}pp.$

481.

13 June 1721.

Same to same.

By next Tuesday at the furthest she will send a full account of Christ Church and Balliol. "...I am sorry your son has no better allowance—80 ll. a year is a smale thing for his education & cloathes, but those things are out of my sphere so I say no more ..." $2\frac{1}{2}$ pp.

482.

21 Sept. 1721.

J. Davoren to Mrs. O'Brien.

About "the mares and foal", for which he would not offer more than £30, but has had no notice of Mr. Noonan's having offered £34. 1 p.

483.

5 Feb. 1722.

Mrs. Catherine O'Brien to Lord Inchiquin.

Concerning an ejectment brought by Mrs. Mathewes on that part of Inchiquin on which the pound stands "always held under your tittle by Sir Donat". Mrs. Mathewes insists on legal proceedings, and has refused a reference to "any two lawyers, gentlemen, or clergymen in the County . . . "

Copy, $1\frac{1}{2}$ pp.

¹ Besides the letters calendared, there are 20 more from Lady Frances Keightley to her daughter written between 1721 and 1724.

II June 1722.

Lady Frances Keightley to Mrs. O'Brien.

"... I had a very handsom letter from your son ... there is one thing I fancy Mr. Camp [bell] will rectify, that is his Irish friends going downe to him & makeing long visits wch can never be without great expense ... I hope you will send him to travell in the spring, for beleive me Oxford is no improveing place for him ..."

3 pp.

485.

15 Aug. 1722.

Capt. Christopher O'Brien to Mrs. Catherine O'Brien.

"... I will, rather than see yu. uneasy at any thing I can prevent, drive all I have to Ennis fayre, which will be the 23th instant, & sell att any rate to compleat what I owe yu., if I cant otherwise make up the money . . ."

Сору, 1 р.

486.

20 Nov. 1722.

Lady Frances Keightley to Mrs. O'Brien.

"... now as to Tim's capacity I assure you they all say he can do what ever he will bend his head to ... but ... tis a most sad thing to guide him steady; you know his witt & subtillity ... his first exployt was runing a way with a design to goe to Oxford ...

You know Miss Hickman's ¹ age, & that she has twenty thousand pounds at her owne disposall when she is 18. I saw a letter of hers to Mr. Thornley, in wch. she . . . letts fall some impressions as if she should be very well pleased to have Sr Edward proposed to her . . . "

3 pp.

487.

6 Feb. 1723.

Hen: Thornton (from Dublin) to Mrs. O'Brien.

"... all is now knock'd on the head by the death of mr. Henry O Brien ... there were great many county Clare gent. att Dicks Coffee house to cent this night, but its putt of till 5 of the clock tomorrow, Killdrum is vallued by mr. Quin att 240 li I beleive there is none will give halfe the money for it . . ."

¹ Mary, daughter of Hugh Hickman of Fenloe, Co. Clare; she married Sir Edward in 1726.

13 Feb. 1723.

Same to same.

He has bought for Sir Edward the acres at Kildrum "notwithstanding the sinester dealing of mr. Domnick Quin, who brought an attorney who lives in the County of Lytrim to cant the accres . . ." 3 pp.

489.

19 Feb. 1723.

Same to same.

He gave "2 pistolls" to Counsellor Dillon for drawing the drafts relating to Killdrum (the same amount given by all the other purchasers.)

1 p.

490.

4 Apr. 1723.

J. Davoren to Mrs. O'Brien.

"... I think it is right to get a stallion in which noe time is to be lost.

The rent due to my Lord Inchiqn. is out of Corrofin, Kells, Ballycaseen, Rossrawly & other lands stocked wth very bad tenants, that may be destroyed & never answer the end you entended & when yu. consider how the lands were sett & the badd marketts & fall of times there is a great deal to be said for the tenants & for the benefitt of the landlord as well as his creditt not to ruin familys . . . ',

 $2\frac{1}{2} pp.$

491.

31 Aug. 1723.

Lady Frances Keightley to Mrs. O'Brien.

She has visited Miss Hickman; "indeed she is a very sensible young creature, well shapt & as fair as yourself; & if her fortune is but ten thousand pounds I should like her very much; & if I. mistake not, she had rather have your son than any body in the world . . . "

1 p.

492.

28 Sept. 1723.

Same to same.

Her grandson has met Miss Hickman and thinks her very pretty. "I am told you have another lady in view . . . Lady Betty Bary, upon my word I do not much like it; her mother was of an odd behaviour, and all her family, tho of great quality, had strange tempers; & as for Ld. Barimore you & all Ierland know how his father & mother lived . . . "

5 Nov. 1723.

Same to same.

Lady Betty Barry "is very plaine & has no manner of nice looks. Her father, I have from all hands, is a man of honour & wisdome, but as he has bin allways used to governe & guide both his present Ladys brothers, whether that may not give him notions of manageing a son in law . . . is the question . . . I do not wonder you are uneasy at your sons not comeing to you, I do not find he is in hast to goe for Ierland . . . "

3 pp.

494.

23 Nov. 1723.

Jas: Hamilton (from Dublin) to [Mrs. O'Brien] (?)

"... as to the hint you are pleased to give in relation to Sr. Edward . . . I considered him in a state of minority, & therefore uncapable to stand for an election . . . I own I have wrote to my Lord & ingaged my selfe in favour of Coll: Hickman . . . only on a report here spread of the death of the Brigadr. [Gore] . . . but I hope to live to see the day when Sr. Edwards meritt will both intitle him to & secure him the voices of the whole country . . . "

11 pp.

495.

1723.

Five letters from Theo: Clements (from Dublin) to Mrs. Catherine O'Brien (at Dromoland) about Lady Frances Keightley's pension, which it was proposed should be transferred to Mrs. O'Brien.

496.

2 Jan. 1724.

Lady Frances Keightley to Mrs. O'Brien.

If Mr. Daverne [Davoren] has acted dishonestly, "tis both fitt & high time he should be exposed, but I would have you act upon substantiall & demonstrable grounds . . . " Lady Betty Barry is tall and well shaped, "but extreamly far from being agreable"; she will hardly speak three words, either at home or in company. 'I am a perfect stranger to Mr. Macknemara all but his name . . . " 21 pp.

497.

23 Jan. 1724.

J. Davoren to Mrs. O'Brien.

" . . . notwithstanding that I was provoaked by the undeserved treatment I mett wth to proceed agt. you yet when that hott fitt was over I was soe farr from putting any thing in execution agt. you, that I agreed to your own terms without charging you wth. any of the expence I was at since you attacqued me wth the fury yu did, madm. you must excuse me to tell you that our term in this world is but short, and that endeavouring to stain our neighbours reputation, is one of the most difficult articles to be repented for . . . "

1 p.

498.

28 Jan. 1724.

Lady Frances Keightley to Mrs. O'Brien.

Tom seems capable of anything, "but his mind seems set for the army. He longs much for one & twenty, then he tells the boys he will buy a comission & have broyl'd pigions & arrack punch every day . . . "

24 pp.

499.

4 Feb. 1724.

Same to same.

If Miss Hickman "thought your son in ernest, she would not accept of a duke, for I am so good a judge as to desern her heart is more than half your sons; all I have to do is to ward against her old aunt & some others that would faine dispose of her & not loose by doing so . . . "

2 pp.

500.

15 Feb. 1724.

Lady Frances Keightley to Mrs. O'Brien.

About Tom, who is being removed from Mr. Bedford's school, having once run away, and who wants liberty "to goe to plays & to taverns or alle houses &, I have some cause to fear, worse houses . . . "

2½ pp.

501.

30 Apr. 1724.

Day: England to Mrs. O'Brien (at Dromoland.)

"... Mortagh o Brien brought me last night your favour of yesterday & since I cant goe to you as you desire & that Mr. Creagh comes this day to Dromolan with the key of the papers, I pray looke out for the deeds of purchase & fine of Rannagh ¹ from Mort duffe o Brien & his son to Sir Donat . . . his son has preferred a bill for the recovery of the land he sold on acct. of his being under age—2dly. take out the papers of Moghane if you expect to doe anything . . . whilst I be able to assist you or Sr Edward in it, there be other

¹An agreement was made for 160a., as is shown by a letter of Mort: o Brien to Sir Donat, 6 June 1703.

papers that I cant now think of that willbe wanting & pray how can I or any one concerned for Sr Edward be informed in . . . his affaires without having recourse to his papers . . . the principall thing is to gett the minutes of the leases sett by you to the tents wch were lodged with Mr Davoren as he was concerned for you, & if he be not . . . he ought to give you or whoever is . . . these Minutes & take a receipt for them . . . "

 $1\frac{1}{2} pp.$

502.

24 Oct. 1724.

J. Davoren to Mrs. O'Brien.

"... have been lately surprized by a gentleman who is conversant in yr. family, who told me that Sir Edward would not signe the letter you were pleased to promise me, thereby to secure yr. dett due to me in case of mortality, I apeale to yr. honour & consience whether my services were faithfull & usefull or not . . . as to Farnans dispute with the Brenans it is other then wt. you aprehend, it was granted by lettrs, patent to Sir Dont, o Brien to hold three favrs on certaine days every yeare, & weekly markett every thursday at newmarkett, & to collect . . . the tolls & customs thereof, but the quantum is not by the pattent ascertaind, & Brenan to avoid the paymt. of the custom for wt. sheep he kilt and sold at newmarkett, used to kill the day before or after the markett day . . . wh. is practised in all markett towns . . . I thought it most adviseable & prudent to defer that point till Sir Edward was of age, who by new leases to be made of the town, may by a covenant to be incerted in the same put it out of their power to take any such advantage for the future, and on the other hand I should think it very hard that Farnan should be oblidged to pay for wt. he did not receive . . . "

3 pp.

503.

3 Nov. 1724.

Hen: Thornton to Mrs. O'Brien.

He is out of money "and drained to that degree that I cannot master five pound ster soe am in hopes youl consider my Condition ..."

3 pp.

504.

22 Mar 1725.

Ann Hickman (from Ballycar) to Sir Edward O'Brien (in Dublin.)
Thanking him for "the favour yu designe me in the preference
of Ballymacragie . . . " where she is being continued as tenant,
at 6d. per acre less than anyone else had offered.

1 b.

I Aug. 1728.

Mrs. A. Hickman (from Ballycar), to her daughter, Lady O'Brien (at her house in George Street, Hanover Square.)

"... I have been between this place & Stone Hall this three weeks, 'tis certain I dont love Limk. or indeed any town, but did not know where elce to fix my selfe, ... how long I shall stay in the country I can't yett determin, for there is a marriage concluded between Luke, & Gatty Westropp ... the house is filling wth company just return'd from the race of Assollas, where G: Clancy carried the prize, Mr Creagh kill'd a fine Buck to entertain Sr Edwds freinds in this neighbourhood, att dinner at Drumolan ... have gott a haunch of the venison, & intend to drink Sr Edwards & yr Ladyships healths with our friends here ..."

2 pp.

506.

1730 to 1749.

20 letters (almost entirely about money transactions) from Capt. William Supple to Sir Edward O'Brien. On 3 January 1745 [6] he writes, from Edinburgh, "... we have decamped for near ten days, and on Monday next we againe take the field, and hope we shall be soon able to give a good account of our mock Prince, whome God confound ..."

507.

14 Nov. 1730.

And. Crotty (from London), to Sir Edward O'Brien.

Expresses concern at the death of Mr. Gore, "a man who from my first knowledge of him express'd a real friendship to me . . . your acct. of your kinsman 1 is the most extraordinary in the present transactions in Europe, except the revolution at Constantinople he has distance all the extravagants & unthinkers of the present age: I lately heard somthing more agreeable of him . . . that he . . . for want of issue in himself & bror. . . . made limittations to yu. & to some others of the name . . . " Complains of pressure of business; " under the scarcity of money in Ireland, & the wants of of people here, I declare I had rather be in Philadelphia than as I am . . . " Asks that he collect some money and send it to Mr Harper, "together. with a healing letter . . . sure your tenants must do somthing as well as other peoples . . . Lady Inchiquin deliverd last Sunday of a 5th daughter Ld Kingston soon going to Ireland. Sr. Lawrence Esmond newly returnd from Spaa by way of Paris perfectly recoverd. Sr. Richard Mead Mr. Fras. Bernard Mr. Mathew of Thomastown Do. of Thurles all here at present . . . "

3½ pp.

¹ Perhaps William O'Brien, 4th Earl of Inchiquin [c. 1695-1777].

24 Dec. 1730.

Wm. Supple to same.

Apologises for delay in correspondence, and sends Sir Edward and his family the compliments of the season; "as a New Years gift to the young ladys I send my sincere wishes that they may soon nay very soon get good husbands, thoe now yr kinsman is disposed of I know not where to recomend them . . . "

2 рр.

509.

29 June 1731.

And. Crotty (from Richmond), to Sir Edward O'Brien.

Finds himself in serious financial difficulties "from no other occasion, then interposing twixt some of my Irish friends, & what they on several emergencys then reckond to become their eternal scandal, ruin, & desolation, the returns I meet with are taunts reproaches & the worse treatmt. of returning upon me the bills . . . had I been partaker of those hundreds a year & other incident benefits wch some others enjoyed in your service, whose task God knows was but ease & beds of down to mine, then might I compound for a share of the bitter wch revolves upon me . . . how come I to be thus maletreated? or is it the climate that is become corrupted & renders it fashionable for gentlemen to use those ill, who have done well by them? . . . " Estimates Sir Edward's assets at £10,550 (made up of current rental and arrears from Nov. 1728 onwards); his liabilities at £8,500; "so that . . . there is 2000 li to pay mr Creaghs ballance & those scrub election debts, wch. you say persecuted yu. . . . If yu. cant with an estate of near \$4000 a year stand your own necessitys & debts how can yu. expect that I who have not 500 li a year certain & have to children to maintain in some degree of decency as well as to live so my self, can do it? yu. have as I may say one half of what I am worth in your hands already . . .

poundage for woods sold, has or has not been allow'd at the discretion of the employer, Its not strictly a due but a concession & comonly permitted as an encouragemt, to a good agent. Its calld in England marking money.

The poundage for rents wch are not chargeable by contract Mr Creagh told me yu. was by previous agreemt. to allow so as to make his sallary 200 li per ann, & accordingly the deficiencie was allowd in such accts. as I stated with him . . . " (thinks that a salary of £500, or £400 at least, with marking money thrown in, would suffice to cover extraordinary expenses, except books and paper). ". . . I wish I had been up to the ankles reclaiming the mountains of Knockmealdown, when I was laying foundations for these remonstrances & their effects then had I been happy . . . "

29 June 1731.

E[lizabeth] Countess of Thomond (from London); to Christopher O'Brien (at Innistymon, near Ennis).

About Quiren, Cahiracon, and other woods remaining unsold. Finds the farm of Knocklisheen to contain 234a. good arable, meadow, and pasture, with 32½a. heathy, shrubby pasture; "and desire to know what it is realy worth by the year to be lett to a good responsible tenant . . . I desire to know what lives are now in being on the farm of Lisheen for I hear that Daniell Doody one of the lives died lately—in short if you are not in earnest to get in our money I will imediately put the whole bonds into an Attorneys hands that shall imediately do us justice for I am sattisfied you never will . . . "

 $I_2^1 pp.$

511.

2 Aug. 1731.

And. Crotty (from London), to Sir Edward O'Brien (at Dromoland.)

Does not think the state of Ireland as bad as Sir Edward represents it; since most people here receive remittances from other parts, "sure the whole fatality cant centre in the county of Clare, & altho the drought might have occasiond a temporary inconveniencie it could not have affected for a year past, & even now as its no season for hay or corn except to save what the ground produces of 'em; the beef hydes tallow & wooll wch I take to be the chief comodities of that county will I apprehend carry no less or worse credit in Corke markett than the growths of other more distant countys wch come there . . . Let not a few unhappy circumstances wch providence admits here as well as there, be made the handle for an utter renegation of payments . . . "

 $4\frac{1}{2} pp.$

512.

5 Aug. 1731.

And. Crotty to Sir Edward O'Brien.

Reports a conference with Mr. Hull and Mr. Fitz Williams (the latter of whom insists on having Sir Edward's title cleared before he advances anything; and wishes either—as Mr. Hull is—to be put in possession of a sufficient part of the estate to secure his interest, or to get a receiver (preferably Crotty), appointed by an irrevocable letter of attorney.

Points out that this arrangement, involving payment of 7% clear interest, will be no help towards quit or crown rents, taxes, salaries, or other outgoings: "... to obviate it, I see but two expedients subsisting, one is to make absolute sale of £1000 per ann wch. will

demontrably save yu. 4 or 500 li per ann as yu. will thereby pay off 7 per cent at 5. The other a retreat to some forreign part wch wee once were determind on, where confining to a reasonable allowance, wch. would support yu. comfortably yu. might in 7 years find a large relief, in tenn be made perfectly easy . . . this projected oeconomy put in a practice I make no doubt of raising money on easier terms than yu. at present are under . . . "

4 pp.

513.

27 Mar. 1731. [2]

Same to same (to be left at Messrs. Harpers and Morris, Cork.)

Other Irish landlords are getting money in from their tenants: "theres no colour for being in arrear to Ld Inchiquin for neither can his circumstances bear it, nor will the nature of your tenures from him countenance it . . . ". Recommends him to apply the next year's rents towards his debts, "without the least glance towards returning to this countrey wch. if yu. had never seen had been your happiness & if any thing can make yu. more so its the not seeing it in tenn year to come . . . "

5 pp.

514.

5 Aug. 1732.

Same to same.

During the last 6 years he has been "embroild. on both sides of the water in the most arduous and intricate, as well as usefull affairs" of Sir Edward's; and has advanced him more than £3,000 of his own money or on his own credit, "in part consideration of wch. besides good words yu. was pleased to allow me" a salary of £100which Sir Edward first gave a written to promise to continue for life, and afterwards revoked. " . . . while you thus deal by your agent & friend while yu. expose and depreciate your own credit with exchangers & others, while the interest of the large sumes wch. vu. have raised remains so vastly in arrear, when yu. refuse to give people the reasonable securitys they require, how can yu, expect to ease your burthen or be served with spirit & courage by such as have honor. & honesty enough to deal by a generous employer with zeal & integrity? ... " froo will discharge the various small debts owing by your mother (mostly to poor people), at Paris, Lille, and Ypres; "my eares were dinnd as I came thro those places last winter . . .

4 pp.

515.

I Jan. 1732/3.

Same (from Lismore), to same.

Sir Edward is mistaken in thinking he paid a fine for renewal, on the death of his brother Tom, "when yu. was in Dublin on your Election . . . " Doubts Mr. Garvan being able to get him " a great sume at an easy interest to make yu & every body easy . . . " since proper security is wanting; it could not, in any case, be effected for six months, " & I assure you Sr my Ld Inchiquin cant be out of his rents & arreres so long . . . "

Encloses account for shipping coach and pictures from London; this, with the cost of "freeing" the coach, will not come to less than froo English.

4 pp.

516.

10 Jan. 1734.

Robt. French (from Dublin), to Richd. Hull (in Hanover Street, near Hanover Sq., London.)

Encloses copy of account between Sir Edward and Hull. The account sent with his last letter could not be properly made out, because Sir Edward's receiver "was with a relation of his wo was desperatly ill & had all his fortune in his name to protect it agst the Popery Laws . . . And Sr. Edd. without his receiver wo had his rentroll cod not as he alledged fix upon the rents to be appointed . . . but they are to be transmitted to me to Dublin where I am to methodise as proper . . . "

3 pp.

517.

31 Jan. 1734.

And. Crotty (from Rostellane), to Sir Edward O'Brien.

Sir Edward "cant tell me more of the badness of times & trade than I know . . . "

Lord Inchiquin's arrears are now more than £870, and by next gale will be £1,045: wants to know how Mr. Hogan proposes to clear this out of next gale's rent (of which Mr. French is to receive more than £400, and Capt. Fitz Gerald £120.)

Asks for discharge of Mr. Harper's debt, he "having enterd into a new company is obliged to clear all old scores . . . "

 $3\frac{1}{2} pp.$

518.

28 Apr. 1735.

And Crotty (from Rostellan), to Sir Edward O'Brien.

Proposes Sir Edward paying, on account, £600 to Lord Inchiquin; £600 to Jon. Mounier; and £300 to pay off John Harper "and answer other contingencies". He will then owe Crotty nearly £500 more, "wch I will sink wth you in the lease of any good farm you'l set me & as I am more at liberty than heretofore if you'l make it reasonably worth my while I'le stand by the main sheet . . . "

8 Aug. 1735.

Same (from Ballygallane), to same.

Condoles with Sir Edward, who is reported to be suffering from "a fitt of the ague . . . disappointments & crosses are so epidemick in this age, that they are not to surprise howere they shock. I wish mineral waters or sea baths or any other application may relieve yu., but if your distemper is in the mind as I fear great part of it is what availes the doctors skill . . . "

2 pp.

520.

18 Dec. 1736.

Same (from Lismore), to same.

Lord Burlington's ¹ "many headed affair" is so important to him and his family, that at present "It is not safe for me to be out of ear shot of the Englishman, who having taken me much in favor assures me of dispatch as soon as practicable . . ." Sir John Freke left home last Wednesday "on a progress"; he intends to visit Dennis McCarthy and Sir Richard Meade, on his way to Dromoland. "... The rumor was strong at Corke before the pacquets came in that Pontius Pilates Corporal was dead, but tis not confirmd more the pity".

2 pp.

521.

9 Aug. 1739.

R. Hull (from Roxburrow), to Robert French (at his house in Smithfield, Dublin.)

Relates his conversation with Mr. Hogan about a proposal (made to him on Sir Edward's behalf,) to take in Mr. Nihil's judgment, and so save Sir Edward's estate being harrass'd wth the execution of the haberes . . ." Thinks Sir Edward's conduct "pritty extraordinary", in sending him, by one post, notice of intention to pay off as soon as possible; by the next post, a deed executed (to which Hull was made party, without a previous sight of it,) for taking in Mr. Nihil's debt.

3 pp.

522.

19 Mar. 1740.

Mich. Reeves (from Dublin) to Edmond Hogan (at Ennis.)

Concerning Lord Thomond's recovery from a wound; "he is somewhat chang'd in his face & looks for the worse, but he is perfectly easy from pain . . . ".

¹ Richard Boyle, 3rd Earl, Lord Treasurer of Ireland and Governor of Co. Cork [1694-1753].

11 Dec. 1740.

Counsellor Thos. Vandeleur (from Dublin) to Sir Edward O'Brien (at Dromoland.)

Concerning "the unforeseen tho' common accident that . . . has lately happen'd yr. Atty. General. It is here confidently affirm'd that he has fall'n into Miss Biddy Kent's bottomless pitt of matrimony . . . as to all the apprehensions we were under of an intestine war, I am inform'd they were all witht. foundation & are now entirely vanish'd, & that the houses of York & Lancaster have lately had an amicable meeting . . . Mr. Thomas Stackpole, I am told, is certainly to be yr. Sheriff (my bror. declining it) . . . "

2 pp.

524.

30 Oct. 1741.

"F.S." to Sir Edward O'Brien.

Queries various items in Mr. Lyons's accounts, and recommends that "the severall tents. in his list sho'd be summon'd to be & appear on certain days at Corrofin &c with their severall vouchers . . .

Quere if Mr. Singletons accots. for last May gale &c is settled.

Quere Mollowny the carr mans accot. if to be settled for his part of the rent of Rathfolan &c . . .

No Accot. has bin settled with Piers Creagh Esqr. since May 1726 for the rent of Glanomera & Ballagh att 52.10.0 . . .

I cannot find any accot. settled with Capn. Xr. o Brien since the 21 Janry. 1736, & not a perfect accot. then . . .

I beg you'l consider that men are mortall, & that the longer you defer settleing these accots., the worse for your honr. . . . "

2 pp.

525.

16 June 1741.

Jas. Sexton (from Dublin) to Sir Edward O'Brien (at Dromolan.) Concerning Mr. Henry O'Brien's estate, and Sir Edward's debts. Continues, "... It is sayed here, & I believe with some authority, that Lord Inchiquin wrote to Mr. Hogan to carry the intentions of Lord Thomond with respect to the burrough of Ennis into the strictest execution ..."

 $2\frac{1}{2} pp.$

526.

5 July 1742.

And: Crotty (from Montdelligo) to the same.

Concerning dealings with Messrs. Swift & Co., Mrs. Mounner, and others. "... interest ... is the bane of familys & fortunes; the water under ground, that undermines & overturns the very basis

whereon estates are founded: especially when 'tis not kept down annually . . . I think this debt at first was but £260 . . . & here it is insensibly grown up to £600 & more . . . I am but just putting my leg to ground, wch. has been disabled by an inflammation these 5 weeks . . . my valuable daughter in law (John) having the week before last unwarily slippd her leg into a broken board of a wooden bridge near her mothers, took a fright . . . & after 4 or 5 days consideration miscarried, & narrowly escaped with life . . . she still continues ill at her mothers near Carrick. These are all tragical tales, & as the world goes now I think there is very little comedy in it, tho a good deal of farce . . ."

 $2\frac{1}{2} pp.$

527.

3 Oct. 1742.

Same to same.1

Concerning his negotiations with Mr. Hull for the sale of part of Sir Edward's estate in order to clear off debts. Sir Edward has, of late years, been £1,500 to £2,000 in arrear with the interest. Continues, "I have been but one day at home since I saw yu, being hurried on several comissions & other unavoidable calls" in Counties Kilkenny, Tipperary, and Waterford; tomorrow morning he is called to Lord Barrymore, "whose agents accts. are before me, & have been for some time by spirts; but as they are for several years, the accountant slow, & my Lady in hast to be gone away, I dont expect to get free till he goes . . ."

3 pp.

528.

I Oct. 1744.

Sir Edward O'Brien to "A.H." [Ambrose Harding] (?).

About the value of Lord Inchiquin's leases. "... the Corowner is the most inveterate fellow living, and will go any length to hurt me ..."

Сору, 2 рр.

529.

1745 to 1748.

Six letters from Dr. Shem Thompson (from Hillsborough [Co. Down]) to Sir Edward, enclosing school accounts for "Mr. O'Brien" and "Mr. Donat O'Brien".

Fees were £23 a year (board and education). Items include 3/6 for a Lucian, 4/6 for a Gradus ad parnassum, 5/- for a Juvenal.

¹ There are 15 other letters, on business matters, written to Sir Edward by Chas. Creagh, Judge Robert French, Mor: Hogan, Richard Hull, and Andr: Kennedy; 1740 to 1743.

On 29 May 1748 he reports one of them having "read as much logic as is required at the first examination after he puts on his gown . . . "

530.

26 Apr. 1745.

R. Hull (from Roxburrow) to Sir Edward O'Brien.

"... yr. account of the miserys of yrs. and other countys are indeed very melancholy and shocking ... the people in this county have escaped hitherto better than their neighbours, however [we] have had great losses of cattle, wch. hath greatly risen the prices of all kind of stock ... I shall endeavour myself and write to my brother to look out for purchasers for the land, but as for purchasing any of it myself, I am too old to think of buying land " (having a childless sister and no other near relations.)

 $2\frac{1}{2} pp.$

531.

21 June 1745.

Sir Edward O'Brien to Ambrose Harding ¹ (in Bride Street, Dublin). He went in person among his tenants above Corofin, stayed there from Wednesday till Sunday night, "and all I could get by fair and foull means was 37-14-10 wh. shows you the poverty of this county just now, in wh. there will be a famine next spring if the weather does not immediately dry up and marketts mend".

3 pp.

532.

14 June 1746.

[Philip Stanhope, 4th] Earl of Chesterfield (from London) to Sir Edward O'Brien.

"... as you are one of the few in Ireland who allwais think of the publick without any mixture of private intrest I dont doubt but that you have already thought of some usefull methods of employing the Kings bounty to the Dublin Society ..."; in which connection, he suggests the manufacture of glass bottles, and of fine writing and printing paper.

"... leave us here & the regular forces in Ireland to fight for you, think of the manufactures at least as much as you do of the Militia, & be as much on your guard against poverty as aginst popery...

I hope my friend the Bishp. of Meath 2 goes on prosperously with his charter schoolls . . . without his care & perseverance they woul hardly have existed . . . "

2 pp.

² Henry Maule, Bishop 1746-1758.

¹ There are about 15 other letters from Harding and Hull to Sir Edward, mostly about the payment of interest money, written in or about this year.

24 Sept. 1747.

Robt. FitzGerald (from Jarvis Street, Dublin) to same.

About mortgages of £4,000 which the writer's father had on Sir Edward's estate.¹ "... I cant conclude without acknowledgeing with gratitude the civilitys I recd from you and Lady OBrien at Dromoland desireing my Respects to her Ladyship Miss OBrien and all the young family I can't think her Lp's cares ceased till Master Lucius has as [sic] favourable got over the inoculatn..."

2 pp.

534.

16 Feb. 1748.

Andr: Kennedy (from Dublin) to Sir Edward O'Brien.

Begins, "Sr"; ends, "yr most obed. and most assured humble servt."

Expresses his concern at Sir Edward's "want of health"; which he hopes is now restored, as "I was told in Thurles, where I was very lately, that you have had four gent. (countrymen of mine) from the county of Tipperary with you four days, who I believe . . . remain longest with the healthy—in wch good condition I hope they found & Left you— . . . "

"I pray yw. lett me know the exceeding good tent. yw. mention now had for Kents lands—that I may apply & have the benefit of so agreeable a paymasr as you seem to mention this new tent to be . . ." Mr. William O'Brien owes £8. 7. 3 for Cahirfadda; asks Sir Edward to direct his agent to enforce payment of this.

3 pp.

535.

20 May 1748.

Edmd. Hogan to Sir Edward O'Brien.

"... I wish you wd. doe me the favour to settle our accts. some day next week, by wch. some parte of our dealing may be upon a clear & satisfactory footing for the future . . . "

2 pp.

536.

4 Mar. 1748/9.

Sir Edward O'Brien to Counsellor William Spaight (at Mt. Pleasant.)

Thanking him for his trouble about Sixmilebridge, "wh. is as nonsensically inhabited as the Antipodes for notwithstanding that all are freeholders yet if they were disposed to complyment their landlord wth. a vote they have it not in their power, but by yr. perseverance . . . I hope we shall be able to new model this town; and if we can

¹ Several other letters of Robert Fitzgerald's deal with this subject.

not make it equall to Westminster, we will to Tumgrany . . . "He wishes Spaight to draw up an advertisement for letting tenements and gardens from the 25th March, "and be sure have an eye to Protestant tents. and the linnen manufacture wch nature designed this town For . . . "A small twomasted vessel, with Mr. Russell as supercargo, has just arrived from France; in a tide or two, she will "come to an anchor or run aground by chance near Nick Mc. Inerhinys—she has choyce old claret some Burgundy and Champagne on board and Mr. Russell will sell it to you or me cheaper than to the mercts at Limerick; or than we can buy it from any Irish merct (but this is entres nous) . . . "

2 pp.

537.

20 Jul. 1749.

James Glascock (from Dublin) to Capt. Harman.

"... the only thing ... desired of Sr. Edward on behalf of Mr. Nesbitt was to waive his parliamentary priviledge wch sure is not an unreasonable demand if Mr. Nesbitt be to stop proceedings while priviledge is out ..." He asks for Harman's good offices with Sir Edward, who may not realise how serious the position is: not a penny has been paid towards Mr. Hull's interest during the last two years, and he (Hull) has now taken a judgment in ejection against the whole estate.

2 pp.

538.

c. 1749.

Sir Edward O'Brien to Counsellor William Spaight.

He is resolvd to quit Parliament, not merely for this session but for the rest of his life, "for there is so much villainy going forward in Dublin . . . and if I were my own master . . . I never wd spend . . . another week in a kingdom bought and sold where all confidence between man and man, and all publick faith, is brought to an end . . . "

4 pp.

539.

4 July 1751.

Richard Hull ¹ (from Johnstown) to Sir Edward O'Brien.

Asking for a remittance larger than the one just sent. "... you know I have stood in the gap to make things easy to you, don't let me therefore be a sufferer now for former acts of friendship . . . "

¹ In the following year Sir Edward owed Hull £13,763. 7. 6. principal and £5,013. 15. 0. interest.

I Feb. 1752.

Jane Cooper (from Newmarket) to the same (in Dublin.)

Proposing to give 15/- a year for that part of Rathfolan held by Mr. Wilson, or 12/- for that part which Conr. Egan holds. Wants a lease for her own life only, "wch. cannot be long".

1 p.

541.

12 Nov. 1752.

Michl. Bane (from Dromoland) to Miss Mary McNemara (at Sixmilebridge.)

"Madam. Sir Edwd. desired if the bearr. did not overtake the post man in town that yu, wd. instantly send a man & horse away with the lettrs. to Limk., as they are of great consequence . . . " $1 \not p$.

542.

21 Mar. 1754.

Counsellor D. McNamara (from London) to Sir Edward O'Brien. Concerning his attempts to raise money for Sir Edward, and the Blatherwick estate accounts. Continues, "the usual toast here . . . is that the spirit of the Irish parliamt. may be infused in the next British one. A remarkable instance, it being the first time that my countrymen were recommended as patterns of virtue to the inhabitants of this island; but such is the effect of yr. late conduct . . . "

 $3\frac{1}{2}pp.$

543.

22 June 1754.

Same to same.

About getting Mr. George FitzGerald to go security for the payment of interest to the Assurance Company. Regrets that he may not be acceptable, "for since the late storms that have occasioned such a general havoc here, credit is at a very low ebb, there being a general distrust of persons in trade of his relligion . . ." Mentions a search made among Mr. Gawan's papers, revealing "a testamentary one . . . of a very extraordinary nature . . . he appoints James [Touchet], Earl of Castlehaven (who happened to be dead three years before the will bears date) his sole exr. & devises all the rest & residue of his fortune to the poor. It is a matter of some doubt whether this will can be considered as a legal testamentary disposition . . . "

3 pp.

¹ It was in this year that James Fitzgerald, 20th Earl of Kildare (afterwards 1st Duke of Leinster) made his successful protest to George II, securing the recall of the Duke of Dorset and his replacement as Lord Lieutenant by the Marquis of Hartington.

2 July 1754.

Rich. fz Gerald (from London) to the same.

Concerning Sir Edward' son, "the prettyest young gentleman I've seen come from his country . . . the least addicted to vice (as farr as I can see), of the least levity, and the greatest knowledge of the world . . . " [The rest of the letter is about the O'Briens of Blatherwyck.]

5 pp.

545.

10 July 1754.

[William O'Brien, 4th] Earl of Inchiquin (from Dublin) to Lady O'Brien (at Dromoland, by Sixmilebridge.)

He wishes, in spite of the illtreatment he has received from Sir Edward, to do "a kind of justice to your familly who failing of issue male in my brothers sons may become perhaps Barons of Inchiquin¹"; and therefore asks for the Christian names of all her sons, so that they may be inserted in the settlement of his estate.

1 p.

546.

31 Dec. 1754.

Counsellor D. Macnamara to Sir Edward O'Brien.

Concerning Mr. Macnamara of Moyriesk's affair with Lysaght. Regrets that "our county is become the seat of discord . . . & some of my friends . . . has deserted their colours . . . "

1 p.

547.

13 Sept. 1755.

Henry Stamer (from Clonmel) to the same.

He has been for the last ten days in camp with his good friend General Bligh ². "... my friend Lord Rothes ³ was not a little disagreeable to the gentlemen in camp, the old soldiers say there was more doing there than they ever felt abroad, dry blows excepted..."

 $1\frac{1}{2} pp.$

548.

6 Mar. 1756.

Counsellor D. Macnamara 4 (from London) to Sir Edward O'Brien.

"Yesterdays packets brought me . . . the agreeable acct. of your being so well recovered from your late indisposition, that this is likely

1 As actually happened in the year 1855.

 5 John Leslie, 9th Earl [1698-1767] Commander-in-chief in Ireland at that date.

² Probably Thomas Bligh of Brittas, Co. Meath, M.P. for Athboy 1715-1775; for whom see D.N.B., vol. II, pp. 1680-1.

⁴There are 12 other letters written by Macnamara to Sir Edward in 1755-6, about raising a sum of £33,000 on a mortgage.

to find you deeply engaged in parliamentary affairs, which will not, I hope, give you half the trouble your brother Milesian has given me, as persons of his rank & great antiquity, especially when framed like him, seldom act or think like the rest of mankind . . . I herewith send yu. Mrs Claytons rect. . . . since eight o clock this morning until this very moment, & it is now almost ten at night, have I been transacting this important business. Mrs. Clayton refered me to her sollicitor, who refered me to her lawyer, who refered me to his employer —so that I have been persecuted to death . . . "

2 pp.

549.

23 Mar. 1756.

Francis Baillie (from Dublin) to Sir Edward O'Brien (at Jocky Hall, near Kilculling Bridge, Co. Kildare.)

Wishes he was in the country, "as there is nothing here but heading, hanging, and imprisoning with a few libels . . . "

1 p.

550.

16 Dec. [17]56.

Willm: Miller (from Prerogative Office), to Sir Edward O'Brien. Reports his having made contact with several Clare freeholders resident in, or passing through Dublin (Messrs. Wrickson, Maurice, Lane, Robt. FitzGerald, and Jack Lysaght.) "... it is said that Major Burton refused being his [Westby's] substitute declareing he has been illtreated ... it is added that Ld. MontCharles 1 will not let Willy Burton accept of the place ..."

4 pp.

551

7 Jan. 1757.

Geo: Stamer (from Carnelly) to the same.

Asks for Sir Edward's good offices in getting him excused the Shrievalty for this year.

1 p.

552

17 Apr. 1757.

Ke: O'Hara (from Dublin) to the same.

"... Mathew Kenedy, the bearer of this Letter, servd me as valet de chambre for five years with uncommon assiduity, honesty, & modest affection ..."

1 p.

 $^{^1}$ Henry Conyngham, 1st Baron Conyngham of Mountcharles and afterwards 1st Earl Conyngham [d. 1781.]

553

29 Apr. 1757.

Richd. Malone (from Dublin) to the same.

Recommending a man who lived several years with Mr. O'Connor, his son in law, "as general manager of his farming and other country affairs, as well as groom & huntsman"; but does not know his qualifications as a park- and gamekeeper.

1 p.

554

3 May 1757.

Francis Pery (from Dublin) to Sir Edward O'Brien.

"... your Letter to Sr. Ralph Gore was delivered to one of his footmen at his house in Sackville street in the evening yesterday at six a clock, with particular directions to deliver it to his master very carefully, the instant he shd return home, he being then somewhere about the town. The other lettr. to Ld. Jocelyn was deld. to the Deputy Auditor Genl. at his countrey lodge in Drumcondra Lane at about 8 the same eveng. He is indisposed & does not attend at the office, but I suppose he took care to put a stet upon the debenture in case it shd. be call'd for . . . I'm truly sorry yu. had not better luck this last meeting . . ."

2 pp.

555

13 May 1757.

Mich. Barrett (from Newhall) to Sir Edward O'Brien (at Millicent, near Naas.)

About a dispute between him and Mrs. Bellew regarding "quitting the mountain" and removing stock. ",... no news in this country nor likely to be hereafter, a general peace having been yesterday concluded at Oliver's by Mr. Mor. O Brien between Ned Hogan, Pierse Creagh, Andw. Creagh, John Mc Nemara, and Davoren—after this what can't Mr. O B. attempt? He is gaining ground here very fast and is truely admired by the whole country, he yesterday morning gave Mr. Watson floo for the poor ..."

Asks Sir Edward to tell Lady O'Brien "her young woulfe dogg thrives fast, and will be as bigg as bustard . . . "

 $I_{\frac{1}{2}}^{1}pp.$

556.

9 July 1757.

[Robert Barnewall, 12th Lord] Trimlestown (from Trimlestown) to Lady O'Brien.

About "Miss O'Brien's complaint". He recommends, in addition to what has been already prescribed, a small table-spoonful of dandelion juice twice a day, with gentle purging twice a week.

1 p.

17 Oct. 1757.

Amb. Harding (from Hermittage) to Francis Pery, attorney (at his house in Hoys Court, Dublin.)

Sends by bearer the papers laid before him in Wilson v. O'Brien; with an abstract of Sir Edward's defence "regularly drawn out by me in one sheet of paper, & a compleat set of direct interogatories with observations & directions in the margent all of my own handwriting—I think it is probable Wilson will not examine this vacation, however . . . I woud have you make a fair copy of the defence and interrogatories & keep them by you . . . " Further instructions given. Asks to be told how Sir Edward "& all his family & espetially the young lady who was ill are . . . "

 $1\frac{1}{2} pp.$

558.

3 Dec. 1757.

T. (?) Grady (from London) to Sir Edward O'Brien (at the Parliament House, Dublin.

About "yr. friend Derby" (Grady's son) who is about to go to India, having obtained a licence from the Directors of the H.E.I.C. to trade to all settlements there.

5 pp.

559.

4 Jan. 1758.

Francis Pery (from Dublin) to the same (at Dromoland.)

"... I begg leave herein to trouble you with my bills of cost" from Hilary 1754 to Michaelmas 1757—total £144. 7. 6., less credit for £38. 19. Payment of the balance "wd. be doing me the greatest piece of service & kindness as I owe near that sum ... to Mr. Wil. Quin ..."

2 pp.

560.

3 Feb. 1758.

Geo: Clanchy to the same.

He has lost over $f_{2,000}$ in stock and farms. Reminds Sir Edward of his kind offer to do something for "my son Johnny this Parliament winter . . . "; and asks him to remind Mr. Ned O'Brien (if he is to be Sheriff) not to grant any special warrants.

 $1\frac{1}{2}pp.$

561.

14 Feb. 1758.

James Anderson (from Dromoland) to Sir Edward O'Brien (in Dublin.)

"...the two borders for the standard cherreys are nearly finished...I greatly suspect some foul dealings with the cyder I made last year..." Complains of shortage of labour for the kitchen garden and of the high price of seeds.

 $2\frac{1}{2} pp.$

562.

13 Oct. 1758.

[William O'Brien, 4th] Earl of Inchiquin (from Rostellan) to the same or to Lucius O'Brien.

"... Let Sr. Edward look on his rent roll & he will see what prodigious bargains Sr. Donat got from my father, rather estates than farms ..." Not wishing to wrong his own successor, he declines Sir Edward's offer for Tarman; he cannot, by settlement, grant a lease for longer than three lives or 31 years, but he will let Sir Edward have it at two-thirds the value of what lands of equal quality pay, the bounds being first ascertained and mapped.

3 pp.

563.

21 [] 1758.

Donough O'Brien to Sir Edward O'Brien (at Jockey Hall, near

Kilcullinbridge, by Clonmel bag.)

"... the yeughs only got here a day or two before, they are all now well in ground ... the men are now removeing the fir trees from the hill into Peters park ..." Is surprised at the accounts reaching his father of his being often away; he has not been in Limerick, "one of the most disagreable places in the world" more than three times in the last twelvemonth.

2 pp.

564.

9 June 1759.

J. Phelan (from Dublin) to the same.

About "Mr. Gibson the gardner . . . a servt. of great creditt & reputation in his sphere . . . he choses to serve you before any other nobleman in the kingdom . . . "

1 p.

565.

9 June 1759.

Wm. Gibson (from Dublin) to the same.

He had from Mr. Stewart £30 a year besides some allowances; left at his own request. He was 8 years with Lord Kildare and 4½ with Mr. Stewart, "which is all since leaving England".

1 p.

14 Jul. 1759.

Francis Pery (from Dublin) to Charles Spaight.

"... I have the pleasure of informing you that after argueing the excepcns &c in the cause of Jas Wilson, agt Sr. Ed (in which Mr. Lucius o Brien took uncommon trouble . . .) Mr. Baron Mountney reported in favr of the ansrs. . . .

We have obtained a month's time for bringing in the deed confessed by Sr. Ed in his ansr. to Lady Dunn's bill . . . "

1 p., incomplete.

567.

25 Jul. 1759.

[] (from Sixmilebridge) to [] Concerning Mr. Burke's "observations" on the woods at Sixmilebridge. The writer has employed John Molony "to whom I gave a horse of my own" to go with him and take down his valuation.

2 pp., incomplete.

568.

28 July 1759.

Edmd. Sexton ¹ (from Limerick) to Sir Edward O'Brien (at Dromoland.)

He is sending, by Mal. McMahon, carrier, II dozen of claret (price, with 12 dozen previously sent, £22.15.) and a "cag" of brandy (price £2. 6. $4\frac{1}{2}$.) "Pray pay the carrier for his hire 4s. 4d."

1 p.

569.

9 Oct. 1759.

D. Fitzgerald (from Cork) to Sir Edward O'Brien.

He has just received a letter with some pineapple slips from Mr. James Hussey the younger of Montserrat, who desires (by order of Mr. Macnamara of London) that he should forward them to Sir Edward. He will do this by the first Limerick courier, c/o Mr. Edwd. Sexton.

2 pp.

570.

21 Oct. 1759.

[Thomas Gorman (from Paris) to Maréchal Thomond.]

"My Lord-

several letters from Ireland give an account that the Lady Lismore is making all interest to prove, *per fas et nefas*, her chimerical origin from your ancestors. The Bishop of Cloyne ² is very ungraciously

² John O'Brien, Bishop 1748 to 1769.

¹ There are 10 other letters written to Sir Edward by Sexton (about orders for wine and glass) and Francis Pery (about legal affairs); 1756 to 1762.

at the head. As she has wilv contrived to make one Burke, a frvar. Bishop of Ossory she will get from our country any pamphlets shell call for. This Burke, a boistering bold fellow, was the man who acted near Hawkins, Herald at arms, who is generally employed for translating all old Latin acts in regard of familys, because, being formerly a schoolmaster he is routined that way. She made Ossory be kept vacant over a year untill she got from that Burke every thing In short its now whispered all over Ireland that any person that will be contrary to her pretensions may lay aside all hopes of ever being a Bishop in the country during this King's life, and all who sign or act for her will be openly protected. of Ossory has gotten a pension besides his bishoprick, to spread this all over the kingdom; the few insignificant persons who have signed al ready were lured into it under a pretext of obliging our King and doing the country an honour. The people of Kilkenny are very sorry to see M. Hawkin's under secretary their Bishop, and more to perceive the little notice His Majesty has taken of the recommendations given in favour of other guest (?) subjects on that head. of Cambraye is solliciting tooth and nail the affair; tis a great pity our King and that prelate should be made instruments to the petulant pretentions of Lady Lismore whose grandfather Tyge was a bastard and follower of the name that's well known; and if yr. lordship writes or gets people to write to Munster, all the Catholique nobility there The Bishop of Cloyne is laughed will refute her absurd pretentions. at, and Burk of Ossory reflected on publickly; he was not cunning enough to keep his affair secret. Kennedy the priest's relations say that their cousin gave Hawkins 200 guineas and 25 to this Burke, who was then a simple fryar. 'Tis Mr. Kennedy, the priest of the house of Lombard, is the man that went to Ireland for the proofs since he came back he is her and the Bishop of Cambrays chaplain has her table and a benefice in Notre Dame of 1,200 ll., and boasts that the first vacancy in Ireland will be for him. So our King's authority, interest, & favours are all sacrificed to Made. Lismore's views, who has sent all recommendations to Rome to make Kennedy, her actual chaplain and commissioner, Bishop of Limerick. 1 Heavens, is it possible our King shoud be so imposed on. If she succeeds. she'll destroy the country. As she now finds that Kennedy, her commissioner to Ireland, can't take because he has been represented in a proper light to Cardinal Corsini; she undertakes to make one Maccanna, vic: general to the Bishop of Cloyne, her entirely devoted, who along with sayd Bishop, would sign the alcoran to please her. Some of the most noteable clergy of Munster have wrote to Car: Corsini on that head; and sure, my Lord, you can twart her pretentions."

Сору, 21 рр.

¹ Daniel O'Kearney was provided to Limerick in the following month,

I Jan. 1760.

Sir Edward O'Brien to Lord Inchiquin.

His fourth daughter Kitty will be married next Sunday to his neighbour and kinsman Mr. Mc Donel. He has taken a little house in Dublin for the remainder of the winter and spring, as long as the session lasts, "And where I must be upon Harry Hamilton's brother's election for Derry"; and will then wait upon Lord Inchiquin. "... I never entertained a thought of Keeping yr. land an hour from you, wn. it was in my power to give it up ..."

Сору, 2 рр.

572.

21 Jan. 1760.

Jams. Butler [Archbishop of Cashel] (from Thurles)to []. He has no personal acquaintance with Lord Lismore, his wife, his father, or his son.

1 p.

573.

May 1760.

Sir Edward O'Brien to Maréchal Thomond.

He sent a friend to Dr. O'Mara "titular Bishop of this diocese of Killaloe, who is a gentleman born, and, I am informed, a man of worth and honour, to beg he wd. inform me wt. he knew of Lord Lismore's Family and wt. his real name was". The Bishop replied that some called him Brin and others Brian; that Lord Lismore called himself O'Brien, and had got a pedigree making him an O'Brien from Hawkins, King of Arms; that this pedigree was sent back from abroad to many of the titular Bishops and clergy to sign, but that he himself refused to sign it "because he did not believe the pedigree . . ." The Bishop also repeated the story of the pike, which he had on good authority, both abroad and in Ireland.

There are three officers of Maréchal Thomond's regiment—two retired and one still serving—Donough, Turlough, and Chas. O'Brien, who all served under "this Colonel O'Brien" during the Maréchal's minority. They are the most likely people to "put me upon the proper scent to find out the truth of this genealogy".

Сору, 2 рр.

574.

15 July 1760.

Lucius O'Brien (from Dublin) to Lord Inchiquin.

Asking for his interest to secure the succession, on the death of Mr. David Bindon, to the vacancy among the burgesses of Ennis (?) and to the vacant seat in Parliament. He promises, if elected, to

act "as becomes an honest man & a friend to Ireland . . . allso . . . like a friend & advocate for your Lordships interest in the county of Clare . . . ". Encloses a copy [not preserved] of resolutions passed at a recent meeting of the gentry of Co. Clare.

 $1\frac{1}{2}pp.$

575.

22 July 1760.

Same to same.

Major Burton and Mr. George Stamer have declared themselves candidates against him. "If I might presume to call on your Lordship so far" Mr. Sam Bindon's vote might secure him a majority. $I_{\frac{1}{2}}^{1}pp$.

576.

8 Nov. 1760.

Sir Edward O'Brien to Counsellor Spaight.

Since hearing of the King's death, he has not been able to mind any business "except wt. tends to elections wh. has tyed me down to this chair and table this week past from morning to night . . . " 2 pp.

577.

11 Nov. 1760.

D. FitzGerald (from Cork) to Sir Edward O'Brien (at Dromoland.)

"... I do not see how we can serve our noble friend, but by your getting a certificate signed by the principal people in yr. county, setting forth the real fact & that as the Co. Clare was the native co. of yt. family, no one should doubt the veracity of it, & to sett forth that a certificate signed by the people here should not be relyed on, as thay are all strangers to the O Bryens, & were prevailed on by Lismore's relations who swarm here ..." The certificate should be signed by as many O'Briens, and by as many of "my clergy", as can be found; Sir Edward and the principal gentlemen should also seal it. "... Sir Jo. Freke Newenham & Hely are our candidates. I believe it is hard to say how the election will go ..."

11 pp.

578.

11 Dec. 1760.

Capt. Charles O'Brien, late of Lord Thomond's regiment (from Landrecy) to Maréchal Thomond.

Col. O'Brien "declared himself to be of the family of Tarikeen in the county of Cork, and said . . . he was an honest man, tho' not of Thomond or Clare . . . "

Сору, 1 р.

15 Dec. 1760.

Capt. Terence O'Brien, late of the same regiment (from Boulogne) to the same.

He has never heard of Lord Lismore's claim to be an O'Brien; "I am convinced he has no more right to be an O Brien than Wyndham O Brien, who is in possession of your lordships estate". The Carrogogunal O'Briens would never allow Maj.-Gen. O'Brien to be descended from them; "when I was in the regiment he always signed Bryan . . . "

Сору, 2 рр.

580.

24 Dec. 1760.

Statement of the Earl of Inchiquin.

He has never heard of Col. James Daniel O'Brien, called Lord Lismore, being descended from any branch of the Thomond or Inchiquin families. He believes his real name to be O'Bryan, of a family in the Cos. Cork and Limerick.

Copy, 11 pp.

581.

24 Dec. 1760.

Maréchal Thomond (from Montpellier) to Sir Edward O'Brien.

Thanks him for his good offices, and awaits with impatience the certificate "and your refutation of Lady Lismore's impertinent imputation, when she says you give fables for truth".

21 pp.

582.

8 Jan. 1761.

Francis Pery (from Dublin) to Sir Edward O'Brien (at Dromoland.)
Concerning "the old cause agt. you" in which Mr. Burke is now acting for Mr. Edward Wilson. "... the names retd. as comrs. are Garratt FitzGerald Jerom Cloran Richd. Gregg & Phil. Stacpoole.
... I wish you many happy New years & am very respectfully ... "

1½ pp.

583.

15 Jan. 1761.

Memorandum about enquiries made for Sir Edward O'Brien at Killgoury, Co. Clare, the seat of Donat ô Callaghan, esq.

Patrick Callaghan, an old gardener, knows of Bryns who came from Co. Cork; and has heard that "Moro Picky was the country man & that he went a brod young & was maryd to Julan Callaghan of Rule, one of his Masters family". Mr. Dennis Callaghan of Lisscollane near Killgoury has often heard that Col. "Morro Picky otherwise O Brien" was born near Tulla, Co. Cork, where his three immediate forbears lived. They had some patrimony on the Blackwater, not far from Castlelyons. He refers Sir Edward for further particulars to John Crotty, living near Lismore.

Counsellor Danl. Mc Nemara, who was in France in 1738 and saw the Colonel, always took him for one of the Bryns of Co. Cork.

"... This is all I can learn from any of the old people in the parro. of Tulla who were Transplanted out of the Co. Cork at the time that Mr. ô Callaghans family came to Killgory; I am of oppinion that Mr. ô Callaghans family & followers will not willingly lessen the name & character of Lord Lissmore whose father was marryed to their relation Julian Callaghan in manner aforesd".

 $1\frac{1}{2}pp.$

584.

22 Jan. 1761.

Certificate of Oliver Stephens of Ennis, merchant.

About 42 years ago he was at the house of Mr. Danl. O'Brien at Dromaclogher, Co. Cork (on the borders of Co. Limerick.) The said O'Brien was then married to one of the Meedys alias Meads, by whom he had two daughters living, but no son; and was reputed by the gentlemen of Co. Limerick to be the true heir of O'Brien of Carrigogonell, Co. Limerick. Further particulars can be had from Dr. Antle [Anketell] (?) in Limerick; from Richard Stephenson of Ballyrohane, near Ardagh, Co. Limerick; from Mr. Bryan Sheehy of the same; and from several other neighbours.

1 p.; not signed.

585.

23 Jan 1761.

Maréchal Thomond to Sir Edward O'Brien.

What Capt. Terence O'Brien says about the Archbishop of Cambrai is a piece of malice; "the poor wretch is intierly preposed [prepossessed] (?) by her. She has ruined his fortune and revenue, that is immense; she had not a penny, when I saw her a little girl following my regt., where her father was a poor Captain reformed, and a drunken indifferent subject. She is now in the greatest opulence and impertinent gaudiness . . . "

21 pp.

586.

27 Jan. 1761.

Pat: Hicky to Sir Edward O'Brien (?).

It is impossible to do anything about Ned Wilson's suit "for want of the pleadings & papers which I laid before . . . Mr. Harding near three years ago for the purpose of drawing this self same cross bill "

11 pp.

7 Feb 1761.

Dr. Richard Anketell (from Limerick) to Sir Edward O'Brien.

He would do anything in his power to serve the Maréchal, "who to be sure acts on good principles; he is above acting from prejudice". He lost a very good friend in Mr Fitzgerald of Glin, who was "very intelligent in the history of our ancient nobility and gentry". His mother's father and seven of his uncles were involved in "the troubles of 'em days . . . I can't then but love Milesians, and have a most particular one for yu dr. Sir Edward . . . "

3 pp.

588.

22 Feb. 1761.

Maréchal Thomond (from Monpellier) to Sir Edward O'Brien.

"... I am extreamly mortified to have trobled you with a very large endeed [sic] butt not so far as considerable as those our post in this country carry, and which I daily receive; butt what grieves me to the last degree is the anxiety it putt you in, and the apprehension it gave you of being trobled or suspected by the government as having prohibited correspondances . . . " having put his affairs in the hands of Counsellor Robert Fitzgerald in Dublin; "he is a gentleman I know personally. I had formerly some of his near relations in my regt. . . . I am not surprized at the titular Bishops of Ireland are for Lady Lismore . . . interest always prevails, even with those that pretend to saintity". think himself to be as obnoxious to the English government as Sir Edward imagines; he is daily meeting "Dutchess Hamilton" and her husband, M. Craggs, M.P., and M. Crester (who is known to Lord Inchiquin); met the Duke of Marlborough and his brother when they were last in Paris.

31 pp.

589.

4 Mar. 1761.

Same to same.

Asking Sir Edward to get a sight of, and to have an attested copy made of a pedigree which about three years previously Dr. Gorman saw in the house of the late Bryan O'Brien of Corbal lé [sic], Co. Clare. This made no mention of Col. O'Brien or of his father Morrough, surnamed the Pike, or even of any O'Briens settled in or near Lismore.

2 pp.

13 Mar. 1761.

Same (from Monpellier) to same.1

"... I see, what I forsaw, that Lady Lismore's intrigues have been effectual with many people who deny to you now what they have said before ..."

Сору, 2 рр.

591.

9 Jul. 1761.

Wm. Spaight (from Sixmilebridge) to Giles Vandelure (at Rathlahine.)

Begins, "Dr. Giles"; ends, "Dr. Giles yours sincerely".

"As Sr. Edward . . . has been pleased to accuse me of what he calls depredations, and . . . the bane and destruction of this town, I think it proper . . . to endeavour to exculpate my self . . . the late Mathew Hickie and his son John were concerned in the managemt, of this town and in the receit of the rents thereof, from the death of Sr. Donat o Brian in . . 1717 untill the death of John Hickie in 1748 . . I do not find . . . dureing all that period . . . any houses built here except one built by Lott Mc Nemara, another by Tom Healy, a third by Tom Mc Gloskey, and a fourth by Mathew Hickie the youngr.; . . . cn the contrary several houses . . . built before, were suffered to run to wreck and particularly the house I now live in, . . . for that reason vulgarly called Castleragg. after the death of John Hickie, Sr. Edward who was then pleased to have some confidence in me, desired I woud look into the state of this town, and not being supplyed with any papers . . . nor been able to get any information from the representatives of John Hickie, I was obliged to go to every house . . . and to every landholder, to enquire . . . what lease they had, and what rents they paid, and after four or five days attendance . . . I drew a state of Sixmilebridge on five sheets of paper in seven columns . . . with a wide column containing such observations as I was then able to make, these papers I soon after laid before Sr. Edward, and he was pleased to approve . . . and desired that I would continue to do the best I coud for . . . this place. I thought the first and most materiall thing to be looked into, was . . . how the accounts stood with respect to the rent payable to Lord Thomond, whose agent the late Mr. Hogan then was, who informed me that there was an arrear . . . of above froot due, and swore, as I believed he had no great regard for Sr. Edward, that he would depopulate the place. I knew his temper very well, and tho' he was subject to passions, yet, that when he cool'd he woud listen to reason, so, I lett his first flurry subside, and then asked him, if he should depopulate the town in one year, where would Lord Thomond

^{1&}quot; The original of this letter is with the Kt. of Kerry"; note in the handwriting of Hon. Edward O'Brien. [1839-1900], afterwards 14th Lord Inchiquin.

After a good deal of reasoning . . . I brought get his rent the next. him to agree, if the rents thereafter . . . should be punctually paid, that he would not distress any of the inhabitants for the arrear. when . . . Mr. Knox succeeded him, I thought proper to apply to the latter, . . . and prevailed on him to do as Mr. Hogan had promised. This quieted the minds of the inhabitants . . . and putt them on thinking of improveing their . . . holdings, and accordingly several houses were in a short time . . . built . . . upon a moderate computation, the sums laid out . . . amount to . . . one thousand nine hundred and eighty nine pounds, and I am sure that more has been expended . . . I can make it appear, that exclusive of the freeholds which Sr. Edwd. has granted . . . the rents . . . have been Increased above thirty pounds yearly under my management . . . " As to the "heavy charge" against him of getting more into arrears every day, not only for his own house, but for other tenements for which he is said to receive the rent "from the poor ignorant, miserable undertenants", Sir Edward has had his information on this head from Patrick Hickie, who got one of his sons to make out an account in which there appeared double charges against the writer. does not believe that he has had 40/- in all from his own undertenants; "but I must say that the butcher, barber &c have served me in their several occupations . . . I coud say a great deal more on those affairs but I think this letter already too long so shall conclude . . . " 2 pp.

592.

20 Sept. 1761.

Maréchale Thomond (from Pignan, near Montpellier) to the same. Acquainting him of the death of her husband on September 9th, and of her having been brought to bed of a second son on August 20th. "... Je reste veuve, chargée de trois enfans, dans un age ou à peine les lois nous donnent la liberté d'agir. Le Roi... m'a gratifié de 8,000 ll. de pension revercible à mes trois enfans... a accordé à mon fils ainé le regemment de mon mari, en nommant M. Fitz Gerald brigadier et colonel, agrégé à la suite de ce corps, pour le commander jusque ce que cet enfant... soit en état de le conduire..." Asks for Sir Edward's help in the suit pending against Lady Lismore "et sa clique... elle met tout en usage pour augmenter la nombre de ses judiques partisans... je me flatte que vous voudrez bien y contribuer partoutes les pièces qu'il vous sera possible de me procurer sur cet objet..."

Сору, 4 рр.

593.

25 Sept. 1761.

Thomas O'Gorman, on behalf of the Countess of Breteuil, sister of Maréchal Thomond (from Paris) to the same.

"... by perusing this long letter with due attention, you'l clearly see, Sir, the great importance of this affair, wherefore I shall repeat nothing in this but what meerly concerns you.

The Marshal, a few days before his death, did me the honour to communicate to me your letter to him of June last relative to the old manuscript belonging to the widow of Brian O Brien in Ennis. wherein you mentioned it was not at all equal to the portrait I have given thereof to his Lordship; that it was an old tattered dirty paper without beginning or end, or any attestation of either King at Arms or any other person; in short, that . . . it was not worth taking of the ground, notwithstanding its state of imperfection. opinion, and so is the Marshals counsel, that it may be very useful, if it were no more than to confront & compare it with many other instruments . . . discovered by Messrs FitzGerald and Lodge in the Rolls Office . . . Mr Woulfe shewed me all the papers he had relative to his wife, and had no account of her family but by her mother side, who is descended from the house of Bealaconrick & consequently cant answer our purpose, wherefore the Countess of Breteuil earnestly intreats you, Sir, to prevail on the widow O Brien to give you this Manuscript and send it her by some sure hand to France.

You wrote his Lordship . . . that you had taken a great deal of pains . . . to reduce into a proper form . . . such an attestation as would explain your sentiments on the pretensions of the Lismore family . . . and . . . had a vast difficulty to procure some signatures on bottom, the whole country being so prejudiced against the Marshals proceedings and intentions, give me leave to tell you . . . that it was quite useless . . . to take such trouble . . . all certificates for and against the Lismore pretensions can be of no great weight in France & even in Ireland, according to several opinions & consultations brought from thence by the little priest Kennedy, & signed by Philip Tisdale, esq., attorney general; Francis Naughton Sullivan, esq.; Simon Bradstreet, esq.; John Fitzgibbon, esq.; Anthony Malone, esq.; and George Hays, solicitor general . . . Messrs FitzGerald & Lodge have discovered many important ones; there is question only of encouraging them in their laborious searches. The Marshal's family will pay all expenses in proportion to the great interest they have to vindicate the honour of his Lordships memory.

The little priest Kennedy brought a great many frivolous certificates . . . from Ireland with the following names . . . Arthur Hyde of Castle Hyde, Member of the late House of Commons for the county of Cork; Abraham Devonsher, Member for the borough of Rathcormuck in the same house . . .; Michael McNamara, antiquarian of the county of Clare (I fancy the lay brother of Quin); Richard FitzGerald of Castlehinn; Gerald Gould of Knock rab; Patrick Sarsfield of Johnstown; John Crotty of Balligallane in the county

of Waterford near Lismore; Thomas Barry of Dringfield, & many others. The Countess . . . is very much surprised that gentlemen of such noted names & singular merit should let themselves be so far blindfolded . . . by the insinuations . . . of the titular Bishop of Cloyne as to give you, Sir, and my Lord Inchiquin the lie so formally in affirming . . . that the branch of Carrigogunel exists still and that the Lismores are truly descended from that ancient house.

Mr. Christopher O Brien of Ballaconrick, whom I knew in Ireland & who, I am told, is dead since the beginning of summer, is of the number of the subscribers, with many more of the name . . . but I am of opinion that they have been easily induced to such an act of compliance through the many artful . . . insinuations of the cabal . . . The Countess . . . is vastly more surprised and, I likewise to see an attestation given by Mr O Callaghan of Kilgorry, acknowledging Julian O Callaghan, grandmother of the young Lismore, to be his relation notwithstanding the express account you give of her . . .

Among the . . . certificates . . . many make mention of an old manuscript of Hugh Mac Curtin, containing a compleat genealogy of the O Brien family . . . that in page 58 . . . the pedigree of the pretended branch of the Lismores is entirely conformable to the one printed in France contrary to the authentic papers sent Marshal Thomond from the rolls office by FitzGerald & Lodge. If so, Mac Curtin made this addition during his stay in Paris, in 1735 or thereabouts, at the instigations of the late Lord Lismore, then intriguing for preferments. The Countess . . . earnestly wishes you could send her this manuscript . . .

In short the Lismores have printed at the head of their certificates two pieces which seem strange to the Countess . . . a letter wrote you, the 11th of June last, from Chiswick near London, by Major James MacCullogh, wherein he firmly sustains he never told or could have told you that his predecessor Hawkins had no other authority to grant a pedigree to the young Lismore but the dirty certificate you met with in the Heraldry office in May 1760; and that he employed no gentleman or secretary in his office but Mr. Winstanly, who is his deputy or representative. The other is an affidavit sworn by Edward Whitton, gentleman, in Dublin and formerly Clerk or first secretary to the late Hawkins in the office. He swears . . . he was present when Hawkins was paid for the pedigree he granted the young Lismore . . . perfectly remembers Hawkins received no more for this . . . than was usually paid for the same number of descents that the gentleman who paid him never spoke a word to Hawkins but in his presence; and that the gentleman who called for the pedigree produced a historical plan, which served only to facilitate the searches & enquiries of Hawkins . . . whereas it differs very much from the Heralds registry, as may be seen by comparing this historical plan with the monuments [sic] . . . in Mr Mac Cullaghs

or his deputys hands. The Countess . . . earnestly requests you'l mark her your sentiments . . . on these facts & on a letter of counsellor Francis Noughten O Sullivan, wherein he asserts that counsellor Lucius O Brien, your eldest son, disapproved highly of the Marshals opposition to the Lismores, but that they had been so prepossessed & so partial in his favor, that there was no manner . . . of bringing them to a neutrality . . .

You should not be in the least surprised, Sir, that Marshal Thomond had published the confident letter you wrote him . . . certainly no man will ever call you to an account for a family quarell, which the Marshal never intended to render national, much less an affair that may prove in the least dangerous or fatal to his countrymen, as his antagonists endeavour to engage the whole Irish nation against him.

. . . I have omitted, Sir, a very important circumstance which it is very proper you should be informed of. The Lismores have inserted in their new memorial that the little priest Kennedy is ready to depose on oath that he went to Dromoland, along with your friends Messrs Macnamara of Cratilow or Moreisk & Ryan of Ballivistia, whom you have received . . . that you absolutely refused to see or receive him, protesting that Marshal Thomond has forbid you absolutely to see or speak to him . . . this seems to be much of a piece with their usual fictions and lies . . . I have not met with Mr Macnamaras name at the foot of any of the certificates brought lately by . . . Kennedy; but I have seen one, signed by one John Ryan, who, strongly affirms to have known Major General Morrough O Brien father of the late Colonel O Brien, and grandfather of the young Lord Lismore; that he was always looked upon as a lawful O Brien of the Branch of Carrogogunel, and that he, the said Ryan, is convinced Mr. Edmond FitzGerald of Glyn attests the real existence of a pretended head of the branch of Carrigogunel, & calls him his relation, which seems entirely strange to me after seeing the papers discovered by Mr. Lodge . . . on the testimony of so many honest & virtuous men who have signed them, Marshal Thomonds family will be obliged to you for your opinion on these heads . . .

In fine, Sir, the Lismores advance in their new memorial that Dr. O Mara, titular Bishop of Killaloe . . . absolutely denies & disavows all the facts you alledged to him, & that he has been ever so stomached at such empeachments that in the first commotion or agitation of his passion he offered to contradict them formally under hand & seal, . . . he reflected a little and considered that his rank of Roman Catholic Bishop would expose him to the persecution of the government, & that he had strong reason to dread your wrath & indignation, being a neighbour, a protestant, & a member of Parliament, whose estate was situated in the heart of his diocese; but authorized Kennedy to publish everywhere his abjuration of the

like imposture . . . if it be false . . . they entreat you most ardently to get it revoked or contradicted by a legal act or declaration of Doctor O Mara, if possible before a Justice of peace or notary public or apostolic. I take the liberty, Sir, of repeating to you once more, in Marshal Thomonds familys name, to be very precise & categorical in your answer to this letter. I request likewise you'l be kind enough to cancel my name, & never make the least mention of the author of this letter, for the inveterate malice of those people would pursue me to my grave & twart me on every occasion.

Sir.

I prayed Mr. O Gorman to write you, sir, this long letter in my name & I approve all the contents thereof. Accept the mournful compliments & sincere wishes of

your most humble & obedient servant Laura O Brien, countess Dowager of Breteuil".

Сору, 12 рр.

594.

25 Sept. 1761.

Thomas O'Gorman to Robert FitzGerald.

Asks that he and Mr. Lodge will continue their researches on behalf of the late Maréchal's family. *Continues*, "... the six consultations & opinions I made mention of ... assure & affirm that, according to the laws of Ireland, there is no court of Justice or tribunal in that kingdom for discussing of genealogies, but where a title of peerage may offer or a patrimonial estate or legacy. Is this true?

Major MacCullogh gave a certificate, dated at Dublin the 24th of March last, affirming that, as the authority he has in quality of Ulster King at Arms for granting & certifying the genealogies of Irish families is immediately from his Britannic Majesty, there is no court or tribunal in the three kingdoms can anul any genealogy of his given or certified, or even make him produce his acts or examine his office. Is this pretension well grounded? Or is it equivocal only? . . .

Mr. Lodge probably knows that, in 1543, the historian Richard Cox doubts whether Donough, 2d Earl of Thomond, was nephew or bastard son to Murrough the first Earl, from whom sprang my Lord Inchiquin & Sir Edward O Briens family. The Lismores did not fail citing this passage . . . to degrade Marshal Thomond as much as they could in this country . . .

Among the subscribers to the new certificates I make mention of . . . is one who stiles himself Teige O Brien of Graige of Grainseagh & Thanist of Carrogogunel. The family is very much surprised at this qualification . . . & woud wish to know why a man should dare, in the face of all Ireland, to assume a quality so formally contradicted

. . . by the many pieces discovered by Mr. Lodge. As soon as these certificates are sent to Ireland, Mr. Lodge will be prayed to examine, with great care who these people are who sign themselves O Brien with the addition of Cuonagh, Arrha, & many others."

Asks for Mr. Lodge's interest in collecting authentic copies of all the acts that he can find concerning the writer's family, originally O'Gorman, settled in the barony of Sliev-Margie, Queens Co.; their lands in Co. Clare (except for those of O'Gorman of Drimelie, who reclaimed his) were forfeited in the late revolution. "I am of the first branch (Cahir Morrague) and have several younger brothers still in Ireland. Thomas Gorman of Inchiquin, my grandfather died in October 1754, and his will of the same date is on record. My father, Matthew O'Gorman, left us orphans 14 years before, & I am but 28 at present . . .

I had the honor of being well known and, I dare say, loved & considered by this worthy & virtuous lord, who knew I had that of belonging to him & to Sir Edward O Brien through different channels

P.S.¹ "... the counsel of the Marechal ... prefers him to know of Sir Edward ... if it is not possible to begin a lawsuit in Ireland to examine periodically & verify the authority on which the young Lismore pedigree was constructed & certified. The Marechal ... always answered him that Sir Edward O Brien assured him that ... all the courts of justice ceased at the death of the King, & dont plead till after the meeting of the first Parliament immediately after the coronation of his successor; and that in the interval its absolutely impossible to begin a civil lawsuit. In October 1757 the Marechal of Thomond received a letter that said that Thaddy, grandfather to the Lady Lismore, was a bastard of the house of Thomond, without mentioning who was his father; be so good as to inform yourself if there be any grounds for this".

Сору, 8 рр.

595.

6 Nov. 1761.

Pat: Hicky (from Drim) to Sir Edward O'Brien (at the Parliament House, Dublin.)

Begins, "Sr"; ends, "yr. Honrs. Most obedt. servt".

"I went to Sixmilebridge last thursday, hearing that Mr. Vandelure, and young Spaight waited upon yu. last Saturday, & no way to the purpose of settleing as Mr. Vandelure told yu. at Ahsollas . . . haue discovered that young Spaight is endeavouring to get twelue pounds to pay out of the dwelling house & ground backward, thinking that is all the rent & arreres it owes, & to tender that sum before an ejectmt. was serued, not regarding Any Arreres . . . due out of the

¹ Added by the Countess of Breteuil.

rest of his fathers holdings, I spoke to the father abt. the whole matter and could get no direct answer, but was privately told that he called to some of his undertents. for the last Michs. gale, to prevent wch. I got all his undertents. serued wth. notice . . . to pay me the last March & Michs. gales, and upon their neglect . . . haue directed them to be distrained. This lease that is charged wth Arrere by his Accot. comes to £89: 2: 6 are [sic] James Mc. Nemara, Laurence Mc. Nemaras house, Kitty mc. Nemaras four tatched cabbins and the two parks, & the houses quiet [sic] out of repayr, & took away a large backside, & some ground that belonged to James mc. Nemaras house, & built some of his outoffices upon it . . . " He estimates the total arrears due out of Sixmilebridge at £369. 7. 10.

1 p.

596.

[1761.]

Statement of Thos. Justin McCarthy.

"Morrogh O Brien sirnamed of the Pike, as I could hear from Roche's country in the county of Cork, was married to Julian Callaghan of Pale. Those of Pale were followers of Donogh O Callaghan of Kilgory & cheif of that noble name. The son of this Morrogh, his name is Daniel, commonly known by the name of Colonel O Brien in my time in Paris, and, I suppose, married to an officer's daughter in the Irish brigade. Quere of Mr. Dennis Callaghan of Liscullane, who knew much of this affair. I know that the Earl of Thomond who was president of Munster 1 did bestow some men to the White Knight, who called themselves by the name of O Brien, when the White Knight was Provost Martial in Queen Elizabeths reign. And what I know further I'll clear it up to Sir Edward's honour; and what I advance shall be proved & signed by the titular Archbishop [of Cashel], James Butler.

given under my hand Thos. Justin Mc Carthy"

1 p., endorsed, in Sir Edward's handwriting "Mr. Justin Mc Cartys memorandum About Lord Lismore".

597.

[1761-2.]

Instructions for Messrs. Robert FitzGerald and Lodge.

Recommending that some wellknown resident of Dublin should prefer a petition to the Kings Bench for "ce qu'on appelle en France une commission rogatoire".

Copy, $4\frac{1}{2}$ pp.

¹ i.e., Donough O'Brien, 4th Earl (d. 1624.]

23 Jan. 1762.

[Very Rev.] Charls. Massy (from Donass), to Lucius O'Brien, counsellor at law (in Dublin.)

Acknowledges O'Brien's "close attention to the interest of this kingdom in general, & in particular of our city & country . . . "

Encloses copy of a proposal sent to Mr. Southwell for transmission to the Trustees of "the intended navigation canal", which is to pass through Massy's lands and those of his neighbour, Mr. McDonnell (4½ miles in all.). He pays £212 rent to the Earl of Thomond, and will get no abatement (his lease being perpetual); he will lose more than 60 plantation acres, and McDonnell about 20, well worth as many guineas a year, by the making of the canal. Suggests that they both have the nomination of the lock-keepers on their respective lands; that they and their tenants may pass to and from Limerick by canal, in vessels that carry their own goods and property, duty free; and that they may be free to convey water from the canal to any mills they may erect, etc.

2 pp.

599.

8 Apr. 1762.

Declaration of Marie-Géneviève-Louise Gauthier de Chiffreville, widow of Charles O'Brien [6th] Viscount Clare, Maréchal de France.

Appoints the Earl of Inchiquin and Sir Edward O'Brien to act for her against the Lismores, "pour obtenir la proscription de cette prétention chimérique avec une juste et dûe réparation des insultes faites à toutte la maison par ladite famille de Lismore".

4 pp.

600.

16 Apr. 1762.

Maréchale Thomond (from Paris) to Sir Edward O'Brien.

"... a peine venoit il dexpirer que ses indignes adversaires ont redoublés leurs intrigues pour dépouiller ses enfants, noircir sa mémoire et toute sa famille sans exception de vous même ... ni de ses autres vrais parens, et arracher devant mon accablement une victoire que son courage seul leur a disputtes ..."

2 pp.

601.

16 Apr. 1762.

Comtesse de Breteuil to the same.

"... Mr. de Gorman, qui veut bien faire un voyage en Irlande... nous donne... la marque d'amitier la plus sensible... Jose me flatter que vous voudre bien l'aider... de procurer le repos à la veuve et aux orphelins, et aussi à une soeur... personne ne le pourra mieux que vous..."

 $2\frac{1}{2} pp.$

7 May 1762.

David FitzGerald (from Cork) to the same.

He sent yesterday Sir Edward's cask of arrack by carrier to Mr. Edmond Sexton of Limerick; "... this liquor ought to be good, both from its age & birth".

He hopes to send from the Rolls Office "a most authentick proof. to falsifye the pedigree of the Lismore family . . . it is given out in Dublin, by some I will not name, that you have abandoned this affair & that Lord Inchiquin has done the same. I am convinced of the falsehood . . . Mr. Macnamara writes me, that he apprehends some foul play in excluding him from the command of one of the R.C. regts., which I believe will not take place until the Lord Lieut. returns to London . . . "

2¼ pp.

603.

30 June 1762.

[Peter Browne, 1st] Lord Mount Eagle (from Westport) to Sir Lucius O'Brien.

Concerning the misbehaviour of John Cooper, his groom, whom he will dismiss if Sir Lucius desires it. "... you observe to me that Brutus & Strongbow had bad luck last Aprill, I think they were indeed judged by some new rules in horse racing, that I never before heard of nor possibly you either, but new lights wee see every day appear in other branches of buisness & why not in ours . . ."

2 pp.

604.

12 July 1762.

Thomas Gorman to the same.

Enclosing letters from Lady Thomond and the Countess of Breteuil. Milady sends Sir Edward "one of the late Marshall's fowling pieces . . . as a small token of her acknowledgment of the great friendship you had" for him. "am come well recommended to this country by My Lord Hallifax and others of the first nobility of England to drive an intruder out of your noble family, whom the boundless ambition of a vile intriguing woman sprung from the dirt, woud feign set above the rest of mankind . . . "All Lady Thomond expects "is your interest and influence in this country to help her to come by the proper materials . . . "

 $3\frac{1}{2} pp.$

605.

[1762.]

Sir Edward O'Brien to Maréchale Thomond.

Expresses his sorrow at the death of Maréchal Thomond, "for whose memory I retain the sincerest veneration . . . " He has

received "the most impertinent scandalous Letter that ever was Wrote to any Gentleman" from a Mr. Brown dated in London but postmarked Paris, which abuses the Maréchal and many French noblemen; hopes the writer will be discovered and punished. He himself hopes that he will not be required "to sign certificates about things that past before I was born and that I know no more of than I do of the Great Mogul . . . "

Сору, 3 рр.

606.

[1762.]

Declarations by the gentry of Co. Clare about Lord Lismore's claims.

- (I) In Sir Edward O'Brien's handwriting, begins; "We the undernamed M.Ps., the High Sherif Grand Jury, and principal gentlemen of the co. of Clare . . ." States that Lord Lismore's true name is Brinn " . . . discended from the Brinns of the county of Cork"; and that a certificate was furnished in his favour "out of good nature to serve and complement a country man abroad and oblige a titular Bishop at home . . . And it is notoriously known to us that Hawkins, the late Ulster King of Arms, then in the wane of life, grounded a pedigree . . . upon the said certifycate . . ."
- (2) Begins "We the undernamed gent. of the co. of Clare . . . "
 States that his real name is O'Brinn; and that to support his claim
 "a certificate was handed about in the city of Corke & signed by a
 number of people of difft, ranks . . . "

Drafts; 2 pp. & 2 pp.

607.

15 Nov. 1762.

Edmd. Sexton to Sir Edward O'Brien.

Condoling with Sir Edward about the return of "your nervous disorder—you are well bumping away all night, when I wish you coud stint yourself to 3 pints instead of a gallon . . . "

2 pp.

608.

8 Dec. 1762.

Tim: Mc. Namara (from Doolen), to Lucius O'Brien, Counsellor at Law (at the Post Office, Dublin.)

Has stopped the miners working at Glenvane, detained their tools for trespass, and ordered some of our own people to look after the ore, of which 10-20 tons is already raised at moderate expense.

2 pp.

27 Dec. 1762.

John Crotty (from Valebrook, near Cork,) to Sir Edward O'Brien. About Lord Inchiquin's attack on Sir Edward, "not in such a manner as ought to be practicd betwixt men of rank and of respectable characters . . . "

3 pp.

610.

1763 et seq.

66 letters written to Sir Lucius O'Brien by the following persons; Pat Richard England (from Cork and elsewhere). 1763 to 1771. Luke Hickman and other members of that family. 1763 to 1774. Robert French (from Monivea). 1766 to 1771.

William Augustus Keating (mostly from Dromoland). 1769 to 1773 Richard England (from Kinsale). 1771.

Nearly all these deal with routine matters of no special interest.

611.

8 Jan. 1763.

Croasdaile Molony to Michael Mc. Nemara, attorney (at Callaghan's Mills near Sixmilebridge.)

Begins, "Dr Mick".

Encloses a commission and notice in case of Wilson v. Sir Edward O'Brien. The Commission is to be held wherever Sir Edward directs; after the usual 14 days' notice, it should be "sped" on Wednesday the 26th, finished on the 27th or 28th, so that McNemara can set off for Dublin the next day. "... I continue confined & crippled wth my Rheumatism ..." He also encloses commissions in cases of Lord Inchiquin v. Sir Edward O'Brien and John Jephson (surviving executor of Dame Mary Dunn) v. the same; with directions how to proceed with them.

 $I_2^1 pp.$

612.

14 Jan. 1763.

Wm. Mansell (from Limerick, "where I now live") to Lucius O'Brien (in Fishamble Street, Dubliu.)

"... I hope all difficulties relative to Shallee & Mrs. Harte are removed, that nothing may now impede the sale ... (P.S.) ... I further beg you will send ... to Duff, periwig maker in Crow Street, to know why he does not send my wig, for he promised to send it hither by Mr. Green, who is come hither without it ".

1 p.

15 Feb. 1763.

Wm. Mansell to Lucius O'Brien.

Today he saw a letter from George Peacocke to his son, acquainting him of Mr. Lavitt's purchase of 1,036a. about Barntick; "...he said you were to draw the deeds instantly. As Clare town is a part of one lott under a lease from Lord Thomond, how can it be divided in the sale from another part of the same holding? ... Sir Harry, Lady Hartstonge, & Billy Pery set off at 5 this morn in two postchaises drawn by 4 horses each, & mean to be in town tomorrow night ..."

1 p.

614.

12 Mar. 1763.

Mich: Stritch ¹ (from Limerick) to Sir Edwd. O'Brien (at Dromoland.)

Concerning the disappointments of his son, who was bound at a cost of 200 guineas to a wine merchant in Bordeaux, refused to "stick to the shop", and then declined Counsellor Lucius O'Brien's proposal to make a dozen "crucebills" and get them taken to Dublin, in order to obtain a premium from "the Society". He has now joined with Christopher Britson, late Clerk of the Limerick Customhouse; "they make but course mugs, course dishes or course crockiedie ware as yet, from which noe credit can arise . . ."

2 pp.

615.

9 Apr. 1763.

John Singleton (from Ballygerran) to Sir Edward O'Brien.

"... I have sent yesterday and this day both oates and straw to Dromoland, and hopes you will order your grooms to take gret kear of the stra, as its a very presos artickle this year; I likewise send you a lode of kind of wheath stra..."

13 pp.

616.

18 Sept. 1763.

Ja. Pery to Sir Edward O'Brien (at Ennis.)

Wishes that Sir Edward, being an Inland Navigation Commissioner would attend the Navigation Board in Limerick. The five members present at the last meeting would take no action in the matter of taking down the lock.

1 p.

¹ There are 11 other letters, 1755 to 1763, from Stritch about orders for claret, glass, and timber (the last for finishing the work on Killnasoolagh church.)

8 Oct. 1763.

Edward O'Brien (from Dromoland) to his brother Lucius O'Brien

(in Dublin.)

"... the races were, in my judgement, useless to the town of Ennis, hurtifull to the country in generall, & not very pleasureable to the idle people who attended them, tho the weather the finest ever known & our success as usuall . . . "

2 pp.

618.

16 Oct. 1763.

James Hartigan to Lucius O'Brien.

He has "broke a good many of the men & cut their hire short by a halfe peny a day . . . " Last week he had only 113 men and 10 horses at work.

2 pp.

619.

7 Nov. 1763.

James Hartigan (from Manusmore) to the same.

Reporting progress of various constructional jobs. *Begins*, "As to the building of Clare its forwarding very well the wall is within six inches of laying on the eve stone . . ." He had last week 154 men and 24 horses at Clare, and has this week 146 men and the same number of horses.

 $2\frac{1}{2} pp.$

620.

10 Nov. 1763.

[] Conpigny, avocat (from Rue des Rosiers, Faubourg St. Germain, Paris) to Sir Edward O'Brien.

"... M. le Colonel Brudenell, frère du Comte de Cardigan, à qui vous avez eu, Monsieur, la bonté de remettre les papiers, est sans doute arrivé à Londres... mais nous craignons bien... qu'il n'y ait pas trouvé M. Dean, qu'on assure ici etre disgracie au point qu'on le pretend relegué aux isles Ste Marguerite pour avoir, dit on, insulté très grievement M. le Cte de Guerdin notre nouvel ambassadeur à Londres, dans un souper que leur donnoit My Lord d'allifax. Dans un evenement aussi imprevu nous craignons que M. le Colonel Brudenell n'ait seu comment s'y prendre pour remplir sa commission. Il n'y a que vous, Monsieur qui puissiez remedier... en écrivant à M. le Colonel... dont nous ignorons l'adresse". Refers to settlement of Mr. Lodge's fees (£55. 18. 6) and to M. Gorman's failure to send certain papers, although he has been over a month in Paris.

Сору, 4 рр.

17 Dec. 1763.

[Very Rev.] Charles Massy to Lucius O'Brien.

Has notified the Chairman of the [Canal] Commissioners of his intention to undertake the bog work for £730, according to his proposal made to Capt. Vallancey (whose estimate is more than twice the amount essential); doubts whether the cost will exceed 30/- per perch.

" . . . As my Lord Thomond only can convey the fee, let him be paid for so much as His rent may amount to, which can be but trifling, & if Mr. McDonnell is satisfyed, I will consent that the remainder shou'd be lodgd in Mr. Perys's and your hands either for building a church, which is much wanted to our tenants, a market house, a Charter school, promoting the linnen manufacture in our own country or any other usefull purposes . . . "

13 pp.

622.

19 Dec. 1763.

Luke Hickman to the same.

Asks for Sir Edward's help in getting him "time (to settle his affairs) till next May, as the fares are all gone . . . "

1 b.

623.

27 Dec. 1763.

Donough O'Brien (from Cratloe) to his brother Lucius O'Brien. Concerning the extent and value of Cratloe Keaal (part of which

was set in 1738 by Mr. Maunsell to cottiers for 31 years.)

"... I dont see any improvement can be made on this farm till it comes into the hands of one person and then little till it comes into hart as it has been so long a time in the hands of people who have strove to make the most of it. The young wood on this will make it of more value as tis comeing up as well as possible . . . "

2 pp.

624.

17 May 1764.

[Very Rev.] Charles Massy to Lucius O'Brien.

" . . . I cannot conceive how Ld. Thomond can be understood to be nominally concern'd only, or that my rent shou'd be deem'd a chief rent only . . . "

He has for more than 20 years been labouring the Shannon Navigation, and was instrumental in procuring the first grant towards it; but has met with nothing but opposition, trouble, and vexation. "... the infirmities of old age are increasing so fast upon me, that I dare not venture to enter into any contract whatsoever, if the works are to be any longer delayed . . . "

21 pp.

6 Nov. 1764.

[William O'Brien, 4th] Earl of Inchiquin (from Rostellan) to Lucius O'Brien (at Dromoland, Sixmilebridge, by Clonmel.)

"... To begin with the middle of your letter, ... there is not anything I desire more than to preserve a friendship with ... the son of your mother, who was as good a woman as lived; heretofore I cannot say that my family, or I in particular, received any friendship from the family of Dromoland. As you will see by the enclosed papers, I can by no means allow that I have been pd., tho' by your account you say overpd.; the Lease to Aylmer was in March 1668 for 99 years, & which will expire March 1767 and no sooner; Sr. Donat looked so much forward, that he got a reversion at the end

As to Cahirsherkine I must assert my bounds before I can hearken to any proposal . . . I am well informed that the whole is now let for 70 ll. a year and that the tenant has a good 40 ll. a year profit; if so your offer is far short of the value. My delay by business here will prevent my being in Dublin so soon as I intended; my return will be from Holyhead. I hope to sayl tomorrow, & purpose staying six weeks at Bath . . . "

of 69 years of one of the denominations . . . there & then the family friendship did not begin; but I embrace the opportunity you now offer.

1½ pp.

626.

1765 et seq.

Letters and papers of Sir Lucius O'Brien.

These include a letter from Thomas Colpoys giving full details of the spinning carried on in and near Clare; and the draft of an Act intended to tighten up the operation of the Penal Laws, by the ingenious provision of exempting from payment of hearth money and service as High Constable or Churchwarden any person who should conform to the Established Church; the Incumbent was also to be paid £5 for each conformity.

627.

[c. 1765.]

"one of the Commons of the City" [of Dublin] to Lucius O'Brien (in Henrietta Street.)

Wishes to contribute his mite to Sir Lucius's "laudible scheme" Comments on Mr. Traill's report, which is "exceedingly clear & concise" but has calculated freights far too moderately, e.g., "a ton of merchandise to Newry by sea is too where a fair wind and 3 men will convey 30 or 40 ton . . . it will require as many men with the assistance of horses to warp up a flat or lighter of half the burden to Banagher and much more time, Newry is 48 miles only from Dublin by land and less by sea . . . "

3 рр.

[c. 1765.]

[Capt.] Ch. Vallancey (from Carlow) to the same.

Concerning the levels taken for the proposed Grand Canal at Sallins, Waterstown ford, and Rathangan. From a point three miles below the junction of the Blackwood River to Carlow, the Barrow "will not afford a navigation for boats that draw more than three feet water, & many shoals must be removed to obtain that—the largest boat that I have yet met that trades to the tide water & to Ross is 46 feet long, 9 broad & $3\frac{1}{2}$ deep and burthen 14 tons . . . " He will be at Leighlin tomorrow, Graige the next day, St. Mullins the third, and will then go to Ross.

 $1\frac{1}{2} pp.$

629.

2 Mar. 1765.

R. (?) Nugent (from Parlt. St.), to Lucius O'Brien.

Will try to get permission for the importation to Ireland of bar-iron and timber.

2 pp.

630.

28 June 1765.

Will: Rice (from Ennis) to Lucius O'Brien (at his house in Fishamble Street, Dublin.)

Mr. Laurence Mahon, brother of Thomas Mahon, will join him in. "the wine scheme for Clare" provided O'Brien undertakes to get him customers willing to take 30 hogsheads @ £18 per hogshead, cash down, on the quay or town of Clare.

2½ pp.

631.

27 [

Geo: Colpoys to the same (in Henrietta Street, Dublin.)

Recommending O'Brien to take part of the bogs of Fenlow and Rossroe from Croasdaile Molowney (who intends to eject Miles Carroll his present tenant); and to set it to cottiers, who would pay their rent by cutting and saving turf which could be brought, at little cost, to Peter Mullens's park. "This wou'd save the Newmarket people a miles land carriage, and is not by water on[e] quarter, and that with the stream."

He has heard, through Ralph Westropp, of Mr. P. Creagh getting signatures for "A subscription for the support of liberty and independency in the Co. Clare", to which some subscribed 100 guineas, and some 50; the smallest subscription—20 guineas—coming from Wm. Blood, the Treasurer.

The Grand Jury would not grant a shilling for Clare bridge till the summer Assizes, alleging the county to have been overtaxed for the past two years.

 $2\frac{1}{2} pp.$

632.

18 Oct. 1765.

Edmd. Sexton (from Limerick) to Lucius O'Brien.

He has communicated to Mr. Phil. Roche John "your thoughts on the butter branch for the port of Clare . . . "which he considers advantageous.

11 pp.

633.

[] Oct. 1765.

Phi. Roche John to [].

He approves O'Brien's scheme. He has for many years "ventured (of my own property) a larger sum in this article, than all of this city together who deal in it . . . "

1 p.

634.

21 Oct. 1765.

Lucius Wilson (from Sixmilebridge) to Lucius O'Brien, counsellor at law (in Dublin.)

If he had been at home, he would have prevented his father doing anything that might be disagreeable to O'Brien. Has given notice to Mr. Pierse to build up the cabin, which he has done. "My fathers temper in the best of [times] was rather impetuous which is become more so by [old] age & impaired understanding . . . I am extremely obligd to you for your kind disposition towards me which I hope no action of mine shall deprive me of as I shall wish to shew how much I am your very obedient & obligd humble servt . . ."

 $1\frac{1}{4}pp$: torn.

635.

[n.d.] 1

Donough O'Brien to Sir Edward O'Brien.

He was obliged to send off Matthew Cunneen this morning with only one borse, as Tolly has been very lame and is not fit to travel. The two young colts have been turned out as Sir Edward desired; "they are so full of play that I am afraid they will hurt each other except great care is taken . . . I believe you forgot to send the ticket . . . about sending young Lady Caroline to Castle Taylor, so I dont know what horse she is to be cover'd by, nor into whose charge she is to be given . . . "

2 pp.

¹ This and the three following letters are part of Sir Edward's correspondence, and as such would not be of a date later than 1765.

I Nov. []

Donat Mc Mahon (from Ballyglass) to the same.

About "a dealing"—which was referred to him—between Mr. Andrew Creagh and Sir Edward. The former is now "absolutely determined to attack us. I am desired by all parties concern'd to request you will take some method to prevent his so doing . . . "

1½ pp.

637.

[n.d.]

Sir Edward O'Brien to [

"... I return you the 2 rent rolls for Mr. Wall to alter that markt A must be quite drawn over again, and those lands wh. I am to enjoy for my life totally left out of it, as I am resolved the trustees shall have no more to do wh. [with] them than wh. my head during my Life . . . "

1 p.

638.

c. 1765.

[Very Rev.] Chars. Massy to Lucius O'Brien.

Making further suggestions for safeguarding the rights of owners of riparian land, and complaining of the Commissioners, who expect "we shall convey the fee of so much of our land as shall be comprized within the side ditches which will amount to above 20 acres of his land & 40 of mine, without any consideration whatsoever. No jury could value them so low as £60 a year. We both pay a considerable rent to the Earl of Thomond. I compute he pays £6 a year & I £12 for this very land we are required to convey for 5s." Suggests that the Commissioners buy the £18 rent from Lord Thomond, who would in that case be obliged to abate Massy's and McDonnell's rents.

21 pp.

639.

с. 1766.

Thos. Arthur to Sir Lucius O'Brien.

Hopes that he will make an early application to waive Arthur's appointment as Sheriff next year. Thinks that it could not be as inconvenient for Geo: Quin or Geo: Colpoys—the two next on the list—" as they are men of experience and entirely settled which is more than I can boast of . . . "

2 pp.

¹ Charles McDonnell of Kilkee, O'Brien's brother in law.

10 Dec. 1765.

John Hartigan (from Clare), to Sir Lucius O'Brien.

Offers his condolences on the death of Sir Edward, "a patriot to all Ireland the best of subjects to his kingdom & especially to the unhappy I say unhappy County Clare I mean the best of men the highest of and the grandest . . . "

Is sending 6 cwt. 23 lb. of Dowlass and green linen, and 10 lb. of grey yarn, all the pieces numbered; "the poor lad that carryes. this cargoe is a tenant in Clare & a man that his father & he works with me daily for any money . . . "

1 p.

641.

10 Dec. 1765.

Pi: Creagh (from Ennis), to same.

Expresses his pleasure "at yr late success in favour of my friend Mc Donnel . . . I am glad he comes without any opposition or expence . . . "

1 p.

642.

17 Mar. 1766.

Hen: Hewett (from Snugborough) to Sir Lucius O'Brien.

Concerning the survey of Tarmon made for Sir Edward and that of Dromoland demesne being made for Sir Lucius. He has "... drawen out a good many of the maps in the book ..."

1 p.

643.

[1766.] (?)

Hen: Hewett to [·].

About proposals made by Mr. Edward Hogan to purchase part of his estate. He suggests a meeting "at Kilballyowen (at our worthy friend Tom Gradys, whose victory gave me infinite joy) . . . "

Copy, 31 pp.

644.

16 May 1766.

Lord Inchiquin to Sir Lucius O'Brien.

"I never was in friendship with any man but on equal & equitable terms, & desire to be so with you and every other gentleman. You mention superiority; I disclaim even the very thought of it. It has been too long the aim of a few in the County of Clare, & with your assistance I should hope to see it abolished . . .

I do not dispute your present right to Ballykincora North, that I give you up; you agree with me to settle any dispute there may be in Cahirsherkin, on each of us having our proportion of acres as to quantity and quality . . . I do now desire you will pay me what is due on arrear & interest of Tarmon & Ballycashine; the trifle on account of the fine on Corofin I wave . . . "

2 pp.

645.

I June 1766.

Wm. O'Brien (from Cahirbolane) to Sir Lucius O'Brien.

Begins, "Dear Sr"; ends, "yr. most faithfull & assured Humble servt."

Cannot give Sir Lucius a satisfactory account of Tarmon, although "I've Gone on the ground & brought wth. me a very sharp acute man..." The confusion of the marks makes it impossible "wthout living proof to make anything of it, old Mr. O Loghlen is not only blind but bed rid, & were it possible or even of the least use I wd. contrive to bring him on the ground . . .

There was a couple of acres of your estate part of Sooheen lately found to be in the Bishps ground in Dysart & plainly proved to be yours wch. was given up By Mr Blood . . . I will put you in the road of geting three or four more in two different angles, & six or seven in an other place all part of Sookeen wch. is ground of value . . . please to write to me that your [sic] are inform'd that there are such skirts lop't of from your estate, And to require from me to examin closely into it, and particularly the Learys who live on some part of Dysart, who . . . were servts. to the oDeas who held both Dysarts & Sookeen & made presents of those skirts as they liked . . . "

 $1\frac{1}{2}pp.$

646.

8 Aug. 1766.

Jno. Thompson (from Dublin), to Sir Lucius O'Brien.

Suggests the establishment of a buttermarket at Clare by O'Brien's tenants. About 190 tons of timber is now due "in your river . . . I am told it will prove good . . . "

 $I_{\frac{1}{2}}^{1}pp.$

647.

9 Aug. 1766.

James Thompson (from Dublin) to the same.

Proposing a scheme "to secure us the very little we at present enjoy of the West India trade . . ." Thinks O'Brien the fittest person to put such a scheme into effect, from his interest in the subject and his friendship with Lord Beauchamp.

 $3\frac{1}{2} pp.$

16 Aug. 1766.

Francis Pery (from Dublin) to Sir Lucius O'Brien.

He "commenced attorney" for Sir Edward in Hilary term 1754. There is an unpaid balance due him, outstanding for the last four years, of £69. 14. 1; Sir Lucius also owes, on his own account, £8. 13. 3. He thinks he should be paid this out of Sir Edward's personal fortune, in preference to any bequests.

Ends, "your ever faithful & most obedt. servt."

3 pp.

649.

27 Aug. 1766.

Lord Beauchamp ¹ (from London) to Sir Lucius O'Brien (at Dromoland, near Sixmilebridge.)

He has conversed about Irish affairs with some of the most important persons in the administration, and hopes it may be possible to get some restraints removed from Irish trade.

3 pp.

650.

[Sept. 1766.] (?)

[Sir Lucius O'Brien] to Lord Beauchamp.

Replying to his enquiry about concessions to be made to the Irish trade by the Parliament of Great Britain, he recommends direct importation into Ireland of "every produce of America (tobacco only excepted)". Refers to exclusion of Irish vessels from fisheries in the Scottish seas, and to the bounty (now dropped) on the importation of Irish sailcloth into England.

Copy, 5 pp.

651.

23 Sept. 1766.

S: Hamilton (from Custom House, Dublin) to Sir Lucius O'Brien. The Board does not entirely approve of the plans for buildings at Clare; having found the Limerick architect expensive, it intends to employ "a plain builder of good reputation, under contract . . ."

1 p.

652.

28 Oct. 1766.

Edmd. Sexton to the same (at Dromoland, near Ennis.)

This week he married his second daughter to Mr. Coppinger of Bordeaux, "a young man cut out entirely for business of the best caracter . . . Mr. Pery did wonders here about his estate . . . he has

¹ Francis Seymour-Conway [1743-1822] afterwards 2nd Marquis of Hertford. He was Chief Secretary in 1765-6, during his father's Lord Lieutenancy.

rose it above £300 or £400 . . . tho' he sett but little—He settled Mardyke between all the claimants to their general Satisfaction . . . it were to be wished for his own sake, he cou'd spend more time hereabouts . . . "

2 pp.

653.

15 Nov. 1766.

Sir Lucius O'Brien (from Dublin) to Lord Inchiquin (at Rostellan). He can get Lord Inchiquin a purchaser for the rectory and vicarage of Killshany, in the barony of Corcomroe, which is worth 16 years' purchase and no more. Should Lord Inchiquin wish to restore the tithes to their primitive use, he may be able to persuade the Board of First Fruits to build a church at Killshany "& to increase the profits of the liveing so as to make them a provision for a gentleman, & perhaps to build a glebe house allso; in such event your Lordship & your family will have the perpetual presentation . . . you will contribute to the promotion of piety in a part of the country where our religion is allmost unknown . . . I know there will be a protestant congregation at Killshany if a church be built . . . "

2 pp.

654.

16 Nov. 1766.

Luke Hickman (from Fenloe) to Sir Lucius O'Brien.

". . . . I have 40 good 2 yr. old wedders 3 next March. I will let you have them for 12s: a piece cheape . . . "

1 p.

655.

23 Nov. 1766.

Lord Inchiquin to Sir Lucius O'Brien.

"My dear good Sir Lucius, what is it that you see in me a propensity to build churches or endow them? An old fashion piece of Piety long ago neglected by Bishops, Deans, & Chapters; it would astonish & make these good men blush at such an attempt by a layman . . . as for me, I have no ambition for popularity of that kind. My advowsons cost me daily too much already to maintain; my ancestors built three cathedrals & endowed them, I think sufficient for me and my family . . ."

 $I_{\frac{1}{2}}^{1} pp.$

656.

7 Dec. 1766.

Same to same.

Finding sheep "on the rise" he has bought 150 from Creagh at 14/9 apiece.

1 p.

13 Dec. 1766.

[Robert Nugent] Lord Clare (from Bath) to the same.

Is obliged to take a title on his appointment as "first Lord of Trade". He had not time to make enquiries about Clare, which was used by, and may again belong to, "the respectable family of O Brien". His own patent, however, will not make it impossible for any O'Brien¹ to take the title in the future.

2 pp.

658.

[n.d.] [1766] (?)

Patt Lysaght to Sir Lucius O'Brien (in Dublin.)

Will try "to get every information I can relative to the different denominations you mention . . ." Dennis O'Brien, who is High Constable of Burren, and whose father lived on those lands, would be "a material evidence".

2 pp.

659.

4 Sept. [1766] (?)

Edmd. Lawless to same.

Reports on the health of Sir Lucius's family and the weather, "this day as yet has not ceasd. raing. . . ." Has got the corn cut and bound without employing strangers, "which is very well for me as I have not money to pay stranger and is very hard pressd. by the men I have Constantly . . .

1 p.

660.

1767.

Capt. C. O'Brien [of Ennistymon] to Sir Lucius O'Brien (in Fishamble Street, Dublin.)

General Clavering writes that he must not think of quitting his regiment except for the difference between his half pay and his present commission. "He allso honors me much by being pleased at my stay & flatters me with the hope of being shortly Major to it". Knows Sir Lucius not to approve of his again crossing the Atlantic, "tho faith to me it is not a dissagreeable prospect"; but does not think he should give away a sum of at least £1,100.

3 pp.

¹ Nugent was, in January 1767, created Baron Nugent of Carlanstown and Viscount Clare. The other Viscountcy of Clare remained under attainder until its extinction in 1774 at the death of Charles O'Brien, 7th Viscount of the earlier creation.

23 Jan. 1767.

Jo. Colpoys (from Ennis) to Sir Lucius O'Brien.

He was served the previous day, at Lord Inchiquin's suit, with an order of the Prerogative Court, requiring him and others to bring in Sir Edward's will.

2 pp.

662.

27 Jan. 1767.

Robt. Hickman (from Dromoland) to Sir Lucius O'Brien (in Dublin.)

Concerning various farm jobs at Dromoland. Asks for "sum help as soon as possable", Mitchel having gone off two hours after Sir Lucius left. He has been obliged to borrow Mr. Singleton's "weats; your own are all false . . ."

 $I_{\frac{1}{4}}^{1}pp.$

663.

21 Feb. 1767.

Mathias Hehir (from Ennis) to the same.

Encloses account of rents received since 17 Jan. Mr. Darcy has set Upton's holding in Corrofin to "a percell of poor indigent creatures the rent of which he has before now called in from them excepting some few fragments . . . I have taken and pounded . . . but a few heads of chattle . . . and [it] is not if sold a sufficient stake for your rent . . . ".

3 рр.

664.

27 Feb. 1767.

Robt. Hickman to Dr. Wm. Keating (at Sir Lucius's in Dublin.)
The steward (after whom Dr. Keating was asking) "eats but little—nothing goes down but teay 3 ozs. (?) a day . . . I thought him fitter to raffle for a coffin than gow through the work of Dromoland; he sturs smart abt. the brewhouse & kitchin but can not stur much fardr. than the steable . . . I am sarten Sr. Lucius will not like so feeble a man . . . P. S. Michel continues still at the ould rent at Asullus but his creddit is wore ought . . .

P.S. [added by Mr. Colpoys] . . . Ned Armstrong was marryd last week to Miss Westropp great rejoycing . . ."

2 pp.

665.

18 June 1767.

[Thomas Browne, 4th Viscount] Kenmare to Sir Lucius O'Brien. Writing on behalf of the Count and Chevalier de Sarsfield, who

"being established in France" wish to prove their genealogy. The last of their family in Ireland sold his estate to Mr. William McNamara, who appointed Sir Lucius guardian of his son (a minor.) Asks that Sir Lucius furnish the title deeds of the estate to Mr. Lodge, and allow him to take authenticated copies before a Notary Public.

2½ pp.

666.

2 July 1767.

Mathias Hehir (from Ennis), to same.

Has had no "opposition and stiffness" from the tenants, except from Patt Lysaght and Domnick Power, the latter of whom refused to pay "untill he would see a perticular order sent himself . . ." does not recommend indulgence, as it would introduce a bad habit among the tenants.

 $I_{\frac{1}{2}}^{1}pp.$

667.

II Sept. 1767.

[Count] Sarsfield (from London) to the same.

Mr. James Sarsfield may not have all the required papers; if others are in Sir Lucius's custody, as guardian of the young Macnamaras, he requests that he "impart" them to Mr. Doran, attorney at law, in York Street, who is Lord Kenmare's agent.

3 pp.

668.

5 Nov. 1767.

Lord Clare (from Bath) to the same.

"... but while you are solicitous for securing the impartiality of Judges, will you suffer sheriffs to remain as they now are, the peculiar reproach of Ireland? Better sure . . . to have Judges dependent on the Crown even were it worne by a tyrant, than have sheriffs the creatures of many little tyrants, executing or not executing law just as they shall direct . . . "

7 pp.

669.

8 Nov. 1767.

Pat Richd. England (from Cork) to Sir Lucius O'Brien.

Complains of Mr. Creagh's behavious about the settlement of a debt. *Continues*, ". . . I have settled matters relative to Davy so far as that he was marryed a few days ago by Mr. Watson with the consent of her mother & friends—but I apprehend that I shall meet with some difficulty in settleing the amount of her fortune with Mr. John Blood, whose genius differs not much from that of my

muleish friend above mentioned. All her friends insist that it must considerably exceed 2,000 l. . . . but by a Flemish acct. he lately furnish'd he makes it short of 1,500 l. wh. was the principal sum left her by her father's will the low grounds all cover'd with water by the incessant rains some time past. Cork markets continue moderate . . ."

2 pp.

670.

24 Apr. 1768.

George Peacocke (from Barntick) to Sir Lucius O'Brien.

Concerning tithes which Sir Lucius proposed buying in order to raise a fund for a curate who would serve a church to be built at Clare. Recommends him "to strike out any other method . . . as I believe this is not to be depended on . . ." Quotes the Solicitor-General's obiter dictum about Skehanagh bog (in favour of Barntick.) 2 pp.

671.

30 Nov. 1768.

Mrs. Eliz. Gregg to the same.

Thanking Sir Lucius for advice about silkworms, and enclosing a specimen of her own silk.

24 pp.

672.

4 Dec. 1768.

Robert Hickman (from Dumbarpound) (?) to Sir Lucius O'Brien. Took possession of Carronocranhy last Wednesday about 12 o'clock. He drove about 400 sheep off the right hand side of the road; about 4 o'clock 10 men of Mr. Dorsay's turned the sheep on again, but "not an angry word past between us . . ."

1 p.

673.

20 Dec. 1768.

Thos. Widenham (from Castletown, near Mallow) to Sir Lucius O'Brien.

Acknowledging O'Brien's letter of 29 April, which he received only that day "being misdirected to Charleville . . . my son voted for you as I did, and you would have had two more of my sons but that they were informed in Limk. that the election was over and that you carried it by a great majority".

He is arranging for 20 Palatine families to live on his estate in the

barony of Tulla, taking freehold leases, and hopes to have about 26 votes at his disposal: "if I shall deal with them, will you give me leave to assure them of your protection in the county of Clare?".

1 p.

674.

30 Jan. 1769.

Jno. Bourchier (from Limerick) to the same.

His eldest and second sons, aged 10 and 7, "I keep . . . to the best classical education to be had here, I intend the elder for the law if his parts should promise him equal . . . If not I intend the younger for it, as he shews a most uncommon genius to literature . . .".

Assures Sir Lucius that the affair, which gave rise to the conversation about his brother, had no foundation;" it took its rise from a dispute between two drunken women . . . ".

Bourchier's nephew, young Stapleton, is engaged in a dispute with his relative Mr. Dolphin and Capt. Browne about the partition of a small estate "which is his chiefe dependance" Though ready to submit to arbitration, he is likely to be forced into a lawsuit, and to lose the case. Asks Sir Lucius to give a hint to Counsellor Kelly, Mr. Dolphin's counsel and relative "and a good natured humane gentleman".

3 pp.

675.

23 Apr. 1769.

Ralph Ousley (from Limerick) to Sir Lucius O'Brien (in Henrietta Street, Dublin.)

Concerning "the work in question" [a County history] (?). He "will do my utmost to be acquainted with every particular local, personal, & historical".

2 pp.

676.

28 May 1769.

Edm. Pery (from Limerick) to the same (in Dublin.)

Encloses an authority from the Navigation Company to subscribe £6,000 "into" the new loan.

1 p., the enclosure signed Edm. Sex. Pery; Henry Hartstonge; Richd. Maunsell; Stephen Roche John (?); Wm. Cecil Pery; John Martin; William Maunsell Richd.; Thoms. Casey; Jams. Browne; James Lyons; Eaton Maunsell; Phi: Roche John; James Guthrie.

677.

27 June 1769.

Ralph Ousley (from Limerick) to Sir Lucius O'Brien.

Thanking him for "judicious corrections" in the margin of a specimen survey.

2 pp.

4 July 1769.

George Peacock to the same.

He has written to the Solicitor-General about the proposed church at Clare. The Primate has promised to pay the purchase-money (of the impropriate tithes); £20 could be got from the Officer commanding at Clare, for doing barrack duties; there is also £10 a year paid by Lord Thomond and Lord Inchiquin each for doing the small duties. "I must own I think it a disagreeable thing to say that there is not a county in the kingdom so ill serv'd nor so ill churchd as the county of Clare"

 $1\frac{1}{2} pp.$

679.

22 Oct. 1769.

Robert Hickman (from Rathfolan) to Sir Lucius O'Brien.

Yesterday he finished roofing the cowhouse for 20 cows. Does not know where to get thatch for it; he offered (without result) Tom FitzPatrick two guineas for as much straw as would thatch it. Some of the [potato] gardens here are now not worth 2/6 an acre; he will get all the dung available to lay on the poorest ones.

 $I_2^1 pp.$

680.

28 Oct. 1769.

Jno. Bourchier (from Ennis), to Sir Lucius O'Brien.

All Mr. Gore's estate, (including his demesne, but excluding Bourchier's farms of Annagh and Kilavey) is to be advertised for sale.

". . . . Mr: Westby made his publick entry here a wednesday attended by the Captains Browne, Chars. & Austin Fz Gerald, Nick Smyth, Three Crows, Ned Armstrong & Twohy the piper he entertained the company at Sydleys, dined yesterday wth. Armstrong & today I hear he is to depart . . ."

2½ pp.

681.

2 Nov. 1769.

Geo: Colpoys to the same.

". . . I hope you and the Sollicitor are not unmindfull about a Sheriff for this county, the report here is that there will be a push to make Andw. Lysaght or Geo. Stackpole, and that Mr Lysaght went to Rosstillion for the purpose . . .".

 $1\frac{1}{2}pp.$

682.

6 Nov. 1769.

Jo: Digby (from Landenstown) to Sir Lucius O'Brien.

Concerning estimates for, and maps of the Grand Canal. Further particulars can be had from Counsellor Harry Brooke, who was

¹ Probably Henry Brooke [1703-1788] author of "The Interests of Ireland", "The Fool of Quality", etc.; cf. D.N.B., vol. II, pp. 1333-5.

living at the time at Landenstown Lodge, became a contractor for part of the work, and wrote a 5/- book recommending inland navigation, "but with such a vein of poetick fancy that I believe few read it to consider it seriously, Bob Trench had it & you may hear of him at his brothers Robin Brooke who keeps a school in Stafford Street . . .

But in truth I believe the great utility of the canall is the main Obstruction to it; as a couple of mile thro the bog" would join it to the head of the Boyne, affording communication by water by the Nore to Munster, by the Brosna to "the lough of Mullingar", etc.; might supply Dublin with coal, or at least keep down the price of it; and would add 100,000 acres. to the Kingdom by causing the Bog of Allen to become profitable. "... these & many other advantages wod I fear make it an object of jealousy to England ..."

O'Brien's friend McNamara, who is Digby's tenant of the little island of Arran, owes three half-years' rent this November; he asks O'Brien to write to McNamara about it.

3 pp.

683.

19 Nov. 1769.

. Geo: Colpoys to Sir Lucius O'Brien.

He has gone over Mr. McMahon's mountains, and does not think they would repay improving, on account of their distance from limestone or sea sand. The only limestone near his large farm is at Fortfergus (6 mountain miles away, transportable only by light horses, with back loads in dry weather.) The other large farm adjoins a mountain of Aug. Fitzgeralds, who drew limestone from Inch, 7 miles away, and stopped doing this presumably on account of the expense: "... were those mountains on the borders of the Shanon or any other navigable river, they would be a treasure. But as they are situated, the sending corn to market would run away with a third of the price. A carriage cannot go within four miles of either farm ...". Suggests an easier way of making a profit, by laying out between now and February 1st £300 in oats and barley, and selling it at the beginning of the summer.

2 pp.

684.

14 Dec. 1769.

Luke Hickman to Sir Lucius O'Brien,

Begins, "dear Sr. Lucius"; ends, "your abandon'd uncle". Complains of having had no answer to three of his letters, and of himself and his poor family being driven from his house and country; "have I rob'd a church, Murder'd any one, debauch'd, or even attempted, any gents' wife or daughter... defrauded any one of their property. No... the world thinks me guilty of some very

heinous crime, or you would not suffer me and family, in our old eage, to be drove from house and home . . . P.S. most of my stock were sold at Granthoune yesterday at half value by the Sheriff . . . other things at less than half price . . ."

1 p.

685.

29 Dec. 1769.

Frans. Butler (from Cregg [Co. Galway]) to the same.

"I am importuned by many of my friends and neighbours to apply for the Commission of the Peace in this county I live in—your being so good as to procure it for me will be an obligation that shall not be forgott by me or mine . . ."

1 p.

686.

1769.

John Singleton to Sir Lucius O'Brien.

Thanking Sir Lucius for information about premiums. Continues; "... if I kan meet with aney poor prodistant labrers I will imploay them in the manor you recomend purly to sarve you without aney expense to you... what do you intend the bullokes in Ballincraggy park for its now time to think of doing sum thing wth thm: the fear [fair] of Newport was very bad and its reported that Cork market is worse than ever ...".

2 pp.

687.

28 Jan. 1770.

Luke Hickman to Sir Lucius O'Brien.

All his stock was taken yesterday by the Sheriff, at Mrs. Burgh's suit, for £338.12.4. Things are now so bad that he may have to "quit the kingdom"; he cannot think of living in a town, though Mrs. Hickman is all against living at Fenloe; "she may now think better of it. I am sure we could live here for a small matter with economy—good garden, good house, parks, fire & fish at hand; the old obstackle is 40 Miles off . . ." Complains of Mr. Palliser's refusal to let him cut any trees.

 $1\frac{1}{2} pp.$

688.

9 Feb. 1770.

Richd. Lewis (from Dromoland) to the same.

Concerning the progress of several kinds of farm work at Dromoland.

". . . the last of the barly is trast and delivered into the grannery;

there is a good deal of it sould to the Laborers, and I am in hopes that yr. hons. haggard will give more return this season than ever a season before . . ."

3 pp.

689.

12 Feb. 1770.

Donough Henchy (from Pheenagh), to Sir Lucius O'Brien.

Expects Sir Lucius's interest next year, either in Co. Clare or in Co. Dublin; "I wd. rather be subsherriff of this county as I live in it and could give good security . . . if you thought proper you could get one to receive under mr. Molony and I wd. receive the Bridge rents . . . I would answer for you most faithfully in anything you wed employ me in . . ."

1 p.

690.

17 Feb. 1770.

Jno. Bourchier (from Limerick), to same.

Gives information about the denominations making up the estate of Ballyaly, and about the tenants, from whom an attornment could easily be got.

"Had I heard anything in the country that coud materialy concern you I would communicate it because I shall hold myself under the highest oblign, to you from your dispositn, to serve me. I never yet heard even one of your opponents depreciate your publick merit, and indeed whatever I heard of any dislike to your private conduct was from your own family & friends & that was realy so silly & insignificant that I never considered it worthy your notice . . . a few days after Mr Fz Geralds election an association was drawn up for a meeting of such as should subscribe to it, on the first vacancy to pitch upon proper persons to be put in nomnn, for the county . . . I shall have a constant eye to it, & I doubt not but I shall be able to know every Subscriber . . . it points at no particular person & had the motives of it been virtuous, it would be a good scheme . . . I shall take the liberty to write . . . when anything worth your Attention occurs . . ."

3 pp.

13 Mar. 1770

Willm. Peacock (from Barntick) to the same (at Primate's Hill, Dublin)

Asks for Sir Lucius's interest in getting him the vacant "Collection" of Limerick, being anxious to retire from the Army and settle down. $I_4^1 pp$

6 Apr 1770

Luke Hickman to Sir Lucius O'Brien

He has taken a house in Limerick for £34 a year, but is staying here (Fenloe) for the present, keeping a room and having a close park of about 7a, until the stock is fit to be sold; it is still very poor "by having been harrass'd last given to & from the West"

11 pp

692.

16 Apr. 1770.

John Hartigan (from Manusmore) to Sir Lucius O'Brien (in Dublin). Giving advice about the reclamation of Skehanagh bog. He asks for favourable treatment to be given Patrick Carty of Clare, who has had his cattle taken for rent in spite of never having been paid for his turf, lime, and reed. ". . . I do not know whether you & Mr. Westrop is great or not . . ."

1 p.

693.

20 Apr. 1770.

Ino. Bouchier (from Limerick) to the same.

Nominating Gerald D'Courcey [O'] Grady, only son of Jno. [O'] Grady now of Killballyowen¹, as a life in the lease of Moohane, to fill the vacancy left by the death of Mr. Thos. Grady.

1 p.

694.

22 Apr. 1770.

Jno. Bourchier (from Limerick) to the same.

He failed to get a presentment for O'Brien's friend Stephenson as Mr. Tyrrell (who had been put on the Grand Jury by the Sheriff) wants a road from Gort to Limerick along the West side of Lough Greany, thus making the road from Galway 6 miles longer than that which Stephenson wanted.

2½ pp.

695.

29 Apr. 1770.

John Digby to his son Jo: Digby (in Sackville Street, Dublin.) Wishes him to take his place on the Navigation Board, which he is now too old to attend.

1 p.

 $^{^1}$ The papers of this family have been calendared in Anal. Hib. 15, pp. 37-61.

3 June [1770.]

Edm. Pery to Sir Lucius O'Brien.

Encloses a "scheme" for a lottery to be held in Limerick, with 50,000 tickets, of which 33,310 to be blanks, and two first prizes of f,700 each; to raise f,200 towards building an infirmary in Co. Clare, and £400 towards building a wet dock in Limerick.

1 p.

697.

12 June [1770] (?). Same to same.

> About the progress of "the Navigation" near Killaloe. 2 pp.

698.

16 June 1770.

Same to same.

Suggests ordering Mr. Keating to buy his cattle, having the sole possession of them at grass. Asks for permission to draw bills on Sir Lucius, payable I October or I November. P.S. A boatload of turf cost him over £4 a small quarter of turf £1.12., "one shill a day bread &c &c ten in family . . ."

2 pp.

699.

8 July 1770.

Richd. Maunsell (from Limerick) to Sir Lucius O'Brien.

Concerning navigation in and near Limerick. ". . . you are perfectly right as to the boats you mention, but we are not yet forward enough in our works; Sr. Harry is now constructing a boat upon the plan of the West country barges, if it answers it will be a good model for us, if not we will have a model of one of the Liverpool flats . . . "

31 00.

700.

4 Aug. 1770.

Lucius O'Brien (from the Marshalsea Prison, Southwark) to the

Is in confinement for debt; his father, though willing, is at present unable to assist him Unless Sir Lucius can help "I must inevitably perish ".

21 pp.

701.

17 Aug 1770

[Percy Wyndham O'Brien, Earl of Thomond] (from Ennis) to Sir Lucius O'Brien.

Concerning the arrears due on a fee farm grant. "... as to what you understood from your father, that the demand was set on foot by the late Earl's agents, on account of political disputes, this also has not the least foundation ... had you fixed any time or times for discharging this debt, I might have listen'd perhaps to such a proposal ...".

2½ pp.

702.

9 Sept. [1770] (?).

Mrs. John Pery to Sir Lucius O'Brien.

About the marriage of an unnamed person, "publickly talked of here that it cannot be proved the I have not the least doubt of it"

1 p.

703.

II Oct. [1770] (?). Same to same.

About the same subject as the last. Mrs. White told her "the Ceremony was performed in the old walls of a church at Fenlo outside the garden—no person present but one Mortagh Behane she thinks was his name . . . who is dead; who . . . procured the priest whom she did not know, being directed to stand within the garden wall to observe what passed, unknown to any but yr mother, who desired it might be so . . ."

1 p.

704.

18 Oct. 1770.

Lucius O'Brien (from Mr. Hays's, Spring Gardens, London) to the same.

Complaining of "hard usage after 44 years faithfull service" in having been passed over for promotion to flag rank. "I wish now from my soul I had accepted yr. kind offer of a house & potatoe garden, I can never be brought to think of living near any place, where I may see the flag I had a right to wear borne by a younger officer, & am sure 17/6 a day will never enable me & mine to live, & to pay that I owe . . ."

2 pp.

705.

9 Nov. 1770.

Thos. Mathew (from Dungarvan) to the same.

Asking if Sir Lucius would consent to become his agent "as there is at present a severe attack in the courts . . ."

1 p., with copy of O'Brien's reply, declining the offer and suggesting Mr. Scott.

14 Nov. 1770.

Edm. Pery (from Limerick) to Sir Lucius O'Brien.

". . . that the government of this city wants reformation is admited by all, but how such a reformation can be effected, I am at a loss to find out . . ."

 $1\frac{1}{2} pp.$

707.

2 Dec. 1770.

W. Aug. Keating (from Dromoland) to the same (in Dublin.)

"... as to the flax dressers, Cross says he keeps them as close to their work as possible, they last week finished 26 stone. Kendall & he took a days tryal of the mill yesterday . . . I have sent to all the tenants of Sixmilebridge to acquaint them of your directions if their rents & arrears are not cleard off next Wednesday . . ."

3 pp.

708.

15 Dec. 1770.

[General] Ch. Vallancey (from Cumberland Street, Dublin) to the same.

Urging the formation of a "Physico-historical and Antiquarian Society" for which he already has Sir Lucius's support, besides a promise from the Duke of Leinster to be President for the first year. He would like the first meeting to be held "at Mr. Chaigneau's room in the Dublin Societys house" before Christmas "the season approaching fast when gentlemen usually retire to their country seats . . .". 2 pp.

709.

31 Dec. 1770.

[James Caulfield, 4th] Lord Charlemont (from Dublin) to Sir Lucius O'Brien.

Ends, "let us endeavour—let us labour—let us strain every nerve, and strive by all possible methods to prevent the foundering of our shatter'd, weatherbeaten, forsaken, and unpiloted vessel . . ."

4 pp.

710.

2 Feb. 1771.

Don. O'Brien (from Limerick) to the same (in Henrietta Street, Dublin.)

Is shocked to see a man of Mr. Mathew's fortune reduced to a state of not having a shilling in his pocket. He will follow any direction Sir Lucius gives him, provided Mr. Smith, for whom he has conceived a mortal hatred, is removed from the agency; otherwise, he is determined to sell the whole of the Anfield estate in order to make himself easy.

 $2\frac{1}{2} pp.$

711.

27 Apr. 1771.

Redmd. Morres (from Stephens Green, Dublin) to the same. He has had much conversation, on the subject of subscriptions for carrying on the Grand Canal navigation, with city people and with men trading in Dublin; he does not think they will support it.

2 pp.

712.

25 June 1771.

Robt. French (from Monivea) to Sir Lucius O'Brien (in Henrietta Street, Dublin.)

"... nothing could add more to the pleasure which I enjoy in the midst of rural amusements in this most delightful season than the good account you give me of your Nancy, and of your three graces, for such I call my grandaughters, who, I am persuaded, will give a relish to all your fateigues . . . I compassion your situation in the Four Courts during this Affrican sunshine, such as we have not had since 1765 . . . I think it would not be amiss . . . to take the advantage of Johnstons being in the country to erect a flax mill at Dromoland, I think the Board will not refuse to pay for it . . ."

 $2\frac{1}{2} pp.$

713.

5 July 1771.

Same to same.

He has entered "Achy" at the Temple, "yet am not anxious whether he burthens himselfe with more law than may be necessary for a good education . . ." Congratulates Sir Lucius on the proceedings "in the Navigation, & reviving a dormant spirit for such a public usefull worke . . ." He approves the width of 20' for locks, but thinks 120' even better than 80' for length; " . . . I flatter myselfe that boats will pass almost as frequently as on the Thames . . ." 3 pp.

714.

20 July 1771.

Rob. Scott (from Newry) to Sir Lucius O'Brien. Concerning "the working and sale of Tyrone coal in Dublin". 2 pp.

24 July 1771.

Rob. Stephenson (from Londonderry) to the same.

A flax mill to do all Sir Lucius's business can be made for £15. He has been through Co. Donegal and seen them at work; in the last seven years about 20,000 pieces of linen (each value three guineas) have been sold in this market. "Labour 10d to 13d. per day without meat, lands poor thin hungry soil set from 10s to 20s the Coningham acre which is medium between the English and Plantation acre, planting or improvements little attended to . . ."

2 pp.

716.

20 Aug. 1771.

Lord Charlemont (from Marino) to the same.

Concerning the desirability of making sure that "the ruling people on the other side of the water shou'd be thoroughly inform'd of our real condition"

4 pp.

717.

14 Dec. 1771.

[Robert] Craggs [Nugent, Viscount] Clare (from Gosfield) to the same.

He has lately made a will, by which he leaves sums to several County Infirmaries in Ireland—proportional to the property he holds in those counties—and wishes Sir Lucius to receive and apply the £30 a year designed for Co. Clare. Expresses regret at the absentees being "so regardless of what is due to the miseries of the helpless poor, as to deprive them of the public relief provided by Act of Parliament, by withholding what would entitle them to receive it . . ."; and refers to "the jealousy which the landed Parliament of Ireland entertains upon the subject of a land-tax . . .".

4 pp.

718.

1771.

Gen. Charles Vallancey to Sir Lucius O'Brien.

Concerning alternative routes (via Geashill or Philipstown) for the Grand Canal; he hopes Sir Lucius will have leisure to call on him in order "to peruse the levels". The want of Treasury payments prevented his making a second visit to the Bog of Allen the last time that he was "out".

 $1\frac{1}{2} pp.$

7 Jan. 1772.

Sir Lucius O'Brien (from Dromoland) to Lady O'Brien¹ (at Landenstown, near Naas.)

His first day's journey was from Landenstown to Mountrath, about 32 miles; his second day's turned a little out of his way to Nenagh, where his cousin Harry O'Brien is building a great flourmill; his third day's took him across the mountains getting home late after an uncomfortable day. Laments being obliged to leave her without horses to her carriage.

 $2\frac{1}{2} pp.$

720.

15 Feb. 1772.

Jonath. Ashe the younger (from Dorsett Street, opposite Paradise Row, Dublin) to Sir Lucius O'Brien.

Asking for Sir Lucius's interest to get him "any little employmt: . . . that was fitt for a gentleman . . ." as he is "prevented pushing myself in the Army, by having a large family, and a bad constitution . . .".

2 pp.

721.

28 Feb. 1772.

[Robert Barnewall, Lord] Trimlestown (from Trimlestown) to the same.

Asking for Sir Lucius's advice about a bill filed against him "by my insolent, restless, and litigious son² . . .".

1½ pp.

722.

23 Mar. 1772.

Lord Clare (from Great George Street [London] (?)) to Sir Lucius O'Brien.

Asking for an account of the average prices of raw and tanned hides during the past 10 years, with certain other figures, on account of a report now lying on the table of the House of Lords "in which it is asserted that the Irish undersell the British dealers at foreign markets 15 pr. ct. . . . not an Irish member attended the committee after the first Day, except mr Byrne and myself³ . . . never was the interest of a country so little attended to by its natives and the proprietors of its lands . . .".

2 pp.

¹There are about 50 letters in all, few of special interest, from Sir Lucius O'Brien to his wife, written between 1770 and 1781; none have been preserved for the years 1776-77.

² Thomas Barnewall [1736-1796] afterwards 13th Baron.

³ Lord Clare was M.P. for Bristol and Vice-Treasurer of Ireland at the time.

8 May 1772.

Same to same.

Acknowledges the good opinion of him which Sir Lucius has succeeded in impressing on the Sheriff and Grand Jury of Co. Clare. Continues, "... I applyd with so little success, upon a former occasion suggested by you, to the two lords who stand first in your letter, and they were so little satisfyd with my reply to their refusal, that I dispair of prevailing with them . . .". He has followed Sir Lucius's instructions in the matter of a Bill dealing with the export of grain from Ireland.

2 pp.

724.

26 May 1772.

Same to same (at Ardee.)

Lord Townshend is to be recalled and Lord Harcourt appointed [Lord Lieutenant] in his place.

 $2\frac{1}{2} pp.$

725.

3 June 1772.

Ch: o Conor (from Belanagare) to Sir Lucius O'Brien.

Congratulating O'Brien on the establishment of a "Society of Antiquarians . . . the neglect of so useful an institution (during this repose of eighty years) has, in fact, been hurtful to our country, by lessening its consequence in the European republic . . . the very attempt to revive our antient literature was rewarded with Contempt . . . ". He refers to the researches of MacFirbis and O'Flaherty of Moycullen, and to those now being carried out by Vallancy; and continues; "it is a great advantage to the public that your retrospect to antient Ireland, does not interfere with your passion for emproving the modern. No island in Europe can be compared with this, in the estimate of natural advantages, but no advantages have hitherto been (in general) more unaccountably neglected. I have been lately taking a view of the colliery which divides this County I am in, from that of Letrim. The pit (now ill wrought) is inexhaustible, ; the coal is, in the burning, more pitchy and unctuous than any in Cumberland. There is a gentle fall from the pit to the fine navigable Lake of Allen . . . The Shanon gushes at Belatnava out of . . . this lake, and in its Course meets the villages of Carrick, Drumrusk, Jamestown, Drumarsna, Drumod, and Lanesboro'. These are poor villages indeed, tho' one is an Assize town, & three send representatives to Parliament. But they are situated in fine countries to the East & West & as well placed as any in the kingdom for the emprovement of the linen manufacture . . . it is to you and to men like you we

must owe the cultivation of this hitherto desart country, and the enjoyment of these advantages, which god and nature intended it . . .".

34 pp.

726.

4 July 1772.

Lord Clare to Sir Lucius O'Brien (in Henrietta Street, Dublin.) It is impossible to do any money business "here—two great Banks have faild & above 40 merchants & I believe no less than 6 unfortunate wretches have laid violent hands on themselves . . .". 3 pp.

727.

[30 Oct. 1772] (?).

Sir Lucius O'Brien to Lady O'Brien (at Monivea.)

Lord Harcourt landed yesterday morning; at 2 o'clock Sir Lucius attended his levee; "as yet I have not however heard any thing of his political system . . . Burton Jacob Colville & Balfour have jointly got the £5000 prize in the Irish lottery—so the mills of Slain will now flourish"

2 pp.

728.

11 Mar. [17]73.

S: Pownall (from London) to Sir Lucius O'Brien.

Enclosing a letter [not preserved] which acquaints Sir Lucius of his election to the Society of Antiquaries of London; for this he will be glad to advance the admission fee (5 gns.) and subscription ($1\frac{1}{2}$ gns.).

He has carried his Bill relating to Ireland without the least objection.

2 рр.

729.

19 Mar. 1773.

[Thomas Dawson, 1st] Earl of Dartrey (from London) to Sir Lucius O'Brien.

"... We never shall obtain any material advantage in any national commerce, but by previous application (in Ireland) to a session of Parliament, to apply in a body of the principal gentlemen to my Lord Lieut. . . . they [the Colonies and Scotland] have many partizans while affairs of Ireland are totally neglected . . .".

21 bb.

23 Mar. 1773.

Geo: Peacocke (from Barntick) to the same.

Concerning the desirability of work being put in hand on the new bridge at Clare, for which large sums have been raised and paid in. The existing bridge has two large breaches in the middle.

12 pp.

731.

2 Apr. 1773.

Ebenezer Vavasor, Ensign 49 Regt. (from Duncannon Fort) to the same.

Asking for a loan of £155, within the next two months, for the purchase of a lieutenancy.

2 pp.

732.

17 Apr. 1773.

Mark O'Brien (from Nenagh) to Sir Lucius O'Brien.

"... If you have not ingaged a projector ther's one Mathews now at Mr. Pritties who conducted the stone cuting of his building; he is now disingaged & wou'd be easy come at ... he is a very skillfull man"

733.

9 May 1773.

John Singleton (from Ballygorreen) to the same.

"The fear of Sixmilebridge was full of catle but the selors held up such a price there was no buying from them. I am afrid the Linstermen will not viset that fear as the fear of Birr is so noted for fine cows and held the same day . . ."

 $1\frac{1}{2} pp.$

734.

6 June 1773.

James O'Brien (from Ennis) to the same.

He is doing everything possible to clear up Mr. McDonnell's affairs, and is supplying his widow with money. "I wish you cd. get the Bishop to take the house and he could have any number of acres he pleased . . ."

1 p.

735.

19 Oct. 1773.

Sir Lucius O'Brien (from Dublin) to Lady O'Brien.

He fears they will have little more time at Hermitage, as "old

Mrs Napper during whose life my title was secure dyed about 3 weeks ago. The estate is in contest now between Mr Dutton¹ in England & a child of the late General Napper whose legitimacy is disputed . . . As yet I am not able to say anything to you of politicks, the Castle folks observe the most impenetrable silence . . . but I do believe we shall be duped in the end . . .".

4 pp.

736.

6 Nov. 1773.

Robert Hickman (from Ballyvea [Co. Down]) to Sir Lucius O'Brien. ". . . Whin I was aurdurd heare I thought as I was undor the stile of a boatman, but to the contrery wee are more like soldiers armd & disaplind, quartered up in the mountins abt. too miles. Has [sic] nothing to doe by day, but by night wee are to cum to the shore heall rean or snow, walk from 10 to 15 miles more or less, whin the buckers has any thing to get on shore the assemble abt. 4 or 5 hundurd as well or better arroad than wee are, for with pistols guns & sords the heave long three pronged forks, the helve abt. 7 fut long . . ." 5/- is worth here as much as 10/- in Clare, as there is no market town nearer than Newry (17 miles.) The poor inhabitants dare not sell him and his companions so much as a pound of butter; if they did, "the buckers would ether set fier to their housis or pull them down . . ." Asks for Sir Lucius's help in getting him two months' arrears of pay; and apologises for "this dirty skrole", being ordered out on a party.

3 pp.

737.

22 Nov. [17]73.

S. Pownall (from Albemarle Street, London) to the same.

Suggests setting up a Government-sponsored Loan Office for Ireland (a similar suggestion for America having previously been made by him and Dr. Franklin.) ". . . it would creat the means of culture & improvement of the landed estates would enable the tenants to pay their rents . . . none could suffer by this measure but absentees patentees non resident & foreign pensioners . . .". $3\frac{1}{2} pp$.

738.

26 May 1774.

Joseph Peacocke (from Barntick) to the same.

Objects to his right of turf-cutting on Skehanagh bog being questioned, since his tenant, Mr. Blood, has liberty to do this. The

 $^{^{1}\}operatorname{Probably}$ William Dutton [1749–1791] who later took the name of Naper.

house and demesne were sold by Sir Lucius to his uncle "with all the appendances & appurtances".

2¼ pp.

739.

I Jan. 1775.

Geo. Hamilton (from Straw Hall [near Carlow]) to Sir Lucius O'Brien (in Charles Street, St. James's Square, London.)

Expressing the hope that the disabilities to which Irish fishermen are now subject in English and Scottish waters may be removed, "for it is notorious that a great no. of the sailors who man the fleet of Great Britain are furnished by this country . . .".

3 pp.

740.

12 Dec. 1775.

Robert French to same (at Dromoland.)

". . . the Genuine spirit of oposition is no more—Floods acceptance of office—the promises made to Hussey Burgh & the Duke of Leinster have disarmd oposition for the present . . . there has not been one good Opposition question offered in the session . . . we [Sir Lucius and his father in law] differd in offering some of our own troops to send to America which tho askd from us I am confident will never be taken away . . .".

 $2\frac{1}{2} pp.$

741.

[c. 1775.]

Andw. Caldwell to the same.

Approves Sir Lucius's scheme for "uniting into one general plan all the different charitable provisions for Children in this town", but does not think the Blue Coat Hospital can be included. Many parishes do not give their children diet and lodging, but only instruction in reading and writing.

2 pp.

742.

23 Jan. 1776.

[Rev.] Deane Hoare (from Castle Island, near Tralee) to the same. Complains of difficulty in getting the presentment for providing bread for prisoners. This should be lodged with the Minister or Curate, and accounted for by him at the next Assizes, but it is usually in arrears.

 $I_{\frac{1}{2}}^{1}pp.$

24 Feb. 1776.

Sir Lucius O'Brien to Richard Rigby.

Recommending a scheme which would promote Irish trade with North America and with the West Indies.

Draft, 2½ pp.

744.

16 Aug. 1776.

Nic: Smith (from Castle Park) to Sir Lucius O'Brien (at Dromoland.)

Concerning the partition [of Sixmilebridge] (?) made by Mr. Hewatt "your own surveyor" who has allotted the most beneficial part to Sir Lucius.

app.

745.

2 Nov. 1776.

Catherine St. John to the same.

Requesting "a voice" for her eldest son, who will soon be of age, that he may serve Sir Lucius and his friends as his father and grandfather did. She "wd. not prefer a more humane or better Landlord for my children than you . . ."

1 p.

746.

1776.

Michael Goold to [Murrough O'Brien, 5th Earl of] Inchiquin.

Condemning "the exorbitance of the times". He thinks two of the lawyers mentioned would be adequate; Mr. Williams should choose the proper persons, and avoid unnecessary expenses for his client.

1 p.

747.

1777.

Lord Inchiquin (from Rostellan) to Sir Lucius O'Brien.

"... the law suits are now ended, & I trust with that all other disputes may be as happily adjusted . . ."

2¼ pp.

748.

3 Apr. 1778.

Mich. Ward (from Sligo) to the same (in Dublin.)

Concerning the advantages of opening a linen trade with Portugal to offset the loss of the American markets.

Continues, "as the present dangerous times from an approaching

war with France may render it necessary to raise a Militia in this kingdom, a fund will be necessary to support such troops after they are embodied, which perhaps our Treasury cannot well afford . . ." He suggests that all pensions charged on the Irish establishment—except those of Prince Ferdinand of Brunswick and Lord Hawke—should be appropriated for the duration to this fund.

41 pp.

749.

17 Apr. 1778.

Sir Lucius O'Brien (from London) to Robert French (at Dromoland.)

"... never was there so good a disposition in all ranks here towards the Irish as at present . . . Pery who has been here a week has done excellent service . . .".

2 pp.

750.

23 May 1778.

Same (from London) to same.

Eight petitions against their bills have been presented; the bills were read for the third time last night, and will be sent to the House of Lords on Monday. Gives an account of his negotiations with Lord North and with several English M.Ps.

5 pp.

751.

14 July 1778.

Same to same (at Monivea, Castleblakeney.)

"... the common report is that the Popery Law¹ is thrown out but I do not believe any body has a certain account of it ... the Moore cause has been at hearing for some days & will last I believe 2 or 3 days more; the Chancellor as yet has given no opinion, but the common opinion is in favour of our friends . ..".

3 pp.

752.

11 Aug. 1778.

Sir Lucius O'Brien to Robert French.

Their bill in the Lords in favour of the Roman Catholics was carried by 16 votes—their Bishop² voted for it, Lord Gosford³ stayed away "& has by that means com to blame. I have now carried

 $^{^1\,\}mathrm{A}$ reference to the bill enabling Papists to take leases at the ordinary rates and mortgages, passed in this year.

² Robert Fowler, Bishop of Killaloe 1771 to 1778, afterwards Archbishop of Dublin.

³ Archibald Acheson, 1st Baron and Viscount [1718-1790.]

every public measure I have attempted in England or Ireland this year but the government here are I think treating me basely. Pery with whom I have made up old quarrels thinks I should go for a week to London to see Lord North but I have foold away too much 1 of my life allready . . ."

1½ pp.

753.

24 Aug. 1778.

Same (from London) to same.

He has seen Lord North once; "he was exceeding civil to me but said nothing decisive... you will be sorry I am sure for poor Coll. Manton who has been killd in a sort of drawn battle between Clinton & Washington in America".

2 pp.

754.

7 Nov. 1778.

Robert French to Sir Lucius O'Brien

Sir John Blaquiere has been so obliging as to give him four peachtrees of an extraordinary kind (one not to be elsewhere in England or Ireland.)

Gives directions for a "foot messenger" who is to go from Monivea to Sir John's house on Lough Oyle [Owel.]

2 pp.

755.

9[] 1778.

Sir Lucius O'Brien (from Dublin) to Robert French.

He has got an ensigncy for Jack Bourchier's son. "Indeed I owe much more than that to his dissinterested zeal for me on all occasions... no great talk of Militia nor war here some say there will be neither...". Everyone is engrossed with bankruptcies, Birch having failed for above £100,000, Mitchell for above £60,000; a run on Finlay's has been averted by Government assistance and help from the other banks; "... the times here are very melancholy, our poor county is better off, for tho we have no money we are used to it & we have plenty of provisions which others want...".

 $3\frac{1}{2} pp.$

756.

6 Jul. 1779.

J. Hamilton (from Dublin Castle) to [Murrough O'Brien] Earl of Inchiquin, Governor of Co. Clare.

³ Sir Lucius was between 35 and 40 at the time.

Asking for his help in recruiting for the Army, at present 1,600 under strength. Three guineas bounty will be given for each recruit, when he is approved by his Commanding Officer.

11 pp.

757.

22 Oct. 1779.

[James Caulfield, Earl of] Charlemont (from Dublin) to the same. "... political news there is none, publick matters are just as you left them, only Lord E[] and I: P^1 : are once again close friends, I suppose with a view to the chair ...". $3\frac{1}{2} pp$.

758.

[n.d.]

Peter Bolton to [Sir Edward O'Brien] (?).

Concerning quit rents payable out of nos. 444 (19a. meadow "in contravarsey") 473 (28a. of Turlogh in common) and 471 (40a. of Castle quarter and Turlogh).

1 p.

759.

6 Feb. 1780.

Cha: Coote (from Stephens Green) to Sir Lucius O'Brien (in Henrietta Street.)

Being "but a lessee" he cannot enter into any arrangement for division of common land without the consent of his landlord. If this were obtained, he would like it to be done "with as little expence and delay as the nature of such business will allow".

1 p.

760.

18 Apr. 1780.

"Hibernus" to Sir Lucius O'Brien (in Henrietta Street, Dublin.) Applauding the attempts made by Sir Lucius to put Irish manufactures on a proper footing (they having previously suffered from "the general dishonesty of our tradesmen both masters as well as journeymen) . . . I observe by the votes that there is a manufry. establishing at Limerick on the principle of that carry'd on at Manchester, I hope it will succeed . . ."

2 pp.

¹ Probably John Ponsonby [1713-1789]; removed from the Speakership of the House of Commons in 1767.

21 June 1781.

Sir Lucius O'Brien (from Dublin) to Lady O'Brien.

". . . the Volunteers gave a puppet show in honour of their commander & my Lord [Charlemont] askd me to be of his company & contrary to expectation there were so many says on my Lord & his Corps &c that we were too late to write that night—the scenery was exceedingly pretty . . . while all seemed pleasd I could not but sympathise".

 $2\frac{1}{2} pp.$

762.

21 Oct. 1781.

Same to same.

He is determined to have no further connection with Government. Further economies will be necessary. He has consulted all his learned friends on "the case of our Edward"; most of them advise a private tutor for one or two years.

1 p.

763.

16 Oct. 1782.

James Healy (from Sixmilebridge) to Sir Lucius O'Brien (at Dromoland.)

Begins, "Honble Sir"; ends, "yr. most obedt. & most humble servant".

"With great submission I take leave to Acquaint you, that I have wrote some days ago to Mr. Meehan, for as he wou'd not admit me to keep any cattle on my field, I Let it all Run to good meadowing, wch. I set this year at two guineas by the acre, in order to pay yr. honr. any balce. due of me, wch. on a fair acct. will apper little . . . the persons whom I set it to, & who are tenants to yr. brother, refuses now to cut it in dread of Mr. Meehan . . . I am Sir Lucius a man of a very heavy charge, of female motherless children . . . I remember you once was pleas'd to promise me five wheels for my five daughters, I expect yr. honr. will please tenterly to consider me, who did lay out above £300 on yr. estate in improvemts. . . ."

2 pp.

2 Aug. 1783.

Henry Hoogwardt (from Sixmilebridge) to the same.

Asking for an abatement of rent. Says that there is "no cleaner tenemt, in town than mine is at present"; and that his father, Johannes Hoogwardt at the oilmills, has always voted for "your honourable family".

1 p.

765.

1835-6.

About 35 letters written by or to Edward O'Brien.¹ His correspondents included William Blakesley, Connop Thirlwall, and Sir William Hamilton.

II. LETTERS AND PAPERS RELATING TO PATRICK HURLY'S CASE

766.

4 Mar. 1699.

Information sworn by Henry Revett of Moughna.

He was in the house of his master, Mr. John Hurly the elder, about 10 p.m. Saw "two lusty fellowes one wth. a red coath and the other wth a whitish coathe" come from Mr. Patrick Hurly's room with naked swords and pistols; they fired at him and made several strokes with their swords, then drove him, with the rest of the servants, into the kitchen. He saw out of the kitchen window two other fellows who called him and the other servants "sons of whores and rogues for offering to call them toryes or robbers". Patrick Hurly then sent him to raise the hue and cry in all the adjoining villages and sent by him an express to Capt. O'Brien of Enisdymon. Informant also sent a messenger to Mr. John Hurly of Labincy "for to doe the same".

Copy, 1 p.

767.

4 Mar. 1699.

Information sworn by Gillen Hurly and Daniel McCoy.

They confirm the evidence of the previous deponent, and also depose as follows:

(Gillen Hurly.) On Friday the 1st Mrs. Elizabeth Hurly, wife of Mr. Patrick Hurly, when looking for some linen in a trunk, "should call this depont. to her and turning over some cloathes should take a linnen bagg and say to this depont. It is [Is it] (?) not heard [hard] that I should be over that bagg and not dare touch it for said she I must give it to Arthur upon wh. this depont. handled the bagg and saw it was gold and asked the said Mrs. Hurley how much was in the bagg and whether all was to be given to Arthur to which . . . mrs. Hurly answered there was seaven hundred pounds or above and that she belived . . . Arthur should not have all and . . . belives this bagg with the mony has bin taken away by these malefactors".

(Daniel Mc Coy.) On the morning of Sunday the 3rd, on coming into the chamber of his master Patrick Hurly, he "should see a linnen bagg into which his master...putting his hand & drawing out a handfull of gould said this is what I must give that roge Arthur and ... believes this mony has been taken away by these malefactors..."

Copy, 11 pp.

768.

4 Mar. 1699.

Information sworn by Richard Hurly of Moughna, gent.

He was in bed at Patrick Hurly's, and heard a great uproar, "wch. made him gett up and intending to come towards the place where he heard the said uproar, hee found the door shutt and some of the servts. striving with spades and other things to breake it open saying that their master was murthered . . . joined with them in breakeing open the said door wch. they noe sooner did, butt two lusty fellowes well armed and masked opposed this depont. . . and made a shott and many strockes with their swords att this depont. wch. he putt off with a long staff . . . with wch. he . . . brocke one of the swords . . parte of wch. with a scabbard they left in the chamber . . ." Copy, 1 p.

769.

4 Mar. 1699.

Informations sworn by the following persons:

(1) Danll. Mac Cae and Henry Devitt. After the robbery they broke a window, informed the neighbours, and raised the hue and cry.

(2) John Cryppes and Dermott Cartey. About 12 o'clock that night, hearing from Mr. Hurly's servants that he was robbed, "they followed and raised the hue and cry in the severall adjacent villages".

- (3) Catherin Mc Cartey, Dorothy Kemp, Margarett Conin, and Mary Mac Carthy. At 10 p.m., when they were "waiteing in the chamber of Mr. John Hurley . . . a gentleman bedridd these many monthes [they] saw comeing into the roome a man of a good seize in a red coate with yellow buttons with a sword in one hand and a pistle in the other, who standing att the chamber door made a shoott into the rome, and after toke another pistle & comanded them to leave the roome or else that he would kill them . . . heard som noise about the house and som shootts made and feared their master had bin murthered . . ."
- (4) Daniel Dugane of Glanstale, Co. Limerick, gent. When he was going to bed at Hurly's he saw Daniel mc Coy, Hurly's servant, "with a hue & cry comeing to the roome where this depont. was goeing to bed & told him his Master was killed, whereupon the depont. took a spade and made towards the roome where the robbers were committing the mischeife . . . one of the said malefactors who wore

a red coat pursued this depont, where he found this depont, by the said Hurleyes fathers bed and fired at both but mist them, takeing the other Pistle the said malefactor swore positively that he would shute this depont, deed if he . . , did not get out of that roome . . . being putt up along with the rest of the said Hurleyes family he thinking to gett out in a window that was upon the roome was like to bee runned through by two of the robbers that were without side of the house . . . Patrick Hurly . . . told him that Mr. Ronane whom this depont, accompanied was delayed onely by the stay of one Doctor Arthur whom . . . Hurly expected that same day for whom he had his mony ready in that bagg . . ."

Copies.

770.

Another deposition, taken the same day before Augustin FitzGerald of Moigh Castle, another J.P. for Co. Clare, does not differ in any important point; but states the robbery to have been committed between 9 and 10 p.m, and the goods taken to have included "foure under petty coates worth four pounds and a silver cann worth fifty shillings"

771.

4 Mar. 1699.

Information of John Ronan of Glanstale, Co. Limerick, esq.

Was at Hurley's house on the 3rd of March, and about the time he was going to bed "saw to men armed rush upon him into this depts. roome with visards drawn swords and to the best of his memory with red coates and fell upon this depot. flung off his hatt and perwigg and forced him into mr. Patrick Hurleys roome & after some struggling with one of them the other offered to kill this depont. if the depont. would not leave holt of the others sword which this depont. did whereupon they tyed with cords this depont. and . . . Patrick Hurley leaveing them stretched on the bed . . ." The rest of his evidence agrees with Hurley's, but is less detailed.

Сору; 1 р.

772.

'4 Mar. 1699.

Information of John Hurley senior of Moughna.

"... being a bedd... about ten a clock... two men armed one with a sword drawn in one hand came to the informts roome and one of them being a tale [tall] black man with a red coate made a shott at this informt, and gaue him three blowes of the blade... and bad the old deuill deliuer his mony... the informt, replyed he

was bedridden a twelue moneth . . . and . . . had none, that on that answer they tooke a wodden stole they found in the roome broke a chest that lay by the informts. bedside and threw all the goods therein on the ground . . . heared two shotts goe off in the house before the said shott att himselfe . . . beleuies there was a greater number than the said two persons . . ."

773.

6 Mar. 1699.

Information of Patrick Hurly of Moughna, Co. Clare, gent. taken before Neptune Blood, Dean of Kilfenora, one of the J.Ps. for the county.

". . . saith that on Sunday the third of March . . . about eleaven of the clock att night, being then att his fathers house in Moghna . . . and in his chamber, he saw thre men armed burst in an out doore of the said house, which opened into a garden, & threw downe Mr John Ronane, who then was neer the said doore: & in a rude manner with swords & pistoles in their hands entred into the sd chamber dragging the said Mr Ronane with them: & instantly there appeared a fourth person armed, & with their faces masqued, & makeing a shott at this informt: they imediatly teyed him & the said Mr Ronane with cords fast to a bedstead; calling this informant rogue, rascall, son of a whore, treacherous villane to his country, & many abusive words . . . further saith, that the said persons by the tone of their speech, seemed to be Irish men; and beleives them to be Papists; but knowes not any . . . either by their names or persons; that imediatly they broke open three large truncks, and tooke out of one . . . a bagg, wherein were three hundred seaventy & four guineys, and three hundred fourty & five pistoles, amounting in all to the sume of eight hundred fourty & eight pounds, nine shill[ings] ster[ling]; together with a gould cross sett with diamonds, & severall other diamonds to the value of two hundred twenty & five pounds . . . twenty four large holland sheets, each . . . containing tenn yeards or thereabouts; price seaventy two pounds . . . & thirty five holland shirts . . . to the value of one hundred fifty & seaven pounds tenn shill[ings] . . . further saith he heard a great bustle & noise and shotts . . . in the other parte of the sd house att the same time, which he understands was don by others of the sd robbers . . . the sd robbers tooke away all the . . . gould etc. and left the said informt. & Mr Ronane teyed . . . and locked the sd doore on the outside . . . he never gott any of the sd gould or goods since the sd robbery . . . when he perceived the sd robbers were gone . . . he . . . sent some of his servants out through a window, about four of the clock next morning, to make a hue and cry, and to raise the country to pursue the sd robbers . . . being asked whether the sd robber was comitted

by any contrivance of his owne or any friend . . . with expectacon to gett money raised on the country, or for any other selfend; declares that it was not, nor does he know of any such contrivance or designe by any person . . . further saith that two of the sd robbers . . . had redd cloathes, and the other two had darke colowred cloathes, & understands that there were in & about the sd house. . . seaven more of the sd Robbers . . . he cannot give any description of any of the sd persons, more then is herein sett fourth, and being examined whether any of his servants or family were from home . . . when the sd robbery was comitted, he said that he sent one Callaghane Cartey a servt. of his that same day, to Mr John Foster att Rathorpa in the County Galway for a suit of morning cloathes . . . and the said Callaghane returned next day being Monday the fourth of March . . . with a letter from . . . Mr Forster, and that the sd informts wife and her bro : Mr Edmond Virrey [Tirrey] and Mr Ulick Boork, who is married to her sister, were the same night . . . att Captn Christopher o Briens house att Innishtimon in the sd. County Clare . . . he had about four hundred pounds of the aforesaid gould from Ald[erman] Walton in Dublin . . . the rest sometime before from mr Christopher fitz Symons mercht . . . and further saith not"

Certified copy; 23 pp.

Another copy, certified by Neptune Blood; 2 pp.

774.

6 Mar. 1699.

"A Briefe of Hurly's Information . . ."

Divided into seven paragraphs, with names of witnesses who are to be called to disprove each; the first being "Peggy Rabbett alias Margaret ny Cunnan".

2 pp.

775.

16 May 1699.

Affidavit of Patrick Hurly, sworn before David Bindon, a Commissioner for taking affidavits in the Court of Exchequer.

At the beginning of August 1691 he gave £1,670 of his own money into the keeping of his servant Thady Mahony, "to be buryed and hidd" in the ground; which was done. It remained buried till the year 1697, when it was found and taken away by John Bourk, Thoms. Bourk, James Bourk, Roger Leadran, and Michaell mac Teage alias Carbery—who still detain it.

1 p.

Also: five letters from, or about, Patrick Hurly, of no special interest. 1697-1699. One of these, written by Thomas Arthur to John Sexton, accuses Hurly of cheating.

I Jan. to 29 Mar. 1700.

25 letters about Hurly's case, written to Sir Donough O' Brien by Sir Theobald Butler, Rev. John Hawkins, George Hickman, Ch: Macdonogh, Wm. Michell, and Lucius O'Brien.

777.

2 Jan. 1700.

[] (from London) to Dr. Shea (at Mr. Prendergasts,

an apothecary, High Street, Dublin.)

This letter is to be communicated to Sir Donough, if in Dublin; otherwise, it is to be shown to the Earl of Limerick¹ and those of his acquaintance his Lordship thinks fit, and then sent, under cover of Dr. Shea's own letter, to Sir Donough. Gives a description of the effort made to trace Capt. Francis Teary, Hurly's brother in law. A warrant for subornation of perjury has been issued by Mr. Secretary Vernon against Teary, Capt. Therlogh Mc Mahon, Capt. Charles Mc Carty, Capt. John Hurly, Capt. Hays, Lieut. Hurly, Lieut. Dennis Mc Carty, and Lieut. Crawly; none of them is yet apprehended, as they have all fled. "Wee are here in great doubt who Captn. Charles Mc Carty and Captn. Terlagh Mc Mahon should be, of the Mc Cartys there are several, but can find but two Charless among them, one whereof is him called blind Mc Carty, who [was] Leuit. in Coll. Clifford's regiment in Ireland; he to cleare himselfe appeared, and made oath that he was not the man meant, and that he knew nothing at all of the matter.

The other Charles Mc Carty is him called Major Mc Carty, & nicknamed Cormacke na Gosse; he came last yeare from Germany, spent parte of the summer here, went for Ireland; and since he is returned for England, there was some foule (?) reporte of one Mr Ryan in Ireland about this Charles Mc Carty; and here wee can find no other of the Macartys but those aforenamed called Charles . . .

As for Mc Mahons there are severall . . . in England, but among them all I can find but two Terloughs . . . one . . . was born in the barony of Inchiquin, he is purser to a man of warr, he lives in good esteem at Portshmouth . . . I am well satisfied that he is not the man wanted; and to remove all doubts, I made a further enquiry of one Thady mc Mahon the sonn of one Bryan Rua Mc Mahon [who] lived about Ennis . . . this Thady mc Mahon lives in very good credit, and keeps an inn at Kingston upon Thames; he tells the the new relation was a forenamed, and the other I am now to describe.

Here is one Terlough Mc Mahon who goes by the name of Captn., he is of Lacanashanagh in the County of Clare, he was Cornet I am

¹ Thomas Dungan, 2nd Earl of the first creation [1634-1715.]

told in the old Ld. Clare's regiment he is a middlesized man about the age 35 yeares. He is the nephew of one Bryen Mc Shane alias Mc Mahon that lived neare Balligleahane in the county of Lymericke. This Bryan Sir Donough must remember, for no man . . . was a greater admirer of Sr Donogh and family than this Bryan Mac Shane . . . I do very much suspect this nephew of his, who is likewise a neare relation of Mr Lardner, to be the person concearned agt Sir Donogh . . . and if he [is] the man meant . . . Mr Lardner cannot be a stranger to his transactions—I told him so much my selfe but two days since . . .

Let Mc Hurly [sic] Mc Mahon, and McCarty say what they will, the Govt. will not believe them—but to the contrary give positive orders to proceed agt. them, to the utmost severity of the law . . ." 3 pp.

778.

11 Jan. 1700.

Patr. Connell (from Cragilane) to Sir Donough O'Brien.

The day after parting from Sir Donough he went to his brother Taylor's; and the following day to Ballymanagh, where he and Taylor consulted with their brother John French of Cragilane, their cousingerman Capt. Furlong, and John Morgan. Mr. Lynch was from home, but later on "we all contrived a plott of hunting hard by his house; after some sport we went in: and I was particularly saluted and caressed by Mr. Lynch as a stranger but I was wonderly surpriz'd when he told Hen that he knew my bussinesse; I seem'd gruntled at that poynt and I imployd my friends to sound his reason" (which he was reluctant to do) "neverthelesse we would not rest there but try him in drink & Cousin Morgan contrived to bring him to one of his tents, to drink a barrell & there we drunk our selves drunk as I am still and wth. much adoe I found out his heart. I find he can doe all, but he is mercenary and must be reward'd . . . " Suggests Sir Donough's meeting Lynch at "brother Taylor's" on Friday night.

 $3\frac{1}{2} pp.$

779.

14 Jan. 1700.

Examination of Patrick Hurly taken before Judge Coote and the Solicitor-General.

Concerns his correspondence with Capt. Francis Terry. Also mentions [] Sarsfield (nicknamed "circumslabberous", brother of Francis Sarsfield of Co. Clare), Charles Mc Carthy, Dennis Mc Carthy, Richard Roch, and Mrs. Mary Slingsby. [Does not give any fresh details.]

Draft, 3 pp.

15 Jan. 1700.

Affidavit of Margarett Cunnen alias Rabbitt of Mooghna, Co. Clare. She was servant to Patrick Hurly late of Mooghna. The robbers used Hurly's own firearms; Callaghan Carthy was the man who wore a red coat at the time of the pretended robbery. The goods and counters taken by the robbers were delivered the same night, by Hurly's orders, at his barn. The greater part of the linen was sent to Capt. Christopher O'Brien of Inishtimon, the rest to the house of Capt. Ulick Bourke (Hurly's brother in law) at Tiaquin, Co. Galway, by Doraghan Brien, servant to Capt. Ulick, and Dermott Carthy. Daniel Hickey and Callaghan Carthy, who were also Hurly's servants, were not seen in the house at the time of the robbery, nor for most of the day before. She is now servant to John Hurly, Patrick's brother.

Сору, 1 р.

781.

15 Jan. 1700.

Affidavit of Dermot Daley in Inistimon, Co. Clare.

He was sent by his master, Capt. Christopher O'Brien, to receive from Mrs. Hurly a portmanteau "which hung with a cord in the turnsill of the chimney halfe ways downe..." He believes it to have been full of linen.

1 p.

782.

15 Jan. 1700.

Affidavits, sworn to deny the existence of Capt. Therlagh Mc Mahon of Cluonanaha, by the following persons:

Philip Henesy of Ballyvraneen, Co. Clare, gent. (has known the lands 40 years).

John Connill of Roosca, Co. Clare, gent. (has known them since his transplantation in the time of Cromwell.)

Owen Mc Giarraghy of Cluonanaha, farmer (has known them 40 years.)

Hugh Mc Giarraghy, son of the last named (has known them 40 years.)

Donogh Quely of Magheree, Co. Clare, Popish priest (has known them 20 years.)

2½ pp.

16 Jan. 1700.

Affidavit of David Barry of Carowkeale, Co. Clare, gent.

He has known Hurly since he was 13 or 14 years old, having been his near neighbour, and "has never knowne a greater villaine". Hurly and his brother falsified their accounts when they were employed by King James as storekeeper and forager.

Draft, 2 pp.

784.

17 Jan. 1700/1.

Joseph Lynch (from Kilquan) to Sir Donough O'Brien.

Apologising for not being able to meet Sir Donat at Crosseene, as suggested by Mr. Connell. In such a case he would ride all night "tho a person in my circomstance is not quallified to be mounted to answer any jurny . . . if you have any further thoughts of this matter . . . I shall infallably observe yor : comds : . . ."

1 p.

785.

23 Jan. 1700.

D. Molony to William Michell (at the Coach & Horse in George's Lane, Dublin.)

". . . Lt. or Captn. Mc Mahon who lately writt you a smooth letter pressed himself into my company att a tavern near this place and was in drinke when he came into the roome. I saw the man before, knew his scoundrel character butt never spoke to him untill this time he began to talke of your businesse I gave a freind that was with me the hint to to observe and loose nothing of what was said and also to ply him with the glasse—in short the sparke was managed soe that he confessed he was the man Mr H: meant . . . H: has gott him & Mc Carthy (whoever he be) personated by others, and the seaven other informers are for the most part chimeras . . ."

3 pp.; enclosing an undated letter from Hurly to Humfrey Giles.

786.

30 Jan. 1700.

Same to same.

He has had no news from Michell since Mr. O'Brien the parson came there. Recommends Michell to mention the writer as little as possible; the reason being that he has been in France since the war, and there met Hurly in company with Lord Clare" which he will lett the governmt. know as soon as he heares I am concerned for you . . . the onely businesse I had there was to see the old Bpp who was a dyinge . . ."

3 pp.

12 Feb. 1700.

Notes taken by Mr. Rice at the examination of Daniel Hicky before Judge Coote.

Concerning an information that he swore (allegedly under threats) in Ennis gaol.

1 p.

788.

12 Feb. 1700.

Patrick Hurly to Lord Chief Justice Pyne and Mr. Justice Coote. Asking for a trial at the bar of the Kings Bench "where Sr Donogh's frowns nor purse cannot operate as in the county of Clare . . ." 3 pp.

789.

18 Feb. 1700.

The same to (Major) William Smith, High Sheriff of Co. Clare (near Ennis.)

"... there was more mony laid out this terme upon endeavoring to have me remanded to the county of Clare, to by tryed these next Assizes, for god and the Mogul knows what, then [than] would have purchased the fee simple of Dromolan, but all to noe purpose . . ." Sir Donough got Daniell Hicky taken in Dublin on a warrant for felony and supposed robbery; "the speciall bayliffs were the valiant Capt. of Inistimone, and the formidable Vulcan of Smithstowne . . . when they found treats and meanaces would not doe, hattsfull of gold and silver were ofierd. him, if he would confirme the false informations he gave agt, me att Ennis . . ."

Ends, "yor. most faithfull humble servt."

Endorsed, by Sir Donough and Richard England, "Patrick Hurlyes Lr. to Majr. Smith then Sheriff for a panell for his tryall at Dublin ..."

3 pp.

790.

19 Jan. 1700.

[Patrick Hurly] to Humphry Giles (at Sir Roger L'Estrange's Coffeehouse in Holborn, London.)

"... Tell the gent. that gave you the bill... and all mankind that Mr. C: Mr. M: & the other 7 credible gent. are gone from London to the contry and yu. belvee some came hither to me incognito and that they will doe nothing but before the Parliament & then they will doe itt to the life..."

2 pp.

19 Feb. 1700.

Redmond Joy to [Sir Donough O'Brien.]

He has heard of some jealousy being excited against him by his correspondence with Patrick Hurly; "I would noe way goe to see him unless it were to serve you . . ."

I p.

792.

20 Feb. 1700.

D. Molony to [the same.]

He is surprised at having had none of Sir Donough's or of Mr. Christopher O'Brien's letters by the last eight pacquets. ". . . If my letters are intercepted all is marred att least you are thereby hindered from demonstratinge to H.'s best friends, the greatest rogues in the Kingdome, that he is the most profligate wretch and greatest villain that ever framed a plott . . .". Describes how he intercepted a letter from Hurly to his brother in law.

4 pp.

793.

22 Feb. 1700.

Ch: Macdonogh (from Ballykeel) to Sir Donough O'Brien.

Henry Mc Devitt, Dorothy Kemp, John Cripps, and John Hurly were this week examined before Dean Blood concerning Mr. Patt. Hurly's sham robbery.

The firstnamed swore to having been at Mooghna when the robbery was committed. He saw men in red and blue clothes who "made shotts with Powder without Ball". Mr. Hurly sent him off with orders to raise the hue and cry and with a letter to Inistimon, charging him not to disturb the family there till morning.

Dorothy Kemp saw the pretended robbers, but did not recognise them.

Cripps "rid before a portmanteu" of Mr. Hurly's to Dublin, while Dermod. ny Franky Mc C[] "rid" before another; both were with Mrs. Hurly and Capt. Thirry.

John Hurly, asked if he knew anything "that could discover the robbery" said he did not, he and his brother having been at variance when it was committed. His uncle Richard Hurly showed him a portmanteau, which deponent brought first to his own house at Lehenty (?), and then sent on to Capt. Christopher O'Brien's. He admits to receiving a letter from his brother, in which he was asked to get Mc Donogh to use his influence with Sir Donough with the idea of giving Hurly £500 to stay proceedings.

"On the whole matter, Sir, I believe him to be as bade as the other... the bearer Mr. John Dally spoke to me before, to give your honr. notice that he would pay you 20 1. per ann. for Ballyvealaghan... he is a good tent. and I pray countenance him..."

Other persons mentioned are James Davoren, Sir Theobald Butler, John Oge Macnemara (a former Sheriff of the county), Col. Perry, Major Ryan, Mr. Augustine FitzGerald, Mr. Wm. Butler, and Mr. Francis FitzGerald.

3 pp.

794.

13 Feb. 1700.

Same to same.

"Terlogh Mc Mahon fz Kennedy went for France from Cork upon the rendition of Limerick, & rann out of King James' Royall Regimt., married in Flanders, & came into Engld. after the Peace & is there now—a Cousn. Jerman to Danll. Finukan

Clonehaha is a place neare Cluoneirala

Terlogh Mc Mahon fz Kennedy, cousn. to the abovementioned Terlogh, went into the English Army in Engd., married in Engld., bought an Adjutants place & the regimt. being broak keeps an inn in Engld.—whilst he was in the English Army he gott 14 or 15 hangd that were going to dissert at Dixmuyd, after he had drawn them into it

Murtogh at Limk. or Brien now in the West can give an acct. of both these men".

I p., endorsed "Acct. of Terly. Mc Mahon supposed to [be] Hurleys Rogue".

795.

22 Feb. 1700.

Same to same.

Repeats the substance of the previous letter.

Encloses copy of letter from Hurly to his brother in law, with slight variations in phrasing from that of 20 Feb.

4 pp.

796.

26 Feb. 1701.

Ter. Mc Mahon (from London) to Mr. Davenport, apothecary (in Ennis; to be forwarded to Mr. Fellorgin Finucane, LL.D.)

Begins, "Dr. cousin". He was taken up by the King's orders, examined by Secretary "Verunum", and justified Sir Donough and the rest of the [suspected] gentlemen ". . . I am sure that little pemp Neddy Mc Mahon as he calls himself spoake ill of me to Captn.

Mc Mahon of Clonugh, because I kicked his britche for him att St Germaines a little before I left for his sawsiness . . ."

2 pp., enclosing a formal letter for Sir Donough, in which McMahon states that "noe person living is more innocent of that foul imputation in relation to you then I am . . .". 1 p.; same date.

797.

27 Feb. 1700.

[Rev.] Jon. Hawkins (from Newmarket) to Sir Donough O'Brien (in Dublin.)

"... I doe feare that the endeavours that were used to alter or shake or church governmt in this kingdom, are now layd to worke by a Convocation in England . . ."

Gives a summary of two letters from Hurly to the Sheriff, which he happened to see.

11 pp.

798.

3 Mar. 1700.

Inventory of linen (valued at £93.8.0) and of jewellery (valued "att a very moderatt rate" at £100) delivered by Hurly to Mr. Stanford.

I p.

799.

4 Mar. 1700.

Charles Mc Donogh (from Ennis) to Sir Donough O'Brien (in Dublin.)

Callaghan Carty was released last Saturday; he continues steadfast to his examination before Capt. Bindon, "tho 'tis a hard matter because John Hurly huffs att a strange rate in this country in his brothers affaire and grandure . . . I gott Dorothy Kemp and Henry Devett examined before the Deane, but John Hurly did soe divert them by his appearance that they staved off, but for all that some materiall circumstances were drawne from them . . ." The Mayor and Corporation of Limerick have several suits in Chancery and at Common Law pending against Henry Hickman, esq., Mc Donogh, and others for the weir of Limerick, "which is a great Corporation entrest". He therefore asks Sir Donough to give a retaining fee to Sir Theobald Butler; ". . . if your honour will be advised of the legallity of the challenge under Mr. Tho. Rice to bring downe certificatts out of the courte of the nature of the lawe suites, which may be authentick at the asses [assizes] and lett it be kept private".

 $1\frac{1}{2} pp.$

17 Mar. 1700.

D. Molony to [Sir Donough O'Brien.]

". . . your case is clear & the villany soe fully detected that itt is not in the power of man to doe you the least harm . . . ". A young gentleman of Galway, John Stanton (whose elder brother studies the law here) has lived idling about town for some time, and has become very intimate with Capt. Terry. ". . . I lately in company with your freind Mr. Nugent went to a publicke house where wee mett Mr Stanton in company with some gents, of my acquaintance. I found by Mr. S. that he was drinking, for he talked a great deal whereas when he is sober he is very reserved . . ." Stanton told them of a quarrel with one Casy, a servant or dependant of Sir Donough, and of Sir Donough's refusal to set his father a farm promised him; ". . . he said you were the richest commoner in Ireland, and itt was pity you should have soe much and others want itt . . . he told that you declared in his father's house that you would make the Duke of Berwicke your heire . . .". (Stanton later on denied Sir Donough ever having been in his father's house, saying that he had only heard this part of the story from Sarsfield.) ". . . you are to observe that when he begun the discourse he was elevated butt not drunke you must know further that I find by the booke att an inn where they take coach for Chester that this gent, went that way yesterday by the Chester coach in company with another person who upon the booke is called Mr Samuel Aldersey. Be sure to watch him att his landing in Dublin; and, if you have not interest enough with the governmt to gett him secured and searched, gett some honest gentleman of Galway that knowes him to meet him if possible att landinge, to take him to the tavern with his luggage, make him drunke and see what letters he has or pompe out of him what instructions he has for Hurly . . . the Macks are all at liberty, have declared they know nothing of you & have not bin in Ireland this twelvemonth . . ." 4 pp.

801.

18 Mar. 1700.

Michaell Nugent to the same (c/o Sir Humphrey Gervase, in Dublin.)

Mr. Molowny, who displays "extraordinary zel" in Sir Donough's service, "went in trace of one Terry who had made his escape but found one of his emissarys, by name Stanton, a young cub; he loged this spark in some company where he brought me . . ." [Nugent's

account of the conversation is substantially the same as Molony's.] He suspects the other man who went by the Chester coach of being Terry under an *alias*.

Ends, "your most affectionat obliged and obedien[t] humble sert."

1½ pp.

802.

25 Mar. 1700.

Warrant of Thomas Hickman and Augustine Fitzgerald, J.Ps. for Co. Clare, for the apprehension of Patrick Hurly.

803.

29 Mar. 1700.

P. Hurly (from Ennis) to Mr. Thomas Hewlett (at his house in Smithfield, Dublin.)

". . . noe man in the world mett wth. such a fatall stroak of misfortune as I did . . . ". Mr. Nevlon (who was in gaol as surety for Hurly on Arthur's account) showed Hurly's letter" and vapord that I was comeing home with a great deal of mony. This contry who are [sic] from the highest to the lowest (except some few friends) very wrothe (?) and malitious agt. me employd . . . eleaven persons who came in armd. or maskd. into my house the 3d. instant to robb me. Counr. [Counsellor] Ronan was then wth. me and was tyed neck and heels as well as my self all my said gold (£850) and goods to a very considerable valeue taken . . . I had 16 credible persons to prove the fact; the contry was soe violent agt. me that they resolved right or wrong to give the matter agt. me . . . "; alleging it to be a sham robberty, for which he had paid "a comon and known barreter" £50. Asks for two certioraris (for fear of miscarriage) to remove the indictments for perjury to the Kings Bench; one to be sent to Mr. Walter Neylon, at Mr. Ulick Brown's near the gaol, Limerick; the other to Mr. Bargery at Loughrea.

3 pp.

804

29 Mar. 1700.

The same to Daniel Wybrants, esq. (at the Kings Bench office in Nicholas Street, or at his house in Capel Street, Dublin.)

". . . If a habeas corpus cou'd be sent me to the purpose, I wou'd not vallue all that's said my charge one penny, was I to be tryed by a Protestant jury, and in Dublin . . .". Asks him to give Mr. Hewlett two certioraris.

1½ pp.

29 Mar. 1700.

The same to Mr. Thady Mahony, "a sollicitor at law" (at the Post Office, Dublin.)

He has got Mr. Thomas Bourke put into prison at Ennis three days ago, by the Sheriff's own hands, "on the markd. writt of 500 li: you gave me".

1 p.

806.

3 Apr. 1700.

Walter Neylan to Sir Donough O'Brien.

Capt. o Brien comes here tonight or tomorrow, and is to meet Dr. Arthur "to purchase my releasment . . . it is not (Sr.) out of extravagance . . . that I crave the sum of ten pounds from yr. honr. but it is absolutelie necessary for my enlargement . . ." Yesterday he saw Mr. Hurly write to Lord Gallway¹ and the Attorney-General² the substance of his letters was "that since the time he left France and [sic] he did severall considerable services to the prst. King of England & Government; the pretended protestants, but inward Jacobits of the county of Clare, & particularly Sr Donatt o Brien who is the lead card of the sd county, are plotting and contriveing all the wayes their witts can suggest to doe him prejudice; and that latelie . . . they imployd (as he has reason to believe) some 9 or 10 persons of the county, to robb his house; and were not content to refuse him justice according to law &c but gott the sd persons to sweare it was by his own consent & will whereupon he was taken & kept in irons: he desires the Attorney Genll may send him down a noli prosequi & a certiorari. It was my knowledge of this that occationd the letters to be intercepted . . ."

1 p.

807.

8 Apr. 1700.

William Butler (from Clonmel) to the same (at Limerick.)

The first man of the Bar he met at Clonmel was Mr. Foster, whom he told of his client Mr. Patrick Hurlye being laid in irons. He afterwards discoursed Sir John Meade, ³ giving him a verbatim account of the discovery. "Sr. John was pleased to make a case, that if any man steale plate from his butler, with an intent to make him paye for it; or sheepe from his sheppard, with the like intent [it is] adiudged

3 [d. 1711]; 1st Bt., ancestor of the Earls of Clanwilliam.

¹ Henry de Massue, Marquis de Ruvigny, 1st Earl of the second creation [1648-1720.]

² Robert Rochford, afterwards Chief Baron of the Exchequer [1652-1727.]

fellonye . . . and that if Mr. Hurlye gott himselfe robbed with a designe to make the Papists paye for it, hee was a fellon. Whereuppon I tould him of the other persons robbd, as I did Mr. Foster; theire oppinion & soe is everye layers heare [is] that if anye there but Hurlye loste anything, hee is (I meane Hurlye) guiltye of fellonye . . . therfore I hope his garters will bee still kept faste to his heeles, & that his necke will bee putte into a noose before hee leaves that countye . . ."

5 pp.

808.

16 Apr. 1700.

Walter Neylon to the same.

". . . if your honr. & the rest of the bench doe not think the proof agt. Mr. Hurly (as being the actor and contriver of his own robbery) authentick enough, I can by his own confession to me cleare the point very sufficiently . . ."

1 p.

809.

18 Apr. 1700.

Information of William Ryan of Monienanagh, Co. Clare, farmer sworn against Mr. Hurly.

He lives within a mile of Moughna. He went there the next morning [after the robbery] and was told by Richard Hurly, Patrick Hurly's uncle, "that hee was robbed by a greate many people, that were within & without the house in readde coates & other colloure coates, with vizards and faces smutted and disguised, and that this deponent beeing well skilled as hee conceaves in tracking, desired them to putte him uppon a tracke, that hee may trace the robbers, that neither Mr Hurlye nor any of his familye could shew him any tracke, nor could hee finde the tracke of any person, more than what hee beleived to bee of the familye . . ."

Сору, 1 р.

810.

22 Apr. (?) 1700.

William Butler (from Bryens Castle) to Sir Donough O'Brien. "... the full hopes of the common enemye of this Countye centers att last in a noli prosequi as if the Govermt & Kings Counsill were fully in his disposl . . ."

Lp., endorsed by Sir Donough as follows;

"23 Aprill 1700 Capn. Xtopher o Brien denyed to be examined upon oath before Dean Blood & me about telling what he knowes of the goods Pat. Hurly pretended to be robed of: & that he would suffer the penalty of the law rather then doe it . . ."

23 May 1700.

"Heads of Hurlies allegacions agt. me given to Mr. Bindon & Mr. Hawkins".

These are: Sir Donough's not allowing him to be bailed; tampering with his letters; and threatening, "at Corafin & else where", to have him hanged.

1 p.

812.

23 May 1700.

Affidavit concerning Hurly of John Brigg, gaoler, of Ennish. About his treatment of Hurly in gaol (bolting his legs with iron bars, and other details of the same kind.)

Sworn before John Hawkins and David Bindon, J.Ps. Copy, 2 pp.

813.

24 May 1700.

Return made by Hawkins and Bindon, concerning the above, to the Lord Chief Justice and other Justices of the Kings Bench.

2\frac{1}{2} \phi p., enclosing a letter from Hurly.

814.

6 June 1700.

James Cusacke (from Dublin) to Sir Donough O'Brien.

The Sheriff went to Mr. Annesley¹ at the Parliament House, was received with great respect, and asked about Hurly and his crimes; "but Mr Annesly tould him that he had laid foundation of great matters agt. your honr. & what he thought of it—the sherriffe tould him there was nothing in it but rogery . . ."

2 pp.

815.

8 June 1700.

Daniel O'Brien (from Dublin) to Sir Donough O'Brien (at Dromolan.)

Mr. Hurly has had two long audiences of the Trustees. It is doubtful if he will be remanded, the Attorney- and Solicitor-General appearing much in his favour.

2 pp.

¹This may be either Francis Annesley or Maurice Annesley, who sat respectively for New Ross and Clonmines in King William III's Parliament.

13 June 1700.

Sir Humphrey Jervis to the same.

Mr. Cusack "yor sheriff", Capt. Purdon, and others among Sir Donough's friends all think he should come up to Dublin to see how matters go in Hurley's case, bringing with him the certificate signed by the Protestant gentlemen of Co. Clare; "and pray tell my brother in law John Burke of Ennis he must come up to joyn in clayming the statute staple, for the Duke of Ormond is so great we can do no good with him, but we will put in our clayme to have it out of my Lord Clancarty's estate who was bound for the Duke . . ."

1 p.

817.

21 June 1700.

H: O'Brien to the same.

Enclosing copy of "Discovery" made by Hurly to the Trustees of Forfeited Estates against Sir Donough and Capt. Timothy O'Brien of Smithstowne.

[Most of Hurly's charges affect Sir Donough only. The most important are:

Raising a troop of horse (not regimented) and commanding it in King James's service, after 13 Feb. 1688.

Raising a second troop, in Col. Daniel O'Brien's regiment, for his brother Teige O'Brien (which was afterwards given to his cousin german, Timothy O'Brien of Smithstowne.)

Being a J.P., a Commissioner of Array, and a Sheriff under King James.

Sending several head of black cattle to the garrison of Limerick. Giving Col. Sarsfield about £40 to buy brandy at Galway for the garrisons of Portumna, Banagher, and other towns.

Sending in 1692¹ letters by Capt. Randle Mc Donnell with suggestions for an invasion of Ireland; and promising, in that event, sufficient horses in Co. Clare to mount a regiment for Col. Charles O'Brien.

"Violent & barbarous usage" at the hands of Sir Donough and of William Butler, a J.P. and "Sr. Donoghs right hand man".]

6 pp.

818.

22 June 1700.

Patrick Hurly (from Dublin) to his brother John Hurly.

He is detained by the Trustees, in spite of violent attempts made in the Kings Bench to have him removed to Co. Clare. Refers to

¹ A note taken by counsel for the Trustees refers to (1) Sir Donat having sent a messenger to France in 1695, in order to persuade King James to land in Ireland; (2) Sir Donat and Christopher O'Brien having received, in 1699, a messenger sent to apprise them of an invasion of England.

"the bare testimonys of those four profligate villians who were—as I will prove—hired to swear agt. me"; and to Sir Donough having employed six counsellors "to move agt. me in the last day of the term to be remanded . . .".

Сору, 4 рр.

819.

22 June 1700.

John Harrold (from Dublin) to Sir Donough O'Brien.

He is trying to trace Hurly's counters, "for sure I am that he got them among the toy shops heare . . .". He has heard of someone "in them parts" giving Hurly £50 not to bring their name in question, and will try to locate this person.

2 pp.

820.

26 June 1700.

Information of Charles Macdonogh of Ballykeel, Co. Clare, gent. For two years he has managed various affairs for Hurly. On receiving a letter from Christopher O'Brien asking for his assistance after the robbery, he "writt a drolling answer and omitted to goe thither", because he was sure that Hurly had contrived the robbery, and had not the amount of gold and silver to lose that he claimed. He heard Hurly offer to prove that Sir Donough had corresponded with H.M.'s enemies in France, "and had remitted money thither to supply General Hamilton and Captn. Randolph Macdonnell . . . heard the said Patrick Hurly in the gaol of Ennis treathen the said Sir Donat . . . & uttered some french words, which he interpreted to this informant to signifie, that a worme may overturne a castle . . ."

24 pp.

821.

27 June 1700.

"Mr. Bayle's acco. of Hurlies tempting him to sweare agt. me". Hurly offered Bayle one-third of what might be recovered from Sir Donough, alleging, inter alia, that he would bring out of France some Irish officers "to swear that severall years since the surrender of Limbrick the aforsd Sr Donogh writt to the leat King Jeams that if he would com a gain into Irland he would rais men & money for him . . ."

2 pp.

822.

I July 1700.

Ch: Macdonogh (from Ballykeel) to Sir Donough O'Brien.

He has today, with Mr. Huonyn, got possession of the farm of Dough for Lord Ikerrin.¹ Mr. John Hurly did not go to Dublin to see his brother, and refused to perjure himself by giving evidence against Sir Donat. ". . . Mr. Sarsfield told me alsoe that Captn.

¹ Pierce Butler, 4th Viscount [1679-1711.]

Francis Tirry who is lately come from the Morea told him that Mr. Patt. Hurly desired him to evidence agt. you in particular that you writt to my Ld. Clare¹ to Lahoge inviteing him & the rest of K.J. his party to invade this kingdome, and that Captn. Tirry declared that he would sooner dye, then be guilty of such villanous falsehood—if Mr. Tirry be in Dublin, I think he should be examined to this point . . .". He had from Mr. Davoren a bull which fails to serve his milch cows; cannot get any other in this country, which makes him ask if Sir Donough will be good enough to lend or sell him one.

2 pp.

823.

10 July 1700.

The same (from Ennis) to the same.

Mr. Sheriff "is goeing about in villification of Mr. Patt. Hurly . . . I find by the entrest and fawneing he makes on some Papists" that he intends a presentment in order to reimburse himself for the £58 spent in the good service of bringing Mr. Hurly to Dublin.

3 pp.

824.

22 July 1700.

Gentlemen against whom information was given by Francis Baker to Capt. Piers Archbold.

" Pat. Hurly

Mr. Archdeacon

John Winn lately in prison

Capt. Will. Bourk formerly in Ld. Dillons regimt.

little Garet Purcell late in Charles O Briens Regiment lately com out of France

Lt. Pierce Poor of Ld. Killmalocks Regimt. & lately com from France

John Loyd late come from England

Redmond Joy formerly an informer

Sr. James Cotter

Coll. Tho: Holmes

Sr. D. B.

Coll. Christopher O Brien

Coll. Moroe

Coll. Hussy

Coll. Beecher of the Comi. Corke

Coll. Callaghane

Coll. Walsh

Dennis Daly

Capn. Ashpole

Probably Daniel O'Brien, 4th Viscount [d. 1693.]

Captn. Poor of Clashmore, & severall others that were appointed & intrusted by the late K. James as is alledged; & the Irish to rise & make intrest & to receive for raising men & other necessaries, & ayding & assisting the late K. James, & severall other comisions that were sent by agent Scully to Dr. Kean O Callanane of Cotterstown near Casshell, & was delivered to Dr. Plunkett in Coll. Hussies house, as alleadged last 9ber. Memd. (?) on the 20th Piers Archboll caried the sd. paper to the Atturny Generall, who said this was a trick put upon Hurly, & asked Baker where he got the paper; he shewed Archboll whoe sayd that it fell from Hurlies man vizt. the list, & a peticon Hurly was sending to the Governt. wch. the Arturny toke from Baker & Archboll, & indorsd on it when brought to him & caused them to signe their names to it, & asked Baker why he did not com first to him "

2 pp.

825.

9 Aug. 1700.

Samuel Twiford (from Limerick) to Sir Donough O'Brien (at Dromoland.)

Mr. Hurly says the Trustees have agreed to pay him £15,000 out of Sir Donough's estate. He produced to Sir Donough's friend some acquittances dated September 1689, among which was one, signed Don. O Brien, for £11 odd subsistence money in Col. Charles O' Brien's regiment. Sir Donough's friend told him this was Don. O Brien of Ballynoe, but Hurly says he has twenty other papers of this kind. 3 pp.

826.

30 Aug. 1700.

Affidavit of Callaghan Carthy of Corofin, Co. Clare.

Concerns his arrest, his imprisonment in Ennis gaol, and his being made to swear evidence against Hurly by threats of bolting and hanging.

Copy, 21 pp.

827.

31 Aug. 1700.

Samuel Twiford (from Dublin) to Sir Donough O'Brien.

"The Saints are pleased to say that the Trustees design (by some long study they have been in lately) to find some mean in England to bring the Irish to an accot., whether they hope in the Pt. [parliament?] or the Jury of Middlesex I known not but sure I am that (since Capn. Oldfield, who was prov'd to be in the service abroad all along, had much difficulty two days since, & is yet in suspense abt. a small mattr.)—good care ought to be taken. Yor, great admirer says that 4 men

are ready to swear that they were suborn'd by yor. honnr. & Mr. Butler abt. the robbery, & that mattrs. are mighty well wth. himself. I don't hear him threatn soe much, because he seems well pleased wth. some miracles that have been wrought at Ennis, but the Tr—s writ to him lately to take his advice whom they might direct to be appointed sheriffs in Munster next year. This is what I at present think materiall . . ."

2¼ pp., endorsed in a different hand; "Alderman Richard Newman of Cork sold Patrick Hurly 500 counters".

828.

5 Sept. 1700.

Charles Macdonogh (from Ballykeel) to Sir Donough O'Brien.

Reporting a conversation he has had with Mr. John Hurly; "... I doe not know well what to make of this fellow; he pretends to all the reallity & dependency imaginable on your honour, yet he is of the same blood & stamp with thother, and I am confidt. that they are both blowne ..."

24 pp.

829.

28 Sept. 1700.

[Patrick Hurly to his brother John Hurly.]

"I had yours of the 23th by this day senights post; I will send you some subpoenas wch. you must gett servd., take care of your self for fear of any surprizes till then. Itt woud be very materiall that you came here next term, for my appeareing to preferr bills for you against myself will not look soe well in the Court, but if you appeard here yor self to preferr them, I would confess equity and you would gett perpetuall iniunctions to A: and F: S:-therefore continue some way to come, & I will have a protection for you dureinge terme here, and hope you will have your injunctions before its over. The Capt.'s answer is like the rest of his shuffles—but he may live to repent his doeings—I am glad the Mogul and his friends, and spetially Don Carlos, sett soe little a valew upon what I can doe agt. his honor, and that they depend upon it that noe jury will find them guiltylett them sleep on that side, for I find by their vaporing that they dread nothing to be agt. them, but what was dureing the warr of Ireland, & that is forgiven and forgott—assure yrself, lett them thank [sic] what they please, that all their interest will not save their bacon, and that the clever fellows that I gott the passes for by my friends in England from the King are landed, and the chiefest of em stayes in England to waite the Kings returne, and then the Mogul and others may find that, tho an Irish jury woud not find them guilty. that a Middlesex jury will, for that is the proper place to try them, on the English statute for forraigne treason what is to be laid to his charge is treasonable correspondence, and incouragemt, of an invasion in 92 and 93-and I am sure any Jury will, upon good prooff, find him guilty of a fact Comitted two years after all things were peaceable and quiet in Ireland-such a thing, don in cold blood when the warr was almost forgott, will be thought much more criminall than 20 facts comitted in the heat of warr; and any jury will find him guilty, for besides lett him take care, but the Like treason will be proved fully agt. him since the signeing of the generale peace att Ryswick, when D: Hamilton was talkd. of to head a rebellion in Scottland in the very beginning of 98. There are smart, ingenious, credible persons that will fully and fairely prove things agt. him that he does not think, and yor, neighbour, if I can helpe itt, shall not be forgottas for Vulcan, he may depend upon it, that this term they will proceed to outlaw him; send one to the post, Monday come senight. Yor. br. does not leave this till after terme—If you send my wife the 4l. 4s. along wth: his man, you may bee sure itt will be very acceptable. I will not say its wanting. Gett one answr. or other from the Capt .send me word whether he rides wth, a sword or keeps arms in his house, notwthstanding his confinemt.

Direct your letters to Mrs. Mary Slingsby att Mr. Pasco's house att the two black posts in Capel-street, and gett my sister or some body else allways to write the outside of your lettrs and change yor. seales—and ordr. your messengers not to show the outside of yor lres to any whatsoever—my duty to my far. & love to my sister and Don Francisco. Be sure you be here att the term I am told you recd. a lettr. from Dick fitz James, pray send itt mee—Don Francisco

N'ecrivez plus de vos billets doux pour des raisons ; le ieu ne vaut pas la chandelle. Menagez cette lettre ci dessus—et ecrivez moy—

For Mr. John Armstrong of the county of Clare

att

Loghreagh "

 $2\frac{1}{2} pp.$

830.

I Oct. 1700.

Thomas Rice (from Dublin) to Sir Donough O'Brien (at Dromoland.)

[Partly concerning Hurly's case.] Continues, "The Trustees dispatch fee [few] (?) claimes and every dayes causes run in arreare & their judgmts. & neue scrutinyes seem to amaze the people—they hold themselves obleiged not to confirme claimes of renewalls on the

death of lives . . ." Refers to the case (still undecided) of Dermot O' Tyne "of our county", who claimed a lease as assignee of one Harraghane.

3 pp.

831.

11 Oct. 1700.

Patrick Hurly to the Trustees.

Complaining of "the many false and scandalous reports . . . against me", and stating Sir Donough to have said, at the trial for robbery "that I was as likely to putt a sham robbery upon the country as I cheated King James and the Irish . . ."

 $2\frac{1}{2} pp.$

832.

29 Oct. 1700.

James Hurly (from Nenagh) to Patrick Hurly.

Concerning the bringing Capt. Parker into the plot. "...I had gon on foot to waite on yu to Dublin, but that there is a certaine bond in judgement over me there, in the tyrants hands. Pray let not the gentlem. that delivered you the former letter to Mr Nuttly know any thing of the secresy, for that he is of kinn to the Grand Senior ..."

1 p.

833.

30 Oct. 1700.

Information of Thomas Conway of Ennis, Co. Clare, merchant, sworn before David Bindon, esq., a J.P. for Co. Clare.

Relates to examination before Thomas Hickman, esq., of Daniell Carthey, on suspicion of being concerned in Hurly's robbery.

1 p., endorsed "the information of Thoms. Conwey to prove my fairness."

834.

I Nov. 1700.

Walter Neylon to Sir Donough O'Brien.

"Honrd Sir—this morning Capt. Terry came to mee in the streets of Enish & taxd me wth acquainting yr. honr. that he reflected of the county of Clare, and wth that then lifted his cane and gave mee a stroake of it. I provided a sword (haveing nere a one about mee) but before any thing was done wee were both seizd. by Major Smith. I am bound over, and hee is in a private room expecting baile. If yr. honr. should think fitt to write to Capt. Bindon to be cautious in what baile he takes, I insure Terry could get none to his likeing . . ."

1 p.

8 Nov. 1700.

Tho: Bourke (from Tiaquin) to the same.

In reply to a letter from Mr. Berry, he has said " in generall tearmes . . . that Hurly was a scandall to all his friends, and that it had a kinde of reflexion on my son, who was maryed to his wife's sister . . . honoured Sr, my father and meselfe have been violently prosecuted by Robt. [Barnewall] Lord Tremlestown about 25 years since, upon informations that were false and scandallous, may God forgive the noble-man, he was in passion but that nourisht by ill men; it was for harbouring tories, it was caryed on in Dublin by the high hand of my Lord Dungan¹ and all the faction of the pale—in fine a jury was packt, the judges byast, and my father was found guilty and fined 500 li . . . you see what black and deepe dessignes they have upon your honr and estate, and what greate persons doe combine agt you if this informaction be true . . .

I am with all the honour, respect, and love that it is possible for my heart to containe,

your honours most affection at and most faythfull humble servant , , .''

1½ pp.

836.

12 Nov. 1700.

Patrick Hurly to the Trustees.

He can produce the evidence of "severall persons of creditt and honour" against Sir Donough, under the following heads;

- (r) in 1692, at the time the army was at La Hogue waiting to embark, Capt. McMahon and another gentleman of good repute came there with letters from Sir Donough and others to the late General Sarsfield, Col. Charles O'Brien (now Lord Clare), and Capt. Randolph Macdonnill; which assured King James of the writers' fidelity, and promised on Sir Donough's part to furnish them within ten days of their landing, with sufficient horses to mount two regiments, one of which was to have Col. Charles O'Brien as commanding officer, with Capt. Christopher O'Brien as Lieutenant-Colonel, "and the other he would have the disposeall of when they landed . . ." Bills to the value of £400 were also sent by Sir Donough for buying saddles and other "furniture" in Paris.
- (2) When this scheme proved abortive, Sir Donough, at the end of the year 1692, sent other messengers to France with a plan for sending privateers into the Shannon "to carry off recruitts and to bring one Francis Burton and others of the Protestant inhabitants of the county of Clare prisoners into France".

¹ William Dungan [1630–1698] 1st Viscount Dungan, afterwards Earl of Limerick.

(3) In 1695, at the time of the expedition from "Callice", Sir Donough sent letters of credit for £600 to buy saddlery and other equipment.

Charges of the same kind can be proved against Capt. Christopher O'Brien and others by "7 gent. of undoubted creditt and good sense, and much more particularly than is requisitt for me to trouble your honrs. with a relation of . . ."

Copy 2 pp.

837.

13 Nov. 1700.

Patrick Hurly to Mr. Justice Coote.

Recapitulating the charges against Sir Donough and Capt. Christopher O'Brien, the unfairnes of his own treatment, etc. "... one instance of it is this; Peregrine and Thoms. Blood, my neighbours in the county of Clare, finding that I was resolved to oppose a claime that came on before the Trustees on monday last, sent me messages, that if I spoake one word agt. theire claime, they woud find people to swear the said robbery and sevll. other things against me . . ."

Сору, 4 рр.

838.

14 Nov. 1700.

Counsellor Symon Purdon (from Dublin) to Sir Donough O'Brien (at Dromoland.)

He has taken Sir Donough's hint to "sift" F.S. [Francis Sarsfield] who has given various pieces of information about Hurly. "... I find that Hurly gives out that yu offer'd some frind of his in the country 1,000 li to desist from his prosecution, wch I am satisfyed is as false as all the rest of his accusations are . ."

21 pp.

839.

16 Nov. 1700.

Thomas Rice (from Dublin) to Sir Donough O'Brien.

Concerning his attempts to prosecute Hurly. "... things are at a pritty pitch. This day the Trustees comitted the sub sherriff of this citty for taking Sr. Thos: Hackett in execution, because he had a bare summons to appeare to give his testimony before them of wch. the Sherriffe had noe notice till he tooke him—he is fined 50 li and in custody till he payes itt..."

 $2\frac{1}{2} pp.$

[12 Nov. 1700.]

"Hurlies abstract of forfietures".

Contains some of the information given in his letter of the same date, with the following additions;

"... that in 1693 he [Sir Donough] writt for 4 privateers to come into the Shannon wth. English collours, to take away a great many of the rapparees to serve for recruits...

if the trustees will give ordrs. to attaint people for the Rebellion, I will prove about 8,000 li. per an. in the hands of forfeitting persons—I have comms., duplicatts of muster rolls, letters, and receipts for mony, to prove all this, besides above a dozen gentlemen of creditt and most of 'em Protestants, that will appeare viva voce if the Trustees will proceed to attaint those who were concern'd and active all along in the late Rebellion, and are not wthin the articles . . .

. . . I have to propose . . . the said Capt. W: and J: W: shall be att half the charges to prosecute these mattrs., and shall have a full moytie of all the advantages and profitts . . .

in consideration of giveing them this share, they are to procure me my liberty"

3 pp.

841.

21 Nov. 1700.

Recapitulates the charges to be brought against Sir Donough and Capt. Christopher O'Brien; letters were brought to the latter by Lieut. Charles Mc Carthy, with whom Christopher O'Brien had been very well acquainted in Lord Kilmallock's regiment.

Copy 21 pp.

842.

23 Nov. 1700.

Information of Lieut. Cha: Mc Carthy late of Killnamooley, Co. Cork.

In March 1692 he was sent (by King James's orders) into Ireland, with letters for Sir Donough, Capt. Christopher O'Brien, and others Was given 20 "pistolls" for his journey to Nantes. Crossed in a ship of Daniell Butts (the Commissary for return of the fleet that took the Irish troops to France.) Landed at Baltimore, Co. Cork, and delivered his letters. Stayed three days, and returned to France

by way of Holland, with other letters, in the company of Capt. McMahon; took letters from Sir Donough, Capt. Christopher O'Brien, and Capt. Teige O'Brien of Smithstown. Capt. Christopher gave a verbal message, "desireing them to assure K. James that it was not want of loyalty and zeal to his interest that hindered him from goeing with the rest of the Irish into France, but that he expected and was sure he would be better able, by his staying at home and keeping his estate, to do the said King James more service . . ." Capt. Teige wrote to Col. Charles O'Brien, alleging that he "had not money to send him to buy saddles and swords, for that his cozen german Sr. Donogh was then angry with the informt., and would not procure money or credit for him—as he did for Capt. Christopher o Brien—however that he . . . would be sure to have horses enough to mount a good troope to joyne them for . . . King James his service, as soon as any of his forces landed in Ireland . . ."

Copy, 21 pp.

843.

23 Nov. 1700.

Edmund Therry (from Dublin) to Thomas Burke (at Tyaquin, near Loughrea.)

Concerning Hurly's case. "... I am extreamly concern'd for that honourable family, & no less to have any that is concern'd wth [me] (?) be an Informer; yu know his circumstances; yu know what he suffers & all that, as he says, on account of Sr. D.—how far true itt may be I can't tell; but I fear the consequence for both . . ." 2 pp.

844.

25 Nov. 1700.

Information of Walter Neylon of Kilcarhagh, Co. Clare, gent., sworn before Neptune Blood, Dean of Kilfenora, J.P. for Co. Clare.

Knew Patrick Hurly well at the time of his confinement in Ennis gaol. Heard him say that he would "contrive a way to reduce the said Sir Donat from his grandure, & make him the poorest man of his name . . . that he would invent a plott agt. the said Sir Donat and . . . would accuse him of high treason before the Trustees who would merryly receive such an information agt. soe rich a man, [that his] estate would be covetted by them, and that downe right swearing would doe the jobb . . ."

28 Nov. 1700.

Lucius O'Brien (from Dublin) to Sir Donough O'Brien (at Dromoland; enclosed with a letter to Richard Wilson.)

"It is the positive opinion of every friend of yrs. here that yr presence is absolutely necessary, for Hurly has gott 2 fellowes from France, one Charles mc Carty of Balynemeige in the county of Cork, & the other Terlough mc Mahon, both who have given information before Mr Justice Coote¹ to the same purpose that Hurly has allready don . . ." His uncle Dean had been with the Attorney-General, who had advised Sir Donough "to come imediately up and apply yr selfe to the governmt. for yr justification . . ."

3 pp.

846.

[Nov. 1700.]

Information of Thomas Blood of Moreel, Co. Clare, gent., taken before Sir Richard Pyne, Lord Chief Justice of the Kings Bench.

In March 1699 he met on the lands of Morell Teige Carthy, who admitted to him having been "an authur & an actr. . . . & that he personated the Scotman" at the robbery of Patrick Hurly's house. Copy, 1 p.

847.

2 Dec. 1700.

Patrick Hurly to Mr. Justice Coote.

Capt. McMahon and Lieut. McCarthy (who came over to Ireland without leave) have returned to England, finding that nothing is likely to be done as a result of their information. "... there is not a coffee house or tavern in the city but Sr. Donogh has a pensioner in it to decry me, and to rept. that all he gent. concerned in the prosecution are my freinds and relations . ."

Сору, 3 рр.

848.

5 Dec. 1700.

Information of William Davis of Monreel, Co. Clare, farmer, taken before Neptune Blood [supra.]

At th end of the previous March he met on the lands of Monreel Teige Mc Carty of Derrimore, Co. Clare, labourer, "who seem'd to be in a fright" and admitted to having taken part in Hurly's robbery.

Сору, 1 р.

¹ Hon. Thomas Coote, second Justice of the Kings Bench [d. 1741.]

7 Dec. 1700.

Examination of Sir Donough O'Brien.

He wrote only one letter (in Feb. 1697) to Hurly, on behalf of a tenant of his who was being troubled for money. Since 3 Oct. 1691 he never wrote to Lord Clare or to Capt. Randall Mc Donnell. Denies the other allegations.

Сору, 1 р.

850.

8 Dec. 1700.

Warrant of Lord Chief Justice Pyne for the committal of Sir Donough O'Brien, who is accused of high treason in having levied war and aided His Majesty's enemies during the war between H.M. and the French King.

Сору, 1 р.

851.

14 Dec. 1700.

Patrick Hurly (from Dublin) to Major William Smith, High Sheriff of Co. Clare (at Ennis.)

2 pp., endorsed by Sir Donough, "not to grant any speciall warrants agt. his brother (John Hurly) & that he will make his office beneficiall to him this year".

852.

31 Dec. 1700.

Laurence Chroe to Sir Donough O'Brien.1

"... this day I mett the wife of old Loghlen Mc Enerhiny, who lived att Clownenaha from the yeare 66 to the yeare 90, and never knew anny of the Mc Mahons there all that while ... I cannot find out wt came [became] of the rest of this Donill Iholes (?) sons; but of one Daniell Mc Mahon who is Quittrent driver, and lives now att Icormick; some of this Donill mc Mahons sons were servts. or aprentices in old John Hurleys house before the warrs . . . wishing your honor long life & happyness . . ."

I p.

853.

17 Dec. 1700.

"Memorialls of Hurlies designes agt. Sr. D. O'B. &c.

First I find by the letters he writes into England, that there is some very great Lord that supports and encourages him . . .

¹ Others who wrote on the same subject to Sir Donough, between August and December 1700 were: Thomas Bourke, Francis Burton, William Butler, Patrick Connell, Henry Johnston, Charles McDonogh, Henry O'Brien, and Symon Purdon.

Mr. H: had a late lettr. from one Dennis Macarthy who says that even after the treason of 95 he was imployed between the Ld. Clancarthy, yu, & others upon some criminall correspondence after the Peace of Ryswick was signd . . .

there are articles to be perfectd. to Therry, in trust for H:, wherein he is to have Io thousand pounds sterl. for himself; & all his informers, in case they prove and make out the matters in England agt. yu. & some others . . ."

The writer has seen the names of Capt. Mc Carthy, Capt. Hays, Capt. Hurly, Lieut. Jno: Hurly, and Lieut. Crowly to prove the treason of '95; Capt. Mc Mahon, Lieut. Mc Carthy, and himself to prove that of '92; "and I find he expects more people to corroborate both".

He has seen, but has never spoken to, Capt. Mc Mahon and Lieut. Mc Carthy. "They are both lusty men and clad in good plain clean cloath, one is between forty and fifty a tall straight man, the other is a well shaped handsome man with a fair wigg. . . ."

7 pp.

854.

31 Dec. 1700.

Memorandum of evidence to be given by Mr. Joseph Bue, lodging at Mr. Mott's in Limerick, concerning Hurly's "roguery" while living in Amsterdam.

1 p.

855.

[1700.]

Summary of 47 points affecting Hurly's case, referring, inter alia, to "57 informs. in one knot".

2 pp.; in handwriting of David England.

856.

12 Jan. 1700 [01.]

Michael Creagh (from Balligrinane) to Sir Donough O'Brien.

Enclosing a memorandum from Sir James Galaway "about your trouble . . . I am told that the Sherriffe has returned me uppon the panell this Quarter Sessions, my dwelinge being heere since May last, pray gett me of, for I was a sufferer of 15 s. in one quarter sessions before, & had noe redress".

1 p., endorsed; "Francis Sarsfield being in company with James Creagh, Paule Stakpole, James Woulfe, and Sr James Gallwey the 2 day of Christmas in Willm. Sarsfields house at Enniss, has decald [declared] there before them all, that Lucius O Brine, the sone and heire of Sr. Donogh Obrine [at] (?) his request sent Francis Sarsfield,

the sone and heire of John Sarsfield, to Mr Patrike Hurly, to inquire of the said Patrike whether or noe he had any plott against the said Lucy [sic] he, the said Patricke Hurly, tould the afforesaid Francis Sarsfield that if he had put or impeacht such a fule (?) of a plot, that itt would spoile his hole plott".

1 p.

857.

27 Jan. 1700 [01.]

[Rev.] John Hawkins (from Newmarket) to Sir Donough O'Brien in Dublin.)

"... By this time (I presume) you may guess at yor owne doome and att Mr Hurlys ..." He has found letters from Sir Donough—from London, 26 May 1692, and from Dublin, 3 to 7 March 1695—which would show how impossible it was for him to have been "concerned in the invasion" or "contriveing the destruction of either" the King or the peace of the country.

1 p.

858.

30 Jan. 1700 [01.]

Thomas Bourke to Richard Wilson (at Sixmilebridge.)

"John Migan, who is fosterfather to young Don. Brien, left Cineagh and now lives with James Bolane near Lymerick, where I hope yu. have some freind to spy after him . . ." He has sent a warrant against him—if there is anything against John Hurly, a friend of Madam O'Brien's can find him. Father Donough Quely, parish priest of Brentire, was robbed last Thursday night of £15.7.4., "and I believe some of those rogues comitted the robbery . . ."

 $1\frac{1}{2}pp.$

859.

9 Feb. 1700 [OI.]

Sir Donough O'Brien to [Henry Howard] Lord Walden.

Concerning Hurly's allegations against him, including the encouragement of a French invasion in 1692, "& that onely myself & 2 poor relactions of myne, against whom he had set up the like malice, upon a difference in some dealing he had with them, were to be the sole undertakers of this soe great a designe . . . herein I intreat the favour of your Lps kindness & assistance . . ."

Сору, 11 рр.

860.

26 Feb. 1700 [OI.]

Timothy O'Brien (from Smithstowne) to Sir Donough O'Brien (at Sir Humphry Jervis's, Marys Abbey, Dublin.)

Mr. John Whitly, an Excise officer now living in Co. Roscommon to miles from Athlone, was "wayter" at Baltimore in 1692. "... hee was the only officer that had the charge of that harbor & the adioyning creekes in the year 92 & that, to his particular knowledge, none of the transport shipps touched or landed there on their return from France; onely one ship belonging to Newcastle in England, & that hee was on board her all the while shee was there, and that shee had noe passengers... hee seems to be a sensible honest man..." He also reports a conversation with Major Louver (?), "a very courteous civil gentleman", who had acquaintance many years ago with Dr. Carney, who had acted for him in a suit. "... Hurly has made a great many flourishes & braggs in his letters to his partizans & clicerins (?) of the rule that was made last day of term in his favor ... the uttmost of my care shall not bee wanting to fix all matters as I told yu. at parting ..."

 $3\frac{1}{2} pp.$

Encloses letter of 5 Jan. 1700 from John Hurly to his cousin John Mc Donogh (at the Blew Boare in Thomas Street, Dublin.) Mentions "the small trust and confidence that Sr Donatt had in mee".

 $2\frac{1}{2} pp.$

861.

30 Mar. 1700 [01.]

Thomas Hickman (from Ennis) to Sir John Hely, Lord Chief Justice.

Requesting on behalf of the magistrates and gentry of Co. Clare, that the Lords Justice will send Sir John a commission to return to Ennis in order to try Hurly, whose robbery has been detected as a sham.

862.

30 Mar. 1700 [o1.]

Warrant issued by Sir Donough O'Brien, John Hawkins, clerk, Thomas Hickman and William Butler, esqs., J.Ps. for Co. Clare, for the apprehension of the following persons:

Daniell Dogane late of Glanstale, Henry Revette late of Moghnoe, Richard Hurlye late of Moghnoe, Catherine McCarthye, Dorithye Kemp, Margaret Conin, Mary Mac Carthye, Gilian Hurlye alias Brian, Daniell Mac Coye alias Mac Cae, Henry Devitt alias [] Owen Mellane, and John Domingher.

Draft, 1 p.

863.

I Apr. 1701.

Affidavits of Walter Huonyn, high constable of the barony of C:[]; and Donogh Greefa of Knockfin, James Stack of

Tullamore, Brien Mc Mahon of Oghdorra, James Fitz Gerald of Carrooherragh, and Thomas Edwards of Kilfenora (his assistants.)

These relate to the finding of 171 counters (which they at first took for gold pieces) buried in Daniel Hickey's house at Mooghna, where they were discovered "in a leathern purse wrapt up in a thum-rope of hay, with other hay about it".

Copy, 11 pp.

864.

31 May 1701.

Minutes of evidence at the trial in the Kings Bench of Patrick Hurly for "perjury and other notorious crimes".

Jurors. Edmond Perry, James McDonnell, John Brady, Dennis McMahone, Richd. Henn, Thomas Brown, John Drew, Hugh Brady, Edward Mealing, Austin Bennis, Joseph Cecil, and Patrick Connell.

Hurly was charged with perjury, "for swearing before Neptune Blood Dean of Killfenora that he was robbed of three hundred pistoles by four persons altogether unknowen to him, but whome by the tone of their voice he believed to be Irishmen¹ and papists, whereas in truth & fact he well knew them by their names & persons being sett on by him selfe . . ."

He was also charged with conspiring with Daniel Hicky and several other malefactors "unjustly to oppress the popish inhabitants of the county of Clare & cheat them of a great sume of money by colour of the rapperee act".

The witnesses were: Dean Neptune Blood (before whom, as a J.P., Hurly had sworn to the robbery); Callaghan Carty (a servant of Hurly's); Margaret Conneene (evidence given through an interpreter, she speaking no English; "goes in the family by the name of Peggy Rabbet-Marget is Peggy and Councene Rabbet "); Matthew Neylon (surety for Hurly); Capt. Charles McDonogh (to whom Hurly said "that [the] Rapperee act was a clever way to recover money from the country"); Walter Huonin (High Constable, who searched for goods supposed to be robbed from Hurly, under Blood's warrant); Alderman Walton; Thomas Edwards; Murtogh, McColloghy (evidence given through an interpreter; sold a cow to Hicky's wife for "two yellow peices"); Capt. Lynch (landlord of Moughna, met Hurly at Loughrea in 1600, at Harry Bargery's house, when Hurly was on his way from Dublin to Co. Clare, "and we were drinking a bottle of wine . . . later says he cousen I really want money and if you'll assist me in such a matter and come to my house I will deliver you yr. leases-I told him I would assist him in any just way but no further . . . his brother was marryed to my sister and he and his father and

¹ Altered from "that by their Tone were Irishmen"

grandfather were tenants to me and my father these 40 years . . . "); Charles Cassidy ("practitioner in chirurgery . . . sollicited to be commander in cheif of this robbery . . . ", called to attend Hurly's father, and afterwards offered 20 gns. for "a buisness" through Dr. Brady, with whom he was in consultation); Daniel Keefe (saw Hurly come into Mr. Bently's shop in Dublin, and ask for "masks to wear for a masquerade"); Joseph Bently; Mr. Geary (lodged Hurly at his own house in Capel Street, and tried to raise money for him;) Thomas Connor; Capt. Mc. Donnel (owed money on bond to Hurly, ". . . was alwaise his friend and Captn. Burk spoke to me to speake to a gentleman of the Grandjury that lay with me that was much against himto desire him that he would not appear agt. him and that he and his tenants should be freed from paying any part of the mony . . . "; Christopher FitzSymons, merchant (called, but did not appear); John Hurly (brother of the defendant, shewn by Hicky " a note under Mr. Hickmans hand & Mr Cusacks hand-that Hickman and Cusack promised to intercede wth. the Government for him & others for pardon if they proved the robbery on Patrick Hurly . . . ", owed £300 by his brother); Dorothy Kemp (lived within a quarter of a mile of Hurly in 1699, saw 5 of the robbers "came up with swords and Pistols", while two more were in the parlour; Hurly "kept arms just by the door a carabine and fusee because he was something in debt . . . "; the robbers took 25 out of 30 pairs of sheets in the house); Murrogh O'Brien; Daniel McCay (saw "five persons with naked swords "rush into Hurly's house on the night of Sunday, 3 Mar. 1699, just as John Ronane and "himself" were going to bed; ". . . I was assured it was some baylyffs that came to take my master . . . "; was with his master on a journey from Dublin to Co. Clare, by way of Athlone, Tiaquin, and Ballyboy); Christopher O'Brien; John Crips (gives evidence through an interpreter, offered £50 by "one Halloway . . . a troublesome man" and Walter Neylon to swear against Hurly, ". . . says that Halloway threatned him and broke open his doors and came there with armes and brought a disbanded soldier and tooke him by the hair of the head and threatned him because he did not come to him at the time appointed . . . he complainted to Mr Fitz Gerald [a J.P.]; says [Neylon] offerred him the grassing of six collops free and an house and garden during his life to swear against Patrick Hurly . . ."; Mr. Lynch told him "I have set the land from the Hurlys to the Bloods-and Hurly shall never have any thing to say to it more . . . ''); Mr. Wakeham (clerk to Lord Chief Justice Pyne); Daniel Hicky (was in gaol from 26 Mar. till August last, with Callaghan Carthy and Daniel Carthy; was persuaded by Mr. Hickman and Mr. Cusack to swear an affidavit against Hurly); Mr. Huish; Donough O'Brien Andrews ("taken prisoner by Thomas

^{1 &}quot; and grandfather " erased.

Burk and they would shew me no warrant till they had tyed me with cords and carryed me to Ennis and bolted me . . . and told me . . . they would put a lump of gold in my wifes lap, if I would swear that I was employed to rob mr Hurly . . . ": Donough O'Brien Andrews the elder (father of the last); knows of "no consanguinity between Sr Donogh o Brien and me but Sr Donogh purchased the revertion of my farme and I live in it paying him rent", which is this year raised 50/-; William Butler (a J.P., who took the examination of the younger Donough O'Brien Andrews who "seemed to be so penitent for being concerned in the action . . . that he wept a great deal in my company and . . . did declare that if others had not discovered against Mr Hurly he never would"): and Mr. Taylor Hurly is found guilty on both counts, and sentenced to a fine of £100 (with imprisonment till it is paid), for perjury; the Court to be moved for judgment on the other count on the following Monday.

[Though the evidence is too long and repetitive to be easily summarised, it may be worth referring to certain other points: e.g.;

Carty's statement of the robbers having "red & blue coats with vizards".

The Attorney-General's statement of Hurly's house having been "a sort of a garrison and there was regular works about it".

McDonogh's conversation with Hurly, who "did not then pretend that he had mony but, sayd he, never matter that for Sr Toby Butler and Coll. John Macnemara will make my interest good with the Sherife...he sayd he would give me two hundred guinys if I managed the business for him to get the money from the country...".

Geary's statement of another conversation with Hurly; "He sdit [his imprisonment] was because he was for prosecuting Sr. Donogh o Brien—says he, you know Sr. Richd. Nagles hand and Sr Donogh o Briens there are letters to King James and said he you and I must live and we may get money by it . . . ".]

100 pp.

865.

19 July 1701.

Ch: Macdonagh to Sir Donough O'Brien.

Concerning the progress made in printing Sir Donough's case and appendix; this cannot be published until August 10, to give the necessary time for proof-correcting. "Hurly was halfe a year about his book . . ."

[1701.]

Persons giving evidence against Hurly:

" Callaghan Cartye

along with Mr Hogan

Margaret Cony alias Rabbett

William Davys

Thomas Blood

Walter Neylan

Dermot Daly

Christopher o Brien Esqr.

Walter Huonen & his assistants, Don: o Gripha, Brien Mc Mahon,

James Stack, & Jon. Ftz Gerrald.

Thomas Edwards

goe together

Mortagh mc Gillnorhyn

Donogh o Gripha

Dermt. Daly along with Capn. Chr: O Brien

Tho. Edwards along with Capn. Timothy o Brien

Brien mc Mahon

James Stack

goe on foott

John fz Gerrald

& Mortagh mc Gillnorhin

Neal o Murny

Thomas Hanrahane

Daniel o Heana

1 p.

867.

[1701.]

Indictment against Hurly for perjury.

Charges him with an attempt to claim, from the Papist inhabitants of Co. Clare, £848.9.0 in money and goods value £454.10.0.

Two drafts, the one (in Sir Toby Butler's hand) endorsed "Inditement of perjury"; the other endorsed "Draught of the indictment of cheat . . ."

Latin, 2 pp. & 2½ pp.

868.

[1701.]

"Presidents for judgmt. to the pillorye".

". . . I am very well satisfyed that these authoritys will support the judgmt. prayed for . . ."

 $2\frac{1}{2} pp.$

[1701.]

Brief for the Solicitor-General in the case of Rex v. Hurly and others . .

 $\lq\lq$. . . noe roome left for avoiding the giveing of the judgemt agt. Hurly $\lq\lq$

Ip.

870.

[1701.] (?)

"An answer to Patrick Hurlys vindication".

[There are two drafts of this, in the same hand, respectively of 49 and 42 pp., having only trifling differences in phrasing and subject matter. The prolix style in which they are written makes occasional quotations the easiest way of dealing with them.]

(pp. 5 et seg.) "Patrick Hurly Esqr. alias Adams alias Earle of Mount-Callan, alias Murrhilly is, by the father, of a peasantly obscure family of the Murrhillys knowne, if any where, in Carbery in the County of Cork, where they were dependents of Mc. Carty Reagh . . . but when the Earle was about to take his creation abroad, where geneology and birth being an indispensable qualification, they are scrupulous how they conferr honors on strangers, how ever gorgious in apparel and liberal soever of their treasure, tis rumor'd (but I declare I don't intend to stand by the truth of it), that the report of his family was referr'd to the Irish Kg, at Arms; that the gentry of . . . Clare, principally Sr. Donat . . . haveing advice thereof from his correspondents abroad, out of rancor and malice sent their representatives to Dublin to give the aforementioned acct. of Murrhillys family, the antiquity whereof went so far back in time (that consumes all things), that it was quite effaced out of the heraulds book; and the gentleman was puzzled how to answer this chasm and mighty flow of his office to a foreigne nation. But in short there was so little satisfaction given . . . that Murrhilly found himself obliged to assume the title of an Earle, by the same authority he did that of an esqr.; and to take his creation from an eminent mount or natural cittadel, hanging over and covering his fathers house in . . . Clare . . .

The old man, the father of Patrick, mention'd in his book for his sage advise to parley with the party of bayliffs . . . came from the county of Cork to that of Clare with a notable stock and retinue; they that took the paines to make the computation of the former, if they speake not hyperbolically, averr that he had two cows & a horse . . . Mr. Murrhilly was employ'd in the agency of som regimts in France principally for that of Cornel Sarsfields, who dureing his life patronizd. & supported him . . . but no sooner was the regimt. on his death disposed of to my Lord Clancarty, but Murrhilly was dismissed that charge . . . and Cornel Gordon O Neale, a person of knowne worth,

honr., & courage, first charged him with abuse of his regimt. & with extravagant wronge and imposition in discountinge with him . . . four days before this he recd. the cloathing mony of Sr John fz Gerralds regimt., whose stock & pay, deposited in his hands, as wel as that of Cornel O Neales, he licentiously squandered away . . . finding himselfe now left alone, naked & open to the just resentmt, of the injurd. . . . he determines to put in practice wt he had before layd the scheame of with his brother Tirry; and, to give it the better glass, as wel as to secure wt treasure he coud not carry off, his wife stays behind : who had it in her instructions, as soon as he was mised, to give out . . . the news of his murther; and when . . . she had acted her part of the tragedy to the life, the late Queen, being acquainted with her condition sent the Lady Sophia Buckly & the Lady Mc Donnel to pacify & comfort poor Mrs. Murrhilly. Dureing the time of theire condoleing with this distressed creature, coms in a detchmt. of French soldiers to make search in favor of som Irish deeply concerned in the absence or decease of their agent; who, upon strict enquiry, found som thousands of pistoles with and about the disconsolate lady, together with a letter dated by him in Geneva, giving her the satisfaction of his safety and escape out of the enemies contry. The ladys, much amazd at this soe surprizing issue of their visit, hastened back to Court . . . where the depth of her dissimulation was more admired then punished; and som slender confinemt in an easy nunery, from wch. she was soon released, was the only penalty . . .

(p. 10) Sr. John fz Gerrald . . . was to be translated from his own Irish to a French regimt., in which station it was proper requisite to make a greater figure, . . . Tirry, his Major, . . . easily persuades Sr. John to dispose of his old unfashionable plate . . . & having recd. paymt. for it, at the time his bror. Murrhilly run away from Paris, made the best of his way thro Swisserland . . . the news of this double Treachery . . . coming in a day to Sr. John struck him into a deep melancholy . . .

(p. 18) Murrhilly's occasions pressing his coming to Dublin, he found it proper to keep the designe of his journey private, and tho he determin'd to live in retiremt. and to conceale his lodging in that citty, yet Arthur, advised of his coming, watch'd the avenues, and having seen him lodged, expected with much patience wt. might be proposed to make him satisfaction, but finding nothing but slurs and managemt. this time also, he determin'd to have him taken and laid in confinemt., where he continued till he agreed to give Arthur bonds for near his principal mony . . .

(p. 23) . . . He had a genius for universal delusion . . . therefore . . . he applyes himself to the defrauding the army comitted to his charge, soe that where he gave out but two barrels of oats, he charged

five hundred; Cornel Parker's regimt. of horse is a particular instance of this . . .

(p. 24) . . . when an acct. of this, and such like publick miscarriages, as wel as the grievances of some distress'd officers then confined in their enemies hands, reach'd Kg. James's ears; he gave orders to Sr. Patrick Trant, a person wel qualifyed to sift and penetrate . . . to make a strict enquiry into, and report the matter: wch. being done, and Murrhilly thereupon like to be dismissed his publick charge, the breach of the Boyne very seasonably intervening repriev'd him to this day . . ."

871.

[1701.] (?)

Notes on the evidence given by Hurly, McCarthy, and McMahon. Begins, "Because Lt. Mc. Carthy swears that he came from France and imbarked about the later end of March 1692 on one of the transport shipps, it is necessary to be informed when those ships returned for I believe none of them stayd soe long as till the later end of March 92..." They are also to be questioned, in detail, about their journeys to and from Ireland; about bills or letters of credit sent to Sir Donough and Capt. Christopher O'Brien by Dr. Kearny; and "if there be any such man as Charles Mc Carthy of Killnamoody & what sort of man he is & whether he was in Mc Carthy More or Lord Killmallocks regiment".

". . . these questions will likewise serve to crosse-examine the sayd wittnesses if ever this businesse comes to a tryall". . . $3\frac{1}{4} pp$.

872.

[1701] (?).

"Observations on Mr. Hurly's information".

Begins with Hurley's allegation of having been with King James at St. Germain, the March after the surrender of Limerick, "and generally imployed for the Irish army there..." Each point in his information is followed by "observations", intended to make clear the worthlessness of his evidence. Among the persons referred to are Sir Richard Nagle (Secretary of State to King James); Col. Charles O'Brien; Capt. Randell Mc Donell (a gentleman of King James's bedchamber); John Kearney; Rowland White; and Councellor Heas. Among the allegations made by Hurley is one "that Sir Don. promised to gett horses ready as soone as they shoul land sufficient for two regiments; now those that know the County of

Clare & Sir Don.'s then circumstances know how possible it was for him in 1692 to gett horses enough for two regiments— . . ."

13 pp.

873.

16 Dec. 1701.

Capt. Christopher O'Brien (from Inishtimon) to Sir Donough O'Brien² (in Dublin.)

Enclosing copy of a letter from Patrick Hurly (who signs himself "Mountcallan") to the writer's wife. He has had from Hurly's friends proposals that may be of interest to Sir Donough, but still thinks "itt woud give great life to Pattricks villany to have Jon. att libertie". Thomas Rice gives him a very lame account of John Hurly's escape.

 $I_{\frac{1}{2}}^{1}pp.$

874.

1 May 1703.

[Hugh Montgomery, Earl of] Mount Alexander, and [Major-General] Tho: Erle, Lords Justice (from Dublin Castle) to Lord Chief Justice Cox.

Giving a summary of Hurly's activities, and desiring his assistance in apprehending him " & the other persons named in the narrative". 1 p.

875.

1 May 1703.

The same to [Daniel Finch] Earl of Nottingham.

Requesting him, in Lord Chief Justice Cox's absence, to pen the previous letter.

1 p.

876.

24 June 1703.

Thomas Keightley to Sir Donough O'Brien.

Mr. Hurley is in safe custody in London. "... In the mean time ... you may rest in perfect security ... that neither that gentleman, nor any of the Joyes or others of his former accomplices, can never more be capable of doing you any wrong on one side, or service on the other ..."

2 pp.

¹ For the decrease of Sir Donat's rentroll in 1689 and following years, see No. 1540.

² There are 15 other letters written to Sir Donough in the years 1700-or by Rev. John Hawkins, Charles McDonagh, D. Molony, Rev. Christopher O'Brien, Capt. Teige O'Brien, Edward Southwell, and Richard Wilson.

7 Apr. 1702.

Redmond Joy (from Dublin) to Sir Donough O'Brien (at Dromo-

land.)

". . . I cannot for my life feind out Mr. Hurly tho: his wife is every houre wth. mee . . ." Mr. Keightley was yesterday sworn a Lord Justice.

1 p.

878.

8 Aug. 1702.

[Sir] Thomas Southwell to the same.

Supposes he will have heard of Lord Chief Justice Pyne and the writer coming to Limerick on the 20th with a commission to try "those desperate rebells" [Hurly and his confederates] ". . . pray give yr. self no further trouble either about Joy or Hurly".

1 p.

1 June 1703.

879.

Tho: Keightley (from Dublin) to Sir Donough O'Brien.

Mr. Hurly is in custody in England, Mr. Joy is to lose his ears here in a pillory tomorrow morning—the latter was found so "seriously guilty, that all the streets got together in crouds to thank the judges & the jury as they went home, for condemning him . . ." He will try to place Mr. Charles Connor as a tutor to Lady Rosse's son.

4 pp.

880.

[1703] (?).

"An Account of a most horrid and Notorious designe formed framed & put on foot by Patrick Hurley &c. . . . against Sr. Donat O Brian Barronet, Mr. Lucius O Brian, Capt. Teige O Brian, Capt. James Mc Donnell, Capt. Arthur French, and Judge Dally, and Capt. Nicholas Bourk.

That the said Patrick Hurley at several times after his conviction have put upon Redmond Joy . . . to join the said Hurley . . . to form the said Hurley's designe against the persons aforesaid wch. was to prosecute them for severall high-treasons wch. the said Patrick engaged to frame . . . that Sr. Donat and his two sonns were to raise . . . one regiment of Horse and two of Dragoones wch. they were to have in a readiness in order to receive the French in this kingdome : and to that intent they have sent several summes of money into France to Coll. Charles O Brian, Sr. Daniel Artur, and others, in order to buy accountrements and armes . . . and that the rest of the persons named . . . were to be officers under them—wch. is the substance of

what . . . Joy now remembers . . . Joy have [sic] entred into articles with . . . Hurley in order to detect his villany, and not otherwise . . . the better . . . to go on with the same . . . Joy was to bring & to joyn . . . Hurley in the said prosecution which . . . Joy did and believes that the said copy is in the now governments' hands . . . Hurley and his wife from time to time have given . . . Toy severall sums of money . . . to bribe witnesses against . . . Sr. Donat and as well as . . . Joy remembers in all . . . above 30 li . . . Hurley always told . . . Joy that the ducklings must dye as well as Sr. Donat (meaning Sr. Donats two sonns for fear of any settlement) . . . about Sr. Donats estate . . . John Hurley, one Tery, Mrs. Hurley, and Capt. Bourk of Tiaquin were the managers in this affaire . . . Cornelius Sullivane, who I believe is in towne have reced some gold from . . . Hurley, in order to swear against . . . Sr. Donat . . . Hurley by letters and otherwise have desired . . . Joy to help him to make his escape wch. . . . Joy have promised but on the contrary did endeavour to hinder him . . . Joy was personally present when Capt. Bourk . . . gave about 18 or 20 pieces of gold to Hurley's wife, and upon delivering the gold have expressed these words . . . as well as . . . Joy can remember . . . sister, you must not lett Patrick give that gold to anybody but such as will effectually prosecute Sr. Donat . . . for . . . I declare to God had I met him conveniently I would have shott him as soon as a dog . . . together with several other discourses that I cannot remember. This was the very month that Hurley made his escape, that likewise one Pierce Power of the County of Gallway came to . . . Joy and acquainted . . . Joy that he . . . was going to England . . . to joyn . . . Hurley to prosecute Sr. Donat ; and said that he was one of Sr. Donat's capts. in order to bring in the French . . . and . . . would have his pay out of Sr. Donat's Estate . . . Joy have engaged himself in the said matter only in order to save the Queen's loyall subjects, and to detect the villany of the said Hurley, as may appear by his early discovery of the same . . ."

Endorsed, "Redmond Joyes narrative".

2½ pp.

881.

[n.d.]

Notes on evidence to be given by Capt. Joseph Lynch.

Hurly came to his house, on his way home from Dublin, and told him of a project to make the County Clare pay him a sum of money, "& tould me if I came when he writt for me it would be 200 pound in my way . . . & likewise tould me if that project hitt, he would give me upp possession of my concerne wch. his father & he held wthout further trouble . . ." Hurly showed him the counters, and later wrote him a letter about a trunk which he sent to Lynch's house.

Can give other material evidence, "& allso remembr. the discourse began wth. a quere how Banks his robbery succeeded in the Co. Gallway".

2 pp.

882.

[n.d.]

Sir Donough O'Brien to [

Hurly has accused him of treason in sending money to King James in '92 and '95; the accusation, though known to be "groundlesse & frivolous", is backed by the testimony of two persons alleged to have been concerned with me—Lieut. Charles McCarthy of Killnawooly, Co. Cork; and Capt. Therlogh McMahon of Cluonehaha, Co. Clare. Has made, without results, all possible enquiries for these persons "and as for Cluonehaha... there is a little patch of mountain nere Sliewcallane soe called, but never heard of any McMahon there above the size of a cottier..."

"qr. for Councellor Heas" $I_{\frac{1}{2}} pp$.

883.

[n.d.]

"Tery was Major to Sr. Jon. Ftz Geralds regemt.—att the tyme he went off the regmt. wass quarterd. att Fenestrele neere Pignerole he tooke away a wole wenters gratification from the said regt., besides leaveing them 2 mounths pay in debt, wch. he took up from marchants. He meett Sr. Jon. att Grenoble before he headed the regmt. Terry took away Sr. Johns plate in ordr. to have it exchanged att Lyons but wass onely a contryvance for he & Hurly wass to meete att one Mr. Mc Donaghs quarters att Shambery in ordr. to goe off together, but did not meete there. Hurlly wass gon off before to Geneva, & from thence to Role in Swizerland, where Terry & he mett. Hurly went off by water, caled the Lake of Geneva, and soe to Turrene, where the Lord Galway wass. Terry went in greate state (?) through Swizerland untill he came to Lozan & being pursued by Capt. Tho: Gibons & Quartermr. Murphy, being quartrmr. to the Earle of Clancartys Regmt.; & wass there taken. The ordr. for following him wass first from the Intendt. of Granoble, & renewed att Geneva by the French Resedent: the night after he wass taken he gave Gibons a purs of gould to lett him Goe off. Gibbons tooke the gould, but did not lett him Goe, butt the next day delivd. him to the balifes hands, where he continued in the castle aboute a mounth & the Ordrs. being come for his removeall into France, he stole away."

11 pp.

Endorsed, in Richard England's hand, "An acct. of the mannor of Major Therry's runung away out of France".

[n.d.]

"A brief of Mr Hurly's case" as presented to the Trustees [of Forfeited Estates.]

Begins at the point where (Aug. 1699), he sent his wife to Dublin to give the Attorney-General" an acct. that I could do the King very considerable services, and particularly agst Sr Don: O Brien..." Recapitulates the charges of intimidation, etc., already made against the O'Briens; and requests the Trustees to examine (in support of his case), Francis Barnet and John Foster, esqs., two lawyers who go the Munster Circuit and were present at the robbery trial.

3½ pp.

LEASES AND OTHER DEEDS

885.

I Jul. 35 Hen. VIII [1543.]

Letters patent for creation of Murrough O'Brien as Earl of Thomond and Baron of Insiquin, with remainder of the earldom to "our most approaved subject" Donough O'Brien; granting him all the castles, lands, and tenements which he formerly held, to hold of the Crown by knight service only.

18th cent. copy; $2\frac{1}{4}$ pp.

Cf. Cal. pat. rolls Ire., Hen. VIII-Eliz., pp. 86-87.

886.

6 Apr. 5 Edw. VI [1551].

Conveyance by Murrough, Earl of Thomond, to Cornelius O Dea, Bishop of Killaloe, of the castle and "Connerbeat" of Disert in Thomond, with its appurtenances.

Cf. Cal. pat. rolls Ire., Hen. VIII—Eliz., p. 261 (209)¹. 18th cent. copy; $1\frac{1}{2}$ pp.

887.

1558.

Quitclaim by Cowea Mc Donnell of part of the quarter of Gort

na dry gwyrin.

"Omnibus Christi fidelibus ad quos presentes litere pervenerint salutem ego Cowea Donaldi/Otu.....Johan......Cowea...de...kin in patria de Clankeiam generosus remississe² relaxisse et/omnino pro me et heredibus meis [in] perpetuum quietum clamasse Donato Cornelii oge Clannachy de Dromgery/generoso omn [e illud jus et titulum]...que vell quas habeo vell in posterum habere/potero in quarta par[te] quarterie de...flyn comuniter vocatur Kearloo..nyne Guirte nah Drygwyrin/In comitatu predicto habendum et tenendum dictum quartum partem quarterie terre de Gort na dry gwyrin cum pertinensis Donato Cornelii oge (?) Clannach heredibus executoribus et assignatis suis imperpetuum et ego vero/prefatus Cowea Donal[di] Otui...Johan...et heredes mei predictum quartum quarterie terre de Gort/ na dry gwyrin cum pertinensis prefato Donato Mc Clananthy heredibus et assignatis suis

¹ Minor variations in spelling of placenames in the printed abstract.

² The grammar and spelling are unusual, but do not affect the sense of the deed.

contra omnes gentes/ warantizabimus acquietabimus imperpetuum per presentes in cuius rei testimonium sigillum meum/ apposui datis apud Ourden secundo die mensis Julii anno domini milessimo quingentessimo octavo/ testibus tunc presentibus Thadeio Odonil et Mauro Cornelii Donati et Laurentio Omulkim prespitero/ et Petro (?) O Gyram (?) cum pluribus aliis

Cw Meagh Mc Donill

testibus tunc presentibus tempore possessionis
Malachias O Kean parochas de Clonlaghan
Jahones O Lingnam parochas de Kilmeliry
Diermitius Omowgan
Thomas O Kessilly
Diermitius Villa"

Parchment; faded and illegible in several places.

888.

20 June 1566.

Agreement between Teig O'Brien and John O'Dea.

"In the name of God amen, this ys the condytion of Teyg mc. Murrogh O Brian & John mc. Laughlin O Dae for the cheyf Rents of O dae upon the Barrony of Kinalash (?) . . . the sayd Teyg to spende wyne & recov[er] the same agaynste any man by Her Maties. lawes or otherwy[se] . . . the one moyetie of the sayd rents so recovered . . . unto the use of the sayd John O Dae & his heyres & the other [to the use of the said] Teyg [& his heyres] . . . and the sayd John dothe gyve the halfe quarter of Lysduffe from him selfe & his septe to the said Tevg & his septe for ever . . . vf the inhervtors or founders do redeame the same, the sayd mortgadge to be delyvered unto the sayd John, & the sayd John to gyve the sayd Teyg halfe a quarter of his lande in leywe . . . & the sayd John hath gyven all his ryght tytell & interest of the halfe quarter of Ballyedearnane to the sayd Teyg & his heyres for ever, & thearwthall the sayd Teyg shall aid the sayd John in all his lawfull causes & . . . wch soever of the sayd parties shall breake these covenants his portion of the sayd bargayne shalbe forfeyted unto the other . . . & thesse be the wytnesses . . . Shane O Shaughnes & John Lynch & John Moyle Mc. Gyllisaght Murtaghe og O Duvlanna & Dermott og O Nealan & Cnoghor O Hear & Mortogh Mc Dermot Mc Cnoghor & Edmonde Roe O Hear & Thomas O . . ngsay . . . "

Copy; 1 p; torn.

889.

27 Mar. 1567.

Lease by John O'Neylon, Bishop of Kilfenora, with the consent of the Dean and Chapter of Kilfenora "ad hoc capitulariter congregati diligenti tractatu et matura deliberacione pro communi utilitate et urgenti necessitate ecclesie Finaborensis"; to John Neylon, physician; of the town of Killtohorach in Corcurna [described as "totum feudum terras tenementa mesuagia redditum episcopalem redditus episcopales . . . cum omnibus pertinentiis videlicet Tonanfiada, Na knoccan, Na Mirina, Anda Cloghar, Ardmorean, Ancheathrama, Riach, et Ardcai"]; for three years, and from three years to three years to the end of 101 years, at 2/— Irish rent; to hold as fully and freely as any other farmers or inhabitants of Killtohorach held it; the lease and its articles to be interpreted in the manner most favourable to the tenant.

Signed. Johanes Finaborencis; Donatus Officialis generalis Fynaborencis & procurator uniuersalis capituli; Donaldus Decanus Fyn[aboren]cis; Malachias Osennyg canonicus; Denicius Nellane; Cornelius Osenaig canonicus Fynaborencis.

Endorsed, in a contemporary hand, "Evydensis for Killtoraght."

890.

10 Jul. 1568.

Translation of an award made between the Bishop of Kilmacduagh and two members of his family.

Apud 10 Julii 1568

This instrument of arbitration wittnesseth that Connor O Dea Bishop of Killmacduagh, and Dermott Oge O Dea, and Daniell O Dea of Dishert in the com' of Clare, gentlemen, hath submitted by mututall consent to leave the decision and doome of all such variances, suits, discords, and disagreemts. as ever hapned beteen them, to the order and adward of Daniell O Brien sirnamed the Great, and to Teig O Brien, and Donogh O Brien, two sons of Morogh, the first Earle of Thomond, and to the Bishop of Killfenoragh¹, and to Mac Clancy, and Mortagh Clancy, and Mac Brady; The said Bishop of Killmcduagh, Dermott oge O Dea, and Daniell O Dea hereby binding themselves in the forfeiture and penaltie of forty markes a peece, to [interlined] rest satisfyed and contented with the arbitrement, judgment, and doome of the afforesaid persons of qualitie, which was accordingly perfected at Dishert the yeare of our lord god one thousand five

Imprimis the said arbitrators hath adwarded and ordered that the castle of Dishert and all the priviledges, tearman lands, and appendances belonging to to [sic] the church of Dishert, and to the said castle shall henceforth be and continue in the possession of the said Connor O Dea Bishop of Killmaduagh, together with all the issues, maynprofitts and annuities therout accrewinge to enure to him the sd. Bishop dureing his naturall life according the custome of

hundred sixty and eight, and the tenth years of the raigne of [interlined] Queen Elizabeth of England France and Ireland &c. The

clauses in particular are as followeth viz.

¹ John O'Neylon, Bishop 1541-1572.

his ancestors¹; onely excepting and alwayes providing that [interlined] the said Dermott oge O Dea shall have and enjoy two roomes in the said castle wch roomes are now in the occupation of the said Dermott oge O Dea.

It. It is by the said arbitrators ordered and adwarded that the said Dermott oge O Dea shall enjoy the halle adjoyning to the said castle, who halle was built by the said Dermott oge his father, and also two gardens who. in former tymes were in the possession of his said father.

Itm. The sd arbitrators adwarded two other gardens of the vicaradg (commonly called in Irish cobharlacht or corebaght) to Denis O Dea his two sonns, And to Daniell O Dea afforesaid was adwarded the tower or steeple adjoyning to the church and the house thereunto belonging wth. the garden contiguous therunto.

The said garden plotts and residencies were adjudged by the said arbitrators to each of the sd. proprietors on this condition, that each freeholder of the sept or Linage of the O'Deas living on the eighteen columens (in Irish columech) of the sd tearomon or vicaradge of Dishert must come and build their houses, and keep their respective residences in Dishert afforesd. in the houseplotts and gardenplotts to each of them severally appoynted by the sd. arbitrators to spend their respective livelyhoods in their severall dwellings together, to the end and intention that they may be ready at all tymes and houres to aide and assiste one another against the assaults and incursions of foreigners

Item it is adwarded that all such affrayes, bloodsheds, and battery committed in the sd towne of Dishert or the tearmon or vicaradge belonging to the same shall be rectifyed by rectifyed by [sic] the sd. Connor O Dea Bishop of Killmacduagh and his assignes, imposinge such forfeitures and penalties on such offenders, as was formerly in use wth his ances[tors] and levying the same to the use of him the sd. Bishop, and his assignes and lawfull successors

verte fol[ium].

Item it is adwarded by the said arbitrators that if any of the said proprietors doth faile through want of ability, or any other sinister means to pay such land-charge or personall charge, or any other country charge or rent lawfully applotted on the said Tearmon, according their respective proportions that then the said proprietor shall surrender his entrest to his next cousin in blood of the O Deas, that is, or might be able to dischardge the same; or otherwise the land of such proprietors so fayling is for ever forfeited to the said Bishop Connor [interlined] and his lawfull successors

Itm. it is adwarded by the said arbitrators that [interlined] the vicaradge, parsonadge, and prebendary of the tearmon and parish of

¹ acccording . . . ancestors interlined and the sd. Bishop erased.

Dishert shall be equally enjoyed and shared yearly between the said Connor and Dermott oge O Dea. And also the priviledge of choosing of priests to their mutuall [interlined] consent and assent during their naturall lives.

Itm. whereas there was varyance and difference formerly depending between the said Daniell O Dea and his cousin Denis O Dea touching the church livinge of Kineale-verwick. The said arbitrators adwarded the one moiety of the said benefices [sic] to the said Connor Bishopp of Killmcduagh and the other halfe to the sd. Dermott oge O Dea, and made voyde the two pretenders.

Itm. They adwarded the officiallship to be [interlined] equally shared between the sd. Bishopp and Dermott oge O Dea wch. was an ancient priviledg of their ancestors.

Itm. It is adwarded that the said Bishop and Dermott oge O Dea shall not sue nor challenge one another concerning any thinge mentioned in this present arbitramt, but rest therewith satisfyed dureing their naturall lives. And if either of them, through fraud or negligence, suffers any invasion to enter theire divisions of the said castle the party so offending through negligence or fraud is bound by this adward to make full amends and entyre satisfaction unto the party offended, for all and every the damages or losses he [interlined] sustayned through such fraude or negligence.

Itm. It is adwarded that all former arbitrations and judgments beretofore past and made between the said parties be voyde and of no effect, and that the sd Partyes shall henceforth live in mutuall amity, fraternall love, and charity, forgetting all former inveterate spleens, discords, variances, suites, and differences past between them before the date of these presents. And for performance of every clause and condition inserted in this present arbitration the said Bishop Connor O Dea, Dermott oge O Dea, and Daniell O Dea doth hereby binde themselves in the forfeiture and penall summe of fortic markes to Daniell O Bryen, forty markes [interlined] to Teig O Bryen sone to the Earle Morogh afforsd. and forty markes to Donogh O Bryen sone to the said Earle to be levied at the will and pleasure of the sd. noble persons, on the party that would prove refractory of this their adward and arbitration.

Itm. It is adwarded, that [interlined] the said Connor Bishop of Killmacduagh shall sue and endeavor to recover the ornaments of a Bishop (in Irish carlaid easbuig) which the said Dermott oge O Dea lent to the Bishop of Killaloe¹, and that the said Dermott oge shall leave the brewing panne to the use of the house in common. Finis.

Faithfully translated out of the originall Irish into English

by []" 2 φφ.

¹ Terence O'Brien II, Bishop 1554-c. 1569.

4 May 19 Eliz. [1577.]

Bond of Richard Dunkyn, citizen and scrivener of London, to Edmond Neylon of Dytchlyng, Sussex, of £20, for discharge of Danyell Neylon from a bond for the same sum.

892.

25 Jan. 1571.

Mortgage by Terlagh Mc Bryen oyg Mc Bryen Mc Tyrrellygh Mc Mahuna of Corrkyvaskyn to John Mc Clanychy of Ballyhobert. of the moiety of the town of Ardynyr Ogonyll in Co. Limerick (the other moiety being held by the said John in pledge from Cornelius Mc Donogh Mc Mahuna, long since deceased); for twenty-four milchcows [] and one horse, for which repayment is to be made in any year between St. Patrick's and St. Brendan's day.

Attorneys for livery of seisin. John Nya, captain of his nation; and Patrick Creagh, merchant of Limerick.

Given at Asketyny [Askeaton] (?).

Witnesses. Donil Cahissye of Limerick; Patrick Neagh; Edmund Reyle (?); William Fitz Morris; Edmond Fitz Charles.

Copy, made c. 1860 by the 13th Lord Inchiquin.

893.

29 Mar. 1580.

Deed of adoption by Connor Mc Clanachy.

"Universis et singulis Christi fidelibus ad quorum noticiam hoc presens scriptum pervenerit salutem & in auctore salutis fidem indubitam [interlined] adhibere dignemini cum fauore, noueritis enim (?) quod licet ego Cornelius Kentagh filius Maricii Mc Clanaghy de Kyllmarii Intradrey in barronia de Dagenybiggyn ac in comittatu de Clarmor in consideracione cuiusdam certae summae peccuniae & aliis diuersis bonis de quibus quidem bonis & peccuniae summa a Donato Thadei Mc Nemarra generoso propter meam maximam penuriam paupertatem et necessitatem etiam ad victum et vestitum vxoris prolis cure & familie mee respectiue a predicto Donato Mc Nemarra¹ ante confectis presentium prout presens scriptura testatur fateor me fuisse fore ac esse persolutum & satisfactum ad beneplacitum & voluntatem meam pro [sic] manibus recepi atque omniro mihi soluta dictum vero Donatum Mc Namarra heredes & assignatos suos deinde ac imposterum per presentes acquietos & liberatos imperpetuum hac lege & racione etiam cum aliis legittimis causis & racionibus bonis animum meum in hoc moventibus [interlined] non invitus coactio timore neque metu sed cum mea spontanea sana menteque [sic] integra voluntate libenter & voluntarie vnanimiter de concenssu &

¹ These six words erased.

assenssu amicorum meorum cum magna reuerentia & honore iuxta omnimodam meam facultatem potestatem & auctoritatem recepi & pro perpetuis duratis & futuris temporibus condicionaliter & cum effectu per presentes accipio secundum legittimum filium probi ac generosi viri Donati Filii Thadei Mc Namara nominatim videlicet Tatheum filium eiusdem donati mc nemarra hoc modo eum recipio scilicet tancquam verum allumnum propriumque filium indubitatiuum etiam & executorem atque heredem meum constituo ordino & facio super omnia mea bona temporalia videlicet mobilia & immobilia presentia & futura ubicumque fuerint inventa etiam non solum in parte mea & in possessione in quantum attinet ad me1 de Kyllmalyrii sed etiam in tota mea terra tenementa [sic] & hereditatem erga premissa aut in aliquo alio quouis loco, mi aliquo modo iure sive titulo jure hereditario seu successorio decetero descenderit cum omnibus meisque terris locis tenementis membris particulus parcellis proficuis fructibus proventibus in viis & semitis introitibus & exitibus fossis & fossatis ceterisque emolumentis pertinenciis universis antedicto meo allumno filio & heredi suisque heredibus & assignatis libere quiete plenarioe integre bene ac in pace & imperpetuum et si contigerit mihi etiam habere aliquem filium de corpore meo legittime procreato [sic] nunc et tunc volo do concedo & per presentes affirmo talem filium similiter pro dono cum omnia & singula bona sua temporalia verum etiam possessionem terre tenementorum & hereditate [sic] omniumque rerum & bonorum suorum mobilium & immobilium totaliter committo sepedicto Tatheo Donati Mc Nemara meoque allumno filio executori pariterque heredi ut iam feci constitui & per presentes ordinaui inperpetuum de capitalibus dominiis feodi illius per seruicia inde eis debita & de iure consueta et ego vero predictus Cornelius Mc Claneghy universaliter omnia & singula premissa prenominato allumno filio & heredi in forma predicta ut predicitur contra omnes homines & feminas warrantizare acgietare & defendere imperpetuum per presentes et vlterius sciant me prescriptum Cornelium Kentagh Mc Claneghy cum mea propria manu dedisse atque deliberasse perpetuam quietam & pacificam possessionem & seicinam juris tituli ac interesse mei in tota mea parte de Kyllmalyry & in aliis meis locis terris temenentis cum omnibus & singulis meis rebus mobilibus & immobilibus presentibus & futuribus quae quod vel quos uncquam habui seu habere potero in premissis secundum tenorem & formam superius recitatum in cuius rei [interlined] robur fidem & testimonium sigillum meum cum signo meo manuali presentibus appossui seu apponi curaui & feci datum apud Kyppagh vicesimo nono die marcii 1580

per me supradictum Cornelium Mc Claneghy testibus hiss tunc presentibus honestis & distretis viriis quorum

¹ ad me interlined.

nomina hic subscribuntur lam Doncaid Meclacaid; lam Doncaid Mecnamara Quirin (?) [both in Irish characters]; Diermitius O Dwyer studiosus testis; Laurentius Mc Shyda Oyg"

Endorsed, in a later hand, "The will of Coro. mc Slida".

894.

5 Jul. 24 Eliz. [1582.]

Pardon of Donough O'Brien alias Donough Begge O'Brien and John O'Grada, son of Denis O' Grada, Kt.

Certified copy, dated 1861.

Cf. Cal. Fiants Eliz., 3924 (3625).

895.

6 Dec. 1582.

Inquisition post mortem of Donough Mc Murghe O'Brien of Dromoland.

Taken at Dromoland before Nathaniell Smythe, gent., deputy of John Crofton, esq.

The jurors find him to have been in rebellion at the time of his capture and execution, 6 Sept. 1582. He was seised in fee of the following: the castle of Dromoland, the ruins of the castle of Ballyconily, the quarter of Dromoland, the quarter of Ballyconallan, the two quarters of Ballygerin, two quarters in Lettowne, and two quarters in Rathmollan and Lytlerayne; the castle of Lecnenagh with three quarters of land adjoining, now waste; a castle called Tromorough with two quarters of land adjoining, now waste; the castle of Ballygryffa with four small cottages and a quarter of land adjoining; and the monastery of Corcunrow in the country of Burren, which on account of the country being waste is worth only 40/- a year.

Held of the Queen, by what service the jurors are ignorant.

He forfeited to the Queen all his castles, lands, and tenements by reason of an Act of Parliament passed in England in the 34th year of King Edward III, and confirmed in a parliament held in Ireland in the 11th year of King Henry VII.

896.

Inquisition taken at Innishe, 28 May 41 Eliz. [1599] before Edward Crofton, gent., Deputy Escheator.

He was seised in fee, at the time of his attainder, of the moiety of a quarter called Dromen, which is now occupied by Connor Duff O'Dea, by what right the jurors are ignorant.

19th cent. copy; 11/2 pp.; Latin.

26 Apr. 25 Eliz. [1583.]

Letters patent to Terence alias Turlough O'Brien, Kt., in consideration of his good service done and to be done, of the castle or stone fortress of Lemeneah with three quarters adjoining, it, and the castle or stone fortress of Ballygriffa with four small cottages and a quarter of land adjoining it, in Co. Clare, parcel of the possessions of Donnogh Mc Murrough O'Brien of Dromoland, lately attained. To hold of the Crown in chief, by service of the twentieth part of one knight's fee, rendering 20/- Irish a year and maintaining an able horseman of English race or blood.

Copy, made c. 1860 by the 13th Lord Inchiquin.

898.

26 June 25 Eliz. [1583.]

Queen's letter for a grant to the abovenamed of the lands that came to him from his father Sir Daniel O'Brien with those late of Donough O'Brien, the fee farm of the abbey of Quin, that of the "converwshipp" [coarbship] (?) of Innischaltra, and the seneschalship of the baronies of Dough alias Corkumroe and Craggans alias Borren, where most of his followers dwell.

Copy, made c. 1860 by the 13th Lord Inchiquin. Cf. Call. pat, rolls Ire., Eliz., p. 46.

899.

1584.

List (about 200 names) of castles in Co. Clare. 6 pp.; 19th cent. copy, from T.C.D. MS. 539.

Printed in full; Dwyer, Diocese of Killaloe, pp. 568-572.

900

5 June 1584, 26 Eliz.

Conveyance by Dermot O'Dea of Dysert Moylala, Co. Clare, gent., to James Gold of Limerick, esq., for £200; of his castle of Dissertt Moylala with 9 "collons" of land called Ballycullinan, Mwllonyn, Raharryla, Dagortcorky, Dadromcurrine, Braughry, Cottyn with moor and gardens, two quarters of land free from all charges called Downcorhy, half a quarter in Kaharmc Corroman, and half a quarter in Aghaclasswyone, and one "kearhowmyre", half a quarter (?) in Gohuline, belonging to the said castle.

Attorney for livery of seisin. William [Fitz] John of Limerick, flesher.

Signed. Per me Dermicium Odeya.

Witnesses to signature. Edwa: Gold; Symon Morrice; Simon Brenaghe [mark]; Teige Mc Dermid [mark].

Witnesses to livery of seisin. Wm. Neilland; Simon Brenaghe [mark]; Teig Mc Dermid [mark].

901.

31 Jul. 1584.

Protection from the Lord Deputy to Mora Ny Brien.

By the L. Deputie

J: Perrot.

Trustie and wel beloved we greete you well. Whereas upon good consideracons vs movinge and especially for preservacion of Her Mats [Majesty's] right, we have thoughte mete that Mora Ny Bryene late wyf to Teige Mc Moroughe Obriene and her three doughters who are now Her Mats wardes shold in Her Mats right as afore said be maintayned and defended in the possession of all suche castells, townes, lands, and other hereditamts as the said Teige and his sonne Tyreloghe died seized of. Theis are therefore to will and require you and thereby to aucthorise you to kepe and maintayne the said More and her three doughters in the quiete and peaceable possession of all the said castells, townes, lands and other hereditamts, whereof the said Teige and Tyrelogh died seized of accordinge or pleasure herein to you signefied, untill furder matter be shewed to the contrary.¹ Whereof we require you in any wyse not to faile, And for yor doinge herein this shal be yor warrt. Yeeven at Lymricke the last of July 1584

To or trustie and welbeloved Sr Richard Binghame knight Chief Commissioner of the Province of Connaght and Thomond ".

Endorsed as follows:

(1) "2 December 1595 We doe ratify . . . this order . . . in all points

W: Russell"

(2) [By Robert O'Brien.] "Turlogh the son of Teige died aged 14 on the 12th July 1584".

902.

8 Sept. 1584, 26 Eliz.

Conveyance by Bernard alias Briean Mc Donnogho Goah Mc Rossa Mc Awllie of Balleheaghan, Co. Clare, gent., and Rossa Mc Rory Mc Rossa Mc Awlly of the same, gent.; to Terence alias Therrellagh

^{1 &}quot; untill . . . contrary " interlined.

O Briean of Inishdyman, Co. Clare, Kt.; of the town or castle of Balleheaghan with its tenements, lands, and hereditaments, in the barony of Craggans, Co. Clare.

Signed. Briean Mc Donnogh; Rossa Mac Rorye.

Witnesses. O Dally testis; Dermod O Dally testis; Briean O Dally testis; Teig O Tyerny testis; Donnogho Entlea; James Coyne.

Latin.¹

903.

21 Oct. 1584.

Conveyance by Steven Sexton of Limerick, gent., to Richard Fitzlaurence Wingfelde, gent., of his interest in the lands of Robertstowne which he himself has from Donell McClancy.

Signed & sealed. Steven Sexten.

Witnesses. Stephen Whyte; G. Alexander; John Kirkby. Also: 4 other deeds concerning Robertstowne. 1584-1596.

904.

17 Dec. 1585, 28 Eliz.

Conveyance by Shaen O'Dea, son and heir to Loghlyn O'Dea of Tullagh O'Dea, Co. Clare, gent., to mistress Nora Ny Brien of Ballowngown, Co. Clare, widow; of the manor and town of Tullagh O'Dea, with its four quarters of land and all usual appurtenances; to hold of the chief lords of the fee, by the services heretofore due and accustomed. "And furthere know ye that I . . . with myn own proper hands (having first intred into the said manor . . . and lands) . . . haue given quiet and peecabl possession . . . unto the said Mora Ny Brien . . ."

No signature or seal.

Witnesses "when this dead was read & interpreted to thaboue Shaen O Dea & . . . & when he sealed & delyured the same . . .". Rychard Whyte scr[ivener]; Aodh og Mac Cirtin testis [in Irish characters.]

Witnesses to livery of seisin. Brien O Tyne testis; Concubhr O Brian [in Irish characters]; Muriertagh O Tyne testis; Muriertagh Duff Mc Enrage testis.

905.

8 July 1587, 29 Eliz.

Assignment by Connor oge O Hogayne of Ballygrideanie, Co. Clare, to Daniell Neylon, Bishop of Kildare; of his interest in a quarter called the quarter of Dromcaevanyne, Co. Clare, in mortgage to him

Nearly all the deeds up to and including this date, and about half of those from 1585 to 1650, are in Latin.

for "xxtie. mylch cowes, xxtie. in calf cowes, xxtie. heiffers, xj mares and gerranes, owne hackny, owne hundreth of sheepe, a siluer cuppe, and a greate white brasse panne".

Signed. Connor Oge O Hogayne [mark.]

Witnesses to signature and livery of seisin, "after the contents of this deed was declared and interpreted unto the wthin named Connor". Donnogh Keogho¹; Richeard Lowche; William Neylon; Donall Crone, taylor; Loghlen og Mc Consydyn; Teig Mc Morogho; Daniell Mc Consydyn.

906.

13 Sept. 1587.

Articles between Mora Ny Brien and Dermott Mc Edmond O'Dea.

 τ . Mora to give Dermott "the Downan & the bawne thereof, and the cragge of the Downan . . . to be between his septe, & the assignes of the said Mora as a common pasture . . ."

2. Dermott to have the best half quarter, except for that on which John O'Dea lives for his life, with the gardens round it and the green.

3. Dermott and his sept to have Inishirke for ever.

4. Mora to give Dermott and his sept the quartermyre of Ballyedrumman; or, if they cannot recover that from the present occupiers, the quartermyre of Beli . . . Bogher instead.

5. Mora to allow Dermott the equivalent number of days out of Tullogh o dae, "belowe the bogher or any other place whear they shall thinke meete" to those which are now in mortgage for the above three quartermyres.

6. Dermott to give Mora one-half of all lands in Kenealarwycke, now in other mens' possession, that belong to the sept of Rorie O'Dea, bearing half the charges that may be spent in recovering them.

7. As the weir of Balycanie is divided into two parts, Richarde Goldinge is to have that part of the fishing that belongs to Ballycanie as long as he is tenant there.

8. The said Richard to have the manuring of Gorttacrogherie for one year.

9. Dermott not to mortgage any of the above quarters without the consent of Mora and her sept, giving them the first refusal.

10. "That Dermott & his parte & septe to be the sayd Moraes & her septe for ever, & the sayd Mora & her septe is to honor & do good unto the sayd Dermott & his septe for ever".

II. Dermott and his sept, "uppon the forfeyture of the beforemencyoned charter (?) ys to putt all these artycles in due forme of law by a payer of indentures . . ."

[Witnesses' names omitted.]

2 рр.; сору.

¹ The signatures are apparently copies.

Nov. 1589 to May 1592.

Quietus to Daniel Neylon, Bishop of Kildare, farmer of certain lands in Lillies, Bralissonn, Sheanclone, Colliersland, Tippenan and Le white friars, parcel of the lands of David Sutton in Co. Kildare, attainted, at the rate of £25.7. a year.

Certified by Ni: Kenney, Deputy Auditor. Latin.

908.

8 Nov. 1590.

Conveyance by Owney Mc Rosse Mc Rowry of the Towrlagh in Borreine in Co. Clare, gent., to James Linch Fitz Ambrose of Galway, alderman; of his part of the Turlegh with appurtenances including "orchyeardes" and "chymins" [roads] (?).

Attorney for livery of seisin. Liseaugh Mc Mahowne.

No signature.

Witnesses to sealing of deed. Edward Linche Fitz A[mbrose] testis; Lesse(?) Mc Mouhon testis; James Lynch Fitz . . . testis; Rousseln Mc . . . testis.

Witnesses to livery of seisin. Edward Linch Fitz Ambros testis; Rowsse Mc...testis; Uins (?) Mc Leasse testis; Leasse Mc Moun (?) testis.

909.

24 Apr. 1591, 3 Eliz.

Conveyance by Marye Nyn Felymye Mc Cahille Mc Moryrtagh O'Conor of Balynocaraghe, Co. Clare, to Daniel Neylon, Bishop of Kildare; of all her lands, tenements, and hereditaments inherited from Felymi Mc Cahille her father or from Rorye Mc Felymye her brother in the town, hamlet, fields, and other places of Balynocaraghe.

Attorney for livery of seisin. Nicholas Neylon. Signed & sealed. Marye Nyn Felymye [mark.]

Witnesses, "when the contents of the . . . deede hathe bene declarede . . .", to signature, and to livery of seisin. Cahell O Conor; Shane og Mc an Cargye; Redmownd Mc William; Conor O Conor de Balycalyna; William Nelland; Myler Mc William; Donogh O Nellande; Conor Caragh O Dea; Denis O Conowa.

Latin.

910.

18 May 1591, 33 Eliz.

Conveyance by Soawa Nyne Hugh Mc Cahall O Connor of Ballynecaragh, Thady O Callanyne of Ballynacaragh, and Honor Nyne Hugh Mc Cahall O Connor his wife; to Daniel Nellan, Bishop of Kildare; of all lands and tenements belonging to them in right of Hugh Mc Cahall O Connor, father of the said Soawa and Honor, in the town, hamlet, and fields of Ballynacarraghe.

Attorney for livery of seisin. Nicholas Neyllane.

Signed & sealed. Seawe Nyn Hugh Mc Cahall; Tadee O Callanyn;

Onora Nyn Hugh Mc Cahall [marks.]

Witnesses to interpretation of deed, to delivery of deed, and to livery of seisin. Cahell O Conor; Cahir O Flanagan; Redmound Mc William; Taig Mc Connsadyn; Morirtagh Mc Aega; Eamann O Niallain [in Irish characters]; Cahill Mc Morirtaghe; William Nelland.

911.

23 May 1591, 33 Eliz.

Conveyance by Loughlin Mc Bryne O'Connor, "the sole Lawfull and next heire" of Slieght Leyman of Leighvally Slieght Leyman, Co. Clare, gent.; to Danyell Neylon, Lord Bishop of Kildare, of his interest in the two quarters of land called Leighvally Slieght Leyman.

Attorney for livery of seisin. Nicholas Neylon of Ballyally. Not signed or witnessed.

912.

23 May 33 Eliz. 1591.

Mortgage by Thady Neylon of Dromnecryphie, Co. Clare, "phisition", to Danyell Neylon, Bishop of Kildare, for 20 marks; of the moiety of the castle, town, and hamlet of the Ballagh with a "carrowmyre" of land, houses, orchards, gardens, mills, and other appurtenances, in the barony of Corcumroe, Co. Clare.

Signed & sealed. Thade Nellain.

Witnesses. William Nelland; Nicholas Nelland; Danyell Carrigie; Sheane oge Mc an Cargies (?) [mark]; Denis O Conowa; Bryane O Hwyggyn; Donoghe Geanyagh (?) O Nellande.

Latin.

913.

24 June 1591.

Quitclaim by Knoghor Mc Brian Mc Kann Mc Terlogh Iloghlen of Dangine, Co. Clare, gent., to James Linch Fitz Ambrose of Galway, merchant; of his interest in his lands and tenements in Dangine in the barony of Burrine, Co. Clare.

Signed. Connor O Loghlen [mark.]

Witnesses. Richard Kirwann; Stephen Linch Fitz James; Edward Linch Fitz A[mbrose] testis; James Lynch Fitz...testis.

Latin.

17 Sept. 1591, 33 Eliz.

Agreement (made at the request of the Earl of Thomond) between Daniell, Bishop of Kildare; and Conor Mc Rossa and his brothers Rossa oge Mc Rossa, Leyseaghe Mc Rossa, and Onye Mc Rossa Mc Rorye all of Twrrlaghe, Co. Clare, to submit their dispute about the castle and lands of Twrrlaghe to the award of James Linche Fitz Ambrose, Mayor of Galway, Boetius Clanshie, Thadee Nellane, gent., and Taege O Tigerna of Lysmearaghan. The arbitration to be made at Mackynys (?) in Boren, each side producing two of the arbitrators.

Signed. D. Daren [sis]. Countersigned. D. Thomond.

915.

1591 to 1594.

Acquittances given Daniel Neylon. Bishop of Kildare, for twentieths of the spiritualities of the diocese, first fruits of the vicarage of Rathangan, and the rent of the parsonage of Castledermot.

916.

24 Nov. 1591.

Bond of William Fitz Gerald of Donnore, Edward Wogan of Belgarde, and Laurence Sutton of Ballymanye, Co. Kildare, gents.; to Daniel [Neylon] Bishop of Kildare, of £100 English.

Condition. The Bishop to enjoy the castle, messuage, and lands (late parcel of the lands of David Sutton, attainted) in Silliott, Bralissan, Shenclone, Collierslande, the Grey Friars of Kildare, the White Friars of Kildare, and Tippenan, during the lifetime of Jennett Sutton, widow of Geralde Sutton of Castletonkildroghte, Co. Kildare, gent., paying the rent fixed by the Letters Patent of 9 Aug. 31 Eliz. [1589.]

Signed & sealed. William Fitz Gerald; Edward Wogan; Laurenc Sutton.

Witnesses. John Dongan; N. Kenny; William Dongan.

917.

20 Feb. 34 Eliz., 1591 [2].

Conveyance by Maleaghlayn Owffe Mc Morougha Managhe O' Louglyn of Dangyne, Co. Clare, gent., to Daniel [Neylon] Bishop of Kildare; of a quarter or fourth part of a "sessye" in Dangyn Moore, Co. Clare; to hold of the chief lords of the fee.

Attorneys for livery of seisin. William Nelande and Nicholas Nelande, gents.

Not signed.

Witnesses to interpretation of deed, signature, and livery of seisin.

R. n O Mullain; Gioll Mc Nicholas O Daboirin; Constance O Dauoren; Danyell Carrgie; James Lynch Fitz A[mb]rose; Oit (?)...O Dbuirin; Ambrose Linche; Thade Nellan. [Second and sixth witnesses sign in Irish characters.]

918.

4 Mar. 34 Eliz., 1591 [2].

Conveyance by Rossa Mc Rorie of Balyheigh, Co. Clare, gent., to Daniel Neylon, Bishop of Kildare; of the moieties of the half "sessyes" called Kepagona and Bualytinbracca in Co. Clare; to hold of the chief lords of the fee.

Attorneys for livery of seisin. William Neylande and Nicholas Neylande.

[Not signed.]

Witnesses "when thes deede . . . was interpreted & declared to . . . Rossa Mc Rorye"; and to delivery of deed and livery of seisin. Ony Mc Leyseagh; Rossa oge Mc Rossa Mc Rory; Mohon mergeagh Mc Gillpatryke; Bryan Mc Gillpatrike; Seane oge Mc an Carrgie; Denis Mc Taega; Donell O Kahill.

Latin.

919.

19 Feb. 1592 [3], 35 Eliz.

Bond of Conoghor McDonnogho O' Brien of Leneneighe, Co. . Clare, gent., to James Ware of Dublin, gent., of £30.

Condition: payment to Ware of £20 within a month of his procuring the passing, under the Great Seal, of a patent for the lands of Baillegriffa, Leme-neighe, Balle Iconolo, Drom Olyne, Tromoro, and the abbey of Corkam Roe, in the name of Sir Tirrelagh O'Brien.

Signed. Conoghor Mc Donnogh O Brien [mark].

Witnesses. Cor: Mc Gillesaghta; Thomas Cane; Charles Bridon. Receipt of £20 noted by James Ware at foot. II Jul. 1593.

920.

1 Mar. 35 Eliz., 1592 [3].

Conveyance by Thady O'Clerie of Clonlowarty, Co. Clare, yeoman, and Banty Ni Slattera his wife (daughteer and heir of John Mc Hugh O Slattera, deceased); to Thady O'Brien of Gortyn, Co. Clare, esq.; of half a carucate or quarter in Balleslattera, commonly called Lecarow Reaske More.

Attorney for livery of seisin. Daniel Nellane.

Signed & sealed. Tadg O Cleri; Pantrite Inean Sean I Slatra ban Tadg I Cleri [mark; both sign in Irish characters.]

Witnesses to signature. Cosne Mc Briod (?) [in Irish characters];

Conoghor O Bryen Fitz Danell; Tearelagh O Bryen Fitz Donogh; Teig og Mc Teig Mc Loughlen; Mealaghlin...; Flaherty...; Hughe Hykie.

Witnesses to livery of seisin, 7 Mar. 1593. Richarde Neylon; Oliuer Fitz Gerod Walsh [mark]; Mohown O Molcluhy [mark]; John Creaghy (?); Hughe Hykie.

921.

26 Apr. 35 Eliz. [1593].

Letters patent to Sir Terence alias Torlough O'Brien of the castle or stone fort of Lemeneah in Co. Clare, with three quarters of land adjacent, now waste and uncultivated; and the castle or stone fort of Ballingriffa, with four small cottages and a quarter of land adjacent in Co. Clare, parcel of the possessions of Donat son of Maurice O Brene, commonly called Donnoghe Mc Muraghe O Brene of Dromolane, attainted; to hold of the Crown in chief, by service of one-twentieth of one knight's fee when scutage runs, and 20/- (Irish) yearly rent; finding when required one able English horseman for the defence of the country.

Enrolled 18 Dec. 1605.

Latin; I p., parchment.

Cf. Cal. pat. rolls Ire., Eliz., p. 46 (54).

922.

12 June 36 Eliz., 1594.

Bond of Cornelius O'Dea of Diserte Mandala, Co. Clare, gent., to Daniel [Neylon] Bishop of Kildare, of £300 English.

Condition. Making an "effectuall conveyaunce and estate in fee simple" of the castle, "hale" [hall] and other buildings of Diserte, with nine "quartrones" called Ballycwyllynayn, Mollonyn, Raharvilla, the two Gortecorkys, the two Dromewyrynes, Aghislye, Breagaghyre, Cottyn, Moore, and gardens, $2\frac{1}{2}$ quarters of free land called Dromcwyryne, a half quarter in Cahire McCormayn, a half quarter in Ahacleasswyne, and a quarter in Gowylyne, all in the parish of Diserte.

Signed. Signum Cornelii O Dea.

Witnesses "after the same was expounded & enterpreted unto the said Conor". Teste me Roberto Chaffe; [

]; signum Redmundi Fitz William; Danyell Nyellan; Thomas Chaffe; signum Mauritii O Bryen; signum Thome O Cahill.

[Signature of second witness illegible.]

923.

8 Sept. 36 Eliz., 1594.

Conveyance by James Gold of Limerick, esq., to the Bishop of Kildare, of the castle of Dysert and other lands and tenements [as

in last, with slight variations in spelling] which had been conveyed to him in 1584 for £200 by Dermot O Dea to hold to him and his son John Neylon.

Attorneys for livery of seisin. Thomas O Cahyll and Redmund Fitz William.

Signed. Ja: Golde.

Witnesses to signature. Nicho: Arthur; teste me Roberto Chaffe; William Nelland; Philipus Recoy.

Witnesses to livery of seisin, 11 Sept. 1594. John Sarsfelde; William Nelland; Thomas Magaha [mark]; Shane Huwonyn [mark]; Mortaghe Mc Donill [mark]; Conoghor Legh O Dea [mark].

Latin.

924.

9 Oct. 36 Eliz. [1594.]

Precept, issued at Ennis by Thomas Dillon, esq., Chief Justice of the Province of Connaught and Thomond, and Gerald Comerford, esq., Queen's Attorney in the said Province (Commissioners to hear and inquire into cases of treason, murder, and other offences throughout the Province); to the Sheriff of Co. Clare, to give peaceful possession to Daniel Neylon, Bishop of Kildare, and John Neylon his son, of certain lands (as in deed of 5 June 1584 [supra]); of which (as had been found by an inquisition of the same date) they had been disseised by the following persons: Hugh O Hogan of Mayhild, Co. Clare, gent., Connor duf O Dea of Desert, yeoman, Slany Ny Donogh of the same, wife of the said Connor, Turlaghe Mc Dough O Brien of Rahablauniss, gent., Dermot Mc Dough O Brien of the same, gent., Teig Mc Dough O Brien of the same, gent., Peter Birch of Inchiquin, yeoman, Melaghlin duff O Heiher late of the same, yeoman, Richard Myniter of the same yeoman, Dermott O Dea Maconnor oge late of the same, yeoman, David oge Mitter late of the same, yeoman, David Makahill Ineilas of Rathblanish, yeoman, Brien Mc Therrelagh Oleyn of Disert, gent., Brien (?) oge Mc Brien Mc Moriertagh of Keallah, gent., Hugh Mc Glancy of Kilfeaynyn, yeoman, and Caher Keytenagh of Inchiquyn, piper, together with other malefactors and disturbers of the peace.

Signed. Thomas Dyllon; Gerald Comerforde.

Latin.

Endorsed; "Restitution for Dyshert".

925.

26 Apr. 1595, 37 Eliz.

Assignment by Richard Boyle, gent., to William Nellane son of the Bishop of Kildare of the residue of a 60 years' lease of the moiety of a quarter of land in Ballycolynaghe, Co. Clare parcel of the lands of Thadie O'Connor alias Teige ne Gall, attainted granted by letters patent, 10 Aug. 36 Eliz. [1594] to John Lye of Rathbryd, Co. Kildare, gent., and by him assigned to Boyle.

Signed. R. Boyle.

Witnesses. D. Daren.¹; James Lynch Fitz . . . ; Ge: Dalton; Robert Mongan; William Nellane; Danyell Cargy; Moriertagh O Brian Mc Donell [mark]; Connor O Dea [mark]; Denicius Nellanus.

926.

16 Dec. 1595, 38 Eliz.

Conveyance by Donogh O Hywer of Clonebegg, Co. Clare, yeoman, to Danyell Neylon, Bishop of Kildare; of a "cartron or quartron" of land in Tyerwonane, with the usual appurtances; to hold to the Bishop, his son John Neylon, and their heirs, "of the cheefe lorde of that fee, by such tearm and service as are thereout due and accustomed"

[Signature and seal missing.]

Witnesses to interpretation of deed to O Hywer, to delivery of deed to Neylon, and to livery of seisin. . . .; William Nelland; William Nellane (?) Nich: (?) Sorrorel (?) Dermod Mc Gill . . . [mark]; Manus O Cahan [mark].

927.

8 Feb. 1595 [6] 38 Eliz.

Deed to declare uses of a recovery, in which Hugh O'Hogan of Mahill, Co. Clare, gent., is demandant, and Sir Torlough O'Brien of Inistyman, Co. Clare, tenant; of three quarters of land in Dromore, and of a castle, six messuages, six gardens, 160a. land, 12a. meadow, 60a. pasture, 30a. wood, and 30a. flooded land in Dromore, within the three quarters called "the quarter of the bridge", "Carowe Vanaghe", and "Knocknehowny".

Intention. O'Hogan to be seised of the premises to his own use, until such time after 30 Nov. 1607 as O'Brien has paid him £160 in "pure silver" English money, with a sum not exceeding £40 spent on stone or timber for the repair of the said castle. After two years from the time of payment, O'Hogan to be seised of the premises in trust for O'Brien and his heirs.

Signed. Therl: O Brine.

Witnesses. C: Leyns; John Caddell; Christofer Harpennye.

928.

3 May 1596, 38 Eliz.

Quitclaim by Cornelius Mc Mahowna O'Dea of Belnalicke, Co. Clare, gent., to Daniel Neylon, Bishop of Kildare; of his interest in

¹ Daniel Neylon, Bishop of Kildare 1583-1603.

the following lands and tenements: the castle of Belnalicke, with a quarter of land belonging to it; a quarter called "half Quearow-darwgy"; a moiety of the half quarter of Culfeangane; the quarter of Drummon; one quarter of Tyrwonayn; a moiety of the fees and tenements called "Clonbeg, Quearownacregy, Muckros, Builieaga, Tyrweolwony, and Ronnyn" containing one quarter and a half, and of Coyllyn, containing half a quarter; and the quarter of Drumceahny (?), with all their lands, tenements, rents, and services.

Signed. Conor O Dea [mark].

Witnesses to interpretation and delivery of deed.

Edwardus Maylle (?); William Nelland; Mortagh Mc Donell O Brien [mark]; Loghlen Mc Conotahn (?) [mark]; Danyell Cargy. Latin.

929.

17 June 1596.

Commission from Thomas Dillon [Chief Justice of Connaught] and Gerald Comerford [Attorney of the Province of Connaught] the Queen's Commissioners; to Sir Torlough O'Brien, James Nellan, esq., and Boetius Clansie, esq., three of the J.Ps. for Co. Clare; to empanel a jury and take evidence in a case of Richard Wingfyld, gent., and his wife against Lord Inchiquin concerning the castle of Bohwelle and the abbey of Kylshanny alias Kyltany, Co. Clare.

Signed. Thomas Dyllon; Gerald Comerforde. 2 pp.

930.

2 Aug. 38 Eliz. [1596.]

Pleas held at Ennis before the abovenamed Commissioners.

Jurors in the case mentioned above: Owny Mc Loughlin of Glancollumkelly, Richarde Goldinge of Balyquin, Nicholas Nelan of Kylnekallye, Edmonde Nelan of Roslevane Shyda Mantagh of Rathlahin, Donell O Reddan of Ballynevan, John Oge O Cormokan of Moynoe, Conor O Heher of Bally Inne, Thomas oge Mc Corman of Tullocryn, John Mc Donell of Bellatullie, Owen Mc Cahan of Lysleaneghan, Donell Clanche of Downegorye, Bryan Mc Turlogh of Castletowne, Conor O Bryan of Cahirkorryan, Brian Mc Mogherie O Bryan of Mogowna, and Moylin oge Mc Brodin of Kukie (?).

They find forcible entry to have been made, on 31 May 38 Eliz. [1596] on the monastery or religous house of Kylshanye and on five quarters or carrucates of land belonging to it, by the following: Murrough, Baron of Inchiquin; Hugh O Hogan of Moyhell, gent.; David Minter of Inchequyn, yeoman; David O Kellie of the same,

yeoman; Cahir Cavenagh of Dromore, yeoman; and Dermot O'Brien of Carowduffe, gent.; with divers persons unknown; contrary to the statute of 8 Hen. VI [1429-30] ratified in Ireland 10 Hen. VII [1494-95].

The persons indicted allege, jointly and severally, the insufficiency of the indictment; and deny having unjustly detained the above named lands and tenements.

21 pp.; copy.

Also: replication of Richard Wingfield, Honor his wife, and her sisters [Any Ny Brian and Slany Ny Brian] to the answer of Lord Inchiquin and the rest of the defendants.

1 p.; draft, endorsed "Termino Trin. 1597".

931.

17 Apr. 1597.

"Memorand[um] that I Watter Walsh Tresur[er] of Kildare haue receyvyde a bill signede & sealed wnder William Helyes and Thomas Bringeames hands wherin they are bownde to paye the Reuerend Daniell Nellande nowe L. Bishoppe of Kildare the some of eight pownds ster[ling] wch some I bynde me my exec[utors] and assignes to paye unto the sayde L. Bishoppe or his assignes by the firste of [sic] days of Julye next ensueing the date heareof or els to delyver unto hime the sayd bill bake againe uncancellede sealed wth my hande [erased] Seale the 17 of Apprill 1597

Walter: Walshe"

Witnesses. Mor. (?) O Loughlin; per me Nicholaum Dolan Vicarium de Clane.

932.

20 Apr. 1597, 39 Eliz.

Bond of Cornelius alias Conghor Liath O'Dea of Disert, Co. Clare, gent.; John alias Shane Necargy O'Dea and Diermitius alias Dyermott Iren (?) O'Dea, sons of the said Cornelius: to Daniel Neylon, Bishop of Kildare, of £200 English.

Condition. Performance by Cornelius O'Dea "wthout any guile fraud or deceipt" of his agreement with the Bishop and Ellis Linch alias Nellane, the Bishop's wife, concerning his interest in the lands and tenements of Disert.

Signed. Conor O Dea; Shan O Dea; Dermod O Dea [marks.] Witnesses. Edds: O: Daylle; Shane na Cargy Mc Nemary [mark]; Moris Mc AWard; Mlaghlen O Meolayn; Donogh Mc Teig; Shean oge Mc Conkargy; Danyell Cargy. [Signatures of last five witnesses appear to be copies.]

12 Nov. 39 Eliz. [1597.]

Release by Nicholas Roch of Dublin, yeoman, and Sir Terence O'Brien of Inistimon, Co. Clare; to Edmond O'Hogan, son and heir of Hugh O'Hogan of Mehill, Co. Clare, gent., deceased (now in quiet possession of certain lands and tenements in Dromore); of all errors in a recovery of the above lands (as in deed of 8 Feb. 1595 [supra]) in which Roch was youchee.

Signed. Nicholas Roch [mark]; Therlogh O'Brine.

Witnesses to Nicholas Roch's signature. John Morres; Nicholas Walley; Edmond Furlong.

Latin.

934.

8 May 1598, 40 Eliz.

Mortgage by Melaghlen Mc Donogho Ilyddy of Seandangen, Co. Clare, yeoman, to Teige O'Brien of Lisseafyn, Co. Clare, esq., for three years from next Michaelmas in consideration of "fyve principall incaulf cowes"; of "one cartron or kearmire land of Liscorbain in the said towne of Seandangean contayning . . . xxij daies [sic] of erabl land . . . wth the several of Liscorbain as situacion to the said quartermyre . . . "; Teige to have possession for a year after redemption, rent free; and to be paid "as two indifferent men shall award" for any houses he may build on the lands.

Attorney for livery of seisin. His cousin Anthony O'Mololyn of Seandangean.

Signed. Melaghlen O Lyddy manu aliqua.

Witnesses. Conoghor O'Brien [mark]; Hughe Hykie testis; Moris O Lyddy witnes.

935.

25 May 1598.

"Knowe ye all Christian people¹ to whome this present writing do come that wee Monown Mc Fynyne and Teige Mc Fynyne of Creatalagh in the county of Clare gent. have for divers good considerations and also for or own contentmt of paymt by us receaved before the perfecting of this or deed syll, sett, and lett unto Teige O Bryan of Lysseafyn esquier all and singular or title, right, . . . and demaunde . . . in the twoe quarters land of Seandangean in the said county: To have and to hold to the said Teige . . . in as lardge and ampl maner as we have . . . in right of our prediccessors . . . notwthstanding any former lease, covenant or bargain to the contrary, but this dede to stand as perpetual estate frome us . . . to wch performance we . . . do warrant the sayd land to the sayd Teig . . . and . . . appoint

¹ The wording of this deed is not that generally found in conveyances of this period.

. . . as or true and lawefull attourneys or welbelowed frends Conoghor O Brien of Castletown . . . and Teig Mc Rery of Corbaly . . . gent. to deliver liuery and seisin of all and singular the premisses . . . "

Signed. Mohown Mc Fynyn [mark]; Teige Mc Fynyn [mark].

Witnesses. Hughe Hykie; Redmond Wayett; Teige Mc Mohowne of Tyredagh [mark.]

936.

28 May 1598.

Inquisition post mortem of Donough McMurrough O'Brien of Dromoland; taken at Ennis before Edward Crofton, gent., Deputy Escheator of Connaught and Thomond, and Nicholas Kenny, esq., Escheator-General of Ireland.

Jurors. Nicholas Nelan of Ballyneknock; Mahon Mc Eneryney of Ballysallaght; Richard Mc Gelavery of []; Mahon Roe Mc Nemara of Moghan; Connor Mc Clancey of Inch; Moyiertagh Mergagh of Heyne; Rosse Mc Roory of Ballyhoghan; Donill Mc Teige of Castletowne; Mahon Mc Boyan of Pollagh; Thomas Mc Connowe of Ballyconnowe; Thomas O Cohill of Ballerelinen; Moylan Mc Brodyn of Kilkeyne; Donill Mc Shane O Nealan of Dromanorin; Donill Boy O Nelan of Carrocorn; Don Mc Gilleragh of []; and Connor Mc Connor of [

They find the said Donough O'Brien to have been attainted of high treason, and to have been seised in fee of a half quarter of land called Dromen, worth £1.2.6 and at the time occupied by Connor Duffe O'Day, by what right or title they do not know; and of another half quarter called Dromenalory, parcel of the quarter of Irrinagh, in Co. Clare.

Endorsed with deposition of Edward Crofton about taking of the above inquisition and returning it into the Exchequer.

15 Feb. 1612.

Copy, made c. 1860 by the 13th Lord Inchiquin.

937.

5 June 40 Eliz., 1598.

Lease by Mohowne Macke Brian Roe O'Brien of Carownegowle, Co. Clare, gent., to Conoghor Mc Donogho O'Brien of Leneyneh, Co. Clare, gent.; of the third part of the castle of Carownegowle (except the chamber which the said Mohowne has in the garret); the third part of a cartron in the town, fields, and hamlets of Carownegowle; and the moiety of a quarter in Kiltwicke commonly called Lacarowcorn y groshane; for five years, at 6d. rent, the tenant paying all other rents, services, duties, country charges, and impositions.

Signed. CO: B.

Witnesses. Marcus Douley (?); Maoilin Mac Bruaida (?) [in Irish characters]; Thomas Lynche; John Brody (?); Jo: Lisaght.

Also: feoffment by the above to Mark Dowley of Tirvickvran gent., and Cornelius alias Conoghor Mack Gillysaghta of Ballybryne, gent., of the above lands in trust for Mohowne O'Brien during his life, remainder to Conoghor O'Brien mc Donoghe of Lemyneh. 14 Aug. 1598, 40 Eliz.

Endorsed in a later hand "Killkeedy parish".

938.

21 Aug. 1598, 40 Eliz.

Quitclaim by Conoghor Lieha O'Dea of Disart, Co. Clare, gent., to Daniel Neylon, Bishop of Kildare; of all his right to the castle of Disert, the stone messuage called "the greate hall" there, and the lands and tenements belonging to the said castle (as in deed of 5 June 1584 [supra]).

Endorsements:

- (1) "ten papers and parchments belonging to Dl Neylan 2 parc. 8 papers"
- (2) in a later hand; "Useless".

939.

15 Mar. 1599.

Undertaking by Stephen England of Limerick, merchant, to pay to Danyell [Neylon] Bishop of Kildare, and Treasurer of Limerick, £40 rent, with a barrel of "good sault simon (?)" and a barrel of "poels caled collorans" together with the proxies and twentieth part of an unnamed benefice.

Signed. Stphn England.

No witnesses.

940.

10 May 1599, 41 Eliz.

". . . I Connor O Brien of Drumolyn within the countie of Clare gent. for . . . the meere mocion and affection, wch I beare unto my welbeloued wiffe Slany Ny Brien . . . doe . . . giue graunte and sett ouer unto my saied wiffe as by way of ioynter, the foresaied castle of Drumolyn and Bally Connylie with the ix quarters of land unto them belongeinge, wth . . . all . . . appurtenances . . . to her and herr assignes . . . duringe the tyme of the widdowhood of the saied Slany and yf . . . after my decease shee to marrie againe, I doe . . . giue . . . unto her . . . the said castle of Drumolym with the six quarters of lande next thenunto adioyninge . . . with the one moyetie . . . of all such goodes . . . as shalbe in the possession of the said Connor and Slany at . . . the said Connors death, aswell corne, as cattell or chattells whatsoeuer . . . after the decease of the saied Slany, the saied castells and landes . . . to reuerte . . . to the right

heyres of the saied Connor . . . for euer, accordinge the simple and true meaninge hereof wthoute fraude or deceipte . . . $^{\prime\prime}$

Signed. Connor O Brien [mark].

Witnesses. Edward Crofton; Thomas oge Mc ferdorrogh Mc Wm. Carragh [mark]; Donnogh O Nelan [mark]; Doonogh O Murrie [mark].

941.

25 Aug. 41 Eliz. [1599].

Inspeximus of letters patent, 17 Aug. 41 Eliz., to Sir Robert Napper, Chief Baron of the Exchequer, of "the castle or fortilage of stone of Dromolan and one ruinous house or castle of Balyconilie with thappertenaunces . . . and eight quarters of land of all kinde nowe waste unto the said castle adioyning . . . one quarter of Dromolan, one other quarter of Ballyconolan, twoe quarters of Ballygeraine, and twoe quarters in Lettowne [Lattoon] (?) and twoe quarters in Rathmolan and Kilkeraine alias Kiltrayne in the said countie of Clare . . ." for 40 years, yearly rent 40/- (Irish).

1 p., parchment.

942.

5 Sept. 1599.

Bond of Mahown Mc Donnogh O'Brien of Gleykin to Connor Mc Donnogh O'Brien of [Lemeneah] gent., of [

Condition: giving Connor O'Brien peaceable possession, within twelve days, of the castle, town, and lands of Carrowe ne Gowelle in Kellolaugh; and allowing to Mahown Mc Brien Roe and Teige Mc Terelly of Carrownegowelle "all such frydomes and lyberties as the aforsaid Connor... is bound to by given unto them..."

Signed. M. B.

Witnesses. Rory O Flaherty Mc Morgh O Brien [mark]; Teig Mc Donnogh [mark]; E: (?) Lynch Fitz James; Teig O Flanegan [mark.]

Torn.

943.

27 Sept. 41 Eliz., 1599.

Bond of Connor Mc Donogh O' Brien of Lemenegh, gent.; Thady alias Teg O' Brien of Ballynelackyn, gent.; Mahen alias Mahowne O'Brien of Macherycarny; Donell boy O'Nellane of Carrocorre, gent.; Morryrtagh O'Kerryn of Inchycoelaught, yeoman; Thomas Mc Cormac Mc Morryrtagh of Caherbanvan, yeoman; and Mahoun Mc Donell Mc Consyden of Cross, yeoman: to Maurice alias Morryrtagh O'Gryffa of Loghanewaylvin, gent., of £300.

Condition: performance of mortage by Connor O'Brien to O'Gryffa, for £150, of the castle and town of Lemenegh, with the castle half quarter, the quarter of Caherfaddy, and the half quarter of Cahermale

in the barony of Kymelarwyck; a quarter and a half in Clonyn, in the barony of Corcumroe; and half a "sessa" called Fahyfaure (?) in the barony of Burryen, Co. Clare.

Signed. C:B:; Te:O Bryen; M:B:; Donell O Nellan; Mortagh

O Keryn; Tho: Mc Gorman; M: C: (?).

Witnesses. Marcus Douley; Tho: Brimindgham; Constanc Clanchy.

944.

12 Oct. 1599, 41 Eliz.

Quitclaim by Dermot son of Denis O'Dea of Disert, Co. Clare, gent., to the abovenamed; of all his right to the castle and "barbakyn" of Disert, with a tenement or messuage there called "the great hall of the disert", and nine collons or cartrons of land (as in deed of 5 June 1584 [supra])

Signed. Dermotte O Dea Fitz Denishe [mark.]

Witnesses to interpretation and delivery of deed. Thady: (?) O Loghlin; Ny: Nellayn; Constance: O Dauoryn; William Nelland; Flane O Nelland.

945.

5 Jan. 1599 [1600] 42 Eliz.

Assignment by Rowland Delahyde of Fomerlye, Co. Clare, gent. (assignee of Sir Robert Napper) to his "most deere lord and mr." Donatus [O'Brien] Earl of Thomond, of the lands and tenements abovenamed [with slight variations in spelling] mentioning "all stables, Barnes . . . Comons, waste, woodes, underwoodes, waters, fishings, sheepegates, and all other comodities . . ."

Signed & sealed. R. Delahoyde.

Witnesses. John Sarsfeld; Teige o Breen [mark]; Nich: Bradder. Also: assignment of his interest by the Earl of Thomond to his "welbelouded Coosin" Conoghor mc Donogh O'Brien of Balligriffure, Co. Clare, gent. 8 Jan. 1599 [1600].

946.

8 & 10 Jan. 1599 [1600] 42 Eliz.

Bonds of Bryen O'Brien of Carrigogonll and Tirrelagh O'Brien of Castellcryne to Donatus, Earl of Thomond:

(1) of £400, for payment of £120 by the following Michaelmas, the
castle of Dromol[and] to be handed over in the meanwhile as a pledge;

(2) of £400, to prevent their receiving or maintaining Conogh O' Brien or any of his followers who may "interupt vex molet [sic] or trubbl the sayd Erle or any of his friends followers or peopl . . . " the Earl, his friends, followers, and people having access to the castle

of Dromoland for their lawful occasions; the said Conoghor to give the Earl an interest in all the lands, tenements, and hereditaments that he has in fee "as his next heir in remainder".

Contemporary copy; torn and partly illegible; 1 p.

947.

5 Nov. 1600, 42 Eliz.

Conveyance by Morrowgh Mc Cloune of Kyllane, Co. Clare, gent., to Flahry O'Henshy of Gurtyn, barony of Tullagh, Co. Clare, husbandman; of a carcucate of the lands of Kyllane, in the barony of Tallagh and parish of Quynhy, between Callan a Hartigan on the S., Coulbane on the N., and E., and Clohin on the W.; and the half carucate of arable called Ballaghboye, between Clohir on the S., Clonmor on the W., Cloghrygh on the E., and Logh de Kylkyllane on the N.: to hold of the chief lords of the fee, by the services due and customary.

Attorney for livery of seisin. Donogh O'Dayn, husbandman.

Signed. Morrowghy Mc Clune [mark].

Witnesses to signature and delivery of deeds. Roger Hycks; Nycholas Bonnyvle [mark]; Conor Mc Gorman; Jhames Hathay (?) Cormacq Hycky.

Witnesses to livery of seisin. Roger Hycks; Conor Mc Gorman; Edw: Mc Loclyne.

Latin.

Also: four leases and fee farm grants of Beallaghboy (then part o the Thomond estate.) 1704–1712.

948.

c. 1600.

List of 50 deeds (1551 to 1599, three of which are in Irish) belonging to William Neylon of Disert, Co. Clare [son of the Bishop of Kildare] and now in the hands of Sir Roger Sheaghnyshie.

6 pp.

949.

18 Jan. 1601.

Demise by Daniel [Neylon] Bishop of Kildare, to Steven Englande of Lymerick, merchant; of the Treasurership of the Cathedral Church of Limerick, excepting the mansion house in Limerick; for one year, at £50 rent, with two barrels of salt salmon at Allhallowtide, paying for the serving of the cures belonging to the Treasurership and finding sufficient hay and "leter" for the Bishop's horses and geldings whenever he comes to Limerick, together with a bushel of "othes" for provender.

Signed & sealed. Steven England.

Witnesses. Nichollas Cradock; John Illaninn; John Haloran.

I Feb. 1601.

Mortgage by Donald mc Terryellaghe I Brien of Kearowmadan in the parish of Killynabooy, barony of Inshyquyn, Co. Clare, gent., to Cornelius [son] of Donat I Brien of Dromolyn, Co. Clare, gent.; of the quartermyre and half quartermyre of arable "vt vulgo hibernice nominatur Kearownamadary" with its woods, meadows, pastures, thickets, waters, fisheries, wind—and watermills; to hold for ever, "pro capitalis servicia inde debita et de jure consueta".

Attorneys for livery of seisin. Moriarty O Kaheyr of Ballykassyn

and Matthew Mc Brien of Leymineaghe.

"Prowyded alwayes that the above wrottin Connor O Brien has my interest in recoveringe such lands as that I have any right to it & to possesse & enioy it for ewer".

Signed & sealed. Donell Mc Terrellaghe [mark.]

Witnesses to signature. Mahowne Moeylle Mc Conor Mc Gilladuffe; Brien ballaghe Mc Connor; Ja: Mc. Inerney test.

951.

5 Mar. 1601.

"Be it known unto all men by theise presents that I Shane Mc Mahonow Mc Thomas I Conyllan of Erinagh haue gewen granted from me my heirs my right tyttell and enterest in the half cattron of Errinagh unto Donell Mc Shan Nellane of Morrean wthin the conty of Clar gent. and to his heires or assignes from me & from meyn heires for euer and euer by theis presents as wtnes my hand and seall the fifte of March 1601 written at Cnockaren the day and yeare affor said".

Signed and sealed. Shan † o Connelln is mark & seall.

Witnesses. Danyell Nylane; Rahill boy O Nellane is marke; Edmond Roe O Hehir is marke; Donnogh Mc Melloghlin mor (?) testis; Danyell Breassell testis.

952.

8 May 1601, 43 Eliz.

Bond of Hugo alias Hugh Og Mc Encargy of Loghboylyni, Co. Clare, "freholder", to Daniel [Neylon] Bishop of Kildare, of £40.

Condition. Making a conveyance to the Bishop of a cartron or "carrowmyre" called "the west cartron of Clonew" in the parish of Killsmoraugh, barony of Corcomroe, Co. Clare.

Signed. Hugh Mc Incargy [mark.]

Witnesses. P: Brett; Conchobr Mc Byraida; Donall Ó Hallirain [mark. Second and third signatures in Irish characters.]

[1601.]

List of freeholders in the parishes of Kylfinora, Kylshannye, Kyllylagh, Clonwye, and Kylmanahin. About 60 names including Dermott O'Brien, Teig O'Brien, Cnoghor Mc Donell O'Brien of Inchyveve (?), and Murrogh O'Brien of Kylteragh.

3 рр.

954.

26 May 1601, 43 Eliz.

Mortgage by Conor O'Brien McDonogh of Leameneh, gent., to Nicholas Bourk of Limerick, alderman, for £66.6.8 (English) of the town and lands of Ballyconelly, containing one quarter or "carewe", and two quarters adjoining them, called "the quarter of Ballygeirrine and the great quarter of Lathowne".

Attorney for livery of seisin. Donogh Oge O'Griffie of Dromolyne, yeoman.

Signed. Nicholas Borke.

Witnesses. Danyell Clanchy; Michael Water; Conor O'Brien; Pires Arthour; Piers Creaghe.

955.

I Feb. 1601.

Mortgage by Donald mcTerrellaghe O'Brien of Kearowmadry in the parish of Killynabooy, barony of Inshyquyn, Co. Clare, gent.; to Cornelius son of Donat I brien of Dromolyn, gent.; of a quartermyre and half quartermyre commonly called in Irish "Kearownamadary" with its woods, pastures, and other appurtenances.

Attorneys for livery of seisin. Morrough O'Kaheyr of Ballykassyn and Matthew Mc Brien of LeymIneaghe.

Signed. Donell Mc Terrallagh [mark.]

Witnesses to signature. Mahowne Moeylle Mc Conor Mc Gilladuffe; Brien Ballaghe Mc Connor; Ja; Mc Inereny testis presens¹; Connor Mc Mawhony; Morthagh Mc Connor of Klankyne [mark.]

Witnesses to livery of seisin. Cor: Mc Gilliesaghta; John O'Tyrna; Teig O'Tyerna; Denys Mc Teige testis; Brien Oge Mc Brien O'Brien; Art O'Flanagan; Lough[lin] O' Gleasan.

Latin.

956.

1603. (?)

Inquisition post mortem of Conor O'Brien of Lehmenneagh. Finds him to have died at LeameIneagh, 2 Jan. 1603, seised of

¹ The names of the first three witnesses have been inserted by the writer of the deed.

the castle, town, and one quarter of "free Lande" of Dromolyne; two quarters in Leatwne; five quarters and half a cartron in Rathmoellanmore, etc.

Gives the same particulars, with slight variations, as the inquisition of 9 Aug. 1612 [infra]; adding a few details, e.g., "... Sr Therlaghe O Brien toocke certain gerans from LeymIneaghe in payment (?) of supposed rent dew ther".

4 pp.; contemporary copy, incomplete.

957.

19 Mar. 1603.

Release by Donald Moell O'Brien of Carhownegowle to Slanye Ny Bryen, late wife of Cornelius Mc Donogh O'Brien, of his interest in the lands and tenements of Carhownegowle.

Attorney for livery of seisin. Cosnigh O Daworin.

Signed. Donell Maoel O Bryene.

Witnesses to signature. Molaghlyn Ologhlyn; Sy: Mareys; Therrellagh Mc Bryen Naforary; Piers Creaghe; Theige Mc Ronmer (?).

Witnesses to livery of seisin. Marcus Dauley; Connor O'Brien; John Brack; Rose McTherlagh; Dermod McTeig.

Latin.

Also: release by the same to Cornelius McDonagh O'Brien of Dromoland. 5 Aug. 1603.

958.

18 Dec. 1604.

Feoffment by William Lynch Fitz Piteer of "Galloway", "marchaunt"; to his cousin Stephen Lynchfitz Arthure of the same, "studiant"; of his principal stone house in Galway, another house in which his brother Marcus Lynch lived, and three little tenements in Galway; with the quarters of Clowane, Gortneskeagh, and certain other lands in Cos. Galway and Mayo.

Intention: the feoffee to be seised of the lands and tenements in trust for his sons Thomas, Marcus, and William Lynch, provided his daughters Margaret, Sissilie, Julian, Joan, Christian, and Ellise Lynch are first provided for out of them; the remainder to be distributed among his sons as thought fit by Olliver og Frinch his father in law, Nicholas Frinch his son in law and the said feoffee.

Witnesses to signature and to livery of seisin.

Richard Linch; Androwe Linch; Nicholas Beanagh; Dermod O Moylin; Owen Mc Teige.

Copy.

4 Feb. 1604.

Mortgage by Sir Therrellagh O'Brien of Inisdyman, Kt., to William Lynch Fitz Peeter of Gallway, merchant; of the castle, "forttledg", and town of Leameneigh, with three and a half quarters called Cahir Heda, Knock K . . . and Clownree in the barony of Tullagh I Dea alias Kinealarwicke, for £200.

Attorney for livery of seisin. Mullaghlyn O Loghlin of Glansteed,

Co. Clare, gent.

Signed and sealed at Newtowne of Burren. Ther: O Brien.

Witnesses to signature. Lawrence Wilson; William Linch Fitz Martin; Nycholas Skerret Fitz Edmund testis; John Bourke Fitz Walter; Edmo[n] O Fahy Fitz Edmond; Const: O Daworen.

Witnesses to livery of seisin. Robert Dermotte; Cesar (?) Lanigan;

[first and last signatures illegible.]

960.

1604.

Writs to the Sheriff of Co. Clare:

(1) Of scire facias to the tenants of the late monastery of Kilshan, demised to Robert Kinsman, gent., by letters patent 7 Apr. 2 Jas. I.

At Drogheda, 25 June 2 Jas. I. [1604.]

(2) To take Thirlagh O'Brien, Kt., guardian of Thirlagh O'Brien, son and heir of Thady Mc Morrogh O'Brien, for arrears [of wardship fees] (?) for two years, being £3.6.8; and to make inquisition into the value of his lands and tenements. At Drogheda, 23 Jul. 2 Jas. I. [1604.]

961.

3 Nov. 1605.

Signed. Francis Trenchard.

Witnesses. Richard Gill; Donell O'Hea [mark]; John Purdue; Henry Gyll.

Copy, made c. 1860 by the 13th Lord Inchiquin.

8 Nov. 1605, 3 Jas. I.

Lease by Donough, Earl of Thomond, to his cousin Sir Torlough O'Brien Mc Donell of Dough, Co. Clare; of the castle, town, and quarter of free land of Liscannor in the barony of Corcomroe, Co. Clare, with all "signorie and rent" in the said barony belonging to him in right of his earldom; to hold for life of the said Sir Turlough.

Attorneys for livery of seisin. Valentine Blake of Galway, merchant, and [Comyn.

Signed & sealed. Thomond.

Witnesses to signature. Teige O'Brien; John Macnamara; Henry Lynch; [] Delahoyde; Boetius Clanchy; Fynyn Fitz Patrick.

Witnesses to livery of seisin. Fynyn Fitzpatrick; Con O'Henan;

Constance O [

Copy, made c. 1860 by the 13th Lord Inchiquin.

963.

31 Jul. 1605.

Leeter of attorney from Edmond O'Hogane of Moehill, Co. Clare, gent., to Donogh Hickie of Ballynegowne, Co. Clare gent.; to give Any Ny Brien of Tullemore, Co. Clare, gentlewoman, seisin of the half quarter of Cahirnemohir in the parish of Rah, barony of Inshiquyne; and release of his own interest in the said half quarter.

Signed & sealed. Edmod Hogane.

Witnesses to signature. Boetius Clanchy; Nycholas Cahan; Piers Creaghe.

[No witnesses to livery of seisin.]

Endorsed as follows:

"Innish the last of July 1605

This agreemt to be entred into the Cowncell booke and then the recognisance of Edmond O Hogan taken for prosecuting his suit uppon the replevyne to be cancelled

Thomond Dom: Sarsfelde R. Marshall John Bricket'

964.

23 Aug. 4 Jas. I. [1606.]

Feoffment by Theige Mc Morogh Roe Mc Mahon of Derricrassan, Co. Clare, gent., Morrogh Roe Mc Mahon of the same, gent., and Donnogh Mc Breine Mc Mahona of the same, gent.; to Thomas mc Mortogh came Mc Mohon of Siane, gent., and Thady Mc Bruodine of Corkanalabuna; of three and a half quarters of land in the barony of Cluondirala, excepting the castle and half quarter of Dericrassane and the quarter of Cross.

Attorney for livery of seisin. Nicholas Cahan of Killrush, Co. Clare, gent.

Intention: feoffees to be seised of one moiety in trust for Donough, Earl of Thomond, and his heirs; of the other moiety in trust for the said Theige, Morrogh, and Donnogh mc Mahon and their heirs male, with remainder to the said Earl.

Contemporary copy.

965.

22 Aug. 1606.

Bond of Francis Chamberlayne of Ballygriffa, Co. Clare, gent., to James Smyth of Gallwey, gent., of £400.

Condition: performance of feoffment relating to the castle and four and one-third quarters of Ballygriffa, the quarter and a half called Ardkiarnow, and the moiety of the castle and quarter called Shally, Co. Clare.

Signed. Francis Chamberlayn.

Witnesses. Boetios Clanchy; Anthony Lynche; John Nelland; Andrew Comyne; Anthony Arthore.

966.

8 Oct. 1606 (?).

Inquisition post mortem of Tirrelegh Regh of Banroe, Co. Clare, gent., taken at Inchiquin, Co. Clare, before Nicholas Kenney, esq., Escheator-General and Feodary in the province of Leinster and county of Clare otherwise Thomond, by his depty Michael Cormicke.

Jurors. Donough O'Loghlen, Donell oge ke, Connor mc Brwodine, Morriertagh o Heher, Conor O Flanigane, Teige O'Brien, Hewe O'Hogane, Dermoud (?) Duff O'Dae, Hew mc Incroe, Mahowne Merrigegh O Hogane, Rory mc Cry . . , Diermod . . wan o Dae, and Teige O'Brien of Gortnyeclory.

They find Terrelegh Regh to have died at Banroe, 8 Sept. 1574, seised in fee at the time of his death of a castle, a bawn, a barbican, a "cessy" called Cessynyhall, another called Ragheagh (?) in the barony of Burren; a quarter called Cahernyhally in the barony of Inshiquine; and a cartron in B... phincartye; all held of the King by knight service, of the manor of [Ennis] by service of 1/40 of one knight's fee; and worth yearly above reprises 12/- (?).

Heir. His son Murrough O'Brien, aged 32 and unmarried.

Signed. Michaell Cormick Deput. Escaet.

Faded and partly illegible.

967.

16 Apr. 1607, 5 Jas. I.

Conveyance by Mahown McRury O'Loghlen of Castle towne, Co. Clare, gent., to Donough O'Brien of Newtown, Co. Clare, gent.; of the lower half of the castle of Castletowne, i.e. "the two sollers the roome called the porters roome the roomes about the sollers comonely called Gystallagh the roome comonely called seomra i vohowna and the roome comonely called the house of office otherwise called a private house"; with the quartermore called Reanesellagh, the East quartermire of Balleifulla called Emineriff, the quartermire of Boullaghduff, the quartermire of Boullaghduff, the quartermire of Clouncouse; the town and lands of Balleichonry, the town and lands of Balleieyn, the town and lands of Morhowny, the town and lands of Cahirpolla, the town and lands of Cahirpolla, the town and lands of Ballesamer, in the barony of Borren, Co. Clare; to hold of the chief lords of the fee, by the services due and customary.

Signed & sealed. Mahowne Mc Rury O'Loghlen [mark.]

Witnesses to signature. Edw: O Huigin; Bryne Mc Teig [mark]; Teig O Flanagan [mark]; Connchor O Hyver [mark]; Du O M: [sic]; Teig O Hyver [mark].

Witnesses to livery of seisin by Riccard o Tyeena (?), attorney for livery. Conchor O Loghlen [mark]; Du: O M; Owhin Mc Donnogh [mark]; Mahown Mc Henry [mark]; Owen mc...oster [mark].

968.

5 May 1607.

Lease by Slany Ny Brien of Dromolyn to Teig O'Brien McMoriertagh Merrishy (?) of Corofyn; of half a quarter called the half quarter of Fyean Manishehddirhy (?) in the parish of Kylkydy, Co. Clare; for five years, rent 6/8 a year, the first three years to be paid before All Saints next, the other two years at Michaelmas yearly; the said Teig paying all country charges, the King's rent, and the Baron of Inchiquin's composition rents.

Signed. Teig Oig O'Brien Mc Moriertagh Merishagh [mark]. Witnesses. Teige Mc Mohone; Marcus Douley; Richard Dowley; Patrick Cantell (?).

969.

c. 1608.

Petitions of Slany Ny Brien to the Lord President and Council of Connaught:

(1) Praying for remedy against Andrewe Linch (base son of William Linch, her late husband), James Galde Linch, William O Donegaine, and others unnamed; who have forcibly entered on the castle and lands of Athguirke and a stone house in Galway, which were settled

on her by the said William Linch; having "wth naked swords . . . wounded two of yor peticoners men laid fier to smoke herself & her People . . ."

Two drafts: 1 p.

(2) Praying for the empanelment of another jury, as that already empaneled consists "in parte of the merchaunts of Galway & other the inward friends of her said aduersaries"

1 p.

970.

4 Feb. 1608.

Order made by the Lord President and Council of Connaught, directing Andrew Linch fitz William of Galway, merchant, James Galde Linch of Galway, and William O Downegane of Athguyrke, to make their personal appearance on the 20th of February to answer the bill of complaint exhibited by Slany ny Bryen, widow.

Signed. Clanricard.

Countersigned. Edward Whyte.

971.

18 Feb. 1608.

Constat of grant of Dromoland to Sir Robert Newcomen.

One castle or fortilage of stone of Dromoland; one ruinous castle of Ballyconyly, and eight quarters of all kinds, now waste, belonging to the castle of Dromoland.

Yearly rent 40s. Irish, making 30s. sterling. Copy, made c. 1860 by the 13th Lord Incliquin.

972.

22 May 1608.

"Where mrs. Slany ny Brian haue past unto me five quarters . . . of the lands of Dromolyn . . . to thend of the terme of five yeares from the feast of All Saincts next ensuying . . . I doe hereby acknowledg that I haue demised and sett a cartron of the said lands called Carowmire Illisshyne to Donnogh mc Connoure of Dromolyn . . . to the use of the said Slany during . . . my lease . . . wthout any rent . . . unto me saving one peny per annum if the same be demaunded . . ."

Signed. Teige mc Namara.

Witnesses. Marcus Dowley (?); John mc Namara.

973.

10 Dec. 1608.

Petition of Richard Wingfield to the Lord Deputy, praying for protection from his creditors on account of "greate losses sustained . . . in the late warres and his longe countynuance in suite for the right of his freehould . . ."

1 p.; annotated by the Lord Deputy (Arthur Chichester) with undertaking to secure reasonable time for payment from Wingfield's creditors.

974.

22 Dec. 1608.

Letter of attorney from Markus Linch fitz Martin to his sister Slany Brien, authorising her to enter on and take the profits of the town and two plowlands of Athguirke, Co. Mayo.

Signed. Marcus Linch fitz Martin.

Witness. Eneas Craik.

Also: letter of attorney from the said Markus to the said Slany in a case for recovery of Athguirke and a stone house in Galway. 29 Mar. 1609.

975.

1609 (?)

"Here his a note of all things that pirtaines to Slane ni Brian in this towne"

The list includes "a gardvine", "a flockebede", and "a bassen of peater".

Signed. Kallagh O Dwda.

Witnesses. Ranell mac Donnell; Maoil mc Buaida (?)

976.

12 June 1609.

Bond of Connr Mc Brien o Connor of Ardnykellie (?), Co. Clare, gent., to James Comyn of Ball . . . Co. Clare, gent. of £200.

Condition. Payment of £100 on or before 6 June 1610.

Signed. Conn Mc Brian O Conor [mark.]

Witnesses. Andrew Comyne; Timothy (?) Comyn; Derby Clanchy.

977.

1609.

Certificate of Crown rent due by Slany Ny Brien, widow of William Lynch, gent., deceased, and assignee of Terence O'Brien, Kt., tenant of the castle or fortalice called Liemneneeighe, parcel of the lands of Donogh mc Moroghe O'Brien of Dromlaghan, attainted; for three years ending Easter, 7 Jas. I., at 10/- a year; 30/-.

978.

5 May 1610.

Bond of Stephen Lynche fitz Arthor, Rector of Athenry, Co. Galway, and Andrew Lynche fitz William of Galway, merchant, to Slany ny Brian otherwise Slany Lynche, of £400.

Condition. Thomas Lynche, son of William Lynche fitz Peeter late of Galway, deceased, making to the said Slany a sufficient conveyance or other deed of the castle and three quarters of Lemeneh and the half quarter of Clonyne, Co. Clare.

Signed. Stephen Lynche Rector de Athenry; Andrew Linch. Witnesses. Marcus Dowley; Stephen Lynche Fitz Thomas; P. Linche Fitz Johne; William Linch Fitz Martin; Marcus Linch fitz Martin; Ullyck Lynch; Nycholas Martyn.

979.

1610.

Petition to the Justices of Assize for Co. Clare of Richard Wingfild of Robertstowne, Co. Limerick.

Concerns refusal of William Neylon to accept £5 (half the consideration paid Sir John Kinge for a feoffment to him and the petitioner of the hospital and plowland of Killcrahugh, Co. Limerick.) $\frac{1}{2}$ p.

980.

9 Oct. 1611, 9 Jas. I.

Inquisition post mortem of Terence alias Terelagh O'Brien.

Taken, by virtue of a commission, before Terence alias Terrelagh O'Brien of Newtowne, Kt., and John Mc Namarra of Moyntallown, Kt.

Jurors. John mc Namarra of Keppagh; Terralagh Mortagh Mc Mohowny of Clenagh; Mahowne Mc Mohowny of Gleancanan; Connor Mc Nemarra of Kilkyerane; Donat Mc Clanchy of Inshy; Edmund Nellan of Rosslevane; Tege Mc Corman of Tully Ichrin; James Mc Inerehony of Killathnassullagh; Moriertagh O'Hehir of Ballyvoa; Connor Mc Brodyn of Shanyboith; Francis Chamberlayn of Shally; Donogh Mc Rossa of Moywotha; and Teralagh Mc Brien of Ballymury.

They find Terence alias Terelagh O'Brien, son and heir of Thady alias Teige O'Brien, to have been in the wardship of the late Queen Elizabeth, and to have died 12 Jul. 1584.

He was then seised in fee of: the castle, town, and lands of Ballygowne in Co. Clare, with a quarter in Ballykenedy and half a quarter in Gortnaboull in Ballygown, worth above reprises 10/- a year Irish; the castle, town, and lands of Bothneill with three quarters of land there, worth 2/- Irish; the lately dissolved monastery of Kilteana with five quarters of land, worth 40/- Irish; the castle of Ballyveaghan with three quarters, worth 3/4 Irish. All held of the Queen in chief, by knight service.

He was also seised in fee of: the town and lands of Ballygeastill, with a quarter of land there, and two parts or ternions [ternionibus] of a quarter in Chonyvorhin, worth 2/- Irish; the moiety of a quarter

in Ballycassin and the moiety of a quarter in Lissduff near Tullaghhydea, worth 12d. Irish; a quarter "myre" or fourth part of a quarter in Gortintobbir, worth 3d. Irish; and the moiety of a quarter in Ballydramayn, worth 6d. Irish.

How the above lands were held before the general composition in Connaught, the jurors do not know; they are now held of the King, as of his manor of Inish, by service of the fortieth part of one knight's fee.

He was also seised in fee of the castle, town, and lands of Tromgrye with a quarter and half a quarter of land there, worth 10/- Irish, how held the jurors do not know.

Thady O'Brien, father of the said Terence, was seised in fee of the town of Ballyquyn, containing a quarter and a half, half a quarter in Forymuill, and half a quarter in Cluonyconarybegg, worth 2/—Irish; how they were held before the Composition the jurors do not know, they are now held of the King, as above.

The said Thady mortgaged to Loghlen Oge Mc Consudyn half a quarter called Cahirnahally, for a sum unknown to the jurors; it is held as above, and worth 6d. Irish.

Heirs of Terence O'Brien. His sisters Honoria (aged 15, and married); Slany (aged 10); and Any (aged 7).

The Lord Inchiquin claims all the above lands and tenements; Mark Dudley [Douley] (?) claims a quarter and a half of the lands of Moryll and Dreyinagh, parcel, of Bothneill.

Certified copy; $6\frac{1}{2}$ pp. Latin.

981.

8 Apr. 1612.

Inquisition post mortem of Teige O'Brien and Slany his wife; taken at Polloquin, Co. Clare, before Donough, Earl of Thomond, Sir John Macnamara, Kt., Roger O Shaughnessy, esq., and Edward Beecher, esq., Escheator of Munster.

Jurors. Daniel O'Brien of Ballynelacken; Teige Mc Shane of Enaghe; Dermot Mc Gillipatrick of Liscormock; Donogh Mc Swyny of Carconagh; Donnoghe Mc Conmea (?) of Derrynean; Connogher McBrodyne of Mynore; Donogho O Clancy of Urlem; Conogher O'Brien of Liskyne; Brien Mc Tirelagh of Ballivoren; Donoghe O'Brien of Killynane; Donoghe O Grady of Clonea; Meyler (?) Mc Brodin of Mynbue (?); and Donoghe Mc Shane of Baleymullaly, gents.

They find the said Teige and Slany his wife, one of the coheirs of Teige Mc Murrogho O Brien, to have been seised in fee of the castle, town, and two quarters and three cartrons of Boyhneile, purchased by Murrough O'Brien, first Earl of Thomond; the cartron of Martery (claimed by Marcus Dowling and Margaret his wife) and the half

quarter of Dreyneagh, purchased by Teige O Brien, second son of the said Earl; the quarter of Morela, purchased by the said Teige and having continued in the possession of him and his heirs for 60 years, worth 12d. a year beyond reprises; the half quarter of Gwilckeogh and the half quarter of Bealaghwoy, purchased by More ny Brien, mother of the said Slany, worth 12 d. a year and free from country charges before the establishment of the Composition, having continued in the possession of her and her heirs for about 27 years.

They find Roger O Shaughness, esq., and Boetius Clanchy, esq., to have been seised in fee, in trust for the said Teige and Slany and their heirs, as appears by a feoffment dated 10 Jul. 1611, of the three and a half quarters of Dromore (claimed by Teig Mc Mahowny as his lawful inheritance) and worth 5/- a year, out of which 5/- a year is paid the Lord of Inchiquin, with suit of court. They find the said feoffees to have been seised in the same way of the half quarter of Ballyka, the quartermeer of Ballycarintine, and the half quarter of Gortycroghery, purhased by the said More Ny Brien, and worth 12/- a year.

They find "that Killmackenol containeth half a quarter of land in the county aforesaid whereof Donell O Hode claimeth two parts by way of mortgage from the aforesaid Teig O Brien for six cows and the other third part being the inheritance of the said Donell O Hode and the foresaid two third parts of Killmaskerrett after the redemption thereof are to be conveyed to the uses before expressed."

They find Cornelius Mac Gillyshaghta to be seised in fee, in trust for the said Teige and Slany and their heirs, as appears by a feoffment made 16 Oct. 1597, of the cartron of Teyre Morone, the three half quarters of Ballyslattery, and the 3 a. of Killbegg, worth 2/- a year; and the three and a half cartrons of Magheriballymulcaghy (one of which is claimed by Sir John Macnamara) worth 3/- a year.

They find the said Teige O'Brien to have been seised in fee of the following lands in the barony of Tullaghannaspoll the three cartrons of Callane (one of which is claimed by Teig Mc Donnell Macnamara) worth 12 d. a year; the half quarter of Derrynane, with the site (?) of a watermill'; a cartron in Ballynevaghane; and the 4 a. of Ballyvorrogyne, besides moors and bogs, worth altogether 12 d. a year. They also find him to have been seised of the cartron of Killyane in the barony of Bunratty, which is to be conveyed on the trust aforesaid, and is worth 2/- a year. "The [] of Killimo Connogher Mc Carrigoyne & Mahowne Mc Connor do claim to have lawful inheritance". All the above lands pay, since the Composition, 10/- a year out of each quarter to the King and 5/- a year to the Earl of Thomond.

They also find the said Teige and Slany to have been seised in fee of the quarter of Kearowkeale, the half quarter of Kearon More Ballyally, the third part of a quarter of Purshone, and one-third of all other lands and tenements belonging to the abbey of Kilshany, worth 4/- a year. They also find him to have been seised in fee of the third part of a quarter of Ballygeastell, and the third part of a quarter of [] in the barony of Burryn, free from country charges, and worth 2/- a year. All the above lands and tenements are held of the King in chief, by what service the jurors do not know.

Endorsed with note of delivery into Chancery, 8 Dec. 12 Jas. I. [1612]. Copy, made c. 1860 by the 13th Lord Inchiquin.

982.

10 Apr. 1612.

Inquisition post mortem of Thady¹ Mc Murrough O'Brien of Ballygowne, Co. Clare.

Taken at Feirs More in Co. Clare before John Denham, Kt., Serjeant at law and Chief Baron of the Exchequer, and John Ellyott, Kt., Third Baron of the Exchequer, by commission.

Jurors. Rowland Dellahide of Teredagh and William Lodge of Castlebancke, esqs.; Tirlagh Mantagh of Carrygerry, Connor Mc Maghowne Roe of Moghane, Thomas Oge Mc Gorman of Tullycreene, Edmund Nelane of Roslemayne, Tirlagh Mc Brien ny Forreny of Ballymurry, James Mc Ineneryny of Ballycraggyne, Brien Mc Tirlagh of Ballymurrey, Donnogh Mc Clanchy of Urly, Daniell O'Brien of Ballynelackin, and Connor Mc Rory of Corbally, gents.

They find him to have been seised in fee of the castle and town of Ballygowne, containing the quarter of Ballyhenry and the half quarter of Girtybowle, worth 6/- Irish; the town and lands of Boghneile, with two quarters and three cartrons, worth 6/-; the castle, town, and lands of Ballyvaughan, with three cartrons, worth 2/-; the quarter of Ballygastle, a sesson in Clonworrye, a half quarter in Ballicassine, the half quarter of Lisduff near Tullyldea, a cartron in Goyrtintubber, and the half quarter of Ballyedromyon, worth 6/-. All the above are held of the King in chief.

He was also seised during his lifetime of the Abbey of Kiltena (?) and its issues and profits; but by what title the jurors do not know.

Tirlagh Mc Teige O'Brien, his elder son and heir, died 12 Jul. 1584 aged 14, being then a ward of the late Queen and unmarried.

His coheirs are his sisters Onora Ny Brien, aged 15 and married at her brother's death; Slany, aged 10 at the time; and Any, aged 7.

Marcus Dowly of Tervekewrane, Co. Clare, esq., and Margaret his wife (daughter and sole heir of Donough O'Brien of Tervekewrane) claim as their right and inheritance the quarter of Morely and the half quarter of Drinagh.

Copy, certified by . . . Marwood; 21/2 pp.

¹ Endorsed by Sir Donough ". . . Teige O Bryan of Smithstowne . . ."

983.

9 Aug. 1612.

Inquisition post mortem of Connor O'Brien of Dromoland.

Taken, under a commission dated 29 June 10 Jas. I. [1612] at Polliqueen, Co. Clare, before Nicholas Walshe, Kt., Chief Justice of the Common Bench and one of the Privy Council, and John Beere, esq., Serjeant at law.

Jurors. Teige McDonnaghe McNamarra of Anaghebegg, Morris O'Mulcomerye of Ardkeill, John McLoughlin of Karranebuey, Symon Morris of Ballyluddane, "Farnandus" McPhelim of Fanarniske, Connor Roe McTeige of Ballynegonie, Ownn McCahane of Lishlongane, Tirelaghe O'Brien of Ballynecudda, Daniell McTeige of Castletowne, Murtagh O Brixlea of Loughanefoyly, Connor McMahowne of Couldreoghe, Dermott O'Dea of Dishert, and Donilloge O'Dea of Cahirgare, gents.

They find Connor O'Brien late of Dromoland, gent., to have died at Leameneighe, 2 Jan. 1603, seised in fee of the castle of Leameneighe with three quarters of land, worth 2/- Irish a quarter, held of the King in chief, and occupied by Connor O Flanaghane. Terence O'Brien, Kt., sent his son to distrain on the above lands, but for what matter or sum, the jurors are ignorant. The Lord Inchiquin claims the castle and lands to be held from him, by the tenor of the general composition.

He was also seised of half a quarter in Cahirmoconna in the barony of Inchiquine, worth 1/- and held of the King in chief, which is occupied by Loghlin Rioghe O Heaghir; of half a quarter in Felmenaghe and a third of a quarter in le Crosse, worth 1/- and held of the King in chief, occuried by Teige O'Brien Mc. Muriertaghe; of the half quarter of Dromen, worth 1/-, held as above, occupied by Teige O Kearnine; and the third part of a quarter called Clonemickmarrage, worth 1/-.

Mahowne McBrien Roe was seised in fee, as of his own inheritance, of the castle and third part of a quarter of Kilburke. So seised, he enfeoffed Mark Donoh and Cornelius Mc. Willisabre [sic] in trust for himself for life, then for Connor O'Brien and his heirs; held in chief, and worth 2/- a year.

After Connor's death, his widow Slany acquired the third part of the town of Keachownegowhe.

Connor O'Brien was seised in fee of a half quarter in Borren called Fahaffane, which is held in chief of the manor of Innishe, by service of 1/40 knight's fee, and is worth 1/- a year.

A little before his death he mortgaged half a quarter in Bohir-Roger and Bradagh to James Mc Enerhine and John Mc Enerhine for £14; it is held of the Earl of Thomond as of his manor of Bonrattie, and is worth 1/- a year. The said James and John were and are the occupiers of the lands and the receivers of the profits of them.

He mortgaged the half cartron of Clougheleth to Mahowne Moell Mc Gylleduffe for five cows; it is worth 1/- a year, and the said Mc Gylleduffe is the occupier of the lands.

He granted to James Mc Enerhine 4 a. in Rathmoelane that he now holds, but by what tenure they do not know; they are worth 6 d. a year.

He mortgaged the castle of Ballygripha with four quarters in the barony of Inchiquin to Maurice [Mac Brien] Bishop of Killaloe for £150; they are held in chief, and each quarter is worth 2/- a year.

He mortgaged a quarter "mire" in Dromoland to Donald Buoy O'Nealane for nine milch cows. Donoghe O'Nealane, son and heir of the said Donald, now holds it; it is held in chief, and is worth 2/a year.

He was possessed of the castle of Dromolan with one quarter, Ballincoula with one quarter, and two quarters in Rathmoelenmor (except for one quarter mortgaged to Donogh Mc Nemara for £8, and another quarter in Rathmoelenmor and two quarters in Kilkiven which he and Slany his wife mortgaged to Connor Mc Mahowne Roe for £12.)

He was possessed of two quarters in Letten and two quarters in Ballyquinin, which he held of the Earl of Thomond for term of 41 years unexpired; they are held in chief [sic] with reversion to the Earl, and each quarter is worth 2/-.

Slany Ny Brien, his widow, is entitled to dower out of the premises. Heir. His son Donough O'Brien, aged eight at his father's death and unmarried.

Certified copy; 7½ pp.

984.

8 Apr. & 13 Aug. 1612, 10 Jas. I.

Inquisition concerning Richard Wingfield, esq., and Honora his wife (one of the coheirs of Teige Mc Moroghe O'Brien); Teige O'Brien, esq., and Slany his wife (another of the coheirs of the said Teige); and Tirlagh O'Brien.

Taken at Polloquin in Co. Clare before Donough, Earl of Thomond, Sir John Mac Na Mara, Kt., Roger O Shaughnes, esq., and Edward Beacher, esq., Escheator of Munster.

Jurors. Daniel O'Brien of Liscormock; Donagh Mc Swiny of Cassornagh; Donoghe Mc Conillea of Derry More; Conoghor Mc Bradine of Mynone; Donogho Clansy of Ulrin; Conogher O'Brien of Lickyne; Brian Mc Tirlagh of Ballyworin; Donoghe O'Brien of Kyllnane; Donogho O'Grady of Clo...; Moyler Mc Bradyn of Mynoner; and Donogh O'Shane of Ballynvony.

They find Richard and Honora Wingfield to be seised in fee of "Ballingowne contg four quarters . . . the quarter called Lysduffe the quarter called Shanballykynnedy the quarter called Cuonlacogh

the third part of the quarter called Curigye the third part of the quarter called Cahiremore in Ballingown and every quarter . . . is vallued by the year ultra reprisas two shills, parte of wch lands was purchased by Morogh O Brien first Earle of Thomonde, and the other part . . . by Teige O'Brien second son to the said Earle and the possession of the premises hath continued in the said Teige . . . his heirs and assigns for these three score and six years . . . the said Jurors do also finde . . . that the said quarter of Lisduff and Shane Ballykennedy are free from compositon . . . And . . . that there is deu unto the Lord Bishop of Kilfenora the yearly rent of six shills ster : out of every quarter of the said lands . . ."

Similar information is given about each denomination held by the Wingfields and by Teige and Slany O'Brien; but none about Tirlagh O'Brien's lands.

Copy, certified by John Mills; 17 pp.

Another copy; 4 pp., certified by Jacob Newman, clerk in the Master of the Rolls' office, has:

(I) four different names among the jurors;

(2) the following account of Tirrelagh o Brien's lands; ". . . Tirrelagh O Brien the sonne of Anye Ny Brien one of the daughters and coheires of Teige mc Morrogho O Brien is seised . . . as of fee of . . . the castell, townes, and lands of Tullaghmore cont' three cartrons . . . in the barony of Corckmore . . . purchased by More Ny Bryen grandmother to the said Tirrelagh aboute thirty yeares past . . . valewed per Annum nyne pence beeinge free land by the establishment of the composicion . . . "; the quarter of Ballytarsna in the barony of Corcomroe, purchased by Teige mc Morrogho O'Brien, which pays 11/8 a year to the Bishop of Killfynora, and is free land, worth 2/- a year; the quarter called Knockskeagh (exchanged with Master Teige O'Brien for the half quarter called Lysduff) which pays 5/- a year, with suit of Court Leet and Court Baron, to Master Daniell O'Brien, with the half quarter called Cahirnimogher, worth 2/-; the quarter called Fantimore, purchased by More Ny Brien about 36 years ago, worth 2/-, and paying 11/8 a year to the Bishop of Killfynora; and the third part of the Abbey, lands, and tithes of Killshana, worth 3/-.

All the above are held of the King in chief; by what service they do not know, except that the quarter called Knockskeagh is held of the manor house of Dowagh; since the Composition, 10/- sterling is due to the King out of each quarter that is not free land.

985.

10 Jan. 1612 [13] 10 Jas. I.

Bond of Donatus, Earl of Thomond, to Slany Ny Brien of Dromolan, widow, of £200 (English).

Condition. To abide by the award of Roger O'Shaghnesse of Gort Inchigowry, Co. Galway, esq., Rowland Delahoide of Thirredagh, Co. Clare, esq., Marcus Dowley of Tirvickeran, Co. Clare, esq., and Donough O'Brien of Ballyongaddy, Co. Clare, gent., concerning the interest claimed by the said Slany in the castle of Dromoland, in right of her late husband Conor Mc Donough O'Brien.

Signed. Thomond.

Witnesses. Henry Brien; Symon Fannyng; Hu. Brickdall. Contemporary copy.

986.

19 Jan. 1612 [13].

Award of the abovenamed arbitrators.

The Earl of Thomond to pay the following sums: £132.13.4 to Slany Ny Brien; £66.6.8 to the executors of Nicholas Boork of Limerick, alderman; £8 to the executors of John Mc Namara the elder of Cuappoige, esq.; and £3 to Conor Mc Mohony Roe of Moughan.

The said Slany or her son Donogh O'Brien to assign to the Earl the residue of their interest in the castle and lands of Dromoland.

Two contemporary copies (one incomplete); and a later copy, in handwriting of Robert O'Brien.

987.

27 Jan. 1613.

Defeasance by Fynyn Mc Gullypatrick of Lisdounvearnagh, Co. Clare, gent., to Rory O'Connor of Ballygawnan, Donough O'Hiky of Carhownebayly, Donell Graig O'Tyne of Carhownehowan, Teige O'Tynre of Ballytarf, and William O'Tyne of Carhounmeanagh in Cryedearigan, Co. Clare, gents. of a statute staple (Limerick) for £60, affecting the half quarter of free land of Ballygeastaill in the parish of Killeany, barony of Borron, Co. Clare (the statute having been passed to the said Fynyn by Richard Wingfeilde of Smythstowne, esq., and Onora his wife.)

Signed. Fynyn Fitzpatrick.

Witnesses. William Myagh Maior Stapull; John Arthur Constaboll of the same; Walter Whyte Constable of the Staple.

988.

25 June II Jas. I. [1613].

Conveyance by Geoffrey Mc Kavag of Derrygonell, Co. Galway, gent., son & heir of Edmond Mc Kavag late of Cloghballymore, Co. Galway; to Bryan Mc Tirrelagh of Castletowne, Co. Clare, gent.; of the castle, town, and lands of Castletowne with their appurtenances.

Attorney for livery of seisin. Mahown Mc Brian of Caherpollow, Co. Clare.

Signed & sealed. Geoffrey Mc Kavag [mark].

Witnesses to signature. William Kynge; Jacobus . . . mark; Richard Dolphin [mark].

Witnesses to livery of seisin. Therlagh McTeige; Owen McMellaghlen [mark]; Owen McBrien [mark].

Faded and partly illegible.

989.

3 Aug. 1614.

Conveyance by Donnogh Mc Rory Mc Duana of Clenaghmore, Co. Clare, gent., to Mortaugh Mc Terrelagh Mc Mohony of the East Karickery, Co. Clare, gent.; of his interest in the quarter "called in the Irish languadge Clenaghmore" in the barony of Bunratty.

Signed & sealed. Donnogh Mc Rory [mark.]

Witnesses. Donnell Mc Shane testis; Donnell Mc Teige O'Kelly; D.une O Fyne; T[er]alagh O'Hony; Dermod Mc Oliuer (?).

Torn and partly illegible.

990.

10 Nov. 1614.

Letter of attorney from Teige Mc Donell, Diermod Mc Donell, Connor Mc Donell, and Kennedy Mc Morroghy all of Kyle I Disert in the barony of Clondirrala, Co. Clare; to Terrelagh Roe Mc Mahony of Clondirala, esq.; to recover from John Rider, Bishop of Killalowe, the half plowland of Kyledisert, for many years in their peaceable possession.

Signed at Ahycloggane. Teig Mc Donell; Diermod Mc Donell; Connor Mc Donell; Kennedy Mc Morroghy [marks.]

No witnesses.

991.

1614.

(1) Feoffment by Richard Wingfield of Robertstowne, Co. Limerick, gent., to Donough O'Hykie of the same, yeoman in trust for his son Edward Wingfield, of the castle, town, and lands of Robertstowne.

(2) Letter of attorney from Wingfield to O'Hykie for the redemption of the abovenamed lands.

Draft.

992.

13 Jul. 12 Jas. I. [1614.]

Writs to the Sheriff of Co. Limerick:

(I) to give seisin to Richard Wingfield, gent., of a castle, 100 messuages, 100 gardens, 1,000a. land, 100a. meadow, 1,000a. pasture, 1,000a. wood, 600a. moor, 400a. saltmarshes, and four pools in Cragg, Robertstown, Shrowlands, Ardendere, and Cnockneboylie,

¹ Names of witnesses added in a different hand.

Co. Limerick, which he has recovered against John Wakeman, esq.;

(2) to take Donough Clanchy of Gortintuber, Co. Clare, gent., and produce him at the Kings Courts on the morrow of All Souls, to answer John Wakeman in a suit for arrears of rent.

Copies.

993.

11 Nov. 1614.

Acquittance given by Patricke Slaman to Slany Ny Brien of Dromoland "of all deallings and acompt that euer happnede betwixt the said Slane and me from the begining of the world untill the day about written . . ."

Witnesses. Donough O'Cahill; Therlaugh O'Loughlyne [mark]; Teige Mc Connore [mark].

994.

5 Dec. 12 Jas. I. [1614.]

Lease by Donatus, Earl of Thomond, to William Starkie of Clare, esq., of the castles of Dromoland and Ballyconnell, Co. Clare, together with the quarter of Dromoland, the four quarters of Lattoone, the quarter of Balliconnell, the two quarters of Breadagh, Raffelanemore and Borough, the cartron and half of Mahidee and Cloghlehie, and the half quarter of Kellecorm, lately in the occupation of Connor Mc Donough O'Brien of Dromoland, deceased; for 99 years or the joint lives of William Starkie, Ann Starkie his wife, and Robertt Starkie his son; rent £60 (English), with provision for cessation of rent when Starkie cannot enjoy the premises "by reason of warrs or rebellions", for his enclosing the meadow next the castle at Dromoland and for his answering "uppon all occations of His Maties seruice . . . a proporcon of carriadge and the furnishing of horsmen and footmen to all generall hostinges and outriseings." Starkie may not alienate, except to his wife or children, without the Earl's consent.

Signed. Thomond. Contemporary copy.

995.

17 Feb. 1615.

Feoffment by Richard Wingfield of Robertstowne, Co. Limerick, esq., and Honora his wife, to Donat O'Hickie of Smithstowne, surgeon, and Donald O'Tin of Cregargan, yeoman; of the castle of Cragge, a moiety of the lands of Cragge, a carucate in Robertstowne, a half carucate called Shrowlande, a half carucate called Ardenyer, and one-third of the carucate of Knockneboylye.

Attorneys for livery of seisin. Connoghor Oge O'Hehir and John Richfort of Robertstowne, yeomen.

Intention. To be seised of the above while Fynyn Fitz Patrick

of Lisdowenvarna, gent., holds the plowland of Ballygastell; and Cornelius Mc Gillisagh of Ballurien, gent., and Catelyne his wife hold one-third of the plowland of Cahirymoore and one-third of the plowland of Currowga (according to the mortgages made to them of the said lands); in trust for Richard and Honora Wingfield and the heirs of their bodies, with remainder to the heirs of Honora. If either of these partis is evicted, the feoffees shall be seised in order to discharge £80 and £50, for which they are bound to Fitz Patrick and Mc Gillisagh respectively.

Signed. R. Wingfield; Honora Wingfield; Donough O'Hicky. Witnesses to signatures. P:Brett (?);...Wingfield; B. Mc Brody. Witnesses to livery of seisin. James Creagh; John Arthure; Morris Gerrold; Robart Arthoure; Thomas Creagh.

996.

16 June 1615.

"Be it knowen to all men by theis presents that I Derby Nestor of Sessymore in the County of Clare freeholder doe hearby appoint and ordayne my welbeloued Conor O Flannagan of the Crosse in the said County gentleman to redeeme my proportionable part of my enheirtance of Teskagh at this next fest of St John the Baptist for which it lieth in mortgage by Donell Mc Owne I Quyne of Rowshane in the saied county yoeman . . . at what tyme . . . in . . . May next . . . I the saied Derby Nestor, Donell Mc Conoghor O Qoyne, Conoghor Oass brother to the same, or our heyres males lawfully begotten . . . shall . . . redeeme my saied part . . . of Teskagh . . . giuing & graunting to my saied attourney to doe . . . therein as if I ware in proper person myself . . . prouided that . . . uppon redemption made fully . . . I . . . and the saied Donell and Conoghor . . . shall reinter into the premisses and the saied Conoghor . . . to expulse & disesse therout this lettre of attourney . . . notwthstanding . . ."

997.

8 Oct. 1615.

Bond of Morogho O'Brien of Balihumulta, Co. Clare, gent.; Brien Mc Gillapatricke of Smithstowne; Donogh O'Tyne of the same; Brien Mc William O'Tyne of Cridearsain; Mohowne O'Cuilliaine of Cearhiwn Ichlery; and Mohown O'Cahill of Cahirchuasime, Co. Clare, yeomen: to Donogh O'Hicky of Smithstown, surgeon, of £100.

Condition. Performance by Richard Wingfield of Smithstowne and Honora his wife of agreement relating to the lands of Cearownahackly and parcels in Bualeinchley (?), Bualemcroddain, and Fana Inchaha, mortgaged for f_{20} English "of the weight value purity & fineness of Queen Elizabeth's shillings"; and for eight "good &

faultless cows " (four milch cows, two gownaghs, and two large beeves), three mares (two aged 3-4, the third 8-9), and two garrans.

Signed & sealed. Mor. O'Brien; Brien Mc Gillapatrick; Donogh O'Tyne; Brien O'Tyne; Mohown O'Cuillean; Mohown O'Cahill [all except first sign by marks.]

Witnesses. Cornelius Mc Gillisaghta; Patrick Nestor; Methagh Mc Gillisaghta.

Copy, made c. 1860 by the 13th Lord Inchiquin.

998.

2 Aug. 1616,

Lease by Daniell O'Dowde of Ardneglasse, Co. Sligo, esq., Slany his wife, and Donough O'Brien of Leameneh, Co. Clare, gent. (son of Conoghor O'Brien, deceased) his stepson; to Mathew O'Moghny of Lemyneh, carpenter; of the half quarter of Moherekenry, part of the quarter of Cahirfaddy, in the parish of Killinboy, Co. Clare; for 21 years, rent 40/— the tenant paying the King's composition rent and all country charges. The lease to be void if within 7 years the said Donough redeems the other half quarter of Cahirfaddy called Mohere-voullan, on which the said Mathew has a mortgage of £40. Mathew may reap bind, and carry away the next harvest after Donough's reentry.

Copy.

999.

25 Jan. 1616.

Bond of Donald McTeige of Castletowne, Co. Clare, gent., to Thady O'Brien of Drommore, esq., of £300.

Condition. Procuring a jury of "Indifferent gent, and freeholders... to passe" between himself and the said Teige on their respective right to the lands of Ballimulkrehie, containing half a plowland and two parts of another plowland.

Signed. Daniell Mc Teige [mark.]

Witnesses. Philip Sexten; John Dowley; Brian Mc Brady.

1000.

31 Oct. 1616.

Mortgage by Donough O'Brien McConghor of Lemeneh, Co. Clare, gent., to Edmond O'Hogan of Moyhill, Co. Clare, gent for £70; of the castle of Ballygrifa, the quarter of the castle, and the quarter of the Knocke, in the parish of Disert, barony of Inchiquyn, Co. Clare; with provision for redemption after 7 years, the said Donoghe also

paying the said Edmond, up to £10, the value of any works of stone or timber built by him, and allowing him to have the crop of corn sown at the time of the redemption.

Signed Donough O'Brien.

Witnesses to signature. Donough O'Brien; Marcus Dowley; Pat: Hogane; P: (?) Brett; Marcus Lynche; Brien O'Brien.

Witnesses to livery of seisin. Brien O'Brien; Pat: Hogane; Theig O Bryen; [mark]; Mahon O'Breyn; Donough O'Brien [mark.]

1001.

5 Feb. 1616.

Conveyance, in consideration of her dowry, by More Ny Voelayn of Killkidy, Co. Clare, wife of Donald alias Donell Oge Odea of Dishirt, gent., to her husband of the half quarter of Aghrim I Voelayn in the parish of Killkidy, barony of Inshiquyn, between the lands of Carrownengoule on the N., Mahiry in Rahin on the S., Cluonynnduayn on the E., and Maghiry Kearny on the W.; to him and the lawful heirs male of the bodies of him and the said More.

Signed & sealed. More Ny Voelain [mark.]

Witnesses to signature and to livery of seisin. Ja: Neylan (?); Cornelius Kerin; John Tyerna; Teobott Bourk; Dermod O Kelly [mark.]

Latin.

1002.

[After 1616.]

"Mr [Starky] I doe understand by reporte of many though not by any certaine knowledge of myne owne that you haue taken or are about to take some farrem from my Lord of Thomond of my howse & castle of Dromolen and my lands thereunto adioning wch I hould for a long terram of yeeres as yett unexpired from the King and whereof my lord and my mother could not make any contract or bargaine during my minoritie to my prejudice I doe therefore heereby declare unto you that I have made a late entree thereunto in myne owne right though the same weare needlesse and hoping that God aboue all things & next the same the justice of the kinge may give help to my right I doe heereby forwarne & prohibite you not to enter unto or entermedele wth my sayd castell or lands by color of any demise from my Lord of Thomond who bath nothing therewth to doe at least untill after the expiracion of all my terram as yett to continuwe for many yeeres to my [sic] in witnesse whereof I haue unto layd my hand & seale"

1p., with three endorsements, one of which, in Sir Donough O'Brien's hand (?); "a caution as I suppose from my grandfather to Mr Starky not to deale with my Ld of Thomond for Drumoland".

1003.

18 Sept. 1617.

Inquisition post mortem of William Neylon of Dysert, Co. Clare, gent., taken at Ennish before Roland Delahoide, William Starkey, and John Merike, esqs., feodaries in Connaught and Clare.

Jurors. Edmond Hogane of Moegill, John Mc Loghlan of Caranbuy, Florence Nellan Fitz Nicholas of Baleenknocke, Donogh Clanchy of [], Maurice O'Mulconery of Ardkeelle, John Mc Ineateny of Baleykiltey, John Mc Brody of Kilke, Roger [] of Tullagh, Daniel Clanchy of Ballysillagh, John Muloney of Glandin, Cornelius Oge O'Muloney of the same, Terence O'Brien of Ballymulony, James Nellan of Aghrim, Donogh Mc Conmen of Derrinan, Thady O'Brien of Slanigriffe, Cornelius O'Flanagan of Crosse, and Constance Mc Brody of Baleyogan, gents.

They find William Neylon to have died 29 Aug. 1617, seised in fee of the following lands and tenements: the castle, town, and seven cattrons of Dysert (Ballincullenanmore, Molonen, Faharely, Dromparryn, the two Gortforkeis, and Cottyn) with 2a. land called Coffinbeg, worth altogether 7/- a year; held of the King in chief, by knight service. The quarters of Towenagyhy, Glanoughteragh and Crught, Clontohell and Lissmacullagh, Cahermacgorman, Dromminin, and Cloynebegg, worth altogether 17/- a year; the castle and three cartrons of Bealnalicky, worth 3/- a year; three half-cartrons in Terrona, worth 18d. a year; the quarter of Ballyquinn, worth 4d. a year; a parcel of 8a. called Brackolouty, worth 2d.; and a watermill worth 12d., all in the barony of Inchiquin; held of the manor of Inchiquin by service of one-twentieth of one knight's fee. The castle, town, and quarter of Turlogh, worth 4/-; the quarters or two-thirds of a quarter of Duylin, Ballilennan, Pollbane, Moykennysnoe and Ballyvyhin, Ballyneyleghan and Lisheyn, Creoghwell, Kolemore, Boelebrack, Tarramonbeg, and Dangen, all in the barony of Borren, worth altogether £1.7.9; held of the King, as of the manor of Ennish, by service of one-fortieth of one knight's fee. The castle and three cartrons of Ballogh, worth 3/-; the quarters, half-quarters, or third parts of a quarter of Killtoghoraght, Clogher, Ballyclennycahell,]more, and Ballykellyna, worth altogether 15/2; a watermill and 8a. in Ardcloghyn, worth 3/4, all in the barony of Dogh alias Corkamroe; held of the King as the lands and tenements in the barony of Borren.

Heir. His son Daniel Neylon, aged three at his father's death.

Roger O'Shagnes, Kt., and Dame Ellice his wife (late wife of Daniel Nellan)¹; and Honora Nellan (widow of the said William) are alive. The said Honora claims a third part of the premises as dower.

¹ Gap in transcript; relationship to William Neylan not stated.

The following claim part of the premises:

Cornelius [Dav]oren; Cloghaghe, Killtogheraght, and Carrowercogh, in fee.

Patrick Hogan; Clonebegg, in fee.

Cornelius O'Dea;[

]¹ and Slanoughtinagh,

in fee.

Charles O'Connor of Loghglen, Co. Clare; the castle and three quarters of Ballogh, in redemption of a mortgage.

Charles Carraghe O'Dea; Toureneghy and Gortekock, in redemption

of a mortgage.

Cornelius O'Brien; Torronan, in redemption of a mortgage.

Cillernuff O'Feagh; Killtoghoraght, as above.

Dermott O'Keryn; Collenmore, as above.

Leagh Mc Rossy and Rossy oge Mc Rossy; a solar in the castle of Turlogh, a room there called "the carpenters chambre", and a cartron called "Leaghcarrowmur Neclony".

19th cent. copy, made by the 13th Lord Inchiquin; incomplete.

1004.

16 Jul. 1617.

Order by the Lord Deputy and Council concerning the Bishop of Killaloe's claim to 19 plowlands in the parishes of Rathe, Killenamona, Killeneboy, and Disart, Co. Clare, which were proved by the Composition book to be part of the estate of the see. They are:

the [castle] (?) of Aghnis;

the town and circuit of Killeneboy, with its five plowlands;

the castle of Disart, with its quarter and a half;

Killeinane, Killcurrish, Litermo[re] and the termon of Killenamon, "uppon wch termon most of the O Greiphas are usurpers . . ."; the quarter of Killenesolagh, occupied by James Mc Currin; the quarter of Clanloghan, occupied by Boetius Clancy; the quarter of Killmaleiry, occupied by Mortagh Fin Clancy.

Signed. Oliver St. John; Thomas Dublin Canc:; William Tuamensis; Henry Docwra; William Methwold; Francis Aungier. Copy.

1005.

25 Nov. 1617.

Feoffment by Donald O'Dowdy of Rosca, Co. Sligo, gent., Slany Ny Brien alias Ny Dowdy his wife, and Donough O'Brien of Leimeneigh, Co. Clare, gent.; to Boetius Clanchy of Knockfin, Co. Clare, esq., and Cornelius Mc Gillisaghta of Ballywrin, Co. Clare, gent.; of two-thirds of the castle, town, and lands of Carrownegoul

¹ Three denominations omitted or illegible.

and the quarter adjoining, the quarter of Killtoicki, the third part of Carrownecroiss and the half quarter of Fell or Bellighteragh, in the parish of Killakidy, barony of Inshicoin, Co. Clare.

Attorneys for livery of seisin. Donough O'Hicky of Carrawnabaghailly, gent., and Brien Mac Gillipatrick of Smithstowne, gents.

Intention. Feoffees to be seised of the above lands and tenements in trust for Donough O'Brien and Onora Wingfield his "suposed" [espoused] (?) wife and the heirs of their bodies, with remainder to the heirs of Slany Ny Brien. If Donough dies before Onora, she shall be "contented" with 60 incalf cows, 40 barren cows, 12 mares, 8 plow garrans, four horses, and £80 English; if there is no issue of the marriage and he dies before her, she shall have half the above stock and money. If Slany is obliged to dwell in the premises and the feoffees approve it she may do so, but may not "allien or make... away" them.

Signed. Daniell Dowdy; Slany Ny Brien; Donough O'Brien. Witnesses. Teig O'Brien; Daniell O'Brien; Morogh O'Hicy (?); James Nelan; Thomas Clanchy.

" I have taken view as well of thoriginall as of this copie heareof & they doe agree woorde by woorde wittnes my hand

Ther: O Brien."

1006.

25 Apr. 1618.

Quitclaim by Sir Therrellagh O'Brien of Dwagh, Co. Clare, Kt., to Donough O'Brien of Leameneh, gent., of all his interest in the castles, towns, and five quarters of Leameneh and Ballygriphae.

Signed. Ther: O Brien.

Witnesses. Donogh O'Hicky [mark;] Jasper Lynch; Morrogh O'Loghlen [mark]; Donell Mc Cormock [mark.]

1007.

19 Mar. 1618.

Extent of the lands and tenements of Donnogh Grana O'Brien of Magownegan, Co. Clare, gent., which descended to Connor O'Brien, his son and heir.

A quarter called Ardcarny, held by 1/40 of a knight's fee from the King, as of his manor of Inish, worth 12d. a year.

Half a cartron in Magownegan, three rooms in the castle there, a half cartron in Inchicollaght, a cartron in Derrydromboige, and a cartron in Derryolagh, held of Dermot, Baron of Inchiquin, worth 18d.

Crogloskie, Gownowghtragh Magherydelisigh, Gortnegarne, Clonebegge, and Cragnasigh, containing in all five and a half quarters, held as above [value not stated.]

Certified copy; 1 p.

1008.

15 June 1618.

Feoffment by Donough Mc Donyll Boy O'Neylon of Aghryme, Co. Clare gent., to Connor Mc Brody of Kylkyly, Co. Clare gent., and Moriertagh O'Hehir of Clogherlogh Co. Clare, gent.; of the third part of a quarter of land in Aghrymbylly in the parish of Disert.

Attorney for livery of seisin. Mortagh O'Boolane of Morrerane, husbandman.

Intention. Feoffees to be sised of the lands in trust for Honora Ny Neylane, wife of the said Donough, in case she survives him, until she has received 60 in calf cows called "Aghownaghes", eight mares, and four garrans.

Signed & sealed. Donogh Nelane D N.

Wilnesses. R. Brett; Edmond Rian; Inchiquine; Bryen O'Bryen; John Mc Consydyn.

Witnesses to livery of seisin. David Boorke; Donnagh Mc Connor; Gylla O'Beolane; Teige O'Kealla; Shane O'Kealla [all except first sign of marks.]

1009.

27 Oct. 1618.

Bond of Daniell O'Dowde of Ardnaglasse, Co. Sligo, esq., Owyen Mc Neall Mc Swyny of Kerhowcashell, Co. Sligo, gent., Eneas Mc Namie of Skryne, Co. Sligo, gent., Phillip Albanagh of Rathlye, Co. Sligo, gent., and Randell Mc Donell of Roselye, Co. Sligo, gent.; to Danyell O'Brien of Dowagh, Co. Clare, esq., Donough O'Brien of Newtowne, Co. Clare, esq and Morogh O'Brien of Cullenagh, Co. Clare, gent., of £500.

Condition. Making by O'Dowde to the O'Briens of a good estate in the castle, town, and five quarters of Ardnaglasse, the town and two quarters of Ballinahowan, a quarter in Cugyboy, a quarter in Cugy-Melaghkiegh, and a quarter in Cugynalahie, Co. Sligo; to hold in trust for the said Daniell and Slany his wife, with remainder (of the castle and lands of Ardnaglasse) to the heirs male of the said Daniell and of Uny Nyne Ullock his late wife, then to those of him and his present wife; (of the rest) to the said Daniell and Slany and their heirs male, then to their heirs female, who shall be paid £200 by the heirs male of Daniell, who may then resume the lands. If Slany dies before her husband, he or his heirs shall pay her heirs £100.

Signed. Daniell O'Dowde; Oyn Mc Swyny; Aneas Mc Namy (?) Philip Albanagh; Rand: Mc Donill [seals gone.]

Witnesses. Mollaghlen O'Loghlen [mark]; Donough O'Brien Fitz Conor; Connr Mc Therlagh; Jo: O'Connor.

1010.

27 Jul. 1619.

Order, made at Inish in the case of Thomas Oge Mc Mohony and Mohn Mc Donoghoe v. Terlagh Roe Mc Mohon, esq., by which the defendant is to pay the plaintiffs 40/- and to enter into a recognissance for paying the "meane" profits of the lands of Cowlenecranoghtye, Co. Clare.

Copy ; 1 p.

1011.

[1619.]

- (r) Commission to Bernard [Adams] Bishop of Limerick; John [Rider] Bishop of Killaloe; John [Steere] Bishop of Kilfenora; Sir Edward Harris, Kt., Chief Justice of Munster; Jeffry Osbaldston, esq., Chief Justice of Connaught; Sir Richard Aldworth, Kt., Provost-Martial of Munster; Sir Thomas Browne, Kt.; Sir Charles Coote, Kt.; Laurence Parsons, esq., Attorney of the province of Munster; the Escheator of Leinster or John Evans, his deputy; the Surveyor-General; Richard Southwell, esq.; Boetius Clanchie, esq.; and Peter Delahide, esq.: to take an inquisition on the lands and tenements of Donatus, Earl of Thomond, President of Munster.
- (2) Inquisition taken at the town of Castlebanke in Co. Clare, I Apr. 1619, 17 Jas. I., before the Bishop of Limerick and seven other commissioners.

Jurors. John McNemary of Montallonn, Kt., Hugh Norton of Liffer, esq., William Starkey of Dromolin, esq., John Mc Nemary of Ballynahinsey, gent., Thady Mc Brody of Littermoelan, gent., Hugh Mc Cruttyn of Clandoyne, gent., Donatus Clanchy of Ulrin, gent., Thady Mc Mahowne Roe of Moghan, gent., Boetius Clanchy of Ballydonoghow, gent., Conor Mc Roe Mc Teige of Smithstown, gent., Edmond O'Hogan of Moehill, gent., Connor Mc Rury of Corbally, gent., Terence Mc Morrogh O'Brien of Cahermenagh, gent., Donald Clanchy of Donmacfelin, gent., William Mc Teige O'Nelan of Clonyne, James Comyn of Donbegg, gent., and Thady Mc Donogh Mc Nemary of Moyreske.

Lands and tenements of which the Earl was seised include the castle and manor of Bunratty; the castle and manor of Clonrawde; four quarters called Killrush; two quarters called Moyle; one and a half quarters called Croghvrechane; the castle, town, and three quarters called Innisdyman; several rents (including "a gallon of honey" out of the quarter of Dromnamuclagh); Courts Leet and views of frankpledge at Clare, Bunratty, and elsewhere; the rectory of Kilchrist, with several other rectories and vicarages; and certain chief rents out of lands in the baronies of Tullagh, Moyarty, Clonderala, and Burren.

Claims are made to certain lands and tenements by Dermot, Lord Inchiquin; Nicholas Arthur of Limerick, alderman; Nicholas Stritch Fitz Nicholas of Limerick, burgess; and several others.

18th cent. copy; 19 pp.

1012.

II Jan. 1620.

Mortgage by Rory Merighagh O'Dea of Killwakine, Co. Clare, gent., to Teige O'Bryen of Dromor, Co. Clare, esq., for £18, redeemable within ten months, of the half quarter of Killwakine, parish of Killkidy, Co. Clare.

Attorney for livery of seisin. Rory Mc Mlaghlen of Dromore. Signed & sealed. Rory O'Dea [mark.]

Witnesses to signature. Teige O'Brien; Morish O'Connell; Connell O'Hehire [mark]; Patricke O'Donnoghow [mark.]

Witnesses to livery of seisin. Morish O'Connell; Tumultagh O Teyn [mark]; James Mellane; Moragh Mc Queene [mark]; Teyg O Tyne.

1013.

13 May 1620.

Quitclaim by Connor O'Flanagain of Cross, Co. Clare, gent., Donell Mc Connor O'Cruyn of Killynaboy, yeoman, Connor Oge O'Cruyn of the same, yeoman, Loghlen O'Cruyn of Tulaghbegg, yeoman, Donell Mc Rory O'Cruyn of Lisvickilleain, yeoman, and Donell Mc Mortagh O'Cruyn of Balenaleackan, yeoman; to Sir Roger O'Shaghnussa of Gortinsygwary, Co. Galway, Kt., William Mc Hubert of Disertkelly, Co. Galway, esq., and Jonack Burke Fitz Thomas of Tubery, Co. Galway, gent.; of the town and lands of Killynaboy, with five quarters of land belonging to them, in their hands by virtue of a lease for many years to come from Mauritius [O'Brien] late Bishop of Killaloe, to Donell [Neylan] late Bishop of Kildare.

Signed & sealed. Connor Flengan; Donell McConor O'Cruyn [mark]; Conor O'Bruyn [mark]; Logh[len] O'Cruyn [mark]; Don. McRory O'Cruyn [mark]; Donell McMortagh O'Cruyn [mark].

Witnesses. Daniell O'Brien; Gar: Hubert; Da: O'Brien; Willm. . . .

1014.

2 June 1620.

Mortgage by Donell Dorchae Mc Encharrgie of Loghbuillgine, Co. Clare, freeholder, to Sir Roger O'Sheaghnassae of Gorte, Co. Galway Kt.; of the half quarter of land in Tirelehine, parish of Clony, Co. Clare, in trust for Donell Neylon, son and heir of William Neylon late of Disherte; for £10, redeemable at the end of [] years.

Draft.

1015.

28 Jul. 1620.

Feoffment by Brien Mc Connor Mc Brien of Glankyne, Co. Clare, gent., to Edmond O'Hogaine of Mahill, Co. Clare, gent., and Robert Brett of Lisduff, Co. Clare, gent.; of "all that the howses & villadg" where he dwells in Glankyne, with the fifth part of the two quarters of Glankyne (of which he is seised in fee simple), his portion of the mountain of Slewneglassy, and a half "cartron or carrowemyre" in Magherykearny, in the barony of Inchiquin, Co. Clare.

Intention. Feoffees to be seised of two-thirds of the premises in trust for the feoffor and for his wife Any (if she survives him) until she has received from Conor Mc Brien, eldest son of the said Brien, two-thirds of 20 good in calf cows, two mares, and two plough garrons, and from Mourgh Mc Brien, second son of the said Brien, one-third of the same beasts; then for Conor Mc Brien, Mourgh Mc Brien, Donyll Mc Brien (third son of the said Brien) Therlaugh Mc Brien (his fourth son) and Dermott Mc Brien (his fifth son) and the respectiv heirs male of their bodies; and of the other third in trust for Mourgh Mc Brien, with remainder, as above, to Conor Mc Brien and his other sons. If any of the persons named in the remainder die without heirs male of their bodies, but having daughters unpreferred in marriage, such daughters to have a portion equivalent to what their mother had.

Attorney for livery of seisin. The feoffor's cousin, Brien Oge Mc Brien Mc Kenedy of Glankyne, gent.

Signed. Brien Mc Connor [mark.]

Witnesses to signatures, and to livery of seisin. Teg Mc Brine; Morogh Mc Swine; Dermod Mc Donnell; Mortagh Mc Connor [all sign by marks.]

1016.

6 Aug. 1620.

Lease for 1,000 years by Marcus Dowley of Tyrriebrayn, Co. Clare, Teige O'Brien of Ballymorchow, Co. Clare, gent. and Any Ni Brien alias Ny Lochlin, widow of Connor O'Brien of Ballycortrew and mother of the said Teige; to Therlagh O'Brien of Cahirmonayn, Co. Clare, gent.: of the castle, town, and quarter of Ballycortrew.

Signed & sealed. Therlagh O'Brien.

Witnesses. Bo[etins] Clanchy; Rowland D []; Daniel Macnemary; Terlagh Mc Teig; Donell O'Kerny.

Copy, made c. 1860 by the 13th Lord Inchiquin.

1017.

25 Oct. 1620.

Conveyance by Murrough O'Brien of Byamroe, Co. Clare, gent., to Teige O'Brien of Drommore, Co. Clare, esq., in trust for Donatus

[O'Brien] Earl of Thomond, Lord President of Munster; of the quarter of Caherbloyniggie, the half quarter of Cahernehaylly, the quarter of Fanechoyll, the half quarter of Ciaherowcrahin, the four quarters of Moyhrie, the quarter of Ballychurtria, and the moiety of the castle and four plowlands of Bridgtowne, Co. Clare.

Signed & sealed. Morogh O'Brien [mark].

Witnesses. Edward Fz Harrys; W. Brickdall; Fr. Mc Mahona; Rich; Keatinge [mark].

Also: bond of Morogh O Brien of £300 for performance of agreement.

1018.

15 Jan. 1621.

Sequestration of the vicarage of Killofyne.

"Thomas Flanagan clericus1 vicarius de Rathcolie Casselensis diocesis et Gilbertus Broudy vicarius de Killurain/Laonensis diocesis commissarii reverendissimi in Christo patris Mileri providentia divina Casselensis Archiepiscopi in cursu suae/trien[ni]alis et Metropoliticae visitationis in ciuitate et diocesi Laonensi predicta crastino animarum hoc/presenti anno occurenti tentae et habitae virtute commissionis suae in ea parte cum omnibus necessariis/clausulis nobis directae venerabili viro Terentio Mc Mahowny de Clondirala generoso salutem/ Cum dictus Reverendissimus in Christo pater ob certas iustas et legittimas causas vicariam perpetuam de Killofyne/Laonensis diocesis predictae in dicta sua trien[ni] ali visitatione sequestrauerat quam sequestrationem ita per/ipsum declaratam a nobis continuandam esse obtentu commissionis suae predictae voluit si et/quando occasio se obtulisset cum aliis necessariis clausulis prout in eadem commissione plenius/liquet quousque vicarius eiusdem coram nobis sufficienter ostendat cur procurationes refectiones/aliaque onera ordinaria et extraordinaria dicto reverendissimo patri ratione dictae visitationis debita in/dicta vicaria necnon titulos dictae vicariae chartas ordinum &c ostendat ceteraque in hac parte agenda/perfecerit Tibi igitur prefato Terentio de cuius fidelitate in hac parte confidimus petendi/ levandi colligendi et recipiendi ac sub tuto et arcto sequestro custodiendi seu custo-/dire faciendi omnes et singulos fructus redditus proventus decimas oblationes obventiones/caeteraque omnia et singula iura ecclesiastica quaecumque ad dictam vicariam de Killofyn sic ut/ premittitur sequestrat[am] qualitercumque spectantia iuxta continuationes per dictum reverendissimum/patrem in ciuiuate et diocesi Laonensi predicta alias factas et habitas plenas committimus/ potestatem teque custodem sequestri huiusmodi nominamus constituimus et ordinamus/per presentes iniungentes quod pro emoludictae vicariae pendente hac sequestratione/ministrum competentem conducas qui ibidem curae animarum debite inserviat

¹ This deed contains the contractions usual at this period, which have been expanded. It is quoted verbatim, as a rare example of its kind.

mandant¹/[sic] insuper omnibus et singulis parochianis dictae parochiae de Killofyn quod tibi dicto sequestra-/tori nostro omnes eosdem fructus ut premittitur solvant et tradant cum effectu tibique ut/ sequestratori in hac parte pareant respondeant et obediant quousque aliter a dicto Reverendissimo/patre eiusve legittimis delegatis in mandatis receperitis datum sub manu et sigilli/officii nostri testimonio decimo quinto Januarii 1621

Tho: Flanagan

Commissarii

Gilbertus Broudye

1019.

1 May 1621.

Mortgage, for term of 1,000 years and in consideration of £41.5.4, by Donough O'Brien Fitz Connor of Leameneh, Co. Clare, gent., to Stephen Linch Fitz James Riagh, Dominicke Linch his son, and Mychell Linch Fitz Stephen of Galway, merchant; of the half quarter of Cahirfada, "commonly called the half quarter of Mohercollane", in the parish of Killineboy, barony of Insycoyne, Co. Clare; regarding which, the said Donnogh and Onor Wingfilde agree to execute such further deeds as may be required by the Linches. Repayment to be made in Stephen Linche's house in "as goode fine and weightie coyned siluer as . . . is curr[ent] in that realme [England] . . . fiue shillinges to euery ownce trove weight and fowre such ownces to euery pounde ster[ling] . . .". The Linches may carry away any crops sown on the lands at the time of repayment. The lands to be held, during the mortgage, in trust for Stephen and Dominick Linch; with remainder to Gilles Linch alias Kierowane, wife of the said Stephen, if she survives her husband.

Signed. Stephen Lynch Fitz James; Dominik Lynch; Michae[I] Lynch.

Witnesses. Charlls: O'Connor; John O'Connor; . . . ry Mc Gillisa (?).

Slightly torn.

1020.

2 June 1621.

Grant² by Dermott O'Brien, Baron of Inchiquin, to his cousin Honora Ni Brien alias Wingfield of Smithstowne, widow; of the abbey and cloister of Kilshanny with "the old ruinous walls sometime

¹ The sense requires mandantes.

² He made a further grant to Honora Ni Brien of the tithes of Kilshanny and a rent of 50/- out of Carrowkeel and certain other lands belonging to the Abbey, 4 June 1621.

called the Abbots house" and the precinct and circuit of the Abbey. Attorney for livery of seisin. Donogh O'Hickey of Smithstown.

Signed & sealed. Inchiquin.

Witnesses. . . . Brett; R. Conaly; Richard Brett. Copy, made c. 1860 by the 13th Lord Inchiquin.

1021.

7 Jul. 1621.

Bond of Donnogh McClowne of BallymacLowne, Co. Clare, yeoman, to Mr. Teig O'Brien of Dromore, Co. Clare, esq., of £100.

Condition. To abide by the award of Brian Mc Brudyn, Shearra O'Connell, and Donough O'Slatery concerning the West half quarter of Coullenagh and the half cartron of Gortaderin in the parish of Quinhy, barony of Bonratty, Co. Clare.

Signed. Donnogh Mc Cluin [mark.]

Witnesses. Bryan Mc Broily; Donell Mc Rory; Morish O'Connell.

1022.

20 Oct. 1621.

Fee farm grant by Dermott, Lord Inchiquine, to Teige Mc Dermott Mc Mortagh O'Brien of Daggenmakie, Co. Clare, gent., and the lawful heirs male of his body; of the cartron or "Carrowmeer" called Gortlicky, parcel of Daggenmakie, in the parish of Killenboy, Co. Clare; rent 20/-, with "one good large and sufficient hogg" to be paid and delivered at the manor house of Inchiquin. O'Brien to do suit and service at the courts of the manor of Inchiquin, and to leave the woods at Inchiquin's disposition, except for "fyerboot, houseboot, and carrboot" necessary for himself and his undertenants.

Attorney for livery of seisin. Richard Brett of Lisduffe, Co. Clare, gent.

Signed. Inchiquine.

Witnesses. Thomas Gorman; Richard Brett; Thomas Plunkett; Daniel O'Keave.

18th cent. copy.

1023.

16 Mar. 19 Jas. I. [1622.]

Conveyance by Sir William Parsons of Dublin, Kt. & Bt., one of the Privy Council of Ireland, to Donnogh O'Brien of Lymeneigh, Co. Clare, gent., of a quarter called Ballygriffa and a quarter called Carrowmoreclorrin, Co. Clare, granted to him by letters patent, 15 Mar. 19 Jas. I.

Attorneys for livery of seisin. Tirlagh Roe O'Loghlin and Jonock Roe Boorke.

Signed. W. Parsons.

Witnesses to signature. Laurence Parsons; Robert Kennedy; Nicho. Pynnar; He: Fisher; Fenton Parsons; John Hope.

Witnesses to livery of seisin. Edmond O'Haire (?); Fran: Kerin; Donogh Gamkagh (?) O'Brien [all sign by marks.] Latin.

1024.

5 Nov. 1622.

Quitclaim by Walter Bondfield of Limerick, merchant, to Mortagh O'Hehire of Ballyvoe, Co. Clare, gent., of all his interest in the East half quarter of Noyffe, in the barony of Ilands, Co. Clare (on which he had a mortgage of £40 from the said Mortagh.)

Signed. Walter Bonfild.

Witnesses. William Roche; Stephen Arthor; Donnogh O'Brien; Ther: O'Brien; Pat: Burns.

1025.

7 Nov. 1622.

Feoffment by Mortagh O'Hehire of Ballyvoe, Co. Clare, gent., to Bryen Mc Brody of Killenan and Tumultagh O' Tyne of Crydergan, Co. Clare, gent.; of the East half quarter of Novffe, parish of Dromcleve, barony of Ilands, Co. Clare; to hold for nine years, in trust for Teig O'Brien of Dromore, esq., and Slany his wife, and the heirs of their bodies, until they have been paid the sum of £51.

Attorney for livery of seisin. Rery Reagh O'Loghlin of Dromore.

Signed. Bryan Mc Brody; Tomoltagh O'Teyn.

Witnesses. Ther: O'Brien; Daniell Maconmea; Eolus Mc Craitin [in Irish characters]; Mahowen Mc Teag [mark]; Connell O'Hehir [mark.]

Counterpart, signed Mortagh O'Her M H.

1026.

8 Nov. 1623.

Award of Donnogh Clanshy of Inshy, Brien O'Brien of Agchryina, and Rory Mc Donnogh of Monanye, Co. Clare, gents., arbitrators in a dispute between Connor O'Brien of Ardkarna and James Neallan, Donnogh O'Neallan, and Daniell O'Neallan of Aghrym, gents., concerning a mearing.

Signed. D. Clanchy; Brien O'Brien.

Witnesses. Cormock Hehir; Ri: Neallan; Connor O' Keolan testis; Teig O'Flaha.

Also: bond of Connor O'Brien to Donnogh O'Nealan of £100 to abide by the arbitrators' award. 15 Aug. 1623.

1027.

21 Nov. 1623.

Mortgage by Donoghe O'Brien of Lemeneh, Co. Clare, gent., for f20, to Dermott alias Gyllygrame O Moelaune of Kylkidy, Co. Clare, gent.; of the third part of the quarter of Carrowenecrossy, in the parish of Kilkydy, Co. Clare.

Signed. Donogh O'Brien.

[No witnesses.]

Endorsed with assignments—Gullugruome O'Moelane to his wife, Sive Ny Hehir, 5 June 16..; and Dermott O'Hanreghane and Siew Ny Moelane his wife to James Darcy, 20 Aug. 1632.

1028.

12 Dec. 21 Jas. I. [1623.]

Commission to Rowland Delahoide, esq., Boetius Clancy, esq., Walter White, esq., Escheator of Co. Clare, John Merrick, esq., Feedary of Co. Clare, and John Evans, gent., Deputy Escheator of Co. Clare; to take an inquisition of the lands and tenements of Cornelius alias Connor O' Brien of Lemenagh, gent., deceased.

Latin.

1029.

26 May 1624.

Lease by Donnogh O' Neallan Mc Donnell Boy of Aghrimkilly, Co. Clare, gent., Connor Mc Brody of Kiltye, Co. Clare, gent., and Mortagh O'Hehir of Cahirlogha, Co. Clare, gent.; to Rory Reagh O'Loghlin of Dromore, Co. Clare, yeoman; of the third part of the quarter of Aghrimkilly called "Atthy Dermouda Mc Therella" in the parish of Dissertt, barony of Inchyquine, Co. Clare; in consideration of £20, for five years at 2/- rent, with liberty to carry away his crop at the end of the term, without paying any rent.

Signed. Rory Reagh O'Loghlin [mark.]

Witnesses. Flan: Neyland; Eolus Mc Craitin [in Irish characters]; Donnell Oge O'Teyne [mark]; Therellagh Mc Mortagh [mark]; Morish O'Connell; Dermoud O'Slatery [mark]; Donnogh O'Slatery [mark.]

1030.

24 June 1624.

Lease by Bryan Mc Brody of Killenane, Co. Clare, gent., and Tumultagh O'Teyne of Cryderohane, Co. Clare, gent., to Donnogh O'Nellan of Aghrimkilly, Co. Clare, gent.; of the third part of the quarter of Aghrimkilly called "Atthy dermouda mc Therella" in the parish of Dissert, barony of Inchyquine, Co. Clare; for foyr years from the feast of SS. Philip & Jacob last, at £3 a year rent, the lessors being allowed to reenter if the rent is unpaid ten days after the said

feast in any year, and the lessee to carry away his crop at the expiration of the term without paying "any rent fourth sheaffe or other dutyes out of the same . . ."

Signed. Tumultagh O'Teyne [mark.]

Witnesses. Connor Mc Brody; Mortagh O'Hehir; Morish O'Connell.

1031.

14 Nov. 1624.

Letter of attorney from Donough O'Brien to his mother, Mrs. Slany Ny Breyne, to demand 20/- rent due from Mahone O'Moughnae Massone out of the fourth part of the quarter of Caherfaddae.

Signed. Donogh o Brien.

Witnesses. Tyrelagh O'Loughlyne; Tyrelagh Mc Edmonde; Donnogh Mc Canae [all sign by marks.]

1032.

22 Jul. 1624.

Inquisition *post mortem* of Conor O'Brien of Leameneh; taken at Ennis before Roland Delahoyde, esq., Boetius Clancy, esq., and John Evans, gent., Deputy Escheator for Co. Clare, Commissioners.

Jurors. John Macnamara of Dangenbracke, Donat Mc Nemara of Ballynahensy, Mourtagh O'Brien of Cahircorkan, Loghlen O'Hehir of Killyne, Loghlen Mc Gillysaght of Ballyvrime, John Mc Namara of Ralahine, James O'Gripha of Rynyne, Redmond O'Nelane of Drum granagh, Rory Mc Donnell of Cnockogane, Tumultagh O'Tyne of Cridargan, Daniel Clancy of Ballysallagh, Daniel Macnamara of Done (?) I Mulvihill, Brian Mc Mahowne of Ballyvory, James Moncie (?) of Ballyluddane, and Conor Mc Mahon of Kilkeran, gents.

They find him to have died 2 Jan. 1609, seised in fee of the following lands and tenements: the castle, town, and three quarters of Leameneh, worth 15/- Irish a year above reprises; the castle, town, and two quarters of Ballygriffa, worth 10/-; the half quarter of Cahirmockonoe, worth 2/6; the quarter of Clonyne alias Carrowmore, worth 5/-. All the above were held of the King by knight service, but by how much service the jurors do not know.

He was also seised in fee of the half quarter of Feilemanagh, worth 5/-; and of the third part of the quarter of Crusse, worth 2od.: both held of Dermot, Baron of Inchiquin, as of his manor of Inchiquin, by what service the jurors do not know. The said Baron is a ward of the King; his manor is held of the King by knight service.

Mahowne Mc Brien Roe of Carhownygowle, Co. Clare, gent., granted to Marcus Dowly of Tyremcbran, Co. Clare, a third part of the castle and lands of Carhownygowle in trust for the said Mahowne during his lifetime, then for the said Conor and his heirs. After the death of the said Conor, Slany Ny Brien, his relict, acquired another

third part of the said castle and lands in trust for herself for her lifetime, and after her death for Donal O'Brien and the heirs of the said Conor and Slany. The said castle and lands are held of the said Lord of Inchiquin, as above, and are worth 3/- a year.

Donough O'Brien is son and heir of the said Conor, aged eight at his father's death, and unmarried. Slany O' Brien, relict of the said Conor, is alive and entitled to a third part of the premises as dower.

Copy, made c. 1860 by the 13th Lord Inchiquin.

1033.

25 Feb. 1626.

Notice issued by the commissioners appointed on behalf of Donough O'Brien of Leameneh, Co. Clare, gent., warning William Starkie esq., to be at Ennis on the 1st of March following, being the time of the general sessions.

Signed. Daniell O'Brien; Hughe Norce (?).

1034.

] 1626.

Receipt given Donough O'Brien of Newetowne, esq., by Donnogh O'Hickie and Gearalt O'Flanagan for £120 to the use of Mrs. Honnor Wingfield.

Signed. Donogh O'Hicky; Gar: O'Flanagane.

1035.

. . May 1626.

Lease by Terlagh Mc Mohony of C... Teig Mc Mohony of ... and Brien Mc Mohony of ... enasly, Co. Clare, gent., to Teig O'Farrell of ... husbandman, of one-sixth of ... in Coollsuppine and one-fourth of a cartron in ... as held by [Jo]hn O'Huollaghaine, in ... [Clon]derrala, Co. Clare; for 7 years, rent £4.5.0., with a hog or 10/— in lieu, two muttons, and a "shiresteed hyne or capone", the tenant being free of all charges except the King's rent, the Lord of Thomond's rent, and country charges.

Signed & sealed. Teige O'Farrell [mark.]

Witnesses. Connor Mc Mohony; Matt: Mc Loghlen; Terlagh Oge Mc Mohony.

About one-third of this deed torn away.

1036.

5 June 1626.

Conveyance by Daniell O'Connor of Derryclorose, Co. Clare gent., to David O'Sheaghnussy of Disherte, on behalf of Daniell Neallan Fitz William of Disherte, Co. Clare, gent. "now His Mats. warde";

of the castle and three cartrons of Beallagh, now held by Daniell Neallan, in the barony of Corkomore, Co. Clare.

Signed & sealed. Daniell O'Connor.

Witnesses. James Mc Inerney; Robert Neylland; E N [sic]; Robertt Oge O'Connyn; Donnell O'Dea.

1037.

1627.

"Wee acknowledg to have received at the hands of Daniel O'Shaghnessye high sheriffe of the County of Gallway our wages for this present quarter sessions witnes our hands dated at Loghariagh the 28th of June 1627

John (?) Burke D. O'Shaghnusye Ro: Leycester Teige O'Daly Tho. Burke Cug... Daly Jonacke Burke"

Endorsed; "the aquittance from the Justices of the Peace . . ." 1 p.

1038.

[Aug. 1627.]

Feoffment by Hew O'Meere of Balliassie, Co. Clare, yeoman, to Donnogh O'Brien Fitz Connor of Cluonine, Co. Clare, gent.; of the half "Cartron or Carrowmeer" and castle of Balliassie, in the parish of Killnymona, barony of Inchiquin, Co. Clare: to hold until Rory O'Meere, sone of the said Hew, has been paid £15 according to a deed made to the said Hew by Donnogh O'Brien Mc Teige More.

Signed. Hugh O Meere [mark.]

Witnesses. Mahony O'Grypha [mark]; [name of second witness erased.]

Also: bond of Donogh O'Brien of Ballynaberry, Co. Clare, gent., and Donogh Mantagh O'Brien Mc Connor of Tobermally gent., to Hugh O'Myre of £30, for performance of a lease for four years of the above lands. 30 Aug, 1627.

1039.

14 Oct. 1627.

Lease by Edmond Mc Mortagh Mc Connell O'Hehir of Ballyvoe, Co. Clare, gent., to James Wealsh of Inshy, Co. Clare, butcher; of a half quarter in Ballyvoe "wanting the third parte of a sixt parte of a quarter" in the territory of I Cormuicke, except for the third part of the kitchen house, the oven, and "kille" [kiln] for four years from Allhallowtide next, rent £4 with His Majesty's and the Earl of Thomond's compositions, a fat mutton worth 2/6 at Michaelmas,

and a quarter of beef worth 2/6 and 20 quarts of good butter before Christmas, and liberty to carry away all crops in or above ground at the end of the term.

Signed & sealed. Edmond O'Hehir [mark.]

Witnesses. Edmond Dorogh O'Hehir; James Hehir; Dermod Og O'Hehir; Mortaugh O'Hehir; Huw Hehir.

1040.

13 Oct. 1628.

Quitclaim by Teige na Carrigie O'Brien of Baliemoroghowe,¹ Co. Clare, gent., to Donough O'Brien of Leameneh, Co. Clare, gent.; of his right to the castle, town, and two quarters of Ballimoroghow.

Signed & sealed. Teige O'Brien.

Witnesses. Donough O'Brien Fitzmurtogh; Flan O'Morane; . . . slane O'Flanagan; John Minter [all sign by marks]; John Collear.

Also: two bonds of the abovenamed parties, naming 40 marks as consideration money. 29 Aug. 1627.

Copies, made c. 1860 by the 13th Lord Inchiquin.

1041.

8 Dec. 1628.

Agreement between Sir William Parsons, Kt. & Bt., Master of the Wards and Liveries; Sir Richard Bolton, Kt., Chief Baron of the Exchequer; the Attorney of the Court of Wards and Liveries; and William Barker, esq., Surveyor of the said Court: and Donough O'Brien, son and heir of Connor O'Brien of Leameneh, deceased: for special livery of his lands and tenements, after an extent has been made of them.

Signed & sealed. W. Parsons; R. Bolton; William Barker.

Extent of the lands and tenements of Connor O'Brien (who died 2 Jan. 1609) as found by inquisition taken at Inish, 22 Jul. 1624.

The castle and town of Leamench with the three cartrons of Carrowcastle, Carrowmoyle, and Carrowfadda; held of the King by knight service, the amount unknown to the jurors.

15s.

The castle and town of Ballygriffa with the two quarters of Carrow-castle, Carrowknock, and Baleygriffa; held at the last. 10s. 4d.

The half quarter of Cahirmockhonoe; held as the last. 2s. 6d.

The quarter of Clonyne alias Carromore in Cloyne; held as the last.

5s.

The half quarter of Feilemenagh; held of Dermot, Baron of Inchiquin, by service unknown.

5s. 4d.

¹ There are copies of two other quitclaims to Donough O'Brien of their respective interests in these lands by Any Brien alias Loghlen (27 Apr. 1630) and Peter Martin of Galway, merchant (8 Jul. 1632).

The third part of the quarter of Crosse; held as the last. 20d.

Two-thirds of the castle and lands of Carhownegowle; held as the last. 3s.

Sum total 42s. 11d.

Copy, made c. 1860 by the 13th Lord Inchiquin.

1042.

I May 1628.

Bond of Edmond O'Hehir of Ballivoe, Co. Clare, gent., to Thady O'Brien of Dromore, Co. Clare, esq., of £300, to pass his right in the East half quarter of Nuaffe, in the parish of Drumcliffe, to the said Thady.

Signed & sealed. Edmond O'Hehir [mark.]

Witnesses. James Nellane; William O'Tyne testis; Maragh O'Loghlen testis.

1043.

27 Jan. 4 Chas. I. [1629]

Letters patent to Donough O'Brien, son and heir of Connor [Cornelii] O'Brien late of Leameneh, for a fine of £7.10. Irish; allowing him to enter on all the manors, lands, and tenements of his late father without proof of age or suing his livery.

Latin; 1 p., parchment.

Endorsed with enrolment in Chancery.

1044.

4 Mar. 1629.

Bond¹ of Edmond O'Heher of Ballyvo, Co. Clare, gent., to Mr. Dermod O'Brien of Dromor, Co. Clare, of £100, to give the said Dermod the first refusal of any lease or mortgage that he may make of his lands or tenements.

Signed & sealed. Edmond O'Heher.

Witnesses. Bryan Mc Brady; Teig O'Nellan testis; Morough O'Loghlen testis [mark.]

1045.

8 Oct. 1629, 5 Chas. I.

Inquisition concerning the lands of the see of Kilfenora taken at Ennis, Co. Clare before William Starkie, esq., John Thornton, esq., John Evans, gent., Escheator of Co. Clare, Henry Hart, gent., Clerk of the Crown for Co. Clare, Commissioners.

Jurors. Oliver Delahide of Tyredagh, Donogh McNemara of Killishin, Boetius Clanchy of Ballydonogho, Peter Ware of Ballycarre, Gregory Hickman of Barntwick, Mohowne McNemoroe of Moghane,

¹ Seven other bonds, of various dates in the same year, concern Donough O'Brien, Connor O'Brien of Ardkarny, and members of the McMahon family.

Monnogh O'Gradye of Clonyne, Donald Oge Clancy of Ballynode, Thomas Cruslowe of Clareabey, Teige Mc Nemarra of Downe, Edmond Blood of Castletowne, Teige Mc Mortaugh of Carigery, and Teige O'Brien of Ballymccoda, gents.

They find the following lands, hereditaments, rents, and other temporalities belonging to the bishopric of Kilfenora: two quarters in Kilfenora "in divission" worth £19.2 a year; Killaspuglonane containing two quarters, worth f4; Dromrahy, containing two "cesses", of which the Bishop held one quarter in demesne; 23/4 rent out of Ballyongowne, containing four quarters; 11/- out of Ballitarsny, containing one quarter; 10/8 out of Lisdowny, containing one quarter; 11/8 out of Carowmorefaula, containing one quarter; 6/8 out of Carownebaghally containing one quarter; £1.3.4 out of Ballyvyn, containing two quarters; 11/8 out of Ballychohy, containing one quarter; 10/- out of Killtoraght, containing one quarter; 10/out of Clogher, containing one quarter; 10/- out of Ortoraght, containing half a quarter; £1 out of Glanynagh, containing five "cesses"; fi out of Killonoghane, containing two "cesses"; 10/-out of Cromlyn, containing one "cess"; £1.3.11 out of Vikmane, containing one "cess"; f2.9.2 out of Aghowynan, containing two "cesses"; 10/out of Sleavecarne, containing one "cess"; 10/4 out of Carne and Polevacke, containing two "cesses"; fr.9 out of Kilkerny, containing two "cesses"; and £4 Irish out of Nohavale.

They find also that Higat Lowe, Dean of Kilfenora, claims three quarters of Killmckree, the quarter of Lykannor, two quarters of Clonye, and the quarter of Lickyne anciently belonging to the bishopric, but what rent is payable they do not know.

They also find that two yearly fairs and weekly markets are held in Killfenora and belong to the bishopric, and that a rent of 20/-Irish is payable out of the premises to the King's Exchequer.

Certified copy; 1 p.

1046.

20 Jan. 1629 [30] 5 Chas. I.

Lease by Henry [O'Brien] Earl of Thomond, to Richard Keatinge of Ballynacraggia, Co. Clare, gent.; (in consideration of the surrender of a lease of 9 Dec. 1623 from Donate, late Earl of Thomond, and of the said Richard's faithful service); of the fortalice or castle of Ballynecraggie with the half plowland of . . . a quartermire in Garryn[e]bole, a quartermire in Sheancloyne, a quartermire in Cl . . ., the half plowland of Magherye, and the half plowland of Cnockneshiagh, with all appurtenances, in the parish of Killanasulagh, barony of Bunratty, Co. Clare; reserving to the said Earl "the hunteinge and killinge of deere and all mynes, bloudsheads, fynes amercyaments waiffes estraynes fellons goods and all other royaltyes . . ." for 31 years;

rent 13/4, payable in the hall of the mansion house of Bunra[tty]; with two good hogs, three good muttons, and a couple of good fat capons at seasonable times "towards the provision of his howse" and the best beast as heriot on the death of a principal tenant; and suit of court at the Earl's Courts Leet and Baron. The tenant to keep in repair all houses and buildings; and to furnish, at times of a general hosting, such carriage, victuals, and la[bour] (?) as shall be charged on other tenants of the Earl's demesne lands in the barony of Bunratty.

Contemporary copy; torn in several places.

1047.

5 Sept. 1630, 6 Chas. I.

Conveyance by Conor O'Brien Mc Donogh Grana of Moegouna, Co. Clare, gent., to Donough O'Brien Mc Conor of Leameneh, gent.; of the quarter of Ardkearny, in the parish of Teampul-Imally and barony of Bunratty, Co. Clare, and the half cartron of Inchiggolaghta, in the parish of Dishert and barony of Inchiquyne, Co. Clare; with warranty against Conor O'Brien and all claiming under his own estate or under that of his ancestors "viz. the scept of Morough O Bryene some tyme of Moegowna aforsaide (deceased)".

Attorneys for livery of seisin. Hubert O'Keryn and Flan O'Keryn of Gleanne, Co. Clare, yeomen.

Signed. Connor O'Brien.

Witnesses to signature. Dan: Kernan; John O'Cullean; Daniell O'Henchie [mark]; Connor O'Brien; Donogh Mc Kear (?);

Witnesses to livery of seisin. Daniell O Heinche; Mortagh O Brien Mc Teig; Therlagh O Brien Mc Conor Crone; John O'Moraine [all sign by marks]; John O'Cullean; Donogh Mc Kear; Daniell Og O'Moelane [mark.]

1048.

15 Sept. 1630, 6 Chas. I.

Quitclaim by Conor O'Brien Mc Donogh Grana of Moegowna, Co. Clare, gent., to Donogh O'Brien Mc Conor of Leameneh, Co. Clare, gent.; of all his interest in the quarter of Ardkearny in the parish of TeampullImally, barony of Bunratty; the fourth part of the half quarter of Moegowna "knowen by the distinct name of Oullugort" in the parish of Killnemona, barony of Inchiquyn; and the half cartron of Inchiquolaghta in the parish of Dishert, barony of Inchiquyn, Co. Clare.

Warranty against the said Conor, his heirs, and assigns, and all persons claiming under him or under any of the sept of old Murrough O'Brien sometime of Mowgowny.

Signed & sealed. Connor O Brien.

Witnesses. Dermott Gripha; John Gripha; John O Collean; Daniell O'Heinchy [mark]; Donough Mc Dae (?).

1049.

19 Sept. 1630, 6 Chas. I.

Bond of Donat O'Brien of Leimeneith, gent., Donald O'Brien of Carrowduf, gent., and John O'Morane of Belimoroghy, gent.; to Mark O'Griffa of Dery, gent., and Seife [Sabine] Ny Brien alias Griffa, wife of the said Mark, of £200.

Condition. Performance of covenants in a lease from Donough O'Brien to Marcus and Seife O Griffa, for the life of the latter, of the cartron of Derryvollagh and certain other lands in the parish of Dishert and barony of Inchiquin.

Signed and sealed. Donough O'Brien; Daniell O'Brien.

Witnesses to Daniel O'Brien's signature. Ter: O Brien; Corn: O Dea; Tha: Mc Mahon.

1050.

1630 to 1637.

20 leases, conveyances, mortgages, and miscellaneous papers (e.g., Quit rent receipts) affecting Ardkarny, Dromore, Moegowna, Monvereane, and several other denominations which then or afterwards formed part of the Inchiquin estate. The parties include James Neallan of Moughan, Brien O'Brien of Aghrem, Daniell O'Brien of Ourhulufe, Donat O'Brien of Ballyashia, Donogh O'Brien of Lemeneith, Murtagh O'Brien of Cahircubaine, and Teige O'Brien of Dromore.

1051.

6 Nov. 1632, 8 Chas. I.

Bond of Charles O'Connor of Bealanahyfada, Co. Roscommon, esq., to Dermot O'Brien of Dromore, Co. Clare, esq., of £1,000.

Condition. Performance of covenants in a mortgage of £400 made by Charles O'Connor and others of Casslenod and certain other lands in the barony and county of Roscommon.

Signed. Charles Connor.

Witnesses. Turlagh Kerin; Donnell Mcnamara; John Grady; Conerr O'mullconry; Phillip Comyn.

1052.

25 Oct. 1632.

Quitclaim by Rory O'Dea of Killvakoyne, Co. Clare, gent., to Thady alias Teige O'Brien of Dromore, Co. Clare, esq., for £100; of his interest in the castle or fortalice of Dromore with three and a half quarters called Kearownidrohyd, Kearowneanagh, Kearownehona, and Dromainogromine, with their appurtenances, in the parish of Disert, barony of Inchyquin, Co. Clare.

Signed & sealed. Rory O'Dea [mark.]

Witnesses. John O'Flanagan [mark]; Melaghlen O'Geagn; Connor O'Sirane [mark]; Mortagh O'Tyn [mark]; Loghlin Mc Inerheny; R. Neallan; Ther. O'Brien.

Copy, made c. 1860 by the 13th Lord Inchiquin.

1053.

9-10 Chas. I. [1633-4]

Quietus of Donough O'Brien, esq., Sheriff of Co. Clare, for year ended Michaelmas 10 Chas. I. The largest item is £102.6.8, fines imposed in various courts.

Latin; 1 p., parchment.

1054.

31 Oct. 1634.

Lease by John O'Neilane of Cluarine, Co. Clare, gent., to Loghlin Reagh O'Hegher of Cahirmoronie, Co. Clare, gent.; of the quarter of Cluanine and 3 or 4 a. "manurable and arrable land" called "Cregganvickiloymyne" enclosed with it, in the parish of Killfinoragh, Co. Clare; for 20 years from SS. Philip and James' Day next, rent £10 for first ten years, £23 for the remainder (out of which £13 to be paid to the person to whom O'Neilane disposes of his interest.) Tenant to pay all charges except those due out of Cregganvickloynyne; he may carry away at the end of the lease his crop, corn, and cattle.

Signed and sealed. John Neyllane.

Witnesses. Francis Athy; Thomas Martin; James Corning (?) Domnick Joyes, Edmond oheahir; Richard Fline.

1055.

12 Apr. 1636.

Inquisition post mortem of Donough O'Brien of Leameneh.

The jurors find him to have been seised in fee of the castle and town of Leameneh, with the quarters of Carowcastle, Carowmoile, and Cahirfada; the castle and town of Ballygrypha, with the quarters of Carowcastle and KnockBalligripha; the quarter of Clownine alias Carowlounine; the third part of the quarter of Crosse alias Carownecrossie Kilkedie; the half quarter of Cahermorheny; the third part of the quarter of Kiltuckie alias Kiltackie; the third part

the quarter of Fahirfane; the half carton of Mohermallanagh; the three half cartons of Carrownamaddera; the quarter of Ardcarne; the half carton of Inssivolaght; the half cartons of Mogowna, Cnockdrimulta alias Tobermaly, and Gortnerian part of Ballsea; and half a carrowmeere in Cnockenanannan.

So seised, he mortgaged Leameneh for £100 to Walter Tailor of Drumgorie, Co. Galway, gent., 14 Sept. 1630; Ballygripha for £106 to Robert Libbert of Balligripha, gent., 28 June 1631; Clownine and and Mohermallanagh to Connell O'Loughlin for £100; Cnockdrummulta to Daniel Oge O'Kiernan of Innish for £68, 13 May 1631 [increased to £120, 2 Jul. 1632]. He demised Cahirmoronagh to Loughlin Reagh O'Hehir of Cahirmoronagh, gent., for term of 1,000 years redeemable on payment of £65.17.4. He mortgaged Ardkarney for £40 to Any Ni Mortagh. He demised Insivolaght and Mogownie for 21 years to Tibut O Kerin, 8 Mar. 1631. He demised Carrownemadra for 61 years to Daniel Mc Teige of Carrownemadra, gent., terminable on payment of £40, 25 May 1633.

He was seised in fee, in reversion after the death of his mother Slany O'Brien, of two-thirds of the quarter of Carrownegowle and of a

half a quarter in Kiltartin and Cossahurrie, Co. Clare.

He was seised in fee, in reversion after the death of Honora Ni Brien of Derrydrumburigye, of a carton in Derrydrumburigye and a carton in Derevolagh.

He was seised in fee, in reversion after the death of Onora Ni Neallan, of the half quarter of Monerana.

He was seised in fee, in reversion after the death of James Nealan and Cuillin his wife, of the third part of the quarter of Aughrim.

He died to Jan. 1634.

Heir. His son Connor O'Brien, then aged 17 and unmarried.

His wife, Onora Ni Brien alias Wingfield, is alive and is entitled to dower.

All the premises (except Fahyfane, Carrownegoule, and Carrownecrassie and Kilkiddie) are held of the King in chief, by service of the moiety of one knight's fee.

"We further find all such deeds . . . concerning the premises as shall produced in the Court of Wards & there allowed by the last of the next Easter term."

Copy, made c. 1860 by the 13th Lord Inchiquin.

1056.

16 Jul. 1636.

Bond of James Moore of Killykinelly, Co. Galway, gent., to Boetius Clanchy of Cnockfin, Co. Galway, esq., of £100.

Condition. To abide by the award of Sir Rowland Delahoyd of Fomerly, Co. Clare, Kt., and William Brickdale of Belnecorick, Co. Clare, esq., in a dispute about a legacy, supposed to be left by Mr. Morrogh O'Brien Fitz Therlagh late of Cahirmenane to Honora ny Brien alias Moore, sister of the said Morrogh and wife of the said James Moore.

Signed & sealed. James Moore.

Witnesses. Valentine Blake; John Lynch; Boetius Clanchy; Flan Nellan.

Copy, made c. 1860 by the 13th Lord Inchiquin.

1057.

13 Dec. 1636, 12 Chas. I.

Crown lease to Sir Edward Wingfield of Powerscourt, Co. Wicklow, Kt., of the following lands and rents in Co. Clare, late of Donough O'Brien of Leamench, esq. (deceased 10 Jan, 1634): two-thirds of the quarter of Crosse otherwise Carrownecrossey in Killkidy, the half quarter of Cahirmochane, half a quarter in Kiltacky otherwise Kiltucky, one-third of the quarter of Fahillan with £4 rent, the reversion of the half carton of Insincoulaghta and the half carton of Mogowna, half a carton in Gortnarian, the half carton of Knockananna, and 6/- rent out of Morreran and the reversion of it after the death of Honora Ny Nealan: to hold during the minority of Connor O'Brien, reserving to the Crown advowsons, woods, feudal aids, and mining rights; rent £5.6.8, the tenant paying chief rents, tenths, and all other dues; giving access to the Surveyor of the Court of Wards; not committing waste; not alienating without the consent of the Court; and being bound to bring his lease, within twelve months, to the Auditor of the Court for enrolment. For an additional £3 the tenant is granted all arrears of rent due out of the above lands.

Enrolled in the office of the Court of Wards, 12 Jan. 13 Chas. I. [1638].

1058.

9 Aug. 1637.

Feoffment by Honora Ny Brien alias Wingfield of Smithstowne, Co. Clare, widow, to Connor O'Dea of Muckullen, Co. Clare, gent., and Dermod Oage O'Nelan of Killiniboy, Co. Clare, gent.; of the castle and town of Smithstowne with the castle quarter, the quarter of Cloncluogh, Cloghreane, and Cosserderaghane, the quarter of Gortmeballe, two-thirds of a quarter of Cahircamore and Lorga, three cartons and a third part in Carrowmacbaghlie, half a carton in Cillpeackane, twelve plowdays in Carne, the same in Tirhemelly, seven plowdays in Farracaha, and the same in Buollyncley and Buollynreddane in the parishes of Killsheana and Killfenuragh, barony of Corcamroe, Co. Clare; a quarter in Carhowkeyle, the East half quarter of Ballyalla, the West half quarter of Ballyquilla, and the third part of a quarter in Dursane, with the spiritual or church livings belonging to the abbey of Killshana.

Attorney for livery of seisin. Brien Mc Gillipatrick of Smithstowne, gent.

Intention. The feoffees to be seised of Smithstowne and of the other denominations in Killsheana and Killfenuragh in trust for Connor O'Brien of Leameneh and his heirs. To be seised of Carownebaghlie and of twelve plowdays in Taobreogh in trust for Donough O'Hickie of Carownebaghlie and his wife and the survivor of them, until he has been repaid £8; after which they shall revert to the said Connor and his heirs. To be seised of the rest of the lands and tenements in trust for Honora Wingfield, eldest daughter of the said Honora Ny Brien, during her widowhood, with remainder to her second son Therlagh O'Brien and the rest of her children by her late husband, Donough O'Brien of Leameneh; to be divided between her and her children as thought fit by Father Donough Fitzpatrick and Connor O'Dea. If Honora is married again, or enjoys a third part of Robertstowne and certain other lands in Co. Limerick estated to her and her sisters by her mother, the feoffees to be seised of the lastnamed lands in trust for Therlagh O'Brien and the rest of the heirs of his father. To be seised of the half quarter of Ballyalla, commonly called the carton of Cahirduffe, in trust during his lifetime for Brien McDonogh Boy Mc Gillipatrick, he paying 6d. yearly rent to the said Honora or her son; remainder to the said Therlogh and Honora.

Signed & sealed. Honora Wingfield H W.

Witnesses. Donatus Fitz Patrick; Donogh O'Hickie; Teig Hickie; Brien O'Tyne [mark]; Brien Mc Gillipatrick [mark.]

Copy, made c. 1860 by the 13th Lord Inchiquin.

1059.

27 May 1638.

"I acknowledge that I have received twenty pounds ster, at the hands of Conor O'Byren Esqr, for wch I engadge the carton of Gorttnaglogh unto the said Conor in mortgadge . . . wth a clause of redemption in any moneth of May ensueing . . . wittnes my hand & seale the 29th of May 1638 . . ."

Signed & sealed. Danyell O'Bryen [mark].

Witnesses. Donatus Fitzpatricke Archidiaconus Finibornensis; Dennis Farney Rector de Kilcor et vicarius foranus (?) Adaris.; Hugh Chroe.

1060.

16 Aug. 1639. .

Order of the Court of Wards (in pursuance of an Act of State of

¹ There is a copy in the same hand of an alternative feoffment (of the same date and affecting the same lands) naming Daniel Gorman of Ballygripha a feoffee instead of Dermod O'Nealan.

3 May 1630 relating to the heirs of freeholders in certain counties who are under age); by which the following lands and tenements are leased to Mary Neylon, widow of Daniell Neylon late of Diserte, Co. Clare, gent. (who died 2 Mar. 1639) during the minority of William Nevlon. his son and heir, aged four at his father's death: two-thirds of the castle, town and lands of Dysert; the lands of Ballycullenanmore, containing one cartron; the cartron of Molenon; the cartron of Raharely: the cartron of Droman ...; the two cartrons of the Gortkorkies; the cartron of Cottin (except 2a, called Cottinbegge); the half quarter of Townagyhie; the quarter of Glanaghteragh and Crynet; the quarter of Clontohell and Killmacullagh; the half quarter of Cahermacgorman; the cartron of Dromninire in Coolshangan; the quarter of Cloynobeg; the castle and three cartrons of Bealalicky; three half quarters in Terona; the quarter of Ballygamore; a parcel containing 8a, called Brackcloughty; a watermill in the barony of Inshyquin; the castle, village, and quarter of Turlogh; the quarter of Dulyn; the castle and two-thirds of a quarter of Ballyleman; two-thirds of a quarter in Movkinissnoe and Ballywighy; two-thirds of a quarter in Ballyvoylagh and Lishenne; twothirds of a quarter in Creoghwell; two-thirds of a quarter in Collym; one-third of a quarter in Boeltobrackie : the cartron Tarmonbegg; two-thirds of a quarter in Dangen; the castle and three cartrons of Ballagh; the quarter of Kiltogheraght; the quarter of Clogher; five cartrons in the village of Ballycleineycahelt; the half-cartron of Knockanmore; a cartron and one-third in Ballykelly; and a watermill with 8a. in Ardclahin, Co. Clare. Rent £12, with permission for the said Mary Neylon to receive the issues and profits from the death of the said Daniel to the date of this order without accounting for them.

Signed. W. Parsons; Richard Bolton.

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Certified by Phillip Percivall.

Enrolled in the office of the Auditor of the Court of Wards, 16 Sept.

15 Chas. I. [1639] by Richard Newcomen.

1p., parchment.

1061.

20 Jul. 1640, 16 Chas. I.

Appointment by Barnaby [O'Brien] Earl of Thomond of Richard Keatinge of Ballynecraggy, gent., to the office of Sergeant at Arms in the province of Munster, with the accustomed fees and perquisites.

Signed. Thomond.

Witnesses. Boetius Clanchy; E. (?) Archer.

¹ Clerk of the Court of Wards, Feodary and Escheator in Munster; cf. H.M.C. Reports, Egmont MSS., vol. I pt. I., passim.

15 June 1642.

Articles between Patricke Comyne of Balliheane, Co. Clare, gent., and Connor Mc Gullduvie Mc Cruttine of Caronduff, Co. Clare. gent.

Comyne to pay £5 in consideration of a mortgage of the "cartron or quartermire of land called Skeaghboogkine," parcel of the lands of Carronduffe, in the barony of Corcomroe: "provided always that the said Connor his heires shall not provide, or any way procure any other person or persons mony or goods either for lending borrowing or in any cause draw itt, towards the regaineing or establishing him in erecting the possession of the premises but uppon theire one proper goods which shalbe apparently knowen to the countrey, that the sd Connor and his heires, to be off the stock, & ability, remayning wh [with] him to provide the sd. money (bona fide) to redeeme the premisses . . ."

Signed. Concubair Mc Crutin [in Irish characters].

Witnesses. Concubair Mc Crutin . . . is [in Irish characters]; George Comyne; Christopher Cruttine.

Endorsed with memorandum about payment of "the rent of the sd morgadge" of 10/- a year.

The following deeds also relate to these lands:

- (1) Release by Christopher Cruttyne to Patricke Comyne for £14. 1 Aug. 1658.
- (2) Bond of Cruttyne to Comyne of £10, for payment of £5. I May 1660.

1063.

3 Nov. 1643.

Articles between Christopher O'Brien and Connor O'Brien of Leameneh.

These provide for Christopher O'Brien making a lease to Connor o Brien for all Lord Inchiquin's lands and tenements now in custodiam with Christopher, for one year plus a second year if Inchiquin does not "come to his one estate by the generall course of the kingdome"; for these Connor is to pay £550 rent, and the existing tenants/are not to be disturbed.

Signed and sealed. Conner O'Brien.

Witnesses. Cornelius O'Dea; Morgh O'Brien; Walter Comyn.

1064.

1 May 1644.

Acknowledgement by Connor Clanchy of having given to Connor O'Brien of Leameneh, esq., his "full interest & title" in Roghanbeg, Roghanemore, Teascagh, and Cragganridge, and all other lands "descended unto mee by way of purchase, or otherwise from the sept of the Quins, & specially from Loghlen O Quin and Donogh O Quin

& from their father '' O'Brien paying the mortgage due on the lands, "being four cows & four horses".

Signed & sealed. Connor Clanchy.

 $\it Witnesses.$ The rlagh Mc Mahone ; William Mc Encharigy ; Frances Debeller.

1065.

3 Jul. 1644.

(I) Bond of Murrough, Baron of Inchiquin, and others to Terence alias Terlagh Oge Mc Mahon of Clenagh, Co. Clare, esq., of £1,000.

Condition: performance of feoffment, made by Inchiquin to McMahon in trust for Christopher O'Brien his brother, Honora Ny Mahon, wife of the said Christopher (relict of Mr. Boetius Clanchie of Knockfin) and the heirs of their bodies.

(2) Feoffment by Inchiquin and others to McMahon of his villages, lands, and tenements in Glannamannagh, with their tithes, containing 7½ plowlands, in the barony of Burren, Co. Clare; with remainder—for lack of heirs of the bodies of the said Christopher and Honora—to himself.

Signed. Inchiquin.

Wittnesses. Cornelius O'Brien; Ullick Bourck; Ma: Considen; Loghlin Mc Inerhiny.

1066.

16 Jul. 1644.

Bond of Morrogh [Morganum] Baron of Inchiquin, to Christopher O'Brien of Gleannamanagh, esq., and Honora Ny Bryen alias Mahon his wife, of £1,000.

Condition: performance of feoffment of the following lands and tenements in the barony of Inchiquin: the castle, town, and lands of Balliharraghan, containing three plowlands; a plowland in Carrow-meanagh, half a plowland in Portlicky, three cartrons in Carowcrorre, three cartrons in Lisnecroniterhernane, the mill and a cartron of Balliharragan, two plowlands and a quartermire in Tullydea, a quartermire in Owen, half a quartermire in Ballynicrogan, a plowland or quarter in Fulrugine, a plowland or quarter in Pollannany, a quarter and a cartron in Cahergearve, and a quarter or plowland in Killa alias Kellis.

1067.

18 Jul. 1644.

Bond of Christopher O'Brien of Gleanemanagh, Co. Clare, esq., to Connor O'Brien of Leameneh, esq., of £200.

Condition; confirming a lease for 21 years from Morogh, Lord Inchiquin, of the two plowlands of Ballycassine.

Signed & sealed. Ch: O'Bryen.

Witnesses. Ma: Considene; William Courtenay; Dermot O'Dea; Paul Tanner.

1068.

5 May 1645, 20 [sic]]Chas. I.

Mortgage by Donough O'Brien of Ballmabinny, Co. Clare, gent., to Connor O'Brien of Leameneh, esq., for £247.14; of the cartron of the castle of Balliashea in the parish of Kylnemona and barony of Inchiquin, of which he has given seisin with his own hands; the mortgagee to have "all his croppe of corne Free wth him the next harvest after redemption of the lands."

Signed and sealed. Donnogh O'Brien.

Wittnesses to signature. Cornel. O'Dea; Donnogh Karraky; Brien O'Moran; Walter Casshey; Const: O'Dauoren; Loghlin Hehir; Therlagh Mc Mahone.

Witnesses to livery of seisin. Therlagh Mc Mahone; Connor Mc Namara; Teig O'Morro (?); Thomas O Gripha [mark]; Mahon Oge Considin; Brien O'Moran; Connor Bane O'Cullenan [mark].

1069.

16 Mar, 21 Chas. I. [1646]

Lease by Nicholas [Netterville] Lord Viscount Neterville of Dowth, "Threasurear Generall within the quarters and jurisdiction of the Confederate Catholicks of Ireland"; James Cusack, esq., H.M. Attorney-General "in the behalfe of the sd Confederat Catholiques"; and William Hore, John Birminghame, and Thomas Henes, Commissioners of the Confederates' Revenue: to Christopher O'Brien of Inistyman, Co. Clare, esq.; of the following "signories," castles, manors, lands, and tenements, for term of three years, if the Confederates' interest in them lasts so long:

Killone one quarter, Dromdagrehid one quarter, Cappagharran half a quarter, Ross and Carraghdowe three cartrons, Ballygavin one quarter with two mills, Fankill one quarter, Corrafin and Leaghlegowna half a quarter with the fair and market, Ballyveruff one quarter, Killine three cartrons, Coude half a quarter, Fanmore and Cahirblonicke one quarter and a half, Cahirnally half a quarter, Ballycasein two quarters and a half, Carownemadra one cartron and a half, Aglishcarney half a quarter, Cahiravallin half a quarter, Daingeinvereagh one cartron, Daingenvesagh half a quarter, Killynebeg half a quarter, Dirowne six quarters, Ould Castle with a quarter in Sally Liswellnyne and Gortvily half a quarter; "the Lord of Insiquins cheefe rents in the barony of Insiquin" with the Court Leet and

Court Baron in the said barony; O Bryens bridge half a quarter, Clonebyne half a quarter, Ardategill half a quarter, Fahy two quarters, Reappaghkeigh one quarter, Ballynavin one quarter, Leaghcareaghes two quarters, Goolederine one quarter, Ballycorny one quarter, Finleigh one quarter, Killestry one quarter, Ballyconie one quarter, and two-thirds of a quarter, Ballymullowny one quarter and a third of a quarter, Kilbane half a quarter, Formylie half a quarter, Clonesconirybegg half a quarter, Killurehury-& Kilbridane three parts of a cartron in four parts divided, Gleanaguilleagh four quarters, the half quarter and the three parts of a castle of Ballyveaghane, Ballycarroll three cartrons, and Killmuanie one quarter, containing in all forty-six quarters, one cartron, and the three parts of a cartron; with a chief rent of £38 out of the barony of Insiquin or out of 152 quarters in the said barony, premises being of the inheritance of the Lords of Inchiquin. Rent for the whole, £445.1.4 English, with the country charges payable out of other lands of the same value in Co. Clare; the lessee not to commit waste, under penalty of four times the value of the waste committed; and being free from all public levies or applotments if the rent is punctually paid.

Schedule of lands and rents annexed; average rent, £5 per half quarter.

Signed & sealed. Nettiruill; James Cusak; William Hore;
Thomas Hene.

Wilnesses. Anthony Martin; Donat (?) Mc Namara (?); Ter: O'Brien; Rich. Tetlowe; Francis Ronane.

1070.

8 May 1646.

Articles presented to the House of Commons against Murrough O'Brien, Baron of Inchiquin and Lord President of Munster, by Lord Broghill and Sir Arthur Loftus.

Printed in Richard Gething: Articles exhibited to the Honourable House of Commons together with a full and clear answer.

2pp.; centemporary copy.

1071.

29 June 1646.

Acknowledgment by Mortagh Hogan of the receipt from Connor O'Brien of Leameneh, esq., of £30 due on a mortgage on two-thirds of a cartron in Dromnagah, being part of the town and lands of Bally viren, left to Hogan by his father.

Signed. Mortagh Hogan.

Witnesses. Daniell O'Brien; Dan: Fitz Donnogh; Ja: More; Daniell Gorman; Danill Neylon.

1 Jul. 1646

Mortgage by Daniell O'Brien of Gortnaglogh, Co. Clare, gent., to Mleaghlen Oge O'Hehir of Bouluduff, Co. Clare, gent., for fio; of the cartron or quartermire of Gortnaglogh, in the parish of Rath, baronyof Inchiquin.

Attorney for livery of seisin. John Mc Enchroe.

Signed & sealed. Daniell O'Brien Fitz Mortagh [mark.]

Witnesses to signature. Mohen Oge Considin; Mortagh O'Daly [mark]; John Mc Enchroe [erased]; Brien O'Brien [mark].

Witnesses to livery of seisin. John Dowley; Richard Dowley; Mohone Mergagh O'Quin; John Bane Minitter.

Endorsed with assignment by Loghlen o Hehir, son of Mleaghlen O'Hehir, to Conor O'Brien of Lemineh. 27 Jul. 1648.

1073.

I Apr. 1647.

Commissions from the Supreme Council of the Confederate Catholics:

(1) to Therlagh Mc Mahowne of Cleynagh, Co. Clare, esq., and John MacNemarae of Moyriesk, esq.; to administer to Connor O'Brien of Leamench, esq., the High Sheriff's oath and the Oath of Association;

(2) to Connor O'Brien, as High Sheriff of Co. Clare.

Signed. Antrim¹; Muscrye²; Louithe³; Ed. Limericen⁴; Nico Fernensis⁵; Hen: Mc Donell; Athunry⁶; J. () Everard; Turl. O'Neill; Hu: Rochfort; Rol: Lynch; Patr: Nagle (); John Dillon; Piers Butler.

1074.

29 May 1647.

Quitclaim by Brien O'Brien of Aghrem, Co. Clare, gent., and Thady alias Teig Mc Murrogh O'Brien of Cullenagh, gent., to Dermot O'Brien of Dromore, esq., for £120 (English); of their interest in the quarter called "Boulyenclonyneen" in the parish of Dishert and barony of Inchiquin.

Signed and sealed. Brien O'Brien; Teige: O'Brien.

Witnesses. Breine Mc Mahon; John Grady; Brady; Connor O'Gorman; Mortagh Mc Brine.

Endorsed by Robert O'Brien; "Dermot was 3d son of Teige O Brien of Dromore who was 2d son of the Earl of Thomond & married Slany 2d daughter of Teige O Brien of Smithstown."

¹ Randal McDonnell, 2nd Earl and 1st Marquis [1609-1682.]

² Donough McCarthy, 2nd Viscount [1594-1665.] 3 Oliver Plunkett, 6th Baron [c. 1608-1679.]

<sup>Edmund O'Dwyer, Bishop c. 1644-1654.
Nicholas French, Bishop c. 1646-1678.
Francis Bermingham, 12th Baron [c. 1615-1677.]</sup>

9 Oct. 1649.

Feoffment by Conor O'Brien of Leameneh, esq., to John Mc Nemara of Moyreske, esq., and Therlagh Mc Mahowny of Cleanagh Co. Clare, esq., of the following lands and tenements in Co. Clare: the castle, town, and quarter of Leymenach, a quarter called Cahir, a plowland called Caherfadda, the quartermere of Moherwellanagh, the castle, town, and two plowlands of Ballymorroghowe, the castle and plowland of Ballyportrey, a plowland called Cloonyne, the castle and two plowlands of Ballygrifae, a plowland in the townland of Ardkarny, one-third of a plowland in Agherim, a quartermere in Kiltorky, a quartermere in Ballyassye belonging to the castle, a half plowland in Ballyestye, a half plowland in Gortvargan, a half quartermere in Coockenanmore, two-thirds of a quarter in Carhownegan, half a plowland in FyanIghteragh, two-thirds of a cartron in Drumnagae, five and a half cartrons in Killane, Craggenboy, and Toureguish, the cartron of Killnebasty, the quarter of Clounyne, the lands of Moherballanagh, Tooskagh, Roughanelyrn (?), Cosnacorra, Poulechollicky, Fahafane, and Pallinafoochad, one-third of a cartron in Myvouhy and Gortleahan, Co. Clare.

To hold in trust (Leymenach and certain other lands) for the said Conor and Mary Ny Brien alias Mc Mahowny, his wife and the survivor; remainder to Donough O'Brien, son and heir of Conor; Teige O'Brien, his second son; Therlagh O'Brien, his third son; the heirs male of the body of Conor; of Donough O'Brien, deceased, his father; of Murrough, Lord Inchiquin; and of Christopher O'Brien, brother of the said Lord.

To hold the rest of the lands in trust for Onora, Mary, and Slany Ny Brien, daughters of Conor, until they are paid respectively portions of £600, £400, and £200—to be increased to £1,000, £800, and £600 in case his eldest son dies without male issue; also for payment of £200 to his sister Margaret, if not preferred in his lifetime.

The said Conor may—for necessary occasions—mortgage any two quarters for not more than £200.

Attorney for livery of seisin. Flan Nealan.

Signed. Connor O'Brien.

Witnesses to signature. William Mc Encharigy; Mahon Oge O'Loghlen; Dermott O'Finucane.

Witnesses to livery of seisin. Ter: Neyllan; Teige Mc Mahon; Hugh Chroe; William Mc Encharigy; William Nealan

17th May 1650.

Commission issued by James [Butler] Marquis of Ormonde, to Col. Connor O'Brien, as Colonel of a regiment of horse.

Signed. Ormonde.

Countersigned. William Bowen.

1077.

2 Dec. 1650.

Order of Lord Inchiquin, excusing Col. Conor O'Brien from payment of rent for the lands of Ballycassine, until specifically ordered by Inchiquin.

Signed & sealed. Inchiquin.

Witnesses. Hugh Chroe; Pa: Chrowe; Bar: Dunne.

1078.

12/22 Feb. 1650/51, 2 Chas. II.

King's letter (from Jersey) to Lord Inchiquin, President of Munster, commending his services and requesting him "to continue your advice and assistances to our Lieutenant in all things . . ."

1p., marked "duplicate" in upper righthand corner.

1079.

15 Mar. 1655.

Lease by Col. Henry Ingoldesby to John Macghee of Knockbeagh, Co. Clare, gent., of the towns, hamlets, and lands of Knockbeagh and Clouneskeagh (137a.), three cartrons of Tullaglasse (75a.), Killines and that part of Lissinrinkea surveyed with it by Capt. Webb (135a.), and Killulla (46a.) in the barony of Bunratty, Co. Clare; for 99 years or the lives of the said John, his first wife, and James Macghee his brother; rent 3/- per acre, with provision for paying proportionately more, if the three cartrons of Tullaglasse are found, on further survey, to contain more than 75a.; the tenant paying all taxes and country charges, building within 7 years "a decent and sufficient house after the English manner," quicksetting within 15 years the fences and enclosures, making within 7 years an orchard of 300 trees, planting every 10 years 300 ash, oak, birch, or other trees suitable for planting, and not alienating to any of the former proprietors or their heirs without the landlord's consent.

Signed. Henry Ingoldesby.

Witnesses to signature, and to addition of three muttons and six capons as yearly duties. Geo: Commyn; John Urrell; Hum: Rogers; Edw. Fz Gerald; Nicho: Harrold.

Endorsed as follows:

(1) with resignation of lease by John Macghee in favour of David and Catherine Macghee, his father and mother. [] Jul. 1656.

(2) With assignment by John Macghee of his interest, as security

for payment of £84, to Sir Donough O'Brien. 13 Apr. 1693.

(3) With agreement by which [] for £6 yearly rent acquits John Macghee and his heirs of the covenant for resurveying Tullaglass. 4 Jul. 1696.

1080.

20 Sept. 1655.

Articles between Cunarra Mc Inereny of Ballisallagh, Co. Clare, gent. (by virtue of a letter of attorney from. Thomas Feild of Ballisallagh, gent.); and Daniell Mc Namara of Ballinacraggie, Co. Clare, gent.

Providing for the enjoyment by Mc Namara of residue of a lease made 28 Apr. 1632 by Richard Keatinge of Ballinacraggie to James Martin late of Ballisallagh, of the lands of Corkaghriegh, Keyanlamane, Keyn Ballisallagh, Tworyne, and Craggancantey in Ballinacraggie, containing half a plowland; rent £6.10. plus 40/- a year during Field's interest.

Signed & sealed. Conona Mc Inerhiny.

Witnesses. Tho. Clanchy; Teige Mc Namara; Jo: Mc Connor.

Endorsed with Field's consent to the above, 26 Dec. 1655.

Signed & sealed. Thomas Feild.

Witnesses. Conara Mc Inerhiny; Tho: Clanchy; Teige Mc Namara.

1081.

19 May 1656.

Certificate issued by Tho. Elliot, Deputy-Surveyor-General, of 102 quarters [sic] of the half quarter of Erenagh, in the parish of Disert, barony of Inchiquin, having been set out to Matthew Gripha of Erinagh, Co. Clare, under a decree (I Oct. 1655) of the Commissioners for adjudicating the claims of the Irish.

Copy, dated 20 Aug. 1663.

1082.

2 Oct. 1656.

Agreement between Lord Henry O'Brien, Baron of Ibrican; and William Hobson, esq. (agent for Rt. Hon. Barnaby [O'Brien] Earl of Thomond) and Col. Henry Ingoldesby.

Provides for Hobson, on receiving authority from Lord Thomond, making to Ingoldesby a lease of the castle of Clare, with the three plowlands of Knocke, Killoe, and Skeaghana, in the barony of Ilands; for 21 years (the town of Clare being excepted), at £30 rent, with 12d. in the £ receiver's fees, and suit and service at the manor of Clanrone; to fence the high ground with whitethorn, the low and boggy ground with osiers and willow, and make up the seabanks and sluices.

Signed & sealed. Henry o: Bryen; William Hobson. [Armorial seals].

Witnesses. J. Hurd (?); Thomas Barrington; Thomas Southwell.

1083.

1 May 1657.

Mortgage by Brien O'Brien of Ballclonyne in the barony of Inchiquin, gent., Teige O'Brien of the same, gent., and Turlough O'Brien of the same, gent. (son of the said Teige); to James Lovell of Newcastle Co. Longford, gent., for £18; of the "quartermeare" of Teskagh in the parish of Killenaboy and barony of Inchequin; with provision for repayment in case the land is taken away or disposed of "by any in publique power & Authority."

Signed & sealed. Bryen: O Bryen; Ther: O Bryen; Teige O

Bryen.

Witnesses to signature, and to delivery of mortgage to Michaell O Dea, for the use of James Lovell. Walter Bourke; Der: O Kearnie; John O Gripha; Edmond O Hehir.

Endorsed with assignment by Mary Lovell (devisee of James Lovell) to Mrs. Mary Cooper alias Brien, in trust for her son Donnogh O'Brien,

a minor. 19 June 1658.

Also: bond of Teige O'Brien and Therlagh O'Brien both of Buoly-cloneene, Co. Clare, gents., to Donough O'Brien of Leymeneh, gent., of £48; for performance of mortgage of Teskagh for £24, and making a 21 years' lease of it to Brien O'Morane at 30/- rent. 22 Nov. 1658.

1084.

23 May 1657.

 warning; rent £5, with provision for compensation, to be awarded by two men "indifferently chosen," for improvements made by Nihell in the event of his not being able to enjoy them.

Signed. Patrick Nihell.

Witnesses. Edward Masters; Piers Creagh.

1085.

2 Mar. 1658.

Articles of agreement between Henrie Flower of Dublin, esq., and John Kett of Dublin, merchant.

Flower, in consideration of £340.16.0 down and £383.8.0 to be paid on the 14th April at William Hill's house in Castlestreet, agrees to supply on or before the 1st of October 1,704 "Bristow barrells of the best coleseed sweete & cleane & dry & euery way merchantable " half at 8/- and the other half at 9/- a barrel; the boat hire, for carrying them on board the ship, not to exceed 5/- per 8 tons.

Witnesses. William Hills; William Heydon; George Lambert. Contemporary copy.

1086.

21 Sept. 1657.

Conveyance by Duke Crofton of Lisdarne, Co. Roscommon, gent., to Thomas Green of the city of Canterbury in England, gent., for £117; of the lands of Relaphan (113a.) and Fininglasse and Kilcolgan (123a.) in the parish of Killaghtin and barony of Iraghteconer, Co. Kerry; Garranaleyne (50a.) and 75a. 2r. 2p. in Curraghbrumagh, in the parish of Balinloudra and barony of Castleagh, Co. Limerick.

Signed. Duke Crofton.

Witnesses to signature. Sam. Doughty; Johninnman; Bar. Henry.

Witnesses to livery of seisin by Thomas Gallagher, attorney of Duke Crofton, to Anthony Green, attorney of Thomas Green.

 $\it Co.\,Kerry\,witnesses.$ Frauncis Hodgkins ; Phillip Belcher ; Thomas Hyffernan.

Co. Limerick witness. Tiage Mc Gragh [mark].

1087.

30 1657.

Lease by Cornet John Cooper to Patricke Devereux of Crosse, Co. Clare, gent., of the hamlet, town, and lands of Crosse, containing one "quartermeere" and a half, in the barony of Inchiquine; for seven years, rent £4 for the first year and £7 for the remainder.

Signed & sealed. Patrick Deverox [mark].

Witness. Benjamin Lucas.

1658 to 1711.

Schedule [brief particulars only] of 44 deeds and papers affecting the lands of Ballymacravane and half Crossard, in the barony of Inchiquin, Co. Clare.

Signed. Henry O'Brien; Theobald Butler.

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1089.

16 Mar. 1658.

Defeasance by Henrie Flower of Dublin, esq., to John Cooper of Limerick, gent., of a statute staple (Dublin) of £4,000 relating to delivery of coleseed [see deed of 2 Mar. 1658 supra]; and of a bond of £700 to Christopher Lovett of Dublin, merchant, and John Kerdiffe of Nobber, Co. Meath, by which Cooper is to deliver in Athlone 260 "goode sound & wholesome" steers, 100 to be two year olds, 100 three year olds, and 60 four year olds.

Signature cut out.

Witnesses. John Povey; Daniel Roberts; Sam Hill; Thomas Evelyn; John Foxon.

Also: two further deeds (30 Aug. 1660 and 31 Oct. 1661) between Flower and Cooper concerning the above statute staple.

Also: bond of Cooper to Flower of £4,000 for performance of agreement. 29 Jan. 1658.

1090.

29 Apr. 1659.

Deed by which John Cooper of Rathlanhine, Co. Clare, esq., exchanges with Ralph Conyers of Meelicke, esq., the following lands: the manor of Tarbart otherwise Torbart with its two plowlands (400a.), Cooleneenanagh (146a. or. 35p.), Carhaneconnelagh (48a. 2r. 10p.), Lissey (51a. 2r. op.), Ralapane (62a.), Killcollgan (173a. 1r. 33p.), Ballycollmane (104a. 1r. 9p.), Lissey (70a. 2r. 18p.), Cahirgall (37a. 1r. 36p.), Beallanagh (139a. 1r. 31p.), Palleene (142a. 3r. 26p.), Glancullere (271a. 3r. 3op.), Glantullagh (284a. 2r. 36p.), Mealeconouthtragh (73a. or. 21p.), Mealeconmennagh (115a. 1r. 8p.), Carhunekilly (165a, or. 4p.), Kilmurrely (144a. 2r. 3p.), Shannavogh (211a. 1r. 29p.). Ballynesaggurt (49a. 1r. 39p.), Gurtinetaggle (327a. 2r. 37p,), Doonard (300a.), Cahirgarruffe (117a. 1r. 30p.), and Carhoonagh (162a. 2r. 19p.); together with free house-, hedge-, fire-, plough-, and cartboot in the woods of Tiereclagh, in Co. Kerry: in exchange for the towns, and hamlets, and plowlands of Foibogh and Meelicke, with the castle, town, and half plowland of Cratteloghmoile, in the barony of Bunratty, Co. Clare (set to Convers in 1657 for 61 years by Sir Henry Ingoldesby);

all Sir Hardress Waller's lands in the barony of Poblebryen, Co. Limerick; and some marshlands belonging to Henry Bendon in and near Mongrett, in the county of the city of Limerick.

Provides for reentry on the lands exchanged, by either party, in the event of incumbrances or evictions being found or taking place.

Signed. Ralph Conyers.

Witnesses. Thomas Power; Thomas Miller; John Fagan; Stephen Creagh; Ignatius Moore; Robert Arthur (?).

Also endorsed with letter from Patrick Kelly to [] beginning; "My dearest it is the perseverance of the Ireish & English warrs has been the occasion of absenting my selfe this long time" [n.d.].

1091.

8 Dec. 1660.

Certificate of James, Duke of Ormonde, stating that Col. Connor O'Brien had behaved "with much loyalty & faithfulness towards his Matie and was killed in actuall service against the rebells "; and that his son Donnogh has been "these seven yeares bred up in the Protestant religion and was stript of all his fathers estate & exposed to great misery "

1092.

1660.

Certificate of [James Tuchet] Earl of Castlehaven & Audley, stating that Col. Connor O'Brien of Leameneh had served in H.M. Army in Ireland while he was General of the Horse there.

1093.

17 Feb. 1660 [61].

Certificate of [Donogh McCarthy] Earl of Clancartie, issued at the instance of Therlagh O'Brien of Dromeere (?), Co. Clare, esq., stating that he and his father Teige O'Brien had 'never acted any thinge contrary to his Matie peace and authority, dureing the warres in Ireland ''

1094.

27 Feb. 1660 [61].

"These are to testifie that Coll. Mortagh O Bryen did serve under my Comand in his late Maties service in the Kingdome of England. and Dominion of Wales in the years 1643 and 44

Worcester" [Armorial seal].

10 Mar. 1661.

Certificate of [Murrough O'Brien] Earl of Inchiquin, stating that Col. Mortagh O'Brien had "cherefully imbraced the peace made by his Grace the Duke of Ormond with the Catholiques of Ireland in ..., 1648, and faithfully adhear'd thereunto during my being in that kingdome "

1096.

1661 (?)

Report of [Murrough O'Brien] Earl of Inchiquin, and [Henry Moore] Viscount Moore on a petition of Donough O'Brien.

Ends, ".... wee are humbly of opinion that hee may bee restored to his estate"

Draft, 1p.

Also: "Forme of a lr. for his Majtie to restore Sr Donnogh to his estate." Draft, 1p.

1097.

I May 1661, 13 Chas. II.

Mortgage by Syda Mc Namarra of Curraghiwatty, Co. Clare, gent., and Ellis Ny McNamarra alias Ny Mc Enerny his wife, formerly wife of Mortagh Flannegane of Cross, gent., deceased; to Donnogh O'Brien of Leameneh, gent., for £100, of the town and lands of Cross, with the mill and other appurtenances, containing half a quarter, and the "sessiffe" of Creevegh, in the parish of Carrane and barony of Burren.

1098.

31 Oct. 1661.

Assignment by Henry Flower of Dublin, esq., to Thomas Green, now or late of London, esq., for £1,500, of a statute staple for £4,000 entered into by John Cooper.

Signed. Henry Flower.

Witnesses. Giles Vanderluere; Jean Clignet; Anthony Gureny; Tho: Browne.

1099.

23 Nov. 13 Chas. II. [1661].

General pardon to John Cooper of Ballimorrice, Co. Clare, gent., and Mary his wife.

1100.

25 Feb. 1661 [2], 14 Chas. II.

Mortgage by William Neylon of Dysert, esq.; to Nicholas Neylon of Rosse-levan, Co. Clare, gent., for £60; of the towns and lands of

Ballinlicky (199a.), and Kilkee and Lisnirahanick (97a.), in the parish of Dysert, barony of Inchiquin, Co. Clare. Mortgagee to enjoy the lands for a year after repayment.

Signed & sealed. Wm. Neylan [Armorial seal. Three fleurs de lis]. Witnesses. Maurice Stacke; Manuell Grady; Garrett Stacke; John Huonin [mark].

1101.

12 May 14 Chas. II. [1662].

Bond of Mary Cooper, Donough O'Brien, and Honora O'Brien all of Leameneh, Co. Clare; to Thomas Hickman of Bella-heney, Co. Clare, gent., of £200, conditioned for the payment of £100 at Mr. Henry Price's house in Our Ladies parish in the city of Limerick.

Signed. Mary Cooper; Don: O: Brien; Honora Brye[n].

Witnesses. Paul Sarsfield; Francis Towneley; John Stonehill, servant to Fred. Exen, notary.

1102.

28 Apr. 1663, 15 Chas. II.

Lease by Murrough, Earl of Inchiquin, to Donough O'Brien of Leameneh, gent., of the two and a half quarters of Ballykassine, the quarter of Moherbeg and Moherglane, the quarter of Cahirbeanagh and Cahirseallagh, and the half quarter of Cahirbeanagh, in the parish of Killinaboy, barony of Inchiquin, Co. Clare; for 21 years from SS. Philip & James's day; rent, £30; heriot, the best beast or 40/-; dues, a fat hog or 10/-, a fat mutton or 5/-, and a couple of capons or 2/6. The tenant within 7 years to enclose his part of the outbounds with a double stone wall; to build a house of four couples and two ends, with a double stone chimney; to make a good garden and orchard, containing at least 60 apple—and peartrees; and to do suit and service at the Inchiquin manor courts.

Signed & sealed. Insiquin.

Witnesses. Piers Morris; John Mac Enchroe; Garrett Fitz Gerrald; Owen O'Hehir; Kevin (?) Mc Inerhiny.

1103.

25 May 1663.

Lease by Donough O'Brien Mc Teige of Ballymclasken and Donough O'Brien of Leameneh, Co. Clare, gents., to John O Connor of Ballytumulta, Co. Clare, "fearmor"; of the quarter or plowland of Ballytumulta, in the parish of Kilfenora, barony of Corckmroe, for 7 years; rent £13, with a good hog or 10/-, a mutton or 5/-, a couple

of capons or 2/6, and a hen out of each house; the tenant paying quit and other rents; receiver's fee 6d. in f (12d. in case of distraint).

Signed & sealed. John O'Conor [mark].

Witnesses. Der: O'Brien; D. O'Brien; Hugh Chroe.

1104.

20 Aug. 1663.

Precept to the Sheriff of Co. Clare to put William Neylon in possession of the half cartron of Ballycullinanemore and Cotteenmore, the half quarter of Mullarine, the cartron of Ratheraley, and other lands (except for those parts set out by final settlement to Edward Adare, Richard Nugent, Morrice Fitz Gerrald, and John Butler).

Contemporary copy; 2pp.

1105.

20 Aug. 1663.

Agreement by which Mahon O Gripha of Erenagh, Co. Clare, "freehoulder," is to pay Donough O'Brien of Leameneh, gent., 20/- a year out of the cartron of Gorttlehan in the barony of Inchiquin; in return for which O'Brien is to "protect me and my heyres to the best of their power and warrt, the sd lands... unto me and my heyres...".

Signed & sealed. Mathew Gripha. [Uses O'Brien armorial seal]. Witnesses. Hugh Chroe; Bryan O Morane; Fan: (?) Nellane.

1106.

14 Nov. 1663.

Lease for three years by William Neylon of Ihrelogh, Co. Clare, esq., to Sir William Kinge of Hospitall, Co. Limerick, Kt., of the following lands in the baronies of Burren, Corcomrow, and Inchiquin, Co. Clare: Ballyvowleghan alias Ballydonnell, two-thirds of a quarter, 79a.; Croghill, two-thirds of a quarter, 43a.; Ballyrighyny, one quarter, 21a.; Craganeclonyne, 4a. in Mohermollanagh, two-thirds of three-quarters of a quarter, 29a.; Ballycloncahill, one quarter, 74a.; Carewreagh, half a quarter, 25a.; Clogher, one quarter, 93a.; Ballagh, one quarter, 65a.; Killtoragh (with its subdenominations Meery, Knockane, Ballynecarragh, Gonyneawe, Beallagh, and Gortinarda) one quarter, 50a.; Dromoryn Easte, one quarter, 57a.; Gortnorkey, half a quarter, 154a.; Mollenyne, one quarter, 73a.;

Signed. Wm. Neilan.

Witnesses. Edward Galard; John Kinge; Alexander Lane; Henry Carter; William Bourcke; James Fitz Geerld [mark].

20 Apr. 1664.

Lease by Sir William King of Hospitall, Co. Limerick, Kt., to Donough O'Brien of Leameneh, gent., of the following lands in the baronies of Burren and Corcomroe, Co. Clare:

the 2/3 of a quarter of Ballyvowlighan alias Ballydonelane, containing 79a.; the 2/3 of a quarter of Croghill, containing 43a.; the third of a quarter of Ballyvihinye, containing 7a.; a parcel of Craganelowen, containing 2a.; the 2/3 of $\frac{3}{4}$ of a quarter of Mohermolanagh, containing 29a.; the quarter of Ballydouncahill, containing 74a.; the half quarter of Leagh Carrowreagh, containing 25a.; the quarter of Clogher, containing 93a.; the three cartrons of Bellagh, containing 35a.; and the quarter of Kiltoragh, called [sic] Meery, Knockane, Ballynecorragh, Lemynea, and Gortinecarda, containing 50a.

To hold for term of 31 years; rent £90, with 12d. in £ fees in case of distraint.

Signed & sealed. Will: Kinge. [Armorial seal, indecipherable.]

Witnesses. Henery Flower; John Cooper; John Brett; John
Mc Inerhiny; Ignatius Moore.

Endorsed with memorandum of acceptance of surrender of the lease by King, at Killpeaken, 22 Feb. 1667.

Witness to surrender. George Sankey.

1108.

25 May 1664.

Mortgage by William Neylon of Dizart, Co. Clare, esq., to Hugh Mc Teig O Conor of Dizart, yeoman, for £60; of the quarter or plowland of Clonybeg, in the parish of Dizartt, barony of Inchiquin.

Signed. Hugh Mc Teig Mc Conor "his signe & seale."

Witnesses. Bonm. (?) [Bonaventure] (?) Chroe; Bartho: Kelly; Connor O Kelly "his signe"; Edmund O Boyle "his signe."

1109.

Sept. 1664.

Articles entered into by Thomas Greene and John Cooper for making oil at [Sixmilebridge].

Signed. Thomas Greene.

Witnesses. Ralph Wilson; Lawrence Hyde; Richard Hooper. 1p., incomplete.

1110.

1 Mar. 1665.

Mortgage by Edmond Meara of Dublin, M.D., to Nicholas Arthure, gent., for £500; of the castles, towns, hamlets, and lands of Danganbrakce, Ardnavoylane, Creevagh, Cahirunine alias Creevagh alias Cahirkelly, Maddara, Kerfewest, and Killdroma, containing 440a., in

the barony of Bunratty, parish of Quin, Co. Clare; with provision, if Arthure fails to pay the £500, for his having a year's lease of the lands and paying in addition £50 "fine or incombe" for a 21 years' lease, and the next half year's rent of £25.

Signed & sealed. Nicholas Arthur.

Witnesses. Pat Arthur; Edmond Power; Charles Daly.

Endorsed with memoranda of having been shown to Francis Arthur and Charles Daly, in case of Arthur v. Wolfe and others. 11 Oct. 1683.

Also: counterpart, signed & sealed Edm: Meara.

Acknowledgment by Meara of receipt of £50 from Arthur. 1 Mar. 1665. Copy.

The following deeds also relate to Dangenbrack:

(1) Bond of John MacNemara alias Macnemara of Cnappoge, Co. Clare, esq., to Edmond Meara of £24, to perform argement relating to several parcels of land. 21 Jan. 1668[9] 20 Chas. II.

(2) Conveyance by MacNemara to Meara of the above. 21 Jan.

1668[9].

(3) Quitclaim by Nicholas Arthur and Patrick Arthur to Meara of their interest in the lands named in mortgage of 1 Mar. 1665. 7 May 17 Chas. II. [1665].

1111.

20 May 1665.

Lease by Murrough [O'Brien], Earl of Inchiquin, and William, Lord O'Brien of Burrin; to Bryen Hanraghan of Credergan, Co. Clare, gent.; of the cartron of Fantoure (16a. P.M., the fourth part of the plowland of Carrowhareagh, in the barony of Corkcumroe); for 61 years, rent 8/-. Lessee is not to part with his interest without giving lessors "timely notice" and the first refusal. A new lease, for the same term, to be made at the expiration of the present one, on payment of £5 renewal fine.

Signed & sealed. Insiquin. [twice].

Witnesses to signature. Cor. Clancy. [Second and third signatures illegible].

Witnesses to renewal (?), 9 Nov. 1683, by Lord O'Brien (now Earl of Inchiquin). Augustine Fitz Gerald; Jone (?) Goold; Donnagh Considine.

1112

8 June 1665.

Agreement between Henry Flower of Dublin, esq., and Donough O'Brien of Leameneh, gent., by which O'Brien undertakes to pay Flower £110 on or before 30 June 1666, in consideration of his having gone surety to the Crown (together with David Power of Lettrim, Co.

Galway, gent., Matthew Mc Mahon, gent., and Hugh Mc Incroe, gent.) for Mary, wife of John Cooper of Bunratty, Co. Clare, esq., when she was indicted for murder at the Summer Assizes in 1661.

Signed. Donogh O Brien.

Witnesses. James Stacpool; Daniell Mc Connell; Robert Power.

1113.

30 Sept. 1665.

Minute for lease by Ca[r]y Dillon to Georg Miller of Ballyvoghan of the cartron called Kilgobane, being part of Ballyvoghan, in the barony of Burren, Co. Clare, for 10 years at 40/- rent.

Signed. Cary Dillon.

Witnesses. Henry Banks; Stephen White; George Martyn; Thomas Stanton.

1114.

с. 1666.

Extract from the Books of Survey and Distribution, relating to the lands of Carroeragh and Fantore, parish of Kilshany, barony of Corcumroe, Co. Clare.

Profitable land, 65a.; unprofitable land, 227a.

Proprietors in 1641. Honora Wingfield; Dermott O'Brien; Boetius Clanchy of Knockfin; Boet. Clanchy of Creaghonda, esq.; Dermott Clanchy; and Mcloughlin O Hanraghan.

Lands disposed to: Richard Shee, Earl of Inchiquin, Lord Clare, and Bryan Hanrahan.

Certified copy, dated 1853; 1p.

1115.

7 Mar. 18 Chas. II. [1666].

Letters patent to Murrough, Earl of Inchiquin, of the castle and manor of Inchiquin, the lands of Rosse and Cowd, and other lands and tenements in Co. Clare.

18th cent. copy, incomplete; 38pp.

Cf. Ir. rec. comm. rep. 1821-27, pp. 98-99.

1116.

I Jan. 1666.

Lease by Murrough [O'Brien] Earl of Inchiquin, to Mortagh O'Griphae of Loghannofulean, Co. Clare, gent., of the plowland of Loghannofulean and certain other lands in the parish of Disheart and barony of Insiquin, Co. Clare; for 61 years at £7 rent, not payable during any war that "shall arise in this kingdome....". Inchiquin

at the expiration of this lease shall make a fresh lease to the tenant or his heirs, on payment of £14 fine.

Signed. Mortagh O'Gripha.

Witnesses to signature, and to agreement for the tenant doing suit and service at the manor courts of Insiquin. Philip Rooke; William Connery; Loghlin O'Hehir; [first signature illegible].

1117.

25 Feb. 1666.

Lease by Robert Starkey of Dromoland esq., to Daniel O Brien of Carrickeholta, Co. Clare gent., of the castles towns and lands of Dromolan and Ballyconnella (reserving to Henry Colpoyse, gent., a garden plot for potatoes held by him rent free, and to Starkey 4a. English belonging to Gortealoghan, a subdenomination of the said lands); for 21 years, rent £263, with 6d. in £ receiver's fees (12d. if distrained).

Signed. Robert Starky.

Witnesses. D. O'Brien; Denis Mac Nemara; Henry Carroll; [first and last signatures illegible].

Endorsed with assignment of his interest by Daniel O'Brien to Thomas Walcott of Bohill, Co. Clare, esq., 29 Jan. 1669.

Also; two leases (Walcott to Heffernan and Hickman) and an assignment (Walcott to O'Brien) of Dromoland and Mohiranrowre. 3 & 7 Sept. 1670.

1118.

9 Mar. 1665[6], 18 Chas. II.

Fee farm grant by Murrough, Earl of Inchiquin, to Donogh O'Hehir of Cnokhane (?), Co. Clare, gent.; of the plowland of Ballyveeravane, containing 147a., and the half plowland of Crossharle, containing 43a., by Strafford's Survey, in the barony of Corckomroe, Co. Clare; rent per acre 3d., which shall cease "if any warrs shall happen whereby the premisses shall become wast ".

Signed. Insiquin.

Witnesses. Hugh Chroe; Loghlin O'Hehir; Ja: Mc: en Chroe. Endorsed with affidavit to validity of deeds of Hugh Chroe, sworn before Will: Worth. 29...1684.

1119.

1 May 1667.

Lease by Hon. Col. Daniell O'Brien of Carrighoult, Co. Clare, son & heir of Connor, Viscount O'Brien of Clare; to Bryen Hanraghane of Carkneduffe, Co. Clare, gent.; of the lands of Upper and Lower

Derreene (one quarter, 70a.); Carhueduffe (one quarter, 39a.); Fanaline (half a cartron, part of the quarter of Carroweragh, 9a.); half a quarter of Ballyalla (48a.); and Purtion (one-third of a cartron, 4a.); all in the barony of Corcomroe, Co. Clare: for lives of the lessee, Dennis Hanraghane, his son & heir, and Honnora Hanraghane, one of his daughters; rent £9.2., with 6d. in the £ receiver's fees.

Lessee to enclose at least an acre of ground with a good stone wall or a double ditch; and, within 9 years, to build next to it a capital messuage or house with stone walls, at least 50' long, 18' broad, and 9' high, with two good chimneys made of stone, lime, and sand. Any part of the premises that is now ploughed, or shall be ploughed during the term of the lease, to be laid out in broad ridges, "that is to say three or foure of the ordinary or usuall ridges layd into one ridge and then smoothly harrowed after the English maner," under penalty of 6d. for each ridge laid out otherwise.

Attorney for livery of seisin. Donnogh Mc Consideen of Lismorane, gent.

Signed. D. O'Brien.

Witnesses to signature. John Cooper; Donough O'Brien; Henry Iuers; Ja: Fz Gerald; John Cusacke.

Witnesses to livery of seisin of Upper and Lower Derrine. Derby Garman; Michaell Hanrahane.

Witnesses to livery of seisin of Carrowduffe. Richard Hanrahaine; Mohon (?) Hanrahane; Dermott O'Conor.

Endorsed with:

(1) Memorandum of the lessee being freed of the clause of forfeiture for not carrying out certain improvements, while still being bound to carry them out. 23 Apr. 1672.

Signed. Clare.

Witnesses. Da: Mc Dermott; George Breine; Andrew Creagh; Teig Mc Namara; Daniell Howny [mark].

- (2) Memorandum of having been shown to Jo. Budden, Escheator, and the Commissioners, at Ennis. 22 July 1696.
- (3) Memorandum of having been read in the Court of Claims. 4 Oct. 1708. (?)

[The fourth endorsement is illegible].

1120.

13 Jan. 1667 [8] 19 Chas. II.

Lease by Henry Ivers of Ballymullana, Co. Clare, gent., to Donough O'Brien of Leameneh, esq.; of the castle, town, and one of the two quarters of Ballyganner, in the parish of Nohauell, barony of Burren, Co. Clare; for 21 years at $\pounds 8$ rent, to be conveyed at any time during the said 21 years to the said Donough on payment of $\pounds 84$ to the said Henry.

Signed & sealed. Hen: Iuers.

Witnesses to signature and to endorsement (interlined between lines 16 and 17): ".... the whole rent wthin payeable to the said Henry....shall bee payd although parte of the said lands be euicted or taken out of possession of the said Donnogh.... provided.... noe more then one third parte of a quarter and 4/18 of a quarter bee taken from him; and if more.... bee euicted then the rent is to bee deducted equally according to what is lost of the remaining quarter...."

Jams: Mc Mahon; Matthew Mc Mahon; Ed: Mc Caffrie; Terlagh

O Loughlen [mark]; William Tirry.

Also endorsed with memornada of having been shown to Tirry at Edward Line's house, on the lands of Mountiuers, 22 & 30 Oct. 1685.

Also: bond of Donough O'Brien to Col. Daniel O'Brien of Carrighoult, Co. Clare, of £200, for performance of lease of Ballygannaher, Nohauall Ballyhamulta, and Carrowcoolrannagh. 1 June 1668.

1121.

13 Jan. 1667 [8] 19 Chas. II.

Lease by Donough O'Brien of Leameneh to Henry Ivers of Ballymullana, Co. Clare, gent., of the cartron of Polenefucka and the third of a quarter of Mogowhybegg, both parcel of Mogowhy, in the parish of Karne, barony of Burren, Co. Clare; for 21 years, at 30/- rent, the lease determinable on payment of £10, after which O'Brien will give Ivers an estate in fee of the said lands.

Signed & sealed. Hen: Iuers.

Witnesses. Te: Mc Mahon; Matthew Mc Mahon; Ed: Mc: Caffrie; Terlagh O'Loughlen [mark]; William Tirry.

Endorsed with memorandum of having been produced to Tirry, at Edward Line's house on the lands of Mount-Ivers, 22 Oct. 2685.

1122.

23 Jan 1688.

Deed by which Daniel O'Brien of Carrighoult, esq., agrees to give back to John Coopper, esq., an asignment made by Coopper to Ralph Conyers and Henry Ivers in trust for O'Brien.

Signed. D. O'Brien.

Witnesses. John Scott; Henry Smith; Henry Lownds.

1123.

25 Feb. 20 Chas. II. [1668].

Bond of Donough O'Brien of Inishtyman, esq., Thomas Lisaght of Ballyvrany (?), gent., Donnogh O'Gripha of Lisdowny, and to William O'Davoren of Lish. , gent., of £100.

Condition. Performance of agreement about 58a. in , parish of Killfenoragh, barony of Corckumroe, Co. Clare.

Faded and partly illegible.

Endorsed; ".... the 58 acres in Coly...."

1124.

25 Apr. 1668.

Lease by Donough O'Brien of Leameneh, esq., to John Emerson of Kearny, Co. Clare, gent., of the two-thirds of a quarter or plowland of Carownegeale, containing $126\frac{1}{2}a$. P.M., for 31 years; rent £5, with 6d. in £ fees (12d. if the tenant is distrained). Covenants for the landlord to clear the lands of quit rent; the rent to "surceasse" and power of entry not to be in force during "warr or comotions" in Ireland; the tenant to build a house of three "cooples" and two ends, with a stone wall and a double chimney.

Signed & sealed. John Emerson.

Witnesses. John Steere; Loghlen O'Hehir; William Paridge (?); Hugh Chroe; [signature of third witness illegible].

1125.

I June 1668.

Lease by Henry Ivers of Ballinaclonna (?), Co. Clare, gent. (acting by authority of Col. Danll. O'Brien for setting his estate in Co. Clare for one year); to Donough O'Brien of Leameneh, Co. Clare, esq.; of the three plowlands of Ballyganner, the quarter of Nohavall (79a.), the third of a quarter of Bally...multa (10a.), and the quarter of Carrowcoolranagh (51a.); rent £52.19.6, with 6d. in £ fees (12d. in case of distraint) the lessee paying all taxes.

Signed & sealed. Henry Ivers.

Witnesses. Ter: Mc: Caffrie; Henry Lownds.

Endorsed with memoranda of having been produced to Daniel [O'Brien] Viscount Clare (19 Jan. 1685); to McCaffrie, Therluagh O Laghlin, John Macnemara, and Mortagh O Bryen (22 & 30 Oct. 1685).

1126.

3 Apr. 1669.

Bond of Donough O'Brien of Cratloghkeile to Edward FitzGerald of Reynanna, gent., of $f_{1,000}$.

Condition. Performance of agreement about the plowland of Ballyglyre, in the barony of Corcomroe.

Also: mortgage of the above lands for £80, in exchange for the manor of Innishdymane.

16 Apr. 1669.

Bond of Donough O'Brien of Leameneh, esq., and Therlagh oag O Loghlen of Clounbegg, Co. Clare, gent.; to Gillerneane O Davoren of Cahirmckneyhad, Co. Clare, gent., of £40.

Signed. Donough O'Brien; Therlagh O'Loghlen.

Witnesses. Da: Daveren; Loghlen O'Hehir; John O'Moran.

1128.

2 June 1669.

Bond of William Neylon of Dishert, Edmund Hogan of Poulavack, Michael Neylon of Clounumra, and Edmond Fz Gerald of Tuomoline, Co. Clare, gents.; to Michael O Dea of Cahirbanagh, gent., of £200; for performance of lease of same date.

Copy.

1129.

25 Jul. 1669.

Statute staple (Limerick). Donough O'Brien and Thady O'Brien both of Limeneagh, gents., to Henry Flower of Dublin, esq., of £300.

Signed & sealed. Don: O Brien; Teige O Brien.

Endorsed with entry in the office of the Clerk of Recognisances in Chancery, 27 Aug. 1669.

Also: mortgage by O'Brien to Flower, for £150, of the two plowlands of Ballygrifae, barony of Insiquin, Co. Clare.

1130.

16 Sept. 1669, 21 Chas. II.

Lease by Murrough, Earl of Inchiquin, to John Carroll of Moynyne, Kings Co., gent., and William Monaghan of the same, gent.; of 75a. in Ballyea, 252a. in Soylesane and 134a. in Carhuekeele, in the parish of Desart, barony of Insiquin, Co. Clare; for 96 years, rent £7.13.8, not payable in time of war.

Signed. Insiquin.

Witnesses to signature, and to insertion of 6d. in £ receiver's fees. Boetius Clancy; Fergus Ja: Fz Gerald [third and fourth witnesses' signatures illegible].

1131.

1 Oct. 1669.

Inquisition taken concerning the lands of John Cooper.

Jurors. Thomas Smeath, James England, Peter Rice, John Mc Namara, Anthony Creagh, Robert Roch, John Crofts, Thomas Matthews, John Halloway, William Pilkington, John Drew, and Matthew Henton. They find him to have been seised in fee of the quarter of Leameneh, the quarter of Cahirmoile, the quarter of Cahirfadda, the two quarters of both Cloneens, the half cartron of Mohermolanagh, and the two quarters of Ballymoroghoe (worth, in all, £100 a year).

They also find him to have been seised in fee, on 23 Mar. 1669, of Cregnarrow, containing 10a. profitable; 79a. in the quarter and 2/3 of a quarter of Nohovall; the 1/3 of a quarter of Ballyhumbleta, containing 10a.; the half quarter of Lismateige, containing 9a. profitable; the 1/3 of a quarter of Graffeene, containing 28a.; the 2/3 of a quarter of Lislighy; Carrowcolerannagh, containing 15a.; the 1\frac{3}{4} quarters of Oughtmama, containing 39a.; the 1\frac{1}{6} quarters of Turlagh alias Tarmonbeg, containing 96a.; the two quarters of Deelin, containing 86a.; the quarter of Tlenkarne, containing 32a.; 21a. in the \frac{3}{4} of a quarter of Rannagh; and Coolecannagh alias Gortnaglough, containing 36a. profitable (worth, in all, \frac{1}{2}120 a year).

They also find him to have been seised in fee, in 1668, of the half plowland of Crosse, in the barony of Inchequeene, worth £3 a year.

They direct that Leameneh and eight other denominations, total value £110 a year, be assigned to Thomas Greene, esq., for payment of a debt of £5,141.2.8.

Contemporary copy; 3pp.

1132.

20 Oct. 21 Chas. II., 1669.

Mortgage by John Carroll and William Moyneghane, both of Moymira, Kings Co., gents.; to Beniamen Lucas of Coroffin, Co. Clare, esq., and John Emerson of Inchiquin, Co. Clare, gent., for £54; of 75a. in Balliea, Soylsane containing 252a., and 134a. in Carrowkeele, in the parish of Dizard, barony of Inchiquin, Co. Clare.

Attorney for livery of seisin. Robert O Quely, gent.

Signed. Ben: Lucas; John Emerson.

Witnesses. John Watts; W: Stretch; Thomas Conway; J. Clanchy (?).

Also: lease for a year (Lucas and Emerson to Carroll and Moyneghane) of the above lands. 21 Oct. 1669.

1133.

8 Nov. 1669.

Release by Donough Mc Nemara of Ballinacraggy, Co. Clare, gent., and Mary his wife, one of the daughters of Connor O'Brien of Leameneh, Co. Clare, esq., deceased, by Mary Ny Bryen alias Mc Mahon, now wife of John Coop[er] of Lattoone, Co. Clare, esq.; to Donough O'Brien of Leameneh, esq., son and heir of the said Connor, for £500; of their

claim to £800 settled on the said Mary by her father, by deed of 19 Oct. 1639 affecting the castle and plowland of Leameneh, the plowlands of Cahirmoyle and Cahirfadda, and various other lands and tenements (including the castle of Balligriffa) in Co. Clare.

Signed & sealed. Don. Mc Nemara; Mary Mc Nemara.

Witnesses. Danell Mc Nemara; Thade Mc Namara; Henry Cooper; Peter Arthur; Jane Thyn (?).

1134.

3 Sept. 1670.

Lease by Thomas Walcott of Moehill, Co. Clare, esq., to Donough O'Brien of Leamench, of the following: the castle and plowland of Dromoland (except the corkass or marsh called Rynenagh); the castle and plowland of Ballyconnelloe; the half plowland of Killkeirane West; part of the two plowlands of Rathneylanemore called Clonelongford, Cloneneare, Ateeneglenaragh, and several other denominations, containing about 20a. profitable, mearing N. with Killkyrane West, W. with Ballynecraggie, S. with the way called Bohereleanagh leading eastward to Laghtmohoonagh and Gortcoolefenaghten, and E. with the two lastnamed denominations; and about 5a., being that part of the two plowlands of Ballygyrreene and Carrowmore lying on the S. of a brook called Shahanbraine running E. to the lough of Dromoland and W. by the castle of Ballyconnellan; with free ingress, egress, and regress "both for horse & foot" to the corkass or marsh belonging to Ballyconnellan. To hold for life of Robert Starkey late of Dromoland now of Dromore, Co. Clare, esq., and 20 years afterwards; rent £70 English.

Signed & sealed. Thomas Walcott.

Witnesses. James Roche; Owen Callehan; James Burget [mark]; Rowland Fin.

Copy, made c. 1860 by the 13th Lord Inchiquin.

1135.

3 Sept. 1670.

Lease by Capt. Thomas Walcott of Cnock na bracke, Co. Clare, to Mortagh Heffernane of Carhuemore, Co. Clare, yeoman; of the half plowland of Mohiranrowre and Briadagh in the barony of Bunratty, Co. Clare; for 21 years, rent £15.

Signed & sealed. Thomas Walcott.

Witnesses. D[] Mc Donogh; F. Mc Donogh; Robert Power; Samuel Tirry.

Copy, made c. 1860 by the 13th Lord Inchiquin.

28 Apr. 1670.

Lease by the same to William O Davoren of Lissilisseene, Co. Clare, gent., of the half "sessie" or third of a plowland of Kilcolmanbary, in the parish of Kilcorney, barony of Burren, Co. Clare, for 61 years; rent £2, with 6d. in £ iees (12d. if the tenant is distrained).

Signed & sealed. William Davoren.

Witnesses. Donough Considine; Boetius Davoren.

1137.

8 Sept. 1670, 22 Chas. II.

Declaration of trust by Walter Hickman of Doonegroge, Co. Clare, gent.; to Henrie, Lord O'Brien, Baron of Ibrickane; of the castles, towns, and lands of Dromoland and Ballyconnelloe, with the 9 plowlands or quarters belonging to them (as provided for by assignments of the leases made by Donough, late Earl of Thomond, and Henrie, now Earl; to Daniel O'Brien of Carrigicheltagh and John Cooper, esqs.).

Signed & sealed. Walter Hickman.

Witnesses. S: Clarg; Robt. Power.

Endorsed with note of having been produced, 16 Sept. 1681, at Limerick, "uppon speeding a commn." between Maude v. Williamson & ors. John Gore; Creaghe; Jno. S......; Edm.ett.

[Second endorsement illegible].

Also: bonds to Hickman of Thomas Walcott of Mohill and John Cooper of Castlekeale, esq. (£1,000); and Henry, Lord O'Brien (£1,000), for performance of agreement relating to the above lands. 7 Sept. 1670.

1138.

14 Nov. 1670.

Lease by Henry Lucas, on behalf of Col. Daniell O'Brien, to Donough O'Brien, esq., of half the cartron called Erenagh alias Gortene-loghy, in the barony of Insiquin, for 21 years at 40/- rent.

Signed. Henry Lucas.

Witnesses. John Cooper; Teig (?) mc Nemara.

Also: petition of Teige O'Brien to Sir Donough O'Brien to be put in possession of the above half cartron, on which he is ready to repay the mortgage. [n.d.].

1139.

25 Sept. 1671, 23 Chas. II.

Lease by Murrough, Earl of Inchiquin, to Andrew Comyn of Ballyvorda, Co. Clare, barony of Corcomroe, gent.; of 26a. in Cahar-

serkin, in the parish of Cluony and barony of Corcomroe; for 99 years, at 13/- rent, the tenant paying all taxes and contributions except Quit rent and maintaining the premises in repair. The tenant not to alienate without giving Inchiquin the first refusal; the lease to be void if he does not leave a legitimate heir male of his body; the tenant to pay "the best or most principall beast" as a heriot.

Signed. Inchiquin.

Witnesses. Giles Vander [lure]; Patrick Nihell; Farley Mc Mahon. Endorsed with memorandum of Inchiquin's agreeing to pay "a competent portion" to Comyn's daughters, in case he leaves no son.

1140.

25 Sept. 1671, 23 Chas. II.

Lease by the abovenamed to Peeter Crutine of Bally Cottine, barony of Corcomroe, gent.; of 74a. in Caharserkin; for 99 years at 37/- rent, with the same covenants as the last.

Signed and sealed. Peeter Cruttine. [Seal; a crowned figure playing a harp; legend FLOREN . . .].

Witnesses. Giles VanderLure; Patricke Nihell.

1141.

1671-1674.

Discharge to Murrough, Earl of Inchiquin, of all Quit rents in Cos. Clare, Limerick, and Tipperary above the sum of £75.10.4½, being the rent paid for them on 22 Oct. 1641.

Refers to letters patent of 7 Feb. 19 Chas. II [1667] and 21 Feb. 23 Chas. II [1671].

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1142.

25 Jan. 1672.

Feoffment by Henry Cooper of Castlekeale, Co. Clare, gent. (in trust for his mother, Mary Cooper); to Henry, Lord O'Brien, and Donough O'Brien of Leameneh, esq.; of the lands of Island Mc Knauen, the half plowland of Corrow Catlin, the plowland of Killanasullagh, the two Rhannaghanes, the gardener's cabin and the grazing of 6 collops of Castlekeale and Ballysallagh, the house of Castlekeale, and the lands of Triencaslane "as it is bounded wth. a stone wall along to the foard, all rent free." Cooper covenants not to waste the issues and profits of, or the stock on the lands of Castlekeale, Ballysallagh, or Pouligyle, until £122.10. has been repaid Peeter Clungeon of Cappagh, Co. Clare, merchant.

Signed & sealed. Henry Cooper.

Witnesses. John Barr; W. Holmes; Peter Arthur.

18 Feb. 1672.

Lease by John Cooper of Castlekeale, Co. Clare, esq., by demise from Henry, Earl of Thomond, to Donough O'Brien of Lemeneagh, gent.; of a small castle or turret in Ennis, parcel of the late Abbey of Ennis, lately held by William Cuffe, together with its entry and the small piece of land adjoining, "the usuall slipp or place for a bote reserved or excepted"; for 30 years, at a peppercorn rent.

Signed. Donough O'Brien.

Witnesses. D. O'Brien; John Tomkins; James Roche.

1144.

27 June 1672.

Bond of James O'Hogane fz Rickard of Kilkeedy, John O'Hogane of Rath, and Murtagh O'Hogane of Crughfuill, Co. Clare, gents., to Donough O'Brien of Leameneh, of £40.

Condition: to abide by the award of Teige O'Keryn of Glean, Co. Clare, gent., concerning a sum of £20 claimed by James O'Hogane from O'Brien as given in mortgage for the lands of Fianmeanagh by his grandfather Edmond O'Hogane, and by him assigned to his son Rickard O'Hogane.

Signed & sealed. James Hogane; John Hogan; Mor: Hogan. [All use McMahon armorial seal].

 $\it Witnesses.$ Cor : Mailly $[\it mark]$; Ter : O'Loughlyn $[\it mark]$; William Charigy.

1145.

27 Jul. 1672.

Certificate of appraisal, by Thomas Minitter and Dominicke Power of two red cows, one brindled red cow, one black cow, one brindled red heifer, one yearling heifer and two calves belonging to William Mc Shane and his wife (taken for rent out of the lands of Crosse) at £3.7.; and of one black cow and one brown steer belonging to Dermod O Neylon (taken for rent out of the lands of Guaruenemaddery) at £1. 1p.

1146.

[] Oct. 24 Cha . II, 1672.

Assignment by Henry, Lord O'Brien; to Robert Maude of Dundrome, Co. Tipperary, esq.; of a lease of 21 years (in reversion after the death of Robert Starkey); of Dromoland, Ballyconnella, Leattoone, Bealaghconnelly, Bredagh, Rathfeolanemore, and Barrough, Co. Clare; rent £60, with 9 hogs, 9 mutton, and 9 couple of capons; or 10/- per hog, 5/- per mutton, and 2/6 per couple of capons; with suit and service at the Courts Leet and Baron of Bunratty manor.

Draft.

20 Nov. 1672.

Mortgage by Donough O'Brien of Leameneh to Gabriell O'Hehir and Edmond O'Hehir Mc Mlaghlen (feoffee of the lastnamed) for £40; of the cartron of Pulleenacoony, in the parish of Kilkeedy, barony of Inshiquine, Co. Clare.

Signed. Edmond O'Hehir [mark].

Witnesses. Hugh Chroe; Thomas Shortall; William Charigy; Loghlen Mc Ca....hy [mark]; Matt. Mc Car.....

1148.

1672 to 1793.

Nine leases and conveyances (McDonogh and O'Brien) of the lands of Cahersherkin.

1149.

20 Feb. 1673 [4], 25 Chas. II.

Lease by Donough O'Brien to Hugh Mc Enchroe of Corroghquela, Co. Clare, gent., of the half quarter or plowland of Fyanmanigh, containing 59a. by Stafford's Survey, in the parish of Killkeedy, Co. Clare, for 21 years; rent £4 (the landlord paying quit rent only). The tenant to "keepe & uphould" a moiety of the mears, having egress and ingress for himself and his subtenants to cut, reap, bind, and carry away their crop of corn. The landlord to have the use of the woods, which the tenant may only use for house—, hedge—, fire—, and ploughbote.

Signed. Hugh Chroe.

Witnesses. Thomas Hickman; Francis Mc Nemarra; Edmond Cloghissy.

1150.

11 May 1674.

Lease by Donough O'Brien of Leameneh, Co. Clare, esq., to William Davoren of Lissilisseene, Co. Clare, gent., in consideration of a bond from the said Donnogh and Thomas O'Morane for payment of £50; of the two "cessies" of Ballymohony alias Beanroe, being one plowland and the third part of one, in the parish of Noughavaile, barony of Burren, Co. Clare; for five years, at £10 for the first year and £12 a year for the remainder, the tenant paying Quit rent and all other charges. The said Donough to maintain the lands against himself, his heirs, and assigns; the Earl of Thomond or the Baron of Ibrackan his son; and any other persons claiming a right to them. The said William to pay 6d. in the £ receiver's fees (12d. in case of distraint).

Signed & sealed. Will Davoren.

Witnesses. James Chroe; Ther: O'Loghlen; Dermott O'Connor.

9 June 1674.

Mortgage by Donough O'Brien of Dromoland, esq., to James Mc Nemarra of Inish, merchant, for fro; of the half cartron of Toullegiehy, in the parish of Rath, barony of Inchiquin, at 40/- rent; the mortgagee to enclose the lands with "a sufficient dry stonewall duble."

Attorney for livery of seisin. William Cory of Boherfallagh, yeo-

Signed & sealed. James Mc Nemara. [Armorial seal. A lion rampant].

Witnesses. Morris O'Neale; Thomas Mc Nemara; Hugh Mc Encarrigie [mark].

1152.

25 Nov. 1674.

Power from Hugh Hickman (as agent to Lord O'Brien), to Robert Starkey, esq.; to receive rents, for the lands of Inishmcnacten & Cahirteigebegg and other denominations, from Capt. Cullin and 9 other tenants [named].

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1153.

1674 (?).

Statement about Donough O'Brien's Estate.

" Com' Clare

The castle towne and lands of Leameneagh cont. one plowland, the quartr, or plowland called Cahirmoele, the quartr, or plowland called Cahirfadda, the castle and two plowlds called Ballymorroghowe, the two plowlds of Clouneeney, the halfe quartr of Mohurbollanagh, the castle and two plowlands of Balligriffa, the plowland of Ardkearny, the third pte of a plowland in Aghrema, the Castle & plowland called Ballyportrea, the quartr of Insicoulaght and Derry, the quarter of Balliashie, the halfe quartr of Ballycassin, the quartr and the fifth pte of a qurt in Ballinabinny Moylegrane and Ballinealane, the cartron of Gortleahane, the sixth part of a quarter in Dromnega, the two third part of a qurtr in Carrownegoul, halfe a quarter in Towerlaghmore, the quarter of Kiltocky, the halfe quarter of Aglish, the halfe quartr of Fyanmeanagh, the cartron of Pullynachrona, halfe a qurtr & halfe a cartron in Carrownamaddera, the halfe quarter of Roughan Tweskagh and Lyana, the qurtr of Tobbermaly, the halfe qurt of Cahirmakuna, the halfe gurt of Moelreane, the quartr of Poulevolyekie, Fehafane and Cahirpolla, halfe a quartr & the third part of a quartr in Pullynafookoe, Rannagh, Keyleneglassy and Mognoha, the halfe quartr and half cartron of Kilnoe, Cragganboy and Toneregny, and the halfe quarter of Gortneglogh and Moghirry with their appertenness in the Baronys of Inshiquine, Burren, Corkamroe, Bunratty, and the Islands, in the County of Clare.

The premises were by decree of Sr Edward Dering Baront & other his Maties late Comrs of the Court of Claimes, bearing date at Dublin the xxjth of August in the xvth yeare of his said Maties King Charles the seconds raigne adjudged and decreed unto. Donnogh o Bryen and the heires males of his body as an innocent protestant¹.

By certificate out of the office of his Maties Surveyor Generall, togeather with an affidavit of William Carriggee, touching the reconciling the denominacons aforesaid with the survey, it appeares that the before menconed lands (except Aglish not found in the survey) doe conteine in themselves by the denominacons aforesaid and other denominacons pt thereof the number of 3062 acr Irish measure, makeing 4960 acr, 2 rds engl[ish] measure the Quit rent whereof at the rate of two pence farthing the acre per ann payable by adventurs & souldrs in the County of Clare would amount to fortye six pounds ten shill two pence sterl quit rent per ann

Upon search made in the view of ancient Crowne rents in the County of Clare for the yeare 1641 it doth not appeare that Donnogh O Bryen or Conner O Bryen stodd charged with any Crowne rent for the lands aforesd. By indenture of Composicon the Lands in the province of Connaght were generally chargeable with the Composicon rent of ten shil sterl per ann for euery quartr of land. The seuerall quarters of land in the decree aforesd amount in all to xxv quartr and two cartrons the Composicon rent whereof at the rate aforesd is xij li xv s sterl per ann

Ri: Chapell Dept Audi."

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1154.

28 June 1675.

Minute for lease by Neale Molloy of Cappingarron, Kings Co., gent., to Richard Molloy of Killein, Kings Co., gent.; of the lands of Capperilla alias C. [sic] containing 200a. P.M. profitable, in the barony of Kiltareton, Co. Galway (formerly the estate of Dermott Dugan, recovered by Molloy by fine); for 21 years, at £4 rent (deducting £4 due from Neale Molloy to Dugan, less Quit rent and "Earle moneys"); the rent to be £5 after Dugan's death.

Signed & sealed. Richard Molloy.

Witnesses. Owen Hanford (?); James Coghlan [mark].

¹ The remainder of this document is in a different hand.

II Oct. 1675.

Lease by Henry [O'Brien] Lord O'Brien, Baron of Ibrackan (for himself and his wife, Lady Catherine O'Brien), to Donough Mc Nemarra of Knockmoell, Co. Clare, gent., of the castles, towns, and lands of Doonymulvihill, Ballygissanemore, and Knockmoell (602a. profitable P.M.) in the parish of Inchicronane, barony of Bunratty, Co. Clare; for lives of Thady, Mary, and Thady Mc Nemarra (brother, wife, and son of the said Donogh); rent £50, with duties $2\frac{1}{2}$ hogs, $2\frac{1}{2}$ fat muttons, and $2\frac{1}{2}$ couple of fat capons, or 10/- for each hog, 5/- for each mutton, and 2/6 for each couple of capons, and with suit and service at the manor courts of Bunratty; heriot, the best beast or £5; renewal fine, £50; the tenant not to alienate without leave, or commit waste.

Signed & sealed. O'Brien; Catherine O Brien.

Witnesses. John Williamson; Richd. Wilson; Owen O'Neilan (?); Peter Henchy.

1156.

I Feb. 1676.

Conveyance by William Neylon of Dishert, Co. Clare, gent., to John Durey of Limerick, gent., for £10; of the lands of Mohirballanagh, Co. Clare, containing 45a. by Strafford's Survey (which had been set out to him, by final settlement of the Loughrea Commissioners, 20 June, 1656).

Signed & sealed. W. Neylan. [Uses O'Brien armorial seal].

Witnesses to signature and to delivery of deed to Donogh mc Enchroe to Durey's use. Hugh [mc Ench] roe; Jn: (?)nis.

1157.

8 Feb. 1676.

Conveyance by John Emerson of Keary, Co. Clare, gent. (devisee of Piers Butler of Bealladrehill, Co. Tipperary, gent.) to John Durey of Limerick, gent., for £10; of the lands of Carownegoul, Co. Clare, containing 191a. by Strafford's Survey (which had been awarded to Butler by final settlement of the Loughrea Commissioners, 14 Aug. 1657).

Signed & sealed. John Emerson. [Armorial seal. 3 (?) mullets within a bordure semé of roundels.]

Witnesses to signature and to delivery to Mr. Neptune Blood the younger, to Durey's use. Robert Gooddey; Hugh Chroe.

20 May 1676.

Lease by Brien O'Brien of Gortlissbyrne, Co. Tipperary, to Wm. Larner of Clogher, Co. Clare, gent, of the quarter of Cahermenane-more, in the barony of Corkomroe, Co. Clare, for 21 years, in as large a manner as it is now enjoyed by Mr. Daniel Mc Donogh; rent £11, the first gale to be paid at Morgan Bane's house in Killalow, the second to be paid on the lands; with £10, which shall be abated at the rate of 20/- a year in case O'Brien does not have the lands "in fearme" for more than five years; O'Brien to have the free grazing of two cows on the lands during the lease, and to warrant the lands to Larner against himself, Dermott O'Brien his father, and Ann Brien alias Shaghnussie his mother.

Signed & sealed. William Lardner [mark].

Witnesses. Cornelius Flanagan; James Lardner; Patrick Parratt [mark]; Der: Clorane; Mortaugh Quigly.

1159.

26 Apr. 1676.

Assignment by William Monaghane late of Moynire (?), Kings Co., gent., to John Carroll of Moynire, gent., of his interest in a lease of 16 Sept 1669 from the Earl of Insiquin of the lands of Baliea, Soylsane, and Carwkeele.

Signed. Willem Monaghane.

Witnesses. John Kennedy; Teige Carroll; William Egane.

1160.

27 May 1676.

Assignment by Daniell [O'Brien] Viscount O'Brien of Clare, to William Nelane of Disart, Co. Clare, gent., for £10; of his interest in the half quarter of Ballycullinagh, in the barony of Ishiquyn or Corcomro, Co. Clare.

Signed & sealed. Clare.

Witnesses. Hen. Ivers; Robert Neylan; Mort: Hanly (?).

1161.

22 Oct. 1676.

Minute for lease by Dermott Duigin of Cappenilla, Co. Galway, gent., to Neale Molloy of Dirridalney, Kings Co., gent., of the lands of Cappenilla, in the parish of Beagh; for 31 years, at £6 rent; for performance of which, Duigin binds himself in £100.

¹This denomination, with Castlequarter in the parish of Kilfenoragh, occurs in three other deeds concerning Donough O'Brien of Lemeneagh and Barnaby O'Brien of Gortilissbryne; 1676, c. 1680, and 1682.

Signed & sealed. Dermott Duggin.

Witnesses. Phi: Molloy; Cossny Molloy.

Endorsed with assignment by Neale Molloy, then of Hollamshill,

Kings Co., to Owen Carroll, esq. 5 Feb. 1682.

[Molloy uses O'Carroll armorial seal].

1162.

12 Nov. 1676.

Lease [by Henry O'Brien, Earl of Thomond] (?) to Henry, Lord O'Brien, and John Gore, of the customs and duties of the fairs and markets of Innish, Clare, and Sixmilebridge, for 31 years, at £20 rent; receiver's fees 6d. in £; no rent payable during wars or troubles; with a clause against alienation.

(A fresh lease was made, pursuant to a 31 years' lease from Lord Thomond, in Aug. 1695 by Mrs. Jean Gore and her son Francis Gore to Mr. John McNemara, father of Mr. James McNemara, for 20 years at \$430 rent).

Abstract, dated 1711.

1163.

I Feb. 1677.

Conveyance by Mortagh Dowling of Dublin, esq., to John Carroll of Moynure, Kings Co., gent., for 20/-; of the following lands in the baronies of Tullagh and Bunratty, Co. Clare: 1a. in Derricalleefe, the cartron of Shanvally (15a.), 4a. 2r. in Drominetucke, 27a. in Moymoghane, 4a. in a parcel of bog "without denomination," 1a. in Cregroe, 1a. in Keilmore, 1a. in Ballylaghnane, 1a. in Rugh, 7a. in Montallon, 1a. in Coylagh, Gortnaconnell, and Knocknagee, 1a. in Kilmurry, and 18a. in Kilnahow.

Signed & sealed. Mortagh Dowling.

Witnesses. Theobald Burke; Hugh Molloy; John Cowley (?).

1164.

11 Jul. 1677.

Deed of trust from John Drurey of Limerick, gent., to Donough O'Brien of Leameneh, esq.; of the lands of Carrownegoule (127a. 2r. profitable I.P.M.) and sixteen other denominations in the baronies of Burren and Inchiquin, Co. Clare.

Signed & sealed. John Drurey.

Witnesses. Thomas Bowles; Roger Nowlan; Richard Nash; John Collins.

Acknowledged 8 Oct. 1684 by Drurey before Standish Hartstonge.

¹ Several of which occur in the Act of Settlement order of 15 Oct. 1663.

31 Aug. 1677.

Mortgage by William Nelane of Dishert, Co. Clare, esq., to John Tomkins of Moirhee, Co. Clare, gent., for £120; of the quarter of Cloneybegg (105a. profitable P.M.) in the parish of Dishert, barony of Inchiquin; and two-thirds of the quarter (81a. profitable P.M.) of Culemore in the parish of Kilmoney, barony of Burren, Co. Clare.

Signed & sealed. John Tomkins.

Witnesses. Theobald Butler; Richard Butler; Charles Heanaghane; Peter Williams.

1166.

4 June 1678.

Agreement entered into by [Col. Henry Flower] and Donogh O'Brien of Leameneh, esq., concerning the lands of Balligriffa out of which o Brien is to pay an annuity of £40 to Flower for his lifetime, in satisfaction of a debt.

Draft.

1167.

29 June 30 Chas. II. [1678].

Letters patent to Donough O'Brien and to James Roch and John Dury (in trust for the said Donogh) of the quarter of Carrowcaslane, containing 119a., and several other denominations in Co. Clare.

3pp., parchment.

Cf. Ir. rec. comm. rep., 1821-25, pp. 247-8.

1168.

26 Oct. 1678.

Articles entered into by Timothy Mc Donogh of Ballykeel, Co. Clare, gent.; and Connor Mc Donogh of Ballykerin (for himself and his brothers Cravan Mc Donogh of Liscannor and John Glasse Mc Donogh of Ballycullinagh, Co. Clare, gents).

Reciting feoffment, made 17 Aug. 1663 by Daniel Mc Donogh of Ballykeile in trust for Timothy Mc Donogh and Barbara Mc Inerhiny his wife, of the two quarters of Ballykeel, the West half quarter of Ballyshana, 6a. in Ballygonane, and 2a. in Glasnane. Provides for the conveyance by Timothy Mc Donogh to Conor Mc Donogh of the quarter of Ballykerin, the East quarter of Ballyshany on which an old castle stands, the half quarter of Liackamore and Liackamanagh, their proportion (28a.) of common in the half quarter of Coylmore and the

half cartron of Laochaghkea containing by Strafford's Survey 8a. P.M., in the parishes of Kilfenora and Kiltoraght, barony of Corcomroe. Co. Clare.

Signed. Connor Mc Donogh.

Witnesses. Henry Bussher; E. Delahoyd; Aug. Cruttin; David Haverty; Conor O'Conor; Teig Mc Donogh; Nicholas Lynch.

Contemporary copy.

1169.

10 Nov. 1678, 30 Chas. 11.

Lease by Donough O'Brien of Leameneh, esq., to Loghlen O'Hehir of Cahirmacuna, gent., of the cartron of Teaskagh in the parish of Killineboy and barony of Insiquin; for 21 years, rent £10 with a fat hog and a fat mutton or 15/-, fees 6d. in £ (12d. in case of distraint); the tenant not to alienate without the landlord's leave.

Signed & sealed. Loghlin O'Hehir.

Witnesses. Hugh Chroe; James Cassie; Jhon Chroe.

Also: eight other deeds (abstracts of title and counsel's opinion) relating to Teskagh. 1775 to 1780.

1170.

22 June 1678.

Constat of lands granted to Wm. Ryan, gent., as assignee of several transplanted persons.

In Cleantara, barony of Tullogh, Co. Clare, one quarter, 83a. 3r. profitable I.P.M.;

a parcel common to Culloslouest and Caghrall (?), 156a. I.P.M., and the quarter of Caghargall, 133a. I.P.M., barony of Bunratty, Co. Clare;

in Magowhie, one quarter and two-thirds, 20a. I.P.M., and in Ballygeslin alias Clonevory, one quarter and two-thirds, 43a., barony of Barren [sic] Co. Clare.

Certified copy; 1p.

1171.

10 Feb. 1679.

Bargain made with John Drew by Donough O'Brien for Drew's 38a. of Ranvagh in the barony of Burren, by which Drew "was to have with him ere he left Dublin a habere facias possessionem for twenty six acres or upwards "receiving £36 for his interest.

Witnesses. Thomas Stanton; Walter Taylor.

16 Apr. 1679.

Discharge by John Carroll to Rickard Conell of f_{I} out of the rent of f_{I} 5 fixed by his lease of Ballyea, etc.

Copy.

1173.

15 Apr. 1679.

Lease by John Carroll of Moymire, Kings Co., gent., to Rickard Conell of Culesegaine, Co. Clare, gent.; of the lands of Balliea, etc., for 21 years at £25 rent; the tenant doing suit and service, when required, at the courts of the manor of Inchiquin; the rent not to be paid during "any insurrection or comotion of war"; surrender may be made on giving half a year's notice.

Signed. Ricard Conell.

Witnesses. Henry O'Brien; John Connell; Grany Hogane.

1174.

2 May 1679.

Lease by Edward Hall of Staple Inn, London, gent., and Hugh Willaston of Bunratty, Co. Clare, gent. (acting on behalf of Rt. Hon. Sir Joseph Williamson, Kt., and Lady Catherine O'Brien¹ Baroness Clifton, his wife); to George Clampett and Nicholas Clampett of Leatoone, Co. Clare, gents.; of the two quarters of Knockroe and Lissnagowne (249a.), the quarter of Carrowmore and Leatoone (181a.), the parcel of Reynagh (31a.), the quarter of Ballygereene (105a.), and a small parcel of corkis land belonging to the farm of Dromoland, in the parish of Killenasulagh, barony of Bunratty, Co. Clare; reserving timber, sporting rights, and other royalties: to hold in as ample a manner as the late Henry, Lord O'Brien, held the above lands, for 21 years or the life of the said Lady Catherine; rent £170, with four fat hogs, four fat muttons, and eight fat capons, or £3.10. in lieu, at the choice of the lessors, and with suit and service at the manor courts of Bunratty, the tenants paying all contributions and taxes "notwithstanding any act made concerning landlord & tenant concerning payment or allowance of taxes," and 6d. in the f receiver's fees.

Signed. George Clampett; Nicholas Clampett.

Witnesses. William Cobb; Richard Cleer; Daniel Gorman; Thomas Smethe.

Copy, made c. 1860 by the 13th Lord Inchiquin.

¹Catherine Stuart [c. 1640-1702] widow of Henry, Lord O'Brien; she succeeded her brother in the barony of Clifton.

27 Nov. 30 Chas. II. [1678].

Letters patent to Henry Ivers; Daniel [O'Brien,] Viscount Clare; and others, of lands in the baronies of Corcomroe, Islands, and Burren, Co. Clare.

Certified copy, dated 30 June 1686; 20pp. Cf. Ir. rec. comm. rep., 1821-7, pp. 260-1.

1176.

14 May 1679.

Conveyance by Daniel Hignett of Limerick, gent., to David Wilson of Lissmullane, Co. Limerick, gent., for £37; of 57a. made up out of the following 12a., part of Ballenehone, and 86a. in Balletrasna, barony of Corcomroe, Co. Clare; Leake (110a.), Coolesupine (234a.), and 10a. in Breaghnawest (?), barony of Clonderala; part of the castle, town, and lands of Balleganner alias Pollekulicka (6a.), parcel of Cregane Cluony (4a.), 3a. in Glanslead, and 12a. in the two quarters of Ballyganner, barony of Burren: of which Hignett is seised in "a good sure perfect absolute and indefeasable estate," and concerning which he will perfect any other deeds that may be required, during the next eleven years, provided he is not obliged to travel more than eleven miles from his usual dwellingplace.

Signed & sealed. Daniel Hignett.

Witnesses. Jon Ryves; Thomas Roche; John Banting.

Endorsed with affidavit of Roche, as a subscribing witness. 8 Oct. 1684. The following also relate to the above lands:

(1) Lease for a year by Hignett to Wilson. 13 May 1679.

- (2) Release by Ralph Wilson to David Wilson. 27 Dec. 1679.
- (3) Conveyance by David Wilson to John Durey. I Jan. 1679 [80].
- (4) Bond of David Wilson of £550 for performance of lastnamed. 9 Jan. 1679 [80].

(5) Release by Durey to Donough O'Brien. 9 Nov. 1680.

- (6) Receipt given Sir Donough O'Brien by Jo: Walcott for £17.10.0., a year's rent of part of Ballyganner and three other denominations (held in 1683 by Capt. Thomas Walcott). 2 Nov, 1698.
- (7) Constats of letters patent of parts of Ballyganner to Daniel O'Brien (1666) and to Ralph Wilson (1678) 1701.
- (8) Note, in Richard Wilson's hand of "how the chge. on Ballygannor stands in the Kings Bookes": Lord Clare, $4/6\frac{1}{4}$; Sir Ralph Wilson, $5/5\frac{1}{4}$; John Durey, $1/6\frac{1}{4}$. [n.d.].

1177.

3 Sept. 1679, 31 Chas. II.

Lease by Patricke Stafford formerly of Hilltowne, Co. Wexford, gent., to Daniell Mc Donnogh of Ballykeele, Co. Clare, gent.; of 6a.

in Lissgoran, another 3a. in Lissgoran, and 8a. in a parcel without a denomination, in the parish of Kilfenora, barony of Corcomroe; for 31 years, at 40/- rent; no rent to be payable "in case of insurection or casualtye [of] war"; the tenant not to "sett or lett or turne [attorn] (?) tenant in the demised premisses" to anyone, especially the Earl of Inchiquin; and not to "offer to rescue" the landlord.

Signed & sealed. Patrick Stafford.

Witnesses to signature, and to acknowledgement by Stafford of his being of full age. Cor: Mc Donnogh; Mortogh O'Hehir; Connor Connor; Leine (?) Connor; Thomas Juance [mark]; Charles Cavanagh [mark]; Andr: Quin.

Endorsed with assignments, made 5 Nov. 1685, as follows;

- (1) By Daniell Mc Donnogh to his son Cravan Mc Donnogh.
- (2) By Cravan Mc Donnogh to Edward Neylane.

1178.

25 Oct. 1679.

Conveyance by Sir Redmond Everard of Fethard, Co. Tipperary, Bt., to Peter Martin of Galway, esq., for £50, of 47a. profitable in Coskeane, in the barony of Burren, Co. Clare.

Signatures illegible, except for that of the first witness, Tha: Meagher. Also: lease for a year of the above. 24 Oct. 1679.

1179.

1679.

Lease and release by Francis Foster of Rathorpe, Co. Galway, esq., to Donough O'Brien of Leameneh, Co. Clare, esq., of the town and lands of Ballyvowlighan alias Ballydonell (two-thirds of a quarter, 97a.) and several other denominations in the baronies [not recited] and Corkumroe, Co. Clare.

Draft, endorsed; "Lett the bargaine & sale for a year be drawne verbatim with that of Sr. Wm. King to Francis Foster onely the date & partyes."

1180.

8 Apr. 1680, 32 Chas. II.

Lease and release by Walter Wall of Carha, Co. Galway, gent., to John Mc Donough of Ballykeile, Co. Clare, gent., for £80; of the moiety of the three half quarters of Castle quarter and Carrugeare, containing 25½a. by Strafford's Survey profitable, and 25½a. unprofitable.

Signed & sealed. Walter Wall.

Witnesses. Cor: (?) Mc Donogh; Donough O'Brien; Roger Mc Donnogh; William Wale; Hen. Donno......; Connor O'Brien; Charles O'Connor; Donough Hicky.

Endorsed with affidavit to validity of deed of Donnogh Hicky, sworn before Stand. Hartstonge. 18 1684.

1181.

9 Apr. 1680.

Lease by Donough O'Brien of Leameneh, Co. Clare, esq., to Maurice Connell of Coolregan, Co. Clare, gent.; of the lands of Dromnegagh and Soylesane, for 21 years, rent 4d. an acre, the tenant paying a further 4d. if the lessor pays quit and other rents due to the Crown; surrender may be made on giving six months' notice.

Signed. Maurice Conell.

Witnesses. Don. (?) Mc Carthy; Stephen Rice; Ricard Connell; Robert Rice.

Also: conveyence by Connell to O'Brien of 100a. of Dromnegagh. 8 Apr. 1680.

Also: surrender by John Connell to Lucius O'Brien of the farm of Dromenagagh. 28 Oct. 1710.

1182.

23 Apr. 1680.

Conveyance by Luke Duigin and Roger Duigin of Ballycristill, Kings Co., gents., to Owen Carrol of Kilmain, Kings Co., esq., for £30; of 200a., part of the lands of Goulree, in the parish of Behagh, barony of Kiltarton, Co. Galway.

Signed & sealed. Luke Duigin; Roger Dugin.

Witnesses. Henry Oxburgh; Edmond Magher; Der. Dugin.

Also: lease for a year of the above. 22 Apr. 1680.

1183.

21 May 1680.

Articles entered into by Owen Carrol of Dublin, esq., and Donough O'Brien of Leameneh, esq.; providing for the conveyance of 200a. land in Caporilla [as above] for £138.

Signed & sealed. Owen Carroll; Donough O'Brien.

Witness. Theobald Butler.

Endorsed with an account of sums (total, £134.10.0.) paid to Carrol by O'Brien.

1184.

26 June 1680.

Lease by Ralph Wilson of Kissycurbe, Co. Limerick, esq., to John Nihell of Limerick, gent.; of the old house and garden, sometime

occupied by Dennis Day and since then part of the holding of John Sowdon, clerk (both deceased), mearing on the N. with Mongret Lane, in the parish of St. John the Baptist on the S. side of the city of Limerick; for 31 years, rent £5, the tenant paying all contributions, town duties, and quit rents; not building any house within 7' of the said slate house "whereby the light of the said house might be any way preiudiced," and allowing Wilson and his men access for the purpose of pitching ladders and carrying mortar to repair the said house.

Signed. Ralph Wilson.

Witnesses. Giles Spencer; Thomas Allibon; William Bryan. Endorsed with assignment of his interest for £10 by Nihell to James Roe of Limerick, skinner. 1 Oct. 1683.

1185.

17 Aug. 1680.

Conveyance by Peter Martyn of Galway, esq., to Roger O'Loghlin of Glansleade, Co. Clare, gent., for £50, of 47a. profitable in Coskeane, in the barony of Burren, Co Clare.

Signed & sealed. Peter Martyn.

Witnesses. O: (?) Martyn; Richard Blake; Walter Blake. Also: lease for a year o+ the above. 16 Aug. 1680.

19 Oct. 1680.

Lease for a year by John Cusacke of Craggahmore, Co. Clare, gent., to Donough O'Brien of Leameneh, esq.; of 28a. in the Turlogh, common of Carrowgar.

1186.

1187.

17 Nov. 1680.

"at Dublin the sume of the agreemt made wth Mr O Brien as to Dromoland in the presence of Mr Hickman &c by my wife & me."

Provides, interalia, for Lady Catherine O'Brien taking £166 of the yearly rents of Lattoone, Dromoland, Carrowcallin, and Rathfolanmore, Mr. O'Brien taking the balance of £106.

Draft; 1p.

1188.

[] Nov. 1680, 32 Chas. II.

Lease by Sir Joseph Williamson and Lady Catherine O'Brien, Baroness Clifton (late wife of Henry, Lord O'Brien); to Donough O'Brien of Leameneh, Co. Clare, esq.; in consideration of £200; of the castles of Dromoland and Ballyconnell, with the lands of Dromoland Ballyconnell, Lattoon, Ballycohelly, Bredagh, Rathfolonmore, and

Borrough, all in the barony of Bunratty, Co. Clare; for 61 years, or the lifetime of the said Lady Catherine; rent £166. Lessee not to be liable for the rent during any time that the lands and tenements may be "wast & untenanted for or by reason of any open war or rebellion." Draft.

1189.

4 & 5 May 1681.

Lease and release by John Drew of Dromenane, Co Clare, gent., to Donough O'Brien of Leameneh, esq., for £35, of 38a. profitable I.P.M. in the three quarters of Rannagh, barony of Burren, Co. Clare.

Signed & sealed. John Drew. [Armorial seal. A lion rampant, on a chief a Tau cross between two mullets].

Witnesses. Patricke Nihell; Robt: Rice; Peetter Sheehy.

1190.

10 May 1681.

Lease for a year by Owen Carroll of Killmain, Kings Co., esq., Luke Duigin of [] Kings Co., gent., and Roger Duigin of [] Kings Co., gent.; to Donogh o Bryan of Leamenegh, esq.; of 200a. arable and pasture (set out to Dermott Duigin of Rathribbin, Kings Co., deceased, by the Loghreagh Commissioners) in the parish of Behagh, barony of Kiltarton, Co. Galway.

Signed & sealed. Owen Carroll.

Witnesses. Theobald Butler; Patricke Nihell; George Comerford; James Carroll; James Butler.

1191.

14 May 1681.

Agreement between Lady Catherine O'Brien and Donough O'Brien. Sir Joseph Williamson and Lady Catherine to make a lease to Mr. Patrick Nihil (in trust for the said Donogh), of the 9 plowlands of Dromoland; for 99 years, at a rent of £60 for the first 19 years, £160 for the remainder; with the same covenants as were in Mr. Cooper's lease for 21 years, etc.

Other provisions include "Mr O Brien to giue Sr. Joseph a good gelding next yeare."

Signed. Ca: O: Brien; Don. O Brien.

1192.

17 May 1681.

Lease by Sir Joseph Williamson and Lady Catherine O'Brien to Patrick Nihell of Limerick, gent., of the plowlands of Dromoland. Lessee to do suit and service at the Courts Leet and Baron for the manor of Bunratty; to find, at times of general hosting and rising out, "one protestant horsman well [] of wth a good horse & good case of pistolls" for one month, at his own charges; to "substancially repayre and amend" the castle of Dromoland, with all other buildings on the premises; and to preserve the underwoods in the English fashion.

Signed. J: Williamson; Ca: O Brien.

Witnesses. Stephen Rice; Robert Rice; Danill O Kealihar.

1193.

5 May 34 Chas. II., 1682.

Lease and release by John Mc Donnogh of Ballykeile, Co. Clare, gent., to Donough O'Brien of Leameneh, Co. Clare, esq., for £150; of a moiety of the three half quarters of Carrowgane and Castlequarter, in the barony of Corkomroe, Co. Clare.

Signed & sealed. John mc Donnogh.

Witnesses. Francis Mc Donnogh; Cor: Mc Donnogh; James Cassie; Patrick Kerin; John Mcnemara.

Endorsed with affidavit to validity of James Cassye, sworn before Stand: Hartstonge. 13 Oct. 1684.

1194.

17 May 34 Chas. II., 1682.

Lease for a year by Peter Pilley of Ballagh, Co. Galway, gent., to John Mc Donnogh of Ballikeile, Co. Clare, gent; of 401a. profitable "Irish plantacion measure and of Straffords survey" in Caherserkin.

[Signature illegible].

Witnesses. Cornelius Horan; Garett Wale; Walter Wale; Walter Wale; John Hauerty; William Wale.

Endorsed with affidavit of John Haverty to sealing and delivery of deed by Peter "Pilleg." Sworn before Will: Worth, 1 Oct. 1684.

1195.

25 Nov. 34 Chas. II., 1682.

Lease by William, Earl of Inchiquin, to Daniell Day of London, Doctor of Physic, of the following lands and tenements in Co. Clare: the half quarter of Killkredaine in the barony of Tullagh, held by John Creagh, rent £10.2.6; the quarter of Lakareaghbeg, in the same barony, held by John Ferry, rent £10.17.6; the quarter of Maharareagh in the same barony, held by John Hicky, rent £8.7.6; the quarter of Lakareagh more, in the same barony, held by Patrick Nash, rent £12,17.6; the half quarter of Killbane, held by John Collins, rent

£12.17.6; and the quarter of Knockdrine, held by Syda Mcc Nemara, To hold for lives of the said Daniell Day, Susanna his wife, and John Day of Downane, son and heir of Allexander Day in Co. Tipperary, at the rents aforesaid, with a fat beef or £4 at Michaelmas, and the best beast or £5 on the death of any of the lives mentioned above; the tenant also doing suit of court and services as is customary.

Signed. Insiquin.

Witnesses. Bryttas¹; Henry Bourke; William Barnes, Scr. [scrivener] in the Temple; Charles Daniel.

"March 6: 1707 a true copy examined by the original brot. by Mr. Pet. Du Fresney

John Eldridge"

1196.

3 Jan. 1681.

Mortgage by Robert Blake of Ardfry, Co. Galway, esq., and Richard Blake his son and heir; to Sara Ni Bryen Fz Daniel of Ballikinvarga, Co. Clare, gentlewoman, for £100; of 137a. profitable P.M. in the quarter of Ballinemanagh, barony of Dunkellin, Co. Galway.

Signed. Sara Bryen.

Witnesses. O. (?) Martyn; John Comyn; Edmond Mc Donnogh; John Daly; Hugh Casye; Connor o Connor; John Daly; Miles Arthure.

1197.

1682 to 1688.

16 leases and conveyances, to which Sir Donough O'Brien is a party, of lands in the baronies of Clondirala, Inchiquin, and Islands, Co. Clare; and Kiltartan, Co. Galway. Other parties include Miles Bourke, Thomas Flower, and Turlogh Mc Namara.

1198.

5 May 35 Chas. II [1683].

Writ to the Sheriff of Co. Clare, to give George Comerford, gent., possession of 4½a. in Ballyganny alias Poleguilicka, 2a. 1r. in Glanslaid, 9a. in one of the two quarters of Ballyganny (retrenched by Sir William King), and 6a. in parcels in common (retrenched by Henry Ivers, esq.); in the barony of Burren, Co. Clare, which were recovered by Comerford against Ivers.

Latin.

¹ Theobald Bourke [c. 1650-1705] 3rd Baron Bourke of Brittas, son in law of the 1st Earl.

4-5 Dec. 1683.

Lease and release by Donough O'Brien of Fermoile, Co. Clare, gent., and Connor O'Hehir of Carrowenemadery, Co. Clare, gent., to Loghlen o Hehir of Cahirmanina, Co. Clare, gent., for £191.13.4; of 137a. profitable I.P.M. in the quarter of Ballymacranane, barony of Corcamroe, Co. Clare (which had been mortgaged by Connor O'Brien late of Newtowne, Co. Clare, esq., father of the said Donough, to Donough O'Hehir, father of the said Connor); free from encumbrances, except for a rent of 36/8 to the Earl of Inchiquin and his heirs "who passed the said lands in Pattent."

Signed & sealed. Don: O: Brien; Connor O Hehir.

Witnesses. Dominicke Power; Andrew O Hehir; Patrick O Hehir; Hugh Hyne; Andrew Power; Franke Neylan [mark]; Richard Burke.

1200.

[] Jan. 1684.

Conveyance by John Cooper of Co. Clare, esq., to Richard Willson of Moigarlly (?) of the fourth part of a lease of tenements and other concerns in Sixmilebridge, which had been granted in reversion by Henry [O'Brien] Earl of Thomond to Donough o Brien of Leameneh, esq.

Draft.

1201.

21 Aug. 1684.

Bond of Mortagh O'Brien of Ballygastle, Co. Clare, gent., to Donough O'Brien of Lemaneigh, Co. Clare, esq., of £100.

Condition. Agreeing to publication of depositions taken in a case between the said Mortagh and James Cashie, Morrogh Cashie, William Pickman, and John Pickman concerning the lands of Rannah.

Signed & sealed. Mortagh O Brien.

Witnesses. Hugh Brigdall; Co: Mc Donnogh; James Cassie.

1202.

23 Sept. 1684.

Bond of Francis Arthur of Ballyquin, Co. Clare, gent., to Donough O'Brien of Leameneh, esq., of £120; for performance of agreement relating to the half plowland (114a.) of Shanboe, parish of Kilfeily, barony of Tulla.

Signed & sealed. Francis Arthur.

Witnesses. Flor: Macnemara; John Roche; Dennis Hickie.

15 Oct. 1684.

Lease by James Roe of Limerick, fellmonger, to John Mynehane of Limerick, blacksmith, of a house 38' in length and a plot bounded on the N. by Mongrett Street, in the parish of St. John the Baptist to the S. of Limerick; for 21 years, rent £3.

Signed & sealed. John Mynehane [mark].

Witnesses. Thomas Stringer; Samuell Allen; Mihill Short [mark].

1204.

30 July 1684.

Lease by Henry [O'Brien] Earl of Thomond; to Richard Wilson of Moygallow, Co. Clare, gent.; of the cartron of Moygalla, the half quarter and half cartron of Ballynevane, and the half quarter of Ballyroe, containing 181a., in the parish of Kilfinaghten, barony of Tulla, Co. Clare; for lives of Ann Wilson (wife of the lessee), and Lucius and Henry, sons of Donough O'Brien; rent £27.10., with a fat hog, a fat mutton, and a couple of fat capons (or 17/6 in lieu), duties, and 6d. in the £ receiver's fees. Wilson to do suit and service at the courts of the manor of Dooneasse, to pay the Exchequer rents due out of the lands, to pay a renewal fine of a year's rent, and to maintain, at his own cost, a Protestant horseman, provided with a good horse, sword, and case of pistols, to attend the Earl for one month.

1205.

1684 to 1710.

22 deeds (leases, contracts for leases, releases, and fines) affecting the lands of Coskeane, involving Sir Donough O'Brien, Sir Walter Blake, Capt. John Walcott, Mrs. Martha Abercromby, Terlagh O'Heyne Roger O'Loghlen, Capt. Donough O'Loghlen, and Nicholas Quinn.

1206.

15 Sept. 1685.

Bond of Donough O'Brien of Kells, Co. Clare, gent., to Loghlen O'Hehir of Cahirmanina, Co. Clare, gent., of £200.

Condition: performance of agreement relating to the half quarter of CahirIcoffane.

Signed. Donough O: Brien.

Witnesses. Cornelius Hehire; Morrogh Cassey; Richard Burke; Connor Nestor.

Also: lease and release, between the abovenamed parties, for £115, of the above lands. 14-15 Sept. 1685.

12 Dec. 1 Jas. II., 1685.

Conveyance by John [Skeffington] Viscount Massereene and Sir James Edwards, Kt. and alderman of London, to Donough O'Brien of Leameneh, Co. Clare, esq., for £600.5.; of the following lands in Co. Clare: 25a. profitable P.M., part of Carrowreagh, Clonomra (24a. profitable), and 28a. profitable, part of Tirlagh, in the barony of Corcamroe; Ballynecraggy (162a. profitable), Dromanore (69a. profitable), Dromvary (40a. profitable), and Clontabanniffe (40a. profitable) in the barony of Islands.

Signed and sealed. Massereene; James Edwards. [Armorial seals]. Witnesses' names endorsed.

Also: agreement between John Drury (acting for Sir James Edwards and Donough O'Brien) for conveyance of the above lands. 24 Mar. 1684/5.

1208.

1685 to 1738.

15 fines and writs (mostly concerning Sir Donough O'Brien) of various lands and tenements in Co. Clare, e.g.: Hilary, I Jas. II. [1686]. Laughlen O'Heyher, esq., plaintiff; Donough O'Brien of Kells, esq., Martha his wife, and Ellinor Bryan alias Saghnessey his mother, deforciants; of 5 messuages, 5 cottages, 30a. land, 30a. meadow, and 300a. pasture I.P.M. in the half quarter of Cahircossane, barony of Corcomroe, Co. Clare.

1209.

22 Mar. 1685/6, 2 Jas. II.

King's letter for the appointment of Thomas Keightley as Vice-Treasurer of Ireland, with the usual fees and perquisites.

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1210.

3 Apr. 2 Jas. II. [1686].

Appointment of Thomas Keightley to the office of Vice-Treasurer of Ireland.

Endorsed with enrolment in Chancery and in the Auditor-General's office.

1211.

I Feb. I Jas. II., 1685[6].

Grant by Patrick Alen of St Wolstons alias Alens-Court, Co. Kildare, esq., to James Rely of Dublin, gent.; of an annuity of £20

out of the towns and lands of Landestowne alias Ladestowne and Haggardmore alias Haggardstowne in the parish of Dunabate, Co. Dublin; to be void on repayment of £250 by Alen, with interest (if any is due) at the rate of 8%, with a proportionate abatement on repayment of £100, six months' notice to be given in either case.

Signed & sealed. Patrick Alen. [Armorial seal. A chevron between

three escallop shells. Crest. A pegasus courant].

Witnesses. Edward Chamberlaine; Bryan Mathews; Nicholas Jones.

Witnesses to livery of seisin and to attornment by Bazill Browne, tenant for years yet to come. Edward Chamberlaine; Bryan Mathews; Nicholas Jones.

"I Basill Browne doe atturne tennant."

1212.

Hilary, I Jas. II. [1686].

Fine, between Michael Hickey, gent., plaintiff; and William Clark and Mary his wife, deforciants: of 5 messuages and 62a. arable, meadow pasture, and wood in Aldacott; and of 5 other messuages and 66a. arable, meadow, pasture, and wood in Kilkearan, Co. Clare.

Latin.

1213.

Hilary, 1 Jas. II. [1686].

Fine, between Laughlen O'Heyher, esq., plaintiff; and Donough O'Brien of Kells, Co. Clare, esq., Marta his wife, and Ellinor Brien alias Saghnasey, his mother: of 5 messuages and 90a. arable, meadow, and pasture in the half quarter of Cahircossane, barony of Corcumroe, Co. Clare.

Latin.

1214.

20 Jan. 1688.

Mortgage by Nicholas Lynch of Leagh, Co. Clare, gent., to Sir Donough O'Brien of Leameneh, Co. Clare, Bt., for £110.11.2 of 240a. profitable P.M. in Leagh, barony of Corcomroe, Co. Clare; repayable within three years, with a proviso for repayment within six months if so required.

Signed & sealed. Donn: O Brien. [Armorial seal].

Witnesses. S. (?) Burton; Edmond Clinacke (?); John Barrett; Denis Mc Carthy.

Also: additional mortgage (£139.8.10), fine, and asignment of mortgage relating to above lands. 1702-03.

20 Jan. 1688.

Lease by Sir Donough O'Brien of Leameneh, Co. Clare, Bt., to Nicholas Lynch of Leagh, Co. Clare, gent., of 100a. profitable P.M. in Leagh for three years; to be void if Lynch alienates his interest without O'Brien's consent, Lynch being bound to "scource and make upp the outbounds."

Signed & sealed. Nicholas Lynch.

Witnesses. S. (?) Burton; Edmund Clinach (?); John Barrett; Denis Mc Carthy.

1216.

12 May 4 Jas. II., 1688.

Lease by Richard [Parsons] Viscount Rosse and Baron of Oxmantowne, to Sir Maurice Eustace of Castlemartin, Co. Kildare, Bt.; of the following lands and tenements in Kilcullen "as the same are marked or lye in the Mapp¹ or Survey thereof to these presents annexed": a small parcel by the Athy road, 3a. 3r. 5p.; 3r. in Multullyes land; 3r. in Coolaganco; 1a. in Moteland; 1a. in Knockbandra; an enclosed piece of ground, on which is a thatched house made with couples, 3a.; another enclosed piece, on which is a cabin; two pieces, 1a. and 2a. 2r. 25p. in the open fields; Acre a Carr, 1a. 1r., in the open fields; Acre a Countesse, Ia. Ir., in the open fields; Coolevowdagh, enclosed and divided into three parts, 12a. 2r. 8p.; the four acres, Well acre, and 1a. 8p. in the open fields; the house and garden where Serjeant Owens dwelt, Ir.; a cabin and garden, Ir. 16p.; 2a. 3r. 20p. in the open fields; Baggots park, enclosed, 16a. 8p.; Scarrick Brack in the open fields, 2a.; English parke, 2a. Iop.; Knockbandra, enclosed, 3a. Ir. 23p.; Ia. 2r. enclosed; three parcels (Ia. 8p., 2a. Ir. 27p., and 2a. Ir. 14p.) in the open fields; 1a. Ir. 21p. in Raheen Garraland in the open fields; two parcels (3a. and 2a.) in the same fields; and 1a. or. 36p. called Arreaghbohoge in the same fields adjoining Castlemartin: total, 79a, 2r. rp. To hold for 21 years at £20 rent, the lessee not allowing the mears or bounds to be broken or ploughed up.

Signed & sealed. Rosse. [Armorial seal].

Witnesses. William Nugent; Peter Read; John Bird.

1217.

2 June 1688.

Lease by James [Butler] Viscount Ikerrin, one of the Privy Council of Ireland, to Patrick Hurly of Moughna, Co. Clare, esq.; of the castle, town, and lands (containing three plowlands) of Dough, Lahinsy,

¹ Not preserved.

and Ardinkilly, except 30a. of Dough belonging to Henry Ivers and Donough O'Brien or one of them, "which acres.... are not.... to be sett, nor any defalcation or rent to be given for not enjoying them"; for lives of the said Patrick Hurly, Elizabeth his wife, and Dermot his brother; rent £50, the tenant keeping the premises in repair and committing no waste (necessary house—, plough—, hedge—, cart—, and fireboot expected).

Not signed.

Witnesses. John Walsh (?); Oliver Marston; William Connell.

1218.

Mich. 4 Jas. II. [1688].

Fine, between Sir Donough O'Brien, plaintiff; and Donough Macnemara and Ann his wife, deforciants; of 5 messuages and 19a. arable in the quarter of Glansleade, parish of Kilcornye, barony of Burren, Co. Clare.

1219.

Mich. 4 Jas. II. [1688].

Fine, between Sir Donough O'Brien, plaintiff; and Cravan Mac Donnogh, gent., and Mary his wife, deforciants: of 10 messuages and 28a. arable in the half quarter of Coylemore (called Ardnagoula, Dromoncoilean, and Dromonkeile), in the parish of Killthoraght, Co. Clare.

1220.

Mich. 4 Jas. II. [1688].

Fine, between Sir Donough O'Brien, plaintiff; and Michael O'Dea, gent., and Mary his wife, deforciants: of a castle, 10 messuages, and 320a. arable, meadow, pasture, wood, and heath in Inch, Inchibegg West, and Noif (?) East, in the barony of Islands, Co. Clare: consideration, £160.

1221.

3 Jan. 1689 [90] 5 Jas. II.

Lease by Daniel Neylon of Disert, Co. Clare, esq., to Michael Mc Donnogh of Ballycullina, Co. Clare, of three and one-third cartrons in Ballycullina, for years, rent £14; the tenant paying the King's and quit rent, not alienating without written permission, and having power to surrender the lease on any 1st of May on giving six months' warning.

Signed. Mich: Mc Donagh.

Witnesses. Henry Ievers (?); Mort: O Flanagane; Edm: Neilan; Richd. Hurly.

Faded and partly illegible.

The following also refer to Ballycullina:

- Lease for a year by Daniel Neylon to Sir Donough O'Brien.
 Nov. 1695.
- (2) Mortgage by Neylon to O'Brien for £200. 29 Nov. 1695.
- (3) Conveyance by Charles Mc Donogh to the above. 13 Jul. 1696.

1222.

[1691 to 1698].

Proposals for the Earl of Thomond's concerns.

The subjects dealt with include: creation money; waste in woods; putting "writeings" in order; and an application—to be made by the Marquis of Worcester¹ "or some other person of quality that is a friend to the family "—for an exchange of Sixmilebridge and the farm of Moyhill with Sir Joseph and Lady Catherine Williamson.

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1223.

21 Feb. 1692.

Lease by Sir Stephen Rice of Dublin, Kt., to Thomas Hickman² of Barnetick, Co. Clare, esq., of 85a. profitable in Madara within the barony of Bunratty, Co. Clare; for lives of Thomas Hickman (son of the said Thomas), Elizabeth Stratford of Baltinglass, and Edward Rice (son and heir of the said Sir Stephen); rent for first three years £8.10., for next seven £14.17.6, for remainder £17; surrender may be made, if six months' notice is given, within ten days of the 1st of May or 1st of November in any year.

Signed and sealed. Thomas Hickman.

Witnesses' names endorsed.

Also counterpart, signed Stephen Rice.

1224.

10 Mar. 1692.

Mortgage by Donough O'Brien of Innishdiamon, esq., to James Mc Danniell of Killkee, esq., for £80; of the plowland of Cahirminane-begg, parish of Killfenora, barony of Corcumroe, Co. Clare.

Torn and partly illegible.

1225.

I Apr. 1693.

Indenture between Thomas Hickman the elder of Barninticke, Co. Clare, esq.: and John Gore of Clonroud, esq., Capt. Francis Gore of Mountshannon (his son and heir), Thomas Spaight of Bunratty

¹ Probably Charles Somerset [1661-1698] second son of the first Duke of Beaufort,

²There are 10 other leases and mortgages concerning Thomas Hickman the younger and Robert Hickman, both of Barntick; 1708 to 1740.

Lodge, Co. Clare, esq., George Hickman of Barninticke, gent., Charles Hallynane of Barninticke, and John Weekes of Barninticke: to provide portions for Elizabeth, Jane, and Gertrude Hickman, daughters of the said Thomas and of Gertrude (deceased) daughter of the said John Gore, out of Ballyfadda, Shally, and certain other lands and tenements in the baronies of Islands and Inchiquin, Co. Clare.

Signed and sealed. John Weekes; George Hickman [Armorial seal. Per pale indented, 6 cinquefoils]; Charles Hallinan [Armorial seal. On a fess, 3 pheons]; Thomas Spaight; John Gore [Armorial seal. A fess between 3 crosses crosslet]; Tho: Hickman.

Witnesses. Richard Smyth; Obadiah Dawson; William Clark; Hugh Hickman; Owen O: Neile.

Endorsed with memorandum of giving of livery of seisin by John Weekes, attorney of Thomas Hickman. 29 Apr. 1693.

Also endorsed, by Robert O'Brien; "The marriage was in 1680."

Also: agreement to levy a fine of the above lands and tenements, between Thomas Hickman (1); Robert Stratford of Baltinglass, Co. Wicklow, esq., and Benjamin Burton of Dublin, merchant (2); John Gore, Thomas Spaight, and George Hickman (3). 29 April 1693.

1226.

11 Apr. 1693.

Minute for lease by Capt. Francis Foster of Rathorp, Co. Galway to Sir Donough O'Brien; of the two quarters (72a.) of Ballymcdonnell-bane E. and W. in the parish of Kilfenora, barony of Corcomroe, Co. Clare; to be perfected on demand for 31 years from 25 Mar. 1693, at £25 rent. The £20 rent, reserved by Sir Donough to Foster out of 221a. in Capafarilla, Co. Galway, to be allowed in part payment.

Signed & sealed. Francis Foster; Donnough O'Brien. Witnesses. Henry Bridgeman; J. Maighee; Teig Clanchy.

1227.

II Sept. 1693.

Feoffment by Brian O Hanrahane of Fantuore, Co. Clare, gent.: to Denish Hanrahane of Fantuore, gent.; Donogh Considine of Dromunagran, Co. Clare, gent.; and Dermott O Tyne of Carhumeanach Co. Clare, gent.: of the plowland of Carhuduff, the half plowland of Ballyalla, and the East and lower half quarter of Derrine; with 16 "great cowes," five sucking calves, two yearling bullocks, a yearling heifer, a bull, two colts "running in two," two other colts "runing in three," three mares with two foals, a riding nag, 22 sheep and lambs, and seven hogs, together with his corn and household stuff.

Attorney for livery of seisin. Teige O Cahill of Derrine.

Intention. Feoffees to be seised of the premises in trust for the said Brian during his life. After his death, his son in law Donogh Considine to have the cartron of Cnockaniadin, with the stone house, for 21 years at 10/- a year, paying "monks rent and all other contry charges." To Dermott O Tyne 20/- upon the cartron of Cornary for 21 years, with liberty to reenter in case if nonpayment by his son & heir Denish Hanrahane (to whom he leaves the use of the cartron). To John O Naghten, Penolepe Hanrahane, and Bartholomel Hanrahane a half cartron of Antenoire in Derrine, and the half cartron of Corknore. To Michael Hanrahane and his sister in law, for 21 years, the other two half cartrons in the said lands. To his son Denish Hanrahane the half quarter of Ballyalla. To his brother Rickard Hanrahane the cartron of Garruffleacky, leased at 10/- a year, besides "monks rent," for 21 years. To his brother Roger the cartron of Gurtinenahinarl (?) at 10/a year for 21 years. To Joan Hanrahane two good cows and two sheep. To Penolepe Hanrahane a sheep. To Bartholomel Hanrahane a cow in calf, a yearling heifer, and a sheep. To Evilin ni Mire a sheep and a lamb. Remainder of the sheep—four or five—to his granddaughters Honora and Joan Hanrahane. To his son & heir all his household stuff, except for a small candlestick and a small pot (to Bartholemel) and a blanket (to Joan). If his son Bartholomel dies without lawful issue, his legacy to go his son Denish. "If any alteracon of settlemt may come, whereby the Irish may be restored, as to their interest in forty one," the half quarter of Derrine and the West half quarter of Carruduff to be quietly delivered up to his son & heir, in spite of the lease, without any trouble. None of his cattle or any part of his corn to be "imbeazled" or disposed of, before his debts and funeral expenses are paid, by his son & heir unless with the consent of his feoffees. His son & heir to pay no more than 5/- a year out of the third part [of] Possune.

Signed. Brien O Hanrahan.

Witnesses. Conor O Brian; James Jurdane [mark]; Thomas Jurdane [mark].

1228.

25 Nov. 1693.

Lease by William, Earl of Inchiquin, Lord Lieutenant of Co. Clare, and "Chiefe Gouernour of the royall fort and towne of Kinsale," to Rosse O'Loghlen of Rossrawly, Co. Clare, gent.; of the lands of Castletowne Tarmane, and Rossrawly (except two small gardens to be added to John Dawly's farm, about 1a. of ground) containing 17 cartrons "according to their ancient meares and bounds" in the barony of Burren, Co. Clare, reserving usual rights, including ingress, egress, and regress for "truckles and other carriages." To hold for 21 years, rent £16 for first three years, £20 for next four, and £26 for the remainder; with 12d. in £ fees, and a hog and a fat mutton or 15/- at Christmas,

the tenant doing suit and service at the Corofyny manor courts, and using the manor grist mill.

Signed & sealed. Inchiquin.

Witnesses. John Longfield; Da. Suliuan.

Endorsed with the following additional clauses:

- (1) Tenant to plant any new ditches with whitethorn, any new fences with oak or ash.
- (2) Landlord to have a heriot [unspecified] on the death of the principal tenant¹.

Witnesses as above.

1229.

21 Dec. 1693.

Mortgage by Daniel Neylon of Dysartt, esq.; to John Hurly of Moughna, Co. Clare, gent., for £46 (rate of interest 10%); of three cartrons and the third of a cartron (265a. profitable), in Ballycullina, barony of Corcomroe, Co. Clare.

Signed and sealed. John Hurly.

Witnesses. Fran: Neilane; Rich: Mc donogh; Jo. Mc Donnogh; Patt Mc Donnogh; Murtagh O Sulle[v]ane.

1230.

5 Sept. 1694, 6 Will. & Mary.

Lease by Terence O'Brien of Navan, Co. Meath, esq.; to Thomas Loyde of Ballyvanavan, Co. Clare, gent.; of the half plowland (50a.) of Clonmull, formerly held by Frances O'Brien of Bryens Castle, Co. Clare, gent.; 44a. in Drombanuffe, formerly held by Daniell Mc Nemara of Carrinmalla, Co. Clare, gent.; and 5a. in Drombanuffe, formerly held by Donogh Mc Mahon Mc Nemara of Cotteene, Co. Clare, gent.; all in the parish of Inchronane, barony of Bunratty, Co. Clare: for 19 years. Rent, for the first year, a peppercorn and that part of the quit rent falling due next Michaelmas; for the second year, 1/6; for subsequent years, 2/-. Lessee not to commit waste, of trees or otherwise.

Signed. Thomas Loyde.

Witnesses. Roger Mc Nemara; Timothy Uniacke; Stephen Loyde; John Mc Nemara; Thomas Loyde.

Contemporary copy.

1231.

1 Jan. 1694 [5] 6 Will. & Mary.

Inquisition *post mortem* of Redmund Mullady of Grangemore, Co. Westmeath, taken at Lillsbrook alias Cloghannomyera before James Nugent, esq., Sheriff of the county.

¹ This clause has been added in a different hand.

Jurors. John Cooke, Thomas Nugent, and George Langfoord, esqs.; William Chapeman, Richard Kennedy, Richard Cain, David Murray, Francis Hill, Edward Robinson, William Vaughan (?), James Cullen (?), and Mark Piers, gents.

They find him to have been seised in fee, in Trinity term 4 Jas. II. [1688] of the town and lands of Grangemore, in the barony of Farbill, Co. Westmeath, containing 176 (?) a. arable P.M., worth clear £23.16 a year; of which Mary Mullady, relict of the said Redmund, was in possession at the time of the inquisition. The Sheriff has given seisin of a moiety of the lands to James Somerwell of Dublin, gent., in satisfaction of a debt owing to him by Mullady of £150. The said Mary had, to the knowledge of the jurors no [other] lands or tenements in the County Westmeath.

Signed & sealed. James Nugent.

1232.

20 Feb. 1694 [5] 7 Will. & Mary.

Mortgage by Daniell Neylon of Clonybegg, Co. Clare, esq., to Francis Fitz Gerald of Roslevane, Co. Clare, gent., for £100; of the three cartrons called Bealenalicky and the half cartrons called Teerenane, in the parish of Disert, barony of Inchiquine, Co. Clare.

Signed & sealed. Francis Fz Gerald.

Witnesses. William Clark; Mathew Higin; Richard Burke.

Endorsed with assignment of his interest by Nealane to Thomas Hickman of Barntick, Co. Clare, esq. 6 Nov. 1697.

1233.

9 Apr. 1695.

Assignment by Giles Vanderlure of Ballinrobe, Co. Mayo, esq., executor of Swift Nix late of Ballinacraggie, Co. Clare, to Joseph Coughlane of Limerick, esq., in trust for Rt. Hon. Sir Joseph Williamson, Kt., (in satisfaction of arrears of rent due to him and Lady Catherine his wife since 30 Mar. 1688); of the residue of a lease of Ballinacraggy made 29 Sept. 1659 by Barnaby, Earl of Thomond, to Daniel mc Nemarra for 99 years.

Signed & sealed. Giles Vanderlure; J. Williamson. [armorial seals]. Witnesses. Joseph Hornsby; Peeter Sheehy.

1234.

29 Apr. 1695.

Lease by John Ormsby of Ballyvennoge, Co. Limerick, esq.; to John Ronan of Annagh, Co. Limerick, esq.;: of the lands of Garrans, Limerick city; Ballykeale East, Ballykeale West, the W. half quarter

of the quarter of Ballyhanna West, 2a. in Ballygounane and the Glasnans, in the parish of Killfenora, barony of Corcumroe, Co. Clare; Ballinrogybegg, Ballynarogy alias Ballinrongy and Castlecrome (431a. profitable, 48a. unprofitable), 86a. in Bealdurrogy, and Gurteenrennhy (220a.), in the barony of Conneloe, Co. Limerick: for 41 years, at a peppercorn rent.

Signed & sealed. J. Ormsby.

Witnesses. Stephen Creaghe; David England.

1235.

19 July 1695.

Mortgage by Timothy Mac Donogh of Ballykeale, Co. Clare, gent.; to John Ronan of Farrenegallagh, Limerick, esq., for £32.10.; of the cartron (4a.), of Glasnanes, in the parish of Kilfenora, barony of Corcumroe, Co. Clare.

Signed & sealed. Tim: Mc Donogh.

Witnesses. Charles Macdonogh; Richard England; David England.

Also: lease for a year of the above. 18 July 1695.

1236.

19 Oct. 1695.

Apprenticeship indenture of John Bradley (son of John Bradley, deceased); to Daniel Mullan of Dublin, perukemaker, for 5 years. Mullan agrees, in case at any time he should not be able to "keepe shopp & follow his calling or Art," to find Bradley another qualified master for the remainder of his term.

Indenture made with the consent of Sir Donough O'Brien, to whom Mullan is to repay the premium of £5.10. within two years.

Signed & sealed. Dan: Mullan.

Witnesses. Peter Bigot; Francis Rogers; John Carroll.

1237.

8 Nov. 1695.

Lease by Rt. Hon. Sir Joseph Williamson, Kt., and his wife Lady Catherine O'Brien, Baroness Clifton¹, to Richard Wilson of Moygalloe, Co. Clare, gent.; of the lands of Beanroe and Ballymoghoney, Ballylyne, Seshymore and Ballyconree in the barony of Burren, Co. Clare; for 31 years, rent £38.2.6 including duties and fees, the best beast to be yielded as a heriot at the death of a principal tenant. The tenant not to alienate without the lessors' consent, or to commit waste.

Signed & sealed. J. Williamson; Ca: O Brien.

Witnesses. George Roche; Jos: Hornsby; Thomas Spaight.

 $^{^1\,\}mathrm{Catherine}$ Stuart (1640–1702) widow of Henry O'Brien, eldest son of the 7th Earl of Thomond.

29 Jul. 1696.

Lease for a year by Cravane Mac Donnogh of Cahiruahill, Co. Clare, gent., to Sir Donough O'Brien, of 22a. I.P.M. in the quarter of Ballycullina, parish of Clewny, barony of Corcomroe, Co. Clare.

Signed. Crauan mc Donogh.

Witnesses to signature, and to delivery to Cornelius mc Donnogh for Sir Donough's use. Nicholas Lynch; Jo. Mc Donogh; Henry Blood; Lau. (?) McDonogh; John Morane [mark].

1239.

3 Nov. 1696.

Bond of Walter Neylon of Kilcaragh, Co. Clare, gent., to David England of Ennis, Co. Clare, gent., of £40, to perform an agreement between him and Andrew Hehir of Ballymacravane and James Davoren of Killmoon on the one part, and the said David on the other part.

Signed & sealed. Walter Neilan.

Witnesses. Donough O'Brien; Tho. Mc Donogh; John O: Connor; Aeneas Daly.

1240.

1696 to 1715.

Fifteen leases and conveyances, made by Rt. Hon. Thomas Keightley, of lands and tenements in Castlemartin and Kilcullen, Co. Kildare; Hagardstown, Platten, and Stonestown, Co. Louth; Micknanstown, Co. Meath; Corra and Symonstown, Co. Westmeath.

1241.

1696 to 1740.

10 deeds and miscellaneous papers relating to Ballinecraggy, affecting Sir Donough and Sir Edward O'Brien.

1242.

I Oct. 1697.

Mortgage by Francis Sarsfield of London, esq., to Col. Charles Godfrey of London, for £700, of the towns and lands of Newland in the barony of Naas, Co. Kildare (leased to him 24 Nov. 1684 by the Duke of York); and Cahirnahilly, Co. Limerick (leased to him in 1671 by the said Duke); together with *elegits* obtained by Sarsfield against Sir Thomas Hackett of Dublin, Kt., on a moiety of the following lands and tenements: a messuage, yard, warehouse, and other tenements on the Wood Key, two messuages on the Merchants' Key, and two messuages in Skinners Roe, in the city of Dublin; 25a. in Kilmatualy,

called "Luttrells freehould," 66a. in Adamstowne alias Feddingtowne, 200a. in Milltowne alias Kensingtown, and several other tenements in Co. Dublin; Cregagh, Cloghir, Clonkeen, Ballynoen, Inchiturk, Rathbrack, and several other lands in Co. Westmeath.

Signed. Francis Sarsfield.

Witnesses. Phillip Stafford; John Euers; Francis Hearn.

1243.

II Dec. 1697.

Lease by Daniell Neylon of Cloneybegg, Co. Clare, esq., to Denish Hallinane of Castletowne, Co. Clare, gent., of the three cartrons called Ballynolacky alias Bealenalicky and the three half cartrons called Teeironane alias Tureonane alias Tirronan, containing altogether 269a. profitable P.M., in the parish of Disartt, barony of Inshiquin, Co. Clare; for 21 years from the redemption of a mortgage of £160 due to Thomas Hickman of Barnenticke, esq.; rent £10.

No signature.

Witnesses. Francis Marshall; John Lee; Tho: Conway.

Also: lease for a year, and bond of Neylon to Hickman of £200 relating to the abovenamed lands. 9 & 10 Dec. 1697.

1244.

1697.

Receipts from Daniell Conell for £13.10., being a year and a half rent of Cahirmagorman and Suskine, due to Sir Donough O'Brien.

Copies.

1245.

1697 to 1699.

Eight leases, mortgages, and conveyances (to which Sir Donough O'Brien is a party) of lands and tenements in the baronies of Bunratty, Corcomroe, and Tulla, Co. Clare.

1246.

11 Jan. 1698.

Lease for a year by Capt. Christopher O'Brien of Inistimon, Co-Clare, to Richard Henn of Ballynegard, Co. Clare, gent.; of the towns and lands of Ballyelleery (138a.) and Claghwally (?) (58a.) in the barony of Corcumroe and parish of Killmacreely, Co. Clare.

Signed and sealed. Ch: O Brien.

Witnesses. Charles Macdonogh; Jos. Griffin; Richard England; David England.

13 & 14 Jan. 1698.

Lease and release by John Iuers of Mount Iuers, Co. Clare, gent., to Augustine Fz Gerald of Moigh Castle, Co. Clare, esq. for £50; of 21a. 2r. profitable P.M. in the quarter of Ballytarsna, parish of Killshanny, barony of Corcumroe, Co. Clare.

Signed & sealed. John Ieuers. [Armorial seal. On a bend, 3 fleurs de lis].

Witnesses. George Allen; James Grogan; Js. (?) Barry.

1248.

Trin. 10 Will. III. [1698].

Fine, between Thomas Hickman, esq., plaintiff; and Daniel Neylon and Celia his wife, deforciants: of 10 messuages and 490a. arable, pasture, meadow, wood, and moor in Ballynelacky alias Bealenalicky, and the three half cartrons of Teeronane alias Tirronane, Co. Clare: consideration, £160.

1249.

14 July 1698.

Minute from Sir Donough O'Brien to Peter Aylmer of Craigbrien, gent., for a 21 years' lease of the half quarter of Ballychianecurrah North; rent £21, with a clause for surrender on any 1st of November on giving half a year's warning.

Signed & sealed. Peter Aylmer.

1250.

22 Sept. 1698.

Mortgage by Dennis Hanraghane of Fantore, gent. (executor of Brien Hanraghane, late of Fantore, gent., deceased); to Hon. Sir Donough O'Brien of Leameneh, Bt., for £60: of his interest in the lands of Fantore, etc. [supra] leased to his father by the Earl of Inchiquin and Col. Daniell O'Brien. Repayment to be made within 11 years, with interest @ 10%.

Signed & sealed. Denis Hanrahane.

Witnesses. Richard Wilson; James Cusacke.

1251.

26 Feb. 1699.

Defeasance by Hon. Philip Savage, Chancellor of the Exchequer and one of the Privy Council; Hon. Thomas Broderick, one of the Privy Council; Hon. William Neave, one of H.M. Serjeants at Law; and Thomas Sandford of Castlereagh, Co. Roscommon, esq. (trustees appointed by a Chancery decree in case of East v. Coote & Weaver): to Sir Donough O'Brien of Leameneh, Bt.; of a bond of £2,000 passed by Sir Donough to Arthur Podmore of Dublin, gent., concerning various lands in Co. Clare mortgaged for £1,000.

Signed & sealed. Donat O Brien [Armorial seal].

Witnesses. George Merrifeild; John Kingson; Thomas Sysson Not: Pub:

1252.

21 Aug. 1699.

Lease by John [Vesey] Archbishop of Tuam and Bishop of Kilfenoragh, to Mortagh O Davoren and Dermott O Davoren of Noghavale, barony of Burren, Co. Clare, gents.; of a cartron in Kiltanan, a cartron and a half called Carnaukey, half a sessie of Carrowkeile, and half a sessie of Li....., containing one quarter and twelfth part of a quarter all being parcel of the four sessies of Noghavale; for 21 years, rent £13, with 40/- instead of a heriot, the tenants doing suit and service at the manor courts of Killfenoragh.

Signed. John Tuam & Kilfenora.

Witnesses. Thomas Radcliffe; Henry Blood; Walter Honyn; Loghlen O Loghlen.

Torn and partly illegible.

1253.

8 Nov. 1699.

Bond of Denis Hanraghane to Sir Donough O'Brien, of £500.

Condition. Performance of agreement relating to Carroweragh and other lands, mortgaged by the first to the second party.

Signed & sealed. Denis Hanrahan. [Armorial seal. A chevron between two lions rampant in chief, and a sanglier statant in base].

Witnesses. Charles Macdonogh; Richard Wilson; James Cusacke. Also:

Lease for a year between the same parties. 7 Nov. 1699.

Mortgage of Carroweragh for £140, redeemable in 11 years. 8 Nov. 1699.

Bond of £124 for a further mortgage of Carroweragh. 1 May. 1701. Further mortgage of Carroweragh, redeemable in 9 years, for £62. 1 May 1701.

Further mortgage, redeemable in 8 years, for £100. 25 July 1702.

1699 to 1712.

Miscellaneous deeds and papers (including opinions of Sir Theobald Butler, John Grady, and John Amory on the title) relating to one-third of the lands of Carrownekelly, in the barony of Bunratty, Co. Clare.

1255.

17th cent.

Certified extracts from Auditor-General's office of lands and tenements leased to Sir Robert Napper, 17 Aug. 41 Eliz.; and to Sir Robert Newcomen, 18 Feb. 6 Jas. I.

14pp.

1256.

15 Jan. 1700.

Proposal of Robert Harrison for taking over Mr. Michaell Hickie's lease of the lands of Inistea, Durrin, and Capponageare, paying f roo down or else f80 a year during the remainder of the lease, to include Lord Thomond's rent.

1p.

1257.

22 Jan. 1700.

Additional mortgage by Thomas Mac Nemara to William Butler, for £147.15.8., of the lands of Leacarhowenagoule alias Leacarhownacashlane.

Signed & sealed. Thomas Macnamara. [Armorial seal. A lion rampant].

Witnesses. Pat Creagh; Peter Henchy; Bryan Stapleton.

1258.

6 Oct. 1701.

Quitclaim by John Longfield of Clayfort, Co. Cork, to William, Earl of Inchiquin; of his interest in a three lives' lease, made 2 May 1695, of Ballynemona and certain other lands in Co. Cork.

Signed and sealed. John Longfield.

Witnesses. Michael Goold; Maurice Roche, Thomas Chapman; Charles Hendry.

1259.

29 Nov. 1701.

Mortgage by Sir Donough O'Brien to Symon Purdon of Tenneranna, Co. Clare, esq., for £500; of the lands of Corrofyn otherwise Laughtagowne, Fancoyle, Ballydavin, Killboydan, and Islandmore in the parish

of Killenaboy & Rath, barony of Inchiquin, Co. Clare. Interest payable at the rate of 4%; the principal to be repaid before I June 1703.

Signed & sealed. Donat O Brien.

Witnesses. L. Dowdall; Richard Wilson; Corn. O Brien.

Endorsed with memorandum of having been produced in cases of Purdon v. O'Brien and others (1732); and Lord Milton [Milltown] v. Sir Lucius O'Brien and others (1770 & 1772).

1260.

1702.

Memorandum of partition of the lands of Ballyganner and Aylbran, Co. Clare, between Sir Donough O'Brien and John Walcott, Sir Donough taking the part which "lyes on the south side of the single stone wall leading from Kiltenane through the said lands and ending at Craggah O Nehir"

1261.

24 Feb. 1702.

Proposal of Edmond Naghten for his house [in Sixmilebridge], a small garden plot between it and the river, and Loghlen Hickie's park; rent £5.10.; term, 31 years or three lives "as yr. Hnr. pleases." [Lease surrendered 25 Mar. 1708].

1262.

27 Feb. 1702.

Proposal¹ of James Vandeleur for James Mc Donnell's tenement in Sixmilebridge, John Murphy's garden and the other part of its park (now held by Mc Donnell) and the other park near the river held by him; rent £13, for three lives with renewals; renewal fine £13; paying all duties and fees, slating and repairing the great house Mc Donnell lives in, and planting a young orchard.

1p.

1263.

23 Apr. 1702.

Settlement by Sir Donough O'Brien on Edward Deane of Terenure, Co. Dublin, esq., and Simon Purdon of Tenurranna, Co. Clare, esq. (in trust for his second son, Henry O'Brien): of the lands of Ballinaclugh (called Stone Hall by Sir Donough), Lisconnor, Carrowbane, and 30 other denominations in the baronies of Bunratty, Inchiquin, Clonderlaw, and Islands, Co. Clare; part of Ratheraleen in the barony

 $^{^1\,\}mathrm{He}$ made another proposal for the same concerns on 25 Feb. 1702/3, offering £12 rent only.

of Lower Ormond, Co. Tipperary; and the manors of O'Brien's Bridge and Inshequin and the abbey of Corcomroe (lately the estate of William, Earl of Inchiquin) together with other lands and tenements of the said Earl in Co. Clare, Limerick city and county, and Co. Tipperary, mortgaged by the said Earl to Sir Donough for £12,000 and subject to several other encumbrances [details given].

To hold in trust for Henry O'Brien and his issue, with a portion of £2,000 for his daughter, if an only child; remainder to Lucius O'Brien, Sir Donough's eldest son; Sir Donough reserving power to make leases for 31 years and to charge the lands with a jointure of not more than £400.

Signed. Donat O'Brien; Symon Purdon; Henry O'Brien.

Witnesses to Purdon's signature. Thomas Bourke; Ignative Casey. Witnesses to interlining between lines 16 and 17. Ja: Fitz Gerald; Richard Wilson; Mathw. Mc Nemara.

Endorsed with:

(1) Enrolment in Chancery, 21 Dec. 3 Geo. I. [1716].

(2) memorandum of having been shown to Croasdaile Molony in case of Joseph [Leeson] Lord Milton [Milltown] v. Sir Lucius O'Brien and others. [n.d.].

1264.

30 June 1 Anne, 1702.

Lease by Lady Henrietta O'Brien (relict of Henry Horatio, Lord O'Brien, and mother of Henry, Earl of Thomond): to William Atwell, citizen and goldsmith of London: with the consent of the said Earl of Thomond; James [Butler] Duke of Ormonde; Lord Arthur Somerset; Henry [Yelverton] Viscount Longueville; William [Fermor] Lord Lempster; and Sir Donough O'Brien: for 21 years in reversion after her death, of the quarter of Clonncarnan, the four quarters of Cloghane, the castle and two quarters of Doonbegg, with all other lands in the barony of Ibrickane, Co. Clare, lately occupied by the Lady Dowager Clare¹, and now occupied by Michaell Hickie: at £60 yearly rent, with a fine of £300.

Copy, in Richard Wilson's hand.

1265.

14 Jan. 1703.

Conveyance (sheriff's sale) by William Butler, esq., High Sheriff of Co. Clare, to Patrick Burrell of Ranaghane, Co. Clare, gent., for £100; of the lands of Castletowne, Tarnane, and Rossrawly, containing

¹ This may refer to Honora [O'Brien] widow of the 2nd Viscount, or to Philadelphia [Lennard] widow of the 3rd Viscount, both of whom were alive in or a little before 1702.

17 cartrons in the barony of Burren, Co. Clare (which had on 25 Nov. 1693 been demised for 21 years by William, Earl of Inchiquin, to Rossue O'Loghlen); in satisfaction of a debt of £120 with £1.18.1 costs adjudged against Inchiquin to Martin Hogan of Kells, Co. Clare, gent.

Signed. Wm: Butler vic. [Seal missing].

Witnesses. David England; William Hogan; John Stapleton; William Hogan [sic]; Thomas Conway.

1266.

1705 to 1712.

Three leases and an agreement for a fee farm grant relating to the lands of Beanroe.

1267.

14 Feb. 1705.

Lease by Rt. Hon. Sir Donough O'Brien to Dennis Hanraghane of the cartron of Corehuore; for the life of lessee, at a peppercorn rent. Signed & sealed. Denis Hanrahan.

Witnesses. Der: O'Tyne; Donough Considine; James Hanrahan; Charles Macdonogh.

1268.

15 Feb. 1705.

Assignment by Dennis Hanraghane to Richard Wilson of Sixmile-bridge, Co. Clare, gent., in trust for Sir Donough O'Brien for £16; of the remainder of his lease of 61 years, from the late Earl of Inchiquin, of the cartron of Fantore.

15 Feb. 1705.

Assignment by the same to Sir Donough O'Brien, for £80; of his lease for three lives of Derrine, etc., from the late Col. Daniell O'Brien.

1269.

15 Feb. 1705.

Release by Dennis Hanraghane and Ann his wife to Sir Donough O'Brien (in return for an advance of £12); of their claim to 41a. in Carrooerragh, mortgaged by him in 1699 for £140.

Signed & sealed. Denis Hanrahan; Anne Hanrahan [mark].

Endorsed with memorandum by which Sir Donough agrees to make good the leases of the following:

Donough Considen; a cartron of Carhueduffe, for 9 years to come from I May 1705; rent 10/-, with 2/6 "monks rent."

Captn. Tim O'Brien; the cartron of Gorteenalongford; for the same term and at the same rent.

Augustine Hanraghane; the cartron of Garruffhacka, and 5a. in Putrine; for the same term, rent 20/-, with 3/4 "monks rent." And to allow Dermott O'Tyne, gent., during the same term, 20/- a year out of Derreene.

1270.

I Nov. 1706.

Mortgage by William, Earl of Inchiquin, to Sir Donough O'Brien of Dromoland, for £1,120; of the following lands in the baronies of Inchiquin and Burren, Co. Clare: the quarter of Shally, the cartron of Lissvellvony, the cartron of Gorgvilly alias Gottevilly, three-fifths of a cartron in Ballynelane now or late occupied by Thomas Hickman, esq.; the quarter and a half of Ballyhehane, the quarter of Inchiquin, the quarter of Killeene, the quarter of Rossandcowd now or late occupied by Col. John O'Brien; the quarter of Coshadromma alias Corra, the cartron of Colloragh, and the cartron of Knocknemulloge now or late occupied by Loghlin O'Hehir; the cartron of Steleene, part of Caghirpollogh, and parcel of Clonnloghane, now or late occupied by Donough O Hehir; and the half cartron of Ballymccrogane and three cartrons in the town of Owen, now or late occupied by Donough Kerin. Refers to previous mortgages (1680, 1700, and 1701) bringing the total amount due by Inchiquin to £13,200; and provides, in case of nonpayment and entry on the lands by Sir Donough, for the continuance of the annuity of £100 charged on them for Col. John O'Brien.

Signed & sealed. Donough O Bryen.

Witnesses. Michael Goold; Richd. Wilson; Geo. Mathews.

1271.

28 Mar. 1707.

List [very brief particulars] of papers of Sir Donough O'Brien, received from Richard Wilson by Thomas Richards.

 $1\frac{1}{2}pp$.

1272.

2 Apr. 1707.

Release by Timothy Macdonogh of Ballykeil West, Co. Clare, gent.; to Charles Macdonogh of Ballykeil East, his son & heir: of his interest in the plowlands of Ballykeil East and Ballykeil West; the West half plowland of Ballyshany; Glasnanes, one cartron; and 6a. in Ballygonnane, in the parish of Kilfenora, barony of Corcomroe, Co. Clare.

Signed & sealed. Tim: Mc Donogh. [Armorial seal. A chevron between two lions rampant in chief, and a bear (?) passant in base].

Witnesses. Robert Couperthwaite; Wm: O Daly; Donogh Ready; Edmond Daniell.

1273.

24 June 1709.

Mortgage by Rt. Hon. Sir Donough O'Brien to William Wattson of Dublin, esq., for £2,000, repayable on or before 25 Dec. 1711; of the villages and lands of Shally, Lisvelvoyny, Gortvilly alias Gortevilly, part of Ballyneylan Ballyheaghane, Inchiqueen, Killeen, Ross, Cowdan, Cussahounna alias Curra, Callooragh & Knocknemulloge, Stealine, part of Cahirpollogh, Clounloghane, Ballymac Croghan, and three cartrons in Owen in the baronies of Inchiqueen and Burren, Co. Clare.

Signed & sealed. Donat O Brien.

 $\it Witnesses.$ Inchiquin; David England; Thomas Drew; Richard England; George Mathews.

1274.

Hilary 8 Anne. [1710].

Fine, between Sir Donough O Brien, plaintiff; and Cornelius Mc Donogh, gent., Henry Mc Donogh, his son and heir, and Sybil his wife: of 180a. arable, pasture, meadow, and wood in the quarter of Ballyshanny East and the half quarter of Ballyshanny West, in the parish of Kilfenora, barony of Corcomroe, Co. Clare: consideration, £80.

1275.

30 June 1710.

Lease by Piers [Butler] Viscount Ikerrin, to Christopher O'Brien of Inistimon; of the lands of Ballyvorda, Ballyhyan, Ballyea, in the barony of Corkamroe, Co. Clare, for 31 years at £42 rent and 12d. in £ fees. The tenant may not alienate except to his own family, but he and his assigns "maysett [sic] houses and gardens and grazeing of their cattle to such cottyers or day labourers as they shall have occasion to entertaine on the premises."

Signed and sealed. Ikerrin writt by me Theobald Butler. Witnesses. Jordan Butler; Jos: Butler; Wm. Keating. Faded and partly illegible.

[1710 to 1727].

Notes on letters patent and leases [1671 et seq.], affecting the lands of Cahirserkine, Carroeeragh, Ballymacaranan, and Ballycarsne, Co. Clare.

Зрр.

1277.

1711.

Proposal of William Pigg for working lead, coal, copper, and other minerals in Sir Donough O'Brien's liberties in Co. Clare.

He is to have a 21 years' lease, with liberty to erect smelting mills, forges, and smiths' houses. Sir Donough is to keep half [the proceeds (?).] He is to carry on the first year's work for £40.

"wth. a freinds thoughts upon them."

Draft, 2pp.

1278.

10 Mar. 1711.

List of lands and impropriations, belonging to Lord Inchiquin, to be set from May 1711.

The quarter and third of a quarter of Ballyheahan, in the parish of Abbye, barony of Burren, with other denominations, total 1,640a. 1p.

1279.

11 Mar. 1712.

Proposal of Joseph Turpin for the ollowing concerns, for term of 31 years: the house lately held by James Mc Nemara, with its plot, now in his own possession—£2.6. rent with duties and fees; the half plowland lately held by James Mc Daniel — £1.1.9 rent including 1/3 duties and 6d. fees; and the garden formerly held by Jno. Murphy—£1.5 and fees.

Note added by Richard Wilson; "proposes to build two mudd wall cabbins on the gardn. neare the lodge & to leave them & his own dwelling house in tennantable repaire."

1280.

22 May II Anne, 1712.

Lease by Henry, Earl of Thomond; to Sir Donough O'Brien of Dromoland, Bt., one of H.M. Privy Council for Ireland; of the messuage and woods (279a. 3r. op.) of Crattlokeile, in the barony of Tulla, Co. Clare; for a fine of £395.10., and at a rent of £26: for lives of John

and Henry Hawkins, sons of John Hawkins of Newmarket, Co. Clare, clerk, and Peter Brenan, son of Conor Brenan of the same, butcher. Lessee to pay a year's rent as renewal fine, to do suir and service at the manor courts of Bunratty, and to maintain a Protestant horseman for a month in attendance on Lord Thomond, if required.

1281.

1712 to 1859.

About 50 leases, conveyances, mortgages, and assignments of lands and tenements in various parts of Co. Clare, forming part of the Dromoland estate.

1282.

16 Feb. 1713.

Lease by Sir Donough O'Brien to Robert Nugent of Carlingstown, Co. Westmeath, esq., of the ten cartrons of Rossraley, barony of Burin, Co. Clare; for 21 years, rent £50, with 1/- in £ fees, doing suit and service at the manor court of Inchiquin, and not raising any oysters from the 1st of May to the 1st of September in any year.

Signed & sealed. Ro: Nugent.

Witnesses. Michaell Nugent; Joseph Cox; Richard White.

1283.

25 Apr. 1713.

Lease by William, Earl of Inchiquin, and Rt. Hon. Sir Donough O'Brien, Bt., to Joseph Cox of Corrofyn, Co. Clare, gent., in trust for Lucius O'Brien of Corrofyn, esq.; of the quarter of Corra alias Coshatromma, the cartron of Kealloragh, and the cartron of Knocknemulloge, as enjoyed by Lucius O'Brien, in the barony of Inchiqueene, Co. Clare; for 31 years, rent £30, payable to Sir Donough during the period of his mortgage, and after its redemption to the Earl, with 12d. in £ fees; the tenant doing suit and service at the Inchiquin manor courts, grinding his corn at the manor mill, and within seven years from the beginning of the lease making up the bounds with a good double stone wall, 5' high, or a good quickset ditch, according to the nature of the ground.

Signed & sealed. Inchiquin [armorial seal]; Donat O Brien; Joseph Cox.

Witnesses' names endorsed.

Three other deeds (a deed of covenant, a declaration of trust, and a discharge) from Inchiquin to Sir Donough, April-May 1713, are connected with the above transaction.

I Oct. 1713.

Declaration of trust by Sir Donough O'Brien to Lucius Wilson of Sixmilebridge, gent., concerning tolls and customs of the fairs and markets of Sixmilebridge.

1285.

27 Apr. 1714.

Lease by Rt. Hon. Sir Donough O'Brien, one of the Privy Council of Ireland, to Donough O'Loghlen of Castletowne, Co. Clare, gent., of the half quarter of land of Castletowne, in the barony of Burren; for 21 years, rent £26 with 6d. in £ fees (12d. in case of distraint); the tenant to "stand to the division as it is now & hath ben these three yeares.... between the sd Sr. Donogh..... & the sd Donogh....." by which Sir Donough enjoys a parcel of the demised premises, and Donough O'Loghlen a parcel of the lands of Poulefooka during Sir Donough's pleasure.

Signed & sealed. Donough O Loghlen.

Witnesses. Andrew Hogan; Richard Wilson; William Hogan; Dav: England.

1286.

1714-1727.

Proposals and minutes for leases of Rossrawly, Castletown and Ranagh.

1287.

12 Feb. 1717.

Acknowledgment by Henry O'Brien, esq., son and executor of Sir Donough O'Brien, of the receipt from Sir Theobald Butler, Kt., counsellor at law, of the deeds mentioned in the annexed schedule [not preserved].

1288.

1718.

Conveyance (sheriff's sale) by Thomas Bellasyse, esq., High Sheriff of Co. Clare, to Catherine O'Brien of Dromoland, widow, for £25; of the lands of Carhue alias Cossatunna (?), Killuragh, and Knocknamulloge, in the parish of Rath, barony of Inchiquin, Co. Clare (formerly of Lucius O'Brien); for the residue of a term of 31 years, granted in 1713 to Joseph Cox in trust for O'Brien.

1717 & 1719.

Receipts for Quit rents (1) £128.19.8, paid by Sir Donough O'Brien's tenants [about 40 names] through Richard Wilson; (2) £55.4.8, paid by various patentees in Co. Clare through Connor O'Brien.

1290.

1720.

Lease by Edward [Synge] Archbishop of Tuam and Bishop of Kilfenora, to Samuel Blood of Kilfenora, gent.; of the two quarters of Kilfenora and Knockecottine, in the parish of Kilfenora, barony of Corcumroe, Co. Clare, with the tolls and customs of Kilfenora fairs and markets; for 21 years at £44 rent and 1/- in £ fees, reserving the usual rights, and allowing the tenant house—, plow—, and fireboot.

Signed. Edward Tuam Fenabor.

1291.

6 Sept. 1723.

Lease¹ by William, Earl of Inchiquin, to Andrew Nason of Rostellan in the barony of Imokelly, Co. Cork, gent., of the following lands and tenements: the demesne lands of Rostellan, bounded on the W. with that part called "the long meadow old towne & Garetone," S. with Jackson's farm, E. with the Whitewell - Middleton road, and N. with "the slobb or channell"; "the Millbog" lately held by Michael Gould, esq., bounded W. by the said road, S. by the lands of Ballymoleene, E. by that part of the bog now held by John Longfield, esq., "where the new road was designed to be made," and N. by the said road; another part of Rostellan lately held by Goold, bounded S. with the channel or slob, E. by the said road, N. by the road from Rostellan masshouse to a gate on James Brooke's land, and W. by a ditch leading from the said gate to the slob (reserving to Inchiquin the house in which William Coursey lives, the mill with the miller's house and garden, and a house held by Jeremy Cashman); certain meadows and other lands, part of Rostellan, now held by Nason, bounded W. with James Hamilton's holdings, S. with the Crocane road, E. with John Longfield's holding, and N. with the Cloyne road (reserving "all the houses and gardens scituat hereon only one house wch. stands in the middle of this land and the house or houses lately built by the said Andrew Nason "and a small meadow at the back of the tenants' gardens); the marsh or slob called "the Fossett land" taken in from the sea, bounded W. with the dam or bank, S. by the lands of Knockanemoney, E. by a ditch from Rostellan wood to Mrs.

¹ A full abstract of this lease has been given on account of the details it contains.

Jackson's holding, and N. with Mrs. Jackson's holding (reserving that part of the marsh between Mrs. Browne's house and the Lough). To hold Fosset's lands and the other lands to the E. of James Hamilton's house for 20 years; the remainder for 20 years if Inchiquin or his heirs do not come to live in the mansion house of Rostellan, otherwise for 13 years. Rent £122.10., with 12d. in £ receiver's fees, and a fat mutton or 5/- at Michaelmas, a couple of fat capons or 2/6 at Christmas, and 7 labourers and 7 horses "wth. proper carriages" or 7/6 yearly; these duties, except the last, to be at Inchiquin's election. Nason to do suit and service at the manor courts of Rostellan; to give notice of making any ditches; and to pay £5 for breach of any covenant in the lease. Inchiquin to have the option of finishing the avenue begun on the lands, allowing in this case 10/- to Nason for every plantation acre taken from him; and to keep in repair the dam or bank on the Fossett lands.

1292.

16 Dec. 1723.

Lease by William, Earl of Inchiquin, to Robert Hickman of Barntick, Co. Clare, esq., of the half plowland of Ballymongan (64a. P.M.) in the barony of Inchiquin, reserving the usual rights; for 21 years, at £12 rent, with 12d. in £ fees, and suit and service at the manor courts of Inchiquin.

1293.

1726 to 1756.

About 30 leases, minutes, and proposals (made by or to Sir Edward O'Brien) of or for lands and tenements in Corofin, Newmarket, Ballagh buoy, Sixmilebridge, Cahersherkin, and elsewhere in Co. Clare. Most of the leases are for 31 years. Several woods are valued c. 1730 at sums from £44 to £145.

1294.

1727.

Deed of exchange, and deed of release, between William, Earl of Inchiquin and John Longfield of Castlemary, esq., of the lands of Ballyneclashy (66a. 19r. English) parts of Castlemary, against Knocknenagh and certain other denominations (63a. 2r. 19p.) and part (8a. 3r. 14p.) of the Millbogg.

1295.

1728.

Lease for a year1 by Sir Edward O'Brien to Richard Hull of the

 $^{^1}$ This lease was preliminary to a mortgage of the above lands for £2,000 at 7%. There are between 20 and 25 other mortgages and leases, made by Sir Edward and Sir Lucius O'Brien, dates 1727–1790.

parish of St. George, Hanover Square, Middlesex, esq., of the following lands and tenements:

Co. Clare, barony of Inchiquin. Cahirmoyle castle, town, and quarter; Carrownegoule quarter; Drinnegagh cartron; 461a. in Ballynasoylshane and Carrowkeale; Killycolne half quarter; Cahirmacgorman alias Cahirgorman half quarter; Soukkan half quarter; Carronecrossy one-third of a quarter; Gortneglogh and Tonelegh one cartron and a half; Bally-portrea castle, town, and quarter; Carronemadra one cartron and a half; Cross half quarter; Cahirmacunna half quarter; Tyescagh cartron; Drumskordine, a parcel; Cahirsellagh half quarter; Corroffin with its subdenominations, containing three and a half quarters and half a plowland; and the lands of Kells called Garrynecally and Ryneroe, a quarter and a half.

Co. Clare, barony of Bunratty. Dromolan castle, town, and quarter and 14 other quarters, half quarters, or cartrons.

Co. Clare, barony of Corcomroe. The castles, towns, and lands of Clogher and Moghermullanagh alias Mahermullanagh; the mills of Ardloghine; and 18 other denominations.

Co. Clare, barony of Burren. The castle, town, and two quarters of Ballymuranon; and 10 other denominations.

Co. Galway, half barony of Killtartin. The castle, town, and lands of Clonroe alias Goulroe and Lisnaveere.

Co. Clare, barony of Inchiquin. The castle, town, and quarter of Leamaneh; and the quarter of Cahirfadda.

1296.

1728.

Declaration of trust by Michael O'Brien of Furnivals Inn, Middlesex, gent., to Matthew FitzGerald of St. James, Westminster, gent., concerning a mortgage for £1,000 made by Sir Edward O'Brien of Ballyclinecahill and certain other lands in the barony of Inchiquin, Co. Clare.

Endorsed with memorandum of having been shown to the defendant in case of Headfort v. O'Brien, 1763. "I know nothing of the wthin deed nor can I positively recolect the hand writeing of Mr Micl O Brien or of the subscribeing witnesses

Edwd: O Brien."

1297.

1740.

Assignment by Sir Edward O'Brien to Capt. Christopher O'Brien of Newhall, for £1,810.4.5\frac{1}{4}, of several mortgages made by Thomas and Florence Mc Nemara of the lands of Mooghane.

1740.

Articles agreed on between Ralph Bridge of Kinderton, Cheshire, gent. (acting for Henry, Earl of Thomond, and the other trustees for sale of part of the Earl of Inchiquin's estate); and James Molony of Kiltannan, Co. Clare, esq.

They provide for the sale of Abby Behane and other lands in the barony of Burren, Co. Clare, for £1,970; a deposit of £500 is to be paid within six weeks to Hugh Henry, esq., on the trustees' behalf.

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1299.

1744.

Inquisition taken (in the suit of Hull v. O'Brien) in the public courthouse at Ennis, before John Westropp, esq., High Sheriff of Co. Clare.

Jurors. Thomas Hall, John Constantine, John Buxton, Olliver Stephenson, Richard Brew, Joseph Boyle, Francis Woulfe, Anthony Wall, Ambrose Roche, John Dogherty, John Hallynan, and James Honan.

They find the defendant to be seised of the three plowlands of Ranagh, in the barony of Burren, Co. Clare, under a lease with 46 years to come, at a rent of $£6.8.6\frac{3}{4}$ including the lord's and chief rent; and of 461a. in Sayleshane, Ballyca, and Cartinekeal, in the barony of Inchiquin, under a lease with 21 years to come, at a rent of £6.

Ip.

1300.

1744.

Deed of sale by John Westropp of Lismahane, esq., High Sheriff of Co. Clare, with the consent of Sir Edward O'Brien; to Ambrose Harding of Dublin, esq., for £964.13.2½, of the lands of Ranagh, Soyleshane, and other denominations.

1301.

1753.

Indenture between William [O'Brien] Earl of Inchiquin, K.B., and Hon. James O'Brien, his brother, James [Fitzgerald] Earl of Kildare, Robert French, Justice of the Court of Common Pleas, and Edward Nicholson of Dublin, esq. (1); Sir John Freake, Bt., and Nathaniel Clements of Dublin, esq. (2); Rt. Rev. Michael Cox, Bishop of Ossory, and Robert Sandford the elder of Castlerea, Co. Roscommon, esq. (3); and David Bindon of Dublin, esq. (4).

Settlement by (I) on (2) of the castles, towns, and lands of Inchiquin, Bryen's Bridge, Rostellan, and several others in Cos. Clare and Cork

in trust for Lord Inchiquin, with remainder to the following: his first, second, third, and younger sons; his brother James O'Brien; Morogh, John, and Edward O'Brien, sons of the lastnamed; Lady Mary and Lady Ann O'Brien, daughters of the said Earl; Mary, Countess Dowager of Kildare, his sister; James, Earl of Kildare; George, Lord Ophalev and William Robert Fitzgerald, sons of the lastnamed: Henry Sandford, eldest son of Robert Sandford of Castlerea; Robert and William Sandford, sons of the lastnamed; Robert Sandford, vounger son of the said Robert: Mary O'Brien, eldest daughter of the said James: Richard Cox, son of the Bishop of Ossory and of Ann Cox alias O'Brien, deceased; Henrietta O'Brien, second daughter of the said James; Rt. Hon. Henry Boyle of Castlemartyr, Speaker of the House of Commons; Richard Boyle, Henry Boyle Walsingham, and Charles Boyle, his sons; Michael O'Brien Dilkes, son of Lady Mary O'Brien; Thomas Dilkes, Henry O'Brien Dilkes, and John Dilkes, his sons; Thomas [Southwell] Lord Southwell, great-grandson of Morogh [1st] Earl of Inchiquin; Hon. Thomas Southwell, his son; Thomas Southwell, his grandson; Henry Southwell, second son of Thomas Southwell the elder; Lucius Henry, Donnogh, and Edward O'Brien, sons of Sir Edward O'Brien of Dromoland. Anyone to whom the estate is limited shall use the name and arms of O'Brien.

1302.

1764.

Deed of trust from Sir Edward O'Brien; Lucius O'Brien of Dublin, esq., his eldest son; Donough O'Brien of Cratloe, esq., his second son; Richard Dawson of Dublin, esq.; and Robert Harman of Millesent, Co. Kildare, esq.: to Marcus Patterson of Dublin, esq., H.M. Third Serjeant at law; and Edmund Sexton Pery and Thomas Dawson of Dublin, esqs.

Vests in Patterson, Pery, and Thomas Dawson all the settled and unsettled estate of Sir Edward — i.e., the mansion house of Dromoland and about 60 denominations in Cos. Clare and Galway, including the fairs and markets of Corofin; to provide portions for Donough and Edward, his younger sons, and for his daughters Henrietta, Mary, and Lucy.

Schedule annexed of debts due by Sir Edward, nearly all of which are marked "paid" in a different hand.

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1303.

1775.

Indenture between Richard Supple of Great Oakley, Northants, esq. (nephew & heir of Richard Hull late of Leith Hill, Surrey, esq., deceased) (1); Brinsley [Butler] Earl of Lanesborough, Hon. John

Conveyance from (2) to (5), with consent of Sir Lucius, of the following lands and tenements in Cos. Clare and Galway, for £7,610; the castle, town, and quarter of Cahirmoyle; the quarter of Carrownegoule; the cartron of Drimnegah; 461a. in Ballya, Soylshane, and Carrowkeale; the half quarter of Killecolme; the half quarter of Cahirmacgormall otherwise Cahirgorman: the half quarter of Loughkein; the third of a quarter of Carownecrossy; the cartron and a half of Gortneglogh and Tonelegy; the castle, town, and quarter of Ballyportrea; the cartron and a half of Carrownemadra; the half quarter of Cahirmacunna otherwise Cahirmacuna; the cartron of Tyescagh; a parcel called Drumskerdue; the half quarter of Cahirsellagh; the town and lands of Corrofin, containing the half quarter of Laghtnegowne, the quarter of Ballydavin, the quarter of Francoyl, the quarter of Killboydane, the half plowland of Killoydane otherwise Cragbrien, Annagh, Islandmore and Ballyclinancorra, and the quarter and a half of Kells called Garrynecally and Bycuroe - all in the barony of Inchiquin, Co. Clare; the castle, town, and quarter of Dromoland; the quarter of Ballyconneela otherwise Ballyconeela; the two quarters of Knockroe and Lisnagowne; half a quarter of Kilkearam West; the two cartrons of Ryneneagh otherwise Rymneagh, parcel of Boghera otherwise Bogherow and Lisduffe; the half quarter of Killkearam East; the half quarter of Aylecotty otherwise Aylacolly; the quarter of Caherkelly; the cartron and a half of Ardnevoylane otherwise Ardnevaylane; part of Maderra otherwise Madara; part of Keefewest; part of Kilcrunia; and the quartermyre of Poulgarrane otherwise Poulegarrane - all in the barony of Bunratty, Co. Clare; the castle, town, and lands of Clogher; the quarter of Carrowreagh; the half quarter of Merry otherwise Meers and Kiltoragh otherwise Kilboyragh; Carroerragh, part of Keilmore; the quarter and a half of Cahirminane otherwise Cahirmenane; 28a, in Turlagh; the half quarter of Carrowgare; the quarter of Curlough otherwise Turlagh and Ballybreen otherwise Ballybrin; the half cartron of Laraghkea; a parcel of Cloncombra, half a quarter; Derrimagon and Lisgearane otherwise Lisigoran, half a cartron; the quarter of Pouleduffe and

Ballytarsnagh; the quarter of Culinagh; the half quarter of Knocknegagh; the three cartrons of Ballycullinagh; the cartron of Knockanee; a parcel or cartron in Ballagh; the two mills of Ardloghine otherwise Ardlaghane; the castle, town, and three cartrons of Moghermullanagh otherwise Mohermullanagh; the cartron of Tonanagh; and the quarter of Ballagh — all in the barony of Corcomroe otherwise Curcumroe, Co. Clare; the castle, town, and two quarters of Ballymurahow; Ballydooragh, part of Turlagh cartron, and ga. in Ranagh; the quarter of Ballyvihine; the quarter of Glansheade otherwise Glanslead; the two cartrons of Ballyvelaghan; the "cesse otherwise cessy" of Culvea otherwise Culveamore: the quarter of Cahirpolla; one-third of a quarter in Poulequilicky; part of Ballygannor otherwise Ballygaine; Crughtill, one cessy; and part of the commons of Mogowly - all in the barony of Burren, Co. Clare; and the castle, town, and lands of Clonroe otherwise Goulroe and Lisnaveere in the half barony of Kiltartin otherwise Killtartan, Co. Galway. (All the foregoing lands and tenements had been mortgaged for £2,000 in 1727 by Sir Edward O'Brien to Michael O'Brien, gent.).

The following lands and tenements were the subject of later mortgages or settlements: the castle, town, and quarter of Leamaneh and the quarter of Cahirfadda, in the barony of Inchiquin, Co. Clare; the castle, town, and lands of Ballyclinecahill otherwise Ballyclunecahill, lately occupied by Mr. Daniel O'Brien, worth f60 a year; Ballynecarragh, lately occupied by Mr. James Malony and in 1727 by Mr. William Cooper, at 446 rent: the castle, town, and lands of Cloneen otherwise Sessimore, occupied in 1727 by Mr. Peter Martin at £146 rent, in the barony of Corcumroe, Co. Clare; the castle, town, and lands of Rathfolamore otherwise Rathfolanmore, occupied in 1727 by Paul Dally and his partners at £45 rent, in the barony of Bonratty. Co. Clare: the town and lands of Leamenagh, held in 1764 by Capt. Edward O'Brien at £124.14.0 rent; the deer park of Leamenagh, held by Mr. Dominick Power at £45 rent; the farm and lands of Gortneglogh, held by Andrew Thynne at £17 rent; the town and lands of Tonelegeigh, held by Michael Miniter at £6 rent; the farm and lands of Carhunamadra, held by Andrew Thynne at £15 rent; the town and lands of Cross, held by the representatives of Mr. Edmund Hogan, deceased, at £6; Clogher with its subdenominations, held by James Butler, esq., at £270 rent; Cahermenane otherwise Castle Quarter, the half plowland of Carrowgarr, and 28a, in common in Turlagh, held by the representatives of Christopher O'Brien. esq., deceased, at £31.10.0 rent; the farm and lands of Ballycullina, held by the representatives of William Cooper, gent., deceased, at £57.15.0 rent; the farm and lands of Ballynecarragh, held by Oliver Harrold, gent., at £26.15.0 rent; the town and lands of Ballymurraghoe, held by Walter Mahon, gent., at \$310.16.5 rent; the towns and lands of Rannagh, Glab, and Coskeam

held by Patrick Lysaght, gent., at £325.16.0 rent; Carhunagoule and Leitra, held by the representatives of Mortagh Hogan, at £118 rent; Drimnegagh, held by James Power, at \$32 rent; Ballagh and Clonombra, held by George Colpyse, at £120 rent; Keilmore, held by Samuel Banks at £14.14.0 rent; Colcamore, held by Connor and Denis O'Loughlin, at £48 rent; the farm and lands of Crughtill and Ballyconree, held by Jeremy Thynne at £70 rent; that part of Ballykinacorra North held by Terence Mc Mahon, at £50 rent; that part of Ballykinacorra South held by John Guthrie, gent., at £24 rent; that part of Ballykincorra North held by Mr. Andrew White, at \$4.12.0 rent; Kells otherwise Carrynecalla, held by Mr. Robert Forster at froo rent; the farm and lands of Monroe, held by the lastnamed at £10.10.0 rent; that part of Rathfolanmore held by Mr. George Lewis at £6.11.0 rent; that other part held by Donough O'Brien, esq., at £10.5.0 rent; that other part called Lango, held by the lastnamed at £30 rent; that part of Bagherone and Lisduff called Carrownakelly, held by George Colpoyse, esq., at £38.17.0. rent; that part of the farm and lands of Leatoon, held by Colonel Henry Stamer, deceased, and latterly by Mr. John Stamer, at fill rent; that other part of Leatoon held by Mr. John Singleton, at £25.5.5 rent; that part of Ballygereen held by the lastnamed, at £144.11.9 rent; that other part called the old hopyard, held by the lastnamed at £3.6.3 rent; the moiety of Kildrum, held by Terence McMahon at £5.5.0 rent; Cahurfadda, held by Mr. William O'Brien at £80 rent; Magheroe, held by Edmund Hogan at £3 rent; that part of Cahirgorman called Clooneybegg, lately held by Lucius Wilson at £26 rent; the farm and lands of Feinagh, held by Daniel Lysaght at £45 rent; that part of Turlagh, Ballybrin, Poulduffe, and Laraghea held by the representatives of John Rosslewen, esq., deceased, at £15.4.6; that part of Ballybrin held by Sir Lucius O'Brien and lately let to Connor Lysaght at £37.6.0 rent; Carn otherwise Ballydooragh, held by Donough O'Brien at £27 rent; the farm and lands called Tourlagh Acres, held by William Blood, esq., at £4.14.6 rent; Ballycashan, held by Mathias Hehir at £74.9.0 rent; Ballyhanna East, held by Thomas and William Pilkington at £25.12.6 rent; Ballykeal East, held by Mr. James Armstrong at £45 rent; Ballykeal West, held by Mr. Daniel Lysaght at £40 rent; Killcarragh, held by Christopher O'Brien at £21 rent; Lacamore, held by William Pine at £16.16.0 rent; Ballymacraven and Cahircousane, held by John Read at £51.5.0 rent; Drimone, held by Daniel Lysaght at £28 rent; that part of Mo [han] e held by the representatives of Thomas Grady at £90 rent; that other part of Mohane held by Patrick Cusack at £1.13.10 rent; that part of Rathfolan held by the First Fruits Commissioners or their undertenants at fg rent; that part of Newmarket otherwise Boherone, held by several tenants at rents amounting to £135.1.11; that other part of Rathfolan held by James Kendall at £22.15.0 rent; Soukine and Cahirgorman, held by the

representatives of Francis Kent at £40 rent; Killicolue, part of Cahirgorman, held by John Timmons at £16.16.0 rent; Cloneen East and West, held by Donough O'Brien, esq., at £100 rent; Cullina, held by the representatives of Mortagh Hogan, at £80 rent; Carhuerragh, held by the representatives of Valentine Thynne, at £50 rent; Glanslead, held by Charles and Anthony Macdonnogh, at £52.10. rent; Balliline, held by Dominick Power, at £16.16.0 rent; Cahirsherkine, held by Francis FitzGerrald, at £73.10.0; the farm and lands of Ballaghboy, held by Mr. Percival Banks, at £11.11.0 rent; Knocknascobole, held by Mr. Mathew Power at £26.15.6 clear rent, over and above a fee farm rent of £7.7.0 payable to the Earl of Thomond; Ballymahony otherwise Biairow, held by Thomas Davenport at £52.10.0 rent; and Poulbane, held by Edmond Bodkin at £6.6.6 rent, over and above a fee farm rent of £46.6.0 payable to the heirs of the late Earl of Thomond.

Signed & sealed. Lanesborough; John Butler; Edmund Sexton Pery; Marcus Paterson; Lucius O Brien; Bective.

1304.

1775.

Minute for lease from Lord Inchiquin to Mr. William O'Brien of Corofin, gent., of the farm of Clonimolsidane (lately held by Mr. Edmd. Hogan) for three lives, at a rent of £18.

1305.

1781.

Power of attorney from Sir Lucius O'Brien of Dromoland, Bt.; (with the consent of John Marlar, Robert Boyd, and Edward Stewart of Ironmonger Lane, London, merchants); to Richard Frizell of Rathfarnham, Co. Dublin, esq.; to receive the rents of the following parts of Sir Lucius's estate:

Leamaneh	held by	Capt Edward O'Brien	rent £124.14.0
Leamaneh deer		***************************************	
park		Mr. Dominick Power	45.
Gortneglogh		Andrew Thynne	17.
Tonelegigh		Michael Miniter	6.
Carhunamadara		Andrew Thynne	15.
Cross		representatives of Mr. Ed-	
		mond Hogan, deceased	6.
Clogher, with its	;		
subdenomination	ıs	James Butler, esq.	270.
Cahirmenane als			

Castlequarter	representatives of		
Carrowgarr half	Christopher O'Brien, esq.,		
plowland	deceased		
28a. in common in Tur	lagh	31.10.0	
Ballycullina	William Cooper, gent.	57.15.	
Ballynacarragh	Bartholomew Harrold, gen		
Ballymurraghhoe	Walter Mahon, gent.	310.16.5	
Ranagh, Clab, &	_		
coskeamore	Patrick Lysaght, gent.	325.16.	
Cartumagole &	representatives of		
Lietra	Mortogh Hogan	118.	
Drimnagagh	James Power	32.	
Ballagh &	representatives of		
Clonomra	George Colpoys	120.	
Kielmore	Samuel Banks	14.14.	
Coleamore	Connor & Dennis Loughl		
Crighfil &			
Ballyconree	Mr. Jeremy Thynn	70.	
(All the above are	part of Sir Lucius's estate of i	inheritance).	
Corrofin with its			
sub denominations;			
Fancoyle, Bally-			
davin, Kilboydane	Several persons	162. 0.7	
& Island more	(6	over and above	
Kilvidane als. Cgra	4	rents payable	
Bryan, and Annagh	t	to the Earl of	
		Inchiquin)	
Part of Bally-			
kinnacorra North	Terence McMahon	50.	
Part of Bally-	*		
kinnacorra South	John Guthrie, gent.	24.	
Part of Bally-			
kinnacorra North	Mr. Andrew White	4.12.	
Kells als. Carryna-	*		
kelly	Mr. Robert Foster	100.	
Rineroe	do.	10.10.	
	re comprised in a lease for li		

made in 1766 by the Earl of Inchiquin to Sir Lucius).

1306.

1798.

Indenture¹ between Francis Bateman Dashwood, late of Well Hall, Lincolnshire, now of St. George's Southwark, Surrey, esq. (cousin and

¹ Between 30 and 35 later leases (1829-1911) of various townlands on the estate are also preserved.

heir at law of Francis [Dashwood] Lord Le Despencer, deceased) (1); Francis Dashwood of Hall Place, Bexley, Kent, esq. (one of the residuary legatees in the first codicil to Lord Le Despencer's will), Mathew Allen Lee of John Street, May Fair, Middlesex, esq., and Rachel Fanny Antonina Lee his wife (the latter being the other residuary legatee in the said codicil) (2): Anthony Parkin of Grays Inn, Middlesex, gent., Rev. Hugh Moises, Fellow of University College, Oxford, and Richard Lee late of Bedford Square, now of Berners Street, Middlesex, esq. (3); (the said Francis Dashwood, Anthony Parkin, Hugh Moises, and Richard Lee being trustees of a settlement made in 1795 by Daniel Mc. Namara late of Lincolns Inn Fields, Middlesex, but then of Stretham, Surrey, esq., surviving and only acting executor of Lord Le Despencer); Thomas [Dawson] Viscount Cremorne and Edmond [Pery] Viscount Perry (4); Sir Edward O'Brien of Dromoland, Bt. (eldest son and heir at law of Sir Lucius O'Brien) (5); and Daniel Roughan of Ennis, merchant (6).

Conveyance by (3) to (6) with consent of the remaining parties, for £3,144.2.0 Irish; of the towns and lands of Carrownagoull, Letrea, and Collomore, Co. Clare. Recites several deeds (1759 et seq.) affecting the above lands.

Draft, approved by A. Parkin (on behalf of parties (1) (2) and (3)), and by William Saurin (on behalf of Lord Pery).

BILLS, ANSWERS AND OTHER LEGAL PAPERS

1307.

1598.

Case of Slany Ny Brian.

"In dei nomine amen coram vobis reverendissimo in Christo patre ac domino domino Adamo prouidencia/diuina Dublin

Archiepiscopo Hibernie Primato et Metropolitano

et Ambrosio Forth legum doctore/ judicibus siue commissariis curie regie ad facultates ac ad infrascripta audienda / rite et legitime surrogato siue surrogatis quocunque seu quibuscunque / pars discrete et generose mulieris Slane Ny Brian filie Moragh O Brian / Baronis de Insiquin Laonensis diocesis nuper defuncti contra et aduersus reuerendum in Christo / patrem Mauricim eadem prouidencia Laonensem episcopum ac contra et aduersus Terentium O / Brian de Inistimon militem legitimum dicte Slane maritum et virum necnon contra et aduer/sus quemcunque alium seu quoscunque alios pro ipsis seu eorum alterutro in iudicio / legitime comparentem seu comparentes omnibus melioribus et officiatoribus via modo et iure / forma quibus melius etc ac ad omnem juris effectum exinde sequi valentem per viam duplicis querele querelando etc dicit agit allegat et in hiis scriptis in iure / proponit et ponit co diversa articula (?) ac de quolibet prout sequitur /

I Imprimis quod dicti Terrentius O Brian et Slane Ny Brian ab omni / alio contractu matrimoniali seu sponsalitico liberi et immunes matrimonium verum purum / et legitimum per verba de presenti ad id apta mutuum eorum consensum huic inde exprimen [dum] / contraxerunt illudque matrimonium in facie ecclesie solemnizari curarunt et carnali / copula subsecuta sepe sepius consummarunt et ponit pars

ista proponens co articulatim ac de quolibet/

[2] Item quod dicti Terrentius O Brian et Slana O Brian post et citra dictum / [matri] monium sic ut premittitur inter eos contractum solemnizatum et confirmatum / [plu] res annos menses et dies ut vir et uxor insimul cohabitauerunt ac . . . o / et tempore fuerunt et sunt communiter dicti tenti habiti nominati et reputati palam / et notorie et ponit pars ista et supra et probare intendit /

3 Item quod post et citra premissa et eis non obstante dicta Slana Ny Briane / et inconsulto cum dicto Terentio O Brian vitam cupienti agere / contra dictum matrimonium colludens et consanguinitatis impedimentum / inter se et dictum Terrentium in anime sue grave periculum confingens et / is ad divortium coram reuerendo patre Maur [icio] Laonense episcopo iudice / le requisito proclamavit et ponit ut supra

4 Item quod ductus [sic] reuerendus pater episcopus Laonensis preta/ mente nec animo probati nec quouismodo existentis prehensam (?) qua .../ sententiam inter dictos Slaniam Ny Brian et Terentium O [Br] ian / contra dictum matrimonium manifeste colludentes contra ius constitutiones express [e] / tulit legit et promulgauit omnino nullam et si et quatenus aliqua quod pars / ista diffitetur plane iniquam et iniustam usque ab ita quoad thorum et unicum / ... sine ulla causa cognitione adhibita nulla que legitima probatione dicti prehensi (?) / impedimenti interveniente vel comperta omnino nulla et ininqua (de quo pars ista / protestatur separavit et ponit vt supra) /

5 Item quod contra sententiam (?) latam in causa matrimoniali auditur illa eadem persona / ad cuius instantiam et cuius studio lata fuit si vult docere illam iniustam / et per consequens ecclesiam deceptam et ponit pars ista vt supra /

8 Item quod ad vos domini judicantes et non ad alium in duplicis querela / negotio de iure datur aditus et ponit vt supra /

- 9 Item quod premissa omnia et singula fuerunt et sunt vera publica notoria / . . . nefasta pariter (?) et lan. ac de et super iisdem laborarunt et in presenti laborant / publica vox et fama facta fide de iure requisit [a] petit pars dicte Slanie / Ny Brian dictum Mauritium Laonensem episcopum per vos domini judices legitime mouere / quatenus dictam pretensam sententiam diuortii dicto Terentio O Brian ad id legitime / vocato infra diem certam retractet etc vel certiores vos reddat quare id / facere nequeat aut nolit etc et casu quo net [erased] neutra fieri curaret pars / sepedicte Slanie Ny Brian humiliter implorat et exposuit quatenus vos / domini judicantes servatis per vos in dicta parte de iure servandis doctoque de errore / et quod ecclesia fuerit decepta dictam pretensam sententiam revocare et retractare / dignemini etc et ius et iusticiam etc non arctans se etc iuris beneficio / in / omnibus semper saluo /
- 6 Item quod . . .ido pre. . . . premissa prefata Slania co [ram] dicto reuere [ndo] patre certi [s die] hora et loco competen [te] / comparuit dictale etis ut premittitur nulliter et ini [uste] (?) petens retr . . ari petiit et ponit ut supra /
- 7 Item quod dict [us] reuerendus pater prefatam Slaniam Ny Br [ian] e periculum dicteque S [lanie] ell. . in premissis / seu eorum al curavit in anime su [ae] preiudicium no [n m]odicum et gravamen / et ponit ut [supra] "

1p.; torn or illegible in several places; the amount missing is equivalent to one and a half lines.

Also: 19th cent. copy, in handwriting of Robert O'Brien, obviously incomplete. 14pp.

Endorsed; "Divorce of Slany from Sir Turlough O Brien of Doogh— She afterwards married the Bishop of Killaloe Mauritius Mc Brien."

1308.

[c. 1600.]

- "Interrogatories on the parte of Daniell Bushope of Kildare² plt. againste Choncor O Brien defendant.
- I. Whether Cahill Mc Murtaghe O Connor was sonne of Moriertaghe O Conor and inherited as his sonne & heire was the said Cahill seised of three half quarters in Balinacarghe in the countie of Clare among other lands in the said towne
- 2. Whether the said Cahill had to his sonnes Hughe Phelim & Cahill Oge in lawful mariag be tuine the sayd Cahill & Onore Nie Quine his wyfe abowt vjxx [sic] yeres paste & whether the sayd Cahill & Onorie were reputed lafull husband & wyfe
- 3. Whether the sayd thre half quarters in Balinacorraghe did discend to the sayd Hugh, Phelim & Cahill Oge as sonnes & coheirs by the custome of gavelkind of the body of the sayd Cahill & dyd the sayd Hughe Phelim & Cahill Oge uppon the death of ther father inter the sayd land
- 4. Whether the sayd Hugh Mc Cahill died seised of the part of the sayd thre halfe quarters in Balincarreghe.... as a coportioner wthout yssue male.... having yssue Sawe Ni Hughe Mc Cahell & Honora Ny Hugh Mc Cahell his doghters lawfully begotten on the body of More Mc Donell abowte lx yers past weare the sayd Hugh & More reputed lawfull husband & wyfe.....
- 5. Whether the sayd Phelim Mc Cahill died seised of one other third parte of the said three half quarters wthout yssue male havinge yssue Mary Nyne Phelym his only daughter and heire of Baynet Nyne Ywir his wief aboute Ix yeres past weare the sayd Phelim and Baynet maried
- 6. Whether the said Honor did take to husband one Teige O Callenyne
- 7. Whether the said Teige and Honor and Sawe Ny Hughe sister to the said Honor did infeoffe of there porcions Daniel Busshopp of Kildare to him and his heires for ever
- 8. Whether the said Mary Ny Phelim and the said Cahill Oge did severall [sic] enfeoffe the said Busshoppe of there severall porcions

¹ Maurice McBrien was Bishop of Killaloe from 1570 to 1612, and is usually considered the first Protestant holder of that see: his marriage is not referred to either by Cotton or Leslie.

² Daniel Neylan, Bishop 1583-1603.

- 9. Whether the said severall feoffmts were duly perfected by livery of seisin
- 10. Whether the said Busshopp entred into the said three half quarters
- clare when any lands were lefte waste by reason of warre or oppression of the cheif lords and chieftaynes that the cheiff lord or chieftaine did take the lands so wasted duringe the tyme of the waste for awnswering the rents and duties cuttings spendings and other Yrishe exaccions claymed by them wthout clayming inheritance or any other estate in such lands to the prejudice or hinderance of the freholders or owners
- 12. Whether Daniell O Bryen father to Coner O Bryen of Inchavehof did pretend to be cheif lord over the freholders and inheritors of Ballynecarragh and claimed cuttings and whether he did in time of waste take & dispose the said Ballynecarraghe or distreine the goods of strangers eskaping or comynge uppon the said land as other Yrishe lords did
- [13.] Whether Connor Mc Brien Mc Cahill and Donell Mc Brien Mc Cahill the supposed sonns of Brien supposed to be eldest son to the said Cahill Mc Moraghe were bastards.....if they be legittymate..... whether they have there porcions in Ballynecarraghe.....

Item the cause of knowledg to euery interrogatory

John Caddle "

16.

1309.

[c. 1600.]

Chancery bill of "Morahue, Lord of Insequyn."

Complains of having been disseised of the abbey and demesne lands of Kilsany; a castle, four "carues" and a half in Ballengowan; a castle, four "carues" and a half in Bonely¹; three "carues" in Cloonevoryne and Ballynestle²; seven "carues" in Ballycary, Shalldy, and Cahirdahon and four plowlands in Donasse,³ Co. Clare: by More Nyne Donyll O Brien of Ballygowne, and her daughters Slany Ny Brien and Any Ny Brien.

1310.

[1606-7].

Depositions taken at Kylln [] concerning the estate of Murrough, late Lord of Inchiquin.

¹ Marginal note, in a different hand; "Abbey Ballingowne Boneley found by offices".

Do. "thes 2 parcells to be proved".

Do. "thes 4 parcels are confysed by the pl:"

The deponents quote mortgage (13 Jul. 1597) of certain lands to Nicholas Skerrett of Galway, merchant; and two deeds of 10 May, 1596, the second a mortgage of a cartron of Magherykearny to the said Lord for "certayne money and cowes."

"To the nynth interr, they say that Donill O Kelegher and Melaghlen his father and Thomas Rorey O [Kelegher] father to the said Melaghlen were and are in the possession of Aplis Kearny as followers to the sept of Donogh O Bryan before nominated

whether they were tenantes at will, the jurors do not knowe"

19th cent. copy, the original evidently imperfect or illegible in many places; 4pp.

1311.

c. 1608.

Petition to the Lord President and Council of Connaught of Slany Ni Brien.

Complains of being forcibly disseised of the castle and lands of Athquirke and of a stone house in Galway by Andrew Lynch (bastard son of her late husband, William Lynch) James Galde Lynch, William O Downegaine, and others, who "with naked swords wounded two of your petitioners men [and] laid fire & smoke to herself & her people"

Copy, made c. 1860 by the 13th Lord Inchiquin.

1312.

1608-9.

Further order in the case of Linch v. O'Brien, directing the Mayor of Galway and the Sheriff of Co. Galway to arrest Mary, wife of Andrew Lynch, it appearing that she, by her husband's admission, "did steale away the said deed from hem, wch wiffe of his he cannot rule nor comand as he affirmeth"

1p.

1313.

31 Mar. 7 Jas. I. [1609].

Pleas of the Crown at Counge, Co. Mayo, before Rickard [de Burgh] Earl of Clanrickard and Lord President of Connaught; Geoffrey Osbaldeston, Chief Justice of Connaught; and Walter Scurlocke, Attorney-General of Connaught.

Inquisition concerning the lands of Marcus Lynch fitz Martin of Galway, merchant.

Jurors. Edmund Bourke of Ballintubber, Richard Bourke of Ballinakarrowe, Henry Mc Crokard of Downemona, Henry Mc Edmond of the same, Ricard Mc Morrishe of Castlemcgarrett, John Mc Tibbott

Reogh of Ballicushin (?), John Mc Redmond of Cowlvin, David Mc Hubbert of Creigduff, Richard Breanagh of Rosslehan, Robert Oge of Rathbane, John Oge Mc Christegg of Clankall, Edmond Oge Mc Jordan of Gleanbane, Moylar Mc Henry Boy of Karowkelan, gents. Find him to have been seised in fee of the manor, castle, and town of Aghquirck in Co. Galway, with ten quarters of carucates belonging to it in Aghquirck. When he was so seised, Andrew Lynch and James Lynch, merchants of Galway, on the 2nd January, 6 Jas. I. [1609] entered by force of arms on the above manor, and lands, expelled the said Marcus, and are still keeping him from them by force.

The said Andrew and James Lynch jointly and severally say that they are in no way guilty, and put themselves on the country.

Certified copy; 4pp.

1314.

16 May 1609.

Chancery bill of Andrew Lynch of Galwaie, "marchant."

Concerns goods and chattels of Wm. Linch Fitz Peter late of Galway, merchant; which included a mortgage of the castle and lands of Leameneh, Co. Clare, 16 gold rings worth £12, three precious stones worth £20, and three dozen silver spoons worth £9. These were given by the said William to the plaintiff for safe keeping; but after he died intestate, they were removed by Slanie Lynch, his widow, and Nicholas Martine of Galway, merchant. Plaintiff is "a poore man and frindles" in Co. Galway, whereas Slanie and Nicholas are "of greate wealth aliance power and Countenaunce" in the Province of Connaught and in Co. Clare.

Copy, certified by James Newman; 1p.

Also: replication of Andrew Lynch to the answer of Slany Linche, repeating the substance of his bill. 26 June 1609. 1p.

1315.

15 May 1609.

Petition to Mr. Justice Sibthorp of Andrew Lynch, praying for a writ of "cerciorare" removing his indictment into the Kings Bench, as he cannot have any "indeferncy" in a case tried in Co. Mayo, on account of the "greatnes" of the defendants, Slany Ny Brien and Marcus Lynch.

Two copies; 1p.

1316.

4 Jul. 1609.

Petition to the Lord Deputy of Richarde Wingfelde late of Robertstowne, Co. Clare. Praying for relief from his creditors, having become indebted through the continuance over 15 years of a suit for Robertstowne, which he purchased 23 years ago from Stephen Sexton of Limerick, gent., deceased., whose son Edmond Sexton is disputing his title.

1p., with note at foot by the Lord Deputy, requiring Sexton to appear

and answer the plaintiff's bill.

1317.

25 Apr. 1611.

Exchequer order about overpayment of £8.10 Crown rent by the tenants of the castle and lands of Lemeneaghe, granted to Sir Turlough O'Brien by letters patent, 26 Apr. 30 Eliz. [1588].

Ip.

1318.

с. 1614.

Petition to the Lord Deputy and Council of John [Rider] Bishop of Killaloe.

".... in Hillary tearme last past upon the full hearing of yor petitoners right to the nyneteene quarters of land in the Barony of Inchequin belonging to yor petitioner as Bp. of Killa-loe, yor lops. by yor, warrant authorized the Sheriffe of Clare to put yor petitioner in possession of the said quarters, most parte of wch the said Sheriffe accordingly performed butt in part of the said lands was whstood [withstood] by the Lord Barron of Inchequin who challengeth half the towne of Killeneboy though the said towne stands uppon yor orators foure quarters And William Nelan gent denyed to yeild possession of one cartron of land adiovninge wh [with] his castell of Disart & a quarter & half of land there and John O Greipha gent denyed possession of his said houses mill & mansions though the Sheriffe had given possession of three quarters & two Cartrons of land within the parishes of Disart & Killanamona uppon wch the said houses stood, And also Teig Mc Broodie gent denyeth the houses & mancons whin the half quarter of Littermolaine whin the parishe of Disart all wch persons still remaine in the said houses, plough, & pasture uppon the said lands & take the rents thereof to the greate damage of yor petitioner" Prays that the parties, being now in town, may be called before the Council; and that orders be given the Earl of Thomond and the Sheriff to ensure quiet possession to the petitioner.

1p.

1319.

20 May 1614.

Order of the Lords Justices (Thomas [Jones] Archbishop of Dublin, Chancellor, and Sir Richard Wingfield) and Council; made in a case

between Lord Inchiquin and his lessees on one side and William Neylon and others on the other side, "concerninge and indifferency of triall to be used betweene them for the castle towne and lands of Disart "

The case to be tried by a jury of "the most indifferent freeholders of the County of Limericke."

1p.

1320.

[1614].

Petition to the Lords Justices of William Neylon and others.

"... whereas the wardeship of the bodie and lands of yor. supl. [suppliant]... hath been by his highnes comitted and graunted to the right honrable the Earle of Thomoand, who also by the last will and testamt. of yor supl. was made tutor and gardain to yor. supl. So it is that the Lo: Baron of Inshiqwyn and one Pattricke Hogan servant to the said Lo: Baron conioyninge to disinherit yor supl. of the castle towne and lands of Disert beinge yor supl. dwellinge howse and the chiefe parcell of yor supls. inheritance... have... caused to be sett forwarde sundrie sutes for the same against yor supl...." Petitioners pray for deferment of a hearing until the Earl of Thomond has returned from England; or, failing this, for a trial in the Exchequer Court next term, when they may be sufficiently provided with counsel.

1p.

Endorsed with the Council's order, suspending the case until the next Lent assizes.

Signed. Thomas Dublin Canc.; Richard Wingfelde; Francis Aungier; Edward Brabazon; Adam Loftus.

1321.

18 Sept. 1617.

Inquisition post mortem of William Neylon; taken at Ennis, Co. Clare, before Rowland De la Hoide, esq., William Starkey, esq., and John Mercke, esq., Feodaries in the Province of Connaught and county of Clare (by virtue of a commission dated 29 Jul. 1617).

Jurors. Edmond Hogane of Moehill; John Mc Loghlen of Garanbuy; Florence Nellan Fitz Nicholas of Balunknocke; Donough Clanchy of Ulrin; Maurice O Mulconery of Ardkeille; John Mc Ineareny of Balikilty; John Mc Bredyn of Kilkie; Roger [] of Tullagh; Daniel Clanchy of Ballisillagh; John O Muloney of Glandry; Cornelius Oge O Muloney of the same; Terence O'Brien of Ballimulcashell; James Nellan of Agherim; Donough Mc Conmea of Derimore; Thady O'Brien of Slaingrosse; Cornelius O Flanigane of Crosse; and Constantine Mc Brodyn of Balliegane, gents.

Jurors' findings. William Nellan died 29 Aug. 1617, being then seised in fee of: the castle, town, and lands of Dysert, containing 7 cartrons of land; Ballicullenanmore, one cartron, worth 12d. a year above reprises; Molonen, one cartron, worth the same; Rasarely, one cartron, worth the same; Drompcurryn, one cartron, worth the same; the two Gortkorkies, two cartrons, worth 2/-; Cottyn, one cartron (less 2a. called Cottinbeg), worth 12d. All held of the King in chief, by knight service.

He was also seised in fee of: the quarter of Towrnagyly, in the barony of Inchiquin, worth 2/-; Glanoughteragh and Cruytt, containing a quarter, worth 4/-; Clontosell and Killmacullog, containing a quarter, worth 4/-; Cahermacgorman, containing half a quarter, worth 2/-; Drominmire in Koolshanghan, containing a cartron, worth 12d.; Cloynebegg, containing a quarter, worth 4/-; the castle of Bealnalicky, with 3 cartrons, worth 3/-; 3 half cartrons in Terrona, worth 18d.; Balligummor, containing a quarter, worth 4/-; a parcel of land, containing 8a., called Brackclouty, worth 6d.; and a watermill in the said barony, worth 12d. All held of the manor of Inchyquin, by knight service, being the 20th part of one knight's fee.

He was also seised in fee of the castle, town, and lands of Turlogh, with a quarter there, in the barony of Borran, worth 4/-; Duylin, containing a quarter, worth 4/-; Ballilennan, containing a session or two parts of a quarter, worth 3/-; Pollbane, containing a quarter, worth 12d.; Moykinnysnoe and Ballyvyhin, containing two parts of a quarter divided into three parts, worth 2/8; Balliveylaghan and Leskeyn, containing the same, worth the same; Creoghwell, containing the same, worth the same; Boeltebracky, containing the third part of a quarter, worth 16d.; Tarramonbeg, containing a cartron, worth 12d.; Dangen, containing two parts of a quarter, worth 2/8. All held of the King, as of the manor of Ennis, by knight service, being the 40th part of one knight's fee.

He was also seised in fee of the castle of Ballogh, with 3 cartrons belonging to it, in the barony of Dogh alias Corkamroe, worth 3/-; Killtoghoraght, containing two quarters, worth 4/-; Clogher, containing a quarter, worth 4/-; 5 cartrons in the town of Balliclennycahell, worth 5/-; Carderry, containing a cartron worth 12d.; [] more containing a half cartron, worth 6d.; a cartron and the third of a cartron in Ballikellyna worth 8d.; and a watermill in Ardclaghyn, with 8a. land belonging to it worth 3/4. All held of the King, as of the manor of Ennis, by knight service, being the 40th part of one knight's fee.

Daniel Nellan is his son and next heir; and was aged 3 at his father's death. Roger O Shaghnes, Kt., and Ellice (now his wife and late wife to Daniel Nellan, father of the said William) [have taken the

issues and profits of the premises] from the death of the said William until the taking of this inquisition. Honora Nellan, widow (late wife of the said William) is alive, and claims one-third of the premises, in right of her dower. One Cornelius Davynne claimed an estate in fee in Cloghaghe, Killtoghoraght, and Carrowereogh. One Patrick Hogan claimed a similar estate in Clonebegg. One Cornelius O Deae claimed a similar estate in Killmchull, Towrnagyly, Crutts [and Glanoughteragh. One Charles O Connor of Loghlen in Co. Clare claimed the right of redemption, on a mortgage, in half the castle of Ballogh, Castletowne, and its 3 cartrons. One Charles Caraghe O Dea claimed a similar right in Towreneghy and Gortekorky. One Cornelius O'Brien claimed a similar right in Terronan. One Gillernuff O Faghe claimed a similar right in Killtoghoraght. One Dermott O Kervn claimed a similar estate in Cowleamore. Leagh Mc Rossy and Rossy Oge Mc Rossy claimed a solar in the castle of Turlagh, a room there called "the carpenters chamber," half a cartron adjoining the castle called Leaghcarrowmore Neclony, half a session [Cowleamore Torn and incomplete.

1322.

18 Jul. 1620.

Order made by the Lord Deputy and Council in a case brought by Honora Ny Brien alias Wingfeeld against Donnogh Clancie concerning the lands of Shrowland and Ardenier, formerly of Teige Mc Clancie, attainted, one of the brothers of the said Donnogh, who claims "but a particular estate" and is not entitled to the benefit of a mortgage on the lands.

Signed. Oliver St John; Henry Docwra; George Shurley; Henry Power; Edward Blaney; John Kinge; Adam Loftus; Frauncis Annesley.

Certified copy; 1p.

1323.

25 Mar. 1621.

Order made in a case brought by Tirrelagh Mc Mahowny against Honora Wingfield, Edward Wingfield, and Donnogh Clansie, concerning a mortgage of the lands of Shrowlane made by the plaintiff's ancestor to John Clansie for 40 barren cows, and the lands of Ardeiner for 25 barren cows and a mare.

Directs the sheriff, under penalty of £200, to put the plaintiff in possession until "the same be evicted from him by due course of law "

Signed. Dom: Sarsfelde; Jo: Philpot.

 I_4^1pp .

Also relating to the above case:

(I) Order of the Lord Chancellor, remitting the case to the Justices of Assize for Co. Limerick. I Mar. 1621. Incomplete.

(2) Bond of Honor and Edward Wingfield to Teig Mc Mohowny of £500, for observance of arbitrators' award. 18 May 1621.

1324.

[c. 1627].

Answer of William Starkey to bill of Donough O'Brien, Slany Ny Brien his mother, and Manus O Davoren concerning a lease made to the late Earl of Thomond for 40 years of Dromoland and certain other lands and tenements.

1p., draft; also 19th cent. copy.

The following also refer to this dispute about Dromoland:

Bond of £2,000 of Teige O'Brien, Rowland Delahoyd, and William Brickdell to Donough O'Brien of Leameneh; to abide by the award of Sir Richard Southwell, Kt., and others in a dispute between the Earl of Thomand and Donough O'Brien. 8 Jul. 1627, 3 Chas. I.

Award of the arbitrators abovenamed. 1628. Incomplete.

Conveyance by the Earl of Thomond, Sir Edward Fitzharris, and others to Donough O'Brien of Leameneh of the castles, town, and lands of Lemoroghow and Ballycurty. [c. 1630; not executed].

Conveyance by the abovenamed to Connor O'Brien of Leameneh 163. [not executed].

1325.

9 Jan. 1630.

Order made by Teage Mc Namara of Castletowne and James Morisie of Balliludan, Co. Clare, gents., arbitrators in a dispute between Teige Mc Mortagh Mc Mohon of Carriggery, gent., and his cousin Mortagh Mc Terlagh Mc Mohon of Carriggery, gent., concerning the eight part of a quarter of Lyssmoell, a parcel in Clenach-more, and two garden plotts adjoining Gortskehyfinagh, with the half quarter of Lyssmoell now held by Teige Mc Mortagh.

Teige to enjoy all the lands in dispute except Gortnamoer, which is to be left to Mortagh until he has been paid £10.

Signed. Teig mc Nemara; Ja: Morisie.

Witnesses. Mortagh Fyn Clansy [mark]; John Mc Nemara; Marcus O Huony; Donell Mc Morough; Therlagh Mc Thomas Roe; Teig O Quinnyan [mark].

1326.

3 June 9 Chas. I. [1633].

Commission to Thomas [Wentworth] Viscount Wentworth, Lord Deputy; Adam [Loftus] Viscount Loftus of Ely; and others, to enquire into the demesnes, rents, and duties belonging to the bishopric of Killaloe.

Contemporary copy.

1637.

Interrogatories for the defandant's witnesses in case of Charles O'-Connor v. Danyell Neylon concerning the castle and lands of Ballagh.

These refer to witnesses' knowledge, inter alia, of Danyell O'Neylon, defendant's grandfather; William O'Neylon, his father; Owen O'Connor, plaintiff's grandfather; Donough O'Connor, his elder brother; Connor Mc Danyell O'Connor, father of the said Owen and Donough; Connor O'Connor, son of the said Donough; and Danyell O'Connor, son of the said Connor.

Signed. Thomas Lynch.

1p.

1328.

с. 1637.

Answer of Daniell Neylon to the bill of Charles O'Connor.

States Daniell Neylon, his grandfather, and William Neylon, his father (who died about 18 years ago) to have been seised in fee of half the castle and three cartrons of Ballagh and of the half quarter of Derrienvallagh. Defendant, being under age at his father's death, was a ward of the King; and has not yet sued his livery of the lands; for which reason, and on account of "so many descents & long continued possession" he does not think that the plaintiff should implead him. He does not know of any mortgage made by Owen O'Connor to Murrough O Brien, Earl of Thomond, or to Donnell O'Brien for 40 marks of the castle and half quarter of Ballagh; or whether Owen O'Connor was seised in fee of Derrienvallagh.

Draft; 5pp.

Also: replication of Charles O'Connor. 26 Apr. 1637, 6pp. Rejoinder of Daniell Neylon [n.d.] 4pp.

1329.

1612-1638.

Notes on Chancery and Exchequer cases involving various members of the McBrien and O'Brien families (mostly referring to Henry, 5th Earl of Thomond).

Brief particulars only (e.g., names of parties).

1330.

5 Apr. 1637.

Extract from General Sessions of Assize and gaol delivery at Innish.

Indictment of trespass and riot against James O'Neylon of Finenara, Co. Clare, gent., Kean O'Flanagan of Cahirfadda, Rory Mc Gragh Mc

¹ Conveyed to Sir Donough O'Brien by Francis Foster in 1712.

Connor of Cahirfadda, Connor Mc Gorman of Lemenegh, Connor Oge O'Hehir of Lemenagh, Teige O'Keroge of Lemenegh, and Thomas O'Gripha of Clongowna, yeomen; at Letter, Co. Clare, which was in the quiet possession of Patricke Hogan esq., and was the freehold of Lewis [Jones] Lord Bishop of Killaloe.

Found not guilty by the jury: Murtagh Mc Thomas of Shiane, Teige Mc Namara of Knockbehagh, Boetius Clanchy of Ballidonoghow, Donnogh O Cormackun of Moynoe, John Hickes of Cahirurly, Dermod Oge Neylon of Glankine, Mortagh O'Heigher of Cahirlagoo, Florence Mc Namara of Kilcornan, Thomas O'Grady of Knockegrady, Mahowne Mc Bryan of Cappagh, Nicholas Neylon of Knockaneragh, and Connor O'Hehir of Moiffe, gents.

Latin.

Copy, certified by Walter Power, Deputy Coroner (?); 1p.

1331.

18 Nov. 15 Chas. I. [1639].

Precipe to the Sheriff of Co. Clare to put Mary Neylon, widow, in possession of two-thirds of the castle and lands of Disert and of other lands and tenements (as in order of Court of Wards, 16 Aug. 1639 [supra].).

Copy, made c. 1860 by the 13th Lord Inchiquin.

1332.

1640.

"State of the case as to Dysert in behalf of the Earl of Inchi-

King Henry VIII granteth all the dissolved Abbeys between the sea on the North of Thomond to the river Shannon to Murrogh then Earl of Thomond & his heirs the said Earl in the 5th year of King Edward the sixth granted the castle and Abbey to Conoher O Dea then Bishop of Killaloe for his life and Dermot O Dea for life Conoher was accordingly seised for life . . . after whose death Dermot entered and had issue Dennis Conoher & Edmund & made a feoffment thereof to Justice Gould to the use of Cnoher his second son & his heirs but by his will desired that Cnoher his own brother should have the castle & a quarter meer for his life which he was accordingly admitted to but Cnoher being so in possession advised Daniel O Neylan then Bishop of Killaloe¹ to buy the said Justice Goulds interest & he would give him possession of the castle & so he might have all the land which was done & thereupon

 $^{^1\,\}mathrm{Probably}$ an error for Kildare, of which Daniel Neylan was Bishop c. $1583{-}1603.$

Danell O Neylan entereth into all & thereof dies seized & the same is descended to William his son & heir and from William to Daniel his son & heir a minor & from Daniel who died about half a year since to William his son & heir. The question is to whom these lands de jure belong.

First — it must be made evident that by the grant from King Henry the VIII the said Abbey & four plowlands be granted.

That being made clear I then conceive the free right of the said Abbey and lands are [sic] in the now Lord of Inchiquin as heir unto Murrogh for it is plain that Dermot had but an estate for life & so his feoffment to Gold was a forfeiture & gave a just title of entry to the grandchild of the said Murrogh the lessor.

Now to take away the right I see nothing but to take away the entry of the now Lord and three descents

As for the first descent about forty years since that is avoided for that Dermot the now Lords father was within age

As for the second continued claim doth avoid that for at his death there was a suit depending between the father of the now Lord & the said William.

As for the third \dots the wife of William hath the same for her thirds & so no descent

So that the entry of the now Lord is plainly lawful

But the greatest doubt is how these lands can be got from the King seeing they are seised into the Kings hands & they that have been so ten years in quiet possession are preferred.

Next this payeth chief rent to the Bishop quere if it be not Bishops land for part was recovered by the last Bishop of Killaloe¹ & they had courts Baron there and it seemeth the last Daniel hath underhand made some agreement with the now Bishop.²

This last doubt must be cleared before medling therein."

Copy, made c. 1860 by the 13th Lord Inchiquin.

1333.

1642.

Petition to the Lord President and Council of Munster of Capt. Connor O'Brien, to be allowed to continue in occupation of the castle of Dromolan, from which he has expelled Mr. John Mc Teige Mc Namara, an adherent of the Earl of Thomond. Describes himself as "of the first men in Thomond that raised arms in the defence of this generall cause"

Contemporary copy, in two separate hands; 2pp.

¹ John Rider, Bishop 1613-1633.

² Lewis Jones, Bishop 1633-1647.

28 June 1645.

Order of sequestration of the goods and chattels of Boetius Clancy, esq., whose will had been contested in the court of the Archbishop of Cashel by Boetius Clancy the younger. Issued at the request of Thomas Terrell, esq., one of the executors of the elder Boetius Clancy; and addressed to Daniell O'Brien of Carrogoolt, Kt., and others.

Certified copy; 14pp. Latin.

1335.

10 Mar. 1645/6.

Petition to the Supreme Council of the Confederate Catholics of Lieut.-Col. Connor O'Brien.

Petitioner, "being of the first men that took arms in the county of Clare & hath been also in all considerable services in the said county further offereth that he lost his brother in the service of the said province ". His Lieutenant-Colonelcy in Col. Stevenson's regiment has been taken from him, without his knowledge; and his company, contrary to the terms on which he raised it at his own cost, is "designed into England."

Referred by the Council to the Commissioners-General of the Munster Army.

Copy, made c. 1860 by the 13th Lord Inchiquin.

1336.

10 Aug. 1649.

Petition to the Marquis of Clanrickard of Pierce Lynch.

Concerns certain lands in Co. Clare, detained—with the principal sum due on a mortgage—from the petitioner by Connor O'Brien of Leameneh.

The case is ordered by Lord Clanrickard to be referred back to the "Toallsall" of Galway.

Copy, made c. 1860 by the 13th Lord Inchiquin.

1337.

18 Jul. 1650.

Petition to the Lord Lieutenant of Col. Connor O'Brien.

Prays for an advance of money for "reinforcing" his troop in horses (of which he has lately lost ten between Limerick and Loughguir) and arms (most of his men being unarmed).

Copy, made c. 1860 by the 13th Lord Inchiquin.

28 Jul. 1651.

Petition to the Lord Deputy of Mary Brien alias Mahowne, widow of Col. Connor O'Brien of Leameneh.

Praying for the bestowal of her late husband's regiment on her son, to encourage him "to tread the path of his father in his forwardness to do his Majesty & the public service"

Referred by the Lord Deputy to Col. David Roch, who is to endeavour to compose all differences "as may conduce to his Majestys service & the satisfaction of the parties"

Copy, made c. 1860 by the 13th Lord Inchiquin.

1339.

16 Aug. 1651.

Petitions to the Marquis of Clanrickard, Lord Deputy, of Mary Ny Brien alias Mahon, relict of Col. Connor O'Brien.

- (1) Praying to be granted the tutelage of her son Donough O'Brien, a minor, and the management of his estate.
- (2) Praying for restitution to the castle and lands of Smithstowne, on which a forcible entry has been made by Elinor Brien alias Wingfield, by direction of her husband Capt. Murrough O'Brien.

Copies, made c. 1860 by the 13th Lord Inchiquin.

1340.

17 May 1656.

Decree of the Commissioners for adjudication of claims of the Irish, by which Cornet John Cooper of Raffeolane, Co. Clare (on behalf of Mary his wife, claiming dower as the relict of her late husband, Daniell Neylon of Turlagh); and the said Mary (as guardian of her son William Neylon) are adjudged the equivalent, in Connaught or Clare, of the following lands and premises: the castle, town, and lands of]; Beallanaliky, Dishert, containing 3 cartrons; Clonybeg [one quarter; Tironane, one cartron; Killenane, half a plowland; CahermcGormane, half a plowland; Gortaneharky, half a plowland; Killickullane, half a plowland; Dooncore, two plowlands; Ballydoomore, one plowland; Cottine, one cartron; and Mullonyne, one cartron, all in the barony of Inchiquin. The plowland of Clogher; the plowland of Ballycleincahill; the plowland of Killteraght; the plowland of Beallagh and [] hagh; the plowland of Ballykellyna; the plowland of Leaghcarrowreagh; the cartron of Caherveale; 10a. of Gurteeniarda; the plowland and half of Cnockvaskahagh & Cahirderry; the half plowland and cartron of Mohermal-

¹ Ulick de Burgh, 5th Earl and 1st Marquis [1604-1657.]

lanasie (?); all in the barony of Corkhamroe. The castle, town, and lands of Turlogh, containing one plowland; the plowland of Ballylevane, Faneskeiagh, & Banultibracke; the plowland of Ballydonnell, Ballyvoileghane, & Muckynisnoe; the plowland of Dangen & Buolyuna; the plowland of Culleanmore & Ballyvehine; the plowland of Dellinbegg, Delinmore, & Cragan, Ballyknowell; the plowland of Cunghill (?) & Gortbinhines; the cartron of [] onbegg; the plowland and 3 cartrons of []; and the cartron of Killneglassy, in the barony of Burren. One cartron of Dromnemure, in the barony of Inchiquin.

Certified copy; partly illegible.; 5pp.

1341.

8 May 1657.

Order made by the Commissioners for adjudication of the claims of the Irish in Connaught and Clare, by which Dermott Ryan of Clankena, Co. Tipperary, is empowered to enter into 100a. in the quarter and third of a quarter called Ballymoluane and 100a. in the quarter of Lecaraghbegge, in the parishes of Killokennedy and Killalow and barony of Tullagh, Co. Clare.

Signed. Hen: Greneway; Ja: Cuffe: board.

Memorandum of Ryan having been put in possession of the above lands by Arthur Stapleton, Sheriff of Co. Clare. May 1657.

Endorsed with assignment of his interest by Ryan to Henry Ieuers, 24 Jul. 1657.

1p.; torn and partly illegible.

1342.

8 Aug. 15 Chas. II. [1663].

Decree of the Commissioners for executing the Act of Settlement, in case of William Neylon v. Sir William Domvile, Kt. (H.M. Attorney-General) and Edward [Worth] Bishop of Killaloe.

Claimant is adjudged an innocent Papist, restorable to Ballycully-nanemore, Mulliune, Ratharlie, and other lands in the baronies of Inchiquin and Corkamroe (formerly of his father, Daniel Neylon, who died about 1637, leaving claimant a minor in the guardianship of Patricke Fitz Morris [18th] Lord Kierry); and to Killman, in the barony of Inchiquin (formerly of his uncle, Boetius Clancie, esq.): but has failed to make out a title to the cartron of Grolloge and the cartron of Slucarne. He is not to be restored to those parcels of the lands that were assigned to Edward Adare, Robert Nugent, Maurice Fitz Gerrald, and John Butler, until they have been reprised with other lands of equal value.

Contemporary copy; 12pp.

[On the same sheet is a copy of letters patent, granting to Phillip Percivall of Dublin, gent., in consideration of a fine of £46, an annuity of £10 out of Disert, Turlagh, and other lands in Co. Clare, formerly of William Neylon, gent., deceased. 15 Dec. 19 Jas. I. [1621].].

1343.

20 Aug. 15 Chas. II. [1663].

Decree of the Act of Settlement Commissioners in case of John Cooper and Mary his wife and Donough O'Brien v. the Attorney-General, Bryan Goodwin, and others.

Concerns restoration of Donough O'Brien to the lands held in 1641 by his father Connor O'Brien. Mentions the following in addition to those referred to in order of 15 Oct. 1663 [infra]: the castle, town, and plowland of Lemenegh; the quarter called Cahirfadda; the castle and two plowlands of Ballymorohowe; the two plowlands of Clownene; and the half quarter of Moherbollannagh. He is restored to all his father's lands, except three plowlands in Killynaboy with the houses and gardens belonging to them, which are disclaimed by the claimants.

Copy, made c. 1860 by the 13th Lord Inchiquin.

1344.

15 Oct. 1663.

Order of the Act of Settlement Commissioners, directing the Sheriff of Co. Clare to put Donough O'Brien in possession of the following lands and tenements: the castle and two plowlands of Ballygriffa, the plowland of Ardkearny, the third part of a plowland in Aghrem, the castle and plowland of Ballyportrea, the quarter of Insicuolaght and Derrys, the quarter of Ballyashie, the half quarter of Ballycassin, the quarter and fifth of a quarter in Ballynabinny, Moylegrane, and Ballynealane, the cartron of Gortlahane, the sixth of a quarter in Dromnegah, two-thirds of a quarter in Carrhownegowle, the halfquarter in Towerlaghmore, the quarter of Kiltocky, the half quarter of Aglish, the half quarter of Fianmeanagh, the cartron of Pullynachoona, the half quarter and half cartron in Carhownemaddera, the half the half quarter of Roughanetweska and Lyana, the quarter of Tobermaly, the half quarter of Cahirmackuna, the half quarter of Moderane, the quarter of Poulcoolickye, Fehafane, and Cahirpolla, half a quarter and the third in Pullynafooka, Rannagh, Keileneglassie, and Moguoha, the half quarter and half cartron of Killnoe, Cragganboy, and Toneregny, and the half quarter of Gortneglogh and Maghirry. Saving the interest of the following transplanted persons - Mathew O'Hehir, James Bourke, Teige O'Kearin, Mathew Griffa, Moore Brody and

James her son, Bryen Goodwin, and William Barry — until they have been restored to their former estates or given reprise of lands of equal value.

Signed & sealed. Richard Raynsford; Edward Dering; Thomas Beverley; Edwarde Smythe; A. Brodrick; W: Churchill.

1345.

1663.

Petition to King Charles II of Murrough, Earl of Inchiquin, for "the like recompence" — £1,000 a year — as President of Munster, that Viscount Dillon¹ had for Connaught.

(This was referred by the King to the Lord High Treasurer, the Earl of Southampton).

Ip.

1346.

1663 (?).

Report made to the Act of Settlement Commissioners on the claim of Sir William Kinge, claiming in right of soldiers, adventurers, and Connaught purchasers.

Lists 40 denominations in the baronies of Burren, Corcumroe, and Inchiquin, Co. Clare (34 of which were purchased from John Cooper) conveyed to Lord Inchiquin, Donough O'Brien, Col. Daniell O'Brien, William Neylon, and several others.

Copy, certified 11 Aug. 1680 by Tho. Taylor; 5pp.

1347.

20 Apr. 1664.

Order made by the King in Council, by which the Solicitor-General is instructed to insert a clause for the benefit of Col. Daniell O'Brien in "the explanatory or additionall bill now under consideracon."

Certified copy; 1p.

1348.

с. 1665.

Petition to the Court of Claims of Daniell O'Brien Fitz Murtagh of Lisdunvearnae, barony of Burren, Co. Clare,

Claims the following lands:

one-third of a quarter in Ballyteige and one-third of a quarter in Killcornie alias Fordrin, mortgaged to him in 1647-49 by Florence Fitz Patrick of Lisdunvearnae;

¹ Thomas Dillon, 4th Viscount, President of Connaught c. 1644-1662.

a quarter and one-third in Lisdunvearnae and one-third in Ballyteige, assigned to him in 1652 by the said Florence;

one-third of a quarter of Ballygastle, conveyed to him in 1648 by James Gould of Ballygastle;

a cartron in Creigloskie, conveyed to him by Brien O'Brien of Mogowne in the barony of Inchiquine;

a cartron in Rathnagh, conveyed to him in 1648 by James Clanchy of Rathnagh in the barony of Corkumore [sic].

Certified copy; 31pp.

1349.

с. 1665.

Petition to the Court of Claims of Bryen O'Brien of Seandroymon, barony of Inchiquin, Co. Clare.

Is possessed "of ancient inheritance" of a cartron in Ross and half a plowland in Carhowheyle "called by the distinct names of Seandroman Rowskugh and Deryanhettin"; of which he has received the rents and profits for many years from a date earlier than 1641.

Certified copy; $3\frac{1}{2}pp$.

1350.

с. 1665.

Petition to the Court of Claims of Una Ny Brien, widow of Terlogh O'Brien late of Tullamore, Co. Clare, gent., on behalf of herself and of her daughter Any Ny Brien, sole heir of the said Terlogh.

Claims the castle and three cartrons of Tullaghmore, the cartron of Cahirfluskane, the quarter of Iland alias Ballytarsny, the quarter of Carrowduffe, the half quarter of Cahiricussane, and the quarter of Fantamore in the barony of Corcumroe; one-third of a quarter in Ballygastell, barony of Burren; half a quarter in Cahirnamogher, barony of Inchiquin; and one-third of a cartron in Ballyshany, barony of Corcumroe. These were worth £60 a year before the Rebellion of 1641; and were settled at the time of her marriage (1 Aug. 1632) on Dermott O'Brien, Murrough O'Brien, Hugh O'Cannow, and Daniell O'Brien. The rents and profits of them were received by the said Terlogh till his death in November 1652.

Certified copy; 2pp.

1351.

с. 1665.

Answer of Cornet John Cooper and Mary his wife to the bill of Christopher O'Brien.

Concerning personal estate of Honora, wife of the plaintiff and

sister of the defendant Mary Cooper, which was "of much less value than her said sister intended for her " so that she had to pay about £200 to Honora's creditors.

Contemporary copy; 2pp.

1352.

1667.

- (1) Petition to the Earl of Inchiquin of Bryen Mc Vard and More Ny Hehir his wife, complaining of Mohon O'Hehir's using all the lands in dispute between the parties; and Inchiquin's order of reference to Capt. John Steeres. 1p.
- (2) Depositions of the following persons, taken before John Steeres concerning the title to one-third of the plowlands of Morhiny and Cahirmonea:

Edmond Oge O'Hehir of Cahirlugha, gent., 32;

Donnogh O'Brien of Renyne, Co. Clare, gent., 70;

Cahill O'Nellane of Dromona, 72;

Edmond O'Gripha of Renyn, 46;

Christopher Burnell of Raghnaghane (arbitrator between the parties).

Covering letter from Steeres to Inchiquin, concerning refusal of Connor O'Dea, an associate of O'Hehir's, to give evidence. 4pp.

(3) Award made by John O'Hogan of Rath and Donogh O'Gripha between the parties. O'Hehir to "convey and passe over" to Brien Mc Enward and More Ny Hehir his interest in Morhiny and Carrownemadra, being freed from all arrears of rent out of the said lands. Copy; 2pp.

1353.

[1667].

Certificate of [Francis] Burton and [Neptune] Blood, Dean [of Kilfenora] issued at the orders of Sir William Davies, Kt., Lord Justice of Assize for Munster, in relation to a petition brought by James Devorex against Donough O'Brien concerning the half quarter of Crosse.

They certify Devorex and his mother, Margrett Flanegan, to have had "noe cause of action or complaint against" O'Brien. They ordered "in comiseration of their poverty, that whatt cattle were formerly distrained by the sd. Donogh should be restored to the sd. peticoner & his mother & that on the May day next they should deliver up the sd. lands & the sheafe unto the sd. Donogh O Brien cleare & acquitted from all arreares of Quitt rent and taxes "

1669.

Petition to the Vice-President of Munster of Maurice Connell.

Petitioner was awarded, as a final settlement in 1656, 454a. in the quarter of Solyshane, among other lands in Co. Clare. He remained undisturbed in possession of them until 16 Jan. 1668 [9] when he was attacked by Terlagh Oge O'Louglyn, Dermod O'Murrane, Thomas Joanes, and 7 or 8 others unknown, who claimed to be acting by direction of Donough O'Brien of Leameneh, esq. They also drove off 10 of his cows, worth £20; and have ever since continued to disturb him and his tenants.

Order of the Vice-President to Donough O'Brien and the others complained of, not to molest the petitioner or his tenants till they have been evicted, or to appear within six days to show cause to the contrary.

Signed. Broghill.1

Copy, certified by William Carr, Clerk of the Council. 3pp.

1355.

1669 et seq.

Papers relating to the family of O'Brien, Viscounts Clare. The most interesting of these are:

Exchequer order directing the seizure, for arrears of Quit rent, of the castle, manor, and lands of Carrigahoult, the quarter of Kilcordan, the quarter of Cloneconnene, and other lands in the baronies of Moyfarta, Inchiquin, Ilands, Tulla, and Bunratty, Co. Clare. 1676. Certified copy.

Directions for levying Quit rents from Lord Clare's tenants in Ballyhenan, Knockneslatra (and 38 other denominations). The total to be levied is £30. 1685.

Letters missive addressed to Daniel O'Brien, Viscount Clare, at the suit of Isabell [Dillon] Countess Dowager of Roscommon. 1685.

Petition to the Justices of Assize for Munster of Catherin Fz Patricke alias Neylon, widow (whose late husband was a servant of Lord Clare's). 1692.

Affidavit of Margery Wolferston of Ballymacude, Co. Clare, widow; Owen Mac Swyne of Fieh, Co. Clare, gent.; Elizabeth Fz Patrick of Ballymacude; and Cornelius Chroe of the same, steward to Honora O'Brien, Viscountess Dowager of Clare. They concern an agreement made in 1696 between Lady Clare and William Worth, esq. (acting for Lady Henrietta O'Brien, mother and guardian of Henry, Earl of Thomond) about the farm of Doonebegg and Cloghanes, which was to be held by Lady Clare at a rent of £150 for the first year, £170 for the second, £190 for the third, and thereafter £200. 1699.

¹ Roger Boyle [1646-1682] afterwards 2nd Earl of Orrery.

[1670].

Petition to the Vice-President of Munster of William Neylon.

Having been restored to his ancient estate as an innocent Papist and having had quiet possession of it, the petitioner has lately been tried for supposed forcible entry on a castle of Dysert, by the means of the Bishop of Killalow¹ (who picked the jury) and of Dr. John Andrews and John Gore, esq., two of the J.Ps. for the county.

Endorsed with a citation to the High Sheriff to appear the following day at Limerick, to answer the complaint.

2pp.; citation signed O'Brien.

1357.

1670.

Report of Richard Chapell, Deputy-Auditor-General, on the petition of Donough O'Brien.

Area of his estate: 3,062a. Irish "besides Aglish not found in the survey" = 4,960a. 2r. English.

Quit rent @ $2\frac{1}{4}$ d. per acre = £46.10.2 per annum.

Composition rent on 25 quarters and two cartrons = £12.15 per annum.

1p.

1358.

3 Mar. 1670.

Petition to the Crown of Donough O'Brien for relief from new Quit rents and arrears of old ones.

Note at foot: by constat the new rent is £46.10.2, the old £12.15.0. Endorsed with memorandum by the Duke of Ormonde.

1359.

13 June 1670.

Depositions taken, by order of the Earl of Inchiquin, in the court of the manor of Inchiquin at Corofin (after sittings of the manor court on 21 Jul. and 11 Oct. 1669, without reaching a verdict). The court was to decide on the bounds and mears of the lands of Fyanemeanagh, Fyane Ighter, and Cnockegillahana, which were in dispute between Inchiquin's tenants and the tenants of Donough O'Brien.

Deponents for Lord Inchiquin:

Therlagh Mc Conor, about 60. ".... a survey was made of the whole plowland and knoweth not whether any parte of Fyanemeanagh goeth beyond a place called Leyremore...."

Mortagh O'Brien, 35. His father was tenant of Cnockgillahana for one year, and enjoyed the wood, he does not know "upon what entrest".

¹ Daniel Wytter, Bishop 1669 to 1675.

Loghlen O'Hehir Mc Mlaghlen, 50. ".... before the warrs Conor O'Brien of Lemneh" carried wood out of some lands in the parish of Killkydy, on account of which the horses were seized by Mlaghlen Oge O'Hehir for the Earl of Inchiquin's use.

John Mc Daniell Crone, about 56. Has seen the bounds kept by the

inhabitants of Cnockegillahana for the last 35 years.

Rickard Mc Daniell O'Hogane, 46; Dermot Backagh Mc Conor, 60; and Donogh O'Hehir, 46, all agree with evidence already given.

Deponents for Donough O'Brien:

Jonacke Bourke, about 80. Heard a credible person, by name Rickard O'Ruoeene, acknowledge "that the three Fyanes did come along to the bounds of Kearny "

Connor O'Quehir, about 50. Every tenant cut wood without interruption from any in the time of Donough O'Brien of Leameneh, grandfather, and Conor O'Brien, father to the present Donough O'Brien.

Owen Mc Donogh, about 60; Mlaghlen Oge Mc Cassyea, about 50; Phellem Mc Farish, 56; Dermot O Morane, 50; and Moragh Mc Cassyea, 61, all agree with evidence already given.

The jury finds each party to have an equal share of the disputed lands, "soe that wee humbly pray his Lpp. and Donnogh O Brien to end the difference and in case of disagreemt that the same be left to a survey"

Jurors. Hugh Crohe (?), Christopher Burnell, Donnogh O'Hehir, Nicholas O'Mohona, Patricke Hogane, Dermot O'Dea, John Emerson, Teig O'Gripha, Dominicke Power, Laurence White, Rickard Bourke, James Moore, Patricke Mc Henry.

"This is a true Copie drawen by me

Logh: Mc Inerhiny Senescall of the said manor"

 $4\frac{1}{2}pp.$

1360.

1671.

Petition to the [1st] Earl of Inchiquin of Patricke Comyne and Peeter Cruttyne.

Praying for a lease, similar to other leases granted by Inchiquin, of 100a. in Cahersherkin "to cleere us yor. peticioners from the Excequer otherwise wee are undon if wee must be at the chardges to dischardge it our selues"

1½pp., endorsed 26 Aug. 1671 by Inchiquin, at O'Brien's Bridge, "I would have Lieut. Coll. Lucas prepare a lease for the peticionrs to be signed by me here according to the directions I gave him at Lymricke."

12 Nov. 1672.

Exchequer bill¹ of Ellis Flennagan, widow, and Conor Flennagan, her son.

Prays for a subpoena against John Cooper and Mary his wife, Donough O'Brien, William Mc John Connor and Margaret his wife, who all claim some interest in the lands of Crosse, in the parish of Killinbuy, barony of Inchiquin, Co. Clare, of which Mortagh Flennagan (late husband of the said Ellis) had been seised in fee in 1637.

Certified copy; Ip.

1362.

12 Nov. 1672.

Order of reference, made at Obriensbridge by the Earl of Inchiquin and Donough O'Brien, by which John Emerson of Inchiquin and Francis Hasclopp of Killeedy, gents., are appointed referees to examine the mears and bounds of the lands of Fyanemanagh and Knockgillahanah in the manor of Insiquin.

1363.

30 Aug. 1673.

Order of reference made by the Earl of Inchiquin and Donough O'Brien to Capt. Edward Fitz Gerrald and Thomas Hickman, esq., for the lands of Ballyharraghan, Ballygriffa, and Agharinn.

Confirmed 25 June 1677 by [William, 2nd Earl] of Inchiquin.

1364.

9 Feb. 1674.

Award of Dermot Clorane and Thomas Ridge, both of Co. Galway, gents., in a dispute between Anna Shaghnessy alias Bryne and her son Brien O'Brien of Gortlybrine, Co. Tipperary, gent.; and Walter Wale of Carha, Co. Galway, gent.; concerning 8½a., part of the lands of Cahermenane, Co. Clare.

Having "proceded therein & examined wittnesses & writeings produced on each side" the arbitrators order one moiety of the disputed lands to be held by Anna and Brien O'Brien "as theire owne proper interest" the other moiety as tenants to Walter Wale on a seven years' lease at £1 rent.

Signed & sealed. Dermot Clorane; Thomas Ridge.

Witnesses. Charles O'Shaghnusy; Dono: Donovan; Laurence Donovan; P. Considen (?).

¹There are 25 other deeds and papers, 1674–1688, relating to the lands of Crosse—described in a lease of 1677 as containing 50a. profitable P.M.—the persons having or claiming an interest in them being Donough O'Brien, Cornelius Flannagan, Mary Hughes, and Richard Stotesbury.

16 Aug. 1677.

Decree of the Commissioners for transplanted persons, by which Walter Wall and Brien O'Brien, are each adjudged a moiety of 51a. in Caruegore and Castlequarter in the barony of Corkomroe, Co. Clare; to hold in free and common socage, at a quit rent of 15/3\frac{3}{4} for every 2a. 2r. 17p. of profitable land.

Signed. Robert Booth; Charles Meredith; Thomas Radcliff; Henry Henn; Richard Rev[n]ell.

mry Heim, Richard Reylin

Contemporary copy; 1p.

1366.

19 Mar. 29 Chas. II, 1676 [7].

Decree of the Commissioners for transplanted persons by which William Neylon and James Roch are adjudged entitled to Mordane (half a quarter, 33a. profitable, Irish P.M.); Ballinbine (half a quarter, 61a.); Lurga (one quarter, 163a.); Ballynelane (one cartron, 29a.), in the barony of Inchiquin; Carrowkeele (one quarter, 20a.), in the barony of Corcumroe; Killgobbin, part of Cloney (88a.); and 3 cartrons, containing 60a., in Lussana, in the barony of Bunratty, Co. Clare. Total, 306a. Irish P.M., 494a. 2r. 26p. English; to hold at quit rents amounting to £4.12.11 (William Neylon): 148a. Irish P.M., 239.3.5 English; to hold at quit rents amounting to £2.4.11½ (James Roch).

Certified copy, dated 15 Jan. 1763; 4pp.

1367.

26 Jan. 1677.

Award of Capt. Edward Fitz Gerrald and Thomas Hickman, esq., setting out ".... the true ancient and iust bounds between the lands of Ballyharrghan and Aghrinn alias Ahyterralla is [sic] leadeing by the stone wall from Poulenefurbay to Cahirnagrie ..."

Refers to a previous award (27 Oct. 1627) of Daniell O'Brien late of Dugh, esq., and Hugh Crutteene, gent., who were appointed referees in the time of Nell, Lady Dowager of Inchiquin¹ and of Donough O'Brien of Leameneh (grandfather of Donough O'Brien abovenamed).

Signed. Thomas Hickman.

Witnesses. Teig Mc Keane (?), Jhon Mc Enchroe; Jher. Coghlen; Jno: Collins; Hugh Chroe; Daniell Neylan.

¹ Ellen [Fitzgerald], widow of the 5th Baron and mother of the 1st Earl.

27 Aug. 31 Chas. II. [1679].

Writ to the Escheator of Co. Limerick to enquire what lands were held by Capt. Henry Grey.

1369.

[1678 to 1683].1

Chancery bill of Nicholas Wolfe of Denginbracke, Co. Clare, gent. Relates to the lands of Danginbracke and Ardnevoylane, Creevagh, Cahirenis, alias Creevagh alias Cahirkelly, Madera, Keefness, and Kildrum in the barony of Bunratty, Co. Clare (formerly of Nicholas Arthur, esq. and mortgaged by him to Patricke Arthur). Refers to various deeds, of 1665 and later, affecting the lands; and asks for subpoena against Nicholas Arthur, Patricke Arthur, Francis Arthur, Catherin Meara, Francis Meara, Callaghan Garvan, and Martha [].

Incomplete. 60pp.

1370.

28 June 1679.

Injunction (in case of Williamson & O'Brien v. O'Brien & Cooper); by which the plaintiffs and their tenants are quieted in possession of the 4 plowlands of Latoone (the Court conceiving that Donough O'Brien had possession of them "onely as a grazier") until evicted by course of law; and in the two plowlands of Rathfolanmore, in such estate as they had at the time of exhibiting their bill.

Draft; 3pp.

[The injunction was issued 10 July 1679].

1371.

[1679].

Memorandum on the foregoing case, beginning; "by the very rules of Chancery noe iniunction is to be granted without oath that of actuall possession for three years by a title as yett undetermined — which is not in this case nor cannot, for of their own shewing there was a lease to Starky see their new bill." Refers to lease for 21 years (Starky to Lord Clare) made in 1666; and to assignment [undated] by Cooper to Lord Ibrickan,

1372.

20 June 1679.

Notes on the hearing of case of Williamson v. O'Brien. Certified copy; 1p.

¹ Bill addressed to Michael [Boyle] Archbishop of Armagh, Lord Chancellor.

[1679].

Answer of Donough O'Brien, esq., to the bill of Sir Joseph Williamson and his wife, Lady Katherin O'Brien, Baroness Clifton.

Refers to lease (1615, Donogh, late Earl of Thomond, to Wm. Starkey, for 99 years); and to demise (1658, Henry, Earl of Thomond, to John Cooper, for 21 years, and a fine of £300).

Contemporary copy, endorsed; "12th Aprill 1682 I lent Mr. Willson Mauds bill & Sr. Jos. answer & myne."

1374.

25 June 1679.

Exceptions (three headings) to the foregoing answer. Plaintiffs pray that the defendant "may make a more full distinct and clearer answer."

1p.

1375.

[1680].

Case of Rickard Connell of Moehill, Co. Clare, gent., v. Donough O'Brien, esq.

Concerns claim made in 1676 by Maurice Connell, gent., to 4,034a. in the barony of Inchiquin, Co. Clare, of which 54a. were in his actual possession. Recites several transactions involving Morrogh [O'Brien, 3rd] Earl of Inchiquin, Daniel [O'Brien, 3rd] Viscount Clare, and Maurice Connell. Alleges Rickard Connell to have made the following false statement: "that the lease from the Earle of Inchequin.... was made to his uncle.... and that it was agt. his fathers will that the lease was made and that his father.... had noe aduantage by it and that he.... neuer spoake to the Earle.... att his goeing to Tangier for a confirmacion of this lease and that his father payes noe rent to the sd Earle...."

Draft; 13pp.

1376.

I Feb. 1680.

Chancery decree in case of Donough O'Brien, esq., v. Thomas Kearsley, Arnold Griffith, and Richard Hill (executors of Henry Barcroft, who was executor of Robert Barcroft, deceased).

Concerns a debt of £300, owing in 1659 from John Cooper of Limerick, gent., to Thomas Barcroft; for which the plaintiff (though at the time under age) went surety with William Neylon. Mentions townlands of Balligripha and Leameneh, in the farms of Dromoland and Clumony.

The plaintiff is ordered to pay £513 in full settlement of the defendants' claims.

Certified copy, 86pp.

The following also relate to this case:

Another copy, in Sir Theobald Butler's handwriting, of the decree. 9pp.

Two leases and a release, from Donough O'Brien to Robert Barcroft,

of the lands of Dromoland and Ballygripha. 1662.

Brief for the plaintiff. Recites bill, answer, and depositions of the following witnesses: Thomas Page, gent., 44; John Darcy, gent., 35; Thomas Coulcott, esq., 55; William Bucknor, gent., 28; Dennis Halluren, gent., 68; Hugh Shroe, gent., 61; Honora O'Brien, 34; Mortagh Clancy, gent., 64; Thomas Rose, burgess, 35; Charles Pitt, gent., 30; and Richard Cowle, esq., 51. 5pp., endorsed "Friday morning 21 May 1680 (?)."

1377.

Mich. 32 Chas. II. [1680].

Proceedings in an ejectment case: George Comerford of Limerick, gent., v. Charles Smith: relating to 20 messuages, 20 cottages, 20 gardens, 10 orchards, 1,000a. arable, 600a. meadow, and 600a. pasture in Lurga, Corrcomroe, Lattoone, Knockroe & Lisnagawen, Ballygirrine, and Reminagh (all parcel of the castle, farm, and lands of Dromoland). The plaintiff claims £200 damages.

Latin; 2pp.

1378.

Mich. 32 Chas. II. [1680].

Proceedings, as in last: Thady Clanchy, gent., v. William Davies; relating to lands and tenements in Dromolan, Ballyconnell, and elsewhere. Damages claimed, £100.

1379.

[1681] (?).

Answer of Sir Joseph Williamson and Lady Catherin O'Brien to the bill of Henry [O'Brien] Earl of Thomond.

Relates to a lease (in which Henry Iuers was concerned), of the lands of Ballyluddane West.

Draft, in two hands; 3pp.

1380.

[1681] (?).

Chancery bill of Henry, Earl of Thomond.

Recites settlement, made by him on the marriage of his eldest son, Henry, Lord O Brien, in 1664, of the following lands and premises: the castle and three plowlands of Bunratty; the castle and about 8 plowlands of Clammonigh, and others then held by John Cooper, esq.; the castle and about three plowlands of Rossmanagher; and Cahirnemligeine: Killnacrenve, about one plowland: Arkeild and Kahirseaknasty, about two plowlands and a cartron; the duties of the two plowlands of Feenagh, the four plowlands of Dromlyne, Ballycassey, and Jallyverga; the three plowlands held by George Ross; Dromgelye and Keappnantinsoe, two plowlands; Ballynenisa, a quarter and half a cartron; Innisvicknaghten, Cahirteigbegg, Islandmcknavin, Ravergin, and Lahardane; Cullinagh and Cullulla; the castle and about two plowlands and a half of Dounemullvihill: the castle and about three plowlands of Ballynenaggy; the castle and q plowlands of Dromoland; Ballyhenane, Killrahane, Poulemore, Cullshamarroge, Killbrickanebegg, Ballyvemavane, Ballyboy, Knockskubbole, Dromminlaghny, Dromgranaghbegg, Beataghlane, Glanelome, Rossmadda, Gortatokish, Ballymaskna, Shraghnagalloone, and Binehow; the castle and farm of Inshicronane; Ballygissanebegg (half a plowland); Cahirdinagh, Cravagher, Gortglass, Fanegorebegg, Ballycarr, Muckineigh, Ballyluddane, and Ballyluddane East; the duties of Moyhill and Crattlagh Keele (one plowland): the following lands and tenements in the barony of Tulla, Co. Clare; the castle and two plowlands of Cappagh, and the town of Sixmilebridge: and the following lands and tenements in the barony of Cloundrala, Co. Clare: the castle and two plowlands of Doonegurroge and Cahirachone, and the castle and two plowlands and a half of Cahirashon. Another clause in the same settlement limited to the plaintiff's use, during the life time of Mary, Countess Dowager of Thomond, the plowlands of Fynagh, the castle of Dromlyne, and certain other lands and tenements in the baronies of Bunratty, Moyfartta, Inchiquin, and Corcomroe, Co. Clare.

Plaintiff asks for letters missive to Sir Joseph Williamson and Lady Catherine O'Brien; for subpoena to Donough O'Brien and Henry Iuers; "and iniuncion to all that noe wast be comitted."

Draft; 3pp.

1381.

[After 1680].

Note of covenants to be inserted in Sir Joseph Williamson's leases. Besides those usual at this period, they include payment of a heriot; furnishing two Protestant horsemen, "qre. when & where"; and paying double receiver's fees, when forced to distrain.

10.

1382.

2 Mar. 1681.

Exchequer bill of Robert Maude of Dublin, esq. Relates to a mortgage of £800 made to plaintiff by Daniel [O'Brien], Viscount Clare, of the lands of Ross Roe, Co. Clare: and to a rentcharge of £200, for which the said Viscount bought the interest in a 99 years lease, determinable on three lives, of the 9 plowlands of Dromoland; and was afterwards settled on Henry, Lord O'Brien of Ibrickin, deceased at his marriage with Lady Catherine.

Mentions also Robert Starky (lessee of one of the Earls of Thomond); John Cooper (lessee of the present Earl); and Baron Hartstonge (with whom, in trust for the plaintiff, the lease was deposited).

Subpoena against Sir Joseph Williamson and Lady Catherine O'Brien, Baroness Clifton (his wife) and Donough O'Brien, esq.

Certified copy; 1p., parchment.

1383.

[Easter 1681].

Answer of Donough O'Brien to the bill of Robert Maude, esq.

Relates to debt of £900 from Lord O'Brien to the plaintiff. Mentions also Donough, late Earl of Thomond; Henry, the present Earl; John Cooper; and William Starkey.

Draft; 4pp.

[A second answer is endorsed "first answer to the 2d bill." It is also a draft, with numerous corrections, containing almost identical facts].

1384.

[1681] (?).

Interrogatories (3) and cross-interrogatories (4) for the defendants in case of Maude v. Williamson & O'Brien.

2pp.

1385.

[1681] (?).

Depositions on behalf of all parties to the foregoing case.

Deponents for Col. Maude: R: Holmes; H: Colpoys; H: Iuers, esq.; Anthony Maude, esq.; and Mannagh Grady.

Deponents for Sir Joseph Williamson and Lady Catherine O'Brien: John Durey; Walter Hickman; Henry Colpoyes; Peter Henchy; and William Starkie.

Deponents for Capt. Donough O'Brien; Patrick Nihil; Teobald Butler; William Starkye; Hugh Mc. Inchroe; Mortogh O'Morane; Mary Cooper; Walter Hickman; Henry Colpoyse; and Sir Standish Hartstong.

The evidence given is not of great interest, apart from the statements of Peter Henchy (who proves Lord O'Brien's death, I Sept. 1678, "as being in the roome by him at the time of his departure"); and Walter Hickman. The latter mentions a proposal made by Lord O'Brien to Donough O'Brien to join him in making over his lease of Dromoland to Capt. Walcott, "& that the sd. defdt. denyed soe to doe, adding that the sd. defdt was a dark man, & that if hee lived to be E: of Thomd. he would remembr. his unkindness in that behalfe, for that the sd. Ld. intended the same for his sonne..."

16pp.

1386.

28 Nov. 34 Chas. II. [1682.]

Commission to Samuel Foxon, Kt.; John Dury, Stephen Creagh, and Patrick Nihill, gents.; to take the answer of the defendant Donough O'Brien.

Certified copy.

1387.

[1682] (?).

Brief [endorsed "Mr Willson"] on the foregoing case.

Recites bill; answer of the first two defendants; replication of plaintiff; and depositions of the following:

Robert Holmes, Henry Collpois, Henry Ivars, Anthony Maude, Mannagh O Grady, and Standish Harstong (for the plaintiff).

John Drury, Walter Hickman, Hen: Colpois, Peeter Henchy, Wm. Starkey, Robert Holmes, and Anthony Maude (for the first two defendants).

Pattrick Nihill, Theobald Buttler, Wm. Starkey, Hugh Mc Inchyroe, Mortogh O Morane, Marie Cooper, Walter Hickman, and Henry Collpois (for the last defendant).

The defendants Sir Joseph Williamson and Lady Catharine O'Brien state inter alia, "They believe not the said lease was depositted in the sd. Barrons hands upon the conditions or in any manner as in the bill or that the plt. relied on it as his maine security the settlement of the said lands being notoriously known by the generall reputation of the country & by the inrollmt: thereof in Chancery therefore the plt well understood or his councell might & did advise the plt of the drawing and determinacon of the sd lease by access to the freehold."

[The depositions are not of any special interest].

16pp.

[1682] (?).

Cross-interrogatories on behalf of Donough O'Brien for the plaintiff's witnesses.

1p., parchment.

1389.

19 Jan. 1681.

Precept issued by Florence Mc Nemara, esq., Seneschal of the manor of Bunratty, for the replevin to Thomas Mc Nemara of Mooghane, gent., of four cows; the said Thomas having given security to prosecute his suit at the next court against Capt. John O'Molony of Rathfolanemore and Mortagh O'Morane of Rathfolanemore, yeoman.

Copy, Ip.

1390.

12 Feb. 1682.

Affidavit of Bryan Moorane, yeoman, in suit of Thomas Mc: Nemarra v. Donough O'Brien and others.

Knows the lands called Bamkeile, Cahirnaspaddy, Leamcollin, Dromanafunsin, Poulenagarde, and Cahirnaferrin, parcels of Leacarruenagoule alias Leacarrue-Caslane, in the barony of Bunratty, Co. Clare. They were enjoyed by the plaintiff until recently, when he has been distrained by O'Brien's servants.

Certified copy, 1p.

1391.

[1682].

Answer of Donough O'Brien, esq., John Mullowny, and Murrough O'Morane to the bill of Thomas McNemarra.

Denying the possession, by the plaintiff or his undertenants, of Barnekile or of the other lands in dispute; O'Brien has been for some years past in possession of Rathfolanemore under the Earl of Thomond's title. Morane says that the plaintiff or his servants have several times paid him for trespass on the lands.

Draft, $2\frac{3}{4}pp$.

1392.

с. 1683.

Chancery bill of Nicholas Arthur, late of London now of Dublin, esq.

Concerning mortgage for £500 of Dangenbrack and several other lands in the barony of Bunratty, made by him in 1665 to Patrick

Arthur and Edmond Meara of Dublin, M.D. Those concerned in this affair, against whom he prays for a subpoena, are Francis Mara, Katherine Mara, and Callaghan Garvan and Martha his wife (executors of Edmond Mara); Nicholas Woulfe (a tenant of Edmond Mara); and David Nihell.

One of three drafts; 2pp.

The following also relate to this case:

- (1) Answer of Nicholas Woulfe to above bill.
- (2) Answer of Nicholas Arthur to Woulfe's cross bill.
- (3) Bill of Patrick Arthur of Scariff, Co. Clare, v. Nicholas Arthur. 1683.
- (4) Interrogatories in Arthur v. Woulfe.
- (5) Master's report in above case. 1685.
- (6) Accounts and miscellaneous papers. 1684-1700.
- (7) Brief for plaintiff's counsel, with names only of 16 deponents.
- (8) Petition to the Trustees of Forfeited Estates of Sir Donough O'Brien showing his claim to the benefit of the mortgage of 1665. 1701.

1393.

1683.

- (1) Commission to John Clignett and David Macnemarra (commissioners chosen for Nicholas Arthur, plaintiff); and Stephen Creagh and Thady Quin (commissioners chosen for Nicholas Wolfe, Francis Meara, and Catherine Meara, defendants); to take depositions. 20 Aug. 35 Chas. II. [1683].
- (2) Interrogatories for the plaintiff's witnesses. 15 Aug. 1683.
- (3) Depositions, taken before all four commissioners at Ennis, 11 Oct. 1683.

Deponents:

John Bodkin, esq., 39.

John Gore of Clonnard, esq., 53. Has known the plowlands of Creevagh, Ardnavoile, and Cahirkelly, and the castle of Danginbrack since 1674. Has "heard a comon reporte in the Country" that they belonged to plaintiff. Creevagh, Ardnavoyle, and Cahirkelly were demised to him by David Nihill in 1675 for a term of 15 years, at a rent of £61. He took the lands "for his conveniency but finding his stock did not thrive thereon and the rent bearing upon him he waved his lease . . . but hath since heard that he was abused therein by his servts. permitting his neighbours to eate upp his grasse . . ." Has heard that Dr. Edwd. Meara sold his interest in the lands to Wolfe.

John Macnemara of Moyresk, esq., 43. Has known the plaintiff since he was a boy; knew Dr. Meara since 1666, David Nihill 20 years, and Nicholas Wolfe 11 or 12 years. Heard that Dr. Meara leased the lands to Nihill for 21 years at a rent of £60: Nihill set part to John

Gore, esq., for £69; another part to Francis Arthur for £15; another part to Phennalla Liddy for 45/-; and another part to Thomas Hickman, deceased, for 40/-. Nihill parted with his lease to Wolfe on Wolfe's marrying his daughter, in return for part of the marriage portion. Considers Nihill's lease from Meara, "if it doth hold" to be worth froo. At Nihill's entering on the lands, there were a great many wattled cabins and 2 or 3 thatched houses, two of which he remembers to have been there since his infancy. All, except 2 or 3 of the cabins, have now gone; but two small cabins have been lately built. Wolfe told him that he took some beams out of Dangenbrack Castle "to support his corne uppon." Part of the lands were overflown in Dr. Meara's time, on account of a dispute about Bunennaff (parcel of the lands), between him and Mc. Nemara; the yearly value of the part overflown was f4. Considers the value of the lands to have been f65 from 1665 to 1675, about £82 for 3 years after that date, £90 for the last 5 years if set to "scolloges or undr.tents.," who might now give as much as £100 for them. A parcel set last year for £18.10, is set this year by Wolfe for £16, "the reason whereof . . . is to anoyd beinge accountable for the full vallue . . ."

Roger Macnamara of Monennea, gent., 46. Nihill, at his first entering on the lands, set Creevagh, Knockarcalla, and Ardvoilane (except half a cartron), to Phenala Liddy for £61; the said half cartron to the same, for 50/-; the half plowland of Dangenbrack to Francis Arthur, for £15; Poulegarrane (being 8a. of Keeswest), for £5 and 20 days' work; Maddara, for £3; and Killdrum, for 50/-. The lands were worth more than £60 a year from 1665 to 1675, were worth £120 from then to 1683, and "might well maynetayne three hundred coupples . . ." Has been a neighbour for 30 years; and knows other lands, no better, such as Townagh, which were held from the proprietors at 2/6 an acre by Mr. John Mcnemara and Mr. John Colpois, and are now set by them at 5/- or 6/- an acre.

Conner Gerane of Mojeresk, yeoman, 59. Plaintiff had an interest "from the Court of Loghreagh" in the lands; he was present when plaintiff mortgaged them to Patrick Arthur. As a result of Nihill and Wolfe's keeping the lands in their own hands, and turning off the tenants, 22 cabins and 8 "cappled houses" on the lands "did ptly fall downe to decaye and were ptly carryed away." With Nihill's permission, Mcnemara erected a dam on the river Finn, which caused the river to overflow and to lay under water "sixteene or eighteene day mowing of meddows belonging to the sd lands . . ." The lands were worth £100 from 1665 to 1675, £130 from then to 1683; deponent would give adequate security, if he could take them at that rent.

Danll. Hasshie of Massarielane, labourer, 72. Has known the lands for more than 60 years. Has heard that Donagh Mc Conner offered Nihill £70 for Creevagh, Ardnavoilane, and Knockarkalla. 6 or 7 days'

mowing is overflown by Mcnemara's dam. The lands were worth £100 from 1665 to 1675, £120 after that date; deponent would give £1,000 security to rent them at £140.

Daniel McNemara of Monenea, gent., 42. Nihill set 3 plowlands (except half a cartron, set at 45/-) to John Gore, esq., for £61 a year; the half plowland of Dungenbrack to Francis Arthur for £15; Poulegarrane to Teige Hurrane for £5; and Killdrum to Francis Arthur for 30/-. Heard from Arthur that he offered Wolfe 5/- an acre for all the lands; and that Donogh Mc. Coner offered Nihill £50 for the 2½ plowlands. Nihill disposed of his interest to Wolfe about 7 years ago. The lands were worth £60 a year for the 4 years after 1665, £100 for the next 6 years, and £130 for the 8 years during which Wolfe has enjoyed them.

Daniel O'Brien of Shonanoh, Co. Clare, esq., 40.

Patrick Arthur of Clonnana, Co. Limerick, gent., 24.

James Loftus of Limerick, gent., 60.

Donogh Mc. Conner of Townah, Co. Clare, yeoman, 60. There were more than 8 "Irish coupled houses" and 16 wattled cabins on the lands, all "fallen to ruine and gon" since Wolfe and Nihill came into the said lands. He and some of his tenants offered Nihill £52 a year for the $2\frac{1}{2}$ plowlands 14 years ago.

Mathew O'Daniell of Creevagh, Co. Clare, yeoman, 32. The stone wall built on the lands by Nihill was worth "five grates [groats (?)] the makeing of it"; the quicksets planted on them were worth 3/a perch; the workmen and "grassiers" on the lands were expected to work for their landlord.

Mellaghlin O'Torpy of Ballymclane, Co. Clare, labourer, 26. Knows Nicholas Arthur "since last he came for Ireland." Was tenant to Wolfe for 3 years determining next May; saw boards and timber taken away from the castle by Edwd. O'Lanane. All the lands mentioned in the interrogatory might be worth, for the last 8 years, £120 a year, "if it [sic] were held by such men as this dept. is, to say husbandmen and laborrs..."

Donough Mc Nemara of Cahirloghlane, Co. Clare, labourer, 6o. There were, on the premises, 8 coupled houses and 22 wattled cabins (the latter used for cattle). Deponent was tenant there, knows the goodness of the land, and would be willing to pay more, if he were again admitted tenant.

John Sexton of Dromsallagh, Co. Clare, gent., 26.

Francis Arthur of Ballyquin, Co. Clare, gent., 36. Has leased part of the lands from Nihill. For one year that Nihill kept the lands to himself, he made more than £90, "there being then a considerable sheafe of corne on the same"; the next year, he made £80. 12a. of

the lands (for which he would pay £4 rent), were overflown as a result of the dam being built.

Contemporary copy; incomplete; 111 pp.

1394.

12 Apr. 1683.

Affidavit of Morris Conry in $suit^1$ of McNemara v. O'Brien and others.

He knows Bankeile and the other lands in dispute, and knows the plaintiff to have been in possession of them till he was lately disturbed. Certified copy; 1p.

1395.

26 Apr. 35 Chas. II. [1683].

Manor of Bunratty; Court Baron of Henry [O'Brien] Earl of Thomond, held at Ballyvonirane, Co. Clare, before Thomas Spaight, esq., seneschal.

Suit of Donough O'Brien v. Edmund Walsh and David Flannra, concerning the detention of 22 heifers at Lacarrownegoole alias Lacarowkislane: both parties ordered to appear at the next court (29 Aug., adjourned to 19 Sept., at Ashollish).

The jury (Richard Glew, Thomas Lett, John Bramson, Nicholas Clampett, John Bizoone, John Fitz Gerrald, John Clanchy, Edward Uniake, Edward Uniake the younger, Christopher Hurl[y] (?), Isaac Gough, and Richard Bourchier) find for returning the beasts to the plaintiff, with £1.16.6. costs.

Certified copy; 1p., Latin.

1396.

19 Sept. 1683.

Order made at Bunratty manor court (held at Ashollas) by which Donough O'Brien is awarded 19/6 costs against David Flannra and Edmund Walsh.

1p., Latin.

1397.

11 May 1683.

Chancery bill of Shevan Gorman alias Mahon of Dromelahy, Co. Clare, widow.

Concerning refusal of Henry Ivers to account for the rents of Ballyganner and several other denominations, which he had agreed to "manage and follow" for the plaintiff, the said lands having been assigned to her by the Athlone Commissioners in lieu of her dower.

Ip.

¹ This suit was dismissed by an order of the court dated 12 June 1684.

31 July 1683.

Maude v. Williamson & ors. Notice, given by John Sober and Anthony Carroll, Commissioners for the plaintiff; of their sitting at the house of William Allen, vintner, in Limerick, on August 17th next, at 9 a.m., to speed the said commission.

Signed. John Sober; Anthony Carroll.

Also: subpoenas, receipts, and other miscellaneous papers relating to the foregoing case. 1671 to 1681.

1399.

1683 (?).

Heads of a reference made to Edmond Daniel and Daniel Merigagh Mc Nemara concerning the lands of Mughane and Rathfolanemore.

Both parties may interrogate Loghlen O'Ruorke, John Mc Daniel, Henery Colpois, or Edmond O'Morra.

Only six witnesses may be produced by Mc Nemara to testify to the difference of bounds.

O'Brien may produce one witness before Edmond Daniel. 3pp.

1400.

1684.

"The chattle taken by Ruorke on Bankeyle on Friday the 28th March 1684, about 9 of the clock in the aforenoone, & this paper shewen by Thom Mc Nemara at Rathfolanemore about 2 of the clock of the same day in the afternoone to Captain Molony; Mortagh O Morane, & Mlaghlen O Ruorke.

since wch tyme thinseuinge trespasse was comitted by the sd Thomas his tennts: on the lands of Poulenagord & Bankeyle..." (61 collops trespassed between 10 Apr. and 4 July, belonging mostly to David Flannra, Teige O Flannra, and Owen Mc Gillavoyle). On 10 Apr. Daniel and Patrick Mc Gillavoyle "broke & threw downe the quicksetts & parkfences of Kilkeranbegg, as Mlaghlen Rourk can iustifie."

1p.

1401.

25 Aug. 1684.

Award of Hugh Brigdall of Rossleuan, Co. Clare, gent., arbitrator in a dispute between Donough O'Brien of Leameneh and Mortogh O'Brien of Ballygastle (the referees, Therlogh O'Brien of Bealahorigg and Mortogh Hogan of Cross, having failed to agree).

 The parcel "in difference" in Rannagh, for which a suit is now pending in Chancery, is "the just & lawfull interest" of Donough O'Brien.

- 2. Mortogh O'Brien shall, if required, give Donough a general release of his interest, and pay him £37 in satisfaction of his costs and charges in the case.
- 3. The said Donough to have free access to a watering place on the lands for his cattle called Moneen Rannagh without hindrance from the said Mortogh, Henry Iuers, Donough O'Brien of Fermoyle, or anyone else.
 - 4. All suits, variances, etc. pending between the parties to cease.
- The parties shall, if required, seal and deliver to each other general releases of all matters in dispute.

Signed & sealed. Hugh Brigdall.

Witnesses. Morgn: O: Brien; Tho: Daniell; Te: Clanchy.

1402.

26 Aug. 2 Jas. II. [1686].

Order directing Henry Ivers, under penalty of £500, to comply with a Chancery decree in a case brought by him against Donough O'Brien, Daniel Hignett, Ralph Wilson, David Wilson, John Durey, and George Comerford, for possession of the castle, town, and lands of Ballyganner. By the decree, he is to pay the defendants £40 costs.

It is stated, *inter alia*, that ".... Sir Ralph Wilson deceased haveing in one thousand six hundred sixty and eight as a Protestant purchaser a difficiency of three hundred and sixty acres in Conought or Clare due unto him and not knowing where to place them to advantage recomended the same to be done by Hignett who was then Clarke to the Commissioners in the Court of Claymes who applied himselfe to the complt for directions promiseing him an advantage for soe doeing though the complt had a good estate in fee of the said lands yet to coroborate the same proposed that difficiencyes might be placed on some of them and that Sir Ralph should passe six acres in Ballyganner"

 $2\frac{1}{2}pp$.

1403.

26 Aug. 2 Jas. II. [1686].

Order directing Henry Ivers, under penalty of £500, to comply with a Chancery decree in a case brought by him against Donough O'Brien for possession of the lands of Poulefoaka and Mogowhybegg, Co. Clare. By the decree, he is to pay the defendant £28 costs.

1½pp., endorsed by Sir Donough: "recd this with the counterparte of my deed of morgage to Mr. Hickman from Mr. Wm. Buttler the 5th Aprill 97."

1688-89.

Proceedings before the Justices of Assize for Munster in case of Sir Donough O'Brien v. Thomas O'Connor (i.e., plaintiff's petition and two Court orders); for arrears of rent due out of the lands of Bally na carragh and Toncura.

Arrears of rent and costs claimed by plaintiff, £46.19.0. $2\frac{1}{2}pp$.

1405.

29 May 5 Jas. II [1689].

Order, requiring the Commissioners for rebels' and absentees' estates to refrain from summoning or molesting any of Lord Thomond's tenants; and to return to the Earl's agents any goods, etc., of his that may have been seized.

Copy, 1p.

1406.

16 Jan. 1689[90].

"Callender" of prisoners left in custody of Sir Donough O'Brien, as High Sheriff.

2рр.

1407.

3 May 1690.

"Accoumpt¹ of sheepe and other cattle" of Giles Vanderlure's, stolen and taken in 1689 off the lands of Rathlahine and Crossa; sworn before Sir Donough O'Brien by Roger Kenady "shepheard."

Includes 45 "choyse lambs" valued at 3/- each; 62 "choyse sheepe" at 7/- each if unshorn and 5/6 each if shorn; and two "smalle mares" at £5. Total, £67.16.8.

Other beasts of Vanderlure's, taken off the lands of Knopoge and Ballymarcahan, are valued at £71.4.3; the rent of these two denominations is £30.

2рр.

1408.

6 Aug. 1689.

Note of horses brought in and seized, according to Mr. Pemberton; 5 garrons and garron mares, of several colours.

2 colts, restored by orders.

A grey horse, "seized & remained with my Ld. before the garrons, seized at the generall day of seizing & giuen to Lt. Coll. Arthur."

Certified copy, dated 31 Mar. 1698.

¹There are 35 other documents of the year 1689–1690 connected with Sir Donat O'Brien's shrievalty. Nearly all are of a routine nature; e.g., orders, decrees for restitution of lands, petitions, warrants, and informations.

20 July 1690.

Answer of Sir Donough O'Brien and Richard Wilson to the petition of Edward Pemberton.

Refers to distraint of petitioner's cattle to satisfy arrears of rent due between Michaelmas 1685 and Easter 1690 (total, £369.6.31). States that, of the petitioner's corn, a great part was "soe foule & ille winnowed that out of twenty barrells about four barrlls. of chaffe & light come was winnowed & returned to the petitionr: who designed to defraude the respondent as well in that as all other dealeings . . . " Sir Donough does not know of any stone horse seized or taken from the petitioner, "but confesses that Left: Collll: Arthur since his last comeing into this kingdome did divers times send severall of his horses to be grazed & kept on the respondts: lands as his occations required, & . . . lately sente a grey stoned horse (since guelt by his ordrs:) to the respondts: said lands of Lemaneh where hee still remaines of noe use to the respondt: . . . "; this gelding is not worth more than flo. Refers to a previous petition of Pemberton's, laid before the Revenue Commissioners at Dublin, which was proved in open court to be fraudulent.

Зрр.

1410.

7 Jul. 1690.

Order of Donough O'Brien, Deputy Lieutenant of Co. Clare, for the committal to the county gaol of Edmond Blood and 12 other persons "disaffected to the Government and fitt to be secured."

1p., copy; also petition to Sir Donough O'Brien of the above persons, to be either released on sufficient security, or removed "into a more humain place of confinement."

Endorsed by Tho. Hickman "gentell menn you must sende the coppy of the mittimas other wise Sr Donnough cannot tell what toe doe"

1411.

11 July 1691.

Letter of attorney from the persons named below (all of Lattoone, labourers); to John Stapleton of Knockevabricky, Co. Clare, gent.; to sue Pemberton for cattle and other payments taken from Lattoone for quarterage and other forms of applotment.

Payments made in "their own wrong," by the following:

Nicholas Magrah, two cows; Loghlen O'Cunneen, two cows; John Mc Nemara, two cows; John Mc Owen, fourcows; Danl. Mc Teige,

one cow; Danl. O'Girane, one cow; Mlaghlen O'Girane, two cows; Teig Mc Nemara, one cow. (All taken, by Sir Donough O'Brien's orders, for rent due out of Lattoone, for Easter 1690).

Loghlen O Cunneen paid one beef to Col. Hamilton's regiment last March. Wm. Caroll, one cow, "being all the substance he had in the world," taken from him by Col. Reily last March.

The guards quartered on Pemberton took from Danl. Mc Teig, "a verie poor man," a beef and killed it in his house; Pemberton made use of it.

Corn and butter taken by the guards into Pemberton's house from: Nicholas Macrah, a bushel of barley and 8 quarters of butter; Matthew Killin, a bushel of barley; Donough O'Hugh, Teige Mc Shane, Danl. Mc Teige, Loghlen O'Cunneen, the same; James Cunneen, two bushels of oats; Jon. Mc Connor, a bushel of barley; Mortogh Haly and Loghlen O'Girane, the same; John Cusack, a sheep; Matthew Killin, a sheep worth 8/-. Pemberton last August took a fat sheep from James O'Cunneen. John Marcaghan, a firkin of butter; Eneas Macrah, a bushel of barley; Connor O'Connor (?), the same. Four horses for carriage taken from the poor people.

8 cows out of the 2,000 beeves, applotted on Lattoon, taken from Nicholas Macrah, Jon. Macrah, Loghlen O Cuneen, Teige Mc Nemara, Mahon O'Killine, and James O'Cunneen, each a cow; £2.8. paid by Pemberton, for which he is allowed two beeves.

2рр.

1412.

1692 (?).

Case relating to lands of Barntick, leased in 1658 by Barnaby, Earl of Thomond to Thomas Hickman for 99 years. (It is suggested that the lease was fraudulently obtained).

Copy; 4pp.

1413.

1693.

"Heads of interrogatories agst Pemberton." This is one of a bundle of documents relating to the case of Edward Pemberton v. Sir Donough O'Brien, Richard Wilson, and Teige Clanchy. The interrogatories number 33 (some with several clauses each), an example being:

6th Depot. Collll. Law. Dulhunty, f. 93

10th Depot. Tege McShane McNemara, 137

11th Depot. John Durey, f. 140

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Other deponents against Pemberton: John Bizon (proves low value of rapeseed in Feb. 1601); Samll. Burton; James Cunneen; Loghlin Cunneen; George Daniell; Murtagh Farrynan; Richard Glew; John Grady, esq.; Mannagh Grady; Peter Henchy; John Hickey: Henry Kendall (proves Pemberton's sowing of bear barley to have been not more than 4 barrels); Mathew Mc Innererinny; Alderman John McNemara; John McNemara of Ballynecraggy; John McNemara of Cahirtege; Owen Mulloone; and John Sheehane.

The plaintiff's brief is summarised as follows;

1st column — paragraphs in the bill (39).

2nd column - paragraphs in the defendant's answer (40).

3rd column - deponents for the plaintiff. 4th column - deponents for the defendant.

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1693 (?).

Depositions in case of Edward Pemberton v. Sir Donough O'Brien and others.

Deponents for Sir Donough O'Brien:

John Carmody. Lived on the lands of Lattoone before and during the late wars, having been petty constable of the parish of Killanasalagh. Hill and Dod, "two English Papist troopers of the late K. James Guard," who lived at Pemberton's, obliged deponent (with the connivance of the plaintiff) to take beef and mutton from the parishioners and from the inhabitants of Lattoone; in particular, a good fat beef from Danll. Mc Teige; all the beef and mutton, and a great deal more, was consumed in the plaintiff's house.

Mathew Henchy. Saw a sheep of the defendant's hanging in the plaintiff's house, and the skin lying near by, with the defendant's brand on it.

Teige Couney. Corroborates evidence of the previous deponents.

Mannagh Grady. By orders, he drove off all the "keariaghts" on Pemberton's farm except those who agreed with Pemberton to remain there and to pay a certain sum.

Teige Mc Shane Mc Nemara. Knows that the plaintiff made use of the Lifeguardsmen billeted on him to "rescue corne and cattle for him when distrained & that they used to rapporee & take by force sheep hens eggs corne and other goods from the inhabitants..."

Loghlen Cunneene, John McNemara of Ballynacragg, John Sheehane, and Nicholas Magrath, corroborate evidence of previous de-

ponents.

John Hickey. "...in the late troubles" when Sir Donough bought corn from the plaintiff, on his sending his servant Hallurane to fetch it, Hallurane was assaulted by Hill and Dod, who "protected the corne agst. him."

Owen O'Neale. Plaintiff obtained a certificate (upon the oaths of Thomas Holland, Thomas Spencer, and Mathew Spencer), on 12 Oct. 1691, under the hands of Samuel Burton, George Stamers, Walter Hickman, and Thomas Hickman, esqs.; John Lawson, clerk; Richard Boucher, gent.; and the deponent: which stated that he sustained losses of £1,748 during the late troubles.

George Stamers. Plaintiff told deponent, Thomas Hickman, and others that he was going to England; and asked for a certificate of his losses which would entitle him to a share of "the charity money there intended for the suffering Protestants in Ireland." Has since found that Holland and the others who attested the plaintiff's losses are persons of ill repute.

Samuell Burton. Plaintiff was recommended to him by a kinsman, Burton of Longner in Shropshire, as "well skilled in husbandry"; believes he had little substance when he came into the country.

John Bizou (?). Lent plaintiff £5 at the time of his marriage, but could not recover it until he "hedged it in from one John Mcnemara who grazed with the plt. long after at Lattoon."

Richard Nash. Confirms evidence of previous deponents.

Further deponents for Sir Donough O'Brien:

Terlagh O'Brien. Plaintiff, about 2 Mar. 1690, proposed to the Duke of Tyrconnell and the late King James's Council at Limerick, "that he would for the use of that Govermt. furnish 300 tunns of hay or come to the vallue in liew of what he should fall short thereof upon condition that he might be eased of his landlords rent & not mollested for the arreares he owed, & that the sd. plt. proposed to deliver such hay & corne . . . on the Shannon or river Fergus side, . . ." The Duke and his Council agreed, and "conceaved an order for the sd. plt. as he himselfe had desired"; yet, on the 30th of March next, the Council made a reference to the Commissioners for Co. Clare (of whom deponent was one), to inspect the plaintiff's tillage on Lattoon. Accordingly, deponent went (10 Apr. 1691), on the lands with others, and viewed the tillage: "& that wee all computed that the sheafe of the corn then growing upon the said lands wch. was the plts' share, if it came on well & were guarded from the sea (as it was not) for that it had

severll. times overflowed it the winter and spring before for want of due repaire and keepeing up the seabanks, & preserved from the tresspassing of cattle wch. had already much trespassed the come as well upon the marsh land as the upland for want of fenceing in due time, could not be worth above 40 l. wch. this depont. as well as the rest of his fellow Comrs. computed as neere the reall vallue as they could . . . it appeared to this dept. then on his own view & to the rest of the Comrs. that the plt. had pulled downe and burnt a good parte of his dwellinghouse, & the barnes upon the sd. farme, & had suffered the seabankes, draines and sluces thereon to goe to decay . . ."

Daniell Mc Nemara. The defendant, to encourage him to plough at Lattoone in 1691, lent him his own plough and horses. 4 barrels of the plaintiff's barley were preserved by the help of Sir Donough, his servants, and his tenants. Sir Donough also saved the tenants' sheaf, made it up (into 4 "reekes" of barley and one of beans), in his haggard at Dromoland, and asked deponent, with Giles Vandeleur, esq., and Thomas Sexton, to value it, "with this admonition that they should appraise it to the greatest hight they could, & that he left it to theire conscience . . ." they valued it at £46. Plaintiff sued deponent for a barrel of barley; Lawrence Chroe for 6 bushels of barley; Kendle and others for their seed corn. Deponent made him satisfaction. Hears that he is now in suit with John, Nicholas, and Donnogh Mc Grath.

Patrick Sex on. In August and September 1691, he bought 30 barrels of barley @ 4d. per bushel, and would have bought more, if he had had storage for it. Bought bear barley for more than three weeks after the surrender of Limerick @ 8/- per Bristol barrel.

Teige Mc Shane Mc Namara. Defendant got a guard put on plaintiff's corn at Lattoon, "& preserved it from the Danes"; it was threshed and disposed of, after the capitulation, by the plaintiff's wife. Barley and beans were worth, in Aug.-Sept. 1691, not more than 6d. a bushel. Defendant was at more charge, labour, and expense in saving plaintiff's corn than the corn was worth. Between the two sieges of Limerick, plaintiff had "20 wrought or plowing bullocks & noe more"; these he exchanged with Dr. Mullins, "then concerned in the stores for the late K. James."

Mathew Henchy, Nicholas Magrath, and James Cunneene corroborate the evidence of previous deponents.

John Sheehane. In harvest time 1691 plaintiff sent deponent (his servant) "and one Roger Slattery since gone for France & Donnogh Quily since killed" to Sir Donough, asking for his help in carrying off plaintiff's corn, and saving what he could of the tenants' sheaf; with this request, defendant "very kindly & freely complyed."

The cross-proofs for the defendant include the following: p. 16. Hanna Mc Mahon. Heard that Tho: Musgrave and Tho: Spencer were formerly sworn in this cause, "& that Mr Dennis Hicky who was clerk gave their depositions to the plt. who read them in his owne house to this depont & another who was then entended to be examind . . . and the depont. was eniound to privacy because he gott them through favor and to the end that his witnesses who were to be sworne & examin'd might see what was sworne by others . . ."

p. 19. "To prove the landing place for boates to be an anchient one, that the inhabitants of Dromoland did use it time out of mind & had a way to it, that Pemberton stop'd it, that Sr. Donat open'd it & repair'd it without doeing any other damadge thereby, & that this is the key Pemberton complaines of."

Teig Mc Shane Mc Nemara, Loghlin Cunneen, Roger Mc Namara, etc. "That the boat load of goods weh weare brought in a boate from Crattello, a seate of Sr Donats, neare Lymerick could not come up to the usuall landing place, and that it therefore rested by one of the corkis banks, & that some sodds were remov'd from the bank to make way for the carriadge to come to the boate, & were again repair'd by Sr. Donats servants, & to prove how little damadge that trespass could occasion that Mr Burton his only frind in that country was desired to view it, & said the damadge was not sixpence, but chid Pemberton for being such a disoblidging neighbour as to quarrell at trifles."

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1693 et seq.

Other documents in the case of Pemberton v. O'Brien & ors.

- (1) Bill of Edward Pemberton v. Sir Donough O'Brien, Richard Wilson, and Teige Clancey. 28 Nov. 1693. Certified copy; 22 pp.
- (2) Another copy of the foregoing; with marginal abstracts of the plaintiff's statements. 40 pp.
- (3) Answer of all three defendants; with similar marginal notes. [n.d.] 62 pp.
- (4) Answer of O'Brien and Clancey; with corrections and annotations in a different hand. 7 pp.; incomplete.
- (5) Interrogatories (15 headings), for the plaintiff. 24 Feb. 1697. Certified copy. 1 p.
- (6) Personal interrogatories for the plaintiff, about "rasures and alteracons" made in his interrogatories after the examination of some of his witnesses. 30 June 1698. Certified copy; 10 pp.
- (7) "Things not taken notice of in the brief." [n.d.] 1 p.
- (8) Another copy of (1). 1 p., parchment.

 (Attached to this is a Commission to John Cooper, gent.,
 David England, Thomas Spaight, and John Dizonne, to take
 the defendants' answers. 28 Nov. 5 Will. & Mary [1693].).

- Additional brief for the defendant O'Brien. [After Apr. 1698].
 pp.
- (10) Cross-interrogatories for the defendants. 28 Jul. 1698. 6 pp.
- (II) Interrogatories (nos. 25-28 only), for the defendant O'Brien. [n.d.] Endorsed, "in the handwriting of Sir Toby Butler."
- (12) Answer of O'Brien and Clanchy. 22 June 1694. Endorsed as the last. 8 pp.
- (13) Report on the case. [n.d.] 17 pp.
- (14) Interrogatories for the plaintiff. 24 Feb. 1697. Certified copy;
 1 p.
- (15) Brief for the defendant. [After 12 Jan. 1698]. 26 pp.
- (16) Another copy of the last. (Names additional deponents on the defendant's side; Bartholomew Lynch and Dennis Hickey).

18 Feb. [. .] Will. & Mary.

Writ to the Sheriff of Co. Westmeath, directing an inquisition on the goods, etc., of Redmund Mullady of Grangemore, esq., to answer a debt of £151.18.2 owing to James Somervell of Dublin, gent. Latin.

1417.

12 June 7 Will. III. [1695].

Writ to the Sheriff of Co. Clare, directing him to hand over to Richard Henn a moiety of the following lands: Ballygastill (43a.) and 17a. in Ranagh, in the barony of Burren; Ballynabrogen (66a.) in the barony of Inchiquin; and certain other lands elsewhere in the county: of which Henry Ievers, deceased, was seised in Trinity term, 3 Jas. II [1687] and which are now in the tenure of Murtogh O'Brien and others.

1418.

25 Nov. 169b.

Exchequer bill of Thomas Hickman of Barnetick, Co. Clare, esq.

Concerning lands (170a. profitable) of Killnamona in the barony of Inchiquin, for which a patent had been passed by Capt. William Neylon of Killavillor, deceased. They had in 1679 been leased to the plaintiff by Catherine Neylon, guardian of Daniel Neylon, son and heir of the said William.

Prays for subpoena against Sir Donough O'Brien (half-brother, on the mother's side, of Capt. Neylon) and the said Daniel Neylon.

Contemporary copy, endorsed "Mr Hickmans first bill"; 3pp.

[1696-97].

Answer of Daniel Neylon to the above bill.

Refers to death, in May or June 1678, of his father; and to Michael Neylon, "agent & sollr." [solicitor] to his father for recovery of the lands of Carrowkele and Lurgoe.

Contemporary copy; 2pp.

1420.

8 Apr. 1697.

Answer of Sir Donough O'Brien to the above bill.

He suspects the other defendant of collusion with the plaintiff. "Being willing to wave all dilatory advantages," he asserts the disputed lands to be Monerane (33a.), Ballynebinny (61a.), Lorga (163a.), and Ballynelane (one cartron, 29a.). With other lands, these were allotted to William Neylon and his heirs by final settlement of the Loughrea Commissioners, acting under the Cromwellian government. He mentions John Cooper and Mary his wife (the defendant's mother). Denies having witnessed William Neylon's will.

Draft, endorsed with a note of papers delivered to Sir Theobald Butler; 8pp.

1421.

[1697].

Interrogatories for plaintiff's witnesses in case of Sir Donough O'Brien, Bt., v. Thomas Hickman the younger, esq. (son and heir, and executor, of Thomas Hickman the elder late of Ballyhinane, esq.).

Concerning the following lands in the barony of Inchiquin, in which John and Mary Cooper had an interest in 1657, and which had since 1666 been enjoyed by the elder Hickman: the half quarter of Moredane, a cartron and the fifth of a cartron in Ballynelane, the cartron of Moyla Igran, the half quarter of Ballynebinny, and Tobermaley adjoining Ballynelane.

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1422.

20 Jan. 1697.

Answer (taken at Ennis) of Thomas Hickman to the bill of Sir Donough O'Brien.

Concerning the same subject. Defendant has a bond for £240, dated 2 June 1641, passed by Connor O'Brien of Limerick (plaintiff's father) to Thomas Hickman (defendant's father); another bond for

£40, dated 21 Nov. 1664, from the plaintiff to the defendant's father; and a note for £100, dated 1695, from the plaintiff to himself. Between Easter 1689 and Easter 1692 he lost 1,800 sheep and a considerable number of horses and black cattle.

The lands of Moredane alias Monererane, Ballynelane, and Moylegrain (85a. profitable) are valued at fio a year; out of this, he pays 2/4 per profitable acre, 4d. per acre quit-rent, chiefrent, "country or incident charges vestry money and subsidies when the same were payed," making a total of 3/2. Moylegrain is "rushy wett course ground . . . Ballynelane containing twenty nyne acres is rocky and was full of black thorne . . . and did hinder the pasture there . . . " Moredane is full of rocks and of black- and whitethorn, even though the defendant and his father have "severally used theire industry and much labour to destroy the said thorne and to cleare the said lanes and render it pasturable." In 1686-87 he was forced to spend 3,000 days' work, amounting to at least £75, on cutting bushes. During the wars, the tenants were forced to leave their houses, and the lands again became wild. He hopes to receive an allowance for the rents, since "dureing the warrs between the late King Charles the Second and the Dutch warr [sic] this defent, heard and believes landes for want of commerce and traffick then discontinued tennants were not able to pay theire rents and cattle became of soe low a price and were hardly bought that there was noe rent for them and the vallues of lands of consequence fell . . . " He held Tobermaly partly under a mortgage of £120 from Connor O'Brien to his father; another 24a., under a 21 years' lease (for which £20 fine was paid) from Nicholas Bourke, esq. Under a separate agreement, he enjoyed Ballynebinny and Tobermaly for the 10 years from Nov. 1677 to May 1687. His father was persuaded to give up his interest in Ballynebinny to provide a jointure for Mary Cooper. At the time of the said Mary's marriage settlement and for seven years afterwards, the lands of Ballynelane were worth about 2/- an acre; they were then improved, and up to the outbreak of the late war were worth 2/6 an acre; the defendant made no profit out of them during the war, nor are they now worth more than 3/- an acre. He hopes the Court will continue him in possession.

Certified copy; 53pp.

1423.

12 Feb. 1698.

Interrogatories and depositions (taken at Limerick) on behalf of Edward Pemberton of Baggotstown, Co. Limerick, gent., plaintiff; against Sir Donough O'Brien, Bt.

Deponents:

Elinour Holland, wife of Thomas Holland of Cloncanane, in the liberties of Limerick, aged 30. Teige Clancy, Sir Donough O'Brien's

Before the first siege, 40 milch cows each worth 30/-, and 20 dry cattle, were driven off the lands by Sir Donough's orders. Deponent (then servant to the plaintiff) was an eyewitness of the Irish army taking away 19 drawing bullocks and 50 garrons, which were never restored. Plaintiff, before the first siege, was arrested at the defendant's orders, taken to Limerick, and kept there five weeks. He "was reduced to that extremity that he and his family were in a starveing condition, and that three of his children were meerly starved . . ."

Thomas Spencer of Cahirasty, Co. Limerick, yeoman. Capt. Clement Fanning brought a number of troop horses onto the lands, and drove them onto the plaintiff's best grass; "a whole company of foot sometimes twenty men, sometimes more sometimes less" of the Irish army was quartered there.

In Sept. 1689 three ploughs of horses, a plough of oxen, and four or five harrows were stopped and driven to Granahane pound, where they remained two days. He was present when Sir Donough desired the plaintiff's wife to carry the corn taken off the lands to his castle, "which she refused saying her contract was to carry it to the said key and that the way to his castle being stony her horses could not performe it." It was then taken away, "by carts and the like," by Sir Donough's servants. What remained untaken was afterwards removed by Doctor Mullen "one of the late King Jameses feizers (?)" Knows of a stone horse, worth £30, taken by John Mc Nemarra of Ryesk, then an officer in the Irish army, and afterwards found at Leameneh. In Apr. 1690 one part of the plaintiff's seabanks were broken down by the sea, another part by Sir Donough's servants to clear a passage to the said quay for his horses and carts.

Isaac Clampett of Limerick, apprentice, 17. By Sir Donough's orders, a warrant was issued against Thomas Holland for taking charge of the corn from Lattoone "in the nature of a servant of the said plts. who was forced to hyde in a chest in the plts. house to shun the said warrant." On account of Sir Donough's seizure of the corn, "the plts. family were compelled to take out of a ditch a dead calfe which lay three dayes and eat the same for support of nature, and were compelled to feed on herbs and weeds whereby they were swelled up and next to being poysoned."

Abraham Clampett of Ballinaclugh, Co. Limerick, yeoman, 22.

Saw "the said Dainish soldiers takeing away from the plts. wife all her papers and acquittances which she had for the rent of the sd. lands and knows that Sr. Donatt was to give for each barrell of Limrick measure of the said barly twelve shillings " He had quartered on him, "to his great ruine," 50 or 60 soldiers. A press and some other goods were left behind in the house by the plaintiff's family.

Sarah Evans of Tervoe, Co. Limerick, wife of Nathaniel Evans, gent., 24. In 1686 the plaintiff paid £40 to clear the arrears left by Nicholas Clampett on Lattoone; this was discharged by sale to the

defendant of 100 bullocks for £80.

Depositions taken before Robert Smyth, John Cusacke, John Fourth, and Ignatius Reddan.

Certified copy; 98pp.

Interrogatories and depositions on behalf of the defendant.

Deponents:

Elinor Holland. The plaintiff was a servant of Mr. Samuel Burton before his marriage to George Clampett's widow, who was then worth £1,000.

Thomas Spencer. He does not design to live again at Lattoone, "for that he is better provided" under Col. George Evans, his present landlord. If the plaintiff wins his case, he hopes to be repaid the value of a cow, which he left in pledge with him and afterwards redeemed; but which was never restored. The plaintiff was to pay £170 rent out of Lattoone. He knew by sight John Mc Nemara of Ennis, Collector of Co. Clare in 1689, and long John Mc Nemara of Cahirteige. The tenants on Lattoone — Lawrence Chroe, Richard O'Quone (?), Thomas Musgrive, Nicholas Magrath, John Magrath, and others — all ploughed the land in 1690 and 1691.

Isaac Clampett. Nicholas Clampett, his uncle, exchanged the farm of Lattoone for that of Ballymorrish; he is son of George Clampett, deceased, and stepson of the plaintiff.

Hester Clampett. She saw the plaintiff "once carry his rent in brasse money which would not be recd. but was returned . . ." In 1689 one of his cows and two of Richard Wilson's bullocks died on the lands for want of grass. Pattie Spencer, one of the Lattoone tenants, confessed to having stolen the cow for which search was being made.

Abraham Clampett. The plaintiff came into possession of Lattoone in 1686, and lived there till after the surrender of Limerick, when he went to England.

Certified copy; 164pp., first page missing.

1424.

1698.

Answer of Thomas Hickman, esq., and Capt. Daniell Neylon to the bill of Sir Donough O'Brien, Bt. Concerning the lands of Monerane (33a.), Lurga (163a.), and Ballynelane (one cartron, containing 29a.) which had been "sett out" in the Cromwellian times, by the Commissioners at Loughreagh, to William Neylon, deceased and his heirs.

Neylon states that "in the warr time the old pretended proprietors entred on the said lands of Lurga . . . and the Irish army encamped about and on parte of the sayd landes for three weeks after the capitulation of Limerick and this deft. lost six thousand five hundred sheepe in the late warr all but three hundred cullens . . . and lost his other stock in proporcion."

Other persons mentioned are: John Cooper and his wife Mary (mother of the said William Neylon); Thomas Hickman the elder (father of the first defendant, who took a 21 years' lease of the lands from May 1658, and surrendered it in 1666); Bryan Goodman (who in 1670 mortgaged to the elder Hickman 47a. in Lurga, parish of Killenemona, barony of Inchiquin); Col. Benjamin Lucas (Lord Inchiquin's receiver in 1659); Katherin Neylon alias Browne (mother of the second defendant); Mr. Benjamin Burton; Mortagh Hogan (who lent Neylon £120" in brasse money"); David Bindon, esq. (a Commissioner for taking affidavits in Co. Clare); Mr. Nathaniel Lucas; Nicholas Westby, esq. (Collector for Co. Clare); and Rev. John Hawkins (a Commissioner for taking the defendants' answer).

Certified copy; 101pp.

1425.

28 Apr. 1698.

Answer of Thomas Hickman, esq., and Capt. Daniel Neylon, two of the defendants to the bill of Sir Donough O'Brien, Bt.

Relates to leases, made in 1657 and subsequent years, of the lands of Lurga by the plaintiff to Thomas Hickman the elder. Consists largely of denials of statements made in the bill, e.g.; "... Tho: Hickman denyes that he lent the said deft. Neylon any horse as in the bill..." Refers also to Katherin Neylon (sister of Daniel Neylon and afterwards wife of George Browne).

Certified copy, 39pp.

1426.

1699.

(I) Interrogatories for deponents on the plaintiff's behalf, in case of Sir Donough O'Brien, Bt.; v. Thomas Hickman the younger, son & heir, and executor, of Thomas Hickman the elder of Ballyherinane, Co. Clare, esq., deceased. 20 Mar. 1698[9].

(2) Depositions. [No date, place, or names of commissioners]. Deponents.

Pierse Butler of Coogie, Co. Clare, gent., 45. Has known both

parties for 20 years; has known the half quarter of Moredane, a cartron and the fifth part of a cartron in Ballynelane, the cartron of Moyleigran, and the half quarter of Balynabinny, in the barony of Inchiquin, for 18 years. Has lived for some time near these lands, and considers the first three denominations to have been worth £20 a year "cleare rent" from the time of the elder Hickman's death to the beginning of "the late rebellion"; Ballynabinny to have been worth the same during that period (except for the two years after the capitulation of Limerick). Defendant entered on the lands just after the surrender of Limerick, and in the following spring set part of them to tenants "in ordr. to be plowed and gett a third shealfe the harvest following from such tennts. out of the corne growing on the sd. lands"; they were, since 1695, worth £40 a year clear, if set to a good tenant, and would now be worth still more.

Dennis O'Dea of Derrynonagh, Co. Clare, gent., 40. Would rather have "for his whole holding" an acre and a half of these lands, than the same amount of Tobermaly, they being "of better sayle [soil (?)] pasture & shelter . . ." At the harvest after the surrender of Limerick, depenent paid fix in rent and fees for the tithes of Ballynelane and Moredane. Has offered £20 rent for Ballynabinny to plaintiff; and, on his return, told defendant's "servt. or serjant" of this; on his telling his master, defendant "seemed very much offended with this depont, for makeing any such offer and for intermedling therein . . ." Defendant's servants lived on the lands during the wars. When his sheep, which pastured on part of the lands, began to die, he had them removed nearer to his own house. Has seen the lands ploughed and sown with corn, by the defendant, in wartime, "& a considerable haggard of come gathered togeather . . . to the lands of Shalloe which belonged to the sd. Deft. . . . " After the surrender, defendant entered on the lands, and himself sowed most of Moredane with wheat and bear barley. In 1693 James Mc Inerhiny, who was employed as a tithe-proctor under Mr. Richard O'Connell, by deponent's recommendation, gave deponent an account of what he had gathered on Moredane: 12 bushels of wheat, 28 bushels of oats, and 4 bushels of small barley "of the old measure." Knows the following lands, which belong to the plaintiff, are contiguous with these, and in the same parish: Ballyasee (?), a plowland containing 18a. profitable; Derryvolagh, one cartron; and Knockacarhyn, half a plowland; all "could weatt & bleake ground." Deponent would rather have, for his own use, one acre of the lands referred to in the interrogatory than two acres of the other lands of the plaintiff. Knows of no improvements made by the defendant or his father, except for the building of 3 or 4 cabins near the wood on Ballynelane, the inhabitants of which used the adjacent underwood and bushes for firing.

John Durey of Coonagh, in the county of the City of Limerick,

gent., 54. Engrossed and witnessed a mortgage made in 1666 by the plaintiff to the elder Hickman.

Daniel Cullina of Killcarris, Co. Clare, farmer, 50. The lands of Ballynelane are better, "at least by the third parte in profitt & advantage" than the adjoining lands of Tobermaley; he would rather have two days' ploughing on the first than three days on the second. Was tenant for a year, about 22 years ago, to Tobermaly under the elder Hickman, at a rent of £15, besides 20/- quit rent, the rate being 6/3 per acre, the acreage being 48a. profitable. It is worse land than Ballynelane, Mordane, or Moylegran.

Margarett Deveene of Fintrah, Co. Clare, 40. John Quenlevane, deceased, her former husband, took Tobermaley from Thomas Hickman the elder for a year, about 22 years ago, at £16 rent (the very next year after Daniel Cullina "parted" them).

John Hehir of Cluonmohill, Co. Clare, gent., 40. Balinelane and Moredane were, from Easter 1695 till the present time, worth 5/- an acre clear "to be lett to a responsible tennt." Ballyasee, Knockcarhin, and Derryvolagh are "mountaine & course ground," far worse than the other lands enjoyed by the defendant. (Corroborates evidence of other witnesses on several other points).

Mrs. Catherine Blood of Dromrarhin, Co. Clare, 50. Her former husband, John Peppard, gent., deceased, held Tobermaley for 7 years under the elder Hickman at a rent of £14 clear, the rate being 5/10 per acre.

John Hehir of Ballyasee, Co. Clare, gent., 40. Ballynelane and Moredane are worth 6/- per acre, "to be sett to a responsible tennt." He has, during the last two years, lost the value of £200 in cattle on that part of Ballyasee, etc., which he holds from the plaintiff; and considers those lands "weat bleake & could." They were set to him, soon after the surrender, at $2/7\frac{1}{2}$ per acre, whereas the lands mentioned in the interrogatory are "two to one better." Ballynelane contains 115a., of which 64 belong to the plaintiff, the rest to the defendant. Last year the defendant's men cut down a great many bushes and other underwoods on Ballynelane, and his own servants brought home 40 horse-loads of it. An acre of Ballynelane is worth an acre and a half of Tobermaley.

Connor Fitz Patrick of Mooghane, Co. Clare, shepherd, 60. Knew the elder Hickman 7 years before his death. His father, and he himself, were in the defendant's service as shepherds; lived next to Tobermaley and knew the tenants there for the last 24 years — John Peppard, gent., Daniel Cullina, and John O'Quenlevane; who held it at £14, £15, and £16 a year respectively.

Michael O'Dea of Disart, Co. Clare, gent., 59. Knew the elder Hickman from 1650 till his death. At the time of the plaintiff being decreed an innocent, he offered him £40 clear rent for Moredane, Ballynelane, and Ballynabinny: these lands were worth £25 clear

from 1666 to 1673. Has for the last 40 years been very well acquainted with Ballynabinny. Knows of a bill "in equitty" filed, before the wars, by the plaintiff against the defendant during the lifetime of John and Mary Cooper; this was later referred, for arbitration, to Mr. Thomas Spaight and Mr. Richard Wilson, but with what result he does not know "more than that they could not agree . . ." Ballynabinny, etc., were in 1656 or 1657 set out, by final settlement of the Loughrea Commissioners, to William Neylon (son to Mary Cooper by her first husband). After October 1663 (when the plaintiff was put in possession of these lands), John and Mary Cooper had no longer any right or title to them, their title through William Neylon having come to an end at the plaintiff's restoration, and Neylon being, at the same time, restored to his own estate as innocent. Was present at Loughrea when the 30a. in Moylegran were set out to "another transplanter," who held them until the plaintiff got possession. Both the Hickmans held, in mortgage, 21/2a. in Moredane, 6a. in Ballynelane, and 16% a. in Ballynabinny, in addition to their other holdings in these townlands. 2/8 an acre for Ballyasee, etc., which is "wett and bleake land mountainy and moist " is paid by John Hehir, the tenant of those lands.

Richard Wilson of Six Mile Bridge, Co. Clare, gent., 45. Moredane, Moylegran, and Ballynelane contain, according to his calculation, "nynty five acres and three fourths reduced measure by Straffords survey"; Ballynabinny, containing by the same calculation $77\frac{3}{4}a$, would yield $£22.13.6\frac{1}{2}$ if set as Tobermaley.

Contemporary copy, incomplete; 103 pp.

Among Sir Donough O'Brien's additional proofs (no. 16), there is a summary of the progress of the case to the beginning of 1699:

Pemberton preferred his bill, 28 Nov. 1693.

Sir Donough answered, 1 June 1694.

Pemberton replied, 25 Nov. 1697.

Sir Donough rejoined, 26 Jan. 1697[8].

Pemberton took out his commission (returnable "in quind. pach." [15 days from Easter] 1698); after examining two witnesses, his Commissioners would proceed no further, "upon the accot. of his razure of the ink."

Pemberton took out another commission (returnable on the morrow of All Souls 1698); upon which Sir Donough sped his commission, while Pemberton neglected to speed his.

Pemberton then, on making an affidavit, got a third commission, returnable on the octaves of Hilary 1698[9].].

1427.

24 Feb. 1699.

"Number of articles in Pembertons charge, & the nature of the proofe he has brought to them."

There are 39 of these: 5 are noted in the margin as "I signifies introductory"; 18 as "S scandalo[us]"; the remainder as "M materiall." The first three are described as "not in dispute"; nos. 16, 18, & 20 are "discharged by the Courte"; nearly all the remainder are either disproved by Sir Donough, not insisted on by Pemberton, or proved to be false.

3рр.

1428.

1685 to 1700.

Other documents, of minor interest, relating to the foregoing case. They include accounts, depositions, letters, a petition of Pemberton to the Earl of Limerick; and a memorandum (1691) showing the disposal of 66 bushels and 3 barrels of barley by Sir Donough; (6 barrels and 7 bushels of this were delivered to labourers, servants, and people working for the house).

1429.

[17th cent.]

Memorandum of Mr. Goold's right to Dysart, in opposition to the O'Dalys.

"And for further prove that the said feoffmt was to ... Gold and his heirs ... and not to Dermott O Dea ... deft. saiethe that plt. and his frends did procure Mr Croften thescr [escheator] to ynqwire in Her mats [Majesty's] behalf whether the sayde Dermotte Oge Odea deyde seysyde ... of the sayde castle and land of Diserte Molala ..."

Incomplete and torn.

1 p.

1430.

[c. 1700].

Chancery bill of Sir Donough O'Brien v. John Lambe of Waterford, merchant, and William Squire of Dublin, merchant.

Concerns a contract for sale of Sir Donough's wool at 13/- per stone, deliverable in Limerick. The defendants had tried, on account of a fall in the price of wool, to waive the contract.

Draft, 1½pp.

1431.

[c. 1700].

Petition to Sir Donough O'Brien of [] Carmody, a poor man, asking him to "write your note to Mr. Craven for satisfying him the four pounds," in return for which the petitioner will serve "your honr, when soe commanded."

1p.

10 Mar. 1700[01] 13 Will. III.

Decree of the Forfeited Estates Trustees, allowing claim of Frances Eustace, daughter of Sir Maurice Eustace of Castlemartin, deceased, to a portion of £3,000 (at 18 or marriage) and to arrears of £40 yearly allowance out of the lands of Baltrassy, Kilcullen, and several other denominations in Co. Kildare, with the fairs and markets of Kilcullen.

1433.

3 Feb. 1700.

Exchequer bill of Thomas MacNemara of Moghane, gent.

Concerns the lands of Lecarrownegoul and other townlands. Mentions mortgages of them for £50 to Capt. Teige McNemara, and subsequently for £60 to Nicholas Woulfe of Tyrecullane or Creenagh, gent. Recites various transactions between the plaintiff on one side and Sir Donough and Teige Clanchy on the other, and asks that he be compelled to pay rent for the lands "sence he entered thereon."

Сору, 141рр.

1434.

5 May 1701.

Answer of Sir Donough O'Brien to the bill abovementioned.

Contains a denial of most of the plaintiff's statements. Sir Donough states that he paid £23.8.2 to discharge arrears of quit rent and chief rent before entering on the lands, and will prove that the plaintiff offered to set them, in 1693, at less than 15d. per acre per annum.

Сору, 8рр.

1435.

10 July 1701.

Replication of Thomas MacNemara to the answer abovementioned. Copy, 2½pp.; attached to a letter from Tho. Meagher to Sir Donough.

1436.

11 May 1702.

Award of Florence Mc Nemara, esq., and Richard Wilson, gent., arbitrators in the suit abovementioned.

Mc Nemara to "release and acquit . . . Sir Donat off and from all rents and trespasses till this day . . .".

Sir Donough to release Mc Nemara "off and from the sd. lease and all agreemts . . . and all trespasses of cattle . . . to this day."

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A parcel of land previously exchanged between them to continue so, rent free, for 21 years.

Signed & sealed. Florence Macnemara; Richd. Wilson. Witnesses. Daniel Macnemara; James Cusacke; Teig Clanchy.

1437.

1701 to 1744.

Papers relating to a bond of £500 from Sir Donough O'Brien to Symon Purdon of Tenneranna, Co. Clare, esq. (whose widow, Helen Purdon, obtained judgment in the Exchequer Court for £1,974.8.0 with 34/2 costs against Sir Edward O'Brien, in 1738).

1438.

1702.

Indictment of William Smith, esq., Thomas Carroll, yeoman, Joseph Hickman, yeoman, and John Claragh, yeoman, all of Killolla, Co. Clare, for an attack on Harry Cooper. Smith fired 6 bullets at Cooper, inflicting on him a wound 2" x 4", of which he died.

True bill against Smith, ignoramus as regards the rest.

Copy, attested by Francis Fitz Gerald, Deputy Clerk of the Crown for Co. Clare; 1p.

1439.

1702 (?).

Case relating to lands of Doonebegg (of which Lady Henrietta O'Brien was, in 1695, tenant for life).

4pp.

1440.

1702 (?).

Opinion of Sir Theobald Butler about queries (12), raised on the leases to be granted by Sir Donough O'Brien and Mr. Baggs, under a letter of attorney from Lady Henrietta O'Brien.

3рр.

1441.

1703-4.

- (1) Exchequer bill of Connor Cruttine of Inchiquin, gent., v. Patrick Comyn the younger, Andrew Comyn, John Mc Donogh, and Hugh Mc. Donogh, concerning title to lands of Cahersherkin. 29pp.
- (2) Answer of Andrew Comyn to the above bill. 5pp.
- (3) Answer of Patrick Comyn to the above bill. $3\frac{1}{2}pp$.

[1707].

Jury panel for case of Sir Donough O'Brien v. Michael O'Dea.

Jury panel for case of Sir I Sir William Ingoldesby, Bart. John O'Brien, Esqr. Francis Burton, Esqr. Symon Purdon, Esqr. Thomas Hickman, Esqr. Henry Hickman, Esqr. David Bindon, Esqr. George Stamer, Esqr. William Butler, Esqr. Nicholas Westby, Esqr. Augustin Fitz Gerald, Esqr.

George Hickman, Esqr.
George Roch, Esqr.
Boyle Vanderlure, Esqr.
Robert Harrison, gent.
Patrick Connell, gent.
George Colepoyse, gent.
Thomas Brown, gent.
Rickard Connell, gent.
Arthur Ward, gent.
Richard Henn, gent.
Thomas Bourke, gent.
Peter Ward, gent.

1443.

17 June 1707.

Richard Lee, Esqr.

Order of Henry Smith, gent., seneschal of the manor of Kilfenora, for the replevin of a grey mare and a black stoned colt, the property of Sir Donough O'Brien; who has given security to prosecute Donough O'Loghlin of Carne, gent., at the next Court Baron.

1p.

1444.

c. 1707.

Petition to Queen Anne of Thomas Keightley, for the appointment to the vacant Governorship of Barbados of his son in law, Lucius O'Brien, "who is as willing as I dare he will be found capable to undertake any sort of business."

Draft; 11pp.

1445.

15 Jan. 1708.

Claim of Thady Macnamara to lands of Ballynacraggy, with opinion of Counsellor John Grady. (The lands were set in 1655 by the Earl of Thomond's Commissioners to Daniel Macnamara for 99 years).

Copy, made c. 1860 by the 13th Lord Inchiquin.

1446.

1707 to 1773.

Abstract of title of Sir Lucius O'Brien to the lands of Garus, Co. Clare.

3pp.

13 July 1710.

Chancery bill of Mary Macnemara (daughter of Thomas Fanning and widow of Thomas Macnemara late of Moughane) and Florence Macnemara (son & heir of the said Thomas); v. William Butler of Rossroe, esq., Thomas Macnemara, and Daniell Butler.

Concerns a mortgage of Lacarrownagoul and other lands, made in Feb. 1699 to William Butler, on which he has threatened an ejectment. Refers to marriage settlement (26 Feb. 1662) of Thomas Mc Nemara and Mary.

Сору, 2рр.

1448.

6 Apr. 1717.

"Teig Clanchy's answer to Councellr. Mc Nemaras objections.

[As] to the chesstnutt mare sould by Sr. Donat O Brien to Mr. Florence Mc Nemara in Aprill 1709, shee was in good order & well, & afterwards when the sd. Florence returned from Dublin, or from whence hee came, the said mare was very poore and altogether out of order at Mooghane, where I saw the sd. Florence giveing her somethings out of a cows horn.

As to the graseing of fifteene geldings from the 6th of January 1707 to the 230 of Febry: & the other eight to the 150 of March that yeare, at 4s per quarter, to that I am a stranger.

As to a little, cast, ould gray mare had from the sd. Florence by Sr. Donat in the Yeare 1710 or thereabouts, shee was not worth twenty shillings, & a man would scarce allow or give her grass"

[The rest of the answer deals with "a smale ould broken brass pan"; arrears due out of the piece of land exchanged by the parties; and the opening of the quarries].

1p.

1449.

1724 to 1758.

List of judgments (Exchequer, Kings Bench, and Common Pleas) obtained against Sir Edward O'Brien, for sums from £144 to £8,000.

1450.

[c. 1730].

Catherine Marshall, widow and administratrix of John Marshall; v. Sir Edward O'Brien, Bt., Thomas Amory, esq., David England, and Peter Kidd. Cross-interrogatories on Sir Edward's behalf for the plaintiff's witnesses.

These relate to an agreement between John Marshall and Sir Donough O'Brien for the woods of Cratloghkeale, Co. Clare.

1p., parchment.

1732.

Exchequer decree in case of Helen Purdon, widow, and Edward Purdon, clerk; v. Sir Edward O'Brien and others.

Refers to conveyance of 1698 (Sir Donough O'Brien to Viscount [sic] Carlingford¹); and mortgage of 1701 (O'Brien to Purdon), both of the lands of Corofin alias Loughtogowne, Fancoyle, Ballydavin, Killboydan, and Islandmore, in the parishes of Killinaboy and Rath, barony of Inchiquin, Co. Clare. Mentions William [O'Brien, 4th] Earl of Inchiquin; Henry O'Brien (died Jan. 1723); Catherine O'Brien (guardian of Sir Edward during his minority); Edward Dean, esq. (deceased many years); John Damer; and Joseph Damer.

Case referred to the Chief Remembrancer, who is to state an account

between plaintiffs and defendants.

Certified copy, 8pp.

1452.

[1739].

Exchequer bill of Sir Edward O'Brien.

Concerns goods "taken up" by him, during his minority, from Lawrence Nihell of Limerick, shopkeeper, which are alleged to have been paid for.

Draft, 2pp.

1453.

1743.

Interrogatories for the defendants in the case of Percy Wyndham O'Brien v. William [O'Brien] Earl of Inchiquin, Robert French, and others.

Concerning the personal estate of Henry, late Earl of Thomond, and the depositions of an unnamed person.

Сору, 4рр.

1454.

1746.

Exchequer bill of Sir Edward O'Brien. Relates to financial dealings with Charles Creagh late of Ballykelly, Co. Clare, deceased, who held lands under the plaintiff, and was his creditor for various sums borrowed since 1741.

Сору, 2рр.

1455.

[c. 1750].

Plaintiff's observations on the draft bill, in case of Sir Edward O'Brien v. Wilkinson, Gould, and others.

¹ Probably refers to Theobald Taaffe [c. 1650–1704] 3rd Earl of Carlingford.

"... here the two bills are so blended one wh. with an other that I can make neither head nor taill of the matter but refer them to Mr. Crotty... should not the hardship of being attackt in the Chancerys of England and Ireland by 2 different people for one and the same sum be mentioned — and that I am willing¹ as the money is lodged in England in Court, lett the persons dispute it amongst themselves, wh. out putting me to expence and trouble... to make Richard Norton of the City of Dublin mercht. a party for discovery."²

2рр.

1456.

[c. 1750].

Case of Sir Edward O'Brien, relating to a bond passed on his behalf, in 1707, for £500 to "the old Bank of Hugh Henry, Ephraim Dawson, & Wm. Lenox." The bill to be drawn by Counsellor Henn.

Draft; 6pp..

1457.

1753.

Brief for plaintiff in case of Sir Edward O'Brien, Bt., v. Andrew Kennedy, Julian Crotty, and others.

Relates to debt of £4,000 contracted in 1735 by Sir Edward with Matthew FitzGerald of Westminster, deceased; secured on the lands of Sessymore, Cloneens, Cahirfadda, Ballynacarrhagh, and Ballyganer.

The brief has been annotated in two hands. Some of the comments are: "Obs[erve] this — it differs widely from Mr. Kennedys accot. of this transaction"; "This is a very nice distinction"; "Obs. by this it seems they admitt the surplus rents are still unaccounted for and that plt. shod. resort to FitzGerald for them it seems plt. has been hitherto defrauded of them in all hands."

20рр.

1458.

1755 et seq.

Chancery bill, plea, and notes on argument in the suit of Redford v. Blake and others.

The bill refers to the first Bophin Act of r Anne (which provided that no part of the Clanricard estate should be sold or conveyed to or in trust for any Papist); and to the second Bophin Act of 7 Anne (which provided that any Protestant might sue for any such lands that formed part of Lord Bophin's restored estate). It also mentions Robert French of Rahassan (purchaser of the lands of Cargin in the

¹ These three words erased.

² The last clause added in a different hand.

 $^{^3}$ i.e., the 9th Earl of Clanricarde, for whom see G.E.C., Peerage, vol. III, pp. 234–5.

name of Dennis Daly of Raford); Robert Blake; Robert French of Galway; Richard Blake; Maria French; Marcus French; and Lady Blake (one of the defendants). The bill is said to be filed in trust for the French family.

In the notes on the argument (which mention a later bill filed in 1767) it is stated that "the Popery laws were founded upon the necessity of the times in which they were enacted & seem to me to be fully justyfyed by that necessity. The makers of these laws saw that where there were extensive landed properties there would be probably a numerous tenantry & from the relation between landlord & tenant & the custom of clanship to which this nation was the [sic] too much addicted..."

Abstract; 14pp.

1459.

1753 to 1762.

Notes on the case of Edward Willson v. Sir Edward O'Brien and others. The only details given are the dates of filing bills, taking answers, etc.

Ip.

1460.

1754.

Opinion of counsel (William Spaight) in a case concerning the lands of Sixmilebridge. Refers to a previous opinion, given in 1707 by Counsellor Bernard.

2рр.

1461.

1757.

Chancery bill of Rt. Hon. Sir Thomas Taylor of Kells, Co. Meath, Bt., v. Sir Edward O'Brien.

Concerns a mortgage, made in 1727 by Sir Edward to Michael O'Brien of Furnivals Inn, Co. Middlesex, gent., for £3,420 of Bally-clinicahil, Ballynecarragh, and other lands in the baronies of Corcomroe and Bunratty, Co. Clare. The amount now claimed by the plaintiff is £4,180.

Сору, 31рр.

1462.

1757 to 1768.

Bill of costs in case of Taylor v. O'Brien.

18 pp.

¹ This sentence is unfinished.

1757 et seq.

Brief of exhibits on behalf of the defendant in case of Hickman v. O'Brien and others.

Among the documents quoted or summarised are:

Rental of estate of Robert Hickman, esq., deceased, Nov. 1759. Total £1,571.8.7 $\frac{1}{2}$. [The holdings are very briefly described; the acreage is not given].

Act for vesting in trustees (Lucius O'Brien of Dromoland, esq., and William Wright of Clontarf, Co. Dublin, esq.;) the estates of Robert Hickman late of Barntick, deceased. 1762.

Will of Sir Lucius O'Brien of Dromoland, Bt. Leaves all real estate to his eldest son Edward and his issue male, with successive remainders to his second son Lucius, his third son Robert, etc. 1702.

Marriage articles of Sir Edward O'Brien of Dromoland, Bt.; and Charlotte, elder daughter of Wm. Smith of Carmoyhill, Co. Clare, esq. 1799.

Valuation, made by Daniel Shaghnissy, of timber on the lands of Barntick; £504.6.0., of which £320.16.0. is ash, and £62 firs. 1760.

Correspondence and accounts relating to, and leases of, various parts of the Hickman estate. 1760 to 1769.

220 pp.

1464.

[1765 to 1795].

Chancery bill1 of Sir Lucius O'Brien.

Concerns some of the lands affected by the case of Inchiquin & others v. O'Brien [supra]. According to Strafford's Survey of 1636-7, there was in the barony of Burren a parish then called Karne, subdivided into 19 denominations: Karne alias Ballyowra, Tourish, Lehanagh, Minniogh, common of Tourish & Fanninaglovan, Ballaghlany, Crewagh, Mogowhee, Castletown, Ballaghconrie, Croghill, Rannagh, Fahaby, Knocklanes, Cappakenedy, Glancullenkelly, Cappagh, and Cosgam (the same names being still in use). Rannagh was described as three quarters, the mears of which could not be distinguished, containing in all, 1,009a. unprofitable and 267a. profitable. Refers to lease of 1698, mortgage of 1702, and trust deed of 1764, affecting the said lands: by the last, certain townlands were vested in Marcus Paterson, Edmond Sexton Pery, and Thomas Dawson, in trust to satisfy Richard Hull, Robert French, and Albert Nesbit, esgs.; Thomas [Taylor] Viscount Headfort; Ambrose Harding, esq.; and several other creditors of Sir Edward O'Brien. This deed was ratified by an Irish Act of the second session of King George III's reign.

¹ This begins, in the usual style of Chancery and Exchequer bills, "Complaining sheweth unto your Lordship"; but is endorsed, in the same hand, "Dt. [Defendant] Sir Lucius O'Brien's ansr."; and refers several times to Sir Lucius as "this deft."

States that, the bill [sic] having been filed so long since 1701 (the date at which his own title originates) it cannot upset his interest.

Draft; 23pp.

1465.

1767.

Exchequer bill of revivor of James Osburn Jephson of Carrickonsure, Co. Tipperary, esq. (executor of John Jephson of Carrickonsure, who was executor of Dame Mary Dunn).

Refers to original bill, filed by Dame Mary in 1740 against Sir Edward O'Brien and others; which arose from a mortgage for £1,000, made in 1698 by Sir Donough O'Brien to Theobald Taaffe (afterwards Earl of Carlingford); of the lands of Corrofin, Fancoyle, Ballydavine, Killboydon, and Islandmore, in the barony of Inchiquin, Co. Clare. Mentions Lucius O'Brien (eldest son of Sir Edward), Henry O'Brien the elder, and other members of the family.

Subpoena against William [O'Brien], Earl of Inchiquin; Nicholas [Taaffe] Viscount Corren; William Purdon; Donough O'Brien and Mary his wife; and others.

Certified copy.

155 pp.

1466.

12 Jan. 17[69 to 1777].

Answer of Sir Lucius O'Brien to the bill of William [O'Brien] Earl of Inchiquin; James [Fitzgerald] Duke of Leinster; and Robert French and Edward Nicholson, esqs.

The case arose from a lease made in 1713 by William, late Earl of Inchiquin, to Alderman Twigge (in trust for Sir Donough or Lucius O'Brien); of the lands of Rosrawly, Castletown & Tarmon, Ballyvaghane & Killgobane, and the quarter of Killkee alias Lisseene Ranenrick, Co. Clare. Defendant says that these lands "lye near the Western Ocean in a very remote & wild country scarcely inhabited but by a few shepherds many miles . . . from any publick road passable for a carriage or any decent habitation & this deft being desireous of seeing the said lands . . . last summer . . . was obliged to walk a great part of the way there & found the said lands nearly in a state of nature . . . " Does not think that any proprietor has seen the lands, or principal tenant resided on them, for the last 50 years; and considers it impossible to determine their boundaries. Quotes Strafford's Survey of 1637, which returned the proprietors as Donough O'Brien, Rosse O'Loughlen, and Donough Mc Teige O'Brien, and deduces from it the lands having then been held in common. The mears could not be distinguished in 1679, in 1741, or in 1759.

Other persons mentioned, having had interests in the lands at various times from 1663 to 1745, are Ralph Bridge of Kinderton,

Cheshire; Col. Connor O'Brien of Leameneh; Sir William King; Mortogh Duff O'Brien; Henry Ievers; Richard England, gent.; and Mr. Charles Lysaght.

Draft; 33 pp.

1467.

1772.

Chancery bill of Sir Lucius O'Brien, eldest son and acting executor of Sir Edward O'Brien; Thomas [Dawson] Lord Dartry, Rt. Hon. Marcus Paterson, Chief Justice of the Court of Common Bench, and Edmond Sexten Pery (trustees for the payment of Sir Edward's debts).

Concerns the three quarters of Rannagh in the parish of Karne, barony of Burren, Co. Clare, found by an inquisition of 1637 to be the estate of Donough Mc Teige O'Brien, ancestor of Sir Lucius. Shows the descent of the above lands, referring *inter alia* to an award made by Hugh Brigdall in 1684.

Plaintiffs pray that their bill may be taken as a cross-bill to that filed in 1769 by William, Earl of Inchiquin, James, Duke of Leinster, Robert French, and Edward Nicholson; and that the defendants may state ".... in what parish are the said lands of Termon¹ situate & to what denomination do they belong & by what name granted to the Inchiquin family how many acres does the said grand denomination contain & to what proportion thereof do the present confederates lay claim to what habitation did the said termon originally belong how was the said termon let antecedent to the year 1693 or is there any trace in the auntient rentalls of the family did the said John Blake ever obtain any certificate or patent for said 4 acres did not the said widow [McDonagh] never the less refuse to deliver up the possession of said farm [Cahirmacunna] to Sr Edward O Brien & did she not insist upon haveing some article promise or long lease at some inconsiderable Rent"

Draft; 60pp.

1468.

1772 et seq.

Briefs in Chancery suit; Hickman v. O'Brien & others.

Plaintiff. Poole Hickman, esq.

Defendants. Sir Lucius O'Brien, Bt., Dame Charlotte his wife, Lucius O'Brien, esq., and the other children of the said Sir Edward and Dame Charlotte; Marcus Patterson and Anne Patterson, minors; Edward William Burton and Caroline Burton alias Patterson, his wife; and several others.

Relates to debts incurred by Robert Hickman, esq. (who died in 1756, and to whom Henry Hickman, grandfather of the plaintiff, was

¹ A subdenomination of Rannagh.

a remainderman): the said Robert being seised, in fee simple or free-hold, of Ballynelane, Larga, Inchtrehene (and 30 other townlands); with the tolls of two yearly fairs on the lands of Assollas, the town of Clare, with its commons and the tolls of its fairs and markets, and some impropriate tithes.

The original bill was filed in 1772 by Poole Hickman the elder, William Massy, and Francis Minchin, against Sir Lucius O'Brien, George Peacock, Joseph Peacock, Mary Wright, widow, Christian Lavitte, and others. It was amended in 1792, and again in 1805. A bill of revivor was filed in 1813 by Poole Hickman the younger against Sir Nathaniel Peacocke, Rice Peacocke, and the Rev. William Peacocke.

In his answer, Sir Lucius O'Brien refers to a lease of the lands of Clare, made to him in 1763 by William Monsell; "... by said lease ... deft is obliged to pay an annual rent of £243.18.4 . . . £82 to the Earl of Thomond, £161.6.4 to said Monsell, and that at the time of said sale and of defts. taking the sd. lease . . . the sd. lands were set for £208.8 so that deft, was made subject . . . to a rent of £35.8 over and above what he was to receive for the same, and tho' it is now upwds. of 12 years since sd. sale, yet all the leases therein . . . are still subsisting . . . same having been set in 3 divisions Knocknegeemanagh to Robert Harrisson esqre. three lives, his own and those of his two sons and the two sons are still living, and both healthy men, the elder of whom is not above 40 years . . . Killow held by the widow Hickman for three lives of which two are still in being . . . Charles Adams and William Adams the latter of whom is a healthy young man, not above 38 yrs. old . . . and Skehana held by William Pilkinton for 3 lives of which his own is still in being an old man - saith he hath been at considerable expence of time trouble and money, in making roads, draining sd bog & other improvemts, and yet considers himself as having a very dear bargain . . ." He also states that Barntick, Ballaghfadda, etc., were granted about 1712 in fee farm by the Earl of Thomond to the father of Robert Hickman; the fairs and markets of Assollas and Clare were granted the Thomond family by patent from the Crown, and by them demised to Hickman's father; that part of Madera was held by lease for 31 years beginning in 1727, from defendant's father, contained 18a., were worth 15/- an acre, and estimated to fetch £284.10. (at the time of the sale to Robert Westropp) at 21 years' purchase; that in Ballyhannon were two small portions of glebe land, one held from the Rev. William Watson; that in Donmore a small part was held, by lease for ever, from John Westropp, esq.; that part (64a. 3r. 19p.) of Sallee was held, by lease for ever, from the Earl of Inchiquin; that another part was held under a lease, made in 1730 for 31 years, by Henry O'Brien, esq., to Robert Hickman, at a rent of froo; that the rest of the townland was the real estate of Robert Hickman; that the titles of the Earl of Thomond were by prescription, and those of the Earl

of Inchiquin by patent.

It is stated in the amended bill (1805) that Sir Lucius O'Brien, as surviving trustee of Robert Hickman, sold the following lands by public cant in Ennis: Bushy park to Timothy McNamara, esq., for £1,050; Toureen to William Adams, esq., for £600; and Shally to Robert Crowe for £5,500.

The deponents for the plaintiff are:

Giles Daxon of Stamer park, Co. Clare, esq., 77.

Donough O'Brien of Dublin, esq.

Thomas Smyth of Dublin, gent., 20.

Thomas Gallagher of Dublin, writing clerk, 30.

William Henn of Oakland, Co. Clare, esq., 60.

Andrew Walsh of Newtown, Co. Clare, esq., 80.

Thomas Browne of Coolaclare, Co. Clare, gent., 80.

George Colpoys of Kilrush, Co. Clare, esq., 74.

Donough O'Brien of Cratloe, Co. Clare, esq., 60.

Patrick Hickey of Newmarket, Co. Clare, gent., 36.

James Creagh of Caroline, Co. Clare, 74.

The deponents for the defendants are:

John Butler of Clare, Co. Clare, gent., 78.

David Arthur England of Ennis, Co. Clare, esq., 60.

Denis Spellicy of the same, gent., 69.

Revd. Robert Gabbett of Castletown Glebe, clerk, 55.

Charles FitzGerald of Limerick, esq., 66.

Robert Maunsell of the same, esq., 80.

Ralph Westropp of the same, esq., 66.

Andrew Watson of the same, alderman, 70.

William Greene of Ennis, solicitor, 55.

Patrick Hickey of Newmarket, Co. Clare, gent., 36.

Donough O'Brien of Cratloe, Co. Clare, esq., 60.

James Creagh of Carabane, Co. Clare, esq., 74.

Francis Daly of Kilrush, Co. Clare, 70.

Mary O'Meara of Limerick, widow, 50.

John Leonard of Sixmilebridge, Co. Clare, gent., 83.

John Michl. Creagh of Clare Street, Limerick, esq., 68.

Mary Ann Baker of Ennis, widow, 76.

Patrick Power of Ballyduffmore, Co. Clare, esq., 60.

James Kerin of Nuan near Nutfield, Co. Clare, esq., 65.

Thomas McNamara of Iverstown, Co. Clare, farmer, 50.

A great deal of the evidence tendered consists of the identification of various deeds and papers. Points of greater interest, in more or less detail, are made by the following:

(Giles Daxon). Knew Robert Hickman the younger, nephew of Robert Hickman formerly of Barntick, Co. Clare, esq. Both the elder Robert and Poole Hickman, formerly of Dublin, esq., died childless. Henry Hickman, formerly of Kilmore, Co. Clare, died many years ago; his eldest son, Poole Hickman, died in 1795 or 1796; his eldest son is Poole Hickman (the plaintiff), who was aged 17 or 18 at his father's death.

Identifies the "Munster Journal," Monday, 19th Aug. 1776, in which an advertisement for the sale of Robert Hickman's estates was inserted by Sir Lucius O'Brien, as surviving trustee.

Has been for nearly 50 years a proprietor and occupier of lands in Co. Clare, and has known for more than 60 years the value of the lands in question; "... having had always a natural inquisitive turn of mind relative to the value of lands . . . and being in the habit of conversing with and seeking information from old farmers and persons in the country ... what the value of lands had been ... and does consider himself . . . fully competent to give an opinion of the value of lands within said county . . ." The lands of Clare Castle, Skahanagh, Kellon or Derrykellon, and Knocknegannanagh have been, from his earliest recollection until now, of very good quality; the last denomination having always been superior to the others. Lands in Co. Clare would, in 1762-3, have been about half their present value. At that time Knocknegannanagh would have been let at a "fair and full" rent of a guinea an acre; Skehanagh at 18/- an acre, exclusive of a large bog attached to the lands (itself of considerable value); Kellone, at 18/an acre.

(Thomas Smyth). Made a search "in the proper office of his Majesty's Court of Prerogative in Ireland" for the original will of Col. Robert Hickman from 1736 to 1810, but without finding it.

(William Henn). Has known plaintiff (a near relative) since his infancy, he himself having lived for many years at Kilmore, Co. Clare. Has known Sir Edward O'Brien (a distant relative) since his boyhood, and has frequently visited at Dromoland. Has known William Thomas Monsell intimately for the last 20 years, "having been a brother Officer with Deponent in a Regt. of Cavalry . . ."

Knew the elder Poole Hickman, who died in the summer of 1796 at Castleconnell, Co. Limerick, and was his uncle; attended his funeral. His uncle was embarrassed for at least 15 years before his death. Attended, shortly before his death, a sheriff's sale at Kilmore House, and bid for several articles of furniture.

(George Colpoys). Was for several years agent and rent-collector to the elder Poole Hickman, and knows of frequent executions having been issued against him in his lifetime. Has lived on the lands of Knock, contiguous to Kilmore.

(Andrew Walsh). Knows the plaintiff, Sir Edward O'Brien, William Thomas Monsell, and Caroline Patterson, having "frequently met them in society."

The "Munster Journal" was published in Limerick, before 1760

and down to 1776, by Andrew Walsh (his father) and Thomas Walsh (his brother); and was "in great circulation" in Co. Clare.

(Thomas Browne). "... has known the plt.'s person these 20 years past having frequently seen him hunting in the neighbourhood . . . but was not acquainted with him" until last month, when he called with reference to this case.

Has for 48 years been a tenant and occupier of lands in Co. Clare. Had for 12 years previously been employed in farming and managing extensive farms which his father held; and considers himself a competent judge of the value of lands in Co. Clare. Has known the lands of Clare, etc., for 60 years: Clare Castle is "lime stone land of fine quality fit for dairy tillage or fattening cattle of the largest description and upon which deponent has always seen wheat barley and oats of the best quality and has known parts of said lands to be set at so high a rent as flo by the acre for potatoe ground with[ou]t manure . . . Skehanagh is partly pasture and feeding land but principally bog upon which large quantities of turf have been constantly cut and sold at a very high rate by the perch for . . . fuel by which one Peter Kerin who held same under Sir Edward O Brien realised a considerable fortune"; Derry Kellue is dry limestone pasture and tillage land, of good quality; Knockgannanagh is the same, fit for meadowing, tillage, or fattening heavy cattle. All these lands are now in good heart and condition. The value of Clare Castle in 1762-3 would have been (exclusive of the barracks and houses) fi an acre; it would now be, without the bog of Skehanagh (a subdenomination) £2.5. an acre; with the bog, £3 an acre. Knocknagannanagh would then have been worth £1.5. an acre, and would now be worth £2.10. Skehanagh would, on account of the scarcity of bog near the town of Clare, have been worth f3 an acre at any time from 1762 to the present. Clare, when first he knew it, was "of the best description of lime stone ground with considerable depth of surface and free from waste"; it would then have been worth £3, and would now be worth £6 an acre. The town was "an inconsiderable town of little or no trade until the year 1797 or thereabouts when stores were built there by Messrs. Rose and Studdert and an export trade commenced therefrom which period said town has imported [sic] rapidly."

(Donough O'Brien). Cousin-german of Sir Edward O'Brien, whom he has known from birth.

(Mary Anne Baker). Knew Col. William Wright formerly of Clontarf, Co. Dublin, who died about 1764, having married the sister of Robert Hickman formerly of Barntick, and having previously to his living at Clontarf lived at Bushy Park, about 5 miles from Barntick. Mrs. Wright and Robert Hickman were her near relatives.

(John Butler). Knew George Stamer late of Carnelly, Co. Clare, who died in 1775, he and his father having been his tenants, and deponent having attended his funeral. Has lived from his infancy in the town of Clare, about a mile from Stamer's residence, which was not more than a quarter of a mile from the lands of Kellow, Knocknagannanagh, and Skehanagh.

Knew, in 1762-3, the house, offices, and demesne of Barntick, as well as the lands of Corkahinchy, Ballaghfadda, Carrowkowne, Cargainhulla, Corkealigher, Knock, and Lissane. The house and offices were then "old and in a very shattered state the roofs floors and lofts decaying and part of sd offices fallen down and other parts supported by props and temporary rafters purloins and jack shafters put up to prevent the roofs . . . falling in until in or about . . . 1772 when Joseph Peacock afterwards Sir Joseph the son of George Peacock who had previously lived at Barntick from . . . 1760 and 1763 took off the greater part of the roof . . . and put a new roof thereon and made other repairs therein and built new offices altogether . . ." The demesne lands, with the other lands from the bounds at Island Magrath to the bounds at Clare, for about three miles along the river Fergus, require an embankment; the repair of which, when a spring tide has made a breach, requires the labour of several hundred men. In 1763 the embankment was in a very bad state, and was repaired by "backing capping putting down sluices and shutting breaches" several hundred men being employed by Peacock under the superintendence of George Merritt, his steward. "... the general mode of occupying or farming the said lands of Barntick was by meadowing and grazing as in consequence of the lowlands being subject to be flooded same could not be tilled with safety and there were only some labourers gardens on the part called Ballaghfadda North . . . other parts called Cragmore being too rocky for tillage or meadowing . . ."

In 1762-3 the town or village of Clare consisted of "a few straggling cabins and was subjected to be flooded at spring tides and not a slated house on the prems. but two small ones one of which was built by deponents father . . . into which the tide used frequently to flow there having been then no quays to keep out . . . the waters . . .". Does not think a village of this kind, so tenanted, was a desirable object for anyone to purchase or take a lease of, "except a person as rich as the great Damer was reported."

The river Fergus was not, in 1762-3, navigable except for rowing boats or small sailing boats.

The improvements made in Clare by the late Sir Lucius O'Brien and Chief Justice Patterson consisted of 6 two-storied slated houses; a large malthouse and kiln; 6 one-storied thatched houses (for weavers whom they induced to settle there); a large two-storied slated house, for a linen manufactory; a large two-storied inn, with stables, coach house, etc.; another large house, with the limekiln and saltworks attached; a market house; an extensive quay, at which vessels of several hundred tons burden could be moored; and a large dealyard adjoining the quay. These were all built between 1763 and 1770,

costing at least £2,000. Deponent's father built, at his own expense, 18 houses (to which deponent has made additions), during this time.

Sir Lucius O'Brien made, in and after 1763, considerable improvements to the lands of Knocknegemanagh by repairing the banks along the river Fergus, for a mile and a half; and to the lands of Skehanagh, by repairing the banks for about a mile, in 1791. Sir Lucius died in 1795; shortly afterwards, his son, Sir Edward, built on Knocknegamanagh a large store consisting of three lofts, capable of holding 3,000 barrels of corn, and 6 farmers' houses. These, with other improvements on the same lands, cost him and his father at least £2,000. Deponent was employed as an overseer by Sir Lucius at the time when these were being made.

Knew the following persons (all of whom are deceased for a number of years): Thomas Hickman of Brickfield, esq. (dead 40 years); Luke Hickman of Finloe, esq. (50 years); Chief Justice Paterson (40 years); Hugh Hickman, son of the said Luke (1788 in Ennis); John Hartigan of Manusmore, County Surveyor (49 years); George Quin of Quinpoole or Quinborough, esq. (38 years); George Stamer of Carnelly (53 years); George Peacock of Barntick esq. (56 years); William Henn of Paradise, esq. (more than 30 years); Henry Hewet of Snugboro, County Surveyor (more than 40 years); Henry Hewitt, attorney (35 years); Croasdail Molony, attorney (30 years); and Poole Hickman of Kilmore, esq. (32 years).

Has attended the funerals of several of these persons (all of whom had lived near him).

(Charles FitzGerald). Identifies handwriting of his grandfather, Charles Fitzgerald formerly of Castlekeall, Co. Clare, esq.

(John Leonard). Knew Thomas Hickman, Chief Justice Paterson, Luke Hickman, etc. Has lived in the neighbourhood of Ennis since about 1746.

(Donat O'Brien). Has known Poole Hickman for 40 years; he has, since his father's death, about 30 years ago, resided at Kilmore, which is "a place or mansion and demesne fully suited as a residence for a gentn. of rank and fortune — saith that the said Poole Hickman's rank and station in life is highly respectable . . . the reputed annual income of the said Poole is £3,000 . . . in consequence of his rank in society and fortune and being a magistrate . . . and constantly acting as one of the Grand Jury . . . dept. does consider that the said Poole Hickman is a gentn. of very considble. influence in said county . . ."

(George Colpoys). Has lived for the last 6 years in the town of Kilrush, Co. Clare, about 6 miles from the residence of the plaintiff, under whom he holds lands. Had lived for most of the time since 1760 at Knock, Co. Clare. Is now living about 23 miles from the town and lands of Clare. Plaintiff "has for several years kept hounds and hunters

and lived in the style of a gentleman of fortune and great respectability — and still continues to do so."

The deponents for the defendant (who prove only the handwriting on various deeds) are:

James Croghan of Camden Street, Dublin, gent., 30.
Edmund Blood of Lr. Gardiner Street, Dublin, esq., 76.
William Archer of South Great George's Street, Dublin, gent., 20.
William Edmonds of Mark Street, Dublin, chandler, 80.
Thomas FitzPatrick of Dorset Street, Dublin, gent., 60.
Michael Mealy of Sackville Street, Dublin, gent., 60.
John Mc Mahon of Camden Street, Co. Dublin, solicitor, 30.
Richard Francis Sleator of Dromcondra Hill, Co. Dublin, esq., 40.
Thomas Morrin of Charlemont Street, Co. Dublin, gent., 39.
Mrs. Anne O'Brien of Upper Merrion Street, Dublin.

1469.

1777 to 1781.

Papers relating to Chancery case: Wallis (executor of Flood), v. Flood and others. Relates to charges incurred under the marriage settlement (1762) of Henry Flood and Lady Frances Beresford; Sir Lucius O'Brien is among the defendants to the bill of Edward Wallis.

1470.

1792.

Case, with opinion of counsel (Matthew Finucane), on behalf of John Quinn, esq.; relates to marriage portion (£2,000) of Mary O'Brien alias Quinn, daughter of Sir Edward O'Brien.

6pp.

1471.

1799.

Brief for plaintiff in Chancery case of Sir Edward O'Brien v. Patrick Lysaght.

Concerns proportion of rent payable out of the lands of Rannagh, Co. Clare, under a lease of 1765 from Lucius O'Brien.

For Thomas Grady; fee, £9.2.0.

11рр.

1472.

[c. 1800].

Chancery bill of Christopher Stone Williams of Dublin, esq., and Dorcas Williams alias Medlicott, his wife.

Refers to original bill (filed 1798), against Francis Whyte, esq., only

son of John Whyte, the owner in 1747 of the lands of Rahagonan, Packnokelly, Deamtask, Rathreagh, Loghill, Shawless, Islandbrue, and Cowleylyon, Co. Limerick.

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1473.

1824.

Exchequer decree; Patterson v. O'Brien. Plaintiff claims £1,000 damages.

Copy.

61 pp.

1474.

1824.

Case on title to the lands (198a. profitable P.M.), of Moriesk, Co. Clare; refers to patent of 1685 and fine of 1718.

Copy of additional statement on title, with opinion of John Leslie Foster.

19 pp., 11 pp.

1475.

1813.

Bill of Elizabeth O'Brien, widow of John O'Brien late of Toomagh, v. the executors of the said John.

Concerns lease of Cahirfadda made in 1783 by Sir Lucius O'Brien to William O'Brien, father of the said John.

Abstract, made c. 1860 by the 13th Lord Inchiquin.

1476.

1826.

Brief for defendant, in Chancery case of Marcella O'Callaghan and Helena O'Callaghan v. Sir Edward O'Brien and others.

Relates to charges under the marriage settlement (1742) of Donough O'Callaghan of Mount Callen, Co. Clare, esq. (grandfather of the plaintiffs) and Hannah, daughter of Charlotte O'Brien of New Hall, Co. Clare.

18 pp.

1477.

1827.

Chancery bill of James [Maitland,] Earl of Lauderdale, v. Sir Edward O'Brien. Relates to lands [unspecified] mortgaged by Sir Edward O'Brien, grandfather of the defendant.

16pp.

1831.

Brief for defendant in Exchequer case of Thomas Ryan v. Lucius O'Brien. Relates to election expenses, at Ryan's eatinghouse in Ennis, of Lucius O'Brien [details given]. 25 pp.

1479.

1835.

Brief for Sir Edward O'Brien (one of the defendants) in Chancery case of Richard Kenny, esq., and Mary Kenny alias Brady, his wife; v. Arthur Fleming Crowe and others.

Relates to renewal of lease of lands [unspecified] originally granted 3 Aug. 1696 by Francis Gore, esq., to Richard Woulfe, esq.; the interest of which afterwards became vested in Richard Woulfe (son & heir of the original lessee) Edward Hogan, George Stackpoole, James Crowe, and George Crowe (son of the said James). Renewals were made in 1725, 1774, and 1789; in 1807 the rent was reduced, by two arbitrators, from £35 to £28. The interest in the premises had passed in 1835 to Robert I. F. Crowe.

39 pp.

Also:

Brief for defendant in case of John Gurney and others, v. Sir Edward O'Brien and others. 1824.

Case for defendant; Charles Mahon v. Sir Edward O'Brien. 1832. Chancery bill; Charles Sainthill Smith v. Lucius O'Brien and others. 1834.

WILLS AND ADMINISTRATIONS

1480.

26 June 1551.

Will of Murrough [O'Brien] 1st Earl of Thomond.

"In dei nomine amen vicessimo sexto die mensis Junii anno domini 1551 annoque etiam illustrissimi Regis Angliae, franciae, et Hyberniae Edwardi sixti quinto, Ego Maurus comes Thomoniae compos mentis et sanae memoriae (laudetur deus) condo testamentum meum et ultimam voluntatem meam in hunc modum. In primis do et lego animam meam deo patri omnipotenti, beatae Mariae, et omnibus sanctis, corpusque meum sepeliendum in Ecclesia de Enish in tumbo quem ego feci in choro eiusdem Ecclesiae.

Item in fauoris [sic] animae meae relinquo sacerdotibus eiusdem Ecclesiae de Enish totam meam araturam in villa de Clanrauud.

Item lego sacerdotibus de Quinhe viginti solidos sterlingorum.

Item Collegio de Anskettin viginti solidos etiam lego.

Item sacerdotibus de Athdare viginti solidos lego.

Item sacerdotibus de Kilconil viginti solidos lego.

Item bona mea temporalia, mobilia et imobbilia, inter meos legittimos Heredes Diermitium, Thadeum, et Donatum o Brien, et inter eosdem Heredes et meam uxorem Helenam, durante vita sua, diuido et relinquo.

In primis Diermitio¹ o Brien meo seniori filio do et relinquo Castellum de Ensiquine cum quinque Carteriis Feodi, videlicet Quarteriam Reigh, dimidium Quarteriae de Balimaruiff, et alium dimidium Quarteriae de Anchalin, Quarteriam Balligauin, et dimidium Quarteriae Caragh Blahuick, dimidium Quarteriae Fanamore, et Quarteriam Nafanchille.

Item eidem [interlined] Diermitio relinquo Castellum Pontus (?) cum decem Quarteriis quorum nomina sunt haec videlicet quinque Quarterias Urchary et duas Quarterias Fahy, Quarteriam Ensyloshir, et duas Quarterias Portcrossy.

Item eidem Dirmitio relinquo Castellum de Diriowen cum duabus Quarteriis eidem conexis ac Quarteriam de Bealenmonyn et dimidium Quarteriae de Fian et Quarteriam de Rinecaha.

Item eidem Dirmitio relinquo Castellum de Ahereynagh cum Dimidio, unius Quarteriae ad idem Castellum spectantis, et Quarteriam de Ceapacha, et dimidiium Quarteriae de Claneboy.

Item eidem Dermitio relinquo dimidium quarteriae Ballimullory.

^{1&}quot; Diermitius" added by a different hand in margin.

Item eidem Dermitio lego Castellum de Dunogan et quarteriam Nacorrah et quarteriam Audnuli, et quarteriam Shn [erased] Sheanbohy, Ita quod idem Dermitius Castellum de Dunogan et terras predictas ipsi Castello coniunctas ad terminum vitae suae habebit nisi Dominium Thumoniae ad ipsum peruenerit, et si contingat quod Diermicius haberet dominium Thumoniae vel dies vitae suae cladat extremum [sic] tunc castellum de Dunogan cum suis pertinentiis Thadeo relinquat, simili [sic] etiam Thadeus faciat Donato prout se ipse praesentia eius relinquo.¹

Item² secundo filio Thadeo relinquo Castellum de Bahneill cum tribus quarteriis ac dimidio unius quarteriae videlicet quarteriam na Martry, dimidium quarteriae na Dreyney, et dimidium quarteriae de Bahneil, et quarteriam na Karownamire et Diorah, et dimidium quarteriae Balliconnally.

Item Thadeo relinquo dimedietatem quarteriae de Ballikahsy et aliam semiquarteriam Caraghnahelly.

Item eidem Thadeo relinquo Castellum de Balleogowne cum tribus quarteriis, videlicet duas quarterias Ballingowin et quarteriam de Ballitarsna.

Item eidem Thadeo relinquo tres quarterias cum dimidio seysii in campo Boni, videlicet quarteriam Balligastle et duas alias quarterias vocatas seysy videlicet seysy Cloinuohine et Ballichassonmore et seyssy Ballidonehow et dimediatatem seyssy Balliteige.

Item eidem Thadeo relinquo castellum de Ballincashone cum suis pertinensiis pro his [erased] ad obligatur

Item eidem Thadeo relinquo locum vulgo nuncupatum Kearuncilohy et duas quarterias de Ballilaine et quarteriam cum dimedietate de predicta mc Logland.

Item eidem ante dicto Thadeo relinquo iuxta potentem (?) quarteriam cum dimidio Balli Ivuydy et dimidietatem quarteriae ClunIconnery et semiquarteriam Affermaly et semiquarteriam na Killebany.

Item alteri filio tertio Donato³ videlicet relinquo Castellum vulgo nuncupatum Leamneh cum quinque quarteriis sibi vicinis quorum nomina sunt hec scilicet tres quarterias Cnockloune et Carahskribine, et quarteriam in Clunein, et dimidietatem quarteriae Carahblonicke et dimidietatem quarteriae Fahafaire.

Item eidem Donato relinquo Castellum de Balliconilly, nec non Castellum de Drumolune cum quarteria de Balliconilly et quarteria de Drumollune, ac quattuor quarterias Lattune et duas quarterias Rine

¹ The grammar of this clause is peculiar, but the sense obvious: the castle of Dunogan and the three quarters that go with it are left to the eldest son, Dermot O'Brien, unless he obtains the lordship of Thomond; in that event they are to go to the second son Thady, with remainder (if he in turn obtains the lordship) to the third son Donough.

² "Thadeus" added by a different hand in margin.
³ "Donatus" added by a different hand in margin.

nusly, Merry, et Ruit maclarn na Cealnreache, et dimidium quarteriae Lisduff, et quartam partem unius quarteriae de Ballinakragie, ita quod idem Donatus non poterit meam uxorem legittimam Hellenam molestare uel perturbare super Castellis de Balliconilly et Drumolune, non circa predi[c]tas terras vicinas, et ibi (?) numeras¹ usque ad terminum vitae ipsius Ellenae, quod eidem Donato dicto et in testamento presenti relinquo.

Item etiam vassa mea argentea cetraque localia relinquo ut sequitur. In primis Catheram meam auream et Cyphum argenti ellegationes Diermitio o Brien prius relinquo hac tamen (?) conditione adiecta quod idem Diermitius relinqueat catheram et Cyphum Thadeo o Brien post mortem ipsius Diermitii, similiter etiam Thadeus facere dignetur cum (?) Donato o Brien.

Item eidem vxori meae Helennae donaui duo vassa argentea prout Episcopus Laonensis et Capitaneus mc Clanchy plenius sciunt.

Item eidem Helenae tertiam partem omnium reliquorum vassorum preter illa duo vassa relinquo.

Item alias duas partes equaliter diuidendas inter tres filios meos, Diermitium, Thadeum, et Donatum relinquo.

Item omnes vaccas, caballos, oues, ceteraque animalia mea eidem uxori meae Helenae ad suam vitae terminum etiam relinquo, et post mortem predictae uxoris eadem animalia meis filiis relinquat [sic] secundum quod ego dico et relinquo.

Item eo modo quo quod possideo Castellum na Cullanefy cum suis pertinentiis cum terra de Tuohogonilla predicto filio meo Donato relinquo.

In quorum omnium et singulorum fidem et testimonium ego Cornelius² Episcopus Laonensis hanc formam testamenti manu mea propria scripsi atque sigillum meum huic apposui in loco de Balliconilly, et predicto tempore hiis testibus presentibus Capitaneo mc Clancheo, magistro doctore Nelan, et domino Episcopo Fineborensi,³ nec non Thadeo o Nelan, antedicta Helenena [sic], ac Capitaneo mc Gorman ceterisque diuersis.

This is a true coppie compared with the origenall & examined before us whose names ensue, the 21st of August 1585, anno R[egni] Reginae nostrae Elizzabetae vigessimo septimo

Mauritius Laonensis⁴

Willielmus Riane

Richard White

¹ The grammar of this clause is again peculiar; the sense would require something like "... nec circa predictas terras vicinas nec eorum pertinentias ..."

² Cornelius O'Dea, Bishop of Killaloe 1546—c. 1551.

³ John O'Neylan, Bishop of Kilfenora 1541-1572.

⁴ Maurice McBrien or O'Brien-Arra, Bishop of Killaloe 1570-1612.

This is a true coppy compared with the originall examined by us whose names are subscribed

Richard White

Thomas Linch Fitz John

James O Coine

A true coppy agreeable to the originall Sr Therlaugh O Brien Christopher Comine Thadeus O Brien "

17th cent. copy; 21pp.

1481.

22 Dec. 1603.

Will of Connoghour Mc Donnogho O'Brien of Dromolin, gent.

To be buried in the monastery or abbey of Inish, where his ancestors are buried.

To his son and heir Donnogho O'Brien and the lawful heirs of his body his castle of Dromolyn with nine quarters and a quartermire and a half; the castle of Ballygryfa with four quarters; the castle of Leymneigh with three quarters; the castle of Cearanagoule with two and a half quarters; the three quartermires and a third part called Rahynoffarish; the quartermire called Cearanamadry, on which stands the lower part of a castle; the half quarter of Erinagh; and the half quarter of Dromono.

To his said son the quartermire called Dromwyn-gagh; the half quarter called Cahyremochunnor; the quarter of Clonyn; the half quarter called "of the land of the scept of Clanowen"; and the half sessiagh of Fahyfane.

Debts as follows: £150 to Murihertagh [McBrien] Bishop of Killalow, for which he has Ballygrypha in mortgage; 466 to Nicholas Boorke of Limerick, alderman, for which he has three quarters of Dromolin in mortgage; £8 to John Duff Creagh of Limerick, merchant; £7.14. to William Myagh of Limerick; £25 to Markus Lynch fiz Martine of Galway, merchant, for which he has Clonyn in mortgage; £12 to Mahown Mc Brien O'Loghlen of Cahyrpoly, for which he has half a quarter of Leymnegh in mortgage; seven in calf cows to Markus Dudley, for which he leaves the next half quarter of Cah...... and Ballichassy until his heirs redeem it; £7.7.7. to Nicholas Skerret of Galway, merchant, for which he has the half sessiagh of Fahyfane in mortgage; £12 to Loghlin Riagh Mc Muriertagh O'Heyhir, for which he has the half quarter of Cahyrmochana in mortgage; £13, of which £3 was of "the newe standard" to John Mc Enerhyny, "prist," and James his son, for which they have a quarter of Dromolin in mortgage; five cows to Mahowne Maell Mc Connoghor Mc Gillyduff, for which he has half a quartermire of Dromolin in mortgage; £3 to Conoghor Mc Mahowna Roe Mc Namara, for which he has a little parcel of Dromolin in mortgage; £8 to John Mc Namara, chief of his name, for which he has a quartermire of Dromolyn in mortgage; eight cows to Donell Boy Neilane, for which he has a quartermire of Erinagh in mortgage; three cows to Teige O'Keryn, for which he has the half quartermire of Dromone in mortgage; £6.13.4 to Terrelagh Mc Donnogho Mc Murracho Roe, for which he has the quartermire called Dromo-ingagh in mortgage.

To his daughter Margaret Ny Brien the upper half of the castle of Shealy and its half quarter, until she is paid £30 by her cousin Donnogho Geagh O'Brien or his heirs. If Nicholas Bourke receives the said half of Shealy and half quarter for £30, she shall have the profits of the three half quarters which he has in Dromolyn, until she has been paid £30.

All the above castles, lands, and tenements to be enjoyed by his wife Slany Ny Brien during his son's minority.

Appoints Brien Duff O'Brien of Carigogeunyl and Donnogho O'Brien Mc Gerrehly Cary o Cnockeinnarnyn, gents., overseers, "aydes, helpers, and vigillant assisters" to his wife.

In case his son dies without lawful heirs of his body, he leaves the above castles and lands to his daughter.

His wife and son to perform all covenants which he has made with anyone concerning land; "yf they doe soe they have my blessinge yf not I leave my cursse perpetually wth them."

His wife not to waste any part of his estate, or part with it except by the advice of his overseers; if they do not find her "a naturall (?) and lovinge mother towards my said children and faithfull howswiff for the inheritance descended to them" they may take one part of the estate for payment of his debts, and retain the other two-thirds until his son is of ripe years.

To the preferment of his daughter such a sum as his son and his overseers may award.

Signed. Connoghor O Brien.

Witnesses. Conor Mc Gillasaghty; Patritius Mc Dair (?) presbyter; Eneas Harney; Nicholas Skarett; Thomas Linche Fitz William [mark].¹

Proved at Killaloe 7 (?) Feb. 1603[4] (Killaloe Diocesan Court).

Endorsed, by Sir Donough O'Brien, with a note of the lands returned in the inquisition of 22 Feb. 1624, which gives the date of his death as 2 Jan. 1609.

1482.

15 Oct. 1622.

Will of Hugh Mc Clanchy of Killfinane, made ".... before my parish prieste Donnell Mc Enestor & many other menn"

¹ As the names of the witnesses are all in the same hand, this is probably a copy of the original will, made for the executors at the time of probate.

To be buried with his ancestors in the parish church of Disarte.

Leaves his right in the cartron of Cahirarthla "of" the quarter of Killfynane to Shane O'Duline, son of Donnell O'Duline of Killfinane, the said Shane "to spend with my death as hee shall thinke fitt."

".... I doe sweare by the holie Evangelist that I did not nor thought not to give graunt passe any right.... in the forsaid cartrone.... to Nicholas O Nellan nor to his sonne Flann O Nellane nor to any other mann.... I doe sweare that I did not give any parte.... of Leathcreage unto my brother Donnell Mc Clanchy by way of possession right or division...."

Signed. Hugh Mc Clanchy [mark].

Witnesses. Daniell Nest[or]; Connor O Dae; James Mc Brodin; Hibbart Lerren; Connor Mc Donnogh; Owen Mc Connor [all except first sign by marks].

Proved 19 Nov. 1622. (Killaloe Diocesan Court).

Certified copy; 1p.; torn.

1483.

II Dec. 1635.

Administration of Donough O'Brien of Leameneh, esq., granted to Honora ny Brien alias Wingfield, the relict. (Prerogative).

Certified copy.

1484.

6 May 1645.

Will of Christopher O'Brien.

"In dei nomine Amen

I Christopher O Brien of Inishdymane in the County of Clare esqr.... bequeath my soule to God almighty, and my body to be buried (if it may be possible) in the Aby of Inish where most of my predecessors were intombed....."

Leaves to "the Romane Clergy in generall especially [those] resident within the County of Clare" £40 to be distributed in alms for his soul, as thought fit by Father Danyell O'Gripha, Vicar Apostolic of Killfenora, and Father Donough Ouge Fitz Patrick, his parish priest.

Leaves to his wife Honora Ny Mahowna alias Brien all his goods, chattles, household stuff, etc., she paying his debts and being his executrix.

Signed and sealed. Chr: O Bryen.

Witnesses. Donatus Fitz Patrick; Ullick Bourke; Corn: O Dea. Holograph; 11/4pp.

4 Jan. 1650.

Will of Honora Ny Brien alias Wingfield of Smithstowne, Co. Clare.

To be buried in the Abbey of Ennis where her ancestors were entombed.

To the Roman clergy £20 to be paid at her burial, being distributed at the discretion of the Bishop of Kilfenora, Father Daniell O'Griffa, and Father Donough Og Fiz Patricke; if this sum cannot be paid, six "principall cowes," £6 in money, and the profits of the parish of Kilshany to be converted to their use until they have received £60.

Her grandchild Connor O'Brien of Leameneh to be her heir, to whom she leaves the castle and lands of Smithstowne with its subdenominations, 12 ploughdays in Carran, 12 in Tirikelly (?), 7 in Fanacaha, and 7 in Bowlliancley and Bowllianraddane, with the quarter of Carrowkeill, two other half quarters, and the third of a cartron; also all her cattle, horses, corn, and household stuff not disposed of.

The said Connor to mortgage or redeem Ballycastle from Florence Fiz Patricke and any other part of her estate now out of her hands.

Brien Mc Gillapatricke and Loghlen Mc Mahon Mc Nemara to hold the cartron called Tormybrien for their joint lives; remainder to her said grandchild.

To her grandchild Margarett Ny Brien the £50 she has on the quarter of Carrownahowen.

To her grandchild Marie Ny Brien Fiz Donough the £17 she has on the lands of the Dalyes.

To her daughter Honora Wingfield a big gold ring and a black silk gown.

To her daughter Margarett Wingfield a Turkey ring.

To her daughter Ellinor Wingfield an amber pair of beads and a broadcloth gown and cloak.

To her niece Una Ny Brien an "anatist" [amethyst] (?) gold ring.

To her daughter Mary Brien alias Ma...... all the jewels formerly given her.

To the said Mary's little daughter Honora a diamond gold ring.

To her grandchild Delahoyd six "gownaghs," all her sheep, and a white pacing nag she rides.

To her grandchild Margarett Delahoyd three gownaghs,

To her grandchild Teig O'Brien two mares.

To her grandchild Donough O'Brien a mare.

To her grandchild Honora Ny Brien Fiz Morrogh a jewel.

To Slany Ny Loghlen, in consideration of debts of 56/- and "myne owne gratuitie" three in calf cows.

¹ James Lynch, Bishop 1647—c. 1673.

To Marie Fiz Patricke and Margarett Ny Flanigane each an in calf cow.

To Orgline Ny Geggin two in calf cows.

To Innane Ny Gorman, Murrine Ny Neylane, and Honora Hickie each a heifer.

To Teig O'Hickie a cow.

To Brien O'Teyne the bay nag he rides, and the three days of Dromnyne with Gortanegowne for five years from next May.

To her parish priest, Father Donough Og Fiz Patrick, two of her best "stood" mares.

To Donough O'Hickie 40/- annuity "upon my grand child & him to cheirish and maintaine."

To her grandchild Connor O'Brien all her writings and evidences.

To her grandchild Cromwell Wingfield Robertstowne and certain other lands until the right heir possesses them, when he shall have £200 out of them.

To her grandchild Teig O'Brien £20 "upon" Connor O'Brien, to be paid him at 21.

Appoints executors Connor O'Dea of Ma...lline and Dermott Og Neylane of Glankeyne.

Signed. Honora Wingfield alias Brien [mark].

Witnesses. Dionisius (?) Fitz Patricke Archidiac[onus] Finibor[ensis]; William Mc Encharigy; Teig O'Hickie; Donough O'Hickie; Denis Hickey (?) Rector of Kilcornan; Tumultagh O'Teyne [mark]; Brien O'Teyne [mark].

Proved at Limerick 10 Oct. 1656 by the executors.

Certified copy; 1p.

1486.

I Nov. 1652.

Will of William Neylon, son to Daniel Neylon of Turla, Co. Clare. Desires, "in case I returne salfe unto my natiue cuntrie," to be buried by his father in the Abbey at Ennis.

Alleges that neither he nor his father ever acted against the English interest. Being under age "as of my haste going to attend the shipping now bound for Spaine I cannot take that mature and deliberate councell & aduise in lawe as might bee expedient" for settling his estate, he gives it to his mother Mary O'Brien alias Mahon, in trust for herself during his minority, after which she shall manage it for his benefit. Remainder to his brothers, Daniel O'Neylon and Michael O'Neylon; after whom he leaves that part in the barony of Burren to his mother, that in the barony of Inchiquin to his [half-] brother Donough O'Brien Fitz Connor, Killtoghoraght to his servant and fosterbrother William Mcen Carrogy, Ballynecarragh to his foster-

brother William Neylon Fitz Teig, and the rest in Corkamroe to his [half-] brother Teig O'Brien Fitz Connor.

To his sister Honora Brien Fitz Connor £200 towards her preferment.

To his sister Mary Brien Fitz Connor £150 for the same,

To his brothers Terlagh and Morrogh O'Brien £50 each.

To his brother Donough O'Brien four "stood mares" which he has in the barony of Inchiquin.

To his mother all his plate and household stuff.

Executors. His mother and his brothers Daniel and Michael Neylon and Donough O'Brien.

Signed. Wm: Neylan. [Seals with O'Brien armorial seal]. Witnesses. Wm. Purefoy; William Kinge; John Cooper.

Endorsed, in a later hand; "He was son to Mary O'Brien by her first husband her 2d husband was Col. Connor O'Brien killed in 1651 her 3d husband was Cornet Cooper."

1487.

7 Jul. 1656.

Will of Daniel O'Brien of Cearrowduffe, Co. Clare, esq., "though weak of complection yet of perfect memory"

To be buried, if convenient, in the abbey of Ennis in his predecessors' tomb.

To his wife Ellinor Ni Brien alias Connor the half quarter of Dorrilye, the half quarter of Cearrowduffe and the half cartron of Cnockardennis.

To his son and heir Brien O'Brien (now a minor, aged 5) to be disposed of as the surveyors and feoffees think fit, a cartron in Killnoe, a cartron in Maghery, a cartron in Boherbollog, a cartron and a half in Craganboy and Tineregoigh, in the parish of Rath, barony of Inchiquin, Co. Clare; and the half quarter of Crossard, in the parish of Killinaboy, in the said barony and county; with the reversion of the lands left to the testator's wife.

If his son dies without male issue, the above lands to go to the testator's brother Murrough and his heirs male.

The lands left his wife to stand engaged to his daughter Margaret until his feoffees have paid her £100.

His cousin Brien Mc Mahony O'Brien to enjoy five plough days in the half quarter of Cearrowduffe called Inshinikrey "as freedom to himself & his heirs males for ever," with no power to dispose of the fee simple without the consent of the testator's heirs.

Margaret Ni Brien Mc Daniel of Cragganboy to enjoy two plough days in Inshienludury and one in Gortmore, with the grazing of three cows in Cregganboy, on the same conditions.

Connor O'Brien late of Leameneh and his heirs to enjoy the cartron of Cragganboy, the half cartron of Teneregoih, the cartron of Killnoe, and the cartron of Maghery, until he or they have been repaid sums due them on mortgage "which I cannot very well remember by reason I have no counterpart of the said deeds ,"

Donough O'Hehir of Voir (?), Co. Clare, gent., to enjoy the half quarter of Crossard mortgaged to his father Mleaghlin oge O'Hehir.

His son or next heir to discharge the following debts: £9 to his brother in law Patrick Lysaght of Craggan, gent.; £6 to Owen O'Neylon late of Killcarragh; and 3/4 to Brien O'Connor of Ennis.

Appoints feoffees and overseers Teige O'Brien of Ballycluonin, Patrick Lysaght of Craggan, Hugh O'Connor of Cahirsherkin, and Daniel Mc Donnogh of Monenanagh, Co. Clare, gents.

Signed & sealed. Daniel O'Brien.

Witnesses. [] McDonogh; Daniel O'Brien of Gortnaclogh; Donough McQuine; Brien O'Brien.

Proved 31 May 1689. (Killaloe Diocesan Court). Copy, made c. 1860 by the 13th Lord Inchiquin.

1488.

25 Jul. 166-.

Will of Christopher Mc Cruttyne of Tyrqunyine (?), parish of Kiltilagh, Co. Clare.

Desires to be buried in the parish church of Kilmcbrihy.

Leaves to his wife Any Neylon 24a. in Cahersherkin until she has been satisfied for her marriage portion, deducting what he now leaves her.

Leaves to his daughter Elyzabeath Cruttyne "as marriage uppon the said foure & twentie ackers & halfe" until she has been paid the same portion; also a large black cow with her calf "by name duf beg," two yearling heifers, six sheep, and six lambs.

All the rest of his moveable goods to his wife, she paying his debts and funeral expenses.

To his ghostly father, Father Florence Mc Carty, his parish priest, a bullock or 6/- at his choice.

To Father John, Father Teige Dally, Father John Moall, and Richard each 2/-.

To the clergy "nowe comitted in Galway" a sheep or the value of it. His interest in the lands of Caherserkyne and Carowduffe to his brother Michell Mc Cruttyne, with remainder to his cousin Hugh Mc Cruttyne, failing his issue male to "the next heyre in blood for euer."

To Grannagh Mc Cruttyne the moiety of Caherserkyne, he paying 30/- to the testator's wife, in consideration of the losses he has sustained in recovering it from the heirs of Connor Mc Cruttyne.

"Item I leave and bequeath that my wife shall pay my sister the sume of 20s. ster."

In case his daughter dies before receiving her portion, his sister shall receive it. Appoints executors and overseers Donogh O Connor, Danyell Mc Donogh, and Hugh Mc Incarigy.

Signed. Christopher Cruttyne.

Witnesses. Edmond fitz Gearld; Thomas Clanchy; Remo[nd] Cahill; John Haugan (?); Ed.... Neylon; Danyell.....

2pp., contemporary copy; torn and slightly faded.

1489.

6 Apr. 1672.

Will of Henry O'Brien, son of the Earl of Thomond.

Appoints his eldest son Donatus O'Brien sole executor.

During his minority, his affairs to be managed by the testator's dear friend Sir Joseph Williamson,² now of Whitehall; his cousin Donatus O'Brien of Leameneh; and John Williamson "my honest servant."

To his honoured grandmother "to whome I returne my humble thanks for all the great fauors shee has bestowed upon me or mine" a ring worth £50.

To his father any horse, mare, or gelding he chooses out of the stable.

To his wife £300 within a year of his death.

To his daughters Mary and Catherine £100 each at 14.

To his son George O'Brien £40 annuity (payable, after his father's death, under his own marriage settlement) out of Clounround, Buncraggy, and several other lands in the barony of Islands, Co. Clare.

To Sir Joseph the next best horse (after his father's choice) and £50 for a ring.

To his cousin Donatus O'Brien the next best horse.

To his servant John Williamson floo and all his clothes.

To his old friend Mrs. Mary Marshall and to Mr. Heugh Williaston each f10.

All servants' wages to be paid, and his groom John Braune to have flo extra.

Requests his wife to "quitt her intrest" in her jointure, taking instead a rentcharge of £2,000 ".... in regard that it has bin my care and industry, that has improved her jointure from fifteene hundred per annum, to what itt now is or may be."

His son Donatus ".... to honnour and obey his king in whateuer he commands that is not contradictory to the Holy Scripture, and Protestant Religion in wch. I conjure him uppon payne of my course [curse] not onely to continue himselfe but to aduise his brother and

¹ Eldest son of Henry O'Brien [c. 1620–1691] 7th Earl of Thomond. Cf. Burke's Extinct Peerage, p. 406.

² Who afterwards married his widow.

sisters to doe the same, to cherish the English uppon his estate and driue out the Irish, and specially those of them whoe are under the name of gentlemen"

Signed. O'Brien.

Witnesses. Clare; G: Blount; John Cooper; Walter Hickman; Henry Iuers.

Commission to administer goods granted, during the minority of the executor, to Joseph Williamson, one of his guardians, 26 Sept. 1678. (Canterbury Prerogative Court).

Certified copy; 4pp.

1490.

12 Sept. 1677.

Will of Thomas Hickman of Ballyhynan, Co. Clare, esq.

To be buried in the chancel of Ennis church, as near as may be to his wife and mother, desiring his eldest son Thomas Hickman to "cause the stone now at Ballyhynan neer the water side for that purpose to bee pollished and laid over the tomb of mee and my wife and my armes and name to bee thereon engraven"; he paying the testator's debts, legacies, and funeral charges, which last he wishes not to be extravagant but to be done "wth: fitting decency."

All his estate to his eldest son Thomas Hickman and the heirs male of his body, giving him power (if he have only female issue) to charge it with £500 for portions; remainder to his second son Dixie Hickman, his third son William Hickman, his fourth son Andrew Hickman, his fifth son George Hickman; the heirs male of his brothers Walter, Hugh, and Henry Hickman; and his daughters Rhody and Mary Hickman.

His son Thomas, whenever he discharges the £400 due as a portion for Rhody on her marriage with Hugh Perciuall of Kinsale, gent., to take possession of the Co. Galway estate settled on Rhody for securing her portion.

To his daughter Mary £300 for her marriage portion, his heir maintaining her till she is 21 and then paying her £20 a year till she is married.

To his daughter Elizabeth £200 for her portion and £15 a year for her maintenance.

To his daughter Ann £150 for her portion and £12 a year for her maintenance. Any of his daughters marrying without their uncles' consent to lose her portion.

His eldest son, until he has redeemed the houses and lands in Co. Galway from the £400 mentioned above, to pay his brothers Dixie and William each an annuity of £20; the former from the testator's death, with diet at his brother's, and grazing and stabling for a couple of

¹ Probably Daniel O'Brien, 3rd Viscount; [c. 1640-1691.]

horses "when hee comes for Ireland"; the latter at 21.

To his sons Andrew and George £100 each at 21, and £10 a year each for their maintenance while under age, "not [int]ending that where any of my children are wth: any of my friends that my heir bee charged for their Dyet.....but.....pay onely for their cloaths and schooleing and saue what may bee decently saued..... to himselfe....."

To his servant Una Ny Mc: nemarra the cabin she lives in at Ballyhynan rent free, and the grazing of two cows if she has them.

To Murrin Ny Teig and her lame daughter their tenement rent free.

To his servant Charles Hallynan annuity of 40/-, expecting him to be "dutifull to my sonne Thomas and continue wth : him."

"I will that Sargeant Carr bee not removed from Shally for this year " desiring his son Thomas to make further use of him, and to be friend him and his wife, if he sees fit.

Recommends Loghlin Hallynan, James Hallynan, and the rest of his old servants to the care of his son "to doe them all befittinge kindnesse...."

Mr. Patrick Fitz Simons, clerk, to take care of his funeral and preach his funeral sermon at Ennis, for which he leaves him two broad pieces of gold.

".... As I offer my prayers unto God for prosperity and happinesse of the house of Thomond wherein I have long served.... soe I recomend unto my children that they pay all duty and humble respects and service unto it and hope the lords thereof will looke upon my children and protect right.... my blessing to all my children and love to all my freinds and relacons...."

Signed. Thomas Hickman.

Witnesses. John Gore; Richard Morgan; John Weekes; Luke Murry.

Proved 28 Nov. 1677 by Thomas Hickman, son and sole executor. (Prerogative).

Certified copy; 2pp.

1491.

13 Apr. 1678.

Will of Capt. William Neylon of Disert, Co. Clare.

Desires to be buried in the Franciscan Abbey of Enis.

Leaves to his wife Catherin Neylon alias Fizt Gerald a life interest in all his lands in Co. Clare, with remainder to his eldest son Daniell Neylan, his second son Francis Neylon, his [half-]brothers Donough O'Brien of Leameneh, Teige O'Brien, and Therlagh O'Brien, and the heirs male of their respective bodies.

To his son Daniell Neylon, with the same remainders, his right to any lands and tenements granted him by the Court of Claims, by a decree of Innocency or otherwise. In case any of his heirs male dies leaving female children only they shall be paid such portions as may be thought fit by Donough O'Brien and Edward fzt Gerald of Carrigorane, Co. Clare, esq.

To his brother Donough O'Brien his right to the plowland of Lurgoe and Carrowkeale, until he has been paid the money advanced

the testator; remainder as before.

To his uncle Edward Fzt Gerald the plowland of Ballycullina on the same terms; after which, his wife shall hold it when she has repaid a debt of £20 owing to [] Gribble of Limerick, merchant.

To Teige Kearin the lands of Glane until he has been paid £30

due to him.

Directs his overseers to redeem, as soon as they can, the mortgage of £120 to John Tomkins of Moehry, gent., on the plowland of Cluonbegge in the barony of Inchiquin and the "sessy" of Culemore in the barony of Burren; paying any surplus profits, of these or any other lands redeemed, to his wife for her maintenance and the childrens.

Directs his wife to pay all "the petty debts, whereof I will leaue a particuler"; for which he leaves her all his goods and chattels.

Appoints his brother Donough O'Brien and his uncle Edward Fzt Gerald overseers.

Signed. William Neylon.

Witnesses. Edmund fizt Gerald; Therl: O'Loghlen; John Collins; Michaell Dallane; Richard Fizt Gerald; Thomas Clanchy.

 $2\frac{1}{2}pp$.

Also copy, dated 1701, certified by D. Hallinan and Owen O'Neile; $1\frac{1}{2}pp$.

1492.

8 June 1683.

Administration de bonis non of George Hurt of Clare Abby, Co. Clare, esq., granted to Donat O'Brien of Limerick and Elizabeth his wife, principal creditors, Christopher Hurt, brother and administrator of the deceased, having died. (Prerogative).

Certified copy.

1493.

7 June 1686.

Will of Mary Cooper alias McMahon.

Desires to be buried in the Abbey of Ennis.

Leaves to the Abbey and Convent of Quyne, £5; to the Dominican Convent in Limerick, £3; to the Franciscan Convent in Limerick, £3; to the Augustinian Convent in Limerick, £2.

To the Abbey and Convent of Ennis £5 a year for five years "to come upon condition of a rememberance."

To Dr. Thomas Gripha £2.

To Father Morish Mc Inerhiny, her parish priest, £5.

To Father James Mc Inerhiny £1.10.

To Father Dermott O'Connor, Dr. Andrew Bourke, Father Teige Mc Gullanane, and Father Bryen Mc Teige 20/- each.

To every priest "that celebrates over my corps" 2/3.

To her grandchild Mary Mc Nemara two young cows.

To Dr. William Carrigie a young grey horse.

To Peter Arthur a grey horse used for ploughing.

All crops in the ground and all her other goods for discharging her debts; if they are not sufficient "I will leaue it to god Allmightie and to my sonne Donnogh O Brien his discretion."

To Sarah Quely a cow and a heifer, a black pot, a griddle, and a hutch.

To Honora Cunnigane a cow.

To Slany Neylon alias Brien a brass yellow pan and a big skillet.

To Daniell Fennucan an Irish "deyper" [diaper] tablecloth which his mother had, two pewter dishes of the half dozen, a pair of handirons, a small press, and a table.

Leaves all these, with an inventory of what she has within and without doors, to her son Donough O'Brien to dispose of and to pay her debts, ".... this being all that I have to say to the world and my blessing to my children"

Signed. Mary Cooper.

Witnesses. Peter Arthur; Teige O'Lynchie.

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1494.

21 May 1689.

Will of Sir Donough O'Brien of Leameneh, Co. Clare, Bt.

To be buried on the North side of the communion table in the chancel of the parish church of Killanasulagh, where he desires a vault to be made and "a monument or figure erected" within two years of his death, at a cost of £150.

Leaves the castle and lands of Carowcastle alias Leameneh Cahirmoyle, Cahirfadda, and other lands in the baronies of Bunratty, Burren, Clondirala, and Corcomroe, Co. Clare, with the lands of Gouleroe and Lissnanire, Co. Galway, to William, Lord O'Brien; Connor O'Brien of Dirmone (?) esq.; Matthew Foord of Culegreeny [Coolgreany] Co. Wexford, esq.; and Stephen Deane, esq., student in the law in London: in trust for his eldest son Lucius, till he is of age and married (provided he marries with the trustees' consent) and the heirs male of his body; remainder to his son Henry, his cousin german Connor O'Brien Fitz Terlogh (unless the honour and estate of the Earl of Thomond comes to him, or he is incapacitated from holding it), his nephew Connor O'Brien Fitz Teige, his nephew Donough O'Brien

¹ William O'Brien, afterwards 3rd Earl of Inchiquin [c. 1666-1719].

Fitz Teige, the heirs male of the body of his brother Teige O'Brien, and his cousin german Teige O'Brien Fitz Murrough.

His son Lucius may make leases for terms up to 21 years, and may charge the estate with a jointure not exceeding £300, unless the portion brought by his wife merits it; if he has no sons and more daughters, he may give them portions of £2,000 in all at 19 or marriage.

To his daughter Elizabeth, besides the £1,200 due to her under her mother's settlement, £1,500 more payable out of the estate settled on Lucius, provided she marries with the consent of her grandmother Mrs. Elizabeth Deane, her uncle Stephen Deane, and her aunt Mrs. Dorothy Berkley, having in the meantime £80 a year for her maintenance and education. If her brother Henry predeceases her, and the estate that comes to him in his mother's right falls to her this bequest to be void.

Confirms to his son Henry the castle and lands of Crattloghmore, with other lands in the baronies of Bunratty and Inchiquin, Co. Clare, included in his settlement with his late wife Elizabeth; leaving also to him the cartron of Classagh and certain other lands in Co. Clare, to bring him in a further \underline{f} 200 a year. (To be enjoyed on the same terms as the estate left to Lucius). Remainder to Connor O'Brien Fitz Terlogh, and others as before.

To his son Henry the benefit of his lease of Tyowne and other lands in the barony of Lower Ormond, Co. Tipperary.

To his said son Ballydonoghow and other lands in the barony of Islands, Co. Clare, instead of Killtochey and other lands which he now leaves to Lucius.

To his daughter Elizabeth her mother's "chamber plate," rings, clothes, tapestry, cabinet, and chest of drawers.

To his son Henry the rest of his plate, to be delivered to him at 21 or marriage.

To his son Lucius his interest in Dangenbrack, Dromoland, and Ballycasseene, Co. Clare, the profits of which he shall receive when he is 25 and married; in the meantime Richard Wilson shall make him an allowance approved by the trustees. At 16, he shall be sent to the College of [] till he is 18; then entered in some of the Inns of Court in London and sent to Queens' College, Oxford, till he is 20; then sent to some of the Inns of Court till he is 25.

To his said son all his goods, horses, livestock, and corn not already bequeathed, making him sole executor when he is 25; in the meantime appointing his trusty friends Thomas Hickman and Symon Purdon, esq., John Durey and Richard Wilson, gents.

Signed. Donn: O: Brien.

Witnesses. Michael Creagh; Boetius Clanchy; John Barrett; John Hawkins.

3pp.

28 Mar. 1690.

Will of James Roch of Killgobbane, Co. Clare, gent.

Desires to be buried, at his executors' discretion, with his brother Stephen Roch in the parish church of Kilefenagthen.

To Lucius O'Brien and his heirs male, with remainder to the heirs male of his father Sir Donough O'Brien, the plowland of Killgobbane and the half plowland of Lassana, in the barony of Bunratty, Co. Clare, with all real and personal estate left him by his father or by his brother Stephen Roch; and to the said Lucius a year's rent due next May from John Maghee out of the said lands.

To his natural daughter Nelly Roch £22 for her preferment (with £10 more if she marries with Sir Donough's consent); his beds and all other household stuff; and his "stood" mare.

Leaves £20 (of which £5 to the Dominicans of Limerick) to be distributed for the good of his soul.

To Sir Donough O'Brien £5 to buy a ring.

To Lucius and Henry O'Brien his two fine hats and his two colts; to the said Lucius his watch, a pair of silk stockings, his new flaxen wig, and his silver handled sword that Alderman Michael Creagh has in his hands.

To Patrick Creagh "a cobb that I owe him."

Residue of his old clothes to the poor, to pray for his soul.

Other bequests to David Harrold, Elizabeth O'Brien (daughter of Sir Donough), Ellin Harrold, the testator's sister Ellis Roch, Father Nicholas Roch, Tege O'Brien, Richard Wilson, John Durey, Leonard Roch, Roger Cusack, Edmond Maly, and "little Andw. Hickey."

Appoints Sir Donough O'Brien and Lucius O'Brien executors.

Signed & sealed. James Roch.

Witnesses. Peter Henchy; Daniell Mc Mahon.

1496.

27 Apr. 1692.

Will of Col. James O'Brien of Portroyal in the Island of Jamaica.

All estate to his brother William, Earl of Inchiquin, and the heirs of his body; remainder to the issue of Lieut.-Col. Henry Boyle and his wife Dame Mary.

His heirs to pay £100 annuity to William "commonly known by the name of O Bryen," natural son of his said brother by Margaret, now wife of Richard Andrews.

Appoints his said brother sole executor.

Proved by the executor. (Cork Diocesan Court).

Certified copy, dated 1862; 12pp.

25 Jul. 1695.

Will of Sir Donough O'Brien, "being at present indisposed of health"

Revokes former will, and appoints new trustees: William, Earl of Inchiquin; Col. Gustavus Hamilton of Castledow, Co. [Donegal]; Symon Purdon of Tonnarranna, Co. Clare, esq.; and Joseph Stepney of Abington, Co. Limerick, esq.

Appoints both his sons executors at 25.

Signed. Don: O'Brien.

Witnesses. Richard Butler; David Harrold; Teig Clanchy; Jo. Durey.

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1498.

19 Jan. 1697.

Will of Brien O'Brien of Leitrim, Co. Clare, gent.

To his son Therlagh O'Brien, in reversion after the death of his wife Mary O'Brien alias Consedin, his interest in the plowland of Leitrim made over to the testator on his marriage by his father in law Mr. Dermot Consedin.

If his son Therlagh marries during his wife's widowhood, it shall be with the consent of his dear kinsman Terlagh O'Brien of Ballacorick and Mortagh Mc Mahon of Ballyhagar.

If his said son dies without issue, remainder to his son Teige, "after him gradatim the rest of my male children."

Signed & sealed. Brien O'Brien.

Witnesses. Mich. (?) O Brien; Thady O Brien. Abstract, made c. 1860 by the 13th Lord Inchiquin.

1499.

16 May 1705.

Will of Henry O'Brien.

Leaves a life interest in all his English and Irish estate to his wife Susanna O'Brien.

Leaves to his father and to his brother Lucius O'Brien each £20 for mourning.

Appoints his wife sole executrix.

Proved 28 Apr. 1724. (Prerogative).

Copy.

1500.

1 Sept. 1709.

Administration of Charles Mc Donogh of Ballykeal, Co. Clare, diocese of Kilfenora, granted to Sir Donough O'Brien. (Kilfenora Diocesan Court).

Certified copy.

13 Oct. 1712.

Will of Teige O'Brien of Clonroad [Co. Clare]. Leaves all estate to his wife Catharine O'Brien alias Murrey. Abstract, made c. 1860 by the 13th Lord Inchiquin.

1502.

8 Sept. 1713.

Grant of administration of the goods of Col. Henry Hickman of Kilmore, Co. Clare, to William Alcock of Dublin, esq., his principal creditor. (Prerogative).

Certified copy.

1503.

I June 1717.

Will of Thomas Hickman of Barntick, Co. Clare, esq.

Desires to be buried "in a decent manner in my auncestors tomb in the Abby of Ennis."

Leaves to his wife, Elizabeth Hickman alias Stratford, his interest in part of the lands of Maddara, the castle and two plowlands of Ballyhynan, and certain other lands in Co. Clare; remainder successively to his cousin George Hickman of Ballykett, Co. Clare (in trust for the testator's eldest son Robert Hickman), and the heirs male of his body; to his second son Edward Hickman; his third son Charles Hickman; Hubert Hickman son of William Hickman late of Cork merchant; Poole Hickman of Kilmore, Co. Clare; the said George Hickman; and Hugh Hickman of Fenlo, Co. Clare.

Leaves to his wife her own chariot with four horses, and his best saddle horse; she having during widowhood "her choice apartment" in the house at Barntick, with one moiety of his moveable furniture and household stuff, the other moiety to go to his son Robert (with the same remainder).

Leaves to his sons Edward and Charles £500 each at 21.

Leaves to his daughters Gartrude, Mary, and Hariot £800 each at marriage.

His younger sons to have each £40 a year during minority, his eldest daughter £30, and his younger daughters £20 each. He recommends his son Charles to "be bred to the study of Divinity."

Appoints executors Edward Stratford of Belan, Co. Kildare, esq.; his wife, during her widowhood; and his son Robert.

Desires his eldest son to pay yearly on Christmas Eve for ten years 20/- to the poor of the parish of Clare Abby.

Desires all his children "to be just & kind to all my auncient servants but especially to my faithfull servant Dennis Hallinan & his family," to whom he leaves his interest in the cartron of Dromdologhty.

Signed & sealed. Thomas Hickman. [Armorial seal].

Witnesses. Francis Gore; David England; Richard England. Codicil, 5 Oct. 1718.

Having purchased a cornet's commission for his son Edward and otherwise spent over £500 on him, he revokes the bequest to him and leaves him only £100.

Requests his eldest son to give his niece Rhoda Dawson £20 at her marriage.

Proved 31 Jan. 1718 [19] by Robert Hickman, power reserved to the other executors. (Prerogative).

Certified copy

1504.

16 Nov. 1717.

Will of Sir Donough O'Brien of Dromoland, Bt.

To be buried in the parish church of Killenesulagh, Co. Clare, as "shall deem decent and agreeable" to his son Henry O'Brien.

Leaves to his grandson Edward O'Brien the following lands in Co. Clare: Cratelaghkeal, Carroonakelly, Rathfullanebegg Cahirscoby (leased to Capt, John Davis or his assigns), Cahorscoby Lisaith, Ballynacreggy (subject to the rent payable to the Earl of Thomond), Mughane (with all debts due from the heirs or executors of Thoms. mc Namara or Florence mc. Namara), Bellaghboy, Knocknescible, and Gorthglass (subject to the rent payable to the Earl of Thomond) in the barony of Bunratty; Cahirsherkine, Ballimacravan, Cahirronsane, Mohirdonis, Lishegorane, Killeragh, Fiecnea, Dromsellagh, Cappaghare, Ballykeale East, Lachamore, Lachanamagh, Ballykeal West, Ballyhana East and Ballyhana West, and Glassnane, in the barony of Corcomroe; Coskeam (subject to a rent of £6 to Martha Kelly), Banhigle, Mogowly, Banroe, Ballymohony, Poulbane, Ballicourie, Cossimore, and Ballyline (subject to the rents and duties payable to the Earl of Thomond) in the barony of Burrin: to him and the heirs male of his body, with remainder to his brother Thomas O'Brien; the said Henry O'Brien; his son Henry O'Brien; and his son Donough O'Brien.

Any person to whom the estate comes shall have power to charge it with a jointure of not more than £300 for his wife, and to make leases for three lives or 31 years.

To his son Henry O'Brien the lands of Ballenora, in the South Liberties of Cork; Shally Coghlane and Shally Worth, Co. Tipperary; Shanavoe alias Knockshanavoe, Finish Island, (subject to the rents payable to the Earl of Thomond), Ballinaluhy, Tironan, Killkee alias Lishnagrivagh, Ballyboy, Ballykinacora South, Carrookeal, Cahircorane, Farmore, Cahircullin, Lishnahow, Scrapule, Moglassmore, Moglassbegg, and Carrunagry, Co. Clare: remainder to Donough, Henry, and Thomas O'Brien successively.

Any person to whom this estate comes may make leases for 31 years,

and may charge it with a jointure of not more than one-third of its yearly value.

To his grandson Edward all his plate, furniture, and household stuff.

After payment of debts and funeral expenses, all his substance not already settled to be divided into three parts; one to be paid the guardians of his grandchildren Thomas and Ann O'Brien; the other two to be paid his son Henry for his daughters, provided they marry with his consent.

To his grandson Edward the cartron of Ballagh, purchased from Capt. Francis Foster, without impeachment of waste, with remainder as above; it having been purchased in recompense for the cartron of Gortineard, which Sir Donough had sold though contained in the marriage settlement of his eldest son Lucius O'Brien, Edward's father; if Edward recovers Gortineard, his executors shall sell Ballagh.

The sum of £82.15. due to Mr. David England for the last seven years from Capt. Charles Mc Donough to be paid out of his personal fortune.

To Mr. Richard Wilson "who hath for many years served me faithfully and who may be serviceable to Edward " £20 annuity out of Coskeam.

To his old servant Mathew Bryan £8 annuity.

Connor Mc Donough to have for life the abatement of £4 rent.

Barbara Mc Donogh to have for life her yearly freedom from Sir Donough.

Donough Mc Na Mara to have for life his freedom from Sir Donough on the lands of Cahirsherkine.

To his servant Bridgett Mc Namara £3 annuity.

To Mary O'Brien, daughter of his brother Teige, £150 within six months of his own death.

His son Henry to pay Sarah Kindell £5 annuity; he recommends his grandson to continue her in her farm at the same rent, and (when of age) to make her or her son a lease at the same rent for 31 years.

Richard Wilson and his heirs to have his house, garden, and park in Sixmilebridge at £6.10. rent with duties and fees, for the lives of Henry Wilson, his son; John Paterson, son of Montrose Paterson; and James Glue, son of Mr. John Glue: the lease to be renewable for ever.

To Thomas Amery, esq., £20 for mourning.

To David England, annuity of £20 in consideration of his faithful services.

Appoints Henry O'Brien, Thomas Amory, and David England executors.

To his grandson Edward his right to the following farms: Dorine (held by Jeremy Thynn), Rossrally (held from the Earl of Inchiquin), Sheas acres in Ballyculline & Cahirsherkine, Bally Mc Donalbane.

Ballychinvaraga Ballyhuinalla, Magowly, Ballyroughane, Killshanane, the castle of Ennis, and 21a. in Ballykeely.

To his son Henry his right to the following farms: Glan (held from Lord Alen and Major William More), Bealragkin, Clonegihme (held from Charles Fean, esq.), Ballykinnacora North (held from Capt. Peter Aylmer), Agherim and Ross (held from Capt. Andrew Brown), and Cooleencroge (held by Mr. Walter Taylor).

His son Henry or the owner of these lands to subscribe £10 a year

for the support of the races at Turlamore, Co. Clare.

His grandson or his heir to pay out of the lands of Rathfallonbegg £18 a year; £6 to "a person qualified to teach in reading and writing twenty four young boys" of the parish of Killenesulagh; £12 among the boys taught at Newmarket by the said person. His grandson (when of age) and his heirs to have the nomination of the schoolmaster and the boys; his son Henry to have this right during Edward's minority.

During Edward's minority, Henry to make leases for lives renewable of any lands or tenements in Sixmilebridge.

Signed. Donat O'Brien.

Witnesses. John Grady; William Carige; M: Mc: Mahon.

Copy; 61pp.

Two other copies, one taken from the Registry of Deeds for Sir Edward O'Brien.

1505.

13 Jan. 1724.

Will of Donough O'Brien of Inch [Co. Clare].

Mentions his wife Mary Fitzgerald; his daughters Margaret and Mary; his grandchild Margaret; his daughter Scisely; his grandchild Donough O'Brien.

All his worldly substance equally between his son Dermot O'Brien his grandchild Donough O'Brien, and his grandchild Connor O'Brien.

Abstract, made c. 1860 by the 13th Lord Inchiquin.

1506.

25 Mar. 1725.

Will of Margaret O'Brien alias O'Connor of Corrofin.

Leaves to her daughter Honora Carthy alias O'Brien the lands of Poulnabrocky and Cahirnamona, held on lease from the Bishop of Killaloe; remainder to Christopher O'Brien, son of Frances O'Brien.

Mentions her brother Derby O'Connor of Turlakin.

Administration granted to Honor Egan alias Carthy alias O'Brien. (Killaloe Diocesan Court).

Abstract, made c. 1860 by the 13th Lord Inchiquin.

1507.

7 Apr. 1735.

Will of Honora Mathew, relict of Thomas Mathew of Anfield, Co.

Tipperary, esq.

Leaves to Thomas Gorman of Inchiquin, Co. Clare, gent., £250, of which part shall be spent on her funeral, the rest to be spent as laid out by an instrument signed at any time before her death.¹

To her beloved niece Honora Stapleton, widow of Bryan Stapleton of Ennis, gent., £150 and her interest in the lands of Cahaska in the

barony of Inchiquin.

To her eldest son William Stapleton £7 annuity out of the lands of Gurteen McNemara, he having the lands entirely after the death of Thomas Gorman.

To John Stapleton, another son of the said Honora, £100 at 21; remainder between his sisters Helen and Honora.

Of a debt owing to her from Brien O'Brien of Corbally, Co. Clare, gent, she leaves £100 to Catherine, wife of the said Brien, absolutely; £20 to be paid by her to such person as the testatrix directs; and £20 to her cousin Elizabeth FitzGerald of Dublin.

To her nephew David Geoghegan of Donore, Co. Westmeath, esq., all rent and arrears due out of the farm of Killare alias Newhall, Co. Clare.

To Keadagh Geoghegan, son of Brien Geoghegan of James Town, Co. Westmeath, her gold watch, a pair of plate candlesticks, a plate snuffer, and a plate snuffer dish.

To her executors £30 for such uses as she may appoint in writing.

To her niece Mary Geoghegan £100.

To her niece Honora Geoghegan £20.

To William, Earl of Inchiquin, a large plate salver and several other pieces of plate.

To Theobald Mathew of Anfield a plate cup with a cover and several other pieces.

To her niece Honora Stapleton a plate tankard.

To Mrs. Mary O'Brien alias Fitzgerald, widow, and Mrs. Bridget McMahon, widow, each £10.

To her old servant Maudlin Macnemara £5.

To Mr. Edmond Mathew, son to Thomas Mathew, esq., £20; also a mare and a colt.

To her executors £50 more towards her funeral expenses.

To Charles Creagh of Crag Brien, esq., £100, to be laid out to such persons as the testatrix may direct.

To Mr. Patrick Stewart of Ennis 40/-.

To [] Quelly of Ennis £5.

To Peter Harrold of Ennis, merchant, £5 for mourning.

¹ A clause of this kind sometimes occurs in wills of this period. It is probably so drawn to avoid the operation of the Penal Laws.

To her nephew David Geoghegan of Doonore, Co. Westmeath, gent., her tea equipage.

To Thomas Gorman the remainder of her plate.

To her trusty friend Thomas Morony of Kilmacduane, esq., £500.

To her executors £40 each to buy mourning.

Residue to Thomas Gorman, to be laid out as she may direct.

Executors. John Stackpoole of Clahanestine, esq., Thomas Morony of Kilmacduane, esq., Brien O'Brien of Corbally, gent., and Thomas Gorman of Inchiquin, gent.

Proved 13 Feb. 1735 [6] by Brien O'Brien and Thomas Gorman power reserved to the other executors. (Prerogative).

Certified copy; 92pp.

1508.

14 Oct. 1738.

Will of Henry [O'Brien] Earl of Thomond.

Leaves all lands, tenements, and rents in Great Britain or Ireland to William, Earl of Inchiquin and Robert French of Dublin, esq., in trust to sell as much as will be required to pay his debts, and to convey the remainder to Murrough O'Brien, commonly called Lord O'Brien, son and heir of the Earl of Inchiquin, and the heirs male of his body; remainder to Percy Wyndham, younger son of Sir William Wyndham of Orchard Wyndham in Somerset, Bt., he and his heirs taking the name of O'Brien; with power to charge the premises with a suitable jointure, and to make leases for 31 years "in possession and not in reversion remainder or expectancy or by way of future interest "

To Sir William Wyndham £20,000 on trust to pay it to his "much esteemed kinsman" Charles O'Brien, commonly called Viscount Clare.

To each of his domestics a year's wages over and above anything due to them at his death.

Appoints Sir William Wyndham and Robert French executors.

Signed. Thornond.

Witnesses. William Spring; William Bradshaw; Richard Lahy.

Administration de bonis non to George O'Brien [Wyndham] Earl of Egremont, 22 Mar. 1786. (Prerogative).²

Certified copy; 1p.

1509.

I June 1749.

Will of Connor O'Brien of Ennis, merchant.

Leaves all estate to his son Daniel O'Brien.

Abstract, made c. 1860 by the 13th Lord Inchiquin.

¹[1699-1761]. 6th titular Viscount, Maréchal de Camp in the French service, and Commander-in-Chief at Fontenoy.

² A grant had previously (12 Jul. 1782) been made by the Prerogative Court.

1510.

21 Mar. 1764.

Certificate regarding the will of Sir Donough O'Brien:

- (1) of the original will not having been found in the registry, but an exemplification or certified copy (15 Jan. 1717) having been found there:
- (2) of the original will having been given to Henry O'Brien of Stonehall, son of Sir Donough and one of the executors;
- (3) of a bond of £12,000 signed by Henry O'Brien and William Fitzgerald of Dublin, gent., conditional on the return of the original will, having also been found. (Prerogative).

1511.

26 Aug. 1765.

Will of Sir Edward O'Brien of Dromoland, Bt.

To be buried in the vault of his ancestors in the church of Killenesula, Co. Clare, at the discretion of his executors.

Confirms settlement of estates made in 1764, and charge of £12,000 to provide portions for his younger children; his sons Donough and Edward, his daughters Catherine McDonnell (wife of Charles McDonnell of Newhall, esq.) Henrietta, Mary, and Lucy O'Brien.

Having left to his eldest son Lucius his plate and household furniture his "Salisbury coach" and seven of his largest coach horses, he leaves to his eldest daughter Henrietta, till she is married, his post chaise and three chaise horses; and to his son Donough all his cattle, any stone horse or colt "that he may pitch upon for a Stallion" with all his pistols and guns (except those left to his brothers and sister Henrietta) "kept in my little armory or guncase in my closett at Dromoland."

To his third son Edward all the rest of his horses, mares, colts, and fillies. As he may want stable room and grass for them "when my head is under a stone," he leaves him his interest in the stable and lands of Jockey Hall near the Curragh; also "my gold snuffbox wth a galloping horse chased on the lid....".

To his third daughter Mary her mother's picture by Mr. Zinks and 50 guineas to buy her a handsome watch and chain.

To his youngest daughter Lucy his own repeating watch.

Desires his eldest son Lucius immediately after his death to "pay every groat I die indebted in particular my poor servants wages to some of whom I stand indebted for many years "; with a year's wages to any male servants who have served five years or more, "having met wh [with] not one woman servant worth salt to her pottage since Mrs Barnwell (?) left me "Requests Lucius to pay these debts "not only exactly and carefully but immediately as he regards my credit & his own in this world and my peace and happiness in that to come where ens entium miserere mei "

Valentine Quin of Adare, esq., Thomas Dawson of Dawsons Grove, Co. Monaghan, esq., and his three sons to be executors and guardians of his daughters who are under 21.

Signed. Edward O'Brien.

Witnesses. John Colpoys; Lucius O'Brien; Jos. Mcc Inerheny. "of all my cares of all my pains, if ought commendable remains, be that my Monument, if not let me for ever be forgot."

Copy; 12pp.

1512.

6 Jan. 1766.

Will of Hull Atfield of Dublin, esq.

His funeral to be inexpensive, and his just debts to be paid immediately.

If he dies in Dublin, to be buried in a lead coffin at St. Michan's in the Pooly vault, near his aunt French; if in the country, at Affane in the clergyman's vault near his father.

Leaves the £1,400 vested in trustees on his marriage and all the rest of his estate to his good friends Sir Lucius O'Brien, Bt., John Hyde jun. esq., and Thomas Barbon, esq., in trust to pay his wife an annuity of £100 if they have a child or children, and £150 if not; to his mother an annuity of £20; to his uncle John Supple £10 annuity and £5 for mourning; to his sister Mary, after his mother's death, £100 annuity; to his halfsister Elizabeth £20 annuity.

Desires his trustees also to pay £100 to the Bishop of Waterford, the half yearly interest of which shall be applied, at Christmas and Easter eves, "in ten sir loyns of beef and ten bottles of port wine to be given to the ten clergymans widows of the county or city of Waterford only who reside in the apartment of Waterford"; if ten do not reside there, the residue to be laid out in coals and distributed among those entitled.

His wife to live rent free for a year in his house, having the use of the furniture, chaise, and horses; afterwards, his trustees to sell the house to answer the ends of his will, giving her at his death besides any other bequests £100, with £5 worth of linen, his silver teaspoons, all the china that was hers, and a reasonable amount of the furniture for her better accommodation.

If his sister Mary has a son living at his death, she shall have £50 annuity only, the trustees holding the balance for such son. He shall, at the age of five [sic] take the name and arms of Atfield, when he is to be sent to an "English academy," then to Oxford. The trustees shall "breed him a lawyer if they find his abilitys answers very well, if not, to bind him to an Hamburgh or Turkey merchant." When he is called to the Bar or out of his apprenticeship, they are to pay him the residue of the testator's estates, retaining enough to pay such annuities as are

in being. If his sister has a daughter or daughters only, each is to be allowed £15 a year for her maintenance, and at marriage to have an equal share of his fortune, provided they marry with the consent of his wife and his trustees. If their mother is dead, they are to be educated at a boarding school in Dublin.

If his sister has no children, he leaves £30 annuity to his friend Thomas Barbon. On the other annuities falling in, he leaves £100 each to Arthur Lucas's eldest and youngest daughters; and makes several other bequests (including £50 to the poor Protestants of Affane, and £500 to the eldest son of his cousin Bell Fitzgerald, if he remains a Protestant and marries a Protestant wife).

Leaves to his chief clerk £100 out of the first £500 of office debts that he collects, £50 to his second clerk out of the first £200 so collected, and £100 to Christopher Willwood, if still a clerk in his office, out of the first £300 so collected.

To his own servant £10, all his clothes, and mourning; other bequests to his wife's maid and the rest of the servants.

"If I die in Dublin in office my brethren Six Clerks to be my bearers with the senior Master."

Signed. Hull Atfield.

No witnesses.

Administration de bonis non to Mary Fitzgerald, spinster, cousin and one of the residuary legatees, the executors having died and Mary Atcheson alias Povey alias Atfield, wife of William Acheson, sister of the testator, having also died leaving goods unadministered. 21 May 1802. (Prerogative).

Certified copy; 1p. Another copy; 4pp.

1513.

20 June 1792.

Will of Sir Lucius O'Brien of Dromoland, Bt.

".... haveing lately recovered from a dangerous indisposition

Confirms indentures made in 1764 (for payment of Sir Edward O'Brien's debts) and in 1768 (for settling his wife's dower and his younger childrens' portions).

Appoints £5,000 with interest @ 5% as a portion for his eldest daughter Nichola.

The provision already made for his wife and younger children appearing insufficient ("it haveing pleased God to bless me with 12 children now liveing") he makes up the jointure of his wife Ann to $\mathfrak{f}_{1,000}$; and gives each of his younger children an annuity of \mathfrak{f}_{60} up to the age of 18 (if sons) or marriage (if daughters). As a further fund for his younger childrens' portions, he leaves what interest he has in a mortgage for $\mathfrak{f}_{5,700}$ of part of his estates.

Leaves to his niece Henrietta, daughter of Capt. O'Brien, deceased, £200.

Leaves to his eldest son Edward all his pictures and household furniture (except such linen and bedding as his wife may choose).

Leaves his fee simple estate to his eldest son and his male children in order of seniority; with remainders to his second son Lucius, his third son Robert, his fourth son Donough, and his fifth son Henry; to his brother Donough O'Brien, his eldest son Lucius, his second son Donough, and his third son Edward; to his nephews James, Thomas, Donough, and Murrough, younger sons of his brother Edward O'Brien, deceased; to his cousin Henry O'Brien of Blatherwick; to his cousin Stafford O'Brien; to Murrough, Earl of Inchiquin; and to Capt. Edward O'Brien, brother of the said Earl, and his eldest son William.

Appoints his wife and his sons Edward and Lucius executors.

Holograph; 33pp.

1514.

1794.

Will of Elizabeth Atfield of Bath, widow of Hull Atfield of Dublin, esq., one of the Six Clerks of Chancery.

Desires her funeral to be "as private and unexpensive" as possible, in one of the country villages near Bath.

Leaves £500, with all arrears of her jointure and her household furniture, to Anne Partridge, wife of William Partridge of Bath, stablekeeper, in return for her dutiful care in a long illness.

To Hull Browning, esq., of Richmond, Co. Waterford, Mr. Atfield's gold watch and seal.

To her nephew Arthur Lucas, esq., of Grange near Fermoy, her cabinet now in his possession.

To Lieut. John Uniacke of Yong Hall her gold medal.

Appoints William Partridge executor in trust for his wife.

Signed. Elizabeth Atfield.

No witnesses.

Proved 16 Jan. 1807 by the executor. (Prerogative).

Certified copy; 1p.

1515.

1803.

Will of Edmond Powell of Ennis, Co. Clare, tanner.

Leaves to his wife Mary Powell £40 annuity out of his tanyard and houses, the use of his house and furniture, four Kerry cows, and a mule and tack.

Bequests of farms, stock, and money to his sons and daughter Patrick, Edmond, and Mary Powell. His eldest son Daniel to manage the farms for his brothers during their minority.

Signed. Edmd Powell.

Witnesses. Francis Arthur England; Matt O'Brien; Thomas Vandeleur.

Signed by testator; 1p.

1516.

1829.

Will of John Laffan of Castleconnell, late of Limerick, gent., Supervisor of Excise.

Mentions house property in Carrick-on-Suir, and lands of Claremount, Co. Clare (the latter held from Sir Edward O'Brien, who is indebted to testator for £700).

Appoints his wife Suzanna guardian of his children during minority. Appoints Sir Edward O'Brien and his brother Dr. Laffan, Archbishop of Cashel, executors.

Copy; 2pp.

1517.

1834.

Will of Katherine Mac Donnell, widow [no place mentioned]. Copy, dated 1843; 2pp.

1518.

1837.

Will of Sir Edward O'Brien of Dromoland, Bt.
Appoints his son Lucius and his wife Charlotte executors.
Proved 1837 by Dame Charlotte O'Brien. (Prerogative).
Certified copy; Ip.
Another contemporary copy; 3pp.

MARRIAGE SETTLEMENTS

1519.

10 Feb. 1604.

"Whearas Laughlyn O Hykie of Inchyveagh in the County of Clare surgyan & Ownye Ny Teig of Smythstown in the sayd county, have with their mutuall & free consents & assents agreed & concluded to ioyne them selves togyther in Lawefull matrymonie ":

(I) Ownye promises to hand over to Laughlyn "as in marriadg goods" between now and the 17th of March, eight in calf cows of her own, and all cattle she may be able to get "amongste her frendes as in helpe," provided she is only charged with the number she receives, which number shall be put down "in thys voyde place lefte for that pourposse."

(2) Laughlyn undertakes to dispose of her portion in various ways, according to whether they have or have not children, and which predeceases the other.

Both parties have "for the true performance of the premysses accordinge the playne & trewe meanynge of the same made theyr corporall oathes"

Signed. Leoclin O Hicii [in Irish characters]; Ownye Ny Teig [mark].

Witnesses. Richard Wingfelde; Donogh Hicky.

1520.

20 Feb. 1611.

Marriage articles of Mortagh Mc Terrelagh, son of Terrelagh Mc Mohona of Clenagh, Co. Clare, gent.; and Elyn Ny Garod, daughter of Garod Fitz Morish of Ballynowe, Co. Limerick, gent.

Terrelagh and his son to make over the three half plowlands of Carowcristen to Garod, in trust for his daughter, "by sufficient and indefecible estate in law."

If Ellen dies without issue by Mortagh, she may leave to her father or his heirs "the moytiue or half deale" of her dowry.

If any lands that are wrongfully detained from Mahon mc Terrelagh fall to him, he shall "imparte" the third part of them to his brother Mortagh.

The portion to be ten mares, six plough garrans, forty cows, two hackneys, a copper pan containing a barrel, and a silver bowl worth £3.

Signed. Therlagh Mc Mohon; Mahoun Mc Mahoun; Mortagh Mc Mhony.

1521.

19 Oct. 1639.

Postnuptial settlement of Connor O'Brien of Leameneh, gent. and Mary, daughter of Therlagh Roe Mc Mahowny late of Cluonderrala, esq., deceased.

John Mc Nemarra of Moyriesk, gent., and Therlagh Mc Mahowny of Cleanagh, gent., to be seised of the castle and plowland of Leymeneh; the quarters, half quarters, or fractions of quarters of Cahirmoele, Cahirfadda, Ballymorroghowe, Ballyportrra, Cluoneene, Mohbollanagh, Ballygriffae, Ardkarney, Agherin, Inshycuolaght, Derry, Ballyassye, Letter, and several others in the baronies of Inchiquine, Burren, Corckamroe, Bunratty, and Islands, Co. Clare: in trust for Connor and Mary O'Brien for their joint lives; remainder to their issue male, in order of birth; remainder to the heirs male of the body of Donough O'Brien, father of the said Connor; to Murrough, Lord Inchiquin, and the heirs male of his body; to Henry O'Brien, second brother of the said Lord, and the heirs male of his body; and to Christopher O'Brien,

third brother of the said Lord, and the heirs male of his body. They shall also raise portions as follows: for the eldest daughter of the said Connor and Mary, £1,000 at the age of 16; for the second daughter, £800; for the third, £600; for each younger daughter, £400. These portions to be increased to £1,500 for the eldest, £1,000 for the second, etc., if Connor dies without issue male. Margrett Ny Brien, sister of the said Connor, if not preferred in her brother's lifetime, to be paid £200, provided she marries with the consent of her grandmother Onora Wingfield.

Signed. Connor O: Brien.

Witnesses to signature, and to livery of seisin by Flan Nealan, attorney. Mohon Considin; Bryen O'Morane; William Mc Encharigy; Hugh Chroe; Brian Considyne; Morice (?) Dauoren.

1522.

6 Mar. 1662.

Marriage articles of Donough O'Brien of Ballyneleackan, Co. Clare, gent.; and Onora Brien, sister of Donough O'Brien of Leameneh.

Portion, £800; of which £300 is payable "in cattle or in cattle & other goods according to the valuation or appraisemt. of foure indiffert. persons"; £100 within six weeks of Donough of Ballyneleackan giving notice "of his being resolved to take his journy to Dublin for the triall of his qualification"; £200 before I May 1664; and £200 before I May 1665.

Nine other documents (bonds, receipts, and miscellaneous) 1662 to 1698, relate to the above marriage and to that of Mary O'Brien, another sister of Sir Donough, to Donough Mc Namara of Ballinacraggie, Co. Clare.

1523.

11 Mar. 1669.

Articles by which Donough O'Brien of Leameneh secures to Donough Mc Nemara of Ballincraggie and Mary Mc Nemara alias Brien his wife, an annuity of £20 out of the quarter of Killarkie and other lands in the barony of Inshiquine, for the term of ten years; they having "challenged" a portion due the said Mary under the will of Connor O'Brien late of Leameneh.

Copy, certified by Donnogh mc Nemara.

1524.

6 Apr. 1680, 32 Chas. II.

Marriage settlement of Thomas Hickman of Barnetick, Co. Clare, esq.; and Gartrude, daughter of John Gore of Claunraude, Co. Clare, esq.

Portion, £1,000 to be paid out of Knockslattara and certain other lands in the barony of Bunratty, Co. Clare.

Signed and sealed. Thomas Hickman.

Witnesses. Charles Hallynan; Robert Seward; Oliver Dondon; Richard Morgan.

1525.

18 Jul. 1687.

Postnuptial settlement of Philip Morgell of Ballynecloghy, Co. Clare, gent.; and Bridgett his wife, second daughter of Sir Thomas Crosbie of Ballyhige, Co. Kerry, Kt.

The lands of Carnagh and Poulecuilar (one plowland, 500a. profitable P.M.) in the barony of Duhalla, Co. Cork, are conveyed to Edward Rynolds of Clounloghane, Co. Clare, clerk, and John Fitzgarald of Corrickgoran [Co. Clare] gent., in trust for the said Philip and Bridgett and their heirs male, together with £20 annuity during the life of Thomas Cullin of Ballynecloghy, esq.

Signed & sealed. Thomas Crosbie; William Crosbie; Thomas Cullen; Alice Cullen; Phillip Morgell; Edward Reynolds; John Fz Gerald.

Also: lease for a year of the above named lands. 17 Jul. 1687.

1526.

15 May 1693.

Marriage settlement of Thomas Hickman the elder of Barninticke, Co. Clare, esq.; and Elizabeth, daughter of Robert Stratford of Boltinglass, Co. Wicklow, esq.

Portion, £1,000; jointure, £20. Lands in the barony of Islands, Co. Clare, and houses in Galway settled on the said Thomas and Elizabeth, with remainder to their issue male, in priority of birth; then to Thomas Hickman the younger, son and heir of the said Thomas; Thomas Hickman the elder; Andrew Hickman, his second brother; George Hickman, his younger brother; Walter Hickman of Doonegorroge, Co. Clare, his uncle; Henery Hickman of Ballykett, his uncle; and Hugh Hickman of Barninticke, his uncle, and the heirs male of their bodies. Thomas Hickman the elder undertakes that he is "lawfully & rightfully seized of all & every the said towns lands tenements hereditaments of a good estate of inheritance in fee taile without any reversion or remainder in the Crown and that the said towns are or in the year one thousand six hundred eighty four were togeather of the full clear yearly value of one hundred forty seaven pounds" exclusive of all abatements.

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26 May 1693, 5 William & Mary.

Postnuptial settlement of William, Earl of Inchiquin, and Mary his wife.

Trustees; Edward [Villiers] Viscount Villiers of Dartford and Sir Thomas Southwell of Castlemattrice, Co. Limerick, Bt. Portion, £4,000; jointure, £1,200 payable out of the manors of Rostelane, Brittway alias Briahwy, Shanabagowne, and other lands and tenements in Co. Cork. Remainder (in default of male issue of the said Earl) to Hon. John O'Brien, his uncle, and the heirs male of his body, then to the heirs male of the body of Murrough, 1st Earl of Inchiquin, grandfather of the said Earl. Provides for raising £5,000 for portions for female issue of the marriage.

Copy, certified by Bruen Worthington, Notary Public, 24 Feb. 1707; and by Lord Inchiquin, 25 Mar. 1708.

Exhibited to Laurence Comyn in case of Marquis of Thomond v. Wallace and others. 26 Oct. 1801.

1528.

29 Dec. 1701.

Marriage articles of Lucius O'Brien, eldest son of Sir Donough O'Brien; and Catherine, only daughter of Rt. Hon. Thomas Keightley. Portion, £3,000; jointure, £500.

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1529.

1753.

Marriage settlement of Murrough O'Brien, 1 eldest son of Hon. James O'Brien; and Lady Mary O'Brien, eldest daughter of William [4th] Earl of Inchiquin and of Anne, Countess of Orkney and Inchiquin. Copy.

1530.

1758.

Marriage settlement of Richard Dawson, second son of Richard Dawson, of Dublin, esq.; and Ann, second daughter of Sir Edward O'Brien of Dromoland. Portion, £3,000; jointure, £400.

1531.

1759.

Postnuptial settlement of Sir Edward O'Brien of Dromoland and Dame Mary his wife; jointure, £300.

Afterwards 5th Earl of Inchiquin and 1st Marquis of Thomond.

1532.

1768.

Marriage articles of Sir Lucius O'Brien of Dromoland and Ann, only daughter of Robert French of Monivea, Co. Galway, esq.

Three copies.

1533.

1795.

Marriage settlement of John O'Callaghan of Maryfort, Co. Clare, esq.; and Harriot, daughter of Capt. Edward O'Brien of Ennis, deceased.

1534.

1799.

Marriage articles of Sir Edward O'Brien of Dromoland and Charlotte daughter of William Smith of Carmoyhil, Co. Limerick.

1535.

1813.

Marriage settlement of Gerald Fitzgerald of Bath and Catherine, daughter of Sir Lucius O'Brien, deceased.

Copy.

1536.

1837.

Marriage settlement of Lucius O'Brien, eldest son of Sir Edward O'Brien, and Mary Fitzgerald.

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1537.

1839.

Marriage settlement of Charles Henry Monsell and Harriet O'Brien. Draft.

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Teige O Lyne	nalbuy	000:05:00	0	0	0
reige O Lyne	For the farme of Ligard &	002:00:00	0	0	0
	Cnocklissgrane Carhugare				
	Breaghow and Dowgh in all				
	fower plowlands & a third				
Morrish Hickie	parte				
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Neptune Bloode and	of Freagha	000;10;00	0	0	0
Dauid Vringe	For the castle & lands of				
Dauld Villige	Inishdeeman				6
Id[em] Neptune	For the castle & plowland	005:00:00	3	3	6
rulem] Repeare	of Liskeanur	and I alon		4	-
Samuell Burton		002:10:00	1	1	2
Samuel Burton	For the tyethes of Killard p[ar]ish				-
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	cittie of Lymericke				
James Sarsfeld &					
Thomas Hickman	For the lands of Cunagh	010:00:00	I	I	2
The Relict of Coll	10.00				
Searle	Courtbroacke halfe a plow-				
	land by ould lease	005:00:00	0	0	0
William Joynt	For the halfe plowland of				
3-3	Fearennagullagh	005:03:00	1	1	22
	thother iijs abated for the				
	rent reserved to the Colledge				
Edmond and John					
O Carunell	For the furth p[ar]te of				
	the fishing of Callagh-				
	beollane	001:15:00	0	0	0
Patricke Sarsfeld	For the other fourth p[ar]te				
	of Callaghbeollane	001:00:00	0	0	0
Cathren McAdam	For the fishing of Colaghane	********			
John McAdam &	Ilane	002:10:00	0	0	0
Donnogh O Hartige					
Cor	inty of Lymericke				
Capen Frances Gibbins	s For the castle & plowland of				
	Fauneacystowne	004:00:00	0	0	0
Richard Hart Esqr	For the lands of Kildery &c	005:00:00	1	I	2
James Woods	Feadamure one plowland	005:00:00	I	1	2
Capen Carpenter	For the plowland of Balliea	005:00:00	I	1	2
John Mc Conna	For the castle and lands of				
	Ballyanvealla cont. one pl	005:00:00	0	0	0
Terlaugh Mc Bryen	For Garidulisa Templepedir				
And the last terms of the last	&c	002:10:00	0	0	0
Gemaliell Waters	For the lands of Kiluagon-				
	ivy &c	010:00:00	2	2	4
Thomas Lisuaght &					
Terlagh Mc Bryen	For the lands of Greallagh	a contract		-	
W11 - 1 TF	&c	005:00:00	2	2	4
Richard Kinge	For the Castle and Lands				
m	of Cullepen				
The lease of this land	begins the last Mlas [Michael-				
masj (r), & not to b	e chardged till Easter next				

Countie of Tipperary

Gemaliell Waters The castle & seauen plowlands of Cullen ould lease

Uppon sight of a copie of my lorde of Thomonds letter, beareing date the 24th. August, directed to my lorde Bryen the originall whereof remaines with his lp. importeing that before the Lady Honnors decree his honnor in comisseration of Mr. Waters sufferinges as also the bettre enabling him to beare a goode rent for the future, hath for three yeares remitted & forgiuen him his rent, onely paying & dischardging the contribution & all other taxes, desireing us to giue observance to it, we have therefore left him unchardged

This is a true & perfect rentrole to the best of our knowledge for Michaelmas gale rent 1656: of soe much of the Rt. Honnble the Earle of Thomonds estate as is given us in chardge, & as the same is sett for this present halfe yeare, which wee deliver under our hands, & uppon our

oath as is required by order of courte 'in Chancery bearing date 19 August

1656, To Thomas

Cullin and George Comyn esquiers '1 Nept: Blood

Geo: Ross

Tho: Hickman

Ilands barrony

Leiut. George Rosse	For Cnockagimaugh and					
7 C D	Killue '& the towne	010:00:00	0	0	0,	
Leiut. George Rosse	The castle & plowland of Cluonrounde	011:05:00	o	0	0'	
'The executors of Luke	Handmackrall 2 plowlands					
	Cloghanenaboy Ballivighan					
'This sum of 32:10:0	oMamishmore &c	6028:02:06	5	5	ro'	
	Cnockballivanavane 3 qr & 1					
Hobson the Earle of						
Thomonds agent'	The second second				2.2	
	Cnock, Lissanetone qr &c	020:00:0	4	4	8'	
Rawson	Carhowkeyneone qr and					
	Cragganeiholla one quartr					
James Allmer Esqr	For the castle & six plow-					
	land of Craigbryen old			2	**	
Sam : Burton Faar	rent by leas For the two plowlands of	027:10:00	0	0	12	0
The state of the s	e Carhanelly Carknegare					
vssues & profitts no						
rent being yet ascer						
tained thereon						
Nichollas Parsons	Inishdadroume one plowl	000:00:00	0	Ó	0	
Mrs Elizabeth Norton	Leaffard two plowlands				0	
William Hobson	For the towne & lands of					
	Inish	035:00:00	0	0	0'	
Thomas Bull	For the mills of Inish with					
	a cartron of Land	010:00:00	0	o	0	
	which sum is abated to the					
	said Thomas Bull by Mr.					
	Hobson for the quitting					
	of his entrest in the said					
XX7-14 - XXX-11 - XX	mills & land					
Walter Waller Esqr		· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·				
	Cannons & Inishlowe	017:10:00				

¹ Added in another hand.

Leiut George Rosse	Cahirkealla & two plowlands and a halfe	003:00:00			
' John Brickdall to	Kilnahallie one quarter	003.00.00			
accompt for the profi					
being that noe rent					
ascertained '1					
'Edmond Bloode,	Clareabby &c 3 qrs and a 1	013:00:00	0	0	0'
William Keatinge	3 1-1	3.55			
&c '					
'Richard Whyte'	Dromcleasse seauen plow- lands				
	' 41 li : payable to the Lorde				
	Protector being churchland				
	by ould lease	004:10:00			
Teige Clanchy	*	Service and			
Edmond Oge O Beole	n				
& Tho: Browne	For Weast Bealaghfada one				
	pl	005:10:00			
Garett Fiz Gerald	For Lissine two quarters	009:00:00			
Leiut. George Rosse	For the castle and lands of				
	Beallarhorishe old rent	015:00:00	4	4	8
Sarient Wailsh					
Robertt Brookes					
& the rest of the					
tennts	For East Ballifadda one pl	005:10:00			
William Hobson	For tiethes of the two pl of				
	Clareabby	003:05:06			
Idem William	For Weast Ballifadda	001:03:00			
Morish Crafts	For the tiethes of Kearhue				
	kyne & Corckirkelearker	000:10:00			
Thom: Hickman	For Mauishbegg and Mauish				
	more	000:10:00			
Sarient Wailsh	For East Ballifadda	001:05:00			
Thomas Clearke	For CragganeIholla tiethes	000:10:00			
Samuell Burton	For his tiethes in the said				
*******	p[ar]ish	004:10:00			
William Cuffe	For the tiethes of Cloghane				
T1 - 10 0	naboy and Ballyvighane	001:07:06			
Edward Cuffe	For his share of the tyeths				
Taint Comm. Description	of Balyvanavane	000:04:00			
Leiut. George Rosse	For the tiethes of Lissinean ²				
	Cnocknagimauagh &c	001:05:00			
'The precedent lis	st is a true Rentrole to the be	est of our ki	nowl	edge	of th
Rents of the Bar	rony of Hands as the same is re	serned for th	his r	Teser	t hal

Rents of the Barrony of Ilands as the same is reserved for this present halfe yeare ending at Michaelmas 1656: which in obedience of the order of the Courte of Administration of Justice at Dublin wee deliuer in, not as Comissioners for the Right Honnble, the Earle of Thomond, as not haueing the said barrony in chardge from his lp: nor power of disposeing thereof wch wee deliuer under our hands & uppon our oaths to the best of our knowledge as aforesaid. Henry: O: Bryen Nept: Blood

Geo: Ross

Thos Hickman

Malcolume Craford Keappuantymore one quarter 002:10:00 The heirs of Rory Ballygissanebegg halfe a Mc Quyne plowland 000:00:03

added in another hand.

² Erased and altered to Killin, &c.

Coll John McNamara	The Castle and two plow- lands and a halfe of				
	DuneImulvihie	005:00:00	21	21	5
Daniell McNamara	For the five cartrons of		- 60		
	Cahirseaghnasie	001:00:00	0	0	0
Thomas Hickman	For Poulemore and Cule-				
	shamroge	002:10:00	0	0	0
Connor O Hogan	Kilenarryvie one plowland	001:00:00	0	0	2
Henry Clayton	Cranagher &c foure plowl.1				
	and a halfe	010:00:00	4	4	8
Giles Vandeleur	For the Earle of Thomonds sharre of the parrish of		*		
	Kilfeentenane	015:00:00	0	0	0
Geremy Reeuer	For the Earle of Thomonds share of the tythes of the				
	p[ar]ish of Inchycrona	003:06:06			

The cheefe rent of the said barrony

Inchaquin barrony

John Fiz Gerrald The castle and fower plow-

James	lands of Machery	40:00:00	4	4	8	
Henry Hayward	The castle and halfe plow-					
	land of Turkinagh	000:05:00	$\frac{1}{2}$	$\frac{1}{2}$	1	
T	ulla barrony					
Mrs Stephens	For parte of Sixmilebridge					
	old leas	012:00:00	0	0	0	0
Id. tennant	For Balliseene &c	005:00:00	3	3	6	0
James Vandelur	For parte of Sixmilebridge					
	old leas	002:10:00	0	0	0	0
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			wor	rke c	T 45	
			i	n lie	w	
Paule Tanner	For the castle and two					
	plowlands of Keappagh	015:00:00	2	2	4	0
Geiles Vandelure	For Moveallow &c	005:00:00	3	3	6	0

Wee the undernamed doe humbly certific unto your honnors that wee are by the Rt. Honnble, the Earle of Thomond dischardged from his imployment, and therefore humbly desire that yor honnors woulde not expect any future accompt or retourne at our hands, for that wee haue given upp all our bookes & papers, wch concernes the said Earles Estate unto his agent Mr. Hobson'

sworne before Tho: Cullen 20 Oct (?) — 56'

Geo: Ross Nep

Nept: Blood

'The Chiefrent of Ilands barrony for the gale aforesaid'

¹ Interlined.

1539.

TO	Dec	1685.

"The perticulars of heriotts due to my Lord [Thomond] taken out of his lop's booke at Billing . . . "

Barony of Bunratty

due if not accounted '	Due on Aherinaghmore			
	on death of Ellen Power	 2 -	-	_

Barony of Tullagh

on death of Thomas Starky & James Worth 10 — Due out of Doonease 'due' on death of Richard Reynolds 5 — Due on Cullane 'due' on death of John Reddane the younger 5 —	
'due' on death of Richard Reynolds 5 — Due on Cullane 'due' on death of John Reddane the	51 (?)
'due' Due on Cullane on death of John Reddane the	
	-
younger 5 —	
Doe on Ballymullcashell	-
'accounted' on death of Andrew Bennis 3 — Due on Rath	-
'accounted' on death of George Clampett 5 —	
Due on Aherinaghbegg 2 —	_
'due' on death of James Hackett of	
Limerick 2 —	_
'my Ld. Recd. by Due out of Lissofyne	
a Sorrel Mare' on the death of Richd. Hart 5 —	
37 —	_

Barony of Islands

'know not that	Due out of Lissmoelbridg			
she is dead '	on death of Jane Hally	 5	-	_
	Due on Burren			
'Accounted'	on death of James Ross	 5	_	_
	Due on Conny Island			
'due'	on death of Richard Reynolds	 I	-	_
	Due on Ballymacalla			
'accounted'	on death of John Clancy	 5	-	-
				-
		16	-	_

Town of Ennis

	Due on the lands of Drombigott			
'not due'	on death of Henry Ld. O'Brien	1	-	-
	Due out of a tenement in Ennis			
'not due'	on my Ld. O'Brien's death	I	-	-
	Due out of a tenement in Ennis			
'due if not accoted'	on death of John Macnemara	2	_	-
	Due out of a tenement in Ennis			
	on death of James Macnemara	I	IO	-
'this	was a two pound Herriott'			
	Due on death of Domnick Whyte			
'due'	out of his tenement	2	_	-
	Due out of a tenement in Ennis			
'due'	on death of Thomas Clancy	2	-	-

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Barony of Ibrickan

'accounted for'	Due on the on death of I Due on the on death of	lands of Thomas	hugaroe f Killfar mc Iner	n boy	5	-	_
due if not accoted	Due on the on death of l			iyne	2	-	-
F	ndorsed :				12	-	-
	eriotts accounted	for by I	Mr. Spaig	ht			
	eorge Clampett				5	_	
A	ndrew Bennis				3	7.77	_
TI	nomas Starkie	***			5	-	-
~	imes Ross	***			5	-	-
	ohn Clanchy	4.44			5	-	
Is	ack Vanhugarden	***	•••		5	-	-
М	em. a heriot taker Exchanged with sorrel mare broug	Mr. Sp	aight fo		5	_	
					38	-	[sic]

1540.

1685 to 1808.

Rentals of the estates of the [7th] Earl of Thomond, Sir Donough O'Brien, Sir Edward O'Brien, Sir Lucius O'Brien, and Henry O'Brien; in the counties of Clare, Galway, Limerick, Tipperary, and Carlow. There is no continuous series of rentals, (none being preserved between 1765 and 1782, or 1784 and 1805); but those for Corofin are complete from 1749 to 1758.

Rent from Co. Clare estate, Easter 1688 [9], £6020.14.6; "decrease of rentt. since the warr 2769.11.08." Losses of stock "in the late warr," Aug. 1690 to Aug. 1691: 199 wethers, £127.16.0; 102 breeding ewes, £51; 185 hoggets, £85.10; 113 old bullocks, £678; 69 bullocks, £276; 40 cows, £160; two old bulls £12; 76 two-year old beasts, £152; 11 yearlings, £16; 3 geldings, (two called "Carthy," one called "Maws"), a mare, two colts, 4 fillies, and two nags [no price given]. 75% of the holdings have decreases in rent (varying from 12% to a complete remission), in 1692-4; 28 out of 43 of Sir Donough O'Brien's tenants paid no rent at the Easter gale for 1690. Half-yearly rental, 1752-3, £1752.9.\(\frac{1}{2}\) to £1964.13.8\(\frac{2}{4}\); yearly rental for 1758, £4398.8.0; for 1807-8, £8699.19.3\(\frac{1}{2}\).

A return (made by Robert O'Brien in 1832-4), of existing leases, new lettings, and changes of tenancy in the Clare and Limerick estates, shews about 50% of the tenants holding on a yearly tenancy, 30% for three lives, 15% at will, and 5% for one or two lives.

1541.

1699 et seq.

Rentals of William [O'Brien, 3rd] Earl of Inchiquin.

"The Rt: Honble, William Earle of Inchiquins rent role in the Counties of Clare Limerk, Tipperary & in Limerk; citty for May gale 1699

No.	Tennts. Names		Denominacions		1	halfe a yeare ending att May 1699
	Nicholas Morrogh		O Briens Bridge	with the		11201 1099
37	Nicholas Miagh		appurtenances			012.10. 0
38	The same		Cluonboy			003.00. 0
39	Richard Nash		Ardetagell &c.	***		007.10. 0
40	Thomas Beevin ass[ig	gneel of				
-	Zachary Hollond	0	Killbane &c.			028.00. 0
41	George Clanchy		Aylemore &c.			007.10. 0
42	Thomas Ryce		Killeshyer			011.00. 0
43	Leiut. Felton &c. ass	s: of				
10	Edward Parker		Fahyroe &c.			008.00. 0
44	Teige Ryan		Killegy	* ***	***	001.10. 6
45	Jos: & Jonathan C	ecill	Ballycorny			004.00. 0
46	The same		Killeredane &c.			012.10. 0
47	Andw. Stritch		In Killegy			000.08. 6
48	George Roch		Fossabegg			003.05. 0
48	Henry Iuers		In Carrowmeere	20a.		000.05. 0
			In Fermoyle pld.	. & 1		
			knowne by the r			
			Mongeboy 33 acr			000.08. 3
49	Thoms. Arthur		Portcrossy &c.			012.10. 0
50	James Mc Keogh		In Rossnawrney			001.15. 0
51	The same		Culenedornory		***	000.00. 6
52	Henry Lee		In two Knockan	es		001.00. 6
Do :	rent roll mannor of I Logh: Mc Inerheny		n Ballycarull &c.	444		002.10. 0
54	John Dawly		Magherteiloghy &			007.10. 0
55	Ross O Loghlen		Rossrawly &c.			010.00. 0
56		1	Abby &c		***	006.10. 0
57	Domk. Markham		Moneene			004.10, 0
58	Edmd. Hogan		Enagh			001.05. 8
59	25 1 2 2 2 1		Rannagh			002.00. 0
60	Henry Iuers esqr.		Raghvillane &c.			001.02. 3
61	Frans. Mcnemara		Killmoone			001.03.10
62			Ballyvaghane &c			003.00. 0
63	Bryan Mcmahon as	s: of	Cahirsherkin	***		001.05. 3
	Peter Cruttin & And		n			CALLED TO
64	Gregory Lench ass:					
-	Nicholas Cannavan		Derrymare	***		002.02. 4
65	John Gore Esqr.		Ballywrin &c.			006.00. 6
66	Capn. Teige O Brie	n	Knockneraha &c.			001.05. 0
67	The same		Lisdowny &c.			005.00. 0
68	Daniel mcDonnogh		Ballykerine &c.			000.08. 6
69	Dermott O Tyne		Carhirmeanagh		,	000.17. 3
70	Loghlin O Hehir		Cahircusane &c.			000.10. 9
71	Bryan Hanraghane		Fantore	***		000.04. 0
72	Loghlin Hehir		Ballymacravin	***	***	000.18. 4
73	Sr. Donat O Brien		Ballyvellaghane			000.06. 8
74	John Gore Esqr.		Cahirmacrusseene			000.06. 8
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75	Ld. Powers Courte	Carhukeale	***		000.05.	0
76	Lord Clare	Ballyalla &c.	***	***	000.05.	0
77	Lord Powers Courte	Pursune	***	111	000,00.	IO
78	The same	Carhuduffe one qr.	***	444	000.05.	0
79	Lord Clare	Derreene	***	577	000.05.	0
80	Lord Powers Courte	Ballygilla ½ a qr.	***	***	000.02.	6
82	Coll, John o Brien	Killowne &c.			022,10	. 0
83	Owen Considen	Dromadrehid &c.	444	***	004.13	1.50
84	Daniell Considen	Drominamucklagh			000,10	-
85	Mortagh Considen	Cappaghgowrane			001.17	. 0
86	Maurice Connell	Magherylassoone &	C.		018.15	. 0
87	Edmond o Hehir	Cahirlogha &c.	***	***	003.00	. 0
88	Edmond Hogan	Agherim & Ross &	c.		001.00	. 8
89	The same	Owen eighteragh	***		004.00	, 0
90	Frans. Neylane	Tirena	222		000.08	. 4
91	Daniell Neylane	Agherimkelly	211	***	002.10	. 0
92	Sr. Donat o Brien	Poulevaneene &c.	***	***	005.00	-
9,3	Frans. fitzGerald	Cahirclanchy &c.	717	***	004.02	
94	Bryan Goodwin	Dromyle &c.	***		001.11	
95	Logh: O Hehir	Tawnagh &c	***	***	001.05	
96	Edmond Hogan The same	Cahirmenea &c		***	003.00	
97 98	Donnogh Kearine	Ballyharraghane In Owen 57 acres	***		012.10	
99	Hugh Shaghnissy	Rowanmore	***	***	000.14	
100	Archibald Young	Dromona &c	***	***	001.00	
101	Samll, Burton Esqr.	Cahirbannagh &c	***		002.01	
102	Sr. Donat o Brien	Knockacarrine	***	***	000.14	-
103	Henry Iuers Esqr.	Dromkeavane	***	***	002.03	
	Piers Butler holds these and	Coogye				-
	pays noe Rent	Coogymounterihoe			000.00	. 0
104	Nathaniel Lucas assignee					
	of Conly mc Egan	Ballyduffebegg	***		001.15	. 0
105	Teige o Kearine	Glaniteragh &c.		***	000.17	. 9
106	John o Kearine	Ballylearnane &c.		444	001.16	. 6
107	Piers Butler	Killkea &c	***	444	003.00	. 0
108	Christopher Burnell	Rannagh &c	***	70.00	005.00	. 0
109	Samil. Burton Esqr assignee	75				
	of Garett Pendergast	Errenagh &c	***	***	004.01	
110	Mortagh Gripha	Loghneffoylane	***	***	002.10	20
III	Henry Iuers Esqr	Lismongy &c	***	***	000.16	
112	The same & mr. Bridgeman	Ballyteige &c	***	555	003.00	
TTO	John Carroll	Ballyoganmore &c Soyleshane &c	***	***	003.16	
113	John Carroll Logh: mc. Inerheny	Killkea &c	***	***	003.01	140
115	James mc Encroe	Carrowkeale &c	***	***	003.13	
116	Mortagh Gripha	Teereniter	***	***	005.02	
110	mortagn oripina	Compossition rent		***	000.00	
117	John mcNemara	Tullydea &c		***	007.00	
118	William Murrigan	Foylerum &c	***		003.10	
	Connell o Hehir	Cahirgare &c		***	002.00	
120	James Gripha	Tressmeere		***	001.00	
	Connor o Hehir	Murhinys	***		002.00	
122	Donnogh Considen	Ryneenekeale &c			004.00	. 0
123	Mr. o Connell	Cluonahaha I Carti	ron		000.00	. 98
124	The same	Carrewneskey 3 Car	rtron		000.00	. I3
125	Lord Clare	Derry ½ a qr	***	***	000,01	. 3
	Sr. Donat o Brien	Agherim als Atyter	rilla	344	000.00	
	Lord Clare	Erenagh ½ a qr		***	000.01	-
	Sr. Donat o Brien	Ballygripha & the			000.05	
129	William Neylane	Teerecronane 3 ha	lie Ca	rtrons	000.00	.II

	CTI .	Probabilities a Continue		
130	The same	Bealelicky 3 Cartrons	***	000.01.10
131	Lord Clare	Ballymacrogane The same one Cartron & {	***	000.00. 71
132	Henry Iuers Lord Clare	Killmacskennett		000.00.11
132	Lord Clare	Gorticrokery 1 Cartron		000.01. 3
133		Bealickany	***	000.00.72
134		Lissduffe ½ qr		000.00.11 000.01. 3
135		Dromeenegoneeny		000.01. 8
137		Knock ½ a qr		000,01. 3
138		Carrowmeanagh 1 qr.	***	000.02. 6
139		Carrowdrohid 1 qr.	***	000,02, 6
140		Ballycloneene i qr.	***	000.02. 6
141		Ardrime I Cartron	***	000.00.10
142		Killmackeefe ½ a qr	***	000.01. 3
143		OwenKeagh ½ qr	***	000.01. 3
144	William Neylane	Bealaboy ½ qr		000.01. 3
145	The same	Cluonbegg I qr	***	000.02. 6
146	Lord Clare	Ballyea r Cart & 1	***	000.00. 91
147	Mr Connell	Ballyduffemore 1 qr.		000.02. 6
148	Sr. Donnat o Brien	Killecallow 1 qr		000.01. 3
149	Frans. Browne	Tonelegy ½ qr	***	000.01. 3
150	Andrew o Hehir	Cahirbrinoge &c	***	010.00. 0
151	The same	Cahirmaccuna &c	944	001.01. 0
152	Neptune Emerson	Dangen mckea &c	***	005.10. 0
153	Mahon o Hehir	Carnys &c	***	005.00. 0
154	Loghlin o Hehir	Carrownemadry	***	000.16. 9
155	Murtagh Hogan	Moneenaleene	***	002.10. 0
156	Thomas Hickman	Moneenegatt	***	004.00. 0
157	Dominick Power	Cahirvylane	***	001.10. 0
158	Thoms. Blood assignee of	D 11 0		
	Murtogh Moriarty	Dromohir &c	***	005.09. 3
159	Thomas Lucas	Glankeene &c	***	006.19. 2
160	Bryan mcMahon	Glaunkeene	***	001.10. 3
161	The same	In Tulla Comon	***	001.05. 3
162	Sr. Donat o Brien	Ballycasheene	***	017.10. 0
164		Ballyportrea	***	000.02, 6
165		Ballycasheene ½ qr. Cahirmeale 1 qr	***	000.01, 3
167		Leamineh 1 qr		000.02. 6
168		Cahirfadda 1 qr		000.02. 6
169		Cross ½ qr		000.01. 3
170		Carrownemadara		000.00. 33
171		Tuskeagh I Cartron		000.00. 72
172		Cahirmacunna		000.01. 3
173	William Pyne	Derrygowne		002.00. 0
	Mortagh Hogan	Templebannagh &c	***	004.10. 0
	Mathew mcnemara	Agherimvylane &c	***	002.00. 0
176	Mortogh Hogan	Kells &c	***	011.00. 0
177	Richard Darcy	Derreentologhan	***	007.15. 3
178	Heyast Dorcy	Killkeedy &c		008.10. 3
179	Peter Blake	Ballyvornagh &c		003.01. 6
180	Mannagh Grady	Culleene mc Cooge &c	***	001.01. 0
181		E		
	Frans. Foster	Cluonselleherny		003.00. 9
	The same	Atyslany	***	002.10. 0
	James Butler	Carrowdiracly &c	***	000.10, 3
	Doctor Sarsfield	Lisdoonverna &c	***	002.03. 6
	Theobald Butler	Shanduffe &c		001.07. 0
	John Barns & Wm. Price	Carrowcraheene	***	002.10. 0
-	Sr. Donat o Brien	Poulehir ½ qr	***	000.01. 3
189		Carrownegnale i qr	***	000.02. 6
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190		Killtoky i qr	000.02. 6
191		Fianmanagh ½ qr	000.01. 3
192		Pouleenacoony a Cartron	000.00. 71
	William Taylor	a Cartron	000.00. 71
193	Lord Clare	Ballyloghglasse	000.02. 6
194		Poulenacreeny 1 a qr	000.01. 3
195		Fianeighteragh ½ qr	000.01. 3
-	Mary Lovell	Ballymongan	000.11. 11
197	Thomas Hickman	Ballyneylane ² of a qr	000.03. 9
	The same	Murrerane ½ a qr	
199		Ballyashea i qr	000.02. 6
200		Glannoghera ½ a qr	000.01. 3
201		Clonnlegane i Cartron	000.00. 71
202		Magowna i Cartron	000.00, 71
203		Inchycollight 1 a Cartron	000.00. 33
204		Lurga i Cartron	000.00. 71
205		Lurga 3 Cartrons	000.01.101
205	Thomas Hickman	Ballynebenna	000.01. 3
206		Dromfinglass &c	011.10. 0
207		Curragh Keale &c	000.17. 3
208	James Aylemer	Ballykinnacorra &c	003.04. 0
209	Anly o Tyne	Tyrembran &c	004.17. 6
210	James Nagle	Carrowduffe &c	002.17. 6
211	Conly Egan	Cahasca &c	001.15. 0
212	Lord Clare	Murrita 1 qr	000.02. 6
213		Carrowmeereanargid	000.00. 72
7000	Lord Clare	Gortnaglogh I Car	000.00. 72
215		Boughobollugg I Cartron	000.00. 33
216			34
217		Martree ½ a qr	000.01. 3
218		Derrynagh ½ a qr	000.01. 3
	Limerick Howses &c.		
	Limerica Howses ac.		
219	And the second second	t in the latest the second training	
220	Thomas Phelps	A holding neere s. Peters Cell	001.05. 0
221	Mathew Mullvany	St. Peters Cell	002.00. 0
222	John Hill	a Garden neere mr. Phelps	
22.00	3	holding	000.15. 0
222	William Stritch	a House oppossitt Dromcore	3.
223	William Stritch	0 11	004.00
	comment of the same		004.00. 0
224	William Kent	A Howse in Mungrett Lane	003.00. 0
225	Andw. Hehir	All the Impropriacons belonging to my Lord in the County of	
		Clare	050.00. 0
			061.00. 0
			115.02. 9
			055.04. 4
			053.01. 6
			048.10. 9
			056.17. 44
			002.00. 04
			123.16. 44
			052.13. 3
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The Rt. Honble. William Earle of Inchyquin is Dr.

May	To the Intrest of his Lordships 10000 li			
	mortgadge to me from the first of Decembr. 333.06. 8 last to the first instant being 5 Months			
	at 8 per Centum			
	To the intrest of his Ldships 336 li. bond to me			
	from the 17th of march to the first instant 003.04.11			
		226		-
	To cash gave Daniel Sulivane for bringing his Lordships	336	11	7
	writeings from Rostillon	1	I	
	To Cash Ordered by his Ldship to be pd. Sr. Theobald			
	Butler for drawing severall writeings in his Lops.			
	behalfe	20		
	To Cash pd. Cornelius Ryan Clerke for Engroseing the			
	said Deeds att Dublin in his Lops. behalfe	05	11	
	To Cash 'due' † wch † 'to' mr. John Longfield † made			
	me pay him † for the Intrest of his 1500. li after the first of December 1698 † till he woud receave same † in			
	surplusage to the 8 per Cent wch. I have charged on			
	his Lop.	13	14	
	To Cash stopt by mr Iuers for last Michas Gales	-3	-4	
	Quitt Rent and fees pd. by him out of 89 acres in the			
	Lands of Rathvylane according to a Covt. in his Lease		14	23
	To Cash allowed Joseph Cecill for soe much pd. by him on			
	the 15th of Febry, last to the Bp. of Killalow for a		0	
	Gales Chief rent of Ballycorney		8	
	To Cash pd. the said Bp. for last day Lady day Gales Chiefe rent of Killmoone	-	2	
	To Cash pd. the Bp. for a Gales Proxies due the 5th of	1	3	4
	August 1699	8	I	
	To Cash pd. mr. William Swift for Leavying certaine			
	Fines from his Lordship to me as per his Receipt	16	16	II
	To Cash pd. the Woodriffs of OBriens Bridge for halfe a			
	yeares Sallary due the first instant	5		
	To Cash pd. mrs. Andrewes for her halfe yeares annuity	-		
	due the first instant	25		
	To Cash pd. Mrs. Rickards for her halfe yeares Rent charge due the first instant	20		
	due the first instant	20		
	Charge due the first instant	50		
	To halfe a yeares Quitt Rent paid the Collector due att			
	Ladyday last out of parte of his Lordships Estate in the			
	County of Clare as per acquittance	53	II	1178
	To Cash allowed Mr. John RingRose for the sd. Gales			
	Quitt Rent and fees pd. by him out of Fossaghbegg	2		73
		550	13	81
	To Cash paid to your Lordshipp in ballance of this Gale	559 36	4	41
	To com part to jour mornings to common or and other	- 3	7	14
		595	18	3

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1699 Per Contra

May 1st By 20s. recd. of mr. John mcNemara out of Tullydea, No. 117, for soe much omitted by mr. Longfield to be

^{&#}x27;interlined

[†] erased

charged upon him at all sts. 1698 for that Gales advance By his Lops. foregoeing Rent Roll for the Gale wch. fell due this day 594.18.03 wch. exceeds mr. Longfields Returne 1.11.3 wch. 1.11.3 arrises thus, 10s. by soe much shortcharged by him on Ballycarrold No. 53, 1s. 3d. by soe much short charged by him on Tiernieter No. 116 and I li. by soe much short charged by him on Tullydoe No. 117 18

595 18

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Rentals are also preserved for the years; 1699 (All Saints gale), 1700-1707, 1708 (May gale), 1709 (with separate rentals for Corrofin, Burren, and Bunratty), 1710 (with rentals for Burren, Bunratty, and the Tipperary estate), 1711 (with a rental for Corrofin), 1712-13, 1714 (All Saints Gale), 1716 (May gale), 1717-18. The total rents received in 1704 were £716.11.3; in 1709, £811.14.93; in 1714, £1,169.18.2\frac{1}{2}; in 1718, £1,188,11.8. Among the 1699 tenants still holding in 1718 are Lord Clare, 1 Lord Powerscourt, 2 Sir Donough O'Brien, Henry Ivers, esq., Dr. Sarsfield, Owen Considine, William Stritch, and Hyacinth Dorcy.

1542.

[c. 1700].

Ledger account of Edward Pemberton with Sir Donough O'Brien, 1688 to 1692, showing a debit balance on Pemberton's side of £521.19.91 at 25 Mar. 1692. The half-yearly rent of Lattoone is £90.14.3+£87.2.6: credit items include 71 tons of timber, delivered at the oil mills, £5.12.6; and 13 barrels 7 bushels of barley, @ 12/- per barrel, £8.6.6. 300.

1543.

[c. 1700]	2020.			
Rental of O'Brien estates.3				
"Tennants Names	Denominacon of Lands & No. of acres		nt4 &	t
In my own hands	Lemeneigh 1qr: qtg5: 0119)		
In my own hands In the Occupation of seuerall Tennants	Cahirrmoyle i qr: qtg: 0096			
	California dala se anno antico ancia	-0	-6	- 1
from yeare to yeare	Cahirrfadda 1 qr: qtg: 0062			
Enioyed by Mohon	In Ballycallin 1 a qr qtg: 0049		00	00
o Nee	Duties or	0	IO	00
Enioyed by Loghlen o				
Hehirr	Cahirmc:kunna 1 a qr qtg: 0042	IO	00	00
	Duties or			6
sett to	2.000		1.2	
Morto: Hogan	Cross ½ a qr qtg	6	00	00
sett to Logh: o Hehirr	Teaskagh one Cartrn: qtg: 0025			
Sett to Logn. o Henni				00
	Duties or			06
sett to Benjemen Lucas	Ballyportrea 1: qr qtg: 0204	15	IO	00

¹ Charles O'Brien, 5th Viscount [d. 1706]; and his son, Charles, 6th Viscount.

3 Endorsed, in a later hand, "Sir Donat OBriens rental."

² Folliott Wingfield, 1st Viscount of the second creation [d. 3 Feb. 1717/18].

⁴ The remaining columns, for fees, rent received, rent in arrears, rent allowed or suspended, have not been filled in.

⁵ i.e., containing.

Mattw. Hehirr for 1 (?) Cart			1	IO	00
'Morough Flana-	In the same 16a		2	10	00
gan '1	In Kearrnamaddree		I	00	00
'Teige Considen'	In the same — 8 acres	4.6	I	5	
Perry Blood	Gortnaglogh i carn: qtg	: 0045	4	15	00
sett to Jon: mc.Nemara	Tonelegee 1 a carn: qtg		3		
sett to Therlo: o Hine	Kiltocky I qr:				
	Pouletihehirr 1 a qr '3	o li:	033	00	00
Awliff Nelan	Cossiecorra 'c	3 '			
Edward Hold	Tributa di la companya di la company				
Enioyed by Hugh Croe	Fianmanagh ½ a qr:		4	00	00
sett to John Emerson	Carrownagowle 1 qr. qtg	: 0127			
			7	02	04
Enioyed by Widdw. Hyne	Pooleenicunagh I carn: qtg	: 0105			
			6	00	00
Cor	comroe Barony				
Con	comico Daiony				
sett to Morto: Hogan	In Kelleenemc : aige 1 qr : qt	g:0040	2	00	00
In my own hands	Cluoneene East 1 qr qtg.	0114			
In my own hands	Cluoneene West I qr qtg:	0042			
'except a p[ar]cell called					
ardlaghquin East cont.					
17a: 17 pches set to the tents					
of Ballyclancahill					
In my own hands	Moghurrbullanagh 1 qr	0043			
'but the hill and meadoe		4-43			
cont: 13a 3 Roods 2 pches					
set to the sd. tenants	with the former 17a: & 17 p	ches at	008		
3 Cartr. sett to Tennts.	with the former 1/a. cc 1/ p	circs at	000		
&	Ballyclancahill r qr —	0074			
		00/4	019		
I Car. in my own hands	'not vallued in this sum	01-010			
sett to James Casshie	Cloghin I qr	0'10'3			
sett to James Cassie	Kearrureagh ½ a qr	00'66'	13		
sett to James Cassie	Meery				
	Killtouragh		12		
sett to Mohon mcShane	Knockane i qr	0050	.4	•4	
In my own hands	Toneinea				
sett to Connor : mc Donno :	Bellagh 3 cartns:	0044	12		
In my own hands	Ballynecarragh ½ a qr:				
Enioyed by Danll: mc Teige	In Kearrnkeile 1 qr qtg:	0020	12		
All 3: Enioyed by	Part of Turlogh qtg:	0028			
Therlo: oge o Loghlen	Duties &c		36		
				17	6
	Carrowgare ½ a qr:	0021	,		
	'& 3a. in the other ½ qr'				
Enioyed by Any: o: Brien	Ballytorsnee I qr: qtg	096	20		
	Duties or			IO	
Enioyed by Don : Considine	Dromeenagraun 1 a qr:		06		
	Duties or			10	
Bur	ren Barony				
Sett Itol Gully Danoren	Ballymorrohow a as ata:	0040	20		
Sett [to] Gully Dauoren	Ballymorrohow 2 qs qtg:	0042	30	7.0	6
Enjoyed by W. Disley		0077	6		6
		-	- 2		
sett to James Cassine	in the same	0009	00	00	00
Enioyed by Wm. Pickman sett to James Casshie	Duties or In Rannagh I cartrn: qtg: In the same	0015	6 08	17	00

 $^{^{\}rm 1}$ Written over a name, illegible except for —aires at the end of the line. ' $\,$ added in another hand.

Enioyed by a Tennant	Crughfill 4 Cartrns	14		
Enioyed by Iuers	In Mogohy & Pooleenea fina I			
	qr qtg: 020			
In my own hands	In Ballyganner 1 qr			
		03	00	00
Enjoyed by the Tennant				
of Crughfill	In a Parcell in Common	.4	10	
Enioyed by a Tennant				
' James Cassie fz.	In Ballyuihin 1 qr 2 Carns.	14		
James'	Duties or			
Enioyed by Ta (?) o Daly1	3 Cartr			
'set to Dermott	Ballyuologhane 1 qr; 3 carns	14		
Nestor for 21 years	1, 2			
from: 25th March	Duties or		10	
1685 wth. duties & fees'	7.77.77			
Fahafane & part				
	Cahirpolla			
to a tennant for	Fahafane	IO		
parts	& I qr	20		
In my own hands	Pouleculicky			
'ad the lands in	Tourcearchy			
	ratty Barrony			
before these	dately Darrony			
following '				
In my own hands	Crattlaghmore 1 gr			
Enioved by tennants	Portreine 2 grs	60		
Embyed by telliants	Duties or		15	
Enioyed by Tents.	Ducies of		13	
togeather with Aghrim 1 of				
	Ardcarny tor otg. OIII	28		
a qr	Ardcarny 1qr qtg. 0111 Duties or	20		6
Enjared by Ton maNamana			17	
Enioyed by Jon. mcNemara		55		
' Tohn Machae'	Killgobban r qr	1 20	TO,	
'John Maghee'	Classagh I cartn:	29	10	
	Lassanna 3 cartns Cluonetimorrohow 1 cartn: ¹			
	Chonetimorronow 1 cartn :4			

Inchiquin Barrony

	Ballygriffa 1 qr qtg:	0080					
sett to Morro: o: Brien	Carrowcaste qtg:	0096	27	00	00		
			00	14	00		
*	'quitt rent of this		02	17	04'		
added to Ardcarny	Aghrim 1 of a qr. qtg:	0074					
	Ballynabiny 1 a gr	' oo661	,				
	Moghruddane 1 a gr	10032					
Enioved by Thomas	2						
Hickman	Ballynelan r cartn:	' 0035 '		20 1	i'		
	Muilegrane r cartn:	00242					
Teige Kerin	Ballyasshie I qr qtg.	0185					
	The two Cluonliganes 1 a qr:						
'Teige o Kerin'	Inchicnolught 1 a cartn:	*					
	Duties or		.I.				
Gulliduff Kerin	Derryuollogh I cartn:		-5				

¹ Erased.

2 Altered to "Sett"

, added in another hand.

Michaell o Dea	Derrydrombing 1 a qr:		02	02	00	
	Lurga I qr	'0185'				
	of wch. allow to Mr. Hickn					
	& for Derryolagh'					
Gull: o Kerin	for Derryolagh		05	14	00	
			00	TO	00	
Teige Kerin	Mogowny I cartn: & 1	00491	' 8			
10.80	D [sic]	122				
Richard Connell	In Ballyea					
Menard Connen	Soyleshane &	0461	12		.8	
	Carrowkeile	0401	***			
Morrish Connell		' III 1 '	т.	18		
Owen Hehirr	Dromeenegagh I cartn:	'0198				
	Drinagh ½ a qr					
'Samuell Lucas'	Ballykinnacorrin ½ a qr	'079'	24			
	Island Barrony					
In my own hands	Tobburrmaly ½ a qr	0024				
	Clondirala Barrony					
700 1 35.1						
Therlo: mc.Mahon	In Lack & Coolesuppeene			00		
Id[em]		268a:	20.0	00		
Id[em]	In Lissnefahy		05	00	00	
Id[em]	In Breaghfweast					
i	n the County of Galway					
W- Danie	Part of the 4 Quartrs: of Ka	ppirrella				
Wm. Bourke	Called Gowleroe & Lisseene		25			
	Caned Gowlerde & Lisseene	aueere				
'Lands & re	ent to be added to this Rentrole					
Liundo W I						
Francis Bodkin for Glenaghmore &c			150li	: 00	: 00	
Idem for Lismeele			005: 00:00			
Mr. Spaight of Birrin & 2 acres in Ballyvoghane			006			
tenant of 2 acres i						
	one for 88 acres in Glancannane					
	ur for Shanavogh in Baro. Tulla		006:	00 :	00	
Ila Francis fz. Gerald for Dromanane etc.			050 :			
nds	orang roz soromanano oron		-3-			
	. Donogh & James fz Gerald					
			006			
roe for the Turlagh of Ballybreen wth. a bog Idem mc. Donogh for the lands of Laraghkea			004			
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	oung for Knockacaron 1 qr		008			
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1544.

7 Jan. 1702.

"Mr. Ivers Valluation & mine [Richard Wilson's] of Sixmilebridg." Total £129.7.0., of which the toll is £12, the customs and "Jagging" £12.

2рр.

1545.

11 Mar. 1702.

Particulars of six lots in Sixmilebridge, proposed for by Jo. Turpin and James Green. (The rent, including fees, has been reduced in the case of two of them from £3.1. to £2.6. and from £1.10. to £1.5).

1p.

1546.

28 Apr. 1711

List of lands (Ballyheahan, parish of Abbye, barony of Burren, and seven other denominations; with the tithes of Killone, five other parishes and portions of six others); forming part of the Inchiquin estate, to be set by Sir Donough O'Brien at Wm. Baker's house in Corofin.

Tenants' names and rent given in most cases.

1p., partly in Richard Wilson's handwriting.

1547.

3 July 1711.

"Instructions to the Rt Honble: Sr: Donatus O Brien . . . Baronett; Richard Nuttley of the City of Dublin . . . Esqr; Francis Burton of Dublin . . . Esq.; Ambrose Upton of Dublin . . . Esq: and Burdett Joddrell of Dublin . . . Esq: my Commissioners Agents and Attorneys . . . to execute certain powers to me given by an Act of Parliament . . . to enable Henry Earl of Thomond . . . to make Leases for three Lives with Covenants for renewall thereof for ever and to grant Fee Farmes of the Lands and Hereditaments in Ireland compriz'd in his Marriage Settlement . . .

^{&#}x27; added in another hand.

- Imprs: You are as soon as you can with conveniencie (after notice of the power I have given you) to meet and give orders that the said Act of Parliament and also the Commission and Authority to you by me given be inrolled . . . in Chancery . . .
- 2dly: I have ordered Mr: Upton to give each of you a Rent roll of my whole Estate . . . in the Countys of Clare Limerick Tipperary Carlow & Queens County and I desire each of you to give in your Valuations of what each farm may be worth and to sign the same And alltho: there may have been valuacons made formerly and perticularly the Valuacons and contracts in the year Seventeen Hundred and four for wt: was then Leased, wch: may be some rule to you, yett I would not have you be regulated Intirely by them but to differ from them where upon Enquiry you find good cause, only Mr: Nutley being totally a Stranger to the Values and having much business of his own I cannot expect that he makes any Valuacon
- 3dly: You are to give notice in each County where my said Estate lyes & also at Dublin of the Comission or Authority . . . to you given and to appoint such convenient time . . . or place . . . to transact the matters therein contained as the Major part of you shall think most proper for my interest, and for this purpose you are to print papers and disperse them among my Tenants setting forth the Lands out of Lease and the severall powers I have given you for disposing the same and also of my Woods & the Chiefrents . . . and at what time and place to receive proposalls, & that the Tents : do meet you at the time appointed and bring with them their old Leases & pay all moneys in Arrear due from them at the tyme by you Limitted otherwise I shall not think my self oblidged afterwards to renew their Leases or lett them into the benefit of this Act
- 4thly: You are to examine what Farms Tenemts: and wast plotts are out of Lease, all wch: you are to offer to Lease for three Lives with Covenants for Renewall for ever, by a publick Cant in the City of Dublin, reserving such rent as in the said Act is Limitted
- 5thly: Before you agree to make any new Lease to any of my Tents: you are to make up the Accotts:... and if it appears that they are indebted to my grandmother... as execx: of my Grandfather or to me since his Death,... for Rent Fines Dutyes Harriotts or otherwise you are in such case in the first place to have the same either paid or secured by bond with Sureties and Warrants of attorneys to Confess Judgments thereon to be paid in any reasonable time you may think Convenient

- 6thly: Where you find any Tenants claim a right of perpetuall renewall... from my late Grandfather, tho I have reason to dispute those Covenants yett being unwilling to have Law Suits with my Tents: you may therefore Treat and agree with such Tenants... where such Fines with the rent and arrears have been tendred and the new Lives named fairly to any known Comrs: or Agents appointed by my Late Guardian or my self... such Tender and the naming... may be considered by you, as if the same had been perform'd to me or my Guardian in person
- 7thly: You are to make no manner of abatemt: to any of my Tenants without my Consent nor in the Setting any of the Leases to have any consideracon of any Services that they may have done me, or my predecessors, but Lett them sett forth the same in Writing which you may remitt me and what is reasonable to be done I will give you directions for
- 8thly: Whereas there are Severall Leases in being made by my Late Grandfather depending upon one or more . . . Lives without any Covenant for renewalls which I think may be for my Interest to have runn out I would not have you Contract for any such . . . Leases Bernagihy Farm being in the possession of Coll: Creagh who married a relation of mine I have condiscended that he holds the said farm at five and twenty pounds per ann: during my pleasure . . . You are to examine in what farmes (either now in Lease or out of Lease where there is no Claim of Renewall . . .) the rents reserved are so small that the surplus Value considerably exceeds them, and such farms you are not to offer to Lease . . . Annaghbegg &c: formerly demised to Sr: Samuel Foxon I Reserve also to my own Disposall
- 9thly: You are to make no new Contract . . . where there is an old Lease in being without his producing the same . . .
- fothly: I Would have all Leases . . . made by vertue of this power . . . of one date & that you make Entrys of the sevil: agreemts. that you make with the Tenants
- 11thly: In any new Leases... you are to incert the Denominacon of the Lands as you find them in my Survey, & not Lett them as formerly by plow lands & Quartrs.
- 12thly: Being informed of upwards of 3000 Acres . . . that do not appear . . . in my Book of Entrys as enjoyed under any Lease of mine or my predecessors, such lands you are to enquire into in order to recover the same . . . and you are to give me a particular Account Thereof in order to my further direction herein

- 13thly: You are to offer to Sale all my Timber and woods
 ... to every Tenant what is growing within his Farm, or to
 any other person who will buy the same ... but where any
 reasonable price cannot be had there to except Such timber
 & woods in all new Leases
- 14thly: You are to offer to sale to the terre Tenants or others . . . my severall Chief rents in the County of Clare . . . but every terre Tent: who shall purchase the same in his own name or in Trust for him is first to pay all his rent from the date of an agreemt: made in . . . 1707 for the future paymt: of such rent
- 15thly: As to the times of payment of the fines on Leases, or other moneys arrising by Sale of woods or Cheifrents you are to endeavor to gett as short time . . . as can be complied with, but . . . so as that at Least one sixth . . . be paid at the time of making the Contract . . .
- r6thly: You are to give notice to the . . . Tenants and persons wth: whom you shall contract that I have persuant to the Act appointed Benjaman Burton & Francis Harrison Esq: to receive all the money arising by Fines of Leases . . . and by sale of my woods and of the Cheifrents . . . But all rents and dutyes payable unto me . . . are to be paid to my receiver Mr. George Roche or any other recevr: by me appointed . . . and such arrears as are due to my Grandmother . . . are to be paid to the said Ambrose Upton who is to keep an Account apart of the Same
- 17thly: Where any person named in this Commission in his own name or in the name of any other in Trust for him shall take any Lease or purchase any Woods or Cheifrents his vote as to such Lease or purchase . . . or to any valuation or proceeding relating thereto shall not be valid . . .
- r8thly: Mr. Thomas Moland having survey'd my whole Estate, and being represented to me to be a person of Entegrity and ability I would have him therefore employed as Clerk to this Comission and you may agree with him at a Certain Sallary . . .
- rothly: That there be a book! Kept wherein yr: orders and proceedings in this Comission shall be fairly entred and signed by such Comrs: as are present, and doe agree therein; and if any . . . do Dissagree . . . he is to give his reasons . . . the same to be entred . . . and signed by them in the said book
- 20thly: You are from time to time to give me notice of yr: proceedings
 ... & to sign the same each of you that were present at the
 Time of Transacting wt: you write to me about

¹ This does not seem to have been preserved.

arthly: Whatsoever expences you are at in . . . this Comission you are to order yr: Clerk to keep acct: of apart and for the reimbursmt: thereof I shall give directions to Benja: Burton & Fra: Harrison to discharge the same on an order from any three or more of you Wittness my hand . . . Thomond"

Contemporary copy, 3pp.

1548.

1713-1805.

Account books and wages books for 1713-26, 1735-6, 1746, and 1797-1805. The following entries are taken from the book of receipts and payments for Rt. Hon. Sir Donough O'Brien, May gale, 1715.

Arthur Collwell, the postillion, wages £2.10; Mrs. Mary O'Brien, "for the use of the Manufactory," £1.7.1; George Wane, for the plate won by Capt. Jephson, £14.12; received through the hands of James Clanchy for 3 cows and a heifer sold at Quin fair, £9.11; Mr. James Hehir, for a score of bullocks bought from him by Murt. Griffin, £47; Dannl. Boyle, bill for two suits of clothes for the jockeys at Turloghmore, £1.5.7%; Johannes Hoogward, for 3% barrels of rape seed to sow at Leattoon, £3.11.3; Mr. Robert Eaton, for proxies due the Archbishop out of Lord Inchiquin's tithes in the dioceses of Killaloe and Kilfenora, £8.10; "paid Art. Cloghessy in addition to 2 li. lent him on the 28 of July 1710 by me, & to 11s. for 2 stones of Wooll deliverd him by Halpenny on the 30 of August 1712 and to 8s. 4d. paid him through the hands of Ambross on the 18. of January 1712 to compleat a Bill of his amounting to 5.11.9 for rideing and paceing of Horses, the remaining 1.2.51 being retrenched 1.10."; "Sent his Honnr. by James Clanchy for his pocckett goeing then to the Clubb 10.10."; received of Henry Kendall and the labourers of Dangenbrack for the soil of the wheat stubble field at Creeragh, sowed by them last spring, £5.5; received of Mr. Haw. Hickie and Henry Wall, for 213 "Woold" skins @ 1/6, 27 lamb skins @ 6d., and 30 pelts @ 3d., £17.0.6; "paid Pak. Creagh of Charlevill in redemption of the Coat and Vest stole by Michll. Fz Gerald the Wiggmaker and for Charges expended by him in prosecuteing the said Theif

Prices of stock between 1797 and 1804: heifers, bought from Dins. Mc Namara and Jas. Kinnan, £6.8.3 and £5.17; a cow and calf, from Patt Slattery, £4.11; another cow and calf, £6.7; 9 calves at Spancelhill, £43.2.8 $\frac{1}{2}$; a cow at Tubber, £6.7.4; 3 cows at Clare, £21.19.2 $\frac{1}{2}$; a carthorse, £14.10.9; fees for a stallion, £2.8.2 $\frac{1}{2}$.

1549.

30 Mar. 1713.

Accounts relating to Ja: McDonel's holding in Sixmilebridge.

He had written as follows to Richard Wilson; "be pleas'd to consider that my park was taken from me, having only halfe this last yeares profit out of it — I desire to be resolv'd about my house what Rent yo'l expect . . . it's all down almost [to] the ground . . . & the plot twixt it & Matt Hickies is not of the Six Acres belonging to the Slate house they are in the park Orchard tanyard & water course

3pp., endorsed by Wilson "an erroneous Acct. & request delivered my by James Mc Donnell."

1550.

I July 1714.

Richard Lillis's estimate for a grist mill to be built on the Sixmilebridge river.

The mill to be $18' \times 60'$; 55 labourers to serve the masons at a wage of 6d. a day; carriage of timber, £4.13.8½; total, £89.8.0.

1551.

1714.

John King's and Andrew Corban's estimate for paving the highroad between Bunratty Lodge and Sixmilebridge; 51 perches at 2/9, 5/6, and 6/- per perch; total, £11.5.6.

1552.

10 Apr. 1716.

Notice of cant of the two plowlands of Mughan. They are described as "... Limestone land, the most part arable ground, some craggy limestone land, and some other small part dwarf wood; all good sheep pasture, fattening land, and some part fitt for a dairy, and a house thereon fitt for that purpose ..."; Io miles from Limerick, 4 from Sixmilebridge, 5 from Ennis, and I from Newmarket.

Draft, 1p., endorsed as follows by Richard Wilson; "Aprill the 17th 1716 —

Postings sett up for the Setting of Moghane

1553.

Ditto the 26th

Councellr. McNemara mett Sr. Donat, Mr. David England, & me at Tullagh, & sett the wthinmentioned land to Collll. Butler for 100 li. per an. qt. rent inclusive, & has promised to procure a Minnett to that purpose from the Guardians.

Danll. O Callaghan & Capn. Thady McNemara present.

Six hours after wch. Captn. Newdigate, who was there wth Jack Stephens, first declared he came thether to Cant, but would not have bidd more than 80 li. for it, & yett afterwards complained that the Cant was not brought on, saying that he would have gone soe farre as 120 li. per ann. for the same. To wch. Councellr. Mc Nemara made answer, he was very well sattesfied in what he had done, & beleived none could be more concerned for the good of his Grandchildren than himselfe —

Sr. Donat after this advized Collonel Butler to give up his bargain & lett the cant come on, but Mr. Mc Nemara would not yeild to itt."

1554.

11 Apr. 1717.

Lands belonging to the see of Kilfenora; with their denominations and rents in Archbishop Parker's time [1667 to 1679].

The town, fairs, markets, and two quarters of Kilfenora; 195a.

profitable, 176a. unprofitable.

Clony, North & South; two cartrons; North, 105 (?)a. profitable, 809 (?)a. unprofitable; South, 496a. profitable, 177a. unprofitable.
 Set to Mr. Nep. Blood Junr., for £30.

3 Leekeene, one quarter; 83a. profitable, 325a. unprofitable;

- set to Mr. Thoms. Blood
 4. Glaniny als. Gleninagh, two cartrons; 97a. profitable, 1,126a.
- unprofitable.
- Aghagliny, two cartrons; 38a. profitable, 491a. unprofitable. Assigned to Don. Egan; rent £30.
- Murriogh Kelly and Murriogh beg, one cartron; 55a. profitable,
 239a. unprofitable.
 Set to Mr. Danl. mc Donnogh; rent £20.
- Kilmecreehy alias Laghton, two cartrons; 209a. profitable, 21a. unprofitable.
- 8. Ballyrottin, one quarter; 184a. profitable, 479a. unprofitable.
- 9. Oughtmama, one cartron; 89a. profitable, 809a. unprofitable. Set to Sir Thoms. Blake, Bart.; rent £4.10.
- Dromcreehy, two cartrons; 131a. profitable, 72a. unprofitable.
 Set to Mr. George Stanton, for £8.
- 12. Nohavill, one quarter and 9/12 of a quarter; 70a. profitable. Set to Mr. Morto Davoren; rent £5.
- Ahivoynane, two cartrons; 109a. profitable, 908a. unprofitable.
 Assigned to Jon. Rane.
- Killas Buglanane East & West, two cartrons; 190a. profitable, 59a. unprofitable.

Set to Mr. Jon. Nelane; rent £8.

Rent total, £105.10.0.

Total of acres profitable 1,946.

Total of acres unprofitable 4,932.

Rent in 1715, when Archbishop Vesey died.

 Set to Mr. Deane Blood by the late Lord Archbishop; Mr. Samuel Blood present tenant; rent £50.

2 to 6. Set to Mr. Edmd. Blood; rent (including salary), £42.

7 to 9. Now in lease to Mr. William fitz Gerald; rent £31.10.

10. Set to Sir Walter Blake; rent (including salary), £7.7.

 Set to old Mr. George Stanton, along with the quarter of Carrow-Thos. in Co. Galway; rent (including salary), £14.17.

12. Set by Capt. Christopher O'Brien to the Davorens; rent £13.13.

 Set to Capn. Christopher O'Brien; rent (including salary), £10.10.

Total of rent in 1715, £169.17.0.

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1555.

1720.

Rental of estates of 4th Earl of Inchiquin: Cos. Clare, Tipperary, and city and county of Limerick (£7,202.18.2); Co. Cork (£2,066.6.3); advowsons in the dioceses of Killaloe and Kilfenora, Co. Clare (£660).

The following examples show the information given about tenants and their holdings:

52 Drumfinglass Drumessane Curraghmorefanta Lisdowny Purfince Cahirluscane Cahirmonea Widow Hannane to pay from May 1714

47:0:0 2s. on the death of each Principall Tennant

40s. within 12 months after the fall of every life, & if not tendered within that time, the Lessor to be at his own Election whether to renew or not

There is in Cahirmonea parte of this farme a good wood of oke & ash, wch. are Reserved by the Lease to his Ldship

This wood was sold to Jn. Rice

200:0:01

71 Ballykerin one qr.

George Martyn 00; 17:6

Comp[osition] rent 00:10:0

Duties 00: 2:6

May 1st 1729

30: 0:0

lately recovered from

52a : or : op

Mc Donnogh¹

¹ The last paragraph has been added in a different hand.

County of Clare Bunratty Barrony Lands in Lease

93 Ballycarwell alias Ballycarrould & Killyan 3 cartrons with an old Castle & two Fishing Weyres for Eeles

In whose Tennancy the yrly rent
Richard Willson Junr 24:0:0
to pay from May 1714
Duties 0:7:6

when Determinable

On the death of Joseph Pror. to the Lessee Thos. son of William Butler Esqr. & John son of Montross Patterson

Reall value 30:0:0

1556.

1729 to 1775.

Accounts and papers dealing with transactions between Andrew Crotty, Richard Hull, and Robert French and Sir Edward and Sir Lucius O'Brien.

Included is an abstract of lands sold by the trustees of the last-named, among which are:

Cratlokeal; rent in 1764 £30; sold to Wm. Monsell for about £2,800.

Mogowly; rent f_{10} ; sold to Wm. Mc Nemara for about $f_{1,000}$. Goulroe; rent f_{20} ; sold to Robert French for $f_{1,200}$.

1557.

c. 1730.

Detailed rental of Ballygonner and certain other lands occupied by Major Miller, Col. Creagh, Sir Edward O'Brien, Mr. Morto. Hogan, and Capt. Christopher O'Brien. Each denomination is described as "Good kind strong Pasture . . ." etc.

Compiled by Da. Neale.

2pp.

1558.

1734.

"Abstract of the Leases of the County Clare Estate belonging to

the Right Hon: the Earl of Inchiquin." Detailed information is given of about 70 denominations, of which the following are examples:

"No. 14 Tuornageehy &ca

Lease dated 30th day of March 1668 to Edmd. o Hehir of Cahirloghae a demise of all that and those the plow Land of Cahirloghae and the number of 66 acres of Land plantation Measure in the three plowLands of Cruitt Tuornageehy and Clonlouhill in the Parish of Dysert &c for the Term of Ninetyfour years to commence the first of May following at the Rent of £6 a year — Dutys a Mutton or five shillings and two Capons or 2s:6d.

	Rent	6:-:-
	Dutys	7:6
Expires May	1762	6: 7: 6

'Cahirlogha Lett to Morough O Bryen at 20 L a year & 12d in the Pd fees Clontouhill Tuornageehy &a Lett to 'Stephen Ready & partners for 31 years from March 1765 Rent 50:—:—

Fees 2:10:—

'survey'd seperately'

£52:10:-'

No. 83 Kilmoon

No lease to be found in Rent roll 98 Acres. John Davoren Tenant Rent £2:7:8 to determine the first May 1765. 'a Clause of War

I have a Copy of the lease from Mrs Hogan '

'Andrew Lysaght to have it at 50 li & fees'

'surveyed'

No. 37 Cahirbannagh

In the Rent roll entered Cahirbannagh half a plowland Craglosky and Maghery three Cartrons Magowna one Cartron in all 164A. Mrs. Alice Burton in right of a Lease to Michael o Dea — Rent £4: 2:— determinable the 1st of May 1788. Observations in the R Roll. This is a Lease for 61 years with a Covenant for a Renewal for 61 years more paying £11: 4:— from the first of May 1727 which his Lordship red the 29th of August 1732.

The Lands in this Lease are said to contain 222A. at 6 pr Acre is £5: Q, why the Rent onely £4:2: there is also in this Lease to o Dea the half plowland of Knockycarreen. Q. what is become of this Land? A. the half plowLand of Knockecarreen was in Lease to one Mary Lovel for 61 years at the same time that o Dea took the Lease of Cahirbannagh &c in which Knockecarreen was included but having

never enjoyed it had an Allowance in his Rent so that the Remainder containing 164A. the rent was fixed at £4:2: Na. Mary Lovels Lease expired and the Lands Let to Mr. Charles Creg at £16 and fees — and since sold by Mr. Bridge. C. and B o B.

Na. The counterpart of o Dea's Lease is not now to be found 'Lease determines 1st May 1788'

A copy of the original Lease dated the 14th of December 1666 to Michlo Dea Caherbennagh &c Rent 6 pence pr. Acre payable Moytively on the 1st Nov and last of April yearly. This copy is on paper and No. 37.

Lease determines May 1788

Na. There is a copy of the Lessee's Counterpart of the lease on which the Lessee covenan[ts] for himself &c. to pay during the last 61 years f5-II a year'

'Survey'd'

1559.

12 Jul. 1738.

"Articles that requires to be settled in Sir Edward o Briens Rent-

roll are as followeth (Vizt.)

- No. (1) Xr. o Brien Esqr. Cahirmenane, Carhugarr, Ballybreen, & Lissygoran, The two former goes to pay Interest Mony, the Rent of the Later Denominations sho'd come to Sir Edward for severall Gales past, but did not, Tho. Capn. o Brien is well paid by Mr. Charles Lysaght.
- Pierse Creagh, Esqr., Ballagh & Clonmera, held by him since the 1st of May 1726, being 12 years, at 52li. 10s. od. per Annum, & never pd. a groat that Swyny knows off, the p[resent] (?) amount of which comes to 630 li
- (3) Charles Creagh Esqr. Ballyclinacahill, att 63 li. per Annum, Qre when pd. any rent
- Xr. o Brien Esqr. Killcarhagh, att 21 li. per Annum Not recd. (4) for sevll. gales past
- Mr. George Brown, Ballykeal East, for sevll. years past, att 45 (5) li per Annum
- (6) Richard England Esqr. the Rent of Ballymurphy to be settled
- Patrick Richard England Esqr. both the old & New Accot. to be (7) settled
- Luke Hickman Esqr. to settle with him for the Rent of Ballynacreggy & for a Moytie of Mooghane Rent
- Samuel Monsell Esqr. Cratloghkeale being 57:04:6 per Annum

^{&#}x27; Added in another hand.

- (10) Mr. John Colpoyse, for the Rent of Carhunakelly, being 38: 17: 0 per Annum
- (II) To take care of mr. James Glew about his holdings att the Bridge, seeing that he does not perform, According to his severall promises
- (12) The like Care of mr. James Wilson, & Mr. Wm Bridgeman, &c
- (13) To settle the Rent & arrrs. of Goulroe, & to gett mr. Thomas Foster to perfect his Lease, A great share of this work may be done att Enis assizes
- (14) To look over mr Hogans Colateral paymts which he left with Swyny to give you, when yr. Honr. has any Leasure
- (15) To perfect Patrick Bourks Lease, his own part being perfected already
- (16) To perfect Daniel Griphas Minute of Teige Murphys Cabbin in Corrofin, which fell, & Gripha built up again, & was promiss'd a Lease of the same by your Honr
- (17) To gett mr. Matthew Hickie to Clear up the Accot. of Sixmile-bridge with mr. Moland, & with your Honr. & to find sufficient vouchers, for proofe of his payments to you both, which will be found Leam [sic] in his Accot. wth. mr. Moland
- (18) To gett mr Crotty to Post in the Book (ruled for that purpose) all the Rents that groes yearly due to Lord Inchiqn & out of wt Lands, & likewise the Lands assign'd for the paymt. of said Rent"

1740 - 1749.

Correspondence, accounts, and leases dealing with holdings at Sixmilebridge; during this period, £9.4.6 yearly farm was paid by Mr. Jon. Ryan for the customs there. Some of the accounts are endorsed with notes of posting in a ledger.

1561.

1740 - 1743.

Accounts of rents collected by Sir Edward O'Brien, Mr. Mort. Hogan, Patrick Miniter, and Tim Bawn.

Mention is made of several holdings in Corofin, in the hands of old servants of the family, that have been rent free for the last few years.

1562.

"A Rentroll of the Lands Assign'd for payment of Messrs French's Mony for Novr. Gale 1742;". The total rent due was £615.14.10½, of which Sir Edward O'Brien had received £456.0.8½.

Mr. Patrick Brenan Holdings in and about Newmarket .. 10.10.

Robert Farnane do. .. 4. 4.

Thomas Kendall	Poulegirane				3. I. 6
Col. Robert Hickman	Madara & Moheroe				3. 8. 3
	Keilmore				7. 7.
John Bourk, esq.	Leamaneh, Deer Park	e, & Tie	skagh		88.14. 6
Mrs. Wilson	** * * *				7.10.
Col. Creagh	Soylshane & Drimnag				31.10.
Mr. Hyact. Darcy	Carhunacrushy				I 6
Wm. Cooper	Ballycullina				23.12. 6
Edwd. Wilson	Clogher				26. 5.
Dennis Kerin			**	.,	
Control of the contro	Cregbrien	1.5	**	**	2. 4.102
Constance Egan & Connr.					
Conway	Cabirsherkin				26. 5.
Morrogh O'Brien	Cullenogh	**	**	**	31.10.
James Considine	Glanslade, besides			rent	
	coming to Sir Edwd	. O'Brier	1		17.18. 9
Edmond Power	Holdings in Cregbrien				5. 9. 9
	" his Tenemt"	**		+ +	1.11. 6
Patrick French, esq.	Coolys holdings in Far	recoyle			18. 7. 6
Patrick Bourk	Walls tenement				I. I.
Richard Evans	Bealys tenement in C	orrofin			I. I.
Patrick Miniter	His tenement in Corr				15. 9
Francis Swyny	The Pound Parke				1.11. 9
George Brown	D 11 1 1 D 1		**		22.10.
	75. 1	**		**	
Therlogh o Loghlen	TC 1 1 1	11	* *	* * *	9.19. 6
Patrick Richd. England					3. 8. 6
Mr. Mortagh Hogan	Carhimogoul & Leatin	e		* *	21.
	Anagh	1.5	(6.6)	* *	2.10.
	A tenement	1.4	**	**	1.10.
	Duties				2. 6
	Another tenement	1.0	**		17. 6
Dennis Mc. Lyne	Killecollooe	11			6. 6.
John Kent	Soukeen & Cahirgorm	an			II.II.
Richard Griffin	Gortnaglogh				4. 6. 71
Michl. Miniter	Tonelegee				2. 2.
James Moylan	CarhunaMaddra				5. 5.
Richard England, esq.	Cahirmacona				5. 5.
Vall: Thynn	Carhuerhagh			4.4	10. 5.
Turi . Triyini	Crughfuill & Ballycon				26. 5.
Thomas Blood Senr.	Toorlogh Acres		**		
			**		2. 7. 3
John Ross Lewin Esqr.	Toorloghballybreen	**			2. 5.
	Larhoghkea	1.5	**		2.15.
	Moheradenis	1.11			2. 5.
Michael McNamara	Ballyvealoghane	* *			14.14.
Therlogh O'Brien	Coolea			**	11. 6
Col. Ievers	Mugohy				5. 5.
Andrew White	Tenement in Corrofin				1.19. 41
Thomas Blood Junr.	"a Tenemt."	14			2. 4. 6
Patrick Foster	Holdings in and about	Corrofin		4.4	2. 7. 3
Patrick Power	Part of Cregbrien				2. 4.10
	"his Tenemt."	* *			3.13. 6
Henry Lynch	Tenement in Corrofin				3. 3.
James Power, Ennis	"his Tenemt."			1	3. 9.
Owen Glyssan & Gripha			**		7.10
Thomas Baker	[Unspecified] after a	1			71202
Latinus Done		-			1 6 11
Tames Power Corrects	pleasure garden at				4. 0. 42
James Power, Corrofin	Fitz Geralds tenemen		**		I. I.
Patrick Whyte		* *	4.		4.14. 6
Marks Blood	Tenement in Corrofin		**		15. 9
Patrick French Esqr	Vaghans Garden	* *	11	7.5	6. 31
Exers. of Mr. Brownrigg	Part of Cregbrien	**	7 -		6. 6.
Mortagh Moyney	Inchiquin Mills	* *	2.0		10.10.

Thady Hehir	Ballycasheer	i, over	and al	bove £19	.06.11			
	assigned th	his gale	to Mr Br	yan O'Bri	en	12.	3.	I
Edmond Power	77 11 1		**			8.		
Wm. Pyne	Lacamore		14			8.	8.	
Thomas Pelkinton	Ballyhanna				**	6.	8.	Iå
Wm. Pelkinton	Ballyhana					6.	8.	I
John Davoren	Sir Edwd. O	Briens'	part of (Carn		13.	2.	6
John Read	Ballymacrav	an &	Cahirycou	isane		25.1	12.	6

1748 et seq.

Rentals of the Sixmilebridge estate.

All these, except that for the year 1752, have names of tenants, rents received, and notes on tenure only; in 1748 one-fifth of the tenants had no leases. The figures are as follows:

1748, £141.16.7; 1752, £163.8.2; 1754-5, £155.18.3; 1756-7, £163.4.3 $\frac{3}{4}$; 1761-2, £164.4.3 $\frac{3}{4}$; 1762-3, £182.14.3; 1763-4, £184.12.9; 1764-5, £178.17.9; 1765-6, £182.17.9; 1766-7, £165.17.9.

Also: a small bundle of accounts, contracts for leases, and miscellaneous papers relating to Sixmilebridge. 1737-1790.

1564.

1745.

Tenants in the baronies of Burren, Corcomroe, and Inchiquin.

Richard Baker	Dennis Mc. Lyne
Samuel Banks	Charles Lysaght
Marke Blood	Charles Mc Donogh
Wm. Blood	Michl Mc Nemara
Morgan O'Brien	Donogh Mc Nemara
Bryan O'Brien	Luke Magrath
Therlogh O'Brien	Michl. Miniter
Capn. Xr. O'Brien	Patrick Miniter
Morrogh O'Brien	James Moran
Conway & Egan	James Moylan
James Considine	Mortaugh Moyny
Collli. Creagh	Wm. Pelkinton
Charles Creagh	Thomas Pelkinton
Bryan Daly	Edmond Power
Hyact. Daly	Patrick Power
Thomas Davenport	James Power Enis
John Davoren	James Power Corrofin
David England	Wm. Pyne
Richd. England	Capn. Stamor
Richd. Evans	Francis Swyny
Fagan &c	Thomas Swyny

Patrick Foster
Patrick French
Owen Glyssan
Thomas Gorman
Richd. Griffin
Bartw. Harrold
Teige Hehir
Mortaugh Hogan
Francis Kent
Dennis Kerrin
John Ross Lewin
Therlogh O'Loghlen

Vall: Thynn Andrew Whyte Robert Whyte Edward Wilson

1565.

1748 (with later additions).

Rental of Sir Edward O'Brien. Total £3,798.18.0, out of which £167.0.1½ is payable to the Earl of Inchiquin, and £182.19.2 to Wyndham O'Brien, esq., as heir to the late Earl of Thomond. The acreage of Dromoland that paid taxes, county charges, church rates, etc., is returned at 347.2.0., (256.2.0 in 1786). The lands out of lease, to be let at May 1757, were:

[Inserted on a loose sheet].

"Lands to be let at May 1757 by Mr. Mathias Hehir and Tim Bane¹ by the desire and appointment of Sr. Edwd. O Brien at the Rents undermentioned and not other wise

Ballyveloghane Mr Mcc Namara is the present Tent.
and under him Mr. Robert Skerret
I will have a Yearly Rent for it of -50and 25f by way of Fine — and
25 Load of oisters to be Delivered at
Dromoland Free of All Expences

Drimone and East Drishlogh

Terence O Loghlen is the present Tent I will have a yearly Rent for it Of

30

17

and a Fine of 15 Pound

and a Fine of 15 Pour Cahirnamadara I will have a yearly R

I will have a yearly Rent of and 8-10-0 by way of Fine

Note the Tennants in Possession of the above lands are to have A preferrance they paying the above Rents not otherwise"

¹ Altered from Donough O'Brien Esqr.

1566. [c. 1760] Proposals made to Sir Edward O'Brien for several holdings

Present Tenants	Denominations	Prest. Rent	Value	Quality	Proposers Names	Rent proposed
Executors of M.H. Clouneen	Clouneen	06	140	Arrable and Fatening ground sheep walk set to Domk. Power for	Domk. Power Terry O Brien	135 & Fine 120 — 60gs Fine 140 and 70 £ fine 040 — 20 Fine
Robert White	Old Deer Park	30	045	set to domk Power	Jas Lysaght domk Power for Micl Mcc Namara Neddy Hogan	042 — 20 Fine 045 — and Fine
Different Tents Poulcooliky	Ballyganer and Exclusive of Any part of Shissymore *and Poulcooliky*	089—5	120	Good Kind sheep walk Sound Fatening Land	Mi. Mcc Namara Coleman O Loghlen Vall Thynne Tim Mcc. Mahon	119—5—0 Old Rent and 100 gs Fine 110 Pd — 50 £ Fine 120 & 60 £ Fine
Jas Sexten	Cahirmneonna	010-10	035	set to Mr. [sic] Mr. Peter Equall to Lemenegh	Butler & OLoghlen Coleman O Loughlen Terry O Brien Dmk Darcy	120 & Fine 25 £ and 25 £ Fine 35 £ and Fine
Edwd: Wilson	Sessymore *and Poulcooliky* Exclusive of Any part of Ballyganner Or Poolcoolicky	85-17-6 8-0-0 93-17-6	860	set to Arable and Fatening Ground good sheep walk Jas Lysaght £110 Rent and 55 £ Fine Mr. Burk 150 £ Fine	Dont, O Brien Esqr 100 £ Rt. 50 £ Fine Vall Thynne 95 £ and Fine Mr. Wm. Mic Namara 127 £ 17—6 Mr. Considine 120 £ 60 £ Fine the younger 105 & Fine	100 £ Rt. 50 £ Fine 95 £ and Fine 127 £ 17—6 120 £ 60 £ Fine 105 & Fine
Mathias Hehir Wm Reed Majr Stamer Domk, Darcy	Ballycasheen Ballymneraven Ballytarsna Tuskeagh	63 51—5 37—0 30—9—0	123-15 090-0 056- 56, or 60	Equall to Lemenegh Arable Kind Pasture arrable Fatning Ground and good sheep walk	Mr. Domk. Darcy Mathias Hehir Domk Darcy John Lysaght set to Mr. Lysaght as above	35 £ 20 £ Fine 50 £ 50 £ Fine
John Kent and the executors of M: Hogan	Soskeen and Cahirgorman	23— 2	35	arrable & Pasture	set to Mr Kent for	40

* Fraced

Present Tenants	Denominations	Prest. Rent	Value	Quality	Proposers Names	Rent proposed
Micl Miniter	Tomlegee	04 4	double	Arrable & Pasture		
Wm. Commyn	Carn	26-5	0 -44	Rocky Pasture Good Winter Land	Thos. Armstrong set to Dont. O Brien Esqr.	36 and 30 gs —
Micl Mcc Namara	Micl Mcc Namara Ballyviloughane	29-8	009	arrable Stony Pasr and good sheep Walk mem: Oisters	Mr. Skerrit Mr. Wm. Skerrit Mr	40 £ 40 £ 45 £ and Fine
Widow O Brien	Collinagh	63	06	Arrable Pasture and Good Mountain	Ter: O Brien Set to him for	75 £ & 20 Gs. 80 and 40 Fine
Terrence O Loghlen	Drimore	61—61	30—	Pasturable mountain let to	Andrew Thynne Daniel Lysaght for 28 Peter O Loghlen	25 £ & Fine 24 £ and Fine 27 £ and Fine
Executors of Mr Gorman	Cahirnamadara	10-10	14—14	14-14 Arrable & Pasture	Mathias Hehir widdow Mullen	14 pound 15-15-0
Mr Bellew	Soylshane	63-0	140-0-0		Micl Barret	0 -00-06
Mr Bellew	Fienna	25-12- 3	40			
Patrick and Edmd Power	Parts of Crag Bryan					
Executors Richd Gortnaglough Griffin	Gortnaglough	8-13- 9		Arrable and Pasture		
Luke Magrath	Cloony Beg	13-13	double	Arrable and Pasture	John Lucas Mr. Magrath	24 & Fine 20 & Fine
Bryan Daly	Gort Drishlough	10-10	14-14			
Thos Kendal	Pouligorane	9	22- 0- I	Or Ten gs p(er) Acre	Tim Bane Mr. Jas Mahon Mr. Thos. Mcc Nemara Thos Kendall Peter Mulins John Welsh supposed to be Jas. Mcc.	15 Pound 15 Pound 16 Pound 15 Pound The old Rent and 60 gs Fine

1567

12 Mar. 1763.

"The state of some Houses and parks in Sixmilebridge to be laid before Sir Edward O Brien Bart."

Concerning arrears due from holdings of Capt. Augustin Ieuers [Ivers] (late Col. Ieuers); Andrew Arnold; Jno. Pierce; and Michl. Ridy, broguemaker. Sir Edward's comments are as follows:

- (I) Ivers. "I Can not answer it to Ld Thomond to Forgive Mr Ieuers Or any body Else £85-9-10 of his Rent, when there is such A Large Arrear due to him—therefore Let the Land be Let this year as it was Last; and Let Mr. Hickie Receive the Small advance Rent; And I will Inform My self Properly Whether Captn Ieuers be not Lyable to his Fathers debts."
- (2) Arnold. "If Any Man Liveing Can Prevaill Upon Old Arnold to Give Up his Lease I Can—And I Will Write next Post to a Friend in Dublin to Apply to Him in my Name And as I am Under an Engagement of two Years Standing not to Let this Land wthout Leting Mr Morris Know—I send you A Letter to him wh Deliver him And Fix the Affair wh Him—If he is of [off] Mr Willson may Have It upon the Terms Offered Mr Morris"
- (3) Pierse. "Let Mr Pierse Have this but He Cant pay Less than twenty Sgs [shillings] a year"

(4) Ridy. "I will Rather Let this to another Tent that Will build An Other House upon it"

"I Examined the Proposalls About Castle Rag — and do not approve of any of them but If A Good Tent will Repair the House, according to the Estimate Mr Hickie Gave me wh. my Adition there to —and will pay the present Rent, wh. it was Let for Thirty year Ago He shall have A Lease of 3 Lives or 31 years—but I will not Let It, upon any other Terms

Edward O Brien "

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1568.

[after 1787]

Descriptive rental of Sir Lucius O'Brien's estate; the first 7 entries are entirely missing, nos. 8 and 9 being partly preserved, and the first two surviving pages torn.

1569.

" 1777 Lease from Sir Luc[ius] O'Brien Bart. to Thomas
April 18 M[aclean] of the denomination's No. 3 (?) for
two Lives Viz. Thomas Maclean the Lessee & Michl.
Pilkington junr of Skehan Rent payable 29th Sepr
& 25 March

Lease from Sr Lucius O Brien to John Jones for the 1779 Life of Lessee of the denomination in No. 6 Rent 8ber 4 paya[ble] November & May

1571.

Clare Town 10 Lolans House in the Town of Clare & Garden, his park in the same, called Cregane a tulla, together wth. 2a: 3r: 27p: of Clare Corcass

Robert Lolan 1779 Lease from Sir Lucius O Brien to Robert Lolan, for Jany. 5 the Lives of Lessee, Lucius O Brien 2d son of Lessor, Robt Armstrong 2d. son of Edmd. Armstrong of Ennis & Richard Hen. Lolan second son of Lessee Rent payable Novr & May

1572.

The Part of Clare Corcass held by Curron & Rorke

John Saunders 3.13. 6

1573.

12 Michael Hickeys pt. of Clare Corcass

Mary Mc. Carthy 9. 7. 6

1574.

13 Widdow Hickeys part of the Corcass

Widdow Hickey 7.10. 0

1575.

a House & Garden on the Green tennant at will

Danl Garrihy

0.12. 6

21.12.11

1576.

15 a house & Garden on the Green William Neylan No. 15 tennant at will

0.12. 0

1577.

16 Do. Do. No. 16 tennant at will William Miller 0.15. 0

1578.

Do. William Corbett 17

o. 5. 5 No. 17 tennant at will

1579.

18 Do.

Dennis Slattery 0.14. 0 No. 18 tennant at will

1580.

Do. Widdow Hickey o. 5. o No. 19 tennant at will 19

20	Do.	Lot Spellasy	0. 2. 6	No. 20 ten	nant at will
		1582.			
21	Do.	John Reddan	0. 2. 6	No. 21 ten	nant at will
		1583.			
22	Bowling Green	William Hamer E	sq. 3.16. 3	No. 22 Fee	
		1584.			Grant
-	the Dealyard P	ark, with	John Simp Ingeneer	le	9. 7. 8
1777 May	7 for the I Lessor & Gerald of Renewal	no 23 from Sir Lucius Lives of Lessee, Luc Charles FitzGerald e if Sheppertown, with on payment of 10/ March & Sepr	ius O Brien 2 ldest son of Ja Covenant of	d. son of mes Fitz- perpetual	
		1585.			
24	Hudsons	holdings	John Morr	is	14.
		1586.			
25 tenna	pt. of Bleant at will No. 2	each's holdings	the Widdo	w O Dea	3.19. 7½
		1587.			
26		& garden in Clare			
T=80	Currens	orth side, formerly	John Cum		I. 2. 9
Jany	. 20 for 31	from Sir Lucius O B years from first May No (26)			
		1588.			
27	in the To	offices & garden	Michl. Blea	ach	2. 2. 0
1771 8ber		from Sr Lucius O E years, from first Ma		el Bleach	
		1589.			
28		e backyard & small			
1771 8ber	of Clare, Lease	a garden in the town 40 feet in front from Sir Lucius O opposite holding (N	Richd. Ble Brien to Rich	d. Bleach	2. 0. 0
- NOA		lay Last	20, 202 32)	THE LEVILLE	

A Slate house & garden in the Town of Clare Maurce. Butler 3. 0. 0 1778 Lease from Sir Lucius O Brien to Maurice Butler for the Lives of Edward O Brien Eldest son of Nov. 7 Lessor, John & Thoms. Butler, first & second sons of Lessee, Rent payable Nov & May 1591. An house in Clare lately Edmond Rice 30 0, I, O occupied by Geo. Rice 1781 Lease from Sir Lucius O Brien to Edmond Rice. 8 ber 6 for the Lives of Lessee, Thomas Rice his Brother & Elizt. Rice his younger sister 1592. 31 Fairs & Markets one half John Butler 10. o. o 1593. 32 Howards house on the Green Roger Pinnion 1. 2. 6 1594. 33 Marks Linnanes house on Clare Maths. Neile o. 2. 6 No. 33 tennant at Will Green 1595. 34 Dennis Sullevans Do Honora Considin o. 2. 2 No. 34 tennant at Will 1596. 35 an House Do. Conner Slattery o. 2, 6 No. 35 tennant at Will 1597. 36 Do. Do. Widdow O Dea o. 2. 6 No. 36 tennant at Will 1598. 37 Do. Do. Pattk Collons o. 5. o No. 37 tennant at Will

38	Do.	Do.	John Slattery	0. 2. 6	No. 38 tennant at Will
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1600.

39	Do.	Do.	John Doody	0. 2. 8	No. 39 tennant at Will
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1601.

40 Do. Martin Morony 6. 2. 6 No. 40 tennant at	40	Do.	Do. Martin	Morony	0. 2. 0	No. 40 tennant at W
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1602.

41	Do.	Do.	Dennis Kishane	0. 2. 6	No. 41 tennant at Will

1603.

42 Do. Do. John Slattery o. 1. 3 No. 42 tennant at V	42	Do.	Do.	John Slattery	o. r. 3	No. 42 tennant at W
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1604.

43	A Mill Park	John Saunders	a Lease for two Lives of No.
			43 till after the Expiration of said Lives Sr Lucius dont take
			benefit

1605.

The house offices & Orchard
in the town of Assollas, Late
in the possession of Saml. Cross,
together wth. 15a. 2r. 38p. of part
of the lands of Aylecotty
Lease from Sr Lucius O Brien to Charles Chadwick

Apl. 20 Lease from Sr Lucius O Brien to Charles Chadwick Apl. 20 for the Lives of Lessee Frances Chadwick & Edward Chadwick his Eldest daughter & Son

1606.

pt. of the Lands of Kilkeraw & Aylecotty, Contg. 6a.ir.5p. William Austin 1. 6. 3 as by a Late Survey

Apl. 20 Lease from Sr Lucius O Brien to William Austin for his own Life & Saml. Cross the Elder of Assollas, with Covenant not to sell or set, without the Consent in Writing of sd Sr Lucius or his Heirs, or else to be subject to the yearly rent of £6:5 — & after the Death of Saml Cross one of the Lives in sd Lease, the sd William Austin is to pay the yearly Rent of £3.6.3

Denominations Tennants yearly Rent Outgoing No. 1 Ballycasheen Maths. Hehir £112.5s.od. £37.16s.

Augt 4 Lease from Sir Edwd. O Brien to Maths. Hehir of the Lands of Ballycasheen in the Barony of Inchiquin Parish of Killinaboy, for 31 years from May 1756

189 Acres or.12p. Wm. Butler 214.19. 9
1786 Lease from this date to Mr. Wm. Butler of the above
May I Lands for the Life of Lessee, and his two sons Peter
& Francis

1608.

2 Leamaneagh Edwd, O Brien Esq. 124.14. o
1750 Lease from Sir Edwd. O Brien to Robert Harman in
July I trust for Edwd. O Brien Esqr. for the Lives of sd.
Edward O Brien Esqr James O Brien Esqr. second
son of Chrisr. O Brien of Newhall Esq. & Hugh
Hickman Eldest son of Luke Hickman of Fenloe
Esqr. with a Clause of Renewal for one Life, in case
the said Edwd. O Brien should have Children Lawfully begotten

'Sr Lucius O Brien inserted the life of Charlotte O Brien in the Place of Hugh Hickman Edward O Brien Eldest son of said Edward pursuant to a Covenant for one Renewal in said original Lease'

1609.

Deerpark of Do. Domk. Power

1756

Sr. Edward O Brien passed a rect. to Domk. Power

June 24

for £45 — in full for the Fine of Leameneagh old

Deerpark lately held by Robt. White, wch he

acknowledges to have that day let to him at £45 per

ann: & to make him a Lease of the same, from May

next for 31 years, subject to the same Clauses that

are in his other Lease of Leameneagh, wch. he holds

1610.

4 Cahirfadda Wm. O'Brien 80. 0. 0 Lease from Sir Lucius O'Brien to Lessee, Lands of 1766 Sepr. 24 Cahirfadda & Cahirmeale, in the Barony of Inchiquiin & Parish of Kilinaboy, for the Lives of John O'Brien, son of Lessee, Peter O Loghlen, son of Turlogh O Loghlen late of Croagh & George Power, son of Domk. Power Fiz Edmond of Corrofin Sr. Lucius O Brien made a New Lease of the above 1783 Lands to John O Brien, son of Lessee, for the Lives June 23 of said John O Brien, Peter O Loghlen, son of Turlogh O Loghlen late of Crough & Eliz. Mc. Mahon daughter of Terence McMahon of Dromore & since the Execution of said Lease, the said John O Brien married the said Eliza. McMahon, the last Life tof the threet mentioned in this Lease

^{&#}x27; Added in another hand, of about the same date.

[†] Interlined.

5 Moheroe

Edmd. Hogan Fiz. Hugh

3. 0. 0

1612.

6 Cross, alias Crossiteragh Repts. Mort. Hogan 6. o. o
1735 Sr Edward O Briens Lease to Edmond Hogan of the
Sepr 4 half plow Land of Cross for 61 years, to Commence
Imediately on the Death of Elinor Hogan Widdow,
for whose Life Mort: Hogan has a Lease of said
premisses Note

Elinor dyed Novr. 1746

Corrofin &c.

a Gale

74. 6. 3

1613.

7 Annagh & Neylans

Garden Do. 5. 5. o

Lease from Sr Donough O Brien to Mort: Hogan of Apl 18 Cross of the Island of Annagh, & the Garden lately in the possn. of Patk. Neylan, Excepting that part, where the Rack for drying Cloaths stand, with Free Egress & Regress, to the sa[me] for the Lives of Mort. Patk. & Wm. Hogan, with Covenant of Perpetual Renewal, on paymt. of £5 fine on each Renewal

1614.

8 Hogans Town

holding Reps. Mort: Hogan 3. 5. 6

1703 Lease from Sir Donat O Brien to Mort: Hogan of Aug. 31 Kells of the said Hogans tenemt. in Corrofin with such Garden behind it, as the said Sir Donat shall direct, for the Lives of Mort Patrick William Hogan.

[sic] with Covenant of Renewal on paying £3 renewal

' N.B: the Covenants are not set out Rightly here'

1615.

9 Queens head Inn Patrick Kerin 28. o. o
1773 Lease from Sir Lucius O'Brien to Patk. Kerin, of the
Augt. 4th House & Garden Park & Meadow, formerly held by
Patk. Ronan, in the Town of Corofin, with the Usual
Clauses in the Corrofin Leases, for the Lives of said
Patrick Kerin Donough his Eldest Son & Patk.
Power second son of James Power of Corrofin

1616.

10 Malt House Do 22. 0. 0
1773 Lease from Sir Lucius O Brien to Patk. Kerin of the
4th Augt. Malt house dwelling house Gardens parks stables
& offices, thereunto belonging, in the town of
Corrofin subject to the Covenants in the Corrofin
Leases, for the Lives of said Patk. Kerin, Donough
his Eldest son, & Patk Power, second son of James
Power of Corrofin

11 Bernies Tenement Do

3.13. 6

1618.

12 Kerin's pt. of
Cragbrien Patk. Kerin 8.19. o

1773 Lease from Sir Lucius O Brien to Patrick Kerin of the Augt. 4 part of the spot, formerly in the occupation of Laurence Lyne, & of the Tenemts. & Garden thereunto annexed, formerly in the occupation of the Revd. Danl. Davoren, & of the Waste plott leading from thence to Patk Miniters Bounds & the Middle Division of Cragbrien & Laghtagowna together with the tof the Meadow of Kneekenshow, formerly set out

Division of Cragbrien & Laghtagowna together with that of the Meadow of Knockaneboy, formerly set out to Dennis Kerin, for the Lives of said Lessee, Donough his Eldest Son & Patk Power, second son of Lames Power of Corrolin

of James Power of Corrofin

1619.

13 . Jones's

aforesaid

Tenement Thoms. Power 18. o. o
Lease from Sir Lucius O Brien to Thomas Power
Jan: 19 of a tenement in Church Street Corrofin, Commonly
Call'd Jones's, & the parks thereunto belonging in
Kilvoidane, in as Large & ample a manner as the
same is now held by Patk Kerin of Corrofin aforesaid
& his under tennants to Comence from the 12th day
of May next for the Lives of Lessee, Andw. & Hu:
McMahon sons of Terence McMahon of Dromore &
Master Robt. O Brien 3d son of Sir Lucius O Brien

1620.

14 Fairs & Markets Patk Kerin 16.16. o

1773 Lease from Sir Lucius O Brien to Patk Kerin of the
Augt 4 Tolls & Customs of the Fairs & Markets of Corrofin
for the Lives of said Lessee Donough his Eldest Son
& Patrick Power Second Son of James Power of
Corrofin with a Covenant of Reassumption in Case of
non payment of Rent

1621.

15 Bakers Tenemt. Tere. McMahon 9. 7. 0
1767 Lease from Sir Lucius O Brien to Terence McMahon
Apl. 17th of the House & Garden together with the Tanyard &
Parks called Bakers tennemt. in Corrofin for the
Lives of said Terence McMahon Patrick & David
Power, Sons of James Power of Corrofin, with a
Clause of Perpetual Renewal on payment of £9 on the
fall of Each Life with the old Clauses in the Corrofin
Leases

16 Bloods Tenemt Revd. Chs Colombine 4. 6. 6
1710 Lease from Sr Donat O Brien to Edmond Blood of Decr. 13 the Dwelling house & garden at the back thereof, in said Blood occupation & the house plott & garden thereunto adjoyning wherein Wm Gregg dwelt for Lives Renewable for Ever on paymt of £4.0.0 Renewal fine 12th 8ber 1761 renewed for the Lives of Thomas Blood of Corrofin the Revd. Charles Colombine & Edwd. Synge Eldest son of the Revd Edward

I782 Sr Lucius O Brien renewed the above holding, for the
 Jany. 26 Lives of Edward Synge Eldest son of the Revd. Archdeacon Synge, John O Brien only son of William O
 Brien of Corrofin gent & Robert Kerin, son of Lessee

1623.

17 Brownriggs Cragbrien
Ronan & White James Power
Tent, & Conways
28. 0. 0

I782 Lease from Sir Lucius O Brien to Patk Power, of that Jany. 19 Part of the Lands of Cregbrien, call'd Brownriggs, holding — the Tenemt. in Corrofin, Called Ronan & Whites, & that part of the Lands of Cregbrien thereunto belonging, & the Tenement in Corrofin, Called Conways for the Lives of Thoms. Power Eldest Son of Jams. Power of Corrofin, & Terence Mc. Mahon & Tim Mahon Sons of Terence McMahon of Dromore

1624.

18 Mark Bloods Tenemt. &

Garden Michl Marlborough 2. o. o
1777 Lease from Sir Lucius O Brien to Michl. MarlJany. 15 borough, for the Life of Lessee John O Brien, son of
William O Brien of Corrofin & Andrew McMahon
eldest son of Terence McMahon of Dromore

1625.

Bennetts 19 Tenemt. Frans Power 6. 7. 6 1778 Lease from Sir Lucius O Brien to Francis Power Nov. 8 of the Dwelling house backyard & Kitchen Garden, backwds. of said house, Commonly known by the Name of Bennets Tenemt — as also the Park or Garden in Laghtagowna formerly Bennets Garden or Park, for the Life of Lessee, Edmd. Power Eldest Son of Domk. Power of Ennis, James Honan Eldest Son of Jas. Honan of Limerick & Jams. Finucane Eldest Son of John Finucane of Ennis Attorney — the Commencemt from the first of Nov. Instant.

20 Mineters holding Patk Mineter 2. 2. 0

Lease from Sir Lucius O Brien to Patk Mineter of the 1774 House Plott & Garden Adjoyning thereto, in the Jany. 24 Town of Corrofin, for the Lives of Lessee, & Strafford & Samuel Powel sons of Caleb Powel of the City of Limerick Esqr with a Covenant to lay out £30 in building within 6 Mos. or to Pay said Sum

1627.

21 Mansion house of Corrofin, with 41a.3r.o of the Wm. o Brien Land adjoyning

52. 3. 9

called the Back

Land

Lease from Sir Lucius O Brien to William O Brien of the Mansion house of Corrofin, with 41a.3r. of the Land adjoyning, call'd the Back Land, for three Lives Vizt. [sic]

1628.

22 the upper Division of Trenchs holdings calld Ardanereagh

1629.

Mannor Pound & holdings of

Michl Swyny Inchiquin

6. 0. 0

Lease from Sir Lucius O Brien to Michl. Swyney of the Mannor Pound of Inchiquin, with the Land there unto belonging, for three Lives Vizt [sic]

1630.

Quiltenafuire Thomas Power

6.16. 0

1631.

Gambys holding Peter Gamby Lease from Sir Lucius O Brien to Peter Gamby of a tenemt. adjoining the Church of Corrofin, East of the Gate Leading thereto, & formerly in the occupation of Conner Marlborough, for the Lives [of] Lessee, & his Wife Debora alias Gardner - £3.0.0 in Cash, given him, to build a second house

23 Harts Park Robt. Foster 4.14. 6
Sir Edward O Brien gave an Article to Robt Foster
for Harts Park & the Tenements thereunto belong: g
in the Town of Corrofin, for thirty one years to
Commence from the first of May 1763

1633.

24 Boetius Davoren's tent. in Corrofin Edmd. Hogan

2. 2. 0

1634.

25 Whites holding Ter: McMahon 3. 9. 9
1766 Lease from Sir Lucius O Brien to Ter: McMahon, of
Sepr 5 Whites Acre, with a Tenemt. thereunto belonging in
the Town of Corrofin, for the Lives of Lessee, Elinor
Mc.Mahon his daughter, & Domk. Power youngest
son of Domk Power Fiz: Edmd., with a Covenant to
build an house on the Premisses & to Expend thereon
£50 & for his so doing, the three first years rent to be
remitted him

1635.

26 Swyneys Repts. of Thomas
Tenement Swyney 5. 5. 0

1743 Minit from Sir Edward O Brien to Thomas Swyney
Sepr 3 of a house Park & Gardens, in the Town of Corrofin
calld. Henry Lynchs Tenement, for the Lives of
Lessee Michl. & Miles Swyney sons of sd. Thomas

1636.

27 Edmd. Hogan, Repts. of Edmond Hogan 6. o. o Darba. Tenemt. Carbara

1637.

28 Powers

Repts. Thomas Power Cragbrien 10. 0. 0 Lease from Sir Lucius O Brien Bart, to Thomas Power of the 1 part of the Spot formerly occupied by Sepr 28th Laurence Lyne, & the Tenement & garden thereunto Annexed formerly occupied by the Revd. Danl Davoren of the Waste plott leading to the Late Patk Mineters Pound & the West division of Cregbrien, & Laghtagowna with that part of Knockaneboy, as the same was formerly divided, Excepting to Sir Lucius the Fair Place while the Fairs are held thereon, for the Lives of Charles McDonnell, son of Charles Mc Donnell of Newhale Esqr. & David & Patrick Power, Sons of James Power of Corrofin

29 James Powers

Tenemt. Tim Hehir 4.17. o

1703 Lease from Sir Donat O Brien to Domk Power of
June 10 Corrofin of the said Domk Dwelling house out offices &
garden behind them, & the garden then in possession
of Conner Corey, for three Lives with Covenant of
Perpetual Renewal, on payment of £4.10. fine on
Every added Life

1639.

30 Mahony's

Tenement Bry: Cullenan 2. o. o
1776 Lease from Sir Lucius O'Brien to Bryan Cullinan
8ber 13 of the Blind Avenue, 11 perches in length & Two in
Breadth all in the Clear, & lies in the bounds of
Fauncoyle, the strip taken off the Road Westward
of Mahonys Tenement three Perches long & 9 feet
Broad, being in all half a Rood & 6 Perches, Commonly Call'd Mahonys Tenement for the Lives of Edward
O Brien Eldest Son of Sir Lucius O Brien, & Conner
& Michl Cullenan 1st & 2d Sons of Lessee

1640.

31 Inchiquin Mills Repts of Patrick Foster 21. o. o
Lease from Sir Edward O Brien to Patrick Foster of
the Manor Mills of Inchiquin, with a Freedom of
Pasture for two or three Collops on the Lands of
Fauncoyle, for the Lives of the Lessee Patrick Foster,
Honora Foster his Wife & of John Hogan second son
of Edmond Hogan of Shessoff (?)

1641.

32 Part of Cregbrien Domk. Power Fiz Edmd. 25, o. o

1642.

33 Fancoyle Repts. of Patrick Foster 29. 8. 0

1744 Lease from Sir Edward O Brien to Patrick Foster of
Feby. 1 the Lands of Fauncoyle in the Parish of Kilinaboy &
Barony of Inchiquin, for the Lives of said Patk
Foster, Robert Foster his son, & Patk. Foster
Eldest Son of the said Robert

1643.

34 Kells

Robt. Foster

100: 0: 0

376a: or: 10

an Article from Sir Edward O Brien to Robert Foster
March 3 of the Lands of Kells for thirty one years from 1st
May 1763 at £100 per ann: Clear, above Taxes &
Quit Rent 'Qre.'

35 Reenroe Do. 10.10. o
1763 An Article from Sir Edward O Brien to Robert
Mar: 3 Foster of the Lands of Rienroe, for 31 years from
May next at the old Rent of 10: 10: per ann.

1645.

36 Part of Ballyhinacurra Terence McMahon

50. 0. 0

1768 24 Octr

Lease from Sir Lucius O Brien to Ter: McMahon of part of the Lands of Ballyhinacurra in the Parish of Rath & Barony of Inchiquin, for the Lives of Lessee & Patrick & David Power sons of James Power of Corrofin With the usual Covenants in the Corrofin Leases

1646.

37 Part of Do Repts. of John Guthrie 24. o. o
Lease from Sir Lucius O Brien to John Guthrie of
part of the Lands of Ballyhinacurra North, call'd
Blannagh for the Lives of John & Francis Guthrie,
only sons of Lieutenant Wm Guthrie decased, & John
Heyns second Son of Patrick Heyns of Corrofin
Distiller

1647.

38 Part of do Andrew White 4.12. o
1771 Lease from Sir Lucius O Brien to Andrew White of
Jany. 15 part of Ballyhinacurra North, in said Whites possession for the Lives of said Andrew White Patrick
Power second Son of James Power of Corrofin &
Domk Power third son of Domk Power Fiz Edmd.
of Corrofin

1648.

39 Carhuenaemadra Andrew Thynne 15, o. o
1759 Lase from Sir Edward O Brien to Andrew Thynne
July 4 of the Lands of Carhuenamadra in the Parish of
Kilinaboy & Barony of Inchiquin for 29 years from
12th May 1759

1649.

40 Teascagh John Lysaght 50. 0. 0
1766 Lease from Sir Lucius O Brien to John Lysaght of the
8ber 11 Lands of Teascagh in the Parish of Kilinaboy &
Barony of Inchiquin for the Lives of Lessee Thomas
Lysaght, his Brother, & Edmond Lysaght son to said
Lessee

41 Carhuenafoule &

Leatrea Domk Darcy 140. o. o
Lease from Sir Lucius O Brien to Domk Darcy of the
Lands of Carhuenafoule & Leatrea, in the Barony of
Inchiquin & Parish of Kilkeedy

1651.

42 Carhuenacrushy Repts. of Pat Darcy

2. I. O

1652.

43 Gortneglogh Andw. Thynne 17. o. o
1760 Lease from Sir Edward O Brien to Andrew Thynne
Apl. 8 of the Lands of Gortneglogh, in the Parish of Rath
& Barony of Inchiquin, for 31 years, from 12th May
1759

1653.

44 Soukeen & Cahir-

gorman Repts. of Francis Kent 40
Minit from Sir Edward O Brien to Francis Kent of
the Lands of Soukeen & Cahirgorman in the Parish
of Dysart & Barony of Inchiquin, for the Lives of
Frans. Kent, Jane Kent otherwise Upton, & John
Kent second Son of said Francis

1654.

45 Killicolloo Repts. John Tymons 16.16. o

An Article from Sir Edward O Brien to John Tymons
for the Lives of Lessee & William & Patrick Tymons
sons of said John Tymons — note the article is in
the hands of Wm Adams

1655.

46 Cloney bog Edmd. Magrath 26. o. o
1766 Lease from Sir Lucius O Brien to Lucius Wilson of
Octobr. 25 the Lands of Cloney beg & Belatoe in the Parish of
Dysart of [sic] Barony of Inchiquin, for the Lives of
Edmond Magrath of Cloneybeg & Robert & Sarsfield
Magrath, first & second Sons of said Edmond Magrath

1656.

47 Cloneen &

Doulinetubber Don: O Brien Esq. 100. o. o
1757 Mar: Lease from Sir Edward O Brien to Donough O Brien
16 Esqr. of the Lands of Cloneen & Doulinetubber, in
the Parish of Kilfenora & Barony of Corcomroe, for
the Lives of Lessee, Edward O Brien third son of Sir
Edward O Brien & William Spaight, Eldest Son of
William Spaight of Sixmilebridge

48 Cahirminane & Carhuegar

Christ. O Brien

151. 0. 0

1658.

Drimnegagh

James Power & Thomas

Power

32. 0. 0

1782 Apl. 17 Lease from Sir Lucius O Brien to James & Thos. Power of Drimnegagh in the Parish of Dysart & Barony of Inchiquin, for the Lives of the said Thomas & Charles & Augustine FitzGerald, sons of Augustine FitzGerald of Limerick Esqr

1659.

48 Moherdennis & Repts. of Harrison Ross Lewen Esgr.

15. 4. 6

1738 Decr 13th

Lease from Sir Edward O Brien to John Ross Lewen of the Lands of Moherdennis Pouladuff Laraghea & the Turlogh of Ballybreen, all in the Parish of Kilfenora & Barony of Corcomroe for the Lives of Harrison Ross Lewen, son to said John, & Barbara & Susana Ross Lewen, daughter to sd John

1660.

49 Tonelegee James Shennan

6. 0. 0

An Article from Sir Lucius O Brien to James Shennan of the Lands of Tonelegee in the Parish of Rath & Barony of Inchiquin for thirty one years, to Commence from the [sic]

1661.

50 Ballybreen &c Edv

Edwd. O Brien Esqr

56.17. 6

1662.

51 Ballyhenna East Thomas & Michl Pilkington 51. 5.

1777 Lease from Sir Lucius O Brien Bart. to Thomas & Feby. 7 Michl. Pilkington of the Lands of Ballyhenna East, in the Parish of Kilfenora & Barony of Corcomroe for the Lives of Michl. Pilkington of Ballyhenna Michl. Pilkington jun. of Skehana & Thomas Pilkington second son of John Pilkington of Gower

52 Ballykeal East Jams Armstrong 45. o. o
1745 Lease from Sir Edward O Brien to James Armstrong
Mar: 4th of the Lands of Ballykeal East, the half quarter of
Ballyhana West & part of the Lands of Glasnanes,
Containing about 200 acres Irish plantation Measure,
situate in the Parish of Kilfenora & Barony of
Corcomroe, for the Lives of Danl Lysaght, son of
James Lysaght of Gortnaboal, Connor & John
Lysaght, 2d & 3d sons of Charles Lysaght of Ballybreen

1664.

53 Ballykeal West Danl. Lysaght 1752 40

Mar: 30 Lease from Sr Edward O Brien to Danl Lysaght of the Lands of Ballykeal West, in the Parish of Kilfenora & Barony of Corcomroe, for the Lives of Lessee & John & James Lysaght third & fourth Sons of Charles Lysaght of Ballybreen

1665.

54 Kilcarragh Edwd O Brien Esqr. 21. o. o
1733 Lease from Sir Edward O Brien to Chrisr. O Brien
Feb: 28 Esqr of the half plow Land of Kilcarragh, in the
parish of Kilfenora & Barony of Inchiquin, for the
Lives of William O Brien son of Conner O Brien of
Toonagh & James & Conner Lysaght sons of Andrew
Lysaght of Kilcornan

1666.

55 Ballagh & Francis O Donnell
Clonomora East & Wm. Blood 100
Lease from Sir Lucius O Brien to Frans. O Donnell
& Wm Blood of the Lands of Ballagh & Clonemera
East for the Lives of [sic]

1667.

56 Clonomera West Different Tennants

50. 0. 0

1668.

57 Clogher

James Butler

270.18. 0

58 Lacamore Wm. Pine 16.16. o

1st May An Article from Sir Edward O Brien to William Pine
1726 of the Lands of Lacamore & Lackamanagh, in the
Parish of Kilfenora & Barony of Corcomroe for the
Lives of Thomas Pilkington junr. of Ballyhenna &
Wm. Pilkington & John Pilkington Sons of said
Thomas

1670.

59 Ballynacarragh Barthw. Harrold 36.15
1728 Lease from Sir Edward O Brien Bart. to Barthw.
Feb: 20 Harrold of the Lands of Ballynacarragh, in the Parish of Kiltoraght & Barony of Corcomroe for the Lives of the said Barthw. Harrold & Peter Harrold sons of Thomas Harrold, & Mary Harrold Wife of the said Peter Harrold, & a Clause of Cutting Turf for Leameneagh House

1671.

60 Coleamore Conner & Dennis 48. o. o
O Loghlen
now let to Mr
Thomas Warde
at the same rent
An Article from Sir Lucius O Brien to Lessee, for 31

An Article from Sir Lucius O Brien to Lessee, for 31
June 30
years from 1st May last of the Lands of Coleamore in
the Parish of Kileany & Barony of Durrin
set to Mr. Thomas Warde of Gort in the County of

Sepr. 20 Galway, for 31 years from the 1st May last, with a saveing Clause in Case O Loghlen the former Tennant Came in & paid the arrear

1672.

61 Keelmore Repts. of Saml. Banks 14.14. o

Decr. 23 Lease from Sir Edward O Brien to Saml Banks of the Lands of Keelmore, in the Parish of Cloney & Barony of Corcomroe, for the Lives of Lessee & Percivl. & John Banks sons of Henry Banks of Nutfield

1673.

62 Fiennagh Repts. of Daniel Lysaght 45. o. o
Lease from Sir Edward O Brien, or rather an Article
to Daniel Lysaght of the Lands of Kielmore &
Fienna as the same was held by Coll. Creagh, Scituate
in the Parish of Cloney & Barony of Corcomroe, for
thirty one years from May 1759

Repts. of Mort Hogan 63 Ballycullina 57.15. 0 1726 Lease from Sr. Edwd. O Brien to William Cooper of May 4 the Lands of Ballycullina, in the Parish of Cluoney & Barony of Corcomroe, for the Lives of Lessee Lucius & Henry Cooper, sons of Lessee, Clear of quit & Crown Rent

1675.

Cahersherkin

Michl. Neale & Partners - Neat Rent

140. 0. 0

1782 Jany 8

Lease from Sir Lucius O Brien to Michl. Neale Tim Neale James Buckley Dens Gooney John Keeffe Patk Lennan David Cushin Willm Cunneen & John McMahon of the Lands of Cahersherkin, in the Parish of Clonev & Barony of Corcomroe, for thirty one years from the 12th of May next, the Rent mentioned is Clear Neat Rent over & above all Taxes Quit Rent & Crown Rent, with a Saving Clause for all Mines & Minerals & Shea's Acres -

1676.

Repts. of Terence O Brien 80. o. o 65 Cullenagh a Minit for a Lease from Sir Edwd. O Brien to Mr. 1757 Terence O Brien of the Lands of Cullinagh in the Mar: 6 Parish of Cloney & Barony of Corcomroe, for thirty one years from May 1757

1677.

66 Ballymacravan & Cahircousane

1714

19 Decr.

William Reed

25:12: 6 25:12: 6

the yearly rent

£51: 5: 0 Lease from Sir Donat O Brien to John Reed of the Lands of Ballymacraven & Cahircousane, in the Parish of Killshanny & Barony of Corcomroe, for the Lives of James Nihil son of Michl. Nihil, of Glascowne, & Joseph & John Reed sons of Lessee with a Covenant

penalty of 2s/6d per Bushell

1678.

to grind their Corn at the Mills of Clonomera under

Repts Valentine Thynne 67 Carhueragh 18th

8ber 1768 Minit of a Lease from Sir Lucius O Brien to Lessee of the Lands of Carhueragh in the Parish of Kilshanny & Barony of Corcomroe for 19 years, from 1st May 1768, wth. an allowance of £28 as an Encouragemt. to build an House thereon

1783. Feb: 19 Sr Lucius O Brien Executed a Lease of this £75 new Rent Land to Wm Blood for the Lives of Richd Blood son of Lessee, & Wm & Richd. O Donnell, sons of Fs. O Donnell of Kilfenora, to Commence from May next

68 Turlagh Acres Willm. Blood

4.14. 6

1744 May 1

Lease from Sir Edwd. O Brien to Wm. Blood of the Lands Commonly calld Turlogh Acres, in the Barony of Burren, for the Lives of Lessee, John Blood, son of Mathew Blood of Craganeboy, & Neptune Blood Son of Thomas Blood of Corrofin

1680.

69 Carn

Don. O Brien Esqr.

27. 0. 0

1757 March Lease from Sir Edward O Brien to Donough o Brien Esq of the Lands of Carn, in the Parish of Carn, & Barony of Burren for the Lives of said Donough O Brien, Edwd. O Brien third son of said Sr Edward & William Spaight Son of William Spaight of Sixmilebridge

1681.

70 Crughfile &

Ballyconree Jery. Thynne

70. 0. 0

1761

15 April Lease from Sir Edwd. O Brien to Jery. Thynne of the Lands of Crughfil & Ballyconree, in the Parish of Carn & Barony of Burren, for the Lives of Lessee James Quin son of Conner Quin of Morroghmelane Farmer & Peter Shehan son of John Shehane of Ballycotteen in the Parish of Kilmacreehy & Barony of Corcomroe or for 31 years, wchever shall last longest

1682.

71 Rannagh &c Pat: Lysaght 330. o. o
1765 Lease from Sir Lucius O Brien to Patk Lysaght of
8ber 4 the Lands of Rannagh Clab & Cosgreane in the
Parish of Carn & Barony of Burren, for the Lives of
John Singleton Eldest son of John Singleton of
Ballygereen Jams. Lysaght 3d son of Danl Lysaght of
Ardnakelly & Ed. Lysaght Eldest Son of John
Lysaght of Sixmilebridge, with a Clause of Saveing
for Lord Inchiquin's Acres

1683.

72 Shessimore

Domk, Darcy

120, 0, 0

1757

Feb: 24 Minit of a Lease from Sir Edward O Brien to Domk Darcy of the Lands of Shessimore, Exclusive of any part of Ballygannor & Poulecoolickey in the Parish of Noughavale & Barony of Burren, for thirty one years from May 1757

73 Ballyfannor Butler O Loghlen 120. 0. 0 1757

Feb: 10 Minit of a Lease from Sr Edward O Brien to Peter Butler & Coleman O Loghlen of Ballyfannor & Poulcoolicky, in the Parish [of] Noughavale & Barony of Burren, for 31 years from May 1757

1685.

74 Ballymurphy Walter Maghan 310.16. 5

1686.

Ballymahony Repts. Thomas 75

Davenport 52.10. 0 46.13. 6

1727 Lease from Sir Edward O Brien to Thomas Daven-Sepr 20 port pt of Ballymahony als Baunroe, with the Mountain of Ballymurphy calld. Knockbrack parcell in the Parish of Kilcorney & Barony Burren for the Lives of Thomas Davenport son of Thomas Davenport decd. Phillip Stacpoole Son of James Stacpoole of Ballymulcashil, & Js. Warham son of Francis Warham of Ennis

1687.

76 Poulbane Edmd. Bodkin 52.IO. O 1759

Nov. 13 Lease from Sr Edward O Brien to Edm: Bodkin of the Lands of Poulbane in the Parish of Carn, & Barony of Inchiquin [erased, and altered to] Burren for 31 years from 1st May 1763 — Quere is not this Lease Void —

1688.

Glanslead & Repts. of Michl. 77 Ballymichael Pilkington of Skehana 125. 0. 0

1776 Lease from Sir Lucius O Brien to Michl Pilkington of the Lands of Glanslead & Ballymichael, in the Nov. 23 Parish of Kilcorney & Barony of Burren, for three Lives Vizt Michl. Pilkington junr. Grandson of Lessee, Chars. Parsons son of Joseph Parsons of Clare Revenue officer, & James Lotan son of Robert Lotan

1689.

78 Ballyline Domk Power Fiz Edmd 25. 0. 0

of Clare Wheelright

1781 Feb: 6 Lease from Sir Lucius O Brien to Domk Power of the Lands of Ballyline, in the Parish of Carn & Barony of Burren, for the Lives of Andrew Terence & Hugh McMahon, sons of Terence McMahon of Dromore — to Commence from the first of Novr Last

70 Drimone

Repts of Daniel

Lysaght 28. o. o An Article from Sir Edward O Brien to Danl Lysaght

An Article from Sir Edward O Brien to Dani Lysaght of the Lands of Drimone, & for Brislogh, in the Parish of Kilfenora & Barony of Corcomroe for 31 years from May 1757

1691.

80 Carhuenakelly George Colepoys 38.17. 0

1763 Lease from Sir Edward O Brien to George Colpoys,
Novr. 2 of that part of the Lands of Carhuenakelly as then
held by Geo. Colpoys, in the Parish of Killnasulagh
& Barony of Bunratty, for the Lives of John Colepoys, Eldest Son of Alderman Rawly Colepoys, late
of Limerick & George Colpys Eldest Son of said John,
& George Smith son to Charles Smith of Rockmount
in the County of Clare

1692.

Fitz Patricks

holding Thomas Fitz Patk 28. o. o

Lease from Sir Lucius O Brien to Thomas FizPatrick
May I of the house & tenement wherein he now dwelleth in
Newmarket with the backyard & half the old
Orchard bounded on the North by Josh: Mc Inerhinys
holding on the East by the Widdow Keeffs on the
South by the Main Street, & on the West by the Road
& also the Mills, & the holding thereunto belonging
for 31 years from the date hereof—

1693.

Newmarket Town

James Kelly 34. 2. 6

1782 'Lease from Sir Lucius O Brien Bart to Mr Charles
Octor. 8 Chadwick, of all that & those, the House in Newmarket, lately occupied by James Kelly together with the Park thereunto belonging, bounded on the South by the Mill holding, on the West by the Lough, on the North by the Road leading to Killnasulagh & on the East by the Road Leading to Newmarket

1694.

2 Bryan o Briens Repts. of Wm.

holding Keeffe 12. o. o'

1777 Lease from Sir Lucius O Brien to William Keeffe
May 27 for thirty one years from first May last of the Tenemt
in Newmarket lately held by Bryen O Brien with half
the orchard Backwards together with part of
Farnens holding, calld poulascale, together with part
of Calleeen cell, calld Brennans holding, wch Surveys
in the Whole, about Eight Acres

3 Red Cow Inn &c Josh. Mc. Inerhiny 8.15. 8
1759 Lease from Sir Edward O Brien to Joseph
Nov. 15 Mc. Inerhiny of the Red Cow Inn, in Newmarket,
together with a Small garden back of said house, &
Nine Acres two Roods & twenty perch of Rathfolanbeg, adjoining thereto, & as the same was hitherto
held by William Cooper gent — the Rent —
an other spot held at will

£8. 0. 0 15. 0 £8.15. 0

for 31 years from the date hereof

1696.

4 Boston house James Kelly o. 8. o
'1780 Lease from Sir Lucius O Brien to 'Bridget Foster
Feb: 5' of the Spot of Ground, at the East End of Hugh
Hehirs by the Roadside, about 35 feet in Length &
sixteen Feet in breadth—in the Town of Newmarket'

1697.

5 Doyle's Tenemt. Doyle

1777
Lease from Sir Lucius O Brien to Benjn. Serjeant of Apl. 21
Nowlans holding in Newmarket, begining at the Widdow Mc Donnells house, along to the Garden formerly held by Dennis McNamara Taylor, with the long Garden leading from the High Road, to the Passage into Joseph Mc. Inerhinys holding, Except such pt thereof as may belong to said McInerhiny holding, for the Life of Mary Serjeant, wife to Lessee

1698.

6 Simon Nowlan's holding Benjn. Serjeant 3, 0, 0

1699.

7 McNamara's
holding Thomas McNamara o. 8. o
1781 Lease from Sir Lucius O Brien to Thomas McNamara
Octob 6 of a Tenement & a Small spot of Land in Newmarket,
bounded on the East & South by Benj. Serjeants
holding on the West by the Widdow Keeffs & on the
East by the Fair Green for 31 Yerrs from thence
forth Ensueing Commencemt is from May last

1700.

8 Charter Schooll

0, 5. 0

1701.

Pound in Newmarket Domk. Conry

a tenement near

the Pound Danl Mc. Inerhiny o. 5. 5

1703.

a Tenement in

Do. Willm. O Brien 'o. 5. 5

1780 Lease from Sir Lucius O Brien to William O Brien Jan. 2 All & that those the spot of Ground in Newmarket, whereon the Walls of an House were lately built, with a small spot, behind the same, for a back yard '

1704.

Do. Do. Michl. Hickey

0.10, 0

1705.

a Tenemt. in Newmarket & pt. of Lacarhue-

nakelly John Weeks 7. o. o

Lease from Sir Lucius O Brien to John Weeks of a
May I Tenemt. in Newmarket, & pt. of the Lands of
Lacarhuenakelly then in the possession of Danl.
Leary, bounded on the West by Newmarket Road
on the North by Keeffs holding, on the East by pt.
of Lacarhuenakelly & on the South by pt of Ballycarr
Contg. Seven Acres for the Lives of Lessee & John
Weeks his Eldest Son & of Richd. Insho Eldest Son of
Wm. Insho of Ennis Shoemaker

1706.

a holding in

Newmarket Pierse English 6. 3. 9

1779 Lease from Sir Lucius O Brien to Pierse English of pt
May 2 of the Lands of Lacarhuenakelly held by John
Mc Inerhiny, bounded on the Newmarket Road on the
South by Michl. O Briens holding on the West by the
Paddock on the North & by Keeffs holding contg.
5: Ir: 3IP. together with the Ground wherein his
New house is built in the Town of Newmarket, at the
West End of George Darcys holding, with the backyard, between said new House & said Darcys house

1707.

pt. Lacarhuena-

kelly John McInerhy. 15.18. 6

Jany. 20 Lease from Sir Lucius O Brien to John Mc.Inerhiny
of part of the Lands of Lacarhuenakelly, called the
Paddock, for 31 years from 1st May Last Parish
Kilnasulagh, Barony Bunratty

Darcys house &

gardens Geo. Darcy 4. o. o

Sir Lucius is pleased, to leave the opposite holding to George Darcy, as being an old Family Servant, for Life

1709.

Land &

Tenement Michael O Brien 6.16. 3

Lease from Sir Lucius O Brien to Michl. O Brien of a tenement in Newmarket & also part of Lacarhuenakelly, bounded by Newmarket Road on the South George Darcys holding on the West Mrs Briggs holding on the North & Pierse English holding on the East Containing 6a. or. 9p. for the Life of Lessee Domk. Conry younger son of Domk. Conry of Newmarket Schoolmaster & James O Brien Second Son of Terence O Brien late of Cross in the County of Clare deceased, in Case Lessee or his Heirs shoud sell his Interest in those places, the Rent is to be £7:16:3

1710.

Wood's holding Joseph Woods

6. 5. 0

1779 May 2

Lease from Sir Lucius O Brien to Joseph Woods of part of the Lands of Lacarhuenakelly late in the possession of Patrick McNamara deceased & his sons, bounded on the West by the Paddock on the North Islanenagonean, & on the South by Keeffs holding, Contg. 11a. o. 21p. for the Lives of Lessee, John Woods his Eldest Son & of Thomas Meehan Second Son of John Meehan of Assollas Farmer

1711.

Isleanagonneeny George Highfield 2.13. 9

July 20 Lease from Sir Lucius O Brien to George Highfield
July 20 of part of the Lands of Lacarhuenakelly called
Isleanagonneeny, for the Lives of Lessee Michl.
Highfield Eldest Son of said George & Geo. Highfield
his Second Son

1712.

pt. of

Lacarhuenakelly Michl. Leary 1.10. 0
'Do let to Matt Weeks 0. 0. 6'

1782 Tennant at Will of the Landlord

'Apl. 23' 'Lease of the opposite holding from Sir Lucius O Brien Bart to Matw. Weeks, for & during the Natural Lives of Lessee, & Luke Weeks only son of Lessee, with covenants not to sell or let without the Licence of the sd Sir Lucius & his Heirs'

pt. of the Town & Lands of Newmarket late in the possion of

Geo. Darcy James Kelly 17.14. 9

Lease from Sir Lucius O Brien to James Kelly of a

Sep. 2 Tenemt in Newmarket, lately held by George Darcy,
& 11a: 3r: 12p. of Land all Lying south of the Road
for 31 years from May last

1782 Sr. Lucius made a Lease of the above holding to Js
Apl. 20 Kelly for three Lives Viz. the said Js. Kelly James
Kelly his son & Thady Kelly younger son of Davd.
Kelly Decd.

1714.

Liddys holding Dennis Leddy 3. 5. 9
Tennant at Will of the Landlord

1715.

Ryans holding Michl. Ryan 2. 7. 0
apl 22 set Do to John Ryan @ 7. 0. 0
1782 Set the opposite holding to John Ryan from the
Apl 22 12th May next, during the Will & pleasure of Sir
Lucius at £7. 0. 0 per an.

1716.

a Tennemt, with
Tolls & Customs Richd, Lewis 7. o. o
at Will

1717.

Roger Bryens
holding John Molony 1.10. o

1777 Lease from Sir Lucius O Brien to John Molony of
Roger Briens holding & the Cabbin by the Pound,
formerly held by sd Brien in the Town of Newmarket,
for the Life of Lessee, Westrop Spaight of Sixmilebridge Esqr & William Kelly son of David Kelly of
Ballymortogh

1718.

in Newmarket,
Commonly
Known by that Thomas Hickman
Name Esq
Sir Lucius O Brien made a L

Moronys holding

ne Esq I. o. o
Sir Lucius O Brien made a Lease of this tenemt to
Thomas Hickman Esqr for his own Life, & on the
26th March 1777 Sir Lucius Executed a Joynt Lease
of sd. holding with Mr Hickman to Pierse English
for 3I years at £3. o. o — wch Sir Lucius takes
benefit off on the death of Mr Hickman

Faheys Tenemt. Michl. Morony 1. o. o

1765 Octobr

1777 8ber 8 Lease from Sir Lucius O Brien to Michl Morony of a house tenement garden & backyard in Newmarket, formerly held by Conner Fahey Butcher for 31 years from Last May

1720.

Malt house &

Tenemt. Michl. Halloran 1. 1. 0 Lease from Sir Lucius O Brien to Michl Halloran of a Malt house Tenemt. & back ground in the Town of

Newmarket for 31 years from May Last

1721.

Ballyboy Pierce Banks II.II. o

Ist Mar: 1744 Lease from Sir Edward O Brien to Pierce Banks of
the Lands of Ballaghboy, in the Parish of Doory &
Barony of Islands, for the Lives of Percival Banks
James Phillip Stuart son of Patrick Stuart of Ennis
& of Thomas Hickman son of Thomas Hickman of
Capahan

1722.

Knockascobole Tennants at Will 34. 2. 6

1723.

Creevagh & Dangan- Thomas McMahon

brack Esqr. 168. o. o

1727 Lease from Sir Edward O Brien to Thomas Amory 3d. Augt. of the Lands of Creevaghmore & Dangenbrack in the Parish of Quin & Barony of Bunratty, for the Lives of Thomas Amory Jn. son of Lessee & Thomas McMahon son of Terence MacMahon of Ballykilty & the said Terence McMahon

1724.

Kildrum Terence Mc.Mahon 5. 5. 0

Jany. 29 1728

Lease from Sr Edward O Brien to Ter: Mc.Mahon of a Moity of Kildrum in the Parish of Quin & Barony of Bunratty, for the Lives of the Lessee Thomas McMahon his son & Lucy Mc Mahon, alias Amory, wife of said Thomas

1725.

245.18. 9

1726.

pt. Do. Repts. of Andrew
Barclay 28. 1. 8
for the Lives of Lessee & Thomas Hickman Esqr.

1727.

pt. Do. Andrew Burke 7. 7. 5 for the Lives of Luke & Thomas Hickman Esqrs

1728.

pt. Do. Sr Lucius O Brien

1729.

Knocknagee- Repts. of Robt.

managh Harrison 92. 8. o

1749 Lease from Robt Hickman Esqr to Robt. Harrison
Apl 22 of the Lands of Knocknageemanagh & Skehana,
South of the Road, in the Parish of Clare abbey &
Barony of Islands for the Lives of Lessee & Robert
& William Harrison 1st & 2d Sons of said Lessee

1730.

Killoo Repts. Wm. Adams 70. 0. 0

1749 Jany. 11 Lease from Robt. Hickman Esqr. to Ann Adams otherwise Blood of the Lands of Killoo in the Parish of Clare Abbey & Barony of Islands for the Lives of Lessee Joseph & William Adams sons of Lessee, rent payable 29th Sepr & 25 March

1731.

pt. of Skehana Repts. of Michael
Pilkington junr. 92.10. o
1779 a proposal from Michael Pilkington Junr. to Sir
March
Lucius O Brien for that part of the Lands of Skehana,
as lies North of the Road leading to Ennis, Exclusive
of bog, save only what the tennant might have
occasion for, for his own use, for a term of five years,
from the 25th March 1779

1732.

Skehana Island John Butler 8. o. o 1778 Nov. Lease from Sir Lucius O Brien to John Butler of 13 Skehanagh Near Clare, for thirty one years from 25th March Last 1718

Sepr 5

1733.

Clare Castle Barrack Board 25. 0. 0 Lease from Sir Lucius O Brien to the Honble Henry 1769 Nov 17 Loftus Thomas Adderly John Magill the Honble Ponsonby Moore Thomas St. George John Monk Mason & Hercules Langrish Esqrs. Commissrs. & overseers of the Barracks in the Kingdom of Ireland, on behalf of his Majesty King George the third of Great Britain &c, All that piece or parcell of Ground near the Town of Clare, Whereon a Barrack & Barrack Yd. hath been lately rebuilt & repaird, Contg. within the out bounds 2 Rood & 13 perches. as Set out by a Map annexed to said Lease, & Inclosed by a Wall for the purpose of a Barrack & Barrack yard, with all building Edifices &c, within the Circuits of sd. Wall Rent payable Sepr & March, to be held by Majesty his Heirs & Successors, to the only proper use & behoof of his Majesty his

1734.

Sixmilebridge
No. 1 \$\frac{1}{4}\$ of Harrolds tenemt. \$\frac{1}{4}\$ of Harrolds Garden
& \$\frac{3}{4}\$ of the Ruan park & Killbeg

Heirs & Successors

Repts. John Hickey 10.11. 3 Lease from Heny. O Brien to John Hickey for the Lives of John Hickey Mary his Wife & Henry Wilson

> Rent Fees Duty

10, 2, 6 5, 0 3, 9

£10.11. 3

renewable for Ever upon paymt. of a years rent & an Heriot or £1.10 all the Lives dead & no renewal Executed — Note Mr. Hickey did Enjoy the other ‡ part & never paid any rent for it to Sr Edward but paid the rent for some time to Wilson

a Covenant to build the front of the Premisses in Case of distraining to pay 12d pr f Fees

1735.

2 } of sd. Tenemt. Ruan & Parks

3.10. 5

1736.

3 Church's holding James Stinson 4. o. o
1779 Lease from Sir Lucius O Brien to James Stinson of
Apl. 18th the House tenement & Garden near Sixmilebridge
formerly occupied by James Church Contg:
2a:3r:17p. bounded on the East by the road
Leading to Dallysheen Church on the West & North
with pt. of John Hickeys holding & on the South by
the Turnpike road for the Life of Lessee, & James
John & Anthony, 1st 2d & 3d sons to said Lessee

4 James

Mc. Donnells Repts. of Colonel

tenemt. FitzGerald

Gerald 14. 9. 6

Rent 14. 0. 0 Fees 7. 0 Dutys 2. 6

14. 9. 6

1738.

5 Parkbawn

Repts. of Wm.

FitzGerald Esqr 7.11. o

1752 Mar: 3 Lease from Sr Edward O Brien to William FitzGerald Esqr of Mr FitzGeralds Labourers gardens 3a:0:29 & James McNamara's park 4:3:13

for 31 vrs from March 1751

8: 0: 2

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1739.

Do.

Jams, Mc.Inerhiny 20, 0, 75

1782 Apl. 15 Lease from Sir Lucius O Brien to James Mc.Inerhiny of the above holding for 31 years from 25 March Last with Covenant to support Improvements

1740.

6 James McLanes Tent, formerly held by Hen: Iuers except

held by Hen: Iuers except the field belonging to sd. tenemt

Repts of Augustine FitzGerald Esqr

1765 Octor Lease from Sir Lucius O Brien to Augustine
FitzGerald Esqr for the Lives of Lessee Edward Fitzgerald of Stone Hall Esqr & Croasdaile FitzGerald
Molony younger son of Croasdaile Molony of the
City of Dublin Esqr

10. 0. 0

1741.

7 Danl Farrell Danl Lahiff

& John McInerhinys holding Thomas McInerhiny 1781 8ber 6 Lease from Sir Lucius O Brien to Thomas McInerhiny

Lease from Sir Lucius O Brien to Thomas McInerhiny of an holding in Sixmilebridge called Danl. Farrells & Danl. Lahiffs, bounded on the West by Dohertys holding on the North & East by Part of Colonel FitzGeralds holding & on the South by the Lodge Road, & also an holding in said Town late in the possession of John McInerhiny decd., bounded on the North & East by the Street, on the South by William O Conner's holding & on the West by the Widdow Kenedys holding, for the Lives of Charles FitzGerald Eldest son of James FitzGerald of Shepertown & John & Edmond Singleton sons of John Singleton of Ballygareen

4. 0. 0

8 Woulfe Tenement & Garden late in the possession of Wm. Mc. Lean

Henry Hogarth

10. 0. 0

1775 8ber 17 Lease from Sir Lucius O Brien to Henry Hoogwardth of Woulfes tenemt. & Garden in 6milebridge together with the Close or Park calld Smiths Park, as the Same were Lately held by William McLean, for the Lives of Lessee, Mary his Wife, & John Hogarth, son to Lessee

1743.

9 Mathew Longan &

Thomas Hurlys holing [sic] James Hurly

6. 0. 0

0.10. 0

1781 Octor. Lease from Sir Lucius O Brien to James Hurly the
tenemt. & Garden lately held by Math: Longan
deceased, bounded on the North by the Street or
Lodge Road, on the East by the Road Leading into
the Fair Green, on the South by the Green & on the
West by John Whites Garden, & also two Small
Cabbins on the Cappagh Road lately held by Thomas
Hurly deceased, for the Lives of Lessee Thomas Hurly
son of Lessee & Edmond Singleton son of John
Singleton of Ballygarreen

1744.

10 Doyle's Tenement Repts. Simon Doyle
1752 Mar: 3 Lease from Sr. Edward O Brien to Simon Doyle
of a garden in the town of Sixmilebridge, Containing
30 perches bounding on the East by William
McLeans holdings & on the West & South by Peter
Hynchy & on the North with the Street for thirty one
years from 25 March 1751 — with building Clauses —

'1785 Sr. Lucius, has this day, agreed to set this holding,

Mar: 29 Sr. Lucius, has this day, agreed to set this holding, Mar: 29 together with Dohertys holding, to Thomas Mc Inerhiny for three Lives, from 25th of March Instant — at £3.10.0 per annum'

1745.

11 Ginnanes holding
1781 Sepr 14 Lease from Sir Lucius O Brien to Luke Ginnane
of an house & backyard in Sixmilebridge, bounded
on the East by the Widdow Kenedy's holding on the
North by William O'Conner's, on the West by Part
of Coopers holding & on the North by Part of Lodge
road for 31 years from 25th March Last

1746.

12 Wm. Kenedys tenemt.

Mary & Ann Kenedy

14. 0

I. 2. 9

1781 Lease from Sir Lucius O Brien to Mary & Anna July 31 Kenedy of an house & backyard in Sixmilebridge, bounded on the East by part of Thoms. Mc.Inerhinys holding, on the South by Wm. O Conners, on the West by Luke Ginnane & on the North by Lodge Road, for 31 yrs, from 25 March Last

Laurence McNamaras& Henry Iuers holdgs

William O Conner

9. 2. 0

1780 Decr 15

Lease from Sir Lucius O Brien to William O Conner of the field formerly held by Wm. O Conner deceased, under Henry Iuers, bounded on the West by Cappagh on the East by part of McCloskeys holding on the South by the high road & on the North by Cappagh held by Messrs Armstrong & Creagh, together with two tenements in sixmilebridge, known by the Name of White & Lyon's tenemt, bounded on the South by the Church yard on the East by the Main Street on the West by part of Coopers holding & on the North by Wm Kenedys Luke Ginnanes & Thomas McInerhinys holding for the Lives of Lessee Wm Dwyer Eldest Son of Dennis Dwyer of Ennis Merchant, & Thomas Studdert, son of Thomas Studdert the younger of Bunratty Esq - from 1st Novr. Last -

1748.

14 A tenemt. & garden Called Carthys tent

John Pierse

3. 4. 0

1769 Lease from Sr Lucius O Brien to John Pierce the
Sepr. 27 Tenement & Garden in Sixmilebridge, Commonly
known by the Name of Carthy tenemt. bounded by
Dailys tenemt on the East, Wilsons Tenemt. on the
West on the South by the Priests Park & on the
North by the Street for the Lives of Lessee, John &
Garrett Sons of said John Pierce rent paya. Sepr. &
March

1749.

15 Arnolds holding

The Revd. Francis Morrice

5.10. 6

1769 Lease from Sir Lucius O Brien to the Revd Frans
Octor. 2 Morrice of an house in the Town of Sixmilebridge
Wherein the late Andrew Arnold lately lived, Cong:
in front to the Street 70 foot together with so much
of the Ground backward of the sd. house, as is Equal
in breadth to the lenth of said house, together with a
park near sd town, wch. was in possion of Andw.
Arnold & wch Contains 4a.2r:1op — for the Lives of
Lessee Mary his Wife, & Charlotte Morrice, daughter
of said Francis & Mary Rent paya. Ma[rch] &
September

pt. of Michl. Leary's tenement.

James Garrahan Paul Daly & Mary Daly

1781 Augt. 24 Lease from Sr Lucius O Brien to James Garrahan Paul Daly & Mary Daly Widdow, of part of Michael Learys holding in Sixmilebridge Deceased, & now in the possession of said Lessees bounded on the East by Michl. Riordans holding on the West by James O Keeffs house on the South by sd. O Keeffs Garden & on the North by the Street & Fair Green, contg.

in the Whole three small Cabbins & back yard for 31 years from 25th March Last past

pt. of Do now pays 20/- a year

1751.

17 Enraghty tenement

Morgen McMahon

I. o. 6

2. 5. 6

1752 Mar: 3 Lease from Sr Edward O Brien to Timothy Enraghty, an house in Sixmilebridge 34 feet in front & a small spot of Garden backwards of said house & running down to the River, for 31 years from 25th March 1751

1752.

18 Miles Carrolls

holdings Miles Carroll 12. 7. 0

Lease from Sir Lucius O Brien to Miles Carroll of 14th Jany. Sullivans tenemt, whereon the tennt, built two slate houses or feet in front bounding on the East with the River, on the West With Thomas Healy tenemt on the North with a garden formerly in the possion of Lot McNamara & on the South with the Street, also Sullivans Park Contg. 5a: 2r: 25p. also another park adjoyning thereto

called Sankeys park 5 :2 :13 for 31 years

from March Last

aII 0:38

1753.

19 Healys holding 1780

Repts. Danl Fahey

3. 5. 0

Lease from Sir Lucius O Brien to Danl. Fahey on an house wherein Edwd. Jones formerly Lived, the Augt. 29 Waste plott lying between said house & the then dwelling house of sd Healy, the Tan house behind the same, & all the yard between the said Tan house & said Jones's dwelling house, in a directline, from the East Corner, of Edmd. Malones dwelling house, to the said Tan house & bounding by Sullivans tenement, now Miles Carrolls for the term of 61 years from 1st May Last past, Provided Edward O Brien & Lucius O Brien sons of sd Sir Lucius & Edward O Brien son of Donough of Cratlo in the County of Clare Esqre. or the Survivor of them so long live

20 John Bayley's holding

1744

Lease from Sir Edward O Brien to John Bayly of
Feby. 26

Dwelling-houses Kitchen Garden Tan yard & orchard
called Arthurs Tenement together with houses &
gardens thereunto belonging in Merchants Lane
allso the park or Close, belonging to said Tenemt.
bounding said Lane Contg near 8 Acres — subject to
the usual Clauses in the Sixmilebridge Leases for the
Life of Lessee

1755.

21 Thomas Healys Garden

Repts. of Thos. Healy 0.13. 4

1752 Lease from Sir Edward O Brien to Thomas Healy
Mar: 3 of a Moity of a Garden then in possion of Lessee &
John Gorman, Contg. 2R: & 30 perches, & lying at
the South side of the Road Leading from Sixmilebridge, to the Lands of Cappagh for 31 years from
25th March Last past

1756.

21 Fairs & Markets

Tim McMahon

15. 0. 0

1757.

24 Dens. Molonys holding Dennis Molony
1755 Lease from Sr Edward O Brien to Dennis Molony
July 6 of an house then in possion of said Molony Contg. in
front about 30 feet, bounded on the East by the Fair
place, on the West by a Cabben built by Thomas
Hurly on the South with the Road leading from
Sixmilebridge to Cappagh, & on the North with
Dennis Gormans Garden also for part of the Garden
backward of said house, Called Bridgemns Kitchen
Garden for thirty one years from 25th March last past

! 8ber 25th 1786 set to Matw Carroll

Matw Carroll

I. O. O

1786 set the above holdings to Matw Carroll for his own
Octor 25 Life and for the Lives of his two Sons John & David
from 25th March Last'

1758.

25 Margaret Molonys holding

Repts. of Margaret Molony

0.10. 0

1755 July 6

Lease from Sr Edward O Brien to Margaret Molony, for 31 years from 25th March last past of two Cabbins in Front 59 feet with \$\frac{1}{8}\$ part of a Garden backwards thereof, called Bridgmans Garden bounding on the East with Mathew Kellys house, on the West with Mary McNamara's, on the North with Michl. Keys pt. of sd. Garden, & on the South with the Road to Cappagh

26 Mary McNamara's

holding James Quin o. 15. o

July 6

Lease from Sir Edwd O Brien to Mary McNamara
for 31 years from 25th March last past of a Cabbin
with a Waste plott, belonging Contg. in front 59 feet,
bounding on the East by Margaret Molonys holding,
on the West with Tom McKeys, on the North with
Margt. Molonys part of sd. Garden, & on the South
with the Road Leading to Cappagh being part of
Bridgmans Garden

1760.

27 John Gormans

tenemt. Mathew Gorman o. 5. o

Lease from Sir Edward O Brien to John Gorman for 31 years from 25th March Last of a Cabbin Wherein Thomas Mackee formerly dwelt, about 21 feet in length, with a small spot Westward thereof Contg. about 12 feet in length, bounding on the East wth Mary McNamaras holding on the West with Simon Learys on the North with part of Dennis Molonys Garden, & on South with the Road

'set to

Arthur Hogan Arthur Hogan 2. 5. 6

1786

8ber 25 Lease to Arthur Hogan for the Lives of his son & Daughter, Michael & Ann — & for his own life'

1782

Feb: ;5 Sir Lucius O Brien renewed this Lease to Matw.

Gorman for 31 years from 25th Next — at the
yearly rent of £0-10s-od'

1761.

28 Flynns tenement John Flynne

0.13. 0

1757

Sepr 3 Lease from Sr Edward O Brien to John Flynne for 3r years from 25th March last past of a plott of Ground joyning the Fair place whereon the now tennant built two houses, together with Part of Bridgmans Garden, backward thereof, being the 1 lately in possession of Thomas Keys

1762.

29 Dennis Gormans

holding Dennis Gorman, o. 8. o

July 6
Lease from Sir Edward O Brien to Dennis Gorman
for 31 years from 25th March Last past, of a Cabben
wherein Lessee Lived together with that part of the
Garden wch. lies backward of the Same & is Computed
to be the fourth part or thereabout Commonly Calld
Bridgmans Kitchen Garden, bounded on the South
with Dennis Molonys house & other Cabbins on the
North with Michl. Key's pt. of said Garden, on the
East with the Fair Place, & on the West wth
Margarett Molonys pt. of said Garden

30 James Hickey's

holding Richd. Clarke 2. o. o

1781 Lease from Sir Lucius O Brien to Richd. Clarke
Feby. 7 of an house adjoyning the Fair place, built by James
Hickey & the Garden backward of said house
Contg. 2 roods & 34 perch, bounded on the East
by the Fair place, on the West with part of the
Lodge Land, on the North with Laur: Crowes
Garden & on the South with James MacNamara
Garden for & during the Lives of Edward Byrne
James Byrne & Patrick Byrne 2d 3d & 4th sons of
Edward Byrne of Sixmilebridge Clothier

1764.

31 pt. of Laur:

Crowe's tenemt. John McNamara 1.10. o

I781 Lease from Sir Lucius O Brien Bart. to John July 24 McNamara of one half the Tenemt. in Sixmilebridge late in the possion of Laurence Crowe, the Intire holding Consist of the following the Garden adjoyning the Fair place Contg. 2r. & 32 perches, & in wch. are now four Cabbins for 31 years from 25th March Last

2d, pt, of Do Widdow Crowe 1.10. o
Lease to be made by Sr Lucius O Brien to the
Widdow Crowe for 31 years from 26th of March
1781 of the other half Exactly of the holding of
No. 31

1765.

32 Henry Wilson's

tenemt.

Henry Wilson
Rent 6.10. 0
Fees 3. 3
Dutys 2. 6 6.15.

Dutys 2. 6 6.15. 9

1767 Lease from Sir Lucius O Brien to Heny. Wilson for the Lives of Lucius Henry & Joseph Wilson sons of Joseph Wilson deceased, with the usual Covenants for Repair, & a Clause of Renewal for Ever, on payment of one years Rent, on the Death of Each Life

1766.

33 a Park Heny. Wilson 2.13. 9

5:1:20' 'Rent agreed for £8. o. o from 25 March 1782'

34 McCloskey's tenemt.

Mat: Williams 7. 6. 0

Rent 7

Fees 3. 6

Dutys 2. 6

£7. 6. 0

1744 Mar: 1 Lease from Sr Edward O Brien to Thomas McCloskey of a Messuage Tenemt. yard & Kitchen Garden together with the potatoe Garden adjoyning the Merchant Lane, & the two Closes or Parks opposite Each other in said Lane formerly held by John Glin, rent paya. March & Sept with the usual Covenants for Repair, & 12d. per A [nnum] Fees in Case of distraining, with farther Covenants to grind at such Mills as may be directed under the penalty of 2/for Every Busshell of Corn Ground Else where than aforesd & the Inhabitants shall do suit and service, to all Courts Leet & Baron when Legally summoned, for the Lives of Mary McCloskey daughter of Lessee William Mc. Closkey son to John Mc. Closkey of Ennis Clothier Bryan Finucan Esgr son of Michael Finucane Medicine Doctor, the Tennant nor his Heirs, not allowed to sell, the hereby demised premisses, under Certain forfeitures

1768.

35 Smeaths tenemt. John Pierse 3. o. o tennant at Will, holding Consists of a tenemt, the

tennant at Will, holding Consists of a tenemt, the Parish pound & Garden, behind it, bounding on the East with flews tenemt on the South with Terrys tenemt., on the West with Roches tenement & on the North with the Street Leading to Cappagh

1769.

36 Michl. Riordans

holdings Michael Riordan 2. 5. 6

1769 Lease from Sr Lucius O Brien to Michael Riordan of an house in Sixmilebridge then occupied by Lessee, with a Small Spot of Ground backward, to Extend the full length thereof & no further, & to be divided by a Stone Wall, to run from the East End of sd. house to Js. Keeffs Garden, & also the Small garden lying Southward of said Keeffs Garden & running as far as the Priests park all in possession of Lesse Let for 31 years from 25th March 1769—

1770.

37 Dolans holding James Dolan
 1. o. o
 1781 Lease from Sr Lucius O Brien to James Dolan of an
 Feb. 7 house in Sixmilebridge whereon Lessee lives with a

house in Sixmilebridge whereon Lessee lives with a Garden backward of said house, bounded on the West with Tom Healy & John Gormns. garden, on the East with a Garden, part of Thomas McCloskeys holding on the South with the park occupied by Miles Carroll Junr. & on the North with the Road leading to Cappagh

38 John Gormans

holding John Gorman 0.13. 4 ' no 38 set to Honora Gorman

Widdow at

2. 0, 0 3d. March Lease from Sir Edward O Brien to John Gorman for 31 years from 25th March Last, of a Moiety of a 1752 Garden in possion of Lessee of Thomas Healy, Contg. in the Whole 2 Rood & 20 Perch, lying on the North side of the Road leading from the Town of Sixmile-

bridge to Cappagh - with the usual Covents for

1782 Sir Lucius O Brien to Honora Gorman Widdow - a Feb: 2 lease of the above holdings -- for 31 years from 25th March Next - yearly rent - £2.0.0'

1772.

James Farrells 39

holding James Farrell 1.10. 0

1752 Mar Lease from Sr Edward O Brien to James Farrell of a Thatched Cabben wch. tennant built, with a Garden thereunto belonging in possion of Lessee - Let for 31 years from 25th March Last with Covenant for Repair

1773.

a house backyard & 40 Garden backward James Keefe Joying [sic] Riordens Garden in the Lane to the Chaple held without Lease at 15/- per annum

' I.Ig. 0'

1774.

John White 41

' 3. o. o' Garden John White no Lease, it Joyns Mathew Longans holding on the East, now James Hurly Thomas Molony's on the South, Coopers holding on the West & Lodge Road on the North, the Rent it now pays is 8/- per annum-

1775.

Dohertys holding

1776.

An house Wherein 43 Laur: McMahon

> lately lived with Stephen Creagh I.17. I

' Note the Rent a garden the

small yd there- ought to be £3.0.0 3. 0. 0'

unto adjoying

Lease from William Spaight Esqr. to Stephen 1761 Creagh, of (No. 43) for the Lives of William Speight Sepr. 29 the younger & Westrop Speight, sons of said William Speight & Mary Speight, youngest daughter to said William Speight rent payable March & September, with the usual Covenant of repair & Surrender

44 Saml. Moores

holding Samuel Moore 4. 3. o

1768 Apl. Lease from Sir Lucius O Brien to Samuel Moore for the Lives of said Samuel Moore Catherine his Wife & Eliza. Moore daughter to said Samuel, of an house out house & Back house in Sixmilebridge formerly held by James McNamara, bounded on the East by the Street, on the West & South by Counr Spaights holding & on the North by Stephen Creaghs holding together with a Garden on the West side of the Green, Commonly calld Jams. McNamaras Garden, bounded on the East by said Green on the West by part of the Lodge Lands, on the South by part of John Hickeys holding & on the North by Jams Hickeys holding — Rent payable March & September

1778.

45 Thomas Gurnels Repts, of Thomas

holding Gurnell 5. o. o 1761 Apl. Lease from William Spaight to Thomas Gurnell

for the Lives of William Speight Westrop Speight & Mary Speight, sons & daughter of said William Spaight, of the Park calld. Cures park Contg. 5a Ir: 25p bounding on the North by James Wilson park, on the South by the Park heretofore Called Mat Hickeys park on the East with the River & on the West with the High Road Commonly called Merchants Lane rent payable May & November

1779.

John Pierce 5. o, o

15 8ber 1761 Lease from William Spaight to John Pierce
of four thatched houses with their four thatched
back yards, between the Chair house that was built
by William Spaight & the Slate house Wherein
Andw. Arnold lived also the Park Commonly called
the Priests Park Contg. 4a: 1r: 3p, Excepting such
parts as are now held by John Clanchy & Michl.
Hehir, for the Same Lives in the Last Lease No. 45—
rent payable March & Septr.

1780.

47 Michael Hehirs holding John Pierce

July 28 Lease from William Speight to Michl. Hehir of an house & Garden in Sixmilebridge, Contg. 2 Rood & some Perches, bounded on the North with Patk Purcells garden, on the South with John Clanchys garden, on the East with the Orchard held by John Pierce & on the West by the Road Rent £1:5:0 payable at November & May

48 John Clanchys
holding & part of
Whites holding Cornelius O Keeffe 5.14. o
formerly known
by the Name of
Creaghs park

1781 Lease from Sir Lucius O Brien to Corns. O Keeffe. July 24 for 41 years from 25th of march Last, provided John O Keeffe Jeremiah O Keeffe & Peter O Keeffe first second & third sons of Lessee shall so long live, the field near the Bleachyard in Sixmilebridge, now & for some time past in the possion of Lessee, bounded on the East by said Bleachvard on the South by Henry Hoagworths Field, on the West by the Road leading from the Chaple, & on the North by Gurnells holding Contg. 3a: 3r: 26p, together with the Garden lately held by John Clanchy, bounded on the East by John Pierces field, on the South by Henry Wilsons Field, on the West by the Chapple, & on the North by the Road Leading to the Chapple

1782.

49 Mr. Spaights own holding William Spaight Lease from Sr Edward O Brien to William Speight 1754 in trust for his son William Speight, for the Lives of Decr. 11 said William Spaight the younger, & Elizt. & Mary Speight daughters of Lessee the Elder [sic] & Westrop Speight younger son of sd. William Speight Senr., with the usual Covents for Repair &c & a Clause of renewal of four Lives, on the Expiration of those heretofore Granted, of an house wherein William Spaight the Elder now lives, contg. 54 feet in front of the Street together with the yard backward of said house, & the outhouses lately Erected thereon together with a Small Spot of Ground, running from said backyard, to East End of Andrew Arnolds house. & to be divided & to be divided [sic] by the Ground backward of said house, by a stone Wall, to run from the East of said house to the small spott of Ground now in the possession of Martin McNamara, Rent paya. March & Sepr

1783.

the House built by Lot Mc 50 Namara decd. with a Small Spott of Garden, backward thereof & running from thence to the River, the house bounded on the North by the house lately built by Michl. Ryan, on the South by a house lately built by Wm Spaight, on the West with the Street, & on the East with said spot of Garden, also the park heretofore set to with said Tent., called Naughtons tenement

Repts. of the Revd. Francis Morrice 7. 0. 0

2. 0. 0

1755 March 1 Sr Edward O Brien Executed a Lease to John Gillum for his Life of the holdings of No 50 at £3:4:0 per annum, said John Gillum the 17th July 1762, Executed a Lease of said premiss's to the Revd. Francis Morrice, for sd. Gillum's own Life at the yearly Rent of £7.0.0 & the said Sr Edward O Brien made a Reversionary Lease to said Revd. Frans. Morrice for the Lives of the said Revd. Francis Morrice & Donough O Brien of Derrymore Esqr., with a saveing of all Minerals &c & the other usual Clauses in those Leases

1784.

the holding & tenemt. Called Peter Hinchys holdings Consisting of the House wherein Michl. Leonard Lives & the Walls of an Outhouse adjoining it, & a Garden backward thereof, bounded on the North with the Street on the South with the fair place & pt. of John Hickys holding on the East with Luke Finnanes Garden & of another small Garden now in the occupaation of Js. Deggan & Pat Hanrahan, bounded on the North, with the Lodge Land, on the South wth Tim Dohertys Garden, on the East with the turn pike Road & on the West, with Conner Cormeccan's Garden & a park Contg. 6a: 1r: 32p

Henry Cooper

I755 Lease from Sr Edward O Brien to Henry Cooper Jany. I for the Lives of said Henry Cooper & William & Westrop Spaight, sons of William Spaight Esqr, with the Usual Covenants of repair &c — at £1:0:0

January 11th 1755 the said Henry Cooper made a Lease of said demised premisses, by the same description as in Margin to Peter Hinchy in trust for Counsellor Spaight for the above Lives at the yearly Rent of £4 per annum wch leaves sd. Cooper a

Freehold of £3 per an:

May 18th 1762 William Spaight the younger as Heir at Law to his Father Wm Spaight assigned his right title & Intrest in & to the said Lease, made by Hen. Cooper aforesaid to said Peter Hinchy in trust & with it handed over the following Leases made by his said Father

> Lease made for 31 yrs from Novr 1757 to Michaell Leonard

Do Do 31 yrs. from Mar: 1762 to Peter Barret for 31 yrs from March 1761 to Patk Hanraghan for 31 yrs from Mar: 1755 £2. 0. 0

15. 0

£6.10. 0

52 Michl. Ryans holding '8ber 25 1786 Mich Ryan

0.15. 0

set to Patk Lannan

Patk Lannan

I.10. 0

a Waste plott & tenement formerly occupied by James Mc Namara Clarke Contg. in front to the Street 48 feet together with a small spott of Garden backward thereof & running down to the River, bounded on the North with Michl. Leary & Tim Enraghtys tent. on the south wth. Lott McNamaras tenement, on the West with the Street & on the East with the River, Contg. 18 Perch — no Lease appear[s] 31 years from 25th March 1752 — Expires 25 March 1783

' 8ber 25

1786 set to Patk Lannan, for his own Life & that of his Wife & his son Patk from 29th Sepr last'

1786.

53 pt. of Edmond Whites holding

Thomas Molony

5.13. 9

1781 July 31

Lease from Sr Lucius O Brien to Thomas Molony, of a house in Sixmilebridge, now in the possession of Lessee being part of Whites tenemt., bounded on the North by Thomas Leonards, on the South by the Widdow Hendricks House together with a Garden on the Green, formerly known by the Name of Bunches North Garden, on the North being bounded by pt. of Longans, on the East by the Fair Green, on the South by part of Laur: Crowes holding & on the West by Part of the Lodge, for 31 years from the 25th March Last

1787.

54 pt. of Do

Thomas Leonord

2.15. 0

1782 Jany
Lease from Sir Lucius O Brien to Thomas Leonord,
the house Wherein Lessee lives, Joined on the North
by pt. of Gillams holding on the East by Faheys
holding on the South by Thomas Molony holding &
on the West by the Street, for 31 years from 25th
March Last

1788.

55 pt. of Do

1786

Ann Hendrick

5. 0. 0

1781 Lease from Sir Lucius O Brien to Ann Hendrick Augt. 11 for thirty one years from 25th March last of an house in the town of Sixmilebridge late in the possion late in the possion [sic] of Mr. Corns. o Keeffe being pt. of Whites holding, bounded on the East by James Healy & Danl Faheys house, on the South & West by the Street, & on the North by Thomas Molonys

house

Lease to Timy Reedin for 3 Lives

at the same Rent

56 pt of Do Note this a Freehold as the Rent woud be otherwise £3 a year

James Gurnell

I. O. O

1790.

57 Willm. Ievers's holdings 1781 July 17

Patrick Lannan

5. 0. 0

Lease from Sir Lucius O Brien Bart to Patrick Lannan of the Dwelling house & Work house, now in the possion of Isaac Cure, & the Small Garden backwards of said house & running from thence to the river, also a Small Spot of Ground adjoining said house, on Which there is now a tenement built the same Contg. 40 feet to the front of the Street, together with a Small Spot of Garden, Usually belonging to the Waste plott, for a Lease of 31 years, from 25th March last with the usual Clauses

1791.

1755 2d Augt.

58 Simon Learys holding Simon Leary Lease from Sir Edward O Brien to Simon Leary for 31 years from 25th March Last, a Waste spott of Ground near the Town of Sixmilebridge Contg. 75 feet or thereabout in length & 23 feet or thereabout in breadth, bounded on the South with the Road Leading to Cappagh on the North with part of Dennis Molonys Garden on the East with John Gormans holdings, & on the West with part of the Lodge Lands

1792.

59 Mathw Kellys holding

Matw. Kelly

0. 3. 0

0. 5. 0

Lease from Sir Edward O Brien to Lessee for 31 years 1755 July 5 from 25th March Last of an house & small plot of Ground in possion of Lessee Contg in breadth 15 feet & in length 21 feet, bounded on the East by Tim Hurleys Garden on the West by Margaret Molonys house, on the North with Dennis Gormans part of Bridgmans Kitchen Garden & on the South with the High Road Leading to Cappagh

1793.

60 Thomas Marchbank

& John Doudys holding James Church Lease from Sr Edward O Brien to James Church 1752 for three Lives Vizt. for the Lives of Lessee William March 3 & Westrop Spaight sons of William Spaight Esqre, of the houses small orchards & gardens formerly held by Thomas Marchbank & John Doudy Contg. 1a: IF: 14P

2. I. O

1794

62 James Healys house being pt. of Edmond Whites holding

James Healy 'Edmd Mc Mahon

3. 0. 0

an house in the Town of Sixmilebridge, bounded on the East & North by Danl Faheys on the West by Mrs Hendricks & on the South by the Street leading to the River on the Side of the Street

1795.

1790. (?)

Rental of part of the estate of Sir Lucius O'Brien; 25 denominations, beginning with Caherfadda; total, £1,228.19.8.

1b., brinted.

1796.

[1794]

Another rental, of the same kind but incomplete, for the towns of Corrofin and Newmarket; with additions and corrections [in three separate hands], to 1803. The particulars of each holding are exactly the same as in the previous rental.

1797.

[1831] (?)

A townland survey of the Co. Clare estate. This was intended to give information under a variety of headings (about half of which have been left blank), e.g.; names of Catholic and Protestant clergy, numbers in each parish of both religions, County cess, tithe composition, roads, petty and quarter sessions, fairs and markets. The entries for certain townlands are ticked, as though they had been copied into another book or register. Examples of the particulars given:

Barony of Bunratty

Parish of Kilnasoola

30.3 "

Townland of Kilkeeraun

Subdenominations

Quit Rents

'No 40 Kilkerane East 119 acres £1:;3:44 Q.R. 1/- Ex Fees Francis Huslop'

County Cess

'Kilkeran East pays 62 acres 'Kilkeran West ,, 45 ,,

18 acres paid by the Tenants

44 acres Paid with Dromoland Domain in Kilkeran East
45 ,, ,, Kilkeran West'

Tithe Composition

'Irish'

III: 3: $6\frac{1}{2}$ 3d Quality at II $\frac{3}{4}$ d
3: 2: " 4 do ,, 5 'Irish'

115: 1: 6 amounting to Rectorial Tithe £3: 5: 11½
84 2 6 in Domain Vicarial ,, 2: 4: 6½
£5 10 5½

'population 1831'

'16 Houses

24 Families

68 Males

58 Females

126

Holy Well on this Farm

Works executed by Sir Edwd O Brien for irrigating the Land

Kilkeran West

Head Rent Fee Farm grant this land is included in grant of Dromoland from Henry Earl of Thomond to Sir Donat. See Dromoland

Kilkeran East. estimated to contain half a plowland conveyed by deed Dated 10th Feby 1698 by Matthew Aungier & Mary Aungier of Tullagh in the Co of Catherlogh, to Sir Donat O Brien.'

Barony of Islands

Parish of Clare Abbey

Townland of Clare

'Quit Rents

616 Fairs & Markets Clare

Farl Thomond

4:7-6

Head Rent

Lease dated 6th Augt 1767 by Nathaniel Quoit to Sir Lucius O Brien Bt and Marcus Pallisser (?) for 3 Lives Renewable for Ever Renewal fine

at the Yearly Rent

Last Renewal dated

18th Feby 1769. Deed of Partition between Sir Lucius O Brien & Marcus Patterson as per schedule annexed each party having 67A:2r:13p — and each agreeing to pay half the Rent Fines & Expenses

Patent 10th James 1st 10th Oct to Donat Earl of Thomond

Two fairs at Clare I Tuesday in every Penticost Week and for two days following

2 every first day of November and for two days following provided it be not Sunday

One Market every Saturday weekly with a court of Pyepowder

subject to Quit Rent of 5/-' "

1798.

[c. 1845]

Population return for the townlands of Newmarket, Mohane, Cahernakella, Ballinacraggy, Caherscouba, Rathfoland, Kilkeran, Laungah, and Gilacotte.

Gives heads of families; employment; no. of men and labouring boys; do. women; do. male children; do. female children; do. servant boys; do. servant girls; do. aged and infirm; and total in each family. The population of Newmarket is returned at 946.

Also: draft census returns [no place] giving names of householders, employment of inhabitants, and no. of males and females over and under 20.

MAPS AND SURVEYS

1799.

1661.

Tully, parish of Killkeedy, barony of Inchiquin; 356a.3r.20p; scale, 20p.

1800.

1676.

Reiluagh, Corkaghbegg, Ardmoynny, and Reinlomain. 69a.or.20p; surveyed by Donnogh Hickie (?).

1801.

1681.

Goulroe; 123a. [no scale]; by Donogh Grypha.

1802.

1699.

Kilnasullagh parish, barony of Bunratty. 569a.or.op. Certified copy of Strafford's Survey.

1803.

c. 1700.

"One of Sr. Donhs. old surveys of Ranagh wh. was endorsed wh. [with] his own Hand."

[No scale; title in Sir Edward O'Brien's handwriting.]

1804.

1703.

Ballymahony and other lands in the barony of Burren, with the "Quality of each parcel." (Tracing from Thomas Moland's map).

1805.

1707.

Clounteens, part of Rathfolanmore. 181a.1r.32p; scale, 2op.; surveyed by Da: Neale.

616

1806

1707.

Kilcanimrish and Tobarcorra; 10a.3r.32p; scale, 20p.; surveyed by Da: Neale

1807

1710.

Carrowehirach (395a.2r.24p) and other lands in the parish of Kilshanny, barony of Corcomroe, "according to the bounds shewn me by Denys Hanrahan"; surveyed by Da: Neale.

1808.

1710.

Common, parish of Kilfenora; 355a.or.34p.; scale, 20p.; surveyed by Da: Neale.

1809.

1711.

The arable part of Muhane; 121a.3r.16p., in five parcels, the rest being "Shrubby & Rough Rocky pasture"; scale, 4op. to 1".

1810.

1714.

Creevagh, Ardnavoylane, and Cahirkalla, parish of Quin; 459a.or.op.; value per acre, 4/6 to 7/-; surveyed by Da: Neale.

1811.

1716.

Ballymohony (353a.2r.op); Knockbrack (95a.or.op); and Ballymurphy (198a.1r.32p.); surveyed by Da: Neale.

1812.

1719.

Cahirminane (83a.or.32p.), and Carrowgare (48a.3r.20p.), parish of Kilfenora, barony of Corcomroe, Co. Clare. Scale, 20p. to 1"; surveyed by Da: Neale.

1813.

1728.

Goulroe, by Martin Mc Namara; 155a.2r.22p., including 17a.2r.6p., "in controversy"; scale, 40p. to 1".

c. 1750

Killfenora parish, barony of Corcumroe. Certified copy of Strafford's Survey; torn.

1815.

1763.

Part of Clare, parish of Clareabby, barony of Islands; estate of George Stamer, esq.; 6a.3r.6p.; scale 4p.

Tracing, dated 1853.

1816.

1768.

Ballymurphy, parish of Killcorney, barony of Burren; 273a.rr.5p.; scale, 40p.

1817.

1776.

Part of Clonanira, parish of Killfenora, barony of Corcomroe; 199a.3r.37p.; scale, 40p.

1818.

1776.

Ballagh and Cloonomera, parish of Kilfenora; 481a.1r.38p. arable and pasture, 218a.2r.21p. mountain; 150a.3r.20p. bog; scale, 40p.

1819.

1780.

Cahirminanemore, parish of Kilfenora; 285a.3r.2op.; scale, 2op.

1820.

1801.

Part of Kells and of Gorrynacallahy (216a.2r.1p.), parish of Kilkeedy, barony of Inchiquin, Co. Clare; estate of Sir Edwd. O'Brien. Scale, 20p. to 1".

1821.

1813.

Town of Corrofin and adjacent lands, parishes of Kilkeedy and Kilnaboy, barony of Inchiquin, Co. Clare; estate of Sir Edwd. O'Brien, Bt. Area, 731a.1r.23p., with names of 60 tenants. Scale, 40p. to 1"; coloured.

1822

1813.

Corofin town and adjacent lands, parishes of Kilkeedy and Kilnaboy, barony of Inchiquin. (Copied from a map of John D. Minahan).

1823.

1813.

Moohane, parish of Tombfinloe, barony of Bunratty; 396a.2r.1op.; scale, 40p., in six colours, with names of 23 tenants.

1824.

1813.

Corofin town and town divisions; 25a.3r.38p.; in six colours, with names of 28 tenants, and dimensions of 28 houses.

1825.

1823.

The Stone Park, near Newmarket; 21a.or.28p.; scale, 10p; in colour.

1826.

1824.

Killoe, near Clare; 125a,2r.op.; scale, 20p.; in four colours, with names of 27 tenants.

1827.

T828

BallyGreen (550a.or.21p.), Ballinacraggy (358a.or.21p.), Latoon (309a.or.13p.), and Upper Scahana (192a.3r.16p.), estate of Sir Edward O'Brien, Bt. Scale, 20p. to 1"; coloured, with houses and woods marked. [Names of tenants added at a later date].

1828.

1828.

Carnakelly, parish of Finlough; 43a.or.11p.; scale, 16p.; in colour.

1829.

1829.

Back-land, near Corofin; 40a.2r.op.; scale, 10p.; in three colours.

1830.

1834.

Ballanacarrah, parish of Kiltonaghta, barony of Corcumroe, Co. Clare; estate of Sir Edward O'Brien, Bt. Scale, 20p. to 1"; coloured.

1831.

1838.

Clare commons; 8a.or.11p.; with names of 43 tenants.

1842.

Clare and Sixmilebridge estate; scale, 40p.; geological and agricultural map, in six colours.

1833.

1842.

Dromoland; agricultural and geological map.

1834.

1842.

Dromoland, Clare, Skehanagh, and Killou; detailed survey.

1835.

[early 19 cent.]

Section of old Newmarket — Quin road; scale, 3op. (length), 4o' (height).

MISCELLANEOUS

1836.

1641.

Memorandum about lands possessed by Mahowne O'Brien of Townagh in right of his father Murrough Maol O'Brien and of his uncles Teige and Dermot O'Brien, younger sons of the said Murrough, being sons of Brian mc Moghery O'Brien of Magowna.

Townagh. Murrough O'Brien, half a plowland and half a quarter.

Teige Na Lorgie O'Brien his brother, half a quarter of Townagh, in the parish of Dysart, and a cartron in Maghery.

Cregnasenagh. Dermot O'Brien, half a cartron and half a plowland.

Cahirduff

Wragherney potius Maghera Teige O'Brien in the parish of Kilnamona

"note among papers of Chevalier O Gorman."

Copy, made c. 1860 by the 13th Lord Inchiquin.

1837

6 Jul. 1647.

Testimonial given by the Earl of Inchiquin to Capt. David Crosby. "These are to certify that Capt. David Crosby by virtue of a commission from Sir William St Ledger Knt late Lord President of this province in the month of January 1641 raised a foot company & some horse for the service of the King & Parliament & the same maintained as a ward for the defence of the fort & island of Ballyngarie in the county of Kerry at his proper cost until about the xyth of February 1645 during which time the said island & fort were at several times strongly besieged, one of the said sieges continuing for fourteen months with about 600 men & two battering pieces in which all the said warders there (except five) died or were become unserviceable & vet the said fort was valiantly defended until the same was betraved by 3 of the said warders who assaulted & killed one of the other two in the night time and brought in the rebels although the said Capt. & the others obtainede quarter vet contrary thereunto they were detained 18 months in restraint where they endured much misery, until of late they made an escape & came not without much danger into this city of Cork the 28th of June last during all the time of the said Capt. his continuing in the said fort he did at his own costs provide arms ammunition & other necessaries there (unless some small proportion sent him from hence) and bestowed in fortifying the said fort & island near 100f And hath there relieved many Protestants especially about 200 who endured a long & hard seige at Tralee & were received by him & there kept about one month at his own charge until he had opportunity to send them unto the Lord Forbes his fleet then riding in the river of Shannon the said Capt. besides the spoiling of [house hath lost an estate of about 800f per annum detained from him by the said rebels and as his suffering hath been great in the service of the Parliament so hath his endeavours been very faithful in many services performed upon the rebels whom he hath often preved spoiled killed & taken many of them by which means he did divert the most considerable part of the county of Kerry from giving assistance unto the Irish

Copy, made c. 1860 by the 13th Lord Inchiquin.

1838.

29 Nov. 1651.

Dispensation, issued by Andrew [Lynch] Bishop of Kilfenora,

¹ A marginal note of Lord Inchiquin's states the originals of this, and of several other letters and papers, c. 1642–1649 relating to David Crosby, to have been in 1862 among the Crosby MSS. at Ardfert Abbey, Co. Kerry. They are not included among the papers of the family of Talbot-Crosbie, late of Ardfert Abbey, now in the National Library.

for the marriage of Terence O'Brien of Ballyslattery, diocese of Killaloe; and Margaret O'Brien daughter of Donough O'Brien of Leameneh, diocese of Kilfenora, related in the third and fourth degrees.

Copy, made c. 1860 by the 13th Lord Inchiquin.

1839.

1652.

Certificate of William Neylon Fitz Daniel, who is "desirous to go for the voyage of Spain to travel & get the education of a gentleman" not being disaffected to the Commonwealth, as he goes "only to obtain breeding & return at his pleasure."

Signed. Henry Ingoldesby; William Purefoy; Thomas Hickman; William King.

1840.

1652.

"A note of Terlagh O Brien his estate in the barony of Islands & parish of Drumcliffe

Killclughereyragh half a quarter

Craigroe Gorterishe with Eyragh half a quarter

Raghcrony half a quarter

Furrourbegg the one sixth of a quarter

Knockmore Leaghninok half a quarter

Coolinerwin the one sixth of a quarter

. . . . barony of Islands parish of Dromcleaffe

first Balliglaneida I quarter & the 3d part of a quarter containing three score acres, the one half being arable land and the other half crags & woods, in forty one IO pounds rent being in mortgage to the said Terlagh by Daniel O Grady & Una Clancy his wife for 2I pounds sterling

Killquoane one quarter wanting the eighth part containing 50 acres of crags & arable land rent 10 pounds [] Mortagh Oge O Hehir son & heir to old Mortagh O Hehir his interest in the said lands and 10f by Mutagh [sic] daughter left to me upon Mortagh

Ragherobane the third part of a quarter containing 20 acres mountains bogs & arable land rent 40 shillings being mortgaged to Teige O Brien Terlaugh Breine his father and left to the said Therlagh for 30 pounds by Mahowne Clanchy of Craglegh

a note of my father & mother their land in the Barony of Tulla 1652

Ballyslattery 2 quarters

Onachory or Cahiergale 2 quarters

Barony of Bunratty

Ballinergine I carterone

Teremearen I carterone in Clony and 2/3 parts of a carterone in Balliagane in the sd. parish

Dowrish I carterone in the Barony of Tulla

Leabiny I carterone in Clony Parish

Insiquin barony

Dromore 5 quarters viz. Lisduff [sic].

Bealinbenny I cartron

Balliloghgeagh 2 cartrons

Bealieghter & Poulmareigh in Killkeedy parish mortgaged to Sir Daniel O Brien

Middle Ballykincorry

Ballyoganbegg 3 cartrons mortgaged by Patrick Burnell of Rannaghan to Teig O Brien and in possession in 1641 & after

Barony Burren

Kieltybrack

Moheryroone

Fyltybrane in Balygan in the parish of Noughvalle

Dromguie in the barony of Bonrattie

Mickelagh Donnogh O Grady his in the same

Copy, made c. 1860 by the 13th Lord Inchiquin.

1841.

с. 1663.

"A note of my mothers busines to be done by me1 in Dublin first to enter my mothers app[ear]ance in my Lord Deputie his Courte in Loghlen Reagh O Hehers suite secoundlye in regard to suite belongeth unto mee selfe to peticon unto his honor to staye my answere till2 at wch time my Chrst minoritie wilbe ended, & if that will not prevail to peticon mas to gett my mothers answere delayed till next tearme.3 when shee will come upp to Dublin herselfe to shearche in the Chancherye Courte Henry Blackwalls proceedings Itm against my mother, & of that to certifie my mother by the Itm next that comes downe from mee to gett a writt of dower in my mothers name4 against the undernamed5 persons viz James Dorseye Esqr. Robert Hybert gent. Daniell Oge Hernane merchant Daniell Mc Teige Lysagh gent. Terlagh O Brien from Caherpollye & Cattlen his wife, Teige Mc Mortagh Mergagge O Brien, Marcus O Grypha & Sara his wife, James Neyllan, Honor Ny Neyllan & her husband John O Neyllan.

Itm To gett a proces from the Courte of wards against Daniell

¹ i.e., Donough O'Brien of Dromoland.

² a word after "till" erased and illegible.

^{3 &}quot; till the first of August" erased.

^{4 &}quot; in my mothers name " interlined.

^{5 &}quot; undersigned ? " erased.

O Brien of Ballyharrashane, Donnogh Boye O Brien of the same, & Loghlen Reagh O Heher from Clownnie.

Itm To finde out the dedimus potestatem amongest Sr. Edwards papers or Cooles, & send it by the next."

1p.

1842.

1672-1685.

Memorandum book [of Sir Donough O'Brien.]

Most of the entries are about sales and purchases, e.g.; 26 Sept. [16]78. Bought of Mr. Willson 42 mares, value £210; 6 young mares, value £18; two fillies, value £4; 7 young geldings, value £35; and II sucking colts, value £27.10.

r May [1682]. Received of Dibbins of Kingsale for 40 bullocks £85.17 cash, and a bill for £64.4 on Piers Graham — for which he took 30, the remainder he is to take by Whitsuntide, paying a further £25.

15 May 1682. Sold to Xtopher White 103 sheep at Crattelagh

and Leminea for £45.

[May 1682]. "memd to enquire in the record wt right Robert Brooks hath to the lands of Lissbigneen in parish of Killmaly or Drumcleefe. John O Dea pretends to hold it from John Bourk of Cahirmoehill."

8 Nov. [1683]. Received of Earl "Insiquin" a guinea to pay him 10 guineas when he builds on the lands of Insiquin a house and a stable for 20 horses, "the house to be fitt to lodg & entertaine himselfe & frends."

21 Mar. 1684. Sold my roan horse I had of Dester to Capt. Rodny of the Dragoons for 30 guineas.

14 Nov. 1685. Sold my three black coachhorses to Dean Sing for £45.

1843.

26 Sept. 1681.

Instructions on various topics (religious, social, and domestic) drawn up by Lady Frances Keightley for her daughter Catherine, afterwards wife of Lucius O'Brien. She is, *inter alia*, advised not to over-spend on entertaining and to ".... manage yr hous & servants prudently, meekly, not scoldingly & wranglingly"

 $20\frac{1}{2}pp.$

1844.

30 Dec. 1685.

Annotated list of debts owing to Lord Thomond.

Total, £717.8.8 $\frac{3}{8}$ [sic] of which the largest item is £58.10. due from Capt. Edward Brabson.

т686.

" A	note	of	what	goods	Mrs	Bryen ¹	disposed	of	in	time	of	her	
death													

cdl.		
T	o Joan Mahon my sister	4 cows
T	o my niece Mary Bryen	20 cows
T	o my nephew Thirlagh Oges daughter	3 cows
T	o my nephew Mahon Mc Inerhenyes daughter	3 cows
T	o James Clanchye	3 cows
T	o Daniel Lysaghts wife	2 cows
T	o Joan Ny Dermody	2 cows
T	o Morrene Ny Daniel	2 cows
T	o Jenett Miniter	I cow
T	o Uny Ny Conor	8 cows
T	o [] Dermody	I cow
T	o Mrs Stoughton	one ring
T	o Mrs Boyle	one ring
T	o her niece Mary Bryen a chain & a do	lphin ²
T	o Bryen Mc Dermody	I horse
T	o her sister Mrs Mary her own ri	iding gelding
T	o her nephew Sir Terlagh Mc Mahon	I gelding"
C	oby, made c. 1860 by the 13th Lord Inchiquin.	

1846.

9 Nov. 2 Jas. II. [1686].

Patent of creation of Donough O'Brien of Leameneh as a Baronet. With account of expenses on fees and other payments relating to the above patent (total, £82.9.10, of which the largest item is £46.1.6, fees of honour to Sir Richard Carney [Ulster King of Arms].)

Copy, made c. 1860 by the 13th Lord Inchiquin.

1847.

28 Nov. 3 Jas. II. [1687].

Writ of outlawry against Michael Neylan late of Dublin, gent., son & heir of Edward Neylan late of Moymore, Co. Clare, gent.

Latin.

¹ Marginal note; "This was Mary Cooper the widow of Col. Connor O Brien her will is in existence of this date". Cp. list of bequests in her will suggesting a wrong identification of this Mrs. Bryen.

² Marginal note; "This chain & dolphin is in the picture of her at Ennistymon ".

16 Feb. 4 Jas. II. [1688].

Dedimus potestatem to Sir Donough O'Brien, Bt., and Florence Macnamara, esq., to administer the oath of a Justice of the Peace to John Macnamara of Crathelagh, esq.

Latin.

Endorsed with memorandum of execution, 7 Mar. 1687.

1849.

[1689].

Petition to the Revenue Commissioners of Sir Donough O'Brien Bt., Donough O'Brien of Dough, esq., Capt. Donough O'Brien of Newtowne, and "the rest of the gentry & other inhabitants" of the baronies of Burrin, Inchiquin, Corcomoroe, and Ibrickan.

Complains of inequitable assessment made by Florence Mac Namarae, Teige Mac Namarae, John Mac Namarae, Daniel Mac Namarae, and George Clanchy, as a result of which the baronies of Bunratty and Tulla (always estimated to be a moiety of the whole county) have been rated far too low, the monthly rate for Inchiquin being £85 and for Tulla only £75. Prays for a reapplotment to be made by John Mac Namarae, the Collector of Ennis.

2рр.

1850.

2 Jul. 1689.

Commission of Sir Donough O'Brien as Captain of an independent troop of 20 Dragoons in Co. Clare, "for the better regulation & government of the said county & prevention of the spoils robberies & stealths committed therein"

Copy, made c. 1860 by the 13th Lord Inchiquin.

1851.

29 Jul. 5 Jas. II. [1689].

Commission of Oyer and Terminer and gaol delivery in Co. Clare to Sir Donough O'Brien, Bt., Col. Roger Mc Ellegott, Donough O'Brien of Dough, esq., Florence Mc Nemarra, esq., John Grady, esq., Capt. Simon Pourdon, and Capt. Redmond Magrath: two or more (to include Mc Nemarra and Grady) to form a quorum.

Latin.

1852.

1690 (?)

"Priviledges desired to be past in pattent for the towne & burrough of Ennish."

16 clauses, providing for government by a Provost, burgesses, and commons, with Parliamentary representation; power of appointing municipal officers; and power to make by-laws.

1p., endorsed by Sir Donough "memd. I lent the exemplificacion of the Charter to Sym. Purdon in" [sic]

1853.

1690.

Petition to the Revenue Commissioners of Una O'Brien.

Prays for payment of £700 due to her out of the estate of her late father Terlagh O'Brien, who was possessed of Dromone and several other lands in Co. Clare, which came to her brother Connor O'Brien, now attainted.

1p., endorsed with order by the Commissioners for her to have £30 annuity out of the estate, without prejudice to her other rights. At Galway, 12 June 1690.

Signed. Theobald Butler; W. Ellis; Francis Plowden.

Endorsed in another hand: "James Daly swears he writt the will of Terlogh O Bryen.... that he left a considerable summe rather lesse than 300 li. to the petr..... swears he was a wittnesse.... and that Terlogh O Bryen did signe it & publish it"

1854.

21 Apr. 1690.

Order issued by the Commissioners of the Revenue to Nicholas Miagh of O'Briens Bridge to "take care of & preserue" the woods there, which lately belonged to the Earl of Insiquin and have now been forfeited and vested in H.M. [King James II] as they are being "much imbeazled and wasted" by several persons.

Signed. W: Ellis; Theobald Butler; Francis Plowden.

1855.

1690.

Petition to the Commissioners of the Revenue of Bryan Hanraghane. Prays for "a just & equall apportionmt." of the rents payable by him for certain lands, which he holds on a lease for lives still in being; some of these are in the King's hands by the attainder of Connor O'Brien, nephew and heir of Dermod O'Brien (who was proprietor of them in 1641). Gives list of five denominations in the barony of Corcumroe, three of which are mortgaged.

Petition referred to John Mac Nemara, esq., Collector of Ennis. Signed as last.

23 Jul. 1690.

Proposals for the cession of Fort St. Charles, in the island of St. Christopher, made by Charles de Pecheyron Commenge Guitand, Lieutenant-Governor of "The French Islands and maine land of America" to [Christopher] Codrington, Lieutenant-General of H.B.M. in the Leeward Islands.

Provides, inter alia, for transport of the French troops and certain civilian inhabitants to "Martinico."

Translation; 3pp.1

1857.

Aug. 1690 to Sept. 1691.

Memorandum book (written by Laurence Chroe) (?) containing entries such as the following;

"the 25 feabrary 90 I sent to Dromolane 13 stickes bige and smalle for the harnish . . ."

"the 16 January 91 I begane farloweing for smalle barly with 2 plowes the plowe men name John Mc gragh, Donnogh Clakruge, Donnogh Daly, Matew O Killine, John Cinemine (?), Donnogh Aghage . . ."

1858.

[1691] (?).

Petition to the [English] House of Commons of William, Lord O'Brien² on behalf of Sir Donough O'Brien.

".... That the said Sr. Donogh is and always was a Protestant

in the late troubles used his utmost interest and endeavors to secure such of the Protestants who lived in the said county.

.... tho he had bin freugently importuned to take Arms under the late King in that Kingdome he declined it till that he and all his Protestant neighbours and the Bishopp of Killaloo finding themselves in likelyhood of being destroyed by the vast number of rapparees for their Preservation prevailed on the said Sr. Donogh to take a comission for a troop of Dragoons under colour thereof he armed some of his owne Protestant servants and Protestant neighbours but never employed [them] otherwise then [sic] to the distruction of the rapparees and by that means many Protestant familys were preserved when Sr. Donogh by excuses kept from going to the Irish camp at Dundalk in 1689 the then governmt: forced him to be Sherriff for the year from Michaelmas 1689 which at the like importunity of his Protestant friends and neighbors

¹This was probably preserved as a result of the 2nd Earl having been Governor of Jamaica, 1690–1692.

²[c. 1666-1719]; afterwards 3rd Earl of Inchiquin.

he tooke but acted nothing but for the preservacion and protection of himself and his said Protestant neighbors from those rapparees

by noe ways gett to their Majties: quarters the River Shannon lying betweene strictly guarded every where by the Irish "

Prays for the exception from the Bill for vesting the Irish forfeitures in Their Majesties of Sir Donough, who " is at that distance that he cannot in person" attend the House of Commons.

1p.; evidently a fair copy, there being also the rough draft, and another fair copy, with numerous corrections.

The last refers to his having been made Sheriff in 1689 "without his knowledge"; to his having been importuned by King James and his ministers "to take a comission to be a Coll. or some other comand"; and to "Mr: Pierce Butler a most inveterate Irish Papist" having made interest for the appointment of Sheriff in the year that Sir Donough filled the office.

Also:

Protection from the Duke of Tyrconnell to Sir Donough O'Brien, his "family, houses, goods, tenants, horses, stock, and all things to him belonging "; with licence to keep five firearms for the defence of his concerns. 5 Mar. 168%.

Petition of Sir Donough O'Brien to the Lords of the Admiralty, praying for compensation for 50 oxen taken in August 1691 by naval forces commanded by Capt. Thomas Coale. *Draft and fair copy*. [1691] (?)

1859.

[16g1.] (?)

Testimonial of the Protestant clergy, gentry, and inhabitants of Co. Clare in favour of Sir Donough O'Brien.

States that he "accepted of a guard of twenty men for the preservation of the publick peace of the sd county that the said guard consisted of his owne & other protestants servants and were onely imployed to suppress rapperees and malefactors"

Draft, 1p. Addressed to Capt. Conner O'Brien at Mr. Battersby's house, opposite to the Earl of Oxford's coffeehouse, near King Street, Westminster; or at H.R.H. Prince George of Denmark's, at the Cockpit, in London.

1860.

14 May 1691.

Petition to the Lords Justices of John [Roane] Bishop of Killaloe, and Samuell Singe, Dean of Kildare; praying for the protection, by the generals of Their Majesties' forces, of the following persons, besides divers other Protestants now beyond the Shannon:

Sir Donough O'Brien, Bt., and his family; Symon Purdon, esq.,

and his family; Henry Ivers, esq.; Gyles Vanderlure, esq.; Thomas Cullen, esq.; John Colpoys, esq.; Henry Bridgman, gent.; John Cusacke, gent.; Thomas Spaight, esq.; George Stamer, esq.; Thomas Hickman, esq.; Samuell Burton, esq.; John Gore, esq.; George Rosse, esq.; Henry Lee, esq.; Augustin Ftz Gerald, esq.; Patrick Ftz Symon, Chancellor (?) of Killaloe; John Lawson and John Jones, clerks; the Deans of Killaloe and Kilfenora; David Berkely, clerk; Hugh Brigdall, gent.; Francis Ftz Gerald, gent.; Richard Glew, gent.; Henry Vanderstare, gent.; John Bizon and Edmund Pery, esqs., with their children and family; Henry Colpoys; Thomas and Peregreen Blood; Richard Wilson, esq.; Richard Hen, gent.; and Mountiforde Westrop, esq.

Draft, 1p., endorsed as follows;

"then ded [delivered] the Lds Justices by the petrs. owne hands, & by there Ldships ded to Lt. Genl. Ginkle & by his Excellencye to the Secretary att war wth comands to returne him the same when hee gott beeyond the Shanon that care may bee taken effectually as was desired . . . wch. his Excellencye assurd the petrs."

1861.

30 Oct. 1691.

Letter of attorney from Elizabeth Ivers (relict of Henry Ivers late of Mount Ivers, Co. Clare) to her son, John Ivers, to receive the rents of her third part of the real estate; the other two-thirds being for the education of his brothers and sister.

Witnesses. Henry Bridgeman; John Cusack; William Ivers; Thomas Ivers; Daniel Hogan.

Draft.

1862.

17 Jan. 1691[2].

Revocation by Elizabeth Ivers of the preceding deed, which had been "drawen contrary to my intention direction and compleyance . . ."

Signed & sealed. Elizabeth Iuers.

Witnesses. James Conigham; Roger Col...; Henry Ivers; William Ivers.

1863.

16 Jan. 1691[2].

Certificate, issued in favour of Sir Donough O'Brien by the Bishop of Killaloe, the Dean of Killaloe, and the Protestant clergy and gentry of counties Clare and Limerick.

States him to have been "not only a sincere professor of the Protestant religion, but a steady frend to the English intrest of this kingdome, & hase upon all occasions dureing the late Irish Govermt. declared his abhorrance of their proceedings"

Signed. John Laonensis; Jasper Phesant, Dean; John Hawkins, Thesaurarius Ecclesie Cathedralis Laonensis; John Paterson, Rector of Omullud; Hugh Gough, Chanter of Lymerick.

Two copies, one in Sir Donough's handwriting; 2pp.

1864.

12 Feb. 1691.

Certificate of Sir Donough O'Brien having made the declaration and subscribed the oaths, as required by the [English] statute of 3 William & Mary for abrogating the Oath of Supremacy in Ireland on 25 Jan. 169½.

Certified by Jo: Budden, Deputy Clerk of the Crown in Chancery.

1865.

23 May 4 Will, & Mary, 1602.

Presentation by William, Earl of Inchiquin, of [John Jones] to the church of Killinaboy, Killkeedy, and Ragh in the diocese of Killaloe, vacant by the death of Neptune Blood.

Addressed to John [Roane] Bishop of Killaloe. Signed & sealed. Inchiquin. [Armorial seal]. 1p., Latin.

1866.

1602.

(1) Petition to the Lords of the Admiralty of Sir Donough O'Brien of Cratloe.

Relates to the taking in August 1691 without compensation, by naval forces commanded by Capt. Thomas Coale, of 50 oxen, valued at £250, of the petitioner's, which had been removed for safe keeping to Deer Island in the River Shannon.

1p.; draft.

(2) Affidavit of Daniel Carrige, servant to the abovenamed Sir Donough.

He had obtained, on his master's behalf, protections from both the English and Dutch naval commanders; but was refused even the hides of the oxen, when he went to claim them.

3pp; draft.

1693.

Lists of debts certified by Patrick Healy to be owing to Sir Donough O'Brien for corn bought before May 1689.

Total, £32.10.0., due mainly from persons named Ryan and Glissan.

1p.

1868.

[c. 1695].

Memorandum of Thomas Keightley about several holders of Revenue offices.

He points out that Escheatorships are worth almost nothing, since the forfeitures are at an end.

Persons mentioned include Mr. Coppinger; Mr. Lloyd ("his office, which he neither knows anything of, nor acts in himself, is to cheque the Sheriffs accounts, on the process in court &c..."); Gun, Marshal of the Four Courts ("a great rogue as it proved"); the Clerk of the Estreats (Mr. Dewberry acts by deputy, and is still the Duke of Bolton's steward); Col. Edgeworth; Jonathan Hopkins; Mr. Walker, a Collector of the Revenue (son "to the famous Walker who suffered soe much in the siege of Londonderry").

In all, he mentions 33 appointments ("I say nothing of the ordnance...") some of which he thinks the Lord Lieutenant might dispose of at will. He recommends for promotion Mr. Bourchier and Mr. Chetwood.

10рр.

1869.

20 Sept. 1695.

Statment about Mr. Ivers's tuckingmill, bridge, and milldam at Sixmilebridge. (Sir Donough's agent having ordered James Mc Donnell and two other men to pull down the dam, Mr. Ivers came the next day to the Lodge "swaggering & treatninge what he would doe to James Mc Donnell & those that broake down the damm . . .").

3рр.

1870.

27 Sept. 1695.

"Being alone with my Lord [Capel] in his closett, I told him I had some things to acquaint him with, which I took to bee for his service, that I came out of respect and kindness to lay them before him, and that, if hee would promise to receive them as they were meant, I would very freely tell him my thoughts, setting aside all other considerations. Hee, bearing with a grave governing face, promisd to take everything so, and desired mee to speak freely.

I told him I was apprehensive that the heats wch were already begun and (if hee did not prevent them) were like to bee carry'd on in the House of Commons, would []"

Incomplete; endorsed in Keightley's hand, "What passd between the Ld Capell & mee about the Parliament"; 14.

1871.

1696.

Lord Capel's "reasons for not concurring with the other Lds. Justices in signing Mr. Keightlys & other reports".

A proposal had been made for raising a sum [unspecified] out of the Forfeitures, and for creating with this sum a fund for repair of forts and garrisons; but the letter returned under the King's sign manual made no mention of this.

Refers to Mr. James Roch ("the person that gave notice to the citty of Londonderry of their intended releife" by swiming up the river . . ."); Col. Baker (who "formed the people of Londonderry into discipline & was the true Governor of that important place"); and Mr. Keightley (who had a pension of £400 a year from King Charles, and others from King James, for the maintenance of his wife Lady Frances Keightley and his daughter): for all of whom "I am convincd his Matys bounty is well designd . . ."

Сору, Зрр.

1872.

I Nov. 1696.

Statement of Jas. Grady concerning his offer to transfer to Sir Donough his interest in a bond of £100 from Mr. Thomas Macnemara, "all wch I certifie & declare upon the holly Evangellist . . ."

1p.

1873.

11 Nov. 1696.

Certificate of examiners (Con Mac Mahon and John Clanchy) concerning accounts between Sir Donough O'Brien and Thomas Mac Nemara, in which Mac Nemara admits all items except the chief rent "and some small difference about the graising of a horse or mare and the receipt of a bushell (?) of beans . . . "

1p.

Attached to the certificate are accounts between Sir Donough and Mac Nemara for the period 1 Mar. 1694 to 30 Apr. 1696.

The rent of Mac Nemara's holding was £31, "wch. is more than he could get from any other for itt, and wch. amounts to five shillings per acre for each arrable acre in the said land . . . the rest . . . being rocks & scrubs, and but of inconsiderable vallue . . ." £6.11. of the rent, in money and goods, was "given him for his releife, some six months before any rent was due . . ."

Debtor items include the following; a barrel of barley, 12/-;

two barrels of oats, 10/-; $3\frac{1}{2}$ years' quit rent, £14.14.; the grazing of three cows for 1694, £1.16.; the grazing of two yearlings for 1694, 12/-; "his being in the castle for sd. yeare" [1695] £2.1 2pp.

1874.

6 Sept. 1699.

Power of attorney from Samuel Taverner to Mr. John Chafin to distrain for the rent of Innishmacneaghten.

Endorsed as follows [with a memorandum of the distress taken] (?)

" a sorill horse with a white maine & tayle

an ould white mare

a cropt bay wth a bald face

a black horse with a starr "

1875.

7 Oct. 1699.

Award of Francis Gore and Symon Purdon, esqs., arbitrators between Sir Donough O'Brien and Thomas Hickman of Barntick, esq.

Concerns the lands of Tobbermaly, Moylegan, and Ballynelan, which had been mortgaged by Sir Donough and by Connor O'Brien, his father, to Thomas Hickman late of Ballyhinan, esq., deceased, father of the said Thomas Hickman.

Signed & sealed. Fran: Gore. [Armorial seal. A fess between 3 crosses boutonnée]. Sym: Purdon. [Armorial seal. On a chevron, a fox's head erased, a crescent for difference].

1876.

[1700].

"The state of the Controversy Letween Captn. Loghlen Roger O Loghlen & Terlagh O Heyn concerning Cosgeaine.... the division from the beginning continues done these 45 yeares.... untill now the sd. Captn. Loghlen dureing his lease had severall tryalls..... with Heyn for to recover the halfe cartron of Dullane...."

1p., endorsed by Sir Donough O'Brien:

23th Aprill 1700 at Lem [eneagh]

36a. to Ter. O Hyne north east parte

34 Connor O Brien

47 Sr. Red. Everard

division made by the aboue parties in the year 55 proved by Ricd. Brannagh heard Sr. Redmund Everards brother Ricd. & James Tuny his agents agree to the division Phillip Brannagh swears the same"

¹ There are similar accounts for the years 1696 to 1701, during which the rent of the castle and garden was £2.10.

с. 1700-1730.

Papers relating (i) to Rt. Hon. Thomas Keightley's pension, granted by Charles II and continued till his death in 1719; (ii) to the estate of Castlemartin, Co. Kildare.

1878.

1701.

Lands passed in patent to William Neelan.

Barony of Burrin.

Barony of Burrin.			
	acres	yearly	By whom
		Quit Rent	possessed
Ballyvoolahan &c	92	1. 7.114	Towns and the
Ballyvihill	7	2. $1\frac{3}{7}$	Sir Donough
Clonfecil	43	13. 01	O'Brien
Turlogh & Tarmonbeg	16	4.101	
Barony of Inchiquin.			
Mordane	32	10. 017	
Ballybine alias Carrowkeel			Thomas Hick-
Lurga		1.15. 61	man
Derryolough	46	$13.11\frac{1}{2}$	Sir D. O'Brien
Clounybeg	105	$1.11.10\frac{3}{4}$	Capn. Neilon
Clontoughill Cruit		*	
& Tournigihy	55	16. 81	qr [sic]
Clonoughtrah	$32\frac{1}{2}$	9.101	qr
Bealnalicky	150	2. 5. 637	
Turconan	- 119	$1.16. 1\frac{5}{7}$	Mr. Hickm[an]
Drumcarin East	57	17. 51	(?)
Mullonone	73	I. 2. 2	
Gortakorkyne	154	2. 6. 9	
Ballycullinanmore	43	13. 0	
Cahirmagorman	96	1. 9. 13	Francis Kent
Barony of Corcumro			
Ballyclanaghill	74	J. 2. 5]	
Mahirbollinah	8	2. 51	
Clougher	60	18. 2	
Carrowreagh	25	7.7	Sir D. O'Brien
Killtoraght	50	15. 2	
Clougher	33	10. 04	
Ballyclancahill	45	13.6	
Cullimore	8r	I. 4. 7	Davoren
Ballycullinart	318	4.II. I	Michael
			Mc Donagh

Copy, made c. 1860 by the 13th Lord Inchiquin.

21 Apr. 1701:

Power of attorney from Lawrence [Hyde] Earl of Rochester, Lord Lieutenant, to Rt. Hon. Thomas Keightley.

1880.

3 June 1701.

King's warrant to the Lords Justices (Archbishop of Tuam, Earl of Kildare, and Earl of Mount Alexander) for an allowance to each of them of £100 per month until the arrival of the Lord Lieutenant.

Сору, 2рр.

1881.

1702. (?)

Petition to Sir Donough O'Brien of Phillip Ginnane.

Concerns "a small wast plott" in Sixmilebridge, of which he has a sub-lease from John Hickie.

1p.; certified by Ja: Vandeleur.

1882.

1704-5.

Minutes of proceedings of the Earl of Thomond's Commissioners ([Henry Howard] Lord Walden¹; Sir Donough O'Brien; William Worth, Baron of the Exchequer; and John Baggs, esq). They dealt with estate business — in most cases, the renewal of leases — at various dates between 17 July 1704 and 26 Jan. 1704 [5] sitting partly at Dick's Coffee House in Dublin and partly in Limerick.

The following extract shows the kind of business done by them:

The 17th July 1704

Present The right honble, the Lord Walden Wm. Worth & Jon. Baggs Esqrs.

On reading the petition of John [interlined] Furnell complaining being turned out of the lands of Kilderry by the widdow Greene George Clancy & al.

Ordered that the sd. severall person be prosecuted for the assault & riott by way of Information in the foure Courts. Mr. Butler being present owned the truth of the said Petition

John Furnell produced a Bill for charges in defending the possession of Kilderry amounting [interlined] to 261; 4s; od

Ordered that Mr. Butler doe allow him 10 li. out of his last halfe yeares rent on account of the said Bill —

¹[c. 1650-1718]; afterwards 1st Earl of Bindon, and subsequently 6th Earl of Suffolk. He married Lord Thomond's mother the following year.

The petition of Mary Reynolds widdow & Henry her sonn setting forth that Mr. Isaac Jackson sollicitted the petitionrs. by Lettres to gett.... an old lease of the lands of Downagh [erased and altered to Doonasse] granted to Henry Reynolds husband and father to the petitioners wch. they refused ordered all the Letters to be produced.

Ordered that Mr. Butler doth forthwith distraine Mr. Geo: Clancy for arreares of rent and if not sufficient distress to take all other wayes

& meanes for recovery

Mr. Baggs offred a draught of a notice to the tennant [sic] for produceing their Leases and settleing their arrears the same was read and approved of.

Some other matters which came before the Commissioners:

(1) 22 Jul. 1704. Petition of Ignatius Reddan for addition of a new life or 31 years, on payment of £20 fine, to his lease of Quillane. This was made 5 Nov. 1675 by the Earl of Thomond [the then Earl's grandfather]; and contained, inter alia, a ".... memorandum of severall immateriall words interlined but a razure filled up with other ink in the most materiall part of the deed & noe notice taken of that wch. seems to be done after the deed sealed the razure filled up with the words (and every of them as they shall happen) to consider whether he will surrender his lease and take a new lease of 21 yeares absolute or insist on his old another peticion read the 28th for a new lease & money tendered in his hand.

Answered Comrs. have no power to make such lease nor receive such tender being not made in time"

(2) 26 Jul. 1704. "Mr Grady of councill for Mr. Connery a mynor that his proposall may be accepted for the farme of Feadamore [Co. Limk. in margin] without arreares haveing beene kept out at law from the benefitt of his renewall by Clanchy to whome the Lord Thomond lett the said farme; Connery paid 160 li fine insist it is an injury done his clyent by entry into the land to wch. the Earle had noe right; Mr Baggs the benefitt of the Lease is not demanded till (96)

Lett Mr. Connery Renew his proposall"

- (3) 27 Jul. 1704. ".... the farme of Bunratty &c as held by Robt. Westrop to be sett up att cant att 120 li. per annum reall vallue 179 li: 10 s: 6 d fine 476 li 472a: 3r." (The first of 60 denominations for which there are similar details).
- (4) 4 Aug. 1704. (Note at the end of another list of denominations to be canted). "Q [uery] if not best to sett up every farme by the name of such farme as held by such a tennt. except the great farmes to be divided"

(5) 9 Aug. 1704. ".... There being severall deficiencyes of acres in severall farmes to be Resurveyed —

Ordered that Mr. Butler and Mr. Roch doe attend the survey in theire respective stations; and doe pay and satisfy the severall meares men for theire paines"

(6) 23 Aug. 1704. "Md. to send for the writeings from White haven

left by Sr. Joseph Williamson or some of his agents

Ordered that Mr. Butler doe forthwith levey all arreares that have been respited under pretence of an abatement by Mr. Burton and Hodges from those tennants that have had an allowance of 2 yeares $& \frac{1}{2}$ for the warr "

(7) 29 Dec. 1704. ".... a list of the herriotts the bonds for the millers security of Ennis the rent roll to Michaelmas 1704 a list of the Chiefe rents what has been received particularly out of what lands from whome & by wch. receivr."

Ordered that Mr. Butler lay before the Commissioners the "lists and writeings above mencioned"

(8) 4 Jan. 1704 [5]. Information having been given of Roger Hickey and others holding the lands of Ahirinaghbegg and Ahirinaghmore in the barony of Tulla, Co. Clare, for 10 years from Easter 1694 by agreement with the then Earl's Commissioners, now withholding possession from Wm. Hodges, who took the lands upon the cant.

Ordered that Mr. Wm. Butler bring in a Chancery bill against the above persons.

- (9) 5 Jan. 1704 [5]. Mr. Thomas Grady appointed Receiver of Lord Thomond's chief rents in Co. Clare, receiving £10 salary and 6d. in £ of what he collects.
- (10) 26 Jan. 1704 [5]. Among the expenses passed by the Commissioners are: use of Dick's Coffee House, on the cant, candles, etc., £2.6; Mr. Upton's clerk, for 14 weeks' writing, £7; the same, for his "Extraordinary dilligence," £1.3; binding a book of maps in Turkey leather gilt, £3; to Mr. Moland, to complete the agreement for the survey and maps, £330 having been paid before, £46.15; the Exchange porter, $2/8\frac{1}{2}$; another porter, for setting up the posting paper, 1/1; Messrs. Castles and Ayres on account, £50; Mr. Thomas Gradey, for his attendance with Messrs. Castles and Ayres in Cos. Limerick and Clare, 4 pistoles or £3.14.

19pp.; copy, made for Sir Donough O'Brien, and certified by Tho: Castle and Geo: Ayres, 31 Jan. 1704 [5].

Also:

"Daniell Hogans accot. of such as took out thier leases from Mr Baggs & me [Sir Donough O'Brien]." 23 names, beginning with Col. Thomas St. John, tenant of Ballymulcashell; one lease — that of Mr. John Stacpole for Forroure — "perfected in England." [1704-5].

Act enabling Lord Thomond to make leases for three lives, with covenants for renewal, of the lands and tenements comprised in his marriage settlement. 1710. Printed, with MS. annotations by Richard Wilson.

1883.

17 Jan. 1705.

Warrant of certain of the J.Ps. for Co. Clare, superseding Mr. Hugh Brigdall from the office of County Treasurer, and appointing in his stead Mr. John Roane of Bockfield, Co. Clare.

Signed. James Vandelure; Wm. Smith; Jo. Vandelure; Jon. Cusack; Wm. Twigge; Sym. Purdon; Morgan Ryan.

Contemporary copy.

1884.

12 Feb. 1705.

Memorandum by Richard Wilson.

"Father Connor Moran tells me that Ryry Duffs interest in Coshkeain will not in his iudgmt. grase aboue 20 collps. a yeare, nor is worth much aboue 10 li. per annum, nor the freehold at the very most aboue 150 li."

1885.

14 Sept. 1705.

"Memorandum that Nicholas Woulf esqre of Wercollane (?) and Mr Owen Kenn went on the landes of Carserken according to the tennor of a writ to us derected to enquieire if Capt. John Mc. Donnogh or Hugh Mc Donnogh son to the sd Capt Mc Donnog had aney interest in the sd landes or if possessed of aney part of it vested in him or his sonn or had aney stock on the sd landes or aney rent acrewing to aney or either of them wee found none

witness our handes this 14th day of 7ber 1705

Nicho: Woulfe Owen: Kean

Copia vera

1886.

Oct. 1705.

"Breefe for Sir Tho: Butler to hender the enlardgement of Mr Walter Nealan from Sir Donat O Briens action."

Concerns a mortgage made in 1696 of the lands of Kilcarhah by Nealan, and assigned to Sir Donough.

2½pp., endorsed by Robert O'Brien "Morgan O Brien counsellor at law & cousin german to Walter Nealan."

7 Oct. 5 Anne, 1706.

Freedom of City of Limerick for Lucius O'Brien of Crateloh, Co. Clare, esq.

Latin.

1888.

1706.

"A List of such persons as promised their votes to Sir Donat O Brien and his son Lucius and observations on others concerning the election, wth. certain quers. on that subject

> Thomas Hickman senr. Thomas Hickman junr. Robert Harrison Francis Harrison John Rosslune Thomas Henn Thomas Grady John Grady James Mac Cae Daniel Grady James Kean Robert Kean Darby Carthy

q: if he has taken Stephen Cuninghan his brother

the oathes1 another bror.

Cuninghan Cuninghan

Dermot Considin Danll. Fanucan Henry Ivers

Ambros Ivers

George Hickman

4 votes John Weeks servt, to Mr Thoms, Hickman

Thomas Mc. Mahon

undr. age Michael Counin if Sr. Donat writes to him

Mr. Jon. Hone

Mr. Wm. Cooper quer if a freehoulder

Leiut. John O Brien 30 votes Certain

Persons names whose votes cant be depended on for Sr. Donat & Mr. Burton Mr. Richard Hen

Richard Scott

Angell Scott

will not declare who they will vote for. The latter desired me to acquaint Sr Donat he wd not be agt, his entrest

papists abjurs

¹ Added by Richard Wilson.

Mr. Wakely for Sr.
Mr. Thomas Brown will no

for Sr. Donat & Mr. Burton will not declare himselfe of any

side till the Election

Mr. Hartt

Mr. Wm. Fitz Gerald

for Mr. Lucius O Brien & Mr.

Burton

the like

Dennis Lynch

The like, but my beliefe is that he is in Burton's entrest & taken of by Mulvihill; & that those who will not give a direct answr. are not to be depended uppon

I spoke to all the Clergy in the sevll. baros. that I was in, & I find them all in Sr. Don. o Brien & his sonns entrest, except Mr. Jon. Vandelure & Mr. Bartley. I did not meet Mr. Southwell at home, but am credibly informed that he is not onely resolved to vote agt. Sir Donat, but has spoke to some persons to vote agt. him & his son; therefore I am humbly of opinion that Sr. Thomas Southwell ought to be acquainted wth this, & a lettr. ought to be got from him to his bror.

Mr. John Vandelure, Mr. Thomas Ivers, Jon. & Wm. Stacpole are the active men for Burton in the West of this county, & do make freehoulders for to serve his turn.

Mr. John Ivers, Mr. Ward, Captn. Brady, & Capn. Walcott are the persons that are active for him, & make freeholdrs., in Bunratty, Tullagh, & Burren baros.

Quers.

Ist quer. if Mr. Walcott or Mr. John Ivers can make any freeholdrs on their estates the whole estate of Mr. Walcott is in mortgadge to a person in England, from whome he borrowed £3,000 to lay out when he was restored to the estate; & since mortgadged the same lands to Mr Damer, who knew nothing of the mortgadge to the person in England.

Mr. Ivers's Estate is also in Mortgadge.

Quer. If there be any & wt Act of Parliamt, that limits a time for persons to be freehoulders before the calling of a parliamt.

Quer If the Act agt the growth of Popery sayes that such persons as abjures the Pretender & are freehoulders must take the abjuration oath the very sessions before the sitting or meeting of the parliamt.

Quer If persons outlawed in debt have votes

Quer If it is not proper to have the election at Lymk. & this county in one day, because most of the persons lately made free by Mr. Burton & his fds. are Lymk. tradesmen, who are intirely in Burton & Roches entrest, & will rather attend their own election

in Lymk. to serve Roche, than be here at the same time — quer how many votes Sr. Don; expects from the County of Lymk., & if Mr. Burton does not expect more; who has made his tents. & fds. in the county freeholdrs. here; if he has & that Sr. Donat expects but a few, quer if he had not better ordr. the election of the county & this to be at one & the same time — all this submitted to bettr. judgt."

3pp.

1889.

Feb.—May 1706.

Case, with opinions of counsel (Florence McNemara and Charles McDonogh) concerning a mortgage of £300, passed in 1688 by Timothy McDonogh to Mr. Ronan, in which Mr. England has also acquired an interest.

1890.

19 Mar. 1707.

Case, with opinion of counsel (Francis Bernard) concerning a lease of a tenement and tucking mill in Sixmilebridge, made in 1675 by Henry, Lord O'Brien, and Lady Catherine his wife to John Reddan the elder, and assigned by Reddan to John Ivers without licence.

8рр.

1891.

2 Mar. 170 [8] (?).

Petition to Sir Donough O'Brien of Edmond Naghten.

Finds his holding in Sixmilebridge "the worst bargaine sett in the town" and prays for 20/- abatement of rent.

1p.

1892.

[1712-13].

Act for confirmation of the Earl of Thomond's fee farm leases.

Refers to a "calamity of fire . . . many years since in the town of Carlow" as a result of which many tenements paid no rent in 1700 or in 1707.

Draft, 3pp.

1893.

11 May 1707.

"An Accot: taken by Mattw. Henchy of all the horses that trasspassed on the lands of Moohane belonging to severall that came to visitt and keepe their quarters with Mr. Tho: Mc Nemara . . . & specially Ulstermens horses that came severall tymes about a nagg in [sic] was in dispute between Tege Mc Quon & one Mr. Dogherty . . ." In the year 1698 100 horses trespassed; in 1699, 60; in 1700, 80; in 1701, 260 horses and cows. They belonged to Mr. James Dogherty, Mc Nemara's son in law; James Hehir, his brother in law; [] Hehir, his nephew; John Stockden; [] Loghlen; and James Mc Daniell "a fenching master."

 $1\frac{1}{2}pp.$

1894.

1708.

"Wee the under named persons being free-houlders in the Barrony of Iberickane in the County of Clare, doe promiss (when thereunto requiered) to giue our severall voaths for Lucius O Brien of Corofeny esqr. for being Kneight of the Sheer for the said County upon aney ellection of the like & to teake the oaths of Abjuration if any of the rest of our clergy & function does it as wittness our hands January 31th 1708

Connor: Dwyer of Fentraught John O Connor of Glandine."

1895.

1709. (?)

List (in Richard Wilson's handwriting) of Roman Catholics who have taken the oaths [of Abjuration and Allegiance]

Between 70 and 75 names; among which are Butler, Cahane, Clanchy, Grady, Hehir, Mc Donnogh, Molony, O'Connell, Stacpoole, and White.

 $1\frac{1}{2}pp.$

1896.

1712 et seq.

Manor of Bunratty. Appraisal certificate, given by Morto. Farnan, Morgan O Brien, and Connor Hogan, of three cows (value £7.10) taken from Micahel Carmody for arrears of rent due Sir Edward O'Brien. 1742. "A true copy"; 1p.

Two bundles of miscellaneous papers (mostly bonds and draft leases) of the 4th and 5th Earls of Inchiquin. c. 1740—1790.

Pedigree showing descent of Mary (Hickman), wife of Sir Edward O'Brien, from Kynvyn and Vaughan families; 15 generations, with coloured coats of arms. Compiled c. 1609, with additions made by Lady O'Brien c. 1750. Roll.

12 deeds and papers relating to the lands of Cahirfadda. 1712—1824. Act for sale of part of the estate of William [O'Brien, 4th] Earl of Inchiquin; and for settlement of part of the unsold estate. (Gives a long list of townlands in Cos. Clare and Cork, with tenants' names). c. 1735. Printed; 19pp.

Genealogical notes, beginning with the baptism of Sir Lucius O'Brien. 1731—1800.

Letters and papers relating to Turlough Acres, in the barony of Burren, Co. Clare, the estate of Sir Edward O'Brien. 1776—1846.

Act for vesting certain lands of Murrough, Earl of Inchiquin, in trustees for the purpose of raising £30,000. 1779–80. 19th cent. copy; $18\frac{1}{2}pp$.

Commission of Murrough, Earl of Inchiquin, as Governor of Co.

Clare. 1777.

Letters and papers¹ relating to William Smith of Cahirmoyle, maternal grandfather of William Smith O'Brien. 1805 et seq.

Freemason's certificate (Lodge 60) for Sir Edward O'Brien. 1817. English and Latin, in parallel columns.

Marriage settlement of Lucius O'Brien, eldest son of Sir Edward O'Brien of Dromoland; and Mary, eldest daughter of William Fitzgerald of Adelphi, Co. Clare. *Draft*. 1837.

Letters and papers of Sir Lucius O'Brien, 5th Bt. [afterwards 13th Lord Inchiquin]. These include his own notes made at several meetings of Irish M.Ps. after the Famine. On the Poor Laws he writes ".... the requirements of a famine far exceed the ability of ratepayers in most districts of Ireland, these being often the most severe sufferers" In 1855 he offered £500 towards the building of a new bridge — to be named "Wellington Bridge" — in Limerick. There is a letter of 1854 from Gladstone, and one of 1855 from Palmerston (the latter declining to advise the Queen to sanction William Smith O'Brien's return to Ireland). c. 1839—1858.

Poem, written by David Moylan of Quin and addressed to Sir Lucius O'Brien, Lord Lieut. of Co. Clare; to the air "The green flag flying before us." Five verses, beginning "Men of Clare at once prepare "c. 1845. 13pp.

Letter from James Woodford O'Brien to Lucius O'Brien, "Earl of Insyquin" [sic] about the writer's claim to the Earldom of Thomond; with interesting details about the writer's family. 1864. 8pp.

Correspondence of Hon. Mrs. Caulfield and J. P. Prendergast with [Lucius O'Brien, 13th] Lord Inchiquin about the pedigree of the O'Brien family. 1866.

Pedigree of the descendants of Murrough O'Brien, 1st Earl of Thomond; 11 generations, 1543—1846. Drawn up to show limitations of the settlement made in 1753 by the 4th Earl of Inchiquin. c. 1850; printed.

12 diaries, sketch books, and music books (mostly of Sir Lucius O'Brien [1800—1872] 5th Baronet and afterwards 13th Lord Inchiquin. c. 1833—1851. In 1836 one of the family made a tour from London to Antwerp, Louvain, and the Rhineland; this volume has a number of pen and ink drawings.

¹ Of no outstanding interest, but including a copy of William Smith's will (1809); and a draft will of Dame Charlotte O'Brien, widow of Sir Edward O'Brien (1842).

Cash books (household expenses at Dromoland). 1837-1851.

Two bundles of letters, to Sir Edward O'Brien, and miscellaneous papers, relating to the estate of Francis Dashwood and Lady Ann Dashwood. 1814—1836.

Additional letters and papers of Sir Lucius O'Brien (afterwards 13th Lord Inchiquin) including recommendations made by him c. 1860, when Lord Lieutenant of Co. Clare, of D.Ls. and J.Ps. c. 1832—1865.

Account book of the Clare Loan Fund organised or managed by Sir Lucius O'Brien. 1836—1846.

1897.

1712.

Opinion of counsel (J. Ward) concerning the power of Henry [7th] Earl of Thomond to make leases.

Сору, Зрр.

1898.

18 Nov. 1712.

Form of presentation by Lord Inchiquir to the rectories of Killanaboy and Killkeedy [diocese of Killaloe].

Draft, 1p.

1899.

14 Aug. 1713.

Case, for counsel's opinion, concerning the farm of Doonessa, which was leased 22 Nov. 1675 by Henry [7th] Earl of Thomond to Edward Reynolds for three lives renewable.

3рр.

1900.

14 May 1713.

Summons to Sir Donough O'Brien to attend, in 8 to 10 days, a Privy Council meeting to consider the irregular election of the Lord Mayor of Dublin.

Signed, J: Dawson.

1901.

7 Oct. 1713.

"a List delivered me by mr. Walter Huonyn of such persons in Corcumroe Barrony, as he judges will vote for his Honnr

Corkomroe

no: I Neptune Blood dean of Kilfenora

2 The Revd Robert Couperthwaite vicar of Clony, Kilasbuglanan, Carn, Noghtale & Killorat

3 Hart¹ vicar of Kilm'cisty Abey Oghtmama Glanenagh & Kilshany

¹ Probably Rev. George Hart (c. 1678-1730) afterwards Treasurer of Kilfenora.

	4	Samuel Blood of Kilfenora gent
	5	Henry Morgan of Clonkilleen gent
Transf		Daniel Lysaght of Cragane gent
Jurat	6	
	7	Capn. Tim (?) o Brien of Smithstown
	8	Jer: Lyne of Carrowmanagh gent
	9	Augustine Lyne of Carrownahuan gent
	IO	Augustine Hanrahan of Carrowduffe gent
Jurat	II	James O Lyne of Dromminacalluragh gent
	12	Denis Hanrahan of Carrowduff gent
	13	Ben: Lucas of Ballingady gent
	14	Andrew Lysaght of Calluragh gent
	15	John Lucas of Lurga lately made freeholder by Mr.
		Burton or Mr. Nat: Lucas
	16	John Butler of Ballycoghy gent ¹
	17	Donogh Cunsiden of Carrowduff
Burren	1	Michael mc Nemarra Jurat
		Geo: Martin non Jurat
		Ja: Dauoren non Jurat
quere	if he	Don. o Loghlen of Lisconory Id [em]
may be	gained	
	0	Ter. o Brien of Aghaglenny Id [em] "
1p.		

1715.

Case of Henry O'Brien and Nicholas Westby, esqs., two of the candidates for Co. Clare.

Alleges the irregular election² of Francis Gore, esq. (father of Arthur Gore, the High Sheriff, who carried it out) and John Ivers, esq., for whom only about a dozen electors polled.

Printed, 1p.

1903.

21 Mar. 1715.

Petition to Sir Donough O'Brien of Lyonnel Roche the elder.

He has been a tenant for 50 years; is now "very old and healthless as yr. honr. may see"; has only three cows with which to maintain four "orphants"—his grandchildren; and has had the cows taken by Matthew Hicky for heriots which were not due.

Ip.

¹ Nos. 15 and 16 added in a different hand.

² Gore and Ivers were returned ; cf. Return of Members of Parliament, pt. II, p. 652.

Nov. 1715 to Aug. 1716.

Reports made, to the Trustees [of the Linen Board] about Sir Donough O'Brien's spinning school at Newmarket, by George Hughes, "itinerant hemp & flax man" for Cos. Limerick, Clare, and Kerry.

Сору, 2рр.

1905.

24 Apr. 1719.

Opinion of counsel (John Grady) concerning Lord Inchiquin's title to the presentation to the rectory of Dromcliffe.

Refers to a union of Dromcliffe with certain other vicarages [sic] made 26 Mar. 1625, on account of their poverty, by John [Rider] Bishop of Killaloe.

Ip.

1906.

1742 (?).

"Apples and cherrys to be sent from the County of Waterford to Sr. Edwd. O Brien

The Gagazea one hundred
The Walum one hundred
The Burlington crab twenty
The Colebrook twenty

The Jenet Moyr
The Stirr apple

of each fifty — if to be had —

The Affane cherry six
The Crotty cherry six

P.S.

I will send cars for the trees to Killmallock "

1907.

1742.

Advertisement in "Faulkner's Dublin Journal" for July 20th, of the sale of Sir Edward O'Brien's stud at Assollas, Co. Clare.

Describes the colts and fillies as being all "very large, promising and beautifull, and likely to turn out racers, fit to carry 12 stone, or at worst fit for fox hunters or officers horses"

1908.

[c. 1745].

Memorandum of Mr. Matthew Hickie about tenements on "the lodge road" held by Dennis Hogan, Patrick Murphy, and Teige Doherty.

Sir Edward orders him "please to see Wm. Mullens lease properly filled up and executed by him and wn. I see yr. name as witness to it, and to the bond of performance, I will execute it."

Ip.

1909.

[c. 1750].

Memorandum about certain lands (Tarmon and six other denominations) in Sir Edward O'Brien's own hands; and four others either out of his hands or out of lease.

Ip.

1910.

[c. 1750].

"Memorandum of what is expected to be done immediately by Sir Edward O'Brien" to avoid the foreclosing of a mortgage of Mr. Hull's.

1p.

1911.

[c. 1750].

"A List of lands¹ assigned to Mr. French, Mr. Crotty, &c." These include the town lots of Corofin, with holdings of Robert Farman, Patrick Brenan, Robert Hickman, and others; total, £1,220.13.9. 2½pp.

1912.

[c. 1750].

"The list of the trees and shrubbs wanting for the fruetry & kitchen garden." Includes 300 flowering shrubs "lallaks, syringoes," etc.; 24 apples; and 24 pears.

Ip.

1913.

[c. 1750].

Notice of Sir Edward O'Brien's intention to prosecute Mathew Cavenagh, his late valet de chambre, "a low, strong made fellow, wh. [with] a remarkable deep cut in his forehead, like a prize fighter, wh. long pale hair"; who has stolen a grey cloth coat, a black velvet waistcoat and other articles.

Draft, 2pp.

¹ Another list includes some of the same tenants, and begins with Walter Lamport, tenant of Poulbane; in this, the rents retained in Sir Edward's hands amount to £1,455.9.2 $\frac{1}{2}$.

1752.

Estimate for repair of stables and other buildings at Corofin, which are described as "quite dimolished," "quite trown away," etc. Total, £227 18 0

10.

1915.

1755 to 1762.

Letters and papers concerning a Militia Dragoon regiment of which Sir Edward O'Brien was Colonel and Captain (commissioned in 1741); and of which Donough O'Brien was First Captain in 1762.

A return made in 1756 to the Lord Lieutenant, the Duke of Devonshire, shows a strength of 6 troops, containing 24 officers and 138 rank and file, but "no fire locks — bayonets — pistolls — swords or any kind of arms — drums — or accourtements."

1916.

30 Aug. 1759.

Memorandum, in Sir Edward's hand of his being "at this hour wthout money for common necessarys till Novr. gale comes in" as a result of "buying a cornetcy for Neddy1" and "stocking Donts.2 land according to sd. agreement3."

 $1\frac{1}{2}pp$.

1917.

1760. (?).

Election address of Sir Edward O'Brien.

Refers to ". . . my conduct [which] has, and allways shall be uniform, and I hope agreeable to my constituents . . ."

Draft, 1p.

1918.

1765.

Articles sent by Edmd. Sexton, per Mac Mahon's boat.

A hogshead of choice claret, £18; three gallons of vinegar, 5/-; 5 brass cocks, 10/-; 2 lb. green tea, £1.4.; 2 dozen knives and forks, 13/-; 20 lb. gunpowder, £1.3.4.

1p.; enclosed with a letter from Sexton to Sir Edward.

His youngest son.

² His second son.
³ This is one of a dozen memoranda of Sir Edward's written at about the same time.

1768.

Bills for the Co. Clare election.

Total, $f_{1,223.19.9\frac{1}{2}}$. Separate items include: John Armstrong, Castle Street, Dublin, for 252 cockades and 202 breast ribbons, $f_{19.15.6}$; Geo. Faulkner, for advertising, 17/6; music and pipes, f_{10} ; cooks, waiters, etc., $f_{22.15.}$; three lawyers, f_{120} ; two men taking the poll, f_{60} .

1920.

1768.

List of voters at the Co. Clare election who polled from the 12th to the 19th of July. Result:

Francis Pierpoint Burton 412 Sir Lucius O'Brien, Bt. 362 Murrough O'Brien 278

16pp.; printed, with MS. annotations; incomplete.

1921.

1768.

Bills for election expenses of Sir Lucius O'Brien. The items include: lodging and stabling (separate payments to about 30 different persons); £100.8.3½.

Thomas Burly, various items of food and drink, £2.18.2, including

punch at 3/4 per bowl.

Maurice Geron, ale at 2d. a quart; a rib of beef, a shoulder of mutton, bread, and potatoes, 8/8; breakfast for 4 men and 3 women, $3/9_2^{11}$.

Two beds, £1.2.9 and (in another instance) £1.14.11.

A horse at grass for three nights, with a peck of oats, 1/8.

30 bottles of claret, £3.5.; 28 bottles of white wine, £3.0.82.

Thomas Parker's travelling expenses; Dingle to Ennis and return, $£2.8.4\frac{1}{2}$.

1922.

1768 to 1770.

Orders made by the Committee for Navigation and by the Committee for making the Shannon navigable. (Sir Lucius O'Brien was Chairman of the latter).

¹ Geron's account is certified by Will. Henn.

² If the ratio of 6: 1 is applied to these prices, the cost of a bottle of claret would work out at about 12/-, and of a bottle of white wine at about 13/- in modern money. Dublin prices in 1951 of claret ranged from 6/6 to 33/- a bottle, and of white wine from 7/- to 30/-.

[c. 1775].

Heads of a bill to provide for support of foundling children.

Reference is made to the absence of provision for their support in Ireland, except in the city and suburbs of Dublin. Such support should be carried out by way of parochial applotment.

3pp.

1924.

[c. 1775].

Proposals (made by "a friend to the linnen trade and a servant untill death to Sir Lucius") for the regulation, standardisation, and inspection of wheels with a view to aiding the linen industry.

2рр.

1925.

1779-80.

Bill of costs of the Lady Dowager Inchiquin to James Bradish, attorney; total, £18.2.2½.

2рр.

1926.

1782.

"Beating orders for the Munster Union regt." of which the Earl of Inchiquin was Lieut.-Col. Commandant and James O'Brien Lieut.-Col.

This regiment was to be organised in eight companies of foot, making up one battalion; with a paper strength of 27 officers, 48 N.C.Os., 16 drummers, and 488 privates. It was to be recruited from ablebodied Protestants.

2pp.; certified copy.

1927.

1782.

"Recruiting instructions" for the above regiment.

Men were to be recruited from the ages of 16 to 40 (up to 45 if they had previous Army service); minimum height, 5'4".

 $I_{2}^{1}pp.$

1851.

Statement about the lands of Cahirfadda.

" John O Brien

tennt to back land

- I Terence eldest son died without sons
- 2 Morrough second son ,,
- 3 John O Brien claimant

no son

living at Ballyvaughan

4 William in America

has one son in Ireland lives with Burke Browne

Murty (?) O Bryen says John O Briens ancestors were formerly tenants to Cahirfadda

Pat Kenny an old man at Corofin called Murrough the second son Morgan when speaking of him

31 March 1851 Robert O' Brien ''

14.

1929.

[n.d.]

"The Rossgrea nursery-mans list of ever greens and flowering shrubs . . ."

Includes 10 evergreen oak, 6 arbutus, 2 "libernums," and roses (two of every kind, "the pruince (?) and moss, York and Lancaster, double yelow, monthly, and double sweet briar.")

1p.

1930.

[n.d.]

Case of "A.", who has an estate of £3,800 a year, of which £2,000 is settled on his eldest son without a power of charging it with portions for his younger children; and owes about £36,000, for most of which he pays 7% interest.

3pp.

1931.

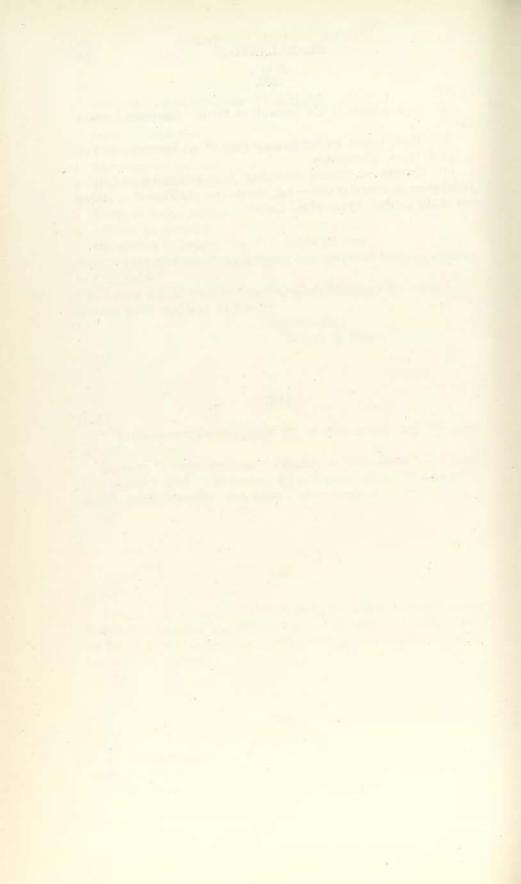
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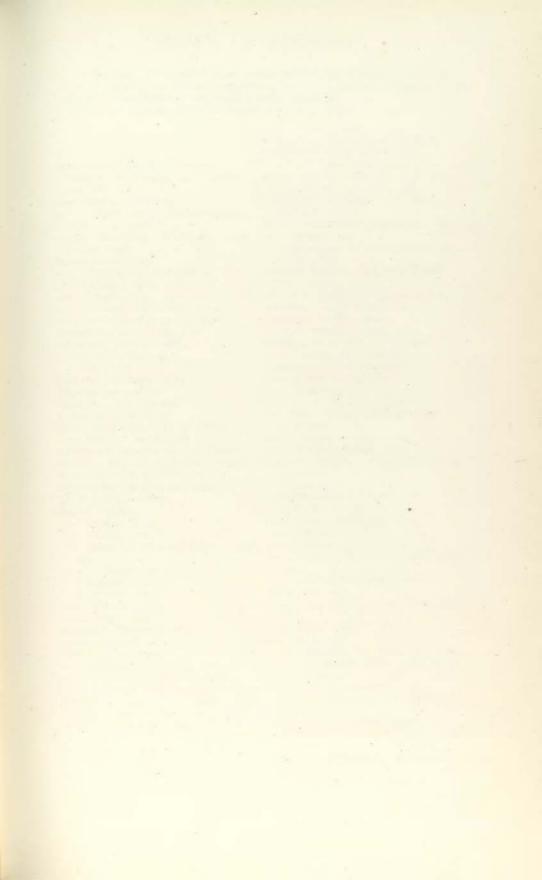
Advertisement for a house steward, who would be capable also of acting as land bailiff.

Draft, 1p.

[n.d.]

- MS. book relating to the borough of Ennis. The main contents are:
- (1) letters patent for the incorporation of the borough. 26 Feb. 9 Jas. I. [1612] Translation.
- (2) Opinions of counsel (including John Fitzgibbon and Peter Daly) given on several points e.g., the election of a Provost arising out of the charter, 1740—1829. Copies.







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