

William Ryan and Margaret Kane

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Introduction

Many years ago I accidentally discovered the existence of Clifton Springs in Ontario Co., NY. I had posted some information on the Internet concerning Upperchurch, Co. Tipperary, Ireland and connected it to Clifton Springs when I had meant Clifton Park (near Albany, NY). At that time I didn't even know where Clifton Springs was located. A Tom Ryan saw my post and contacted me because he had Ryan ancestors who had settled near Clifton Springs and he was searching for their point of origin in Ireland. I had to apologize to Tom since I wasn't aware of any Upperchurch folks who might have settled in Clifton Springs.

A few years later I wrote to Tom and told him that I had discovered that Lanty McGraw, my gg-grandfather's brother, had settled in Clifton Springs on West Hill Road. Then, after a few more years I discovered that Tom Ryan's ancestor, Patrick Ryan, had moved into Lanty's old house in 1895.

In December 2017 I was searching for something else when I came across a post that Tom had made on the "Hidden Tipperary" web site back in April 2015. Since the parish registers were then available on line I thought I would take another crack at his Ryans and I was able to find the marriage record of William Ryan and Margaret Cain and the baptism records for all of their children. His Ryans and Lanty McGraw were both living in the townland of Foilduff, Abington civil parish Co. Tipperary. In the townland of Foilduff there is a small region in the northern part of the townland called Prisoan (a sub-townland). According to the baptism records Lanty was living in Prisoan in October 1840 and Tom's ancestor William Ryan was living there in January 1841. That sure sounds like neighbors to me.

Lanty started in Truxton, Cortland Co. in 1850. He went to Fabius, Onondaga Co., NY by 1855 and went to the town of Hopewell, Ontario Co. by 1860. The McGraw family wound up in the town of Manchester (Clifton Springs) in Ontario Co. by 1865. The William Ryan family didn't appear in the 1865 census although they had arrived in 1862 according to Patrick Ryan's entry in the 1900 census. Patrick Ryan married Bridget Hayes in 1868 in Clifton Springs. I still don't know why Lanty went to Clifton Springs but it appears that Tom Ryan's ancestors went there following neighbor(s) from back in Ireland. As Tom Ryan wrote "Many came from Upperchurch and landed in *Clifton Springs, New York*."

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Hidden Tipperary

<http://www.hiddentipperary.com/villages-of-tipperary/upperchurch-village/>

Thomas F.Ryan says:

April 25, 2015 at 10:48 pm

I believe my G.G.G. Grandparents came from Tipperary. Many came from Upperchurch and landed in *Clifton Springs, New York*.

There names are William Ryan, wife Margaret Kane (b. est. 1810). Left Ireland (est.1860-1865). Had a son named Patrick, born 1840. Williams father could be a Patrick! Siblings of Patrick – Anna born 1847, Kathy born 1850, Mary born 1854. All left with the family. Any help would be appreciated please.

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New Freedom, Pa.

William Ryan and Margaret Kane - Starting Point

Revised: December 27, 2017

(s/o Patrick(?) Ryan and Mother)

(d/o Father and Mother)

William Ryan

b. 1810, Ireland
To US
1860-1865

One of the remaining sister
married Robert Bruce, and
was in Detroit, MI in 1916

= **Margaret Kane**
b. abt 1819, Ireland

— **Patrick Ryan**
b. 1840

— **Anna Ryan**
b. 1847
d. Jan 31, 1927, Canandaigua

— **Kathy Ryan**
b. 1850

— **Mary Ryan**
b. 1854

= **FNU McGory**
No children

Marriage Records - Kilcommon RC parish

July 8, 1838, William Ryan and Margaret Cain,
No residence, Witnesses: William Raleigh and James Readfran?,
Marriage Place: Kilcommon, Co. Tipperary

Baptism Records - All in Kilcommon RC parish

March 17, 1839 - **Patt Ryan**, Parents: Matt Ryan and Margaret Cain
No residence, Sponsors: James Ryan and Margaret Comford.

NOTE: The name of the father was given as "Matt" and this is thought to be a mistake and it should have been William. The combination of Matt Ryan and Margaret Cain doesn't show up again in the Kilcommon RC parish registers.

January 13, 1841 - **Catherine Ryan**, Parents: William Ryan and Margaret Cain,
Preeson, [Foilduff, Abington civil parish], Sponsors: Pat Cain and Margaret Cary.

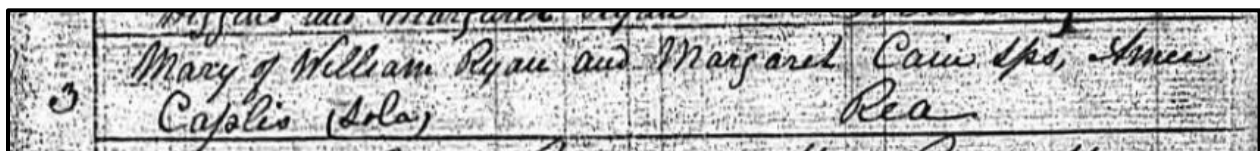
NOTE: This Catherine must have died young because the family used the same name again in 1846.

May 7, 1844 - **Onny Ryan**, Parents: William Ryan and Peggy Cain
Foilduff, [Foilduff, Abington civil parish], Sponsors: Judy Cain

NOTE: This girl should be named Ann rather than "Onny" to fit into the family names found in the US census records. Comparing the equivalent names for Ann and Onny shows them to be two distinct names. The other possibility is the Onny's middle name is Ann.

February 1, 1846 - **Catherine Ryan**, Parents: William Ryan and Margaret Cain
Foilduff, [Foilduff, Abington civil parish], Sponsors: Matthew Ryan and Mary Cain.

July 3, 1854 - **Mary Ryan**, Parents: William Ryan and Margaret Cain
Rea (Reafadda?), Sponsors: Anne Caplis (Sola)



[Co. Tipperary](#) → [Kilnamanagh Upper](#) → [Toem Civil Parish](#) → [Curraheen Electoral Division](#) → [Reafadda](#)

Summary

The baptism dates found in the Church records vary from the birth years estimated from the ages appearing in the census records. However the number of children in the family is consistent with then number appearing in the 1870 US Federal census. The baptism and census names are the same, with the possible exception of "Onny" as discussed above. The birth order is correct. Therefore these appear to be the children of William and Margaret Cain Ryan who are found in the 1870 census for Clifton Springs, Ontario Co., NY.

William Ryan and Margaret Kane

(s/o Patrick(?) Ryan and Mother)
(d/o Father and Mother)

William Ryan

b. 1810, Ireland
To US 1862
(Based on Patrick Ryan's
1900 census info and family
was living together in 1870.)

= Margaret Kane

b. abt 1819, Ireland
mar. Jul 8, 1838

Patrick Ryan

bap. Mar 17, 1839
Sps. James Ryan and
Margaret Comford
To US 1862 (1900 census)
d. Oct 30, 1916
bur St Agnes Cem, Clifton Springs

= Bridget Hayes

b. May 1846, Ireland
To US 1862 (1900 census)
mar. 1868, Clifton Springs
d. 1904

Catherine Ryan

bap. Jan 13, 1841, Preesoon,
Abington par, Co. Tipperary
Sps. Pat Cain and Margaret Cary

Died young

Anna?

Onny Ryan

bap. May 7, 1844, Foilduff, Abington
par, Co. Tipperary
Sps. Judy Cain

One of the remaining sisters
married Robert Bruce, and
was in Detroit, MI in 1916

Catherine Ryan

bap. Feb 1, 1846, Foilduff, Abington
par, Co. Tipperary
Sps. Matthew Ryan and Mary Cain

Mary Ryan

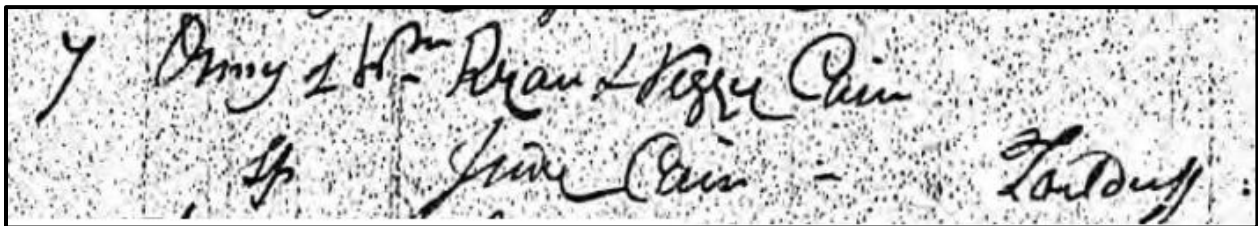
bap. Jul 3, 1854
Sps. Anne Caplis

None of the Ryan family appeared in the 1865 NY State census.

Are Onny and Anna the Same Person?

Honora = Honor, Honoria, Onny, Honorah, Hanara, Hanorah, Nora, Norah, Norrie, Norry,
Nonie, Hon

Anne = Ann, Anna, Ana, Nancy, Nance, Nanno, Nano, Nannie, Nan, Hannah, Hanna, Hana,
Hanah



Census Records

1870 NY Ontario Manchester

M593-1065-250B - Img 36/90

Res 290, Family 293

William Ryan, 60, Farm Laborer, Real Est \$600, Per Est \$300, Ireland (b. 1810)

Margaret Ryan, 51, Keeping house, Ireland (b. 1819)

Anna Ryan, 23, Domestic, Ireland (b. 1847)

Katy Ryan, 20, Domestic, Ireland (b. 1850)

Mary Ryan, 16, Domestic, Ireland (b. 1854)

Patrick Ryan, 28, Farm Laborer, Ireland (b. 1842)

Bridget Ryan, 30, Domestic, NY [wife of Patrick, formerly Bridget Hayes, born Ireland]

Maggie Ryan, 21, NY [this is the dau of Patrick and Bridget, born about 1868, approx 2]

Willie Ryan, 5/12 (Dec), NY [this is the son of Patrick and Bridget]

All Parents of foreign birth. Birth years were estimated from census ages.

1875 NY Ontario Manchester

Res 32, Frame \$1,000, Family 33

Patrick Ryan, 34, Ireland, M, Farm laborer, Naturalized, Owner of land

Bridget Ryan, 30, Wife, Ireland, M

William Ryan, 73, Father, Ireland, M, Farm Laborer, Naturalized

Margaret Ryan, 66, Mother, Ireland, M

Maggie Ryan, 7, dau, Ontario, S

Willie Ryan, 5, son, Ontario, S

Annie J. Ryan, 3-9/12, dau, Ontario, S

James F. Ryan, 2-8/12, son, Ontario, S

Henry Ryan, 8/12, son, Ontario, S

1880 NY Ontario Manchester

T9-909-321B

Res 224, Family 235

Patrick Ryan, 38, Farmer, M, IR, IR, IR

Bridget Ryan, 36, Wife, Keeping house, M, IR, IR, IR

Maggie Ryan, 12, dau, S, At home, At school, NY, IR, IR

William Ryan, 10, son, S, At school, NY, IR, IR

Annie Ryan, 8, dau, S, At school, NY, IR, IR

James Ryan, 7, son, S, At school, NY, IR, IR

Henry Ryan, 6, son, S, At school, NY, IR, IR

Thomas Ryan, 4, son, S, NY, IR, IR

Katie Ryan, 2, dau, S, NY, IR, IR

Martin Ryan, 9/12, son, S, NY, IR, IR

Margaret Ryan, 70, Mother, Widow, At home, IR, IR, IR

1892 NY Ontario Manchester Img (9/11)

Patrick Ryan, 50, Ireland, C, Farmer
Bridget Ryan, 48, Ireland, C
William Ryan, 22, US, C, Laborer
James Ryan, 18, US, C
Henry Ryan, 17, US, C
Thomas Ryan, 15, US, C
Katie Ryan, 14, US, C
Martin Ryan, 12, US, C
John Ryan, 9, US, C

1900 NY Ontario Manchester (Clifton Springs)

West Main Street, rents home

Patrick Ryan, Head, March 1845, 55, M, married 32 yrs, IR, IR, IR, **1862**, 38, Na, Day
Laborer, Garden, Can read and write

Bridget Ryan, wife, May 1846, 54, M, married 32 yrs, 4/4, IR, IR, IR, **1862**, 38, Can read and
write

William Ryan, son, Dec 1870, 29, S, NY, IR, IR, Day Laborer

Anna J. Ryan, dau, Mar 1874, 26, S, NY, IR, IR

Catherine O. Ryan, dau, Jun 1881, 18, S, NY, IR, IR

Martin J. Ryan, son, Mar 1880, 20, S, NY, IR, IR, Cook

Neither Patrick nor Bridget were found in the 1865 census. Patrick's parents, William and
Margaret Ryan, were also not found in the 1865 census.

1910 NY Ontario Canandaigua T624-1058-101A

46 Beeman Street, Res 285, Family 304, Rents home

John Coyne, Head, 34, M1, Married 2 yrs, NY, NY, NY, Conductor railroad

Anna Coyne, Wife, 38, M1, 2 yrs married, NY, IR, IR, None

John Coyne, son, 1, S, NY, NY, NY, None

Patrick Ryan, Father, 69, Wd, IR, IR, IR, **1865**, Na, None

Here Patrick was living with his daughter's family. His arrival year in the US has been modified
to 1865.

Patrick Ryan and Bridget Hayes

(s/o William Ryan and Margaret Kane)

(d/o Father and Mother)

Patrick Ryan

b. March 17, 1839, Foilduff
To US 1862 (1900 census)
d. Oct 30, 1916
bur St Agnes Cem, Clifton
Springs

1916 - Clifton Springs
1930 - Canandaigua
1933 - Canandaigua

1916 - Rochester
1930 - Rochester

1916 - Canandaigua
1930 - Canandaigua
1933 - Canandaigua

1916 - Clifton Springs

1916 - Buffalo
1930 - Canandaigua
1933 - Canandaigua

1916 - Muskegon, MI
1930 - Coalinga, CA
1933 - Los Angeles, CA

1916 - Memphis, NY
1930 - Liverpool, NY
1933 - Syracuse, NY

1916 - Canandaigua

1916 - Bethlehem, PA
1930 - Utica, NY
1933 - Utica, NY

= Bridget Hayes

b. May 1846, Ireland
To US 1862 (1900 census)
mar. 1868, Clifton Springs
d. 1904

Margaret M. Ryan

b. 1868, NY

Never married

William Ryan

b. Dec 1870, NY
d. Jul 2, 1933, Rochester, NY
bur St Agnes' Cem, Clifton Springs

= Unknown

Anne J. Ryan

b. Mar 1874, NY
mar. 1908

= John Coyne

James Ryan

b. 1873

Henry Ryan

b. 1874, NY

Thomas P. Ryan

b. 1876, NY

Catherine O. Ryan

b. 1878, NY

= George Baggett

Martin J. Ryan

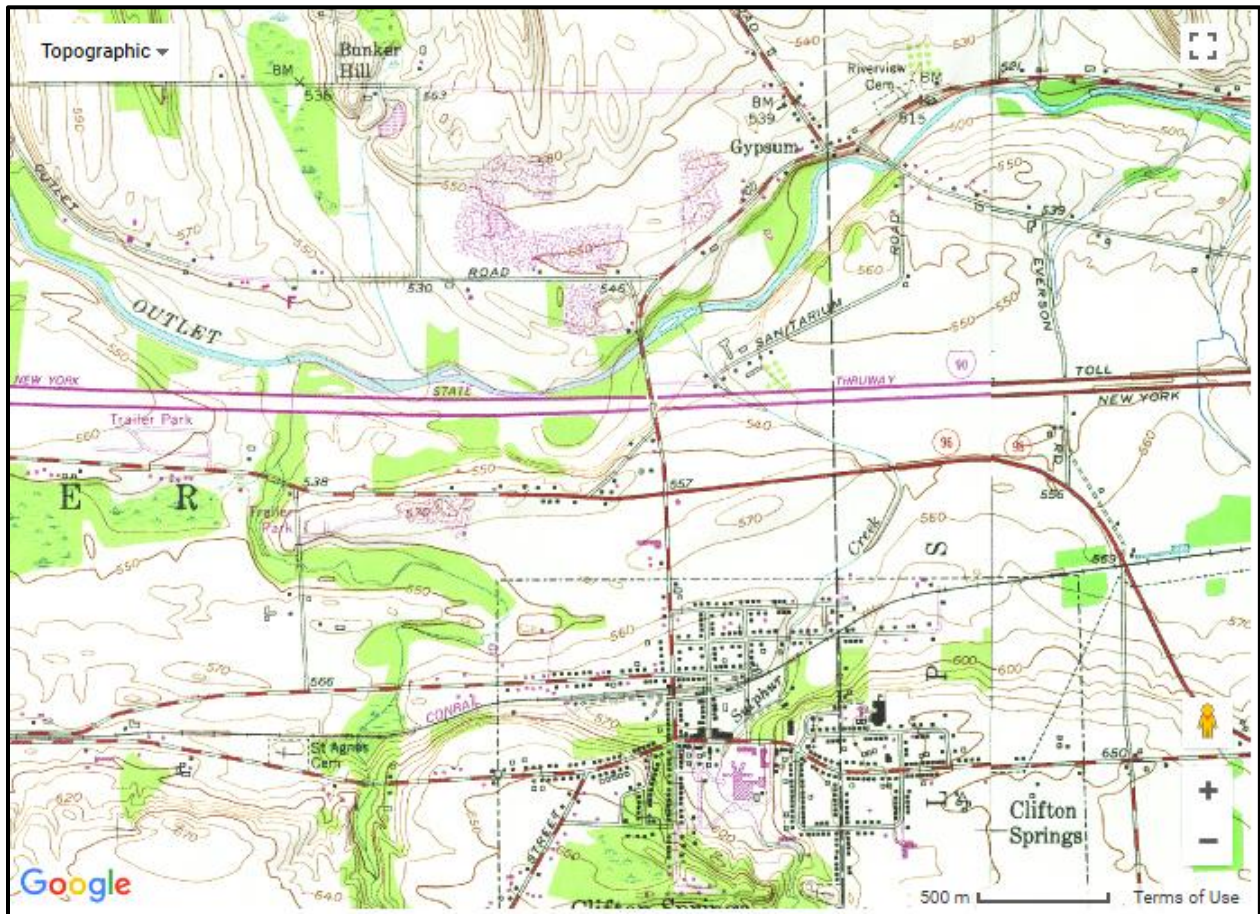
b. Mar 1880, NY
d. Feb 7, 1930, Canandaigua, NY
bur. Calvary Cem

= Genevieve Prendergast

John B. Ryan

b. 1881, NY

Bunker Hill Relative to the Village of Clifton Springs



The hamlet of Bunker Hill is shown at the top of the above map. It is less than three-quarters of a mile from the center of the village of Clifton Springs. This was the location of the I. J. Lawrence farm that was being worked by Patrick Ryan in the early 1890s. St. Agnes' Cemetery can be seen in the lower left hand corner of the map, on West Hill Road.

The Ryan Family in Ireland

PARISH OF ABINGTON.

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No. on Map.	Letter or No. in Field Book.	Names of Townlands and Occupiers.	Content of Land.	Primary Valuation of Tenements.		Valuation as Altered by Sub-Commissioners.		Observations.	
				Land.	Buildings.	Land.	Buildings.		
-	b	John Moyers.	0 0 21	0 1 0	0 7 0	—	—	sors should be Denis and Daniel Kennedy. Refused to alter valuation.	
-	c	Bryan Kane.	0 0 37	0 2 0	0 8 0	—	—		
-	d	Thomas Prendergast.	—	—	0 6 0	—	—		
FOILDUFF.									
1		Patrick Keane.	72 0 3	1 17 0	0 8 0	1 11 0	0 8 0	Land value divided equally between Patrick Hayes and John Hayes.	
2		James Harrington.	81 2 36	2 18 0	—	2 9 0	—		
3		P. Hayes and partner.	49 0 32	2 6 0	—	2 0 0	—		
4		Thos. Kennedy & part.	60 3 21	3 18 0	0 9 0	3 7 0	0 9 0		
5		Thomas Kennedy.	120 2 36	1 10 0	—	1 5 0	—		
6		James Ryan.	200 2 25	1 16 0	1 1 0	1 2 0	1 1 0		
7		William Connors.	39 3 3	2 10 0	0 11 0	2 2 0	0 11 0	Occupier should be Thomas Shindy. Occupier should be Denis Ryan. House now vacant.	
8		Thomas Ryan (Denis).	03 2 21	2 11 0	—	2 6 0	—		
9		John Ryan (Rock).	—	—	0 13 0	—	0 13 0		
9		Wm. Ryan & partner.	108 3 15	2 3 0	—	2 8 0	—	Land altered to 112a. 3a. 34p., by the addition of No. 10; occupiers should be James Ryan and Thomas Kennedy, each one-half.	
10		John Ryan.	1 0 19	0 13 0	0 8 0	—	—	Content and value of this tenement added to foregoing tenement. House down—valuation struck out.	
11	a	Jeremiah Dwyer.	230 0 36	19 6 0	0 12 0	13 15 0	0 12 0		
-	b	Daniel Leary.	2 1 39	0 17 0	0 7 0	0 14 0	0 7 0		
12		Thomas Ryan (Denis).	70 3 2	0 17 0	—	0 14 0	—		
13		Martin M'Loughney.	95 2 31	0 18 0	—	0 15 0	—		
14		Thomas Kennedy.	108 2 23	6 5 0	0 12 0	5 7 0	0 12 0		
15		Thomas Kennedy.	214 1 12	17 7 0	2 3 0	14 17 0	1 15 0		
16		Daniel Kennedy.	243 0 30	30 1 0	2 3 0	25 17 0	1 15 0		
17	a	Denis Kennedy.	107 0 35	40 19 0	2 0 0	35 0 0	2 0 0		
18	a	Honoria Kennedy.	152 3 5	25 2 0	3 5 0	21 0 0	2 12 0		
19	a	James Kennedy.	131 3 8	26 15 0	2 11 0	22 17 0	2 1 0		
-	b	Charles Kennedy.	—	—	0 8 0	—	—		House down—valuation struck out.
20		John Hourigan.	3 1 6	1 0 0	0 7 0	0 17 0	0 7 0		

The William Ryan found on Lot #9 of this page of Griffith's Valuation for Abington parish is believed to be the same person who is the subject of this paper. Three of his children were baptized in the Kilcommon RC parish while the family's residence was in the townland of Foilduff, Abington civil parish, Co. Tipperary.

The important names in Foilduff are Lot #1, Patrick Keane (Cain); Lot #3, P. Hayes and partner; Lot #9 Wm. Ryan and partner. Lot #1-3 are also known by the sub-townland name Prisoan. On Lot #9 is William Ryan who was married to Margaret Cain (Kane) in 1838. Patrick Keane (Lot #1) might possibly be related to Margaret Cain. There was a note in the right column that Lots #9 and #10 were merged and the occupiers should be "James Ryan and Thomas Kennedy." These valuations were printed in the late 1840s and early 1850s so this was too early for William to have left Ireland (1862) so he might have moved to someplace nearby.

In 1868 William and Margaret Ryan's oldest son, Patrick married Bridget Hayes in Clifton Springs. In Patrick's obituary, later in this paper, was found "In 1868 he (Patrick) was united in marriage to Miss Bridget Hayes, whom he had known in his native land, and who came to this country to join him." Bridget might be related to P. Hayes (Lot #3).

On January 13, 1841 William and Margaret's daughter, Catherine, was baptized. Their residence was Prisoan, Foilduff and one of the sponsors was Pat Cain.

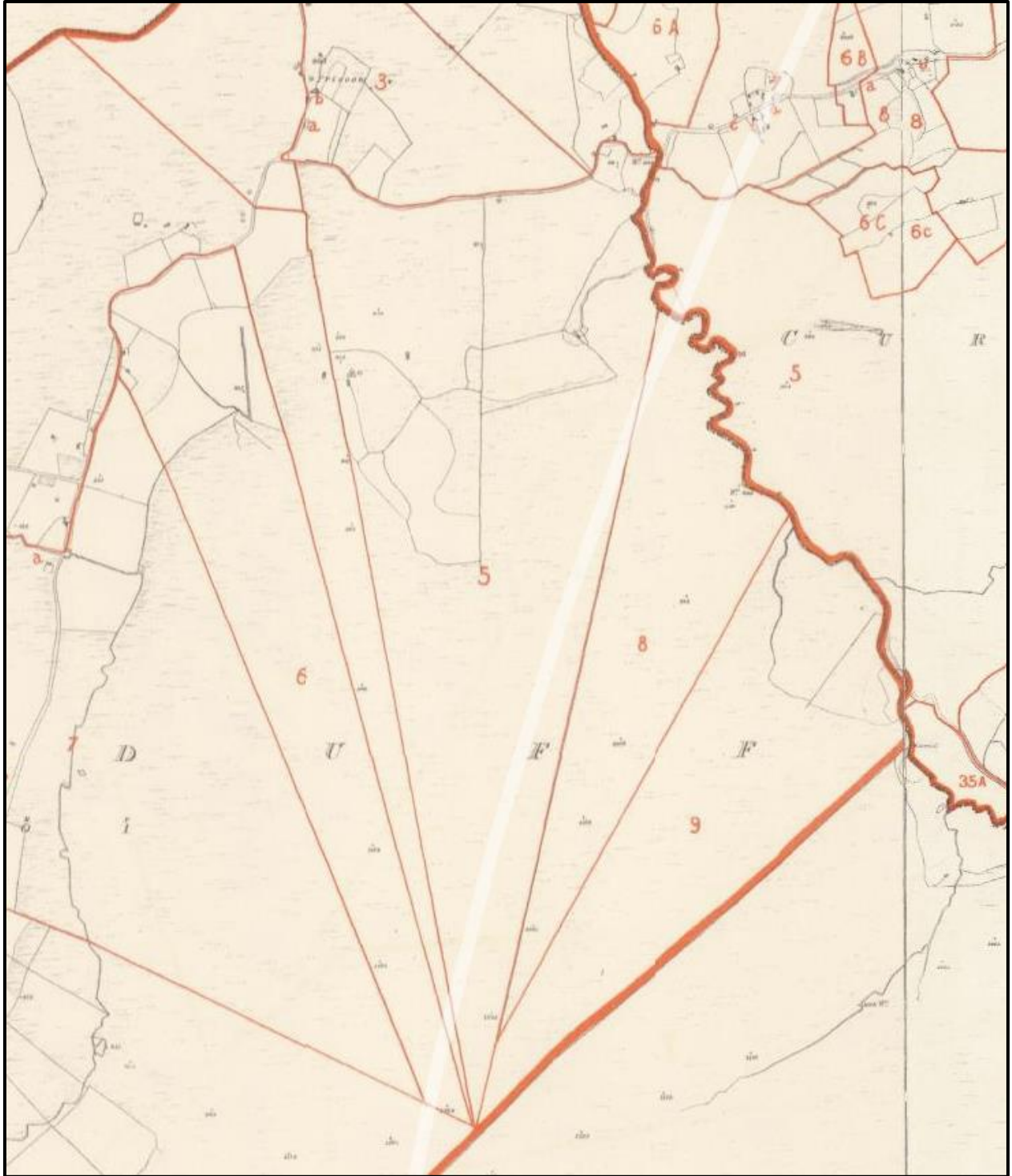
Lanty and Catherine McGrath (see companion paper: Lanty McGraw and Catherine Wade) were living in Prisoon on Oct 21, 1840 when their son Michael was baptized. At the time of the baptism of their second son, Patrick, their residence was Foilduff and one of the sponsors was Denis Cain. The Ryan and McGraw families were living in the same townland at the same time and undoubtedly knew each other. The Ryan family might have followed the McGraw family to Clifton Springs.

Lanty immigrated to Truxton, Cortland Co., NY a couple years prior to 1850. Margaret and the rest of the family joined Lanty in Fabius, Onondaga Co., NY in late 1850. By 1860 the McGraw family, minus son Timothy, who went to Michigan, were living in the town of Hopewell in Ontario Co., NY. In 1865 the family was living in Clifton Springs in the town of Manchester, Ontario Co., NY.

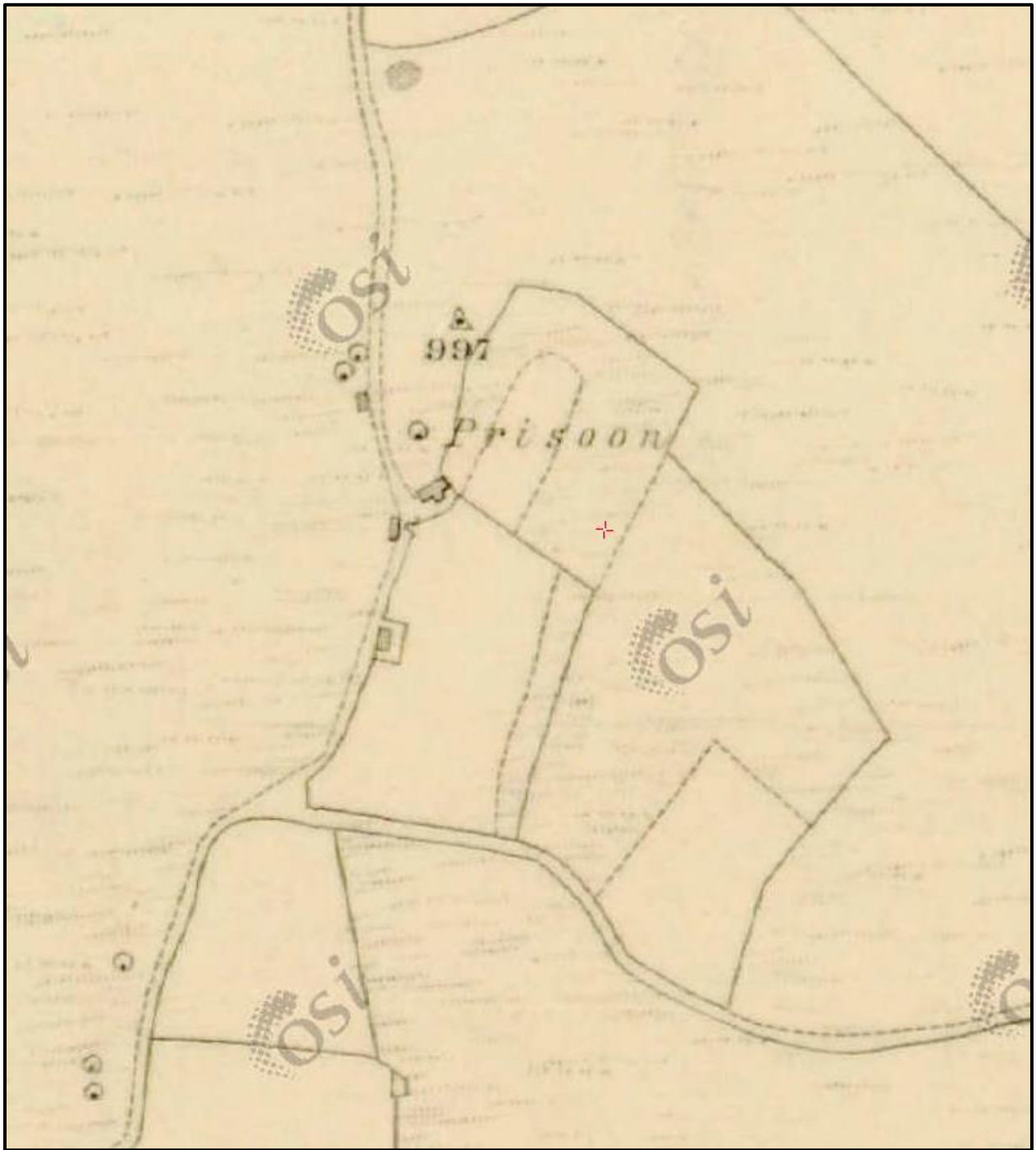
William and Margaret Ryan also arrived in Clifton Springs around 1865. Lanty settled on the west road just outside the village limits of Clifton Springs. William Ryan was living a little further north of the hamlet in Bunker Hill. On a deed dated September 11, 1889, Catherine McGraw sold the family farm to her children Patrick and Bridget Agnes.

In June 1892 a fire broke out in the house and barn of Patrick Ryan on Bunker Hill. It was thought that someone had set the fire. In 1894 lightning struck a barn on the I. J. Lawrence farm and it burned to the ground. Patrick Ryan was working the farm and lost all of his share of the crops and had no insurance. On March 25, 1895 Patrick Ryan sold off his farming equipment and animals. He then moved from the I. J. Lawrence farm to the Lanty McGraw house on West Hill.

The table above is from the portion of Griffith's Valuation for the parish of Abington, part of the Nenagh Poor Law Union (PLU) that was published between November 1848 and May 1850. The map showing the division into lots by the valuation officers commonly referred to as the GV map does not represent the same time period as the published data. Most of the GV maps currently available and associated with the published GV pages reflect the land situation after the First Cancelled Book, about the late 1860s or early 1870s. The published GV shows lot numbers for the townland of Foilduff running up to 20. The associated GV map only shows lot numbers going up to 13 for the townland of Foilduff. The numbering of the lots is not permanent; they change as the lot ownership changes. The higher the lot number, the greater the probability that it changed over time.



This is the GV map of the townland of Foilduff with lot boundaries marked on the original circa 1841 Ordnance Survey maps by the valuation officials. The sub-townland Prisoan is shown at the top and Lot #9 associated with William Ryan is shown at the bottom.



The sub-townland of Prison in the townland of Foilduff, Abington civil parish, Co. Tipperary. This is the original circa 1841 Ordnance survey map without the lot boundaries that are added by the valuation assessors.

Patrick Ryan Obituary

Clifton Springs Press,
Clifton Springs, NY,
Thursday, November 2, 1916

Death of Patrick Ryan.

The death of Patrick Ryan occurred at the Annex on Monday, October 30th, following an illness of about three months, the last three weeks of which he had been at the Annex.

Mr. Ryan was born in County Tipperary, Ireland, on March 17, 1840, and came to this country in 1865. He soon located on a farm north of Olifton Springs, where he lived until about fifteen years ago, when he moved into this village. In 1868 he was united in marriage to Miss Bridget Hayes, whom he had known in his native land, and who came to this country to join him. The ceremony was performed in St. Agnes Catholic Church, on Church street, in this village. Mrs. Ryan died about twelve years ago.

Mr. Ryan is survived by three daughters, Mrs. John Coyne, of Canandaigua; Mrs. George S. Baggett, of Memphis; and Miss Margaret M. Ryan, of Olifton Springs; and six sons, William Ryan, of Rochester; Harry F. Ryan, of Buffalo; Thomas Ryan, of Muskegon, Mich.; Martin Ryan, of Canandaigua; John Ryan, of Bethlehem, Pa.; and James Ryan, of Olifton Springs; also by two sisters, Mrs. Robert Bruce, of Detroit, Mich.; and Mrs. Annie McGory, of Olifton Springs.

The funeral service will be held at St. Felix Church on Friday morning, at nine o'clock, and will be conducted by Rev. F. J. O'Hanlon. The burial will be made in St. Agnes cemetery.

The Kilcommon RC parish registers gave Patrick's baptism year as 1839.

The 1900 census gave Patrick and Bridget's immigration year as 1862.

Patrick and Bridget knew each other from back in Ireland.

Update on William Ryan of Clifton Springs

From Ellen O'Dwyer email, dated June 4, 2021

“William Ryan age 62, his wife Margaret age 58, along with their youngest daughter Mary age 9, actually do appear in the 1865 census. They are living in Palmyra, Wayne County, New York, close to Clifton Springs, in the home of Sarah Ryan, the daughter of Cornelius Ryan, and her husband William Slattery. The 1865 census of Wayne County is not online, but is available at the Wayne County historian's office where I viewed it.

“That is why I think there must be a relationship between William and Cornelius, who was born about 1800. I believe I also found the record of their immigration in 1864. If you want to take a peek, I wrote a blog detailing the information I've found about William so far. “

In her blog entry below Ellen cites her possible connection to William Ryan who was the subject of this paper. She also found from the immigration records that William and his family arrived in New York City on July 19, 1865 on board the ship Wisconsin from Liverpool. The family had given different immigration years in other records but this is the definitive record.

Ellie's Ancestors

<https://elliesancestors.blogspot.com/>

May 28, 2021

“Of William Ryan, Icebergs in July, And How I Found Them”

“The newest find here at Ellie's Ancestors is William Ryan, a likely candidate for brother of my third-great-grandfather Cornelius Ryan, or Connor as he was known around South Tipperary. I've written extensively about Connor and his family so if any of the following rings a bell, please use the search feature on this blog to find more about him.

“ I first encountered William Ryan years ago in the 1865 New York State Census of Palmyra, New York and I've been wondering who he was ever since. That year he, his wife Margaret, and their youngest child Mary were all living with Sarah Ryan and her husband William Slattery in Palmyra. Sarah was the daughter of Connor Ryan who was himself living in Palmyra by that time. William was the right age to have been Connor's brother, but having no other clues, I set him aside for further research. Now that research has begun.

“Taking a look at immigration records, I found William and Margaret along with their children Patrick, Catherine, and Mary arriving in New York on 19 July 1864 aboard the ship Wisconsin from Liverpool. ...the Ryan's ship experienced strong westerly winds during it's voyage which must have slowed their crossing, and was forced to contend with icebergs, one of which came within 50 yards of the vessel. Between the storms of winter and iceberg season stretching from April to August, the north Atlantic could be a dangerous place.”