

# **The McGrath Families of Pallashill, Inch Parish**

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## **Introduction**

About a year ago an extensive search for birth records was conducted in the civil records for McGrath and Long families in the Thurles and Cashel Registration Districts. This effort covered the period of 1864 to 1920, which is the extent of the online record availability on the [irishgenealogy.ie](http://irishgenealogy.ie) site. The individual birth records were combined with others from the same family. The various families were organized by surname (McGrath and Long) and by registration district and uploaded to the web site [mcgrathsearch.com](http://mcgrathsearch.com). These family records were then used to build larger connected family groups and these were also published on the same web site as *Reconstructing Families From the Records*.

Where large numbers of the same surnamed families were found in the same geographical locations the records were extracted and, when available, these were combined with additional records. This paper is the result of such a process and it describes the McGrath families with connections to the Pallashill area of Inch parish in Co. Tipperary.

The paper is structured around three pedigrees. The first is Michael McGrath and Bridget Ryan. While Michael had a Pallashill connection, Bridget came from Glenreagh, Holycross parish. The second and third pedigrees have a connection through a pair of McGrath siblings from Pallashill who married individuals from Moyliff parish. Thomas Ryan, of the second pedigree, is descended from John Long and Mary Magrath of Lisnagrough, Holycross parish. Thomas Ryan and Ellen McGrath remained in Coolbawn while Ellen was from Pallashill.

The third pedigree (Matthew McGrath and Johanna McGrath) contains Ellen's brother Matthew who married Johanna McGrath from Drombane, Moyliff parish. Matthew's family traces back to Pallashill while Johanna traces her family back to Philip Magrath and Winifred Ryan of Coolkill, Moyliff.

The Magrath families of Moyliff and Coolkill and the John Long family of Lisnagrough, Holycross are described in *Reaching Across the Penal Times*. They are also found in *Neighbors in Ireland* and *The Long and McGrath Families* on the [mcgrathsearch.com](http://mcgrathsearch.com) web site.

An additional result of the research done for this paper was the discovery of the connections among the individuals described in the inscriptions on a double gravestone found in 2006, in St. Michael's Cemetery in Rosmult in Templebeg parish. They were Thomas Ryan (from the second pedigree) and his siblings James and Thady plus wives and children.

There were two Magraths in Pallashill during the early 19<sup>th</sup> century: Michael and Matthew Magrath. A good deal of information concerning these individuals can be discovered from the land holding patterns found in the tithe Applotment and Griffith's Valuation. These patterns and later church records indicate that Michael and Matthew are probably brothers.

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## Matthew and Michael Magrath

### The Tithe Applotment

The earliest records of McGraths in Pallashill were found in the Tithe Applotment Books. These were lists of landholders in the various townlands and were meant to determine the size of the Tithe they were expected to give to the Church of Ireland (Protestant). Not all of these records, which were compiled between 1823 and 1837, have survived and some were much more detailed than others and broke out the individuals' land holdings into various groupings based on the quality of the land. All that is of interest here is the total number of acres. Pallashill is a fairly small townland consisting of a little over 400 acres

Tithe Applotment		
Number	Name of Land Holder In Pallashill, Inch par.	Gross Area exclusive of roads and etc. (a-r-p)
1.	Philip Cahill	85-0-00
2.	Thomas Connell	20-2-27
3.	Widow Burke	20-2-27
4.	<b>Mathew Magrath</b>	10-1-13
5.	<b>Michael Magrath</b>	10-1-13
6.	<b>Mathew Magrath &amp; Widow Burke aforesaid</b>	21-0-00
7.	Rody Tierney	35-3-00
8.	Thomas Tierney & son	33-2-20
9.	Timothy O'Brien	16-0-27
10.	Patk. Brien	0-3-30
	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>254-1-37</b>

The area is given in units of acre - rood - perche. While these are area units and rood should be square roods and perche should be square perches, by convention the linear versions of rood and perche are used. In the Tithe Applotment the old Irish acre was used instead of the English or Standard acre which is used today. The number of Irish acres is multiplied by 1.6198 to get the number of Standard acres. There are 40 perches in a rood and 4 roods in an acre and this is true for Irish and Standard acres. The difference comes in at the perche level where there are 7 yards in an Irish perche and only 5.5 yards in a Standard perche. In decimal format the total number of Irish acres in Pallashill is 254.481 and this converts to 412.208 Standard acres. The total acres from the Griffith's Valuation (in Standard acres) are 412.281, which makes the TA size only 0.073 acres smaller or 0.029%.

The basic elements of any holder's property are fields, which are usually bordered by walls made of stacked stones which arise from the field in spring. The fields should be all different sizes and therefore when identically sized holdings appear that is usually because of human intervention. The case of Lots 4 and 5 above belonging to Mathew and Michael Magrath is just such an example. In addition, when Lots 4 and 5 are added together they give an area of

20-2-26 which is even more curious since that is within 1 perche of the size of Lots 2 and 3. When Lots 2 thru 5 are added together the total comes out at exactly 60-0-0. Individual Irish stone walled fields don't possess such capability; someone must have divided up the property; but who?

The clue might lie with "Widow Burke" and the fact that Michael Magrath was married to Nelly Bourke who is most likely the daughter of the widow. A possible scenario is that upon the death of her husband Widow Burke inherited 60 acres and she divided it into thirds and gave 20-2-27 to Thomas Connell and another 20-2-27 to Michael Magrath and kept the final 20-2-27 for herself. Then Michael divided his 20-2-27 in half and gave half to Mathew Magrath who is probably his brother, although that assumption has not been proven. It is possible that Thomas Connell was married to another of Widow Burke's daughters. Why Mathew Magrath was sharing the 21-0-00 acres of Lot 6 with the widow is still a mystery.

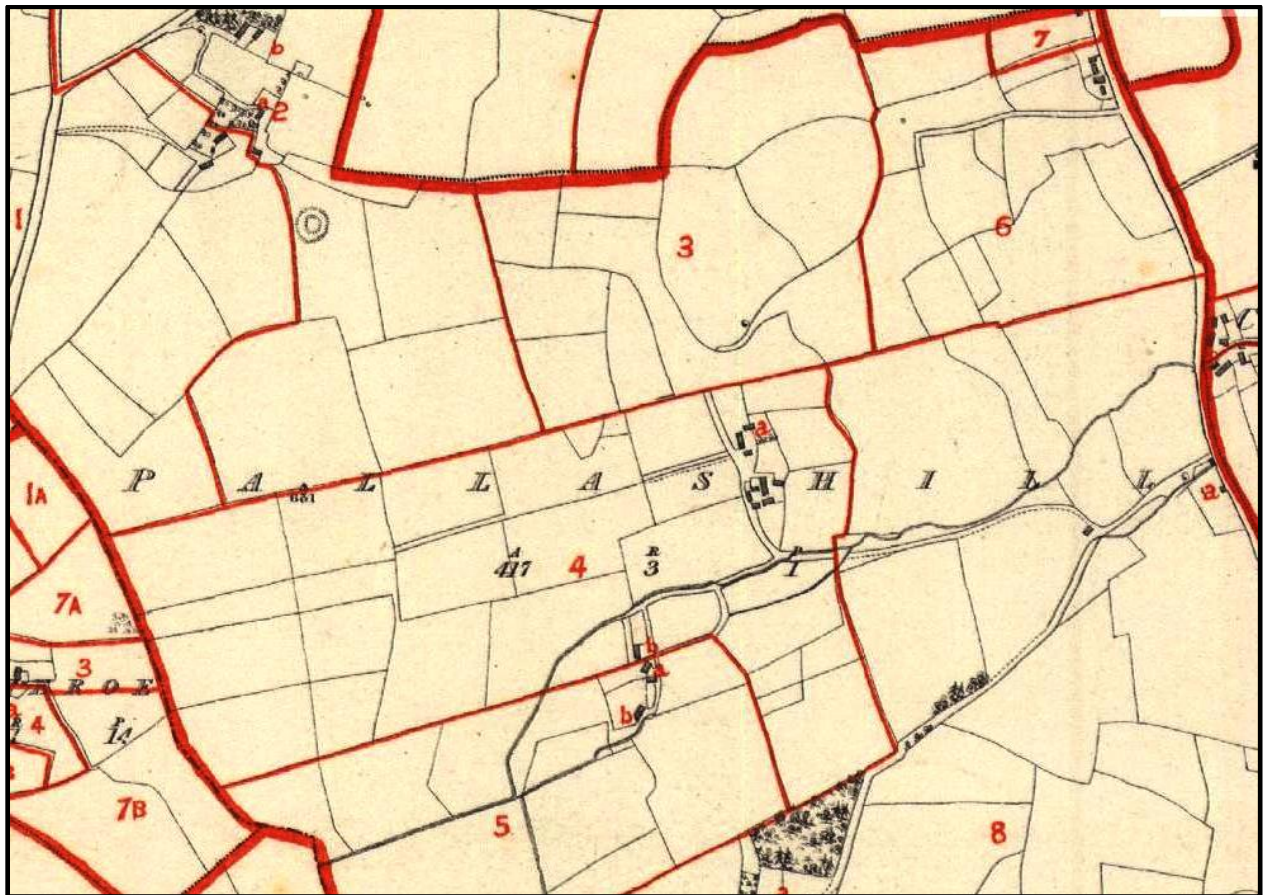
## The Griffith Valuation

About 25 years later Griffith's Valuation for Pallashill was published and the Widow Burke was gone but Michael and Thomas Burke show up and they were holding land in partnership with Michael and Matthew McGrath. The Burkes are probably the sons of widow Burke. Only the Magrath and Burke holdings are reproduced in the table below.

No.	Griffith's Valuation Pallashill Name	Immediate Lessor	Description of Tenement	Content of Land			Net Annual Value of Land			Net Annual Value of Buildings			Total Net Annual Value		
				A	r	p	£	s	d	£	S	d	£	s	d
3	Michael M'Grath Matthew M'Grath Michael Burke Thomas Burke	Major R. Lidwell	Land	34	3	8	3	3	0	0	0	0	3	3	0
							3	4	0	0	0	0	3	4	0
							3	4	0	0	0	0	3	4	0
							3	4	0	0	0	0	3	4	0
4a	Michael M'Grath	Francis O'Brien, Esq.	House, office, and land	64	1	7	5	19	0	2	1	0	8	0	0
4b	Matthew M'Grath						5	19	0	2	7	0	8	6	0
4c	Michael Burke						6	0	0	1	16	0	7	16	0
4d	Thomas Burke						6	0	0	1	14	0	7	14	0



The numbering of the lots in the GV will only accidentally coincide with those from the Tithe Applotment. However, there might be some information in the size of the lots. If the land of the Widow Burke and the Magraths is combined (Lots 3, 4, 5, and 6) it equals 62-1-13 Irish acres or 100.96 Standard acres. If the sizes of Lot 3 and 4 in the GV above are added together it is 99.156 Standard acres. So it is very probable that the lots numbered 3, 4, 5, and 6 in the Tithe Applotment have become Lots 3 and 4 in the GV. The Michael and Mathew Magrath found in the Tithe Applotment are the same persons as the Michael and Matthew McGrath found in the GV.

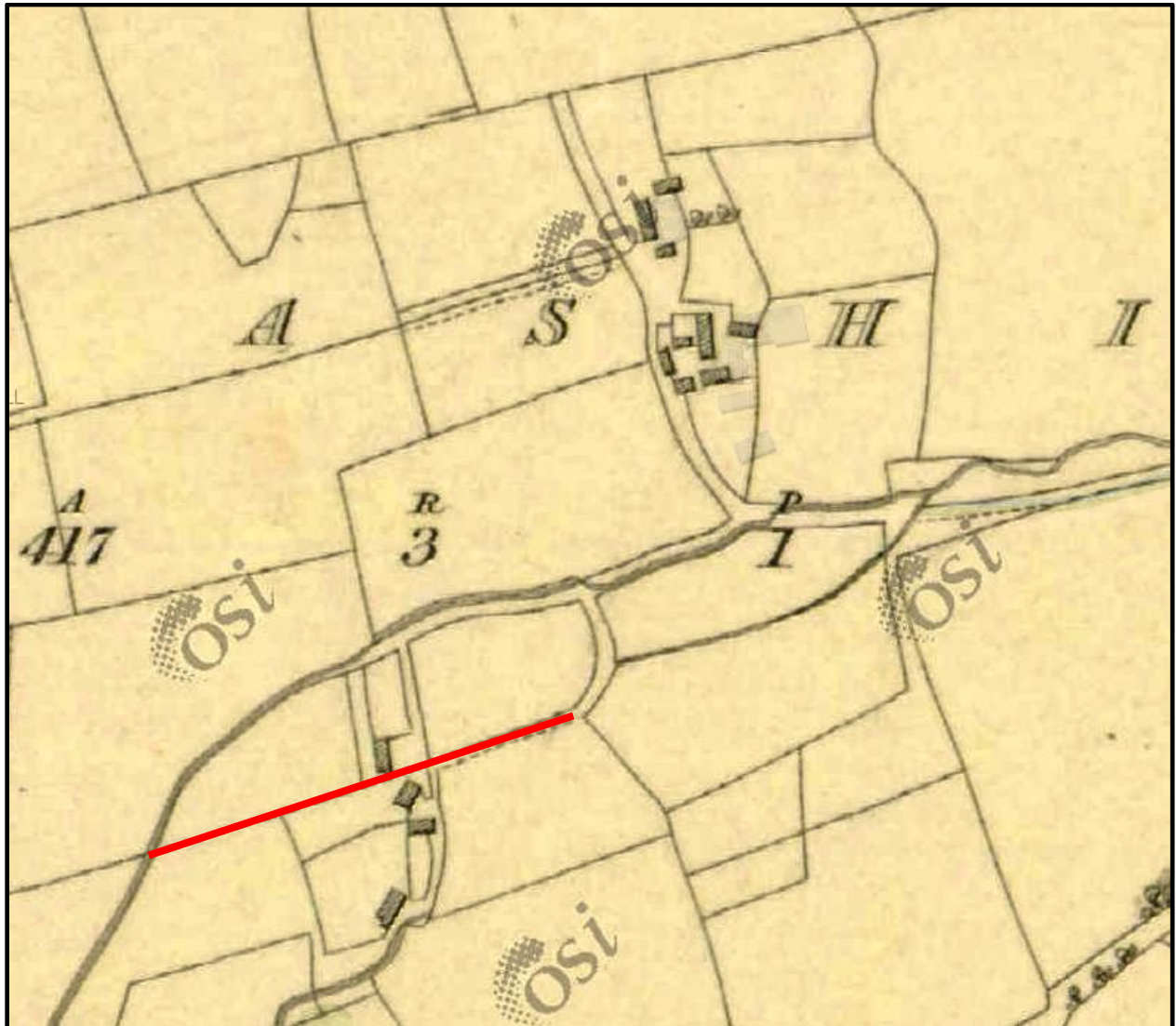


Usually the lot numbers and sizes found on these valuation maps (with marked red boundaries and numbered lots) don't agree with the numbers published in Griffith's Valuation. There are several reasons for this but it's not necessary to discuss them because this Pallashill valuation maps does agree with the numbers found in the published GV, at least for Lots 3 and 4.

Although it wasn't shown in the GV table above the Connell family was still in Pallashill. Thomas Connell had been replaced by his sons Michael and Francis who held 33.350 acres according to the GV. If Thomas Connell's 20-2-27 (a-r-p) holding from the Tithe Applotment is converted to Standard acres it is 33.479 acres. Therefore it is reasonably certain that Michael and Francis had inherited Thomas' farm and it is now Lot 5.

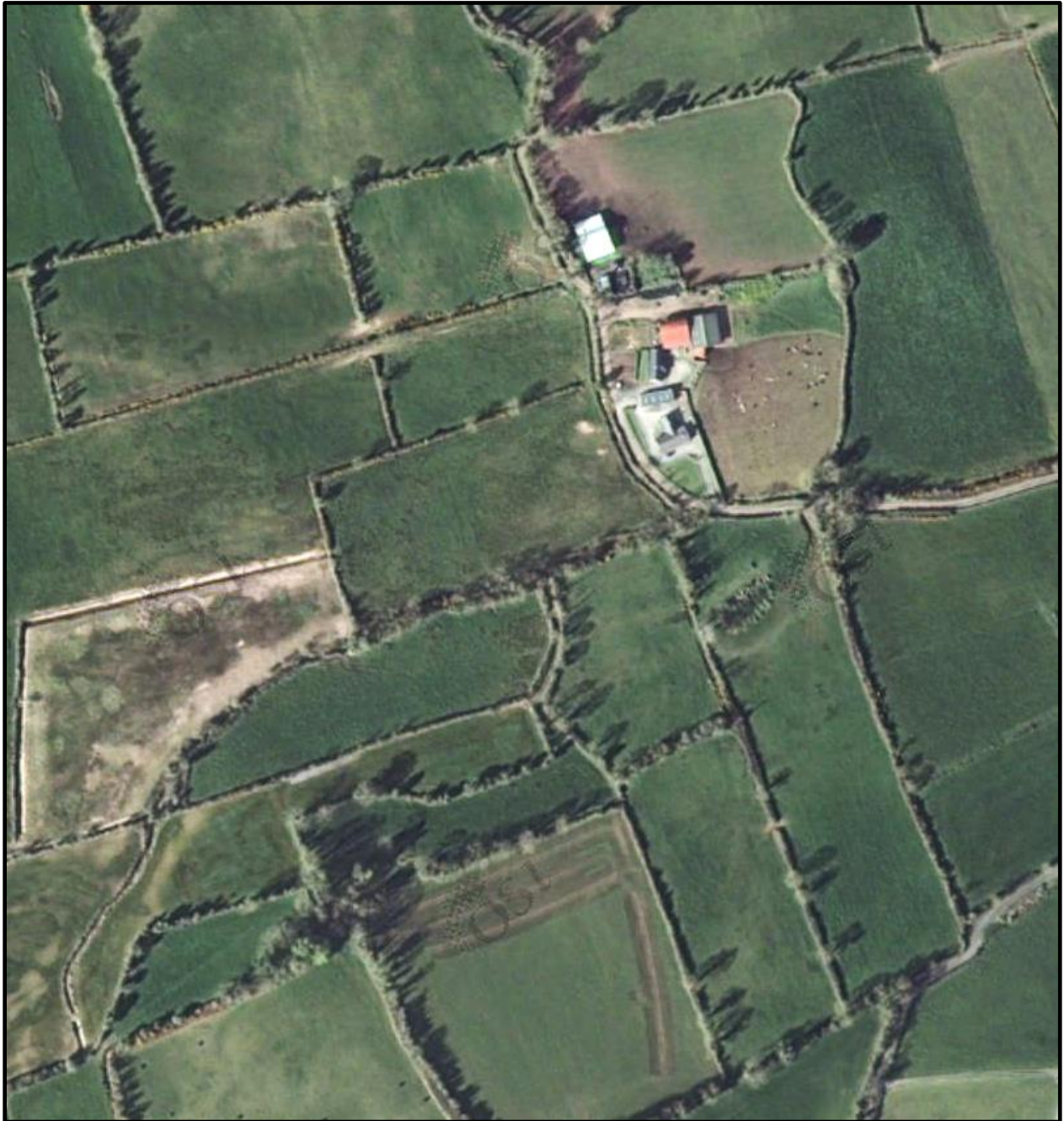
A curious puzzle will be described later when the family trees and records are discussed. There is a Matthew McGrath of Pallashill, born in the late 1830s or early 1840s, and it would be natural to assume that he was the son of the Matthew McGrath found in the above records.

However, this younger Matthew named his first son Francis which wasn't a name seen in the family and now here is a Francis Connell on the next farm.



This enlargement of the homes and farm buildings on Lot 4 is from the Historical 6 Inch Map (1837-1842). The valuation map on the previous page started with these same maps and added the lot boundaries and numbering. The short diagonal red line shows the boundary between Lot 4 (on top) and Lot 5 (on bottom).





This is a recent satellite image of the same area of Lot 4 as shown in the map on the previous page. It appears that most of the old structures from the 1840s have been replaced by modern structures.



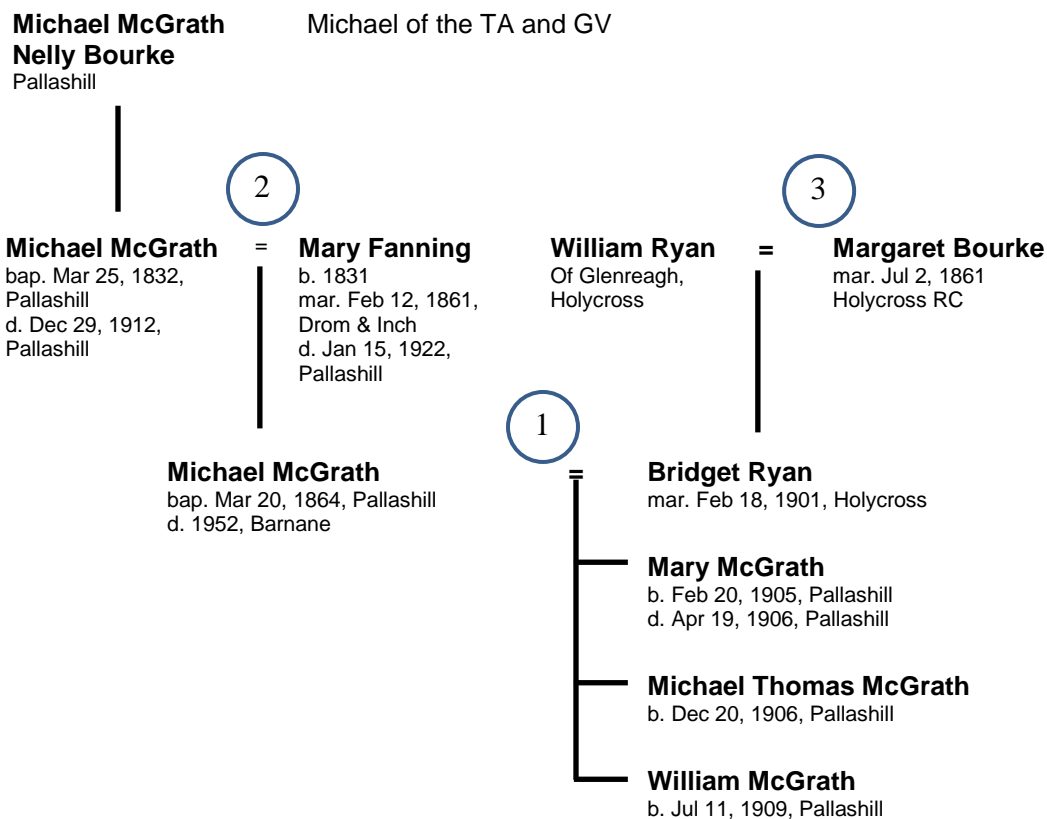
## Mountcatherine

The McGrath brothers also held additional land in the nearby townland of Mountcatherine. The size of their total holdings was probably essential in their success in surviving the Great Famine that drove many others to emigrate.

Tithe Applotment - Est. of Lord Clonmel		
Number	Name of Land Holder In Mountcatherine & Decoy, Inch par.	Gross Area exclusive of roads and etc. (a-r-p)
1.	James Burke	11-2-25
2.	Philip Cahill	6-1-24
3.	Michael Magrath	6-1-24
4.	Mathew Magrath	6-1-24
	<b>TOTAL</b>	30-3-17

No.	Griffith's Valuation Mountcatherine Name	Immediate Lessor	Description of Tenement	Content of Land			Net Annual Value of Land			Net Annual Value of Buildings			Total Net Annual Value		
				A	r	p	£	s	d	£	s	d	£	s	d
3	Matthew McGrath	John Hanley, Esq.	Land	10	2	7	11	13	0	0	0	0	11	13	0
4	Michael McGrath	John Hanley, Esq.	Land	9	3	23	10	2	0	0	0	0	10	2	0

# 1. \*Michael McGrath and Bridget Ryan Pedigree\*



Michael McGrath (b. 1832) was the only child who was found for Michael and Nelly Bourke McGrath.

## **1.1 Michael McGrath - Bridget Ryan - Pallashill**

### **Marriage: Michael McGrath & Bridget Ryan - Pallashill**

February 18, 1901 - married at Holycross RC chapel

Husband: **Michael McGrath**, Full age, Bachelor, Farmer, Pallashill

Father: Michael McGrath, Farmer

Wife: **Bridget Ryan**, Full age, Spinster, Rathcannon

Father: William Ryan (deceased), Farmer

Witnesses: Pat McGrath and Katie Ryan

Priest: John O'Brien, P.P.

Reg: February 23, 1901

### **Supt Reg Dist - Thurles, Reg Dist - Thurles**

February 20, 1905 - **Mary McGrath**, Par. Michael McGrath (Farmer, Pallas hill) and Bridget Ryan, Res: Pallashill, Informant: Bridget McGrath, Mother, Pallashill, Reg: May 13, 1905.

December 20, 1906 - **Michael Thomas McGrath**, Par. Michael McGrath (Farmer, Pallashill) and Bridget Ryan, Res: Pallashill, Informant: M. McGrath, Father, Pallashill, Reg: February 4, 1907.

July 11, 1909 - **William McGrath**, Par. Michael McGrath (Farmer, Pallas hill) and Bridget Ryan, Res: Pallashill, Informant: Bridget McGrath, Mother, Pallashill, Reg: September 18, 1909.

### **Death: Mary McGrath - 14 months - 1906**

Sup Reg Dist Thurles, Reg Dist Thurles

Date: April 19, 1906 - Location: Pallashill

Name: **Mary McGrath**

Condition: Spinster

Age at last Birthday: 14 months

Occupation: Daughter of a Farmer

Cause of Death: Weak from birth, No medical attendant

Informant: Bridget McGrath, Mother, present at death, Pallashill

Reg: May 19, 1906 (Thurles)

A fourth child, who died prior to the 1911 census, has not been found in either the birth or death records in the Thurles District.

## Census Records

### 1901 - Michael & Mary McGrath - house 1 in Pallashill (Annfield, Tipperary)

Surname	Forename	Age	Sex	Relation to head	Religion
Mc Grath	Michael	70	Male	Head of Family	Roman Catholic
Mc Grath	Mary	70	Female	Wife	Roman Catholic
Mc Grath	Michael	37	Male	Son	Roman Catholic
Mc Grath	Tobias	28	Male	Son	Roman Catholic
Mc Grath	Bridget	32	Female	Daughter in Law	Roman Catholic

Michael and Mary could not read or write, Michael, Tobias, and Bridget could.

### 1911 - Michael & Bridget McGrath - house 2 in Pallashill (Inch, Tipperary)

Surname	Forename	Age	Sex	Relation to head	Religion
McGrath	Michael	45	Male	Head of Family	Roman Catholic
McGrath	Bridget	45	Female	Wife	Roman Catholic
McGrath	Michael	4	Male	Son	Roman Catholic
McGrath	William	1	Male	Son	Roman Catholic
McGrath	Michael	80	Male	Father	Roman Catholic
McGrath	Mary	82	Female	Mother	Roman Catholic
McGrath	Tobias	35	Male	Brother	Roman Catholic

Michael and Mary had been married 51 years; Mary had given birth to 6 children, 3 of whom were still alive. Michael and Bridget had been married 10 years; Bridget had given birth to 4 children, 2 of whom were still alive. The younger Michael had taken over the family farm and the elder Michael was listed as a retired farmer. Tobias was single and employed as a “Ploughman and horse trainer”

## Is This Michael McGrath of Pallashill?

### Death: Michael McGrath - 88 - 1952

Sup Reg Dist Thurles, Reg Dist Bourney

Date: **October 1, 1952** - Location: Barnane, Templemore

Name: Michael McGrath

Condition: Married

Age at last Birthday: 88 (years)

Occupation: Farmer

Cause of Death: senility, myocarditis, uncertified

Informant: William McGrath, son, Barnane, Templemore, present at death

Reg: **August 20, 1952**

**NOTE:** The month “October” is probably incorrect. May - August is probably closer to the correct month based on the other four deaths registers on the same page.

The age of 88 indicates that this person was born in 1864. This is correct for Michael McGrath of Pallashill. Both Michael’s had sons named William. The outstanding question is: what was Michael doing in Barnane in 1952?



## 1.2 ★ Michael McGrath - Mary Fanning - Pallashill

(s/o Michael McGrath and Nelly Bourke)

(d/o Father and Mother)

### Michael Magrath

bap. Mar 25, 1832, Pallashill  
d. Dec 29, 1912, Pallashill

Alive in 1911  
Is this the correct death  
record?

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### Mary Fanning

b. 1831  
mar. Feb 21, 1861, Drom & Inch  
d. Jan 15, 1922, Pallashill

### Ellen McGrath

bap. Jan 26, 1862, Pallashill

### Michael Magrath

b. Mar 24, 1864, Pallashill  
d. 1952, Barnane, Templemore

### = Bridget Ryan

mar. Feb 18, 1901, Holycross

### John Magrath

b. Jan 14, 1866, Pallashill  
d. Sep 29, 1890, Pallashill

Never married

### Margaret McGrath

b. Sep 18, 1868, Pallashill

### Mary Magrath

b. Dec 27, 1870, Pallashill

### Tobias Magrath

b. Feb 15, 1872, Pallashill

Single in 1911. Living with brother Michael  
and his family.

## Church Records - Drom and Inch RC Marriage

No marriage record found for Michael McGrath and Nelly Bourke

## Baptism

Michael McGrath = Nelly Bourke

Michael McGrath - Mar 25, 1832, Pallashill

February 12, 1861 - **Michael Magrath** married **Mary Fanning**, Drom and Inch RC, Res: Kill,  
Wit: Matt Stapleton and Margaret Evistine. Priest: Rev. Thomas Mullany.

## Civil Records - Michael McGrath - Mary Fanning - Pallashill

### Birth Records

#### Supt Reg Dist - Thurles, Reg Dist - Thurles

March 24, 1864 - **Michael Magrath**, Par. Michael Magrath (Farmer, Pallashill) and Mary Fanning, Res:  
Pallashill, Informant: Michael Magrath, Father, Pallashill, Reg: April 13, 1864.

January 14, 1866 - **John Magrath**, Par. Michael Magrath (Farmer, Pallashill) and Margaret Fanning, Res:  
Pallashill, Inch parish, Informant: Michael Magrath, Father, Pallashill,  
Reg: January 20, 1866.

September 18, 1868 - **Margaret McGrath**, Par. Michael McGrath (Farmer, Pallashill) and Mary  
Fanning, Res: Pallashill, Inch parish, Informant: Michael McGrath, Father, Pallashill,  
Reg: September 21, 1868.

December 27, 1870 - **Mary Magrath**, Par. Michael Magrath (Farmer, Pallashill) and Mary Fanning, Res: Pallashill, Inch parish, Informant: Michael Magrath, Father, Pallashill, Reg: January 3, 1871.

February 15, 1872 - **Tobias Magrath**, Par. Michael Magrath (Farmer, Pallashill) and Mary Fanning, Res: Pallashill, Inch parish, Informant: Michael Magrath, Father, Pallashill, Reg: February 19, 1872.

**Death: John McGrath - 23 - 1890**

Sup Reg Dist Thurles, Reg Dist Thurles

Date: September 29, 1890 - Location: Pallashill

Name: **John McGrath**

Condition: Bachelor

Age at last Birthday: 23 years

Occupation: son of a Farmer

Cause of Death: Typhoid Fever, 13 days, Certified

Informant: Michael McGrath, Father, present at death, Pallashill

Reg: November 5, 1890 (Thurles)

**Death: Michael McGrath - 80 - 1912**

Sup Reg Dist Thurles, Reg Dist Thurles

Date: December 29, 1912 - Location: Pallashill

Name: **Michael McGrath**

Condition: Married

Age at last Birthday: 80 years

Occupation: Farmer

Cause of Death: Senile decay, Certified

Informant: M. McGrath, Son, present at death, Pallashill

Reg: March 31, 1913 (Thurles)

**Death: Mary McGrath - 92 - 1922**

Sup Reg Dist Thurles, Reg Dist Thurles

Date: January 15, 1922 - Location: Pallashill

Name: **Mary McGrath**

Condition: Widow

Age at last Birthday: 92 years

Occupation: Farmer's widow

Cause of Death: Senile decay, no medical attendant

Informant: Michael McGrath, present at death, Barnane

Reg: May 6, 1922 (Thurles)

## Church Records - Michael McGrath - Mary Fanning - Pallashill

### Baptism Records - Drom & Inch

January 26, 1862 - **Ellen McGrath**, Par. Michael McGrath and Mary Fanning, Drom and Inch RC, Res: Pallashill, Sps. Thomas Maher and Johanna Fanning.

### Michael McGrath = Mary Fanning

Ellen McGrath - Jan 26, 1862, Pallashill

**Michael McGrath** - Mar 20, 1864, Pallashill

**John McGrath** - Jan 14, 1866, Pallashill

**Margaret McGrath** - Jun 28, 1868, Pallashill

**Mary McGrath** - Dec 22, 1870, Pallashill

**Tobias McGrath** - Feb 12, 1872, Pallashill

Townland	AKA	Acres	County	Barony	Parish	PLU	Province
Killinane		254	Tipperary, N.R.	Eliogarty	Thurles	Thurles	Munster
Bouladuff		252	Tipperary, N.R.	Eliogarty	Inch	Thurles	Munster
Inch		199	Tipperary, N.R.	Eliogarty	Inch	Thurles	Munster
Clehile		362	Tipperary, N.R.	Eliogarty	Inch	Thurles	Munster

### Where is Kill?

This was the residence given in Michael and Mary McGrath's 1861 marriage record. As a first guess it should be a townland in either of Drom or Inch civil parishes.

Townland	AKA	Acres	County	Barony	Parish	PLU	Province
Killahagan		471	Tipperary, N.R.	Eliogarty	Drom	Thurles	Munster
Kilvilcorris		401	Tipperary, N.R.	Eliogarty	Drom	Thurles	Munster

There is no townland in Inch parish which begins with "Kil." Therefore Kill should be in Drom parish. The most likely candidate is Killahagan.

## Census Records

These census records are repeated because this section is about Michael McGrath's parents: Michael McGrath and Mary Fanning. Both families were living together at the time of the census records.

### 1901 - Michael McGrath - house 1 in Pallashill (Annfield, Tipperary)

Surname	Forename	Age	Sex	Relation to head	Religion
Mc Grath	Michael	70	Male	Head of Family	Roman Catholic
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The elder Michael and his wife Mary could not read or write. Their sons Michael and Tobias and Michael's wife Bridget (Ryan) can read and write.

### 1911 - Michael McGrath - house 2 in Pallashill (Annfield, Tipperary)

Surname	Forename	Age	Sex	Relation to head	Religion
McGrath	Michael	45	Male	Head of Family	Roman Catholic
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## 1.3 William Ryan and Margaret Bourke

(s/o Father and Mother)

(d/o Father and Mother)

**William Ryan**  
Of Glenreagh, Holycross

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**Margaret Bourke**  
mar Jul 2, 1861 @ Holycross RC

**Michael Ryan**  
bap. Apr 6, 1862

**Mary Ryan**  
bap. Dec 10, 1870, Glenreagh

(See Michael and Bridget  
Ryan in Sec 1.1)

**Bridget Ryan**  
bap. May 9, 1871, Glenreagh  
mar Feb 18, 1901, Holycross

= **Michael McGrath**  
bap. Mar 20, 1864, Pallashill

William and Margaret Ryan do not appear in the 1901 and 1911 census. No death record could be found for either William or Margaret over the period 1878-1901.

## Ballycahill and Holycross RC

### Marriage

July 2, 1861 - **William Ryan** married **Margaret Burk**, Res: None

Wit. John Butler and Mary Walsh. Priest: Rev. J. O'Brien.

### Baptisms

April 6, 1862 - **Michael Ryan**, William Ryan and Margaret Bourke, Res: None

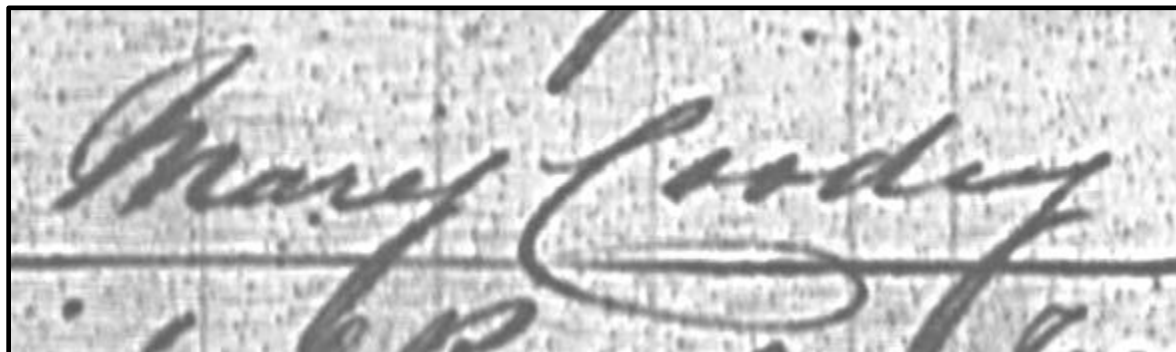
Sps. Thomas Ryan and Bridget Hardy?

December 10, 1870 - **Mary Ryan**, Par. William Ryan and Margaret Bourke, Res: Glenreagh

Sps. Mary Coodey.

May 9, 1871 - **Bridget Ryan**, Par. William Ryan and Margaret Bourke, Res: Glenreagh

Sps. James Gleeson and Catherine Gleeson.



## Michael Ryan and Ellen O'Meara

Michael Ryan and Ellen are shown here since they were another Ryan living in Glenreaghmore. According to Michael and Ellen's marriage records Michael's father was also a Michael Ryan. William Ryan on the previous page is suspected of being this Michael Ryan's brother. They are approximately the same age, living in the same small townland and William had named his first son Michael. The Irish tradition was to name the first son after the paternal grandfather. However, the Michael below appears to have named his first son John while it is known from his marriage record that his father was named Michael. A search of the birth records for Thurles Dist showed no son named Michael before their son John was born on March 2, 1886. No birth records could be found that would prove William and Michael were brothers.

### 1901 - Michael Ryan - house 4 in Glenreagh More (Holycross, Tipperary)

Surname	Forename	Age	Sex	Relation to head	Religion
Ryan	Michael	53	Male	Head of Family	Roman Catholic
Ryan	Ellen	50	Female	Wife	Roman Catholic
Ryan	Mary	15	Female	Daughter	Roman Catholic
Ryan	John	14	Male	Son	Roman Catholic
Ryan	Catherine	12	Female	Daughter	Roman Catholic
Ryan	William	35	Male	Cousin	Roman Catholic

### 1911 - Michael Ryan - house 5 in Glenreagh More (Holycross, Tipperary)

Surname	Forename	Age	Sex	Relation to head	Religion
Ryan	Michael	66	Male	Head of Family	Roman Catholic
Ryan	Ellen	62	Female	Wife	Roman Catholic
Ryan	Mary	25	Female	Daughter	Roman Catholic
Ryan	John	24	Male	Son	Roman Catholic
Ryan	Kathleen	21	Female	Daughter	Roman Catholic
Ryan	William	42	Male	Visitor	Roman Catholic

Michael and Ellen have been married 27 years. Ellen had given birth to 7 children all of who were still alive at the time of the 1911 census.

## Marriage: Michael Ryan and Ellen O'Meara - Glenreigh

Sup Reg Dist - Thurles, Reg Dist - Holycross

June 10, 1883 - married at the RC Chapel of Holycross

Husband: **Michael Ryan** (Full age, Bachelor, Farmer, Glenreigh)

Father: Michael Ryan (Farmer)

Wife: **Ellen O'Meara** (Full age, Spinster, Blank, Grange)

Father: John O'Meara (Farmer)

Witnesses: Richard Long and Mary Ryan

Priest: John O'Brien, P.P.

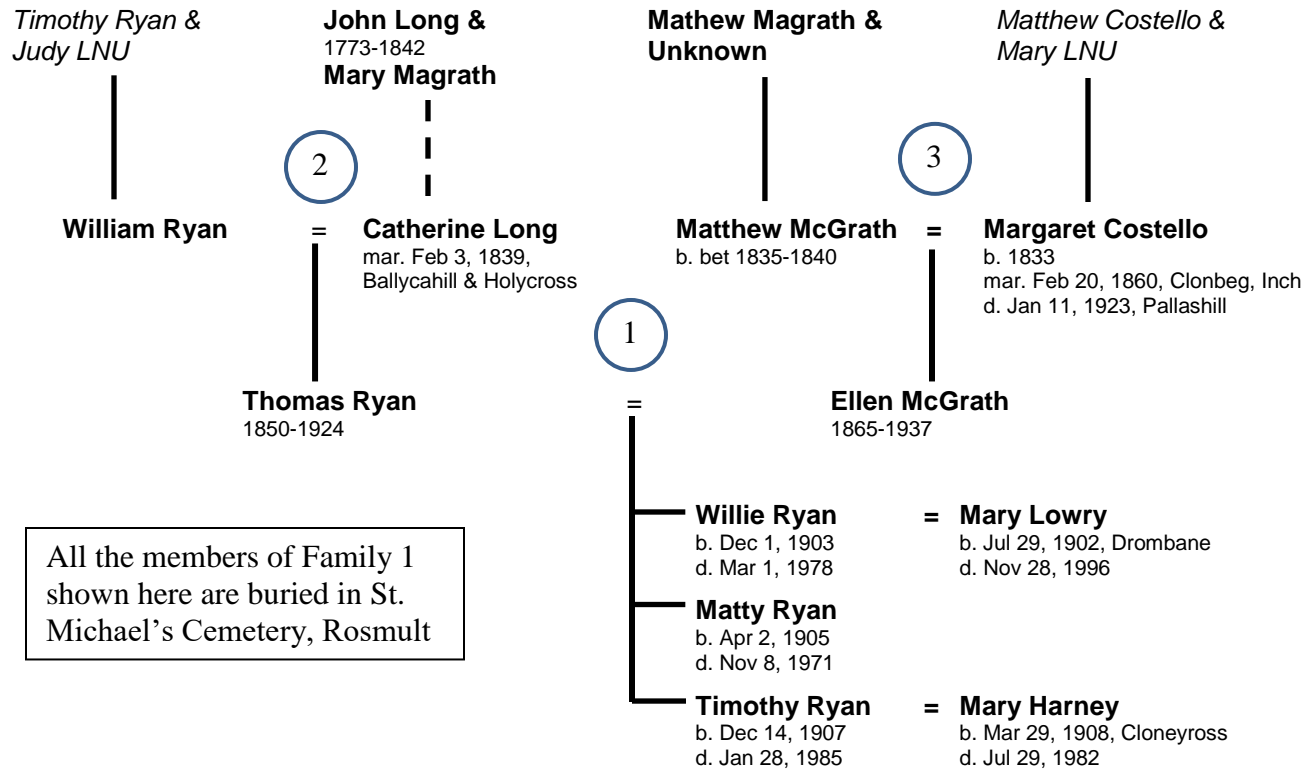
Reg: June 15, 1883.

## Sup Reg Dist Thurles, Reg Dist Holycross

March 2, 1886 - **John Ryan**, Par. Michael Ryan (Farmer, Glenreigh) and Ellen Mara, Res: Glenreigh,

Informant: Michael Ryan, Father, Glenreigh, Reg: March 8, 1886.

## 2. \* Thomas Ryan and Ellen McGrath Pedigree \*



Three sets of parents' names (in italics) are based on the naming tradition. The fourth set of parents didn't have enough baptism records to allow this naming method to be used. However, the witnesses at the wedding of William Ryan and Catherine Long were possibly Catherine's brothers and their family was known. But then again, this is all tentative and remains to be verified. See "Catherine Long's Parents?" later in this section for a further discussion.



The picture to the left was taken at the Templebeg Cemetery (St. Michael's Cemetery, Rosmult, Templebeg) during a 2006 trip to Ireland. When I took this photo I had no idea that I would eventually find the information useful. There were just so many family connections documented there that I couldn't resist taking a picture. The Thomas Ryan and Ellen McGrath family related inscriptions are described on the left hand side.

## 2.1 Thomas Ryan - Ellen McGrath - Coolbawn

### Civil Records

**Marriage: Thomas Ryan & Ellen McGrath** - Coolbawn

February 21, 1898 - married at Inch RC chapel

Husband: **Thomas Ryan**, Full age, Bachelor, Farmer, Drumbane, Coolbawn

Father: William Ryan, Farmer

Wife: **Ellen McGrath**, Full age, Spinster, Pallashill

Father: Matthew McGrath (Deceased), Farmer

Witnesses: Edmond Ryan and Mary McGrath

Priest: P. Meagher

Reg: February 28, 1898 - Thurles, Blank

### Supt Reg Dist - Thurles, Reg Dist - Holycross

December 1, 1903 - **William Ryan**, Par. Thomas Ryan (Farmer, Coolbawn) and Ellen McGrath, Res: Coolbawn, Informant: Thomas Ryan, Father, Coolbawn, Reg: December 21, 1903.

April 2, 1905 - **Mathew Ryan**, Par. Thomas Ryan (Farmer, Coolbawn) and Ellen McGrath, Res: Coolbawn, Informant: Thomas Ryan, Father, Coolbawn, Reg: May 8, 1905.

December 14, 1907 - **Timothy Ryan**, Par. Thomas Ryan (Farmer, Coolbawn) and Ellen McGrath, Res: Coolbawn, Informant: Joanna Hayes, present at birth, Drombane, Reg: December 13, 1907.

### Supt Reg Dist - Thurles, Reg Dist - Holycross

July 29, 1902 - **Mary Lowry**, Par. Philip Lowry (Farmer, Drombane) and Mary Ryan, Res: Drombane, Informant: Philip Lowry, Father, Drombane, Reg: August 8, 1902.

### Supt Reg Dist - Cashel, Reg Dist - Kilpatrick

March 29, 1908 - **Mary Harney**, Par. Thomas Harney (Farmer, Cloneyross) and Julia Britt, Res: Cloneyross, Informant: Thomas Harney, Father, Cloneyross, Reg: April 3, 1908.

### Census Records

#### 1911 - Thomas Ryan - house 25 in Moyaliff (Moyaliff, Tipperary)

Surname	Forename	Age	Sex	Relation to head	Religion
Ryan	Thomas	50	Male	Head of Family	Roman Catholic
Ryan	Ellen	40	Female	Wife	Roman Catholic
Ryan	William	7	Male	Son	Roman Catholic
Ryan	Matthew	6	Male	Son	Roman Catholic
Ryan	Timothy	6	Male	Son	Roman Catholic

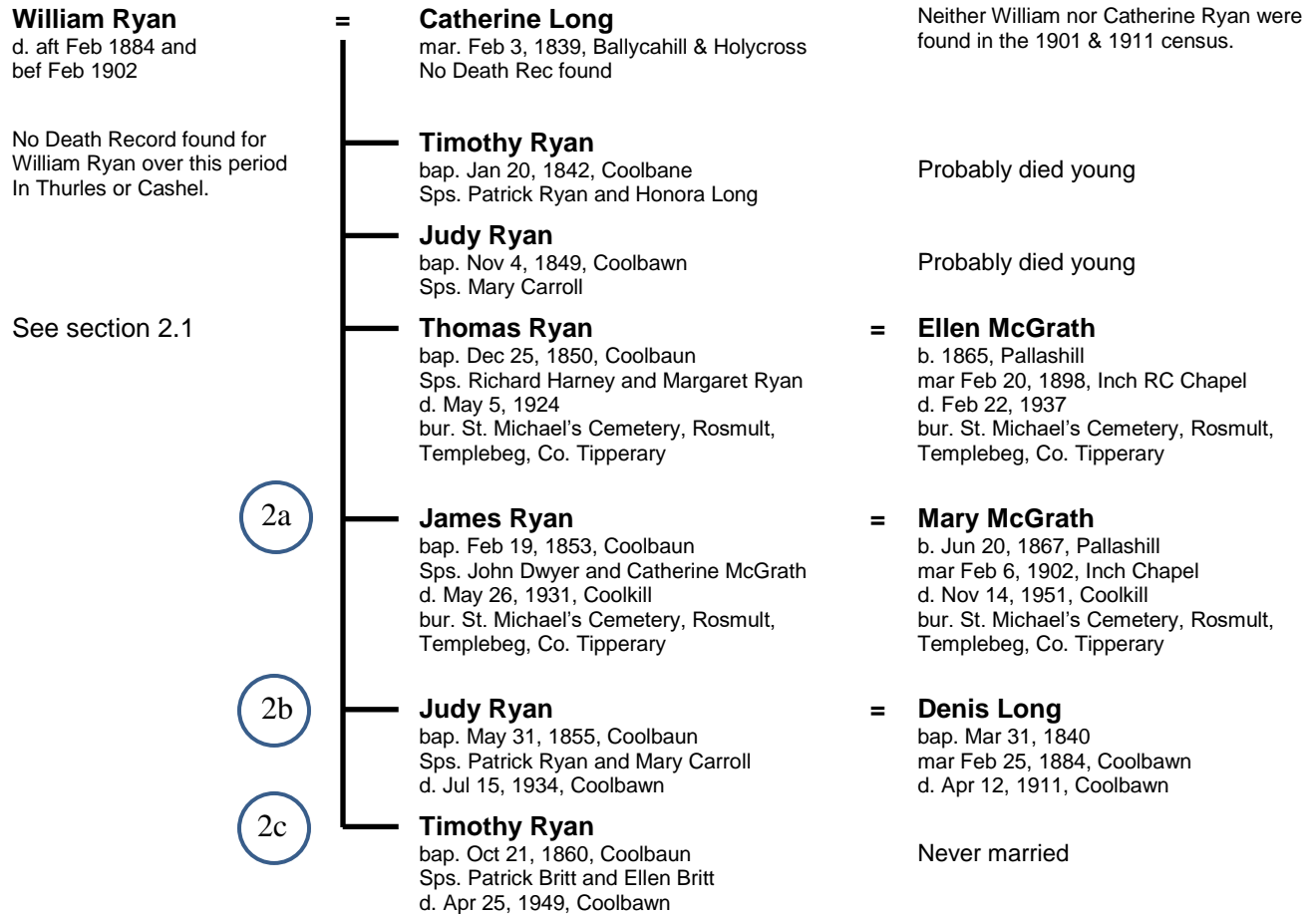
Thomas Ryan and Ellen McGrath had been married 12 years. Ellen had given birth to four children, three of who were still alive.



## 2.2 ★ William Ryan and Catherine Long

(s/o Timothy Ryan & Judy LNU)

(d/o John Long and Mary Magrath)



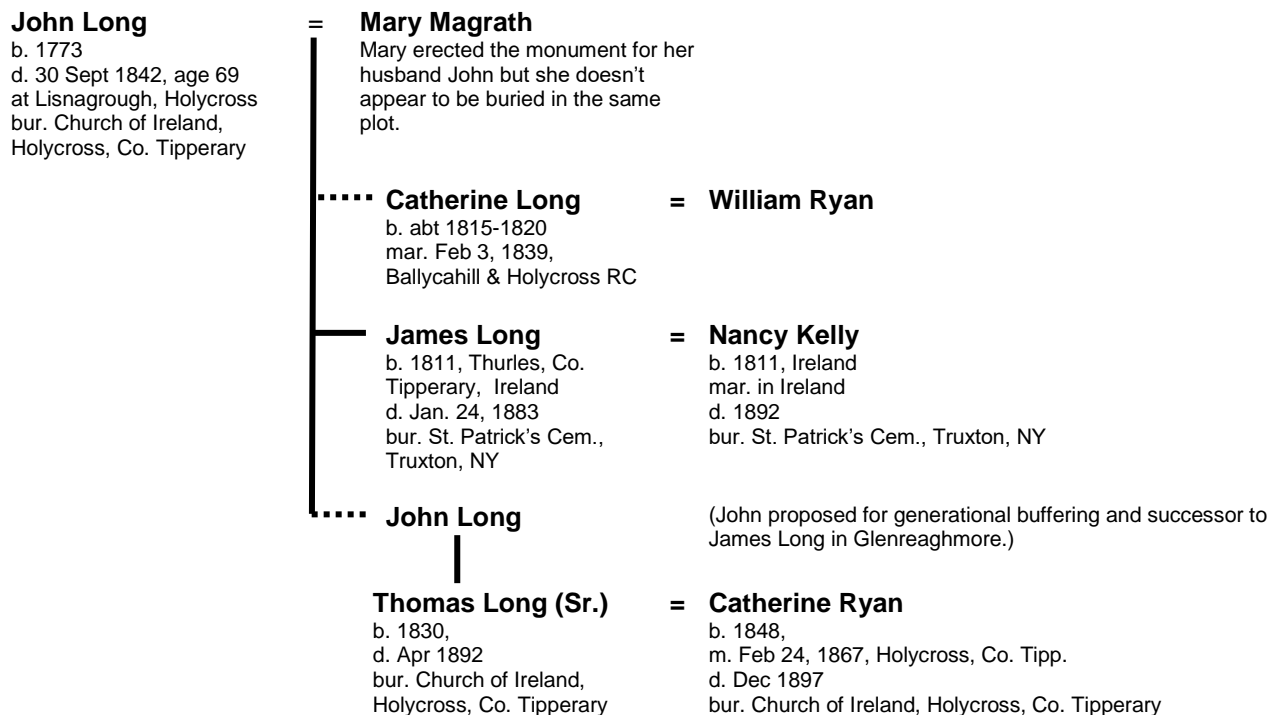
Coolbawn is a sub-townland located in the western half of the townland of Moyaliff, in the civil parish of Moyaliff. Although Coolbawn is located in Upperchurch and Drombane RC parish the church at Holycross (Ballycahill and Holycross RC parish) is much closer, which explains why William and Catherine's children were baptized there. This is the family whose inscriptions were on the gravestone in St. Michael's Cemetery, Rosmult. Ellen and Mary McGrath are sisters.

Catherine Long's parents were not deduced from the family's use of the naming tradition. The reasoning follows from the names of the witnesses at Catherine and William's wedding as shown below and on the next page.

### Church Records - Ballycahill and Holycross RC Marriage

February 3, 1839 - **William Ryan** married **Cathe Long**, Res: None  
Wit. John Long and James Long

## ★ Catherine Long's Parents?

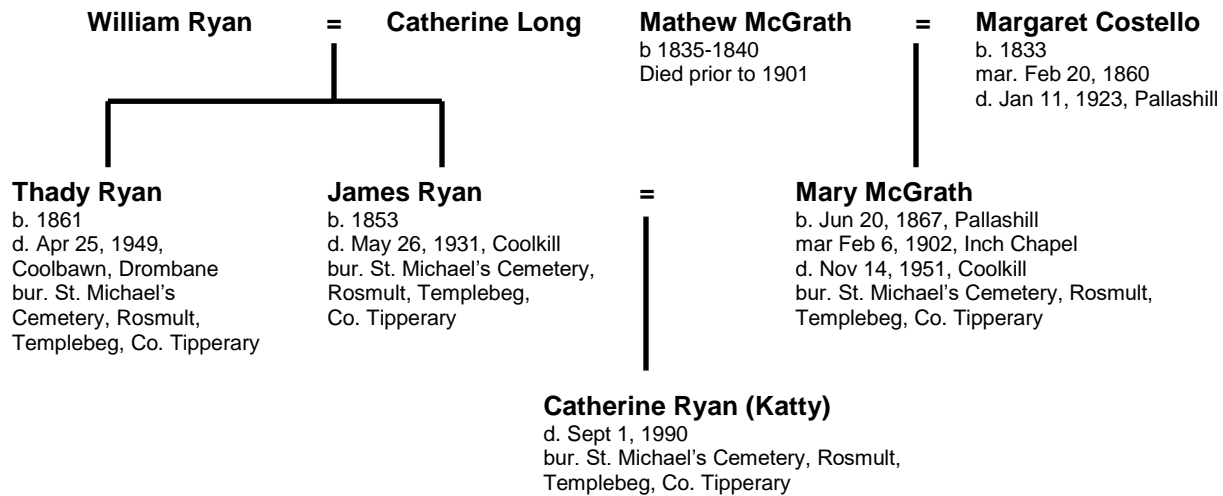


The above family tree was taken from: *Reaching Across The Penal Times*. The tentative addition of Catherine Long to this family might be stretching things a little bit. The witnesses at William Ryan and Catherine Long's wedding were James and John Long. It is proposed that the James and John Long marriage witnesses were Catherine's brothers. Therefore it follows that John Long and Mary Magrath above are Catherine's parents.

Catherine is estimated to have been born in the time period 1815-1820. Since this time period is significantly prior to the commencement of the Ballycahill and Holycross parish registers Catherine can tentatively be placed in the family tree above.

Alternatively, if it was assumed that Catherine and William followed the Irish naming convention in selecting names for their children then this would imply that Catherine's parents were named Thomas and Johanna.

## 2.2a James Ryan and Mary McGrath of Coolkill



The above picture shows the right half of a Ryan family gravestone in St. Michael's Cemetery, Rosmult, Templebeg parish, Co. Tipperary. This will be called the James Ryan side of the gravestone. James Ryan and Thady (Timothy) Ryan were brothers. Their brother Thomas' family were represented on the left hand side of this gravestone and they are described in another section of this paper. The left hand side will be called the Thomas Ryan side of the gravestone.

**Marriage: James Ryan & Mary McGrath - Coolkill**

Sup Reg Dist - Thurles, Reg Dist - Thurles  
February 6, 1902 - married at RC Chapel of Inch  
Husband: **James Ryan** (Full age, Bachelor, Farmer, Coolkill)  
Father: William Ryan (Farmer, Deceased)  
Wife: **Mary McGrath** (Full age, Spinster, Blank, Palace Hill)  
Father: Matthew McGrath (Farmer, Dead)  
Witnesses: Edmond Ryan and Johanna McGrath  
Priest: J. Meagher  
Reg: February 10, 1902

**Death: James Ryan - 78 - 1931**

Sup Reg Dist - Thurles, Reg Dist - Holycross  
Date: May 26, 1931 - Location: Coolkill  
Name: **James Ryan**  
Condition: Married  
Age at last Birthday: 78 years  
Occupation: Farmer  
Cause of Death: Chronic Nephritis, Cardiac Failure, Certified  
Informant: Mary Ryan, Wife, Present at Death, Coolkill  
Reg: June 1, 1931

**Death: Mary Ryan - 83 - 1951**

Sup Reg Dist - Thurles, Reg Dist - Holycross  
Date: November 14, 1951 - Location: Coolkill, Ballycahill  
Name: **Mary Ryan**  
Condition: Widow  
Age at last Birthday: 83 years  
Occupation: Farmer  
Cause of Death: Senile decay, Certified  
Informant: Katty Ryan, Present at death, Coolkill, Ballycahill  
Reg: March 24, 1952

**Linking Both Sides of the Ryan Gravestone**

The very act of sharing a gravestone indicates that the persons doing the sharing are related. However, when there is a Ryan marrying a Ryan the exact nature of the relationship can be difficult to sort out. The maiden names of other wives were included in the inscription and since none was given for Mary Ryan it was assumed that her maiden name was Ryan.

Working initially from the Thomas Ryan side of the gravestone it was determined that Thomas' father was William Ryan. Subsequently the entire William Ryan family was mapped out. Later, while working from the James Ryan side of the gravestone, the family of James' wife, who was initially thought to be Mary Ryan, was mapped out from the information on James and Mary's marriage record. On this marriage record James Ryan's father was given as John Ryan. Since no Thady Ryan had showed up in Mary Ryan's family Thady had to be James' brother. This turned out to be correct but for the wrong reason. A search through the parish records for a John Ryan who had sons James and Thady turned up empty. However a look at the previously constructed Thomas Ryan family showed that a James and Timothy (Thady) of the correct ages were already waiting there. This was the obvious connection - three brothers were occupying



the two sides of the gravestone. After examining the various records to determine why a search from the Thomas side and the James side did not wind up with the same family the culprit was thought to be found in the marriage record of James Ryan and Mary Ryan. That record gave James' father as "John Ryan." If that name is assumed to be an error and John is replaced with William then all the pieces seemed to fit. However, that wasn't the solution.

The 1911 census gave James and Mary's marriage year as 1902, while the previous marriage record had the year as 1905. Shortly a different marriage record was found for James Ryan, it was in 1902 and his wife was named Mary but Mary McGrath not Mary Ryan. This Mary's father was Matthew instead of Richard. The residences were Coolkill for James and Pallashill for Mary, which was a better fit than those found in the 1905 marriage record. In addition Mary was the sister of Ellen McGrath who married James' brother Thomas Ryan.

## 2.2b Denis Long and Judy (Johanna) Ryan of Coolbawn

(s/o William Long and Catherine Ryan)

(d/o William Ryan and Catherine Long)

### Denis Long

bap. Mar 31, 1840  
mar Feb 25, 1884  
d. Apr 12, 1911, Coolbawn

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### Johanna Ryan

bap May 31, 1855, Coolbaun  
b. 1863 (Death Rec)  
d. Jul 15, 1934, Coolbawn

### Catherine Long

b. Jan 19, 1885, Coolbawn  
d. Jul 8, 1885, Coolbawn

Died in infancy

### Mary Long

b. 1886

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### Patrick Bohan

mar Feb 7, 1921, College Hill

### William Long

b. 1888  
d. May 24, 1917, Moyaliff

Never married

### Patrick Long

b. 1890  
d. Mar 25, 1924, Coolbawn,  
Moyaliff

Never married

### Margaret Long

b. 1892

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### Thomas Dwyer

mar Nov 16, 1927

### Catherine Long

b. 1894

No marriage record  
No death record

### Bridget Long

b. 1896

No marriage record  
No death record

## Marriage: Denis Long & Johanna Ryan - Coolbawn - Ballycahill

Sup Reg Dist - Thurles, Reg Dist - Holycross

February 25, 1884 - married at RC Chapel of Drombane

Husband: **Denis Long** (Full age, Bachelor, Farmer, Coolbawn - Ballycahill)

Father: William Long (Farmer, Alive)

Wife: **Johanna Ryan** (Full age, Spinster, Blank, Coolbawn - Ballycahill)

Father: William Ryan (Farmer, Alive)

Witnesses: Thomas Ryan and Catherine Ryan

Priest: John Wood, P. P.

Reg: February 28, 1884

## 1901 - Denis Ryan - house 5 in Moyaliff (Moyaliff, Tipperary)

Surname	Forename	Age	Sex	Relation to head	Religion
Long	Denis	57	Male	Head of Family	Roman Catholic
Long	Johanna	42	Female	Wife	Roman Catholic
Long	Mary	15	Female	Daughter	Roman Catholic
Long	William	13	Male	Son	Roman Catholic
Long	Patrick	11	Male	Son	Roman Catholic
Long	Margaret	9	Female	Daughter	Roman Catholic
Long	Catherine	7	Female	Daughter	Roman Catholic
Long	Bridget	5	Female	Daughter	Roman Catholic

## Deaths

<p><b>Death: Denis Long - 70 - 1911</b>  Sup Reg Dist - Thurles, Reg Dist - Holycross  Date: April 12, 1911 - Location: Coolbawn  Name: <b>Denis Long</b>  Condition: Married  Age at last Birthday: 70 years  Occupation: Farmer  Cause of Death: Heart disease, some years, Syncope one hour, No med att  Informant: <u>Maggie Long</u>, <i>Daughter</i>, Present at death, Coolbawn  Reg: April 28, 1911</p>	<p><b>Death: Johanna Long - 71 - 1934</b>  Sup Reg Dist - Thurles, Reg Dist - Holycross  Date: July 15, 1934 - Location: Coolbawn  Name: <b>Johanna Long</b>  Condition: Widow  Age at last Birthday: 71 years  Occupation: Farmer's Widow  Cause of Death: Old age, Two weeks, No Medical Attendant  Informant: <u>Thomas Dwyer</u>, <i>Son-in-law</i>, Present at death, Coolbawn  Reg: July 20, 1934</p>
<p><b>Death: William Long - 27 - 1917</b>  Sup Reg Dist - Thurles, Reg Dist - Holycross  Date: May 24, 1917 - Location: Moyaliffe  Name: <b>William Long</b>  Condition: Bachelor  Age at last Birthday: 27 years  Occupation: Farmer  Cause of Death: Pulmonary Tuberculosis, 4 years, Hemorrhage from Lungs, One hour, Certified  Informant: Mary Long, Sister, Present at death, Coolbawn  Reg: August 17, 1917</p>	<p><b>Death: Patrick Long - 32 - 1924</b>  Sup Reg Dist - Thurles, Reg Dist - Holycross  Date: March 25, 1924 - Location: Coolbawn  Name: <b>Patrick Long</b>  Condition: Bachelor  Age at last Birthday: 32 years  Occupation: Clerk  Cause of Death: Pulmonary Tuberculosis, 5 years, No med att  Informant: Maggie Long, Sister, Present at death, Coolbawn  Reg: April 4, 1924.</p>

## Marriages

<p><b>Marriage: Thomas Dwyer &amp; Margaret Long - Thurles</b>  Sup Reg Dist - Thurles, Reg Dist - Holycross  November 16, 1927 - married at RC Church of Drombane  Husband: <b>Thomas Dwyer</b> (Full age, Bachelor, Farmer &amp; Merchant, Thurles)  Father: Jeremiah Dwyer (Merchant)  Wife: <b>Margaret Long</b> (Full age, Farmer's Daughter, Coolbawn, Drombane)  Father: <u>Denis Long</u> (Farmer)  Witnesses: John Dwyer and Bridie Long  Priest: Michael Horrigan, P. P.  Reg: December 10, 1927.</p>	<p><b>Marriage: Patrick Bohan &amp; Mary Long - College Hill</b>  Sup Reg Dist - Thurles, Reg Dist - Holycross  February 7, 1921 - married at RC Church of Drombane  Husband: <b>Patrick Bohan</b> (Full, Bachelor, Farmer's son, College Hill, Templemore)  Father: John Bohan (Farmer)  Wife: <b>Mary Long</b> (Full, Spinster, Farmer's Daughter, Coolbawn, Drombane, Thurles)  Father: <u>Denis Long</u> (Farmer)  Witnesses: Thomas Bohan and Katie Long  Priest: Michael Horrigan, P. P.  Reg: February 13, 1921</p>
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## William Long and Catherine Ryan

(s/o Patrick Long and Margaret LNU)

(d/o Denis Ryan and Judy LNU)

There is more information on the William Long family of Coolbawn in *Reaching Across the Penal Times*

### William Long

= **Catherine Ryan**  
mar Jan 27, 1834

— **Margaret Long**  
bap Dec 11, 1834

— **Patrick Long**  
bap Jul 12, 1836

— **Judy Long**  
bap Jun 30, 1838

— **Denis Long**  
bap Mar 31, 1840  
mar Feb 25, 1884  
d. Apr 12, 1911, Coolbawn

— **Tom Long**  
bap Mar 1, 1842

— **Mary Long**  
bap. Jan 5, 1844, Coolbane

— **James Long**  
bap Jan 16, 1846, Coolbane

— **William Long**  
bap Nov 3, 1848, Mealiff

— **John Long**  
bap Jul 20, 1851, Coolbaun

= **James Ryan**  
Of Derry  
mar. Feb 23, 1865

= **Johanna Ryan**  
bap May 31, 1855, Coolbaun  
b. 1863 (Death Rec)  
d. Jul 15, 1934, Coolbawn

= **John Byrne**  
Of Borrisnafarney  
mar Feb 6, 1883

= **Ellen Hackett**  
Of Lackandarra  
mar Mar 8, 1886

## Borrisoleigh RC

### Marriage

January 27, 1834 - **William Long** (Ballicahill) married **Catherine Ryan** (Knockdonee), Res: Ballicahill, Wit. James Ryan and Mary Ryan.

Townland	Acres	County	Barony	Parish	PLU	Province
Ballycahill		405	Tipperary, N.R.	Eliogarty	Ballycahill	Thurles
Knockdunnee	199	Tipperary, N.R.	Kilnamanagh Upper	Glenkeen	Thurles	Munster

## Upperchurch and Drombane RC

### Baptism

December 11, 1834 - **Margaret Long**, Par. William Long and Cathe Ryan, Par. None, Sps. James Ryan and Judy Long.

July 12, 1836 - **Patrick Long**, Par. Wm Long and Catherine Ryan, Res: None, Sps. John Ryan and Bridget Leamy.

June 30, 1838 - **Judy Long**, Par. Wm Long and Cathn Ryan, Res: None,  
Sps. Thomas Carroll and Margaret Long.

March 31, 1840 - **Denis Long**, Par. Wm Long and Catherine Ryan, Res: None  
Sps. John and Onny Ryan.

March 1, 1842 - **Tom Long**, Par. Wm Long and Kitty Ryan, Res: None,  
Sps. Mary Corcoran.

January 16, 1846 - **James Long**, Par. Wm Long and Catherine Ryan, Res: Coolbane  
Sps. Darby Dwyer and Catherine Quinane.

July 20, 1851 - **John Long**, Par. Wm Long and Catherine Ryan, Res: Coolbaun  
Sps. Wm Hayes and Margaret Leamy.

## **Ballycahill and Holycross RC**

### **Baptism**

November 3, 1848 - **William Long**, Par. Wm Long and Catherine Ryan, Res: Mealiff  
Sps. Mary Fitzpatrick.

## **2.2c Timothy Ryan of Coolbawn**

### **Death: Timothy Ryan - 88 - 1949**

Sup Reg Dist - Thurles, Reg Dist - Holycross

Date: April 25, 1949 - Location: Coolbawn, Drombane

Name: **Timothy Ryan**

Condition: Single

Age at last Birthday: 88 years

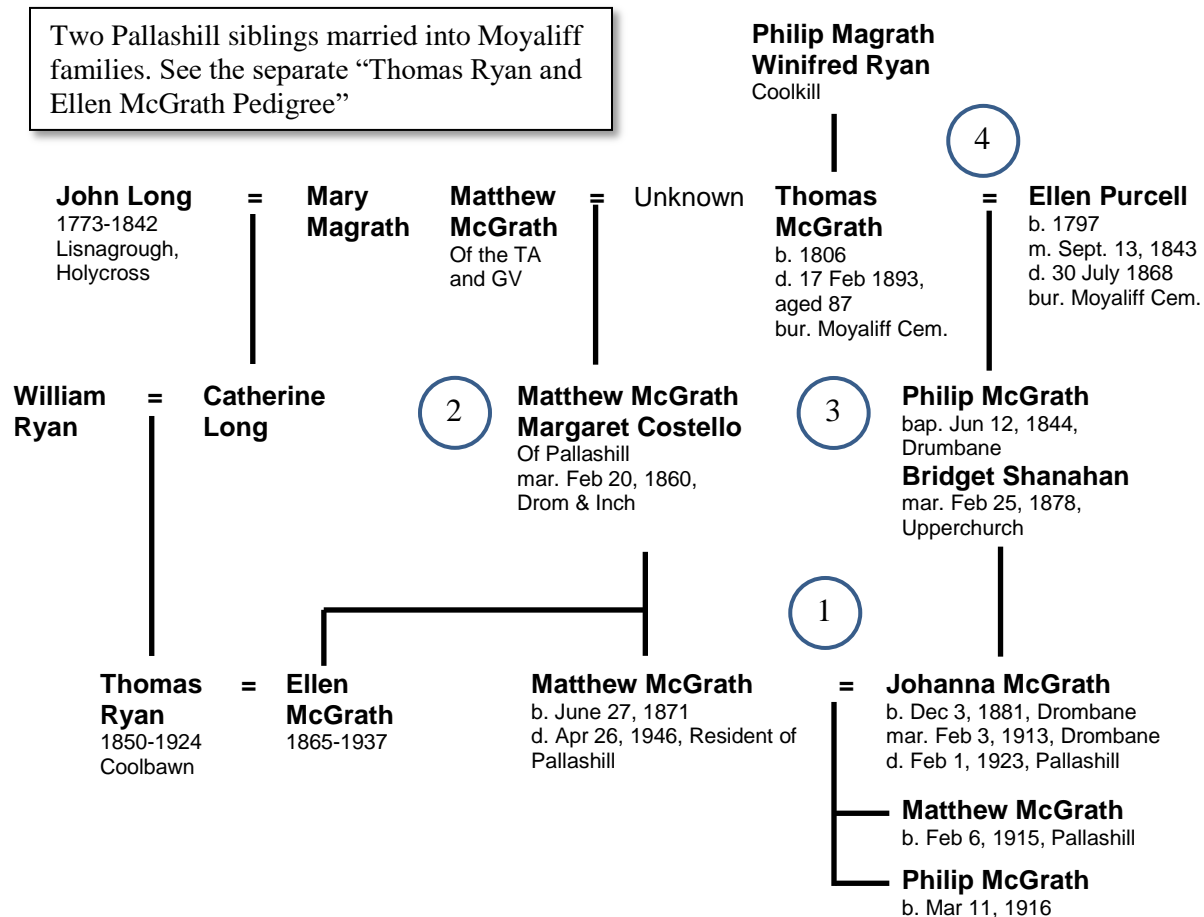
Occupation: Farmer

Cause of Death: Old age, No Medical Attendant

Informant: B. Long, Present at death, Coolbawn, Drombane

Reg: April 13, 1949

### 3. \*Matthew McGrath and Johanna McGrath Pedigree\*



The oldest generations in this pedigree chart are represented by Philip Magrath and Winifred Ryan of Coolkill, and John Long and Mary Magrath, of Lisnagrough. It isn't known if Philip Magrath and Mary Magrath, from these oldest generations are related. The details of their analysis and addition supporting information will be presented and discussed in detail in *Reaching Across The Penal Times*.

No baptism record was found for Matthew McGrath (married Margaret Costello) which would have provided the names of his parents. The assumed use of the Irish naming convention would yield the names of Francis and Bridget for the names of Michael's parents. However, the only McGraths found in Pallashtill were Michael and Matthew. It is more logical that Matthew's father was also named Matthew McGrath. There never was a Francis Magrath found among the land holders in Pallashtill at the time of the younger Matthew's birth, and it was a very small townland,



### 3.1 Mathew McGrath - Johanna McGrath - Pallashill

#### Civil Records

##### Marriage: Matthew McGrath and Johanna McGrath - Pallashill

February 3, 1913 - married at Drombane RC chapel

Husband: **Matthew McGrath**, Full age, Bachelor, Farmer, Palla Hill

Father: Matthew McGrath, Farmer

Wife: **Johanna McGrath**, Full age, Spinster, Farmer's daughter, Drombane

Father: Philip McGrath, Farmer

Witnesses: James Ryan and Nellie McGrath

Priest: Patrick Connery, C.C.

Reg: February 9, 1913 - Thurles, Holycross

#### Births

Supt Reg Dist - Thurles, Reg Dist - Thurles

February 6, 1915 - **Matthew McGrath**, Par. Matthew McGrath (Farmer, Pallashill) and Johanna McGrath, Res: Pallashill, Informant: Johanna McGrath, Mother, Pallashill, Reg: April 28, 1915.

Supt Reg Dist - Thurles, Reg Dist - ?

March 11, 1916 - **Philip McGrath**, Par. FNU McGrath and FNU McGrath, Reg #1599768.

Image was missing.

##### Death: Johanna McGrath - 40 - 1923

Sup Reg Dist Thurles, Reg Dist Thurles

Date: February 1, 1923 - Location: Pallashill

Name: **Johanna McGrath**

Condition: Married

Age at last Birthday: 40 years

Occupation: Wife of a Farmer

Cause of Death: Myocarditis, 1-1/2 years, no medical attendant

Informant: **Matt McGrath, Widower**, present at death, Pallashill

Reg: April 7, 1923 (Thurles)

##### Death: Matthew McGrath - 75 - 1946

Sup Reg Dist - Thurles, Reg Dist - Thurles

Date: April 26, 1946 - Location: District Hospital, Thurles

Name: **Matthew McGrath** (Pallishill)

Condition: Married

Age at last Birthday: 75 years

Occupation: Farmer

Cause of Death: Hemophilia, 4 months, Tds? almia / illegible bedsores, Certified

Informant: Margaret O'Dwyer, Occupier, District Hospital

Reg: April 27, 1946

NOTE: Matthew was married at the time of his death. His first wife, Johanna McGrath (1881-1923), died after ten years of marriage and after giving birth to two children. Matthew must have remarried but it isn't known if he had more children.

## 3.2 ★ Matthew McGrath - Margaret Costello - Pallashill

(s/o *Francis McGrath* and *Bridget LNU*)

(d/o *Matthew Costello* and *Mary LNU*)

### Matthew Magrath

b 1835-1840

Died prior to 1901

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### Margaret Costello

b. 1833

mar. Feb 20, 1860

d. Jan 11, 1923, Pallashill

### Francis Magrath

bap. Feb 10, 1861, Pallashill

d. Oct 2, 1905, Pallashill

Never married

### Patrick Magrath

bap. Mar 17, 1862, Pallashill

### Bridget Magrath

bap. Aug 9, 1863, Pallashill

### Ellen Magrath

b. Jul 18, 1865, Pallashill

mar. Feb 21, 1898, Inch RC

d. Feb 22, 1937 (aged 73)

bur. St. Michael's Cemetery, Rosmult,  
Templebeg, Co. Tipperary

### = Thomas Ryan

bap. Dec 25, 1850, Coolbawn

d. May 5, 1924 (aged 77)

Coolbawn, Moyalliff

bur. St. Michael's Cemetery, Rosmult,  
Templebeg, Co. Tipperary

### Mary Magrath

b. Jun 20, 1867, Pallashill

mar Feb 6, 1902, Inch Chapel

d. Nov 14, 1951, Coolkill

bur. St. Michael's Cemetery, Rosmult,  
Templebeg, Co. Tipperary

### = James Ryan

b. 1853

d. May 26, 1931, Coolkill

bur. St. Michael's Cemetery, Rosmult,  
Templebeg, Co. Tipperary

Toby in the civil records  
appears to be John in the  
church records.

John, bap Jan 13, 1869.

### Toby Magrath

b. Feb 20, 1869, Pallashill

### Johanna Magrath

b. Jan 16, 1870, Pallashill

### Matthew Magrath

b. Jun 27, 1871, Pallashill

d. Apr 26, 1946, Thurles Dist Hospital

Resident of Pallashill

### = Johanna McGrath

b. Dec 3, 1881, Drombane

mar. Feb 13, 1913, Drombane RC

d. Feb 1, 1923, Pallashill

### Margaret Magrath

b. Oct 1, 1872, Pallashill

## Civil Records - Matthew McGrath - Margaret Costello - Pallashill

### Supt Reg Dist - Thurles, Reg Dist - Thurles

July 18, 1865 - **Ellen Magrath**, Par. Matthew Magrath (Farmer, Pallashill) and Margaret Costello, Res: Palla Hill, Parish of Inch, Informant: Matthew Magrath, Father, Palla Hill, Reg: July 25, 1865.

June 20, 1867 - **Mary Magrath**, Par. Matthew Magrath (Farmer, Pallashill) and Margaret Costello, Res: Pallashill, Inch parish, Informant: Matthew Magrath, Father, Pallashill, Reg: July 2, 1867.

February 20, 1869 - **Toby Magrath**, Par. Matthew Magrath (Farmer, Pallashill) and Margaret Costello, Res: Pallashill, Informant: Margaret Magrath, Mother, Palla Hill, Reg: March 13, 1869.

January 16, 1870 - **Johanna Magrath**, Par. Matthew Magrath (Farmer, Palls Hill) and Margaret Costello, Res: Pallashill, Inch parish, Informant: Mathew Magrath, Father, Pallashill, Reg: January 22, 1870.

June 27, 1871 - **Matthew Magrath**, Par. Matthew Magrath (Farmer, Pallashill) and Margaret Costello, Res: Pallashill, Inch parish, Informant: Matthew Magrath, Father, Pallashill, Reg: July 4, 1871.

October 1, 1872 - **Margaret Magrath**, Par. Matthew Magrath (Farmer, Pallashill) and Margaret Costello, Res: Pallashill, Inch parish, Informant: Margaret Magrath, Mother, Pallashill, Reg: October 5, 1872.

## Church Records

### Marriage Record - Drom & Inch

February 20, 1860 - **Mathew Magrath** married **Margaret Costello**, Drom and Inch RC, Res: Clonbeg, Wit: John Costello and Mary Costello. Priest: Rev. Timothy O'Keane.

Townland	AKA	Acres	County	Barony	Parish	PLU	Province
Clon Beg		101	Tipperary, N.R.	Eliogarty	Inch	Thurles	Munster
Clon More		179	Tipperary, N.R.	Eliogarty	Inch	Thurles	Munster

## Baptisms

February 10, 1861 - **Francis Magrath**, Par. Matthew Magrath and Margaret Costello, Drom and Inch RC, Res: Pallashill, Sps. Michael Magrath and Bridget Costello.

March 17, 1862 - **Patrick Magrath**, Par. Matt Magrath and Margaret Costello, Drom and Inch RC, Res: Pallashill, Sps. John Costello and Mary Maher.

August 9, 1863 - **Bridget Magrath**, Par. Math Magrath and Margaret Costello, Drom and Inch RC, Res: Pallashill, Sps. Thomas Maher and Winifred Costello.

July 20, 1865 - **Ellen Magrath**, Par. Mathew Magrath and Margaret Costello, Drom and Inch RC, Res: Pallashill, Sps. Martin Costello and Margaret Maher.

June 2, 1867 - **Mary Magrath**, Par. Matthew Magrath and Margaret Costello, Drom and Inch RC, Res: Pallashill, Sps. Francis Costello and Mary Costello.

January 13, 1869 - **John McGrath**, Par. Matt McGrath and Margaret Costello, Drom and Inch RD, Res: Pallashill, Sps. Michael Costello and Bridget Costello.

December 24, 1869 - **Hanna McGrath**, Par. Matt McGrath and Margaret Costello, Drom and Inch RC, Res: Pallashill, Sps. Cornelius Meagher and Catherine Costello.

May 13, 1871 - **Mathew McGrath**, Par. Matt McGrath and Margaret Costello, Drom and Inch RC, Res: Pallashill, Sps. Mary Tracy and John Costello.

Added: "married at Drombane, Feby 3, 1913 (14)" - See below

July 8, 1872 - **Margaret McGrath**, Par. Mathew McGrath and Margaret Costello, Drom and Inch RC, Res: Pallashill, Sps. Michael Costello and Antoe Quin.

### **Marriage: Male & Female - Townland**

Sup Reg Dist Thurles, Reg Dist Thurles

February 3, 1913 - married at Drombane chapel

Husband: **Matthew McGrath** (Full age, Bachelor, Farmer, Pallashill)

Father: Matthew McGrath, Farmer

Wife: **Johanna McGrath** (Full age, Spinster, Farmer's daughter, Drombane)

Father: Philip McGrath, Farmer

Witnesses: James Ryan and Nellie McGrath

Priest: Patrick Connery, C.C.

### **Death: Francis McGrath - 41 - 1905**

Sup Reg Dist Thurles, Reg Dist Thurles

Date: October 2, 1905 - Location: Pallashill

Name: **Francis McGrath**

Condition: Bachelor

Age at last Birthday: 41 years

Occupation: Farmer

Cause of Death: Apoplexy, 1 hour, no medical attendant

Informant: Matt. McGrath, Brother, present at death, Pallashill

Reg: October 23, 1905.

### **Death: Margaret McGrath - 90 - 1923**

Sup Reg Dist Thurles, Reg Dist Thurles

Date: January 11, 1923 - Location: Pallashill

Name: **Margaret McGrath**

Condition: Widow

Age at last Birthday: 90 years

Occupation: Farmer's widow

Cause of Death: Senile Decay, no medical attendant

Informant: **Matt McGrath, Son**, present at death, Pallashill

Reg: April 7, 1923 (Thurles)

## Census Records

### 1901 - Margaret McGrath - house 8 in Pallashill (Annfield, Tipperary)

Surname	Forename	Age	Sex	Relation to head	Religion
Mc Grath	Margaret	60	Female	Head of Family	Roman Catholic
Mc Grath	Francis	39	Male	Son	Roman Catholic
Mc Grath	Patrick	37	Male	Son	Roman Catholic
Mc Grath	Mary	26	Female	Daughter	Roman Catholic
Mc Grath	Johanna	24	Female	Daughter	Roman Catholic
Mc Grath	Bridget	3	Female	Grand Daughter	Roman Catholic

All can read and write except Bridget (age 3). All were born in Co. Tipperary. Margaret is a widow and all the other persons are not married.

### 1911 - Margaret McGrath - house 1 in Pallashill (Inch, Tipperary)

Surname	Forename	Age	Sex	Relation to head	Religion
McGrath	Margaret	74	Female	Head of Family	Roman Catholic
McGrath	Matthew	40	Male	Son	Roman Catholic
Ryan	Bridget	13	Female	Grand Daughter	Roman Catholic

Margaret was a widow. All could read and write. Matthew and Bridget were single.

### 1911 - Patrick McGrath - house 4 in Aughnaheela (Borrisoleigh, Tipperary)

Surname	Forename	Age	Sex	Relation to head	Religion
Mc Grath	Patrick	58	Male	Head of Family	Roman Catholic
Mc Grath	Nora	38	Female	Wife	Roman Catholic
Mc Grath	Michael	6	Male	Son	Roman Catholic
Mc Grath	Matthew	5	Male	Son	Roman Catholic
Mc Grath	Francis	3	Male	Son	Roman Catholic
Mc Grath	Margaret M	1	Female	Daughter	Roman Catholic

Possible relative to Matthew since Matthew and Francis appear among the children's names. Patrick and Nora had been married 7 years. Nora had given birth to 5 children all of whom were still alive, however only four of the children were living at home. The parents could read and write but none of the children, who were 6 and under, could read or write.

### 3.3 Philip McGrath - Bridget Shanahan - Mealiffe

**See: *Reaching Across The Penal Times***

#### **Civil Records - Philip McGrath - Bridget Shanahan - Mealiffe**

##### **Marriage**

February 25, 1878 (Thursday) - married at Upperchurch RC church

Husband: **Philip McGrath**, Full age, Bachelor, Farmer, Drombane, Ballycahill

Father: Thomas McGrath (Alive), Farmer

Wife: **Bridget Shanahan**, Full age, Spinster, Foilnagoule, Upperchurch

Father: William Shanahan (Alive), Farmer

Witnesses: Philip McGrath and Bridget Darey

Priest: John Wood, P.P.

##### **Baptisms**

##### **Supt Reg Dist - Thurles, Reg Dist - Holycross**

November 19, 1878 - **Thomas McGrath**, Par. Philip McGrath (Farmer, Mealiffe) and Bridget Shanahan, Res: Mealiffe, Informant: Philip McGrath, Father, Mealiffe, Reg: November 25, 1878.

May 21, 1880 - **Ellen McGrath**, Par. Philip McGrath, (Farmer, Drombane) and Bridget Shanahan, Res: Drombane, Informant: Philip McGrath, Father, Drombane, Reg: June 19, 1880.

December 3, 1881 - **Johanna McGrath**, Par. Philip McGrath (Farmer, Drombane) and Bridget Shanahan, Res: Drombane, Informant: Philip McGrath, Father, Drombane, Reg: December 26, 1881.

August 1, 1882 - **William McGrath**, Par. Philip McGrath (Farmer, Drombane) and Bridget Shanahan, Res: Drombane, Informant: Philip McGrath, Father, Drombane, Reg: August 18, 1882.

May 15, 1884 - **Mary McGrath**, Par. Philip McGrath (Farmer, Drombane) and Bridget Shanahan, Res: Drombane, Informant: Bridget McGrath, Mother, Drombane, Reg: July 7, 1884

August 28, 1885 - **Winifred McGrath**, Par. Philip McGrath (Farmer, Mealiffe) and Bridget Shanahan, Res: Mealiffe, Informant: Philip McGrath, Father, Mealiffe, Reg: January 2, 1886.  
“Registered on Statutory declaration R.H.I. 2.1.86”

November 28, 1887 - **John McGrath**, Par. Philip McGrath (Farmer, Mealiffe) and Bridget Shanahan, Res: Mealiffe, Informant: Philip McGrath, Father, Mealiffe, Reg: December 9, 1887.

September 11, 1889 - **John McGrath**, Par. Philip McGrath (Farmer, Mealiffe) and Bridget Shanahan, Res: Mealiffe, Informant: Bridget McGrath, Mother, Mealiffe, Reg: December 6, 1889.

June 1, 1891 - **Margaret McGrath**, Par. Philip McGrath (Farmer, Drombane) and Bridget Shanahan, Res: Drombane, Informant: Philip McGrath, Father, Drombane, Reg: July 7, 1891.

November 16, 1892 - **Philip McGrath**, Par. Philip McGrath (Farmer, Drombane) and Bridget Shanahan, Res: Drombane, Informant: Philip McGrath, Father, Drombane, Reg: December 16, 1892.

April 7, 1896 - **Patrick McGrath**, Par. Philip McGrath (Farmer Drombane) and Bridget Shanahan, Res: Drombane, Informant: Philip McGrath, Father, Drombane, Reg: January 16, 1897.



September 17, 1897 - **Ellen McGrath**, Par. Philip McGrath (Farmer, Drombane) and Bridget Shanahan, Res: Drombane, Informant: Philip McGrath, Father, Drombane, Reg: May 5, 1897.

April 22, 1899 - **Anne McGrath**, Par. Philip McGrath (Farmer, Mealiffe) and Bridget Shanahan, Res: Mealiffe, Informant: Philip McGrath, Father, Mealiffe, Reg: May 1, 1899.

## Census Records

### 1901 - Philip & Bridget McGrath - house 57 in Drumbane (Moyaliff, Tipperary)

Surname	Forename	Age	Sex	Relation to head	Religion
Mc Grath	Philip	54	Male	Head of Family	Roman Catholic
Mc Grath	Bridget	43	Female	Wife	Roman Catholic
Mc Grath	Thomas	22	Male	Son	Roman Catholic
Mc Grath	William	19	Male	Son	Roman Catholic
Mc Grath	John	12	Male	Son	Roman Catholic
Mc Grath	Philip	8	Male	Son	Roman Catholic
Mc Grath	Patrick	5	Male	Son	Roman Catholic
Mc Grath	Johanna	20	Female	Daughter	Roman Catholic
Mc Grath	Marey	18	Female	Daughter	Roman Catholic
Mc Grath	Winifred	16	Female	Daughter	Roman Catholic
Mc Grath	Maggie	9	Female	Daughter	Roman Catholic
Mc Grath	Ellie	6	Female	Daughter	Roman Catholic

All born in Co. Tipperary. All can read and write, except Patrick (age 5) and Ellie (age 6) who can only read.

### 1911 - Philip & Bridget McGrath - house 17 in Drumbane (Moyaliff, Tipperary)

Surname	Forename	Age	Sex	Relation to head	Religion
Mc Grath	Philip	66	Male	Head of Family	Roman Catholic
Mc Grath	Bridget	52	Female	Wife	Roman Catholic
Mc Grath	Thomas	32	Male	Son	Roman Catholic
Mc Grath	William	29	Male	Son	Roman Catholic
Mc Grath	Philip	19	Male	Son	Roman Catholic
Mc Grath	Patrick	15	Male	Son	Roman Catholic
Mc Grath	Johanna	30	Female	Daughter	Roman Catholic
Mc Grath	Mary	27	Female	Daughter	Roman Catholic
Mc Grath	Margaret	20	Female	Daughter	Roman Catholic
Mc Grath	Ellen	16	Female	Daughter	Roman Catholic
Shanahan	John	8	Male	Nephew	Roman Catholic

Philip and Bridget (Shanahan) have been married 33 years. Bridget gave birth to 13 children of whom 10 were still living. Eight of those were still single and living at home. All persons can read and write and all were born in Co. Tipperary. Johanna married Matthew Magrath of Pallashill.

### 3.4 ★ Thomas McGrath and Nelly Purcell

(s/o Philip Magrath and Winifred Ryan)

(d/o Father and Mother)

#### Thomas Magrath

b. 1806  
d. 17 Feb 1893, aged 87  
bur. Moyaliff Cem.

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#### Ellen (Nelly) Purcell

b. 1797  
mar. Sept. 13, 1843  
d. 30 July 1868  
bur. Moyaliff Cem.

#### Philip Magrath,

bap. Jun. 12, 1844  
Sps. **Kitty McGreat** and Ned Fogarty  
d. 21 Sept 1931, aged 88 yrs  
bur. Moyaliff Cem.

#### = **Bridget Shanahan**

b. 1856  
mar. Feb. 28, 1878  
d. 24 Nov 1924  
bur. Moyaliff Cem.

#### Thomas Magrath,

bap. Feb. 25, 1846, Cross  
Sps. **Dani Magrath** and **Bgt Magrath**

#### John Magrath,

bap. Jun. 6, 1848  
Sps. **Philip Magrath** and **Wfd. Magrath**

#### Winny Magrath,

bap. Sept 20, 1850, Drombane  
Sps. Thos Purcell and **Margt Long**

#### = **Matthew Dwyer**

mar Feb 14, 1885, Clonely

#### Mary Magrath,

bap. Jan. 23, 1853  
Sps. **James Dolan** and **Mary Magrath**

More details about these families is contained in *Reaching Across the Penal Times*.