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 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. 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 Moyaliff 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, Moyaliff parish. Matthew’s family traces back to Pallashill while Johanna traces her family back to Philip Magrath and Winifred Ryan of Coolkill, Moyaliff.

The McGrath families of Moyaliff 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 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 Rosmullet 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 19th 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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There are a number of townlands that appear in the records which are located very close to the townland of Pallashill. This could imply that some of these McGrath families are related. The St. Michael’s Cemetery, where Thomas Ryan and Ellen Magrath are buried, is located in Rosmult, Templebeg civil parish, Co. Tipperary (Green oval).
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.

<table>
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<tr>
<th>Number</th>
<th>Name of Land Holder In Pallashill, Inch par.</th>
<th>Gross Area exclusive of roads and etc. (a-r-p)</th>
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<td>TOTAL</td>
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<td>254-1-37</td>
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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 McGrath and Burke holdings are reproduced in the table below.

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<th>No.</th>
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<th>Immediate Lessor</th>
<th>Description of Tenement</th>
<th>Content of Land</th>
<th>Net Annual Value of Land</th>
<th>Net Annual Value of Buildings</th>
<th>Total Net Annual Value</th>
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<td>Major R. Lidwell</td>
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<td>Michael M’Grath</td>
<td>Francis O’Brien, Esq.</td>
<td>House, office, and land</td>
<td>64 1 7</td>
<td>5 19 0</td>
<td>2 1 0</td>
<td>8 0 0</td>
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<td>4b</td>
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<td></td>
<td></td>
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<td>2 7 0</td>
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The numbering of the lots in the GV will only accidentally coincides 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.

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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 - Pallasill

Marriage: Michael McGrath & Bridget Ryan - Pallasill

February 18, 1901 - married at Holycross RC chapel
Husband: Michael McGrath, Full age, Bachelor, Farmer, Pallasill
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, Pallasill) and Bridget Ryan, Res: Pallasill, Informant: Bridget McGrath, Mother, Pallasill, Reg: May 13, 1905.
December 20, 1906 - Michael Thomas McGrath, Par. Michael McGrath (Farmer, Pallasill) and Bridget Ryan, Res: Pallasill, Informant: M. McGrath, Father, Pallasill,
Reg: February 4, 1907.

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

Death: Mary McGrath - 14 months - 1906

Sup Reg Dist Thurles, Reg Dist Thurles
Date: April 19, 1906 - Location: Pallasill
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, Pallasill
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)

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<td>Roman Catholic</td>
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<td>McGrath</td>
<td>Bridget</td>
<td>32</td>
<td>Female</td>
<td>Daughter in Law</td>
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Michael and Mary could not read or write, Michael, Tobias, and Bridget could.

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

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<td>35</td>
<td>Male</td>
<td>Brother</td>
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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

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

Ellen McGrath
bap. Jan 26, 1862, Pallashill

Michael Magrath (s/o Michael McGrath and Nelly Bourke)

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

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

Ellen McGrath
bap. Jan 26, 1862, Pallashill

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

Margaret McGrath
b. Sep 18, 1868, Pallashill

Mary Magrath
b. Dec 27, 1870, Pallashill

Tobias Magrath
b. Feb 15, 1872, Pallashill

Alive in 1911
Is this the correct death record?

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


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

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

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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.

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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)

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<td>McGrath</td>
<td>Mary</td>
<td>70</td>
<td>Female</td>
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<td>Michael</td>
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<td>McGrath</td>
<td>Bridget</td>
<td>32</td>
<td>Female</td>
<td>Daughter in Law</td>
<td>Roman Catholic</td>
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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)

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<tr>
<td>McGrath</td>
<td>Tobias</td>
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<td>Male</td>
<td>Brother</td>
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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”
1.3 William Ryan and Margaret Bourke
(s/o Father and Mother)
(d/o Father and Mother)

William Ryan  
Of Glenreagh, Holycross

=  
Margaret Bourke   
mar Jul 2, 1861 @ Holycross RC

Michael Ryan   
bap. Apr 6, 1862

Mary Ryan   
bap. Dec 10, 1870, Glenreagh

(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

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: Glanreagh
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)

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<td>William</td>
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1911 - Michael Ryan - house 5 in Glenreagh More (Holycross, Tipperary)

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<td>William</td>
<td>42</td>
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<td>Visitor</td>
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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 - Glenleigh
Sup Reg Dist - Thurles, Reg Dist - Holycross
June 10, 1883 - married at the RC Chapel of Holycross
Husband: Michael Ryan (Full age, Bachelor, Farmer, Glenleigh)
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, Glenleigh) and Ellen Mara, Res: Glenleigh, Informant: Michael Ryan, Father, Glenleigh, Reg: March 8, 1886.
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, Rosmull, 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)

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<td>Wife</td>
<td>Roman Catholic</td>
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<td>Timothy</td>
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<td>Son</td>
<td>Roman Catholic</td>
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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)

William Ryan
  d. aft Feb 1884 and
  bef Feb 1902

Catherine Long
  mar. Feb 3, 1839, Ballycahill & Holycross
  No Death Rec found

Neither William nor Catherine Ryan were
found in the 1901 & 1911 census.

Timothy Ryan
  bap. Jan 20, 1842, Coolbane
  Sps. Patrick Ryan and Honora Long

Probably died young

Judy Ryan
  bap. Nov 4, 1849, Coolbawn
  Sps. Mary Carroll

Probably died young

Thomas Ryan
  bap. Dec 25, 1850, Coolbane
  Sps. Richard Harney and Margaret Ryan
  d. May 5, 1924
  bur. St. Michael’s Cemetery, Rosmult,
  Templebeg, Co. Tipperary

= Ellen McGrath
  b. 1865, Pallashill
  mar Feb 20, 1898, Inch RC Chapel
  d. Feb 22, 1937
  bur. St. Michael’s Cemetery, Rosmult,
  Templebeg, Co. Tipperary

James Ryan
  bap. Feb 19, 1853, Coolbane
  Sps. John Dwyer and Catherine McGrath
  d. May 26, 1931, Coolkill
  bur. St. Michael’s Cemetery, Rosmult,
  Templebeg, Co. Tipperary

= Mary McGrath
  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

Judy Ryan
  bap. May 31, 1855, Coolbane
  Sps. Patrick Ryan and Mary Carroll
  d. Jul 15, 1934, Coolbawn

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

Never married

Timothy Ryan
  bap. Oct 21, 1860, Coolbane
  Sps. Patrick Britt and Ellen Britt
  d. Apr 25, 1949, Coolbawn

See section 2.1

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?

John Long
b. 1773
d. 30 Sept 1842, age 69
at Lisnagrough, Holycross
bur. Church of Ireland,
Holycross, Co. Tipperary

= Mary Magrath
Mary erected the monument for her
husband John but she doesn’t
appear to be buried in the same
plot.

James Long
b. 1811, Thurles, Co.
Tipperary, Ireland
d. Jan. 24, 1883
bur. St. Patrick’s Cem.,
Truxton, NY

= Nancy Kelly
b. 1811, Ireland
mar. in Ireland
d. 1892
bur. St. Patrick’s Cem., Truxton, NY

John Long

= William Ryan
b. abt 1815-1820
mar. Feb 3, 1839,
Ballycahill & Holycross RC

Catherine Long

= William Ryan
b. abt 1815-1820
mar. Feb 3, 1839,
Ballycahill & Holycross RC

James Long
b. 1811, Thurles, Co.
Tipperary, Ireland
d. Jan. 24, 1883
bur. St. Patrick’s Cem.,
Truxton, NY

= Nancy Kelly
b. 1811, Ireland
mar. in Ireland
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bur. St. Patrick’s Cem., Truxton, NY

John Long

= William Ryan
b. abt 1815-1820
mar. Feb 3, 1839,
Ballycahill & Holycross RC

Catherine Long
b. abt 1815-
1820
mar. Feb 3, 1839,
Ballycahill & Holycross RC

= William Ryan
b. abt 1815-1820
mar. Feb 3, 1839,
Ballycahill & Holycross RC

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

William Ryan = Catherine Long = Mathew McGrath = Margaret Costello

Thady Ryan
b. 1861
d. Apr 25, 1949, Coolbawn, Drombane
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

Mary McGrath
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

Catherine Ryan (Katty)
d. Sept 1, 1990
bur. St. Michael’s Cemetery, Rosmult, Templebeg, Co. Tipperary

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 Nepbritis, 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 where 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

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

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

Mary Long
b. 1866

William Long
b. 1888
d. May 24, 1917, Moyaliff

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

Margaret Long
b. 1892

Catherine Long
b. 1894

No marriage record
No death record

Patrick Bohan
mar Feb 7, 1921, College Hill

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, 1984

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

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## Marriages

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<td>Husband: <strong>Thomas Dwyer</strong> (Full age, Bachelor, Farmer &amp; Merchant, Thurles)</td>
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William Long and Catherine Ryan
(s/o Patrick Long and Margaret LNU)
(d/o Denis Ryan and Judy LNU)

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, Coolbawn

= 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

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

Borrisoleigh RC
Marriage

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Upperchurch and Drombane RC
Baptism

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
Two Pallashill siblings married into Moyaliff families. See the separate “Thomas Ryan and Ellen McGrath Pedigree”

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 Pallashill 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 Pallashill 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.

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

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

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, Rosmurt, Templebeg, Co. Tipperary

= Thomas Ryan  
bap. Dec 25, 1850, Coolbawn  
d. May 5, 1924 (aged 77)  
Coolbawn, Moyaliff  
bur. St. Michael's Cemetery, Rosmurt, Templebeg, Co. Tipperary

Mary Magrath  
b. Jun 20, 1867, Pallashill  
mar Feb 6, 1902, Inch Chapel  
d. Nov 14, 1951, Coolkhill  
bur. St. Michael's Cemetery, Rosmurt, Templebeg, Co. Tipperary

= James Ryan  
b. 1853  
d. May 26, 1931, Coolkhill  
bur. St. Michael's Cemetery, Rosmurt, Templebeg, Co. Tipperary

Toby Magrath  
b. Feb 20, 1869, Pallashill

John, bap Jan 13, 1869.

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

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

The McGrath Families of Pallashill
06-23-20

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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: Pallashill, 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


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Baptisms

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


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.


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)

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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)

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

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

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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: Philip McGrath, Father, 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)**

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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)**

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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)

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