

PATRICK MCGRAW AND BRIDGET SLATTERY

From Loughourna, Knigh parish, Co. Tipperary, Ireland

Immigrated to the US in 1866

Settled on the North side in the First Ward

Living at 389 First North St in 1880

Ancestors of the

Francis L. McGraw Family
Maxwell Ave., N. Syracuse, NY

William F. McGraw Family
218 McLennan Ave., Syracuse, NY

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INTRODUCTION

Growing up in Mattydale, my family went to school, both elementary and high school, with another McGraw family that lived in North Syracuse. At the time we both wondered if our two families were related but no one ever bothered to check it out, past just asking our parents. My father was Francis M. McGraw and in North Syracuse was Francis L. McGraw and the common given name hinted at a possible connection somewhere back in time. Francis L. was known as "Muggsy," and had something to do with the city jail. Since the names were next to each other in the phone book we would get phone calls from drunks at the city jail who were looking for "Muggsy." Over the years we learned that it was impossible to convince a drunk that he had the wrong number. It was a blessing that those gentlemen were only allowed one call each. After high school graduation our paths never crossed again.

In the fall of 2010 the question occurred to me once again and I decided to search for a connection between our families. It turned out that we weren't related but I was able to trace the North Syracuse McGraws back to Patrick and Bridget McGrath of the 1st Ward in Syracuse, NY. The family had come to the US in 1866 with seven children. Patrick worked as a laborer in the Salt fields on the north side of the city. My family had come from Upperchurch, Co. Tipperary, Ireland, in 1848 and 1850, and settled in the southern part of Onondaga County in Fabius and later moved to Cortland County in Cuyler and then Truxton.

About this time I was working with the late Richard Long on research to find connections between our respective families. During this research I connected with one of Dick's nephews, Steve Long. More than once, Steve had asked me if I was related to a McGraw family that had gone to St. Anthony's High School with him. I was a curious since my father's family had lived at 512 Garfield Ave., just off E. Colvin, and they had all attended St. Anthony's. Rosemary, the youngest, had graduated in about 1958. However, we weren't missing anyone from the family tree, and so, without doing any actual research, I knew we weren't related to this McGraw family from the south side.

Over the years Steve Long would ask me about this family and finally I decided to do a little digging to find the actual connections of this McGraw family. It developed that they were connected to the same Patrick and Bridget McGrath family as the North Syracuse McGraws. And with that I filed the result away and moved on.

During September 2014 the mother board in my computer decided to die. For two weeks I was without a computer and so I decided to reorganize my genealogy papers. During the process I found a 2007 e-mail from an Ed McGraw asking about a William McGraw from Syracuse. Back then my response to him had been negative. In the e-mail he had mentioned his mother's maiden name, Mullen. That name rang a bell and after checking I found that Ed was the youngest member of the McGraw family of McLennan Ave.

PATRICK AND BRIDGET MCGRATH

Patrick McGrath

b. 1816, Ireland
To US 1866
d. Bef 1875

Bridget Slattery

b. 1823, Ireland
m. Feb 10, 1852 at Nenagh, Co Tipperary
Wit: James Lynch & Bridget Lynch
d. Bef 1892

Thomas McGrath

Bap. Nov 1852, Loughourna, Knigh, Co.
Tipp, Ireland

Died young in Ireland

Thomas J. McGrath

bap. Apr 3, 1854, Loughourna, Knigh,
Co. Tipp, Ireland
Sps: Thomas McGrath & Judy Slattery
d. Jan 27, 1926
bur. St. Agnes Cem, Syracuse, NY

= Mary A. Doyle

b. Apr 1855, Ireland
m. 1881
To US 1855
1900: 8 Children / 6 Alive
d. July 8, 1911 (Res. 416 Wolf St)

John McGrath

bap. Aug 25, 1857, Loughourna, Knigh,
Co. Tipp, Ireland
Sps: John Slattery & Mary McGrath
d. Oct 3, 1906, New York City
bur. St. Agnes Cem, Syracuse, NY

Never married

Honora McGrath

bap. Aug 25, 1857, Loughourna, Knigh,
Co. Tipp, Ireland
Sps: John Slattery & Mary McGrath
d. Bef 1906

Rhody McGrath

bap. Sept 30, 1858, Loughourna, Knigh,
Co. Tipp, Ireland
Sps: John Slattery & Bridget Lynch

Alive in Jan 1926

Bridget F. McGrath

bap. Sept 30, 1858, Loughourna, Knigh,
Co. Tipp, Ireland
Sps: John Slattery & Bridget Lynch
d. June 11, 1943
bur. St Agnes Cem, Syracuse, NY

Never married

Mary McGrath

bap. Feb 19, 1861, Loughourna, Knigh,
Co. Tipp, Ireland
Sps: Matt Slattery & Bridget Magrath
d. Oct 16, 1912, Syracuse, NY
bur. Assumption Cem, Syracuse, NY

= Matthew F. Wood

No children

Winnie D. McGrath

bap. Mar 22, 1865, Loughourna, Knigh,
Co. Tipp, Ireland
Sps: Patt Magrath & Bridget Slaton
Unmarried in Jan 1926
Only sibling alive in June 1943

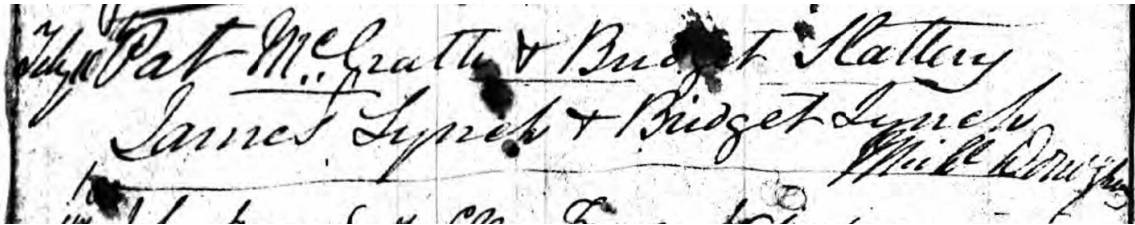
Never married

John and Honora McGraw were twins as were Rhody and Bridget McGraw.

1875 – Bridget was a widow at the time of this census.

1880 – Bridget McGrath and family were living at 389 1st North St, Syracuse, NY.

1892 – Bridget McGrath not found in this census



Record of Patrick McGrath and Bridget Slattery's marriage on Feb 10, 1852 at Nenagh, Co. Tipperary. In the index on Ancestry.com the names were given as "Pat Mcgratte" and "Budgt Kallay." When using this index throw a wide net and check anything that looks close.

Sponsors and Witnesses – Relatives, Friends & Neighbors

McGrath	Slattery	Lynch	Other
Thomas McGrath	Judy Slattery	James Lynch	Bridget Slaton
Mary McGrath	John Slattery	Bridget Lynch	
Bridget Magrath	Matt Slattery		
Patt Magrath			

Name	1870	1875	1880
Location	Syracuse WD01	Syracuse WD01	Syracuse WD01
Patrick McGrath	54	dec.	
Bridget McGrath	48	55	57
Children			
Thomas J. McGrath	15	21	25
John McGrath	13	18	
Honora McGrath	13	18	
Rhody McGrath	11	16	21
Bridget F. McGrath	11	16	21
Mary McGrath	7	14	18
Winifred D. McGrath	5	10	14

1870 NY Onondaga Syracuse WD01 M593-1022-45B

Res 574, Fam 709

Patrick was a "Laborer in Salt Field." Thomas (15) and John (13) were "Laborer(s) in Saw Mill." Honora, Rhody, Bridget and Mary were "Attending School." Winifred was "At Home."

1875 NY Onondaga Syracuse WD01, ED01

Res 206, Frame, \$900, Fam 197

Bridget was a widow, All her children were Single. Thomas was a "Wifer" on the S. N. RR, John was a Laborer, Hanorah was a Tailoress, Rhody was a Laborer, Bridget was a Tailoress

Next door was a very similar family. Two widowed Bridget McGraws only two years apart in age.

Res 207, Frame, \$1500, Fam 198

Bridget McGraw, 53, Ireland, Widow

James McGraw, 24, Son, Ireland, S, "Wifer" S. N. RR

Rhoda (Rhody) McGraw, 23, Son, Onondaga, S, Keading Turner

Bridget McGraw, 20, Dau, Onondaga, S, Dress Maker

1880 NY Onondaga Syracuse WD01 T9-907-7A

389 First North Street, Res 124, Fam 147

Bridget was a Widow and all her children living at home were Single. Thomas was a "Laborer."

Rhody was an "Apprentice to Plumber & Gasfitter." Bridget was a "Shirt Maker." Mary was a "Dress Maker." Winnie was "Going to School."

THOMAS J. MCGRATH AND MARY A. DOYLE

(s/o Patrick McGrath and Bridget Slattery)

(d/o Patrick Doyle)

Thomas J. McGrath, Sr.

b. Apr 1855, Ireland
d. Jan 27, 1926
bur. St. Agnes Cem, Syracuse,
NY

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Mary A. Doyle

b. Apr 1855, Ireland
m. 1881
To US 1855
1900: 8 Children / 6 Alive
d. July 8, 1911 (Res. 416 Wolf St)

Mary A. McGraw

b. Aug 1882, NY
d. May 27, 1936, Syracuse, NY

Never married

William J. McGraw

b. July 1884, NY

= Nettie ?

b. 1885, NY

Children:

William F. McGraw (b. 1918)

Mary Kathleen McGraw

Francis J. McGraw

b. Nov 1888, NY
d. Oct 28, 1963, N. Syracuse, NY
bur. St. Mary's Cem, Dewitt, NY

= Ethel M. ?

b. 1900, Ohio

Children:

Francis L. McGraw

George P. McGraw

b. Dec 1889, NY
Alive Oct 1963

= Margaret L. Larkin

b. 1888, NY
m. Aug 18, 1915, St. Lucy's,
Syracuse, NY

Children:

Mary McGraw (b. 1917)

John L. McGraw (b. Aug 1919)

Robert H. McGraw

b. Jan 1892, NY
In Rochester, NY in 1936
d. 1973

Thomas J. McGraw, Jr.

b. July 18, 1894, NY
At 416 Wolf St. from birth to ~1911

Mary A. McGraw was a teacher in the Syracuse Public schools for over thirty years. She was living at 311 Kellogg Street at the time of her death. She died of pneumonia at St. Joseph's Hospital after an illness of one week. Mary attended Sacred Heart School and was a graduate of Syracuse Normal School. She began her teaching career at Putnam School and after many years was transferred to the "new" Washington-Irving School.

Name	1892	1900	1905	1910	1920
Location	Syracuse WD01	Syracuse WD01	Syracuse WD01	Syracuse WD01	Syracuse WD12
Thomas McGrath	36	45	50	55	64
Mary McGrath	36	45	50	55	d. 1911
Children					
Mamie A. (Mary) McGrath	9	17	32??	27	37
William J. McGrath	7	15	20	25	
Frank J. McGrath	4	12	17	21	
George McGrath	2	10	15	19	
Robert H. McGrath	1	8	13	17	
Thomas J. McGrath		5	10	15	25
Other					
Connell, Mary A. (niece)				10	

1892 NY Onondaga Syracuse WD01 ED03

This census contains very little information past the basics. Thomas was an Engineer. He and his wife Mary had been born in Ireland and all their children had been born in the US.

1900 NY Onondaga Syracuse WD01 T623-1136-7A

416 Wolf St., Res127, Fam 148; Owned his home with a Mortgage

Thomas, Sr. was an Engineer on the Railroad. The children were all in school. Despite the fact that Thomas was only 55 years old the census enumerator recorded that he had come to the US in 1836 and had been here for 66 years – a full 11 years before he was born. This could be taken as documented proof that the Irish were good at telling tales and making people believe them.

1905 NY Onondaga Syracuse WD01 ED03

The surname has changed from McGrath to McGraw. Daughter Mary A. has aged 15 years since the 1905 census.

1910 NY Onondaga Syracuse WD01 T624-1055-196B

416 Wolf St, Res 72, Fam 92

Thomas, Sr. was an Engineer on a Steam Car. Mary was a teacher at a trade school. William was a letter carrier for the city. Frank and George were clerks at a freight house. Robert was a clerk at a shoe store and Thomas, Jr. had no occupation.

1920 NY Onondaga Syracuse WD12 T625-1249-98A

310 Kellogg St, Res 141, Fam 201

Thomas Sr. was an Engineer on a Locomotive. Mary was a school teacher. Thomas Jr. was the Proprietor of a store.

FRANCIS J. MCGRAW AND ETHEL M. ?

(s/o Thomas J. McGrath and Mary A. Doyle)

(d/o ?)

Francis J. McGraw

b. Nov 1888, NY

d. Oct 28, 1963, N. Syracuse,
NY

bur. St. Mary's Cem, Dewitt,
NY

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Ethel M. ?

b. 1900, Ohio

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Francis L. McGraw

b. 1915, NY

d. Apr 1996, W. Palm Beach, FL

= Helen Jagielski

In Riviera Beach, FL in Apr, 1996

FRANCIS L. MCGRAW AND HELEN JAGIELSKI

(s/o Francis L. McGraw and Helen Jagielski)

(d/o ?)

Francis L. McGraw

b. 1915, NY

d. Apr 1996, W. Palm Beach,
FL

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Helen Jagielski

In Riviera Beach, FL in Apr, 1996

Francis J. McGraw

1966 – Orlando, FL

= ?

Children:

Daniel Joseph McGraw, married D'Ann
Elizabeth Duersterhoeft, Apr 11, 1987,
Austin, TX

Michael R. McGraw

1966 – West Palm Beach, FL

Thomas McGraw

b. 1947, NY

d. Jan 1966, Vietnam

= **Sarah Lee Demore**

Children:

Robin McGraw (b. 1963)

Brian P. McGraw

b. 1948, NY

1966 – Liverpool, NY

= **Evelyn Moosbrugger**

Children:

Brian T. McGraw

Colleen A. McGraw = Duane Ladd (6/90)

Kevin M. McGraw

Megan K. McGraw

Martin J. McGraw

1966 – North Syracuse, NY

Steven A. McGraw

1966 – Riviera Beach, FL

Anne McGraw

1966 – Liverpool, NY

= ? **Davis**

Kelly Marie McGraw

1966 – Williamstown, NY (?)

= ? **Robinson**

WILLIAM J. MCGRATH AND NETTIE ?

(s/o Thomas J. McGrath and Mary A. Doyle)

(d/o ?)

William J. McGraw

b. July 1884, NY

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Nettie ?

b. 1885, NY

William F. McGraw

b. 1918

d. Feb 7, 1997

= **Mary E. Mullin**

b.

d. May 18, 1999

Mary Kathleen McGraw

b.

d. June 2, 1983, Syracuse, NY

bur. Assumption Cem, Syracuse, NY

= **Michael J. Rafferty**

b.

Children:

Daniel J. Rafferty

Michael W. Rafferty

WILLIAM F. MCGRATH AND MARY E. MULLIN

(s/o William J. McGrath and Nettie ?)

(d/o ?)

William F. McGraw, Sr.

b. 1918

d. Feb 7, 1997

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Mary E. Mullin

b.

d. May 18, 1999

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William F. McGraw, Jr.

b. ~1944

1997 – Liverpool, NY

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Alicia Bott

—

James/John McGraw

b. ~1945

1997 – Camillus, NY

—

Thomas D. McGraw

b.

1997 – Wellesly, MA

—

Dennis M. McGraw

b. ~1948

1997 – Syracuse, NY

—

Ann F. McGraw

b. ~1949

1997 – Framingham, MA

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Sam S. Coluccio, Jr.

b.

—

Robert J. McGraw

b. ~1957

1997 – Westvale, NY

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Mary Ann Russo

b.

—

Mary Susan McGraw

b.

1997 – Syracuse, NY

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Roger Rowlands

m. June 6, 1998

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Edward J. McGraw

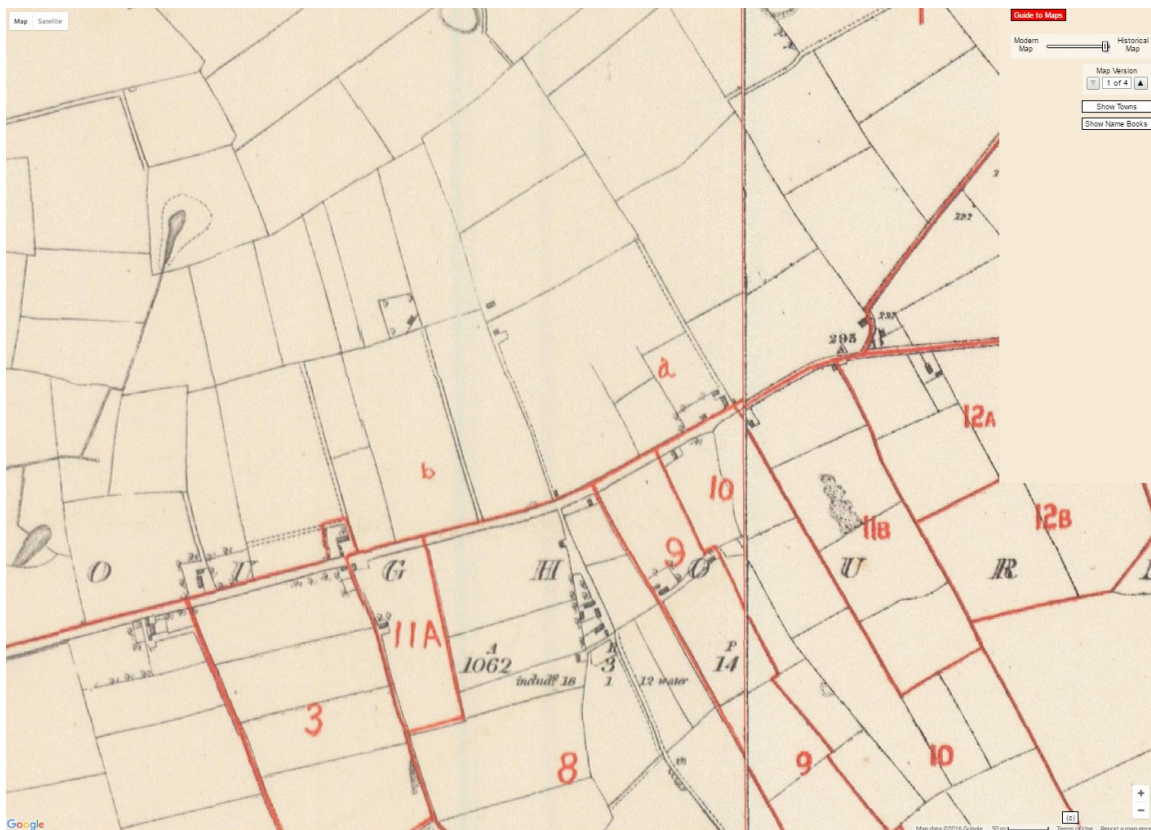
b.

1997 – Jenkinstown, PA

PATRICK McGRATH AND BRIDGET SLATTERY IN IRELAND

				Total, exclusive of Exemptions, . 873 3 17				422 4 0				43 16 0				466 0 0			
LOUGHOURNA. (Orl. Ss. 14 & 15.)																			
1	a	Patrick McGrath,	John B. Scott,	House, office, & land,	16	1	2	2 15 0	1	0	0	3 15 0							
1	b	Thomas McGrath,	Same,	House, offices, & land,	374	1	29	2 15 0	1	0	0	3 15 0							
1	c	John Keirnan,	John Keirnan,	House, offices, and land,				1 15 0	1	15	0	131 0 0							
1	d	John Houlihan,	Same,	House and office,				1 5 0	1	5	0	1 5 0							
1	e	James Moylan,	Same,	House and office,				1 5 0	1	5	0	1 5 0							
1	f	Patrick Hogan,	Same,	House,				1 0 0	1	0	0	1 0 0							
1	g	Vacant,	Same,	House and office,				1 0 0	1	0	0	1 0 0							
1	h	Margaret Toohy,	Same,	House,				0 10 0	0	10	0	0 10 0							
3 A	a	Francis W. Kiernan,	Same,	House, office, and land,	22	0	36	7 10 0	1	15	0	9 5 0							

This portion of the Griffith's Valuation was published in the mid-1850s.



This is a circa 1840 Ordnance Survey map of the townland Loughourna, Knigh parish. This marked up map represents the land holding about 15 years after the Griffith's Valuation was published probably after Patrick and Bridget had left Ireland in 1866. The most prominent observation of these maps in comparison with the published GV is the large reduction in the number of small land holders.



A quick assessment of the reduction in the number of parcels in Loughourna can be made by observing the portion of the body of water in the upper right hand corner of the map above that is in the townland of Loughourna. In the published version of the GV this was the last parcel listed, where it was No. 29 and was described as “Lake.” In the map above that same parcel is now numbered No. 24 indicating that five of the lower numbered parcels from the published list had been consolidated.

The total number of acres in the townland of Loughourna was listed as 1062 acres. The largest parcel was held by John Keirnan, being lot 2a, that was a little over 374 acres. This represented a bit over 35% of the townland. In the map above the largest parcel is labeled No. 1. This would imply that Patrick Magrath and Thomas Magrath who had jointly occupied parcels 1a and 1b, which had totaled 16 acres have left. Parcel No. 1 was absorbed into the former No. 2 parcel which then became the new No. 1. This can be seen in the map above where parcel No. 1 is obviously the largest parcel in the townland. This probably caused all the small holding in the parcel (those labeled with lower case letters) to be relabeled. This would mean that 1a and 1b in the above map would be the former holding of Patrick and Thomas Magrath.

PRIMARY VALUATION OF TENEMENTS.

PARISH OF KNIGH.

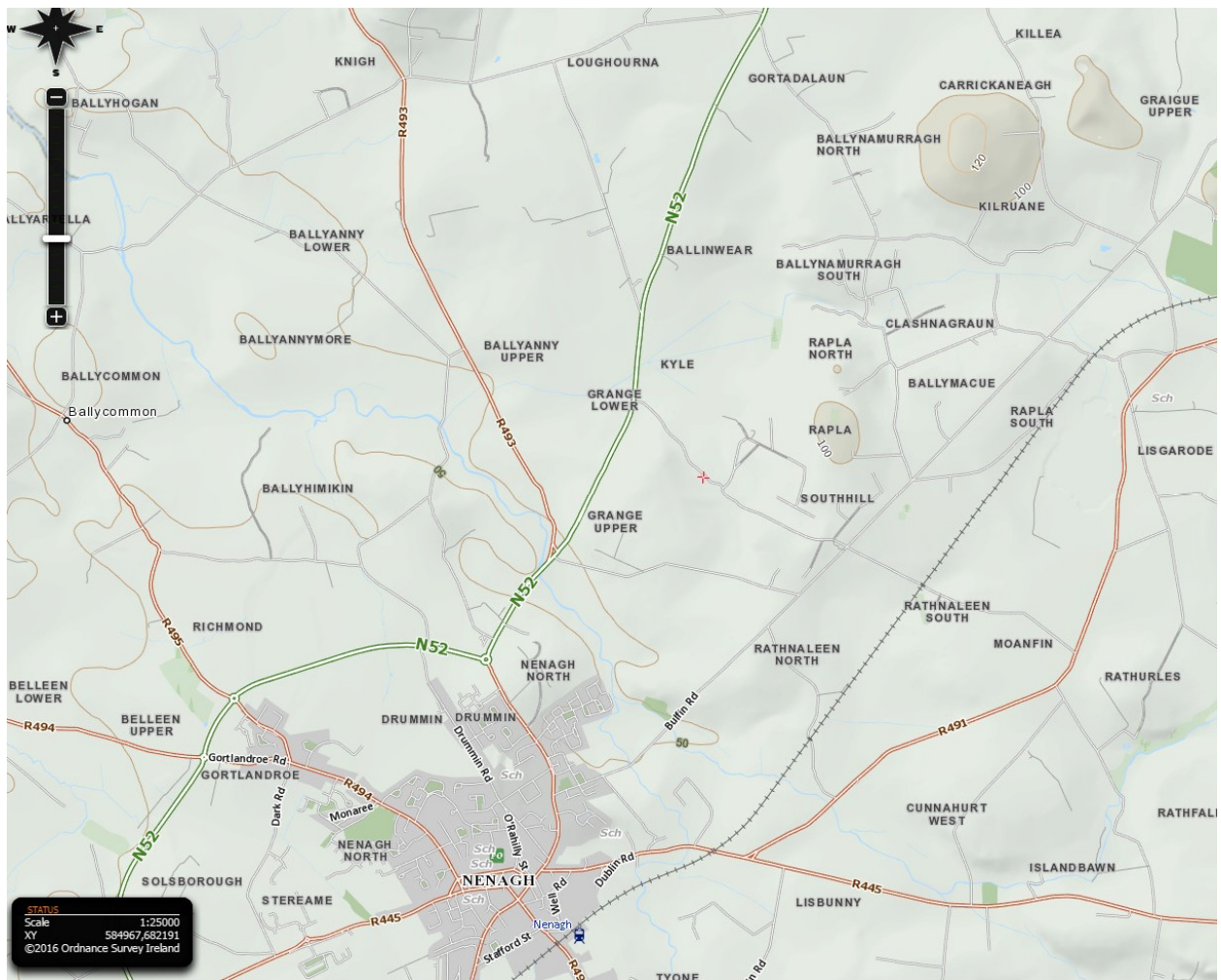
No. and Letters of Reference to Map.	Names.		Description of Tenement.	Area.	Net Annual Value		
	Townlands and Occupiers.	Immediate Lessors.			Land.	Buildings.	Total.
				A. R. P.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
1	a	LOUGHOURNA—cont.					
		Francis W. Kiernan, . . .	John Kiernan, . . .	Land, . . .	52 1 33	20 0 0	20 0 0
2	b	Vacant, . . .	Francis W. Kiernan, . . .	House and office, . . .	—	—	1 5 0
3		Michael Delany, . . .	John Kiernan, . . .	House, office, & garden, . . .	0 1 6	0 5 0	1 5 0
4		Thomas Corboy, . . .	Same, . . .	House and land, . . .	3 1 18	1 5 0	2 0 0
5		Patrick Tuohy, . . .	Same, . . .	House and land, . . .	19 1 14	6 15 0	7 10 0
6	a	Patrick Stapleton, . . .	Jane E. Scott, . . .	Land, . . .	11 2 19	4 10 0	4 10 0
7	b	Patrick Stapleton, . . .	Same, . . .	Land, . . .	13 2 37	5 0 0	5 0 0
8	a	Daniel Coughlin, . . .	Patrick Stapleton, . . .	House, . . .	—	1 0 0	1 0 0
9		Michael Devitt, . . .	Jane E. Scott, . . .	House, office, and land, . . .	17 2 35	6 5 0	7 5 0
10		Michael Heenan, . . .	John B. Scott, . . .	House, office, and land, . . .	15 0 21	5 10 0	6 10 0
11		Michael Heenan, . . .	Jane E. Scott, . . .	Land, . . .	4 3 23	1 15 0	1 15 0
12		Patrick Hogan (Long), . . .	Same, . . .	House and land, . . .	7 3 11	2 10 0	3 5 0
13		Patrick Walsh, . . .	Same, . . .	House, office, and land, . . .	42 1 11	15 5 0	16 5 0
14		Michael Canny, . . .	Same, . . .	House, office, and land, . . .	19 3 38	6 15 0	7 15 0
15	a	Jane E. Scott, . . .	In fee, . . .	Land, . . .	15 0 11	4 5 0	4 5 0
16		William Madden, . . .	Jane E. Scott, . . .	House, . . .	—	0 15 0	0 15 0
17		Patrick Woolahan, . . .	Same, . . .	House and land, . . .	21 1 17	7 0 0	8 0 0
18		Patrick Gleeson, . . .	Same, . . .	House and land, . . .	41 2 32	12 5 0	13 0 0
19		William Crawford, . . .	Same, . . .	House and land, . . .	11 3 10	3 15 0	4 10 0
20		Honoria Skattery, . . .	Same, . . .	House and land, . . .	4 0 0	1 10 0	2 5 0
21		John Woolahan, . . .	Same, . . .	House and land, . . .	37 2 0	12 5 0	13 0 0
22		John Corboy, . . .	Same, . . .	House and land, . . .	9 1 11	3 0 0	3 5 0
23		Michael Delany, . . .	Same, . . .	Land, . . .	16 3 36	6 5 0	6 5 0
24	a	Denis Brien, . . .	Same, . . .	Land, . . .	34 2 26	11 15 0	11 15 0
25		Vacant, . . .	Denis Brien, . . .	House and office, . . .	—	1 0 0	1 0 0
26		John Stapleton, . . .	Jane E. Scott, . . .	House, offices, and land, . . .	24 1 2	9 10 0	10 10 0
27		Ellen Stapleton, . . .	Same, . . .	House, offices, and land, . . .	54 3 6	20 5 0	21 10 0
28		John Hayes, . . .	Same, . . .	House, office, and land, . . .	21 0 10	7 10 0	8 10 0
29		Patrick Hayes, . . .	Same, . . .	Land, . . .	15 1 22	5 15 0	5 15 0
30	a	James Edwards, . . .	Same, . . .	House, office, and land, . . .	18 3 3	6 10 0	7 15 0
31	b	Vacant, . . .	James Edwards, . . .	House, . . .	—	0 10 0	0 10 0
32	c	Denis Hayes, . . .	Same, . . .	House, office, & land, . . .	86 1 10	10 10 0	11 15 0
33		John Hayes, . . .	Jane E. Scott, . . .	House, office, & land, . . .	—	1 10 0	12 0 0
34		Patrick Hayes, . . .	Same, . . .	House, office, & land, . . .	—	1 10 0	12 0 0
35		John Brien (Nenagh), . . .	Same, . . .	Land, . . .	9 3 3	3 0 0	3 0 0
36				Water, . . .	18 1 12	—	—
Total, . . .				1062 3 14	363 18 0	35 7 0	399 5 0



This is a 2005 aerial view of Patrick and Thomas Magrath's land.



This marked up represents the land parcels in the townland of Loughourna in the late 1860s. In the center of the map are parcel 1a and 1b. It has been argued that these were the residences of Patrick and Thomas Magrath.



This modern day map shows the location of the townland Loughourna about 5 km northeast of Nenagh.