Clare Towns and Villages that Featured in the Great War.

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**Barefield**

**Trinaderry House Barefield**
Home to the Enright, Kelly, Griffin and McMahon families. Still standing and inhabited. See ‘*Houses of Clare*’ by Hugh W L Weir page 265.

**Dr C J Kelly**: Son of Mr Francis Kelly of Trinaderry, Templemaley (Barefield). He enlisted in Nov 1914 and volunteered for the front. He received a commission in the Royal Army Medical Corps, and was attached to the Connaught Hospital at Aldershot.

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**Drumconora Ennis**
Home to the Crowe, Fleming, Dalton, O’Loghlen and Culliney families. The house is now demolished. See ‘*Houses of Clare*’ by Hugh W L Weir page 111.

**Sir Michael O’Lochlen**
His Majesty’s Lt. for the County in 1915 resided in **Drumconora**. He was on the Co Clare POW Aid Committee in Dec 1915.
Ballynacally

Fort Fergus Ballynacally
Home to the Harrison, Ross, Ross-Lewin, Stacpoole, Evans, O’Grady, Ball, Beauchamp and Garry families. The old house is ruined. A modern house is standing. See ‘Houses of Clare’ by Hugh W L Weir page 127.

Major William Hawkins Ball. Fort Fergus, attended a public meeting in Nov 1915, at the Courthouse to fundraise for Clare POW’s in Germany.

Gate Lodge at Fort Fergus
Daniel Neylon: Toonagh, Ennis. He was the Chief Accountant in the War Office, and was Financial Advisor to the Salonica Expeditionary Force. In Jan 1918 he was conferred a **Member of the Order of the British Empire** and made a **C.B.E**. He was the son of James Neylon, the brother of John Neylon Knockroe House Boston, and the sister of Miss Neylon, the Matron of the Clare County Infirmary.

Knockroe House Boston
Home to the Neylon family. The house is still standing and inhabited. See ‘*Houses of Clare*’ by Hugh W L Weir page 171.

Castelake Bradford.
Home to the Gabbett, Parker, Donnellan and Carroll families. The house is still standing and inhabited. See ‘*Houses of Clare*’ by Hugh W L Weir page 67.

‘Brigadier-General Parker’ was created C.M.G. in 1918, C.B. in 1919, was mentioned a further three times, and received the French Croix de Guerre and the Italian Order of the Crown. In October 1919, he was promoted to Colonel, and commanded the 164 (North Lancashire) Infantry Brigade, T.A. from 1920 to 1924. He retired last year, and had lived since at Castle Lake, Sixmilebridge, County Clare.’ Sat Record July 1927. He was born in Ballyvalley, Killaloe.
Clonboy, Bridgetown

Home to the Brown, Kingsmill and Studdert families. The house has been completely demolished. The original gates and gateway still remain. See ‘Houses of Clare’ by Hugh W L Weir page 75.

Ernest George Brown : Born near Ballingarry, Co. Limerick in 1864. Ernest educated at Trinity College Dublin. When his father died in 1907, he inherited the Clonboy Estate as well as other lands at Ballynagown, Lisnagry. In 1907 he described himself as a farmer of about 2,000 acres. The Clonboy estate consisted of 893 acres.

He was loved and respected by his Tenants. He was a strong supporter of the co-operative movement founded by Horace Plunkett, a founder member of the Irish Farmers Federation and he attended the Landlords convention of 1902. Ernest Brown backed the Irish Volunteers in 1913 and during the WW1 served with the British Army in East Germany and East Africa. Ernest Brown died 19th October 1942 and was buried in the family vault in Killaloe Cathedral graveyard.

His memorial tablet in the Killaloe Cathedral, quote the following verse from the Book of Proverbs:

A good name is rather to be chosen than great riches
And loving favour rather than silver and gold.
The rich and the poor meet together
The Lord is the maker of them all.
**Bunratty**

**Bunratty Castle**
Home to the O’Brien, Cooper, Westropp, Studdert and Russell families. Now owned by Shannon Development and is a major tourist attraction. See ‘Houses of Clare’ by Hugh W L Weir page 49.

**Major Richard Studdert**: Bunratty Castle. Army Service Corps (Formerly Royal Irish Regiment). He was mentioned in Despatches twice. He remained on in the army after the war dying in Egypt on active service in 1924.

**Firgrove Bunratty**
Home to the McMahon, Scott, Kelly, Butler, Roche-Kelly and Frost families. The old house is demolished and a new house is standing on the site. See ‘Houses of Clare’ by Hugh W L Weir page 126.

**Lieut. James Roche-Kelly**: Firgrove House Bunratty. South Irish Horse. 1914. Mentioned in Despatches ‘For gallant and distinguished service in the field’ Feb 1915.

**Major Edmund Roche-Kelly** was born 1881 in Firgrove House, Bunratty, County Clare. He was aged 35 in 1916. He was a pre-war soldier. He attended Downside School in Somerset before being commissioned into the Royal Irish Regiment in 1901. He served with the 2nd Batt. in the Boer War (officially the 2nd South African War, 1899-1902) and, by 1909, had risen to the rank of Captain. He also served with the Regiment in India and was promoted to major in 1916. He served with the British Forces during the Easter Rising.
Clarecastle / Ballyea

Carnelly, Clarecastle

Mr and Mrs Lane Joynt donated £2 to the Ennis Sub Depot of the Irish War Hospital Supply Fund in June 1917. This money was used to buy materials for bandages and dressings which were sent to the front.

Miss Lane Joynt organised Christmas treats for the children of sailors and soldiers in 1915. (Joe Power)

Lt Lane-Joynt: Carnelly, Clarecastle. He was cited for bravery. (Joe Power)
Clare Abbey House Clarecastle
Home to the O’Brien, Hewitt, Burton, Copleman, Casey, and Leydon families. In 1984 part of it was developed as a sports complex by the Clarecastle GAA Club. Still standing and inhabited. See ‘Houses of Clare’ by Hugh W L Weir page 70.

Daniel Joseph O’Brien: Clare Abbey House Clarecastle, died Nov 1917 age 33 in Passchendaele, Royal Munster Fusiliers, G/M in Belgium. He was a member of Clare County Council and a leader of the Clarecastle National Volunteers. He was accidentally wounded in training in Oct 1915, and a devoted follower of Willie Redmond. See Clare Newspapers and WW1 pages 60 and 158.

Glenard House Clarecastle
Home to the Church of Ireland, Pilkington, O’Donoghue, Fahy and McCarthy families. Still standing and inhabited. See ‘Houses of Clare’ by Hugh W L Weir page 135.

Lieut Thomas Lionel Pilkington: Glenard, Clarecastle. Royal Irish Regiment. He received a commission as Second Lieutenant in Feb 1916. Wounded Sept 1916.
The Barracks in Clarecastle

Mrs McElroy from the Barracks Clarecastle launched an appeal ‘for comforts such as flannel shirts, woolen underclothing, or flannelette garments, socks etc or money to purchase materials for making garments, for our prisoners of war in Germany of the Munster Fusiliers: also for those shortly to be sent to the front where this regiment has been earning undying fame.’ Clare Journal March 1st 1915.
Eden Vale / Ballyea

Home to the O’Brien, Patterson, Stacpoole families and the Health Board. Still standing and inhabited. See ‘Houses of Clare’ by Hugh W L Weir page 115.

George Eric Guy Stacpoole: Edenvale, Ennis, died Jan 1915, Royal Irish Regiment, G/M in Belgium. (See Clare WW1 Individual Profiles)

Lt R.H. Stacpoole MC: Edenvale Ennis. Royal Field Artillery. Awarded the Military Cross for Gallantry. (See Clare WW1 Individual Profiles)

Miss Norah Stacpoole held a collection for sandbags for the front in 1915.
Clarecastle/ Ballyea

Islandmagrath House (Island) Clarecastle
Home to the Burton, Maunsell, Mellett and O’Connor families. Still standing and inhabited. See ‘Houses of Clare’ by Hugh W L Weir page 151.

Mrs Maunsell from The Island Clarecastle, ‘launched an appeal for comforts such as flannel shirts, woolen underclothing, or flannelette garments, socks etc or money to purchase materials for making garments, for our prisoners of war in Germany of the Munster Fusiliers: also for those shortly to be sent to the front where this regiment has been earning undying fame.’ Clare Journal March 1st 1915.

George Wyndham (Lyndham) Maunsell: Islandmagrath House, Clarecastle, died Feb 1917 age 28, Indian Army Reserve of Officers, G/M in Iraq. An Excecutive Engineer. He died in Kut Mesopotamia. Son of Richard and Elizabeth Maunsell. Wyndham was killed in the Battle of the River Tigris. See Clare Newspapers and WW1 page 125.

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New Hall

Dr McDonnell from New Hall attended a meeting between Nationalists and Unionists in August 1914 in Carmody’s Hotel Ennis. The meeting was for the two traditions to pledge solidarity to one another during the Great War. Mrs MacDonnell set up a fund for wounded soldiers in 1915. In Dec. 1915 she was elected to the Co Clare Prisoner Of War Aid Committee.
Doonass House Clonlara

Lt J F R Massy-Westropp: Doonass House, Clonlara. Royal Irish Fusiliers. Wounded near Ypres in April 1915. (Kiltenanlea Parish Church Clonlara)
R Massy-Westropp: Doonass House, Clonlara. (Kiltenanlea Parish Church Clonlara)
Col. Massy Westropp: An officer of great experience took over the Clonlara Volunteers in Aug 1914.
Clonlara

Summerhill Clonlara
Home to the Massy, Vincent, Macnamara and O'Connell families. It was a large eighteenth century, three storey, hip-roofed house, over a basement, facing south-east over the River Shannon. The house is now demolished. The Gate Lodge is standing and inhabited. See ‘Houses of Clare’ by Hugh W L Weir page 256.

Arthur Rose Vincent: Summerhill House, Doonass, Clonlara. 1876-1956. He volunteered as an ambulance driver and served on the Western Front with the French army in 1915 and 1916. (Freddie Bourke - Kiltenanlea Parish Church Clonlara) He died in 1956 and is buried in Killegy, Muckross, Killarney. (Freddie Bourke CC Nov 2018)

Major Berkley Vincent CBE KBE: Summerhill House, Doonass, Clonlara. 1871 -1963. Born in London, baptised and reared in Clonlara. Royal Iniskilling Dragoons. At the beginning of the 1914-18 War he left India for France where he took part in the Battle of the Somme and later Ancre. During the Battle of Arras he was buried by constant shelling, but was dug out alive. Nearly all his command were killed. In 1919 he was awarded the CBE and six years later he was honoured by George V with the KBE. (Freddie Bourke -Kiltenanlea Parish Church Clonlara) (Freddie Bourke CC Nov 2018)

Erinagh Clonlara
Home to the Fitzgerald, Gabbett, Goring, Minchin, Vincent, Hall, O'Grady and Bourke families. It was a large, eighteenth-century, hip-roofed, rectangular, one-storey house. The house is now demolished. See ‘Houses of Clare’ by Hugh W L Weir page 120.

Captain Dudley O'Grady: Clonlara. (Freddie Bourke - Kiltenanlea Parish Church Clonlara) Army Service Corps DM2162989, lived with his aunt, Mary Francis O'Grady in Erinagh. (Freddie Bourke CC Nov 2018)
Lt Lancelot Alexander Montgomery: Grandson of John Lecky Phelps of Waterpark, Clonlara. Elder son of Major General Robert Arundel Kerr Montgomery C.B. DSO and Annie his wife. He was torpedoed on HMS Good Hope, Flagship of Rear Admiral Sir Christopher Craddock, which sank with all hands in the Battle of Coronel, South Pacific, All Saints Day 1914. Born at Meernt April 2nd 1888.

Edgar Phelps: Clonlara. (Kiltenanlea Parish Church Clonlara)
Corofin

Baunkyle House Corofin
Home to the Upton, Neylon, Jervis, Foster and Macnamara families. Still standing and occupied. See ‘Houses of Clare' by Hugh W L Weir page 36.

Maccon John Macnamara: Baunkyle, Corofin, died March 1918 age 20 in Pozieres, Royal Dublin Fusiliers, G/M in France. Son of Dr George and Frances Jane Macnamara, Baunkyle, Corofin.

Lieut-Colonel William James Macnamara: Lieutenant-Colonel John William Unthank Macnamara, M.A., M.D., late I.M.S., died on Saturday last in a private hospital in Dublin, in his seventy-ninth year. He was the son of Dr. Michael Macnamara, of Corofin, Co. Clare, and was educated at Queen’s College, Galway, and in Dublin. In 1891 he was given the rank of Major, and in 1899 was promoted Lieutenant-Colonel. He retired from the Service in 1908. —R.I.P. Obituary 9th Jan 1932.

Caherblonick Cottage, Corofin

Major-General Sir Cyril Brudene Bingham White: Caherblonick Cottage, Corofin. The honours conferred by the King in connection with the Duke of York’s tour include a KCB for Major-General Sir Cyril Brudene Bingham White. He is the third son of the late John Warren White, Caherblonie, Clare. He was born on 23rd September, 1876. In 1905 he married Ethel, daughter of Walter Davison, Victoria, N.S. Wales. He served with distinction in the European war. ‘Sat Record July 1927.
Corofin

Clifden House Corofin
Home to the Columbine, Burton, Paterson, Studdert, Gray, Kane, Deaves and Robson families. Still standing and occupied. See ‘Houses of Clare’ by Hugh W L Weir page 73.

Miss Burton: Clifden House Corofin organised Christmas treats for the children of sailors and soldiers in 1915. (Joe Power)

Cragmoher Corofin
Home to the Griffey, Hogan, Studdert and Douglas families. The house was tragically burnt down at the end of the twentieth century. See ‘Houses of Clare’ by Hugh W L Weir page 90.

Captain Dudley Eyre
Captain Bindon Blood: Rockforest House, Corofin, Co Clare, died Sept 1915 age 33, Royal Flying Corps. Mentioned in Despatches. G/M in England. (TB) He was born on 30th Dec 1881. He was the son of Bagot Blood and Florence Studdert and a brother of Charles Newman. He fought in the Boer War as a Captain with the 8th Cavalry, Indian Army.

Charles Newman Blood: Rockforest House, Corofin, Co Clare. Royal Field Artillery, Royal Engineers, Royal Flying Corps. Born on the 10th June 1887. He was the son of Bagot Blood and Florence Studdert and a brother of Bindon Blood. In Oct 1926 he married Nellie Flora Lang. He died on 10th Feb 1961 age 73. He was an engineer and lived at La Vallee Bray Co Wicklow.
**Ennis**

**Abbeyfield House (Abbeyville) Ennis**
Former home of the Patterson and Crowe families. The House dates from the 1750s. Also known as Abbeyville House, the building was later used as an R.I.C. and Garda Barracks. See ‘Houses of Clare’ by Hugh W L Weir page 3.

Photo shows the 8th Battalion Royal Munster Fusiliers perform during a recruiting drive outside the old RIC Barracks in 1915. The Band of the Irish Guards also mounted their own recruitment drive in Clare in 1915.

**Crusheen**

**Blakemount House Crusheen**
Home to the Blake, McInerney and O’Grady families. Still standing and inhabited. See ‘Houses of Clare’ by Hugh W L Weir page 43.

Sister Margaret Mary McInerney: Nurse. (Australia) MA Blakemount House, Crusheen.
Abbeyview House became known as Remount House during WW1 when it was the home of Patrick Howard the Veterinary Surgeon, who was a purchasing agent for the British Army. He also supplied the RIC with transport and horses. During the War years the price of horses rose to between £25 and £45.

During the week there has been considerable buying of horses for the British Expeditionary Forces. It is reported that Captain O’Grady, Mr T Lloyd and Mr P J Howard, veterinary surgeon have bought up to 200 horses at prices which made the sellers jubilant. They attended Milltown on Tuesday, Kilktee the following day and also Ennis, with a batch of horses dispatched to Limerick.
Mrs Arthur Green: In Dec 1915 Mrs Green was elected to the Co Clare Prisoner Of War Aid Committee. She was the wife of Dr Arthur Green.

Bishop Fogarty lived in Ashline House until 1919 when he moved to Westbourne. See Clare Newspapers and WW1 page 4, 6 & 237. Initially he supported the War, but then became a vehement opponent of it.

Ashfield Ennis (Clarence Hall)
Home to the McBeth, Green, Mahon and Deegan families. Still standing and occupied. See ‘Houses of Clare’ by Hugh W L Weir page 9.

Ashline House Ennis
Home to the Mahon, Gore and Finucane families, The Roman Catholic Church and St Flannan’s. It was demolished in 1968. See ‘Houses of Clare’ by Hugh W L Weir page 10.
Ballyalla Ennis

Lieut Hugh Murrough Vere O’Brien: Ballyalla Ennis. Royal Munster Fusiliers 8th He was awarded the Distinguished Service Order in Aug 1916 ‘for conspicuous gallantry during raids on enemy trenches. On one occasion after his return, finding that a man was missing, he went out in a wounded condition and brought him in under heavy gunfire.’ CJ See Clare Newspapers and WW1 pages 95, 97 and 101.

Florence Vere O’Brien was born Florence Arnold, the elder daughter of William Arnold, son of Dr Thomas Arnold of Rugby. Both her father and mother had died young leaving four orphaned children. Florence, her sister, and two brothers, were sent home from India and were adopted by their aunt, Jane Arnold and her husband, William E. Forster.

In 1880 Mr Forster was appointed Chief Secretary of Ireland. Florence lived with them for two years at the Chief Secretary’s Lodge in Phoenix Park, Dublin. It was during this time that Florence met Robert Vere O’Brien, a young barrister from Limerick, son of The Hon. Robert O’Brien of Dromoland. In 1899 they moved to Ballyalla, a property previously belonging to the Stacpoole family, where the embroidery class continued. The property included extensive woods, a gate lodge, a large walled garden, a crannóg in the lake, the remains of a castle nearby, an ice-house, a lime kiln and a cave with an underground passage. Their younger daughter, Flora, remained in Ballyalla until 1958.
**Mrs Marcus Keane**: Beechpark. In Dec. 1915 Mrs Keane was elected to the Co Clare Prisoner Of War Aid Committee. In July 1917 Marcus Keane was the Chairperson of the Co Clare Needlework Guild, which donated articles of clothing to the front.

**Beechpark Ennis**

View of the front of Beechpark House near Ennis. The house was the home of the Keane family, and was the principal residence of the land agent and antiquarian, Marcus Keane. The house is now a ruin. See ‘Houses of Clare’ by Hugh W L Weir page 38.

**Belle Vue Ennis**

The refurbished Library Headquarters was officially opened by the Minister for Environment, Mr. Michael Smith, T.D., on 1st September 1994. The library project involved the renovation of the former County Surgeon’s residence, known as Bellevue, which was first built in 1780. See ‘Houses of Clare’ by Hugh W L Weir page 39.

**Capt William F Cullinan**: Belle Vue Ennis. Fleet Paymaster in the Royal Navy. In May 1919 he was awarded ‘The High Order of the Brilliant Star’ by the Sultan of Zanzibar in recognition of ‘services rendered in the protection of the Sultan’s Dominion’. He was frequently Mentioned in Despatches. In June 1919 The King was pleased to confer the Most Distinguished Order of St Michael and St George on Capt Cullinan in recognition of services during the war. See Clare Newspapers and WW1 page 182.
Ennis

Cahercalla House Ennis
Home to the Crofts, England, Maguire, Studdert, Mahon, Crowe, Stacpoole and O’Gorman families. It is now a nursing home. See ‘Houses of Clare’ by Hugh W L Weir page 54.

Lt Col C J O’Gorman DSO:
Brother of T A O’Gorman, Cahercalla Ennis. Royal Army Medical Corps in German East Africa. A letter from him featured in the Clare Journal in May 1916. See Clare Newspapers and WW1 page 82.

Claureen House
Home to the Armstrong, Clare Militia, Davoren and Howard families. Claureen is a very long, nineteenth century, two storey, eight bay, gable ended house with its northern gable adjoining the main road. Still standing and inhabited. See ‘Houses of Clare’ by Hugh W L Weir page 73.

Delia Davoren: Claureen House, Ennis, died Oct 1918 age 37 on the RMS Leinster, a nurse in Northamptonshire, G/M in Drumcliffe. (See Clare WW1 Individual Profiles)

Nora Davoren: sister of the above, died also on the RMS Leinster and also nursed in Northamptonshire, G/M in Drumcliffe. (See Clare WW1 Individual Profiles)
Clonroad, Ennis
Home to the O’Brien, Egremont, Gore, Greene, Sims, Knox, Torrens and Merry families. It is one of the most historic houses in Co Clare. Still standing and inhabited. See ‘Houses of Clare’ by Hugh W L Weir page 78.

In June 1917 Mrs Knox fundraised for the Ennis Sub Depot of Irish War Hospital Supplies in WW1. See Clare Newspapers and WW1 pages 142.

Cragleigh House Ennis
Home to the Woulfe, Mahon, Pilkington, Janns, Kenny, Cullinan, Dowling, Molony and Houlihan families. Still standing and inhabited. See ‘Houses of Clare’ by Hugh W L Weir page 89.

Francis J Kenny: Cragleigh House b 1894 was a second Lieutenant with the Lancashire Fusiliers according to Cecil Stacpoole Kennys family history. He was the son of Major Matthew J Kenny of Cragleigh House Ennis. (See Clare WW1 Individual Profiles)
Ennis - The Clare Club
Erasmus Smith Academy
It was used as a base for Belgian refugees, and later as a nursing home for the wounded sent back from the front. It is now a Music and Language School.

Edward Patrick Cullinan: Ennis, died March 1918 age 30, Lord Strathcona’s Horse, Royal Canadians, G/M in France. Son of Thomas and Angela P Cullinan. He died in ‘The Last Great Cavalry Charge’ of WW1. On enlistment he named his father Thomas Cullinan of Fountain House, Ennis as his next of kin.

Fountain House Ennis
Home to the Daxon, Milward, Powell, Kelly, Considine and McMahon families. The original house is demolished. Present house standing and inhabited. See ‘Houses of Clare’ by Hugh W L Weir page 130.
Green Lawn Harmony Row
Home to the Mahon, Greene, Franciscian Girls School and Convent. Currently the home for Clarecare. See ‘Houses of Clare’ by Hugh W L Weir page 142.

Mrs Greene: Green Lawn. In March 1915 she donated £6 5s 3d from a Bridge Tournament towards the Munsters Prisoner of War Fund. See Clare Newspapers and WW1 page 32.

In Dec. 1915 she was elected to the Co Clare Prisoner Of War Aid Committee.

The Manse Harmony Row Ennis
Home to Rev Richard Scott and his daughters Irene (Rene) and Edna. When Irene died in 1984 The Manse was taken over by The Clare Library and became the Local Studies Centre.

Miss Irene Scott, The Manse, featured in a golf competition in Oct 1916 at the Ennis Golf Club to raise funds for the Co Clare POW Fund. ‘In her youth Irene was a fine badminton and tennis player and a left hander to be reckoned with on the golf course’. Clare Champion 1984.
In Nov 1915 Mrs Mills attended a meeting at the Courthouse to form the Co Clare Prisoner of War Aid Relief Committee.

Mill View Ennis
Home to the Floyd, Harris, Mills, Dixon and McInerney families. The house was burned down in 1921 and rebuilt in 1924. Still standing and inhabited. See ‘Houses of Clare’ by Hugh W L Weir page 190.
In Dec. 1915 J.F. Gelston, Chief Inspector of the RIC was elected to the Co Clare Prisoner Of War Aid Committee.
Mr and Mrs F N Studdert Templemaley House, were elected onto a Committee in Nov 1915, at the Courthouse whose aim was to fundraise for Clare POW’s in Germany. In 1915 Mrs F N Studdert held a collection on the 15\textsuperscript{th} Aug at the County Agricultural Show for prisoners. She wrote to the paper saying she had received 243 letters and post cards from Royal Munster Fusiliers prisoners, expressing their gratitude to the people of Clare. In 1915 the Rev she was also elected honorary secretary of the newly formed Prisoners of War Aid Fund Committee.

### Templemaley House Ennis
Home to the Enright, Studdert and Blood families. A mid nineteenth-century, two storey which is now demolished. There was a gate lodge. See ‘Houses of Clare’ by Hugh W L Weir page 259.

### Waterpark House Ennis
Home to the Pilkington, O’Brien and Moody families. Until recently it was home to the Ennis Urban District Council. See ‘Houses of Clare’ by Hugh W L Weir page 273.

### Thomas Moody:
1892-1917
Waterpark Ennis, died Nov 1917 age 25, Irish Guards, G/M in Drumcliffe.
Ennistymon

Ennistymon Glebe, Ennistymon
Home to the Church of Ireland and O’Dwyer families. Still standing and inhabited. See ‘Houses of Clare’ by Hugh W L Weir page 118.

Miss Parkinson daughter of Capt. Parkinson, J.P, a local gentleman and Treasurer of the County Infirmary. They lived at Westbourne. Miss Parkinson was elected to the Co Clare POW Aid Committee in Dec 1915.

Westbourne
Home to the Gore, Bannatyne, Parkinson families. It is now home to the Roman Catholic Bishops of Killaloe. See ‘Houses of Clare’ by Hugh W L Weir page 275.

Miss Parkinson daughter of Capt. Parkinson, J.P, a local gentleman and Treasurer of the County Infirmary. They lived at Westbourne. Miss Parkinson was elected to the Co Clare POW Aid Committee in Dec 1915.

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Letter to the Editor of Clare Journal, Monday Evening January 8th 1915

Comforts for Soldiers

Sirs,

Please allow me through your widely read paper to return my most sincere thanks to those kind ladies in Ennistymon and neighbourhood who have aided me to supply garments to our brave soldiers. Over 200 useful articles have been forwarded, some to the Red Cross Society and some direct to soldiers in the battle line who came from these parts. As I am here for sometime Mrs Crawford, Ennistymon Rectory, has kindly consented to take my place during my absence and give out materials for continuing the good work of making warm garments for the gallant men who are risking their lives in the defence of our country and empire.

I am Sir, your obedient servant

Violet Macnamara, Ennistymon House
December 30th 1914
Lt.-Col. Frederick St. Leger Tottenham (1850 – 1933) of Mount Callan, D.L., J.P. Educated at Harrow. Served in the Royal Fusiliers until 1892, when he came to live in Mount Callan, which he inherited from his mother in 1891. High Sheriff, Co. Clare, 1899. His wife was daughter of the Very Rev. Thomas Garnier, Dean of Lincoln, whose wife, Lady Caroline Keppel, was the youngest daughter of the 4th Earl of Albermarle. He handed over Mount Callan to his eldest son, Robert in 1923, and spent the remaining years of his life near Dublin. His descendants continue to live and farm in Mount Callan. (Witness to War 1917 – 1923: Commandant Séamus Hennessy by Colin Hennessy)

Ennistymon

Ennistymon House
Home to the O’Brien, Finucane, Macnamara and Woods families. Still standing and inhabited and is now The Falls Hotel. See ‘Houses of Clare’ by Hugh W L Weir page 118.

George Macnamara: Ennistymon House, died May 1917 age 27 near Loos, Wiltshire Regiment. G/M in France. Just before he died he was Mentioned in Despatches.
Miss Violet Macnamara: raised funds for the Red Cross in 1915.

Ennistymon House,

Inagh

Mount Callan Inagh
Home to the Synge and Tottenham families. Still standing and inhabited. See ‘Houses of Clare’ by Hugh W L Weir page 194.

Col Tottenham: He was elected on to a fundraising Committee in Dec 1915, whose aim was to fundraise for Clare POW’s in Germany.

Capt Tottenham: Mountcallan. He lost an arm in Gallipoli. He met the Viceroy Lord Wimbourne when he toured Clare in August 1915 in Miltown Malbay.

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Kildysart

Cahercon Kildysart
Cahercon House is located east of the Labasheeda road, 4.5 km southwest of Kildysart. Associated names include Rogers, Scott, Vandeleur, Kelly and White. It later became a school, run by the Salesian Sisters of John Bosco. See ‘Houses of Clare’ by Hugh W L Weir page 54.

Captain Alexander Moore Vandaleur: Cahercon, Kildysart, died Oct 1914 age 30, the Life Guards, G/M in Ypres Belgium. The Vandaleur family, of Dutch descent, were the big landowners in west Clare since the early 1800’s. He was killed in a battle in Zanvoorde in Belgium, where fierce fighting led to the British Expeditionary Force suffering may casualties. He leaves behind a three year old son and heir Giles Alexander Meysey and his wife of four years Violet Ethel Meysey-Thompson.

Shore Park Kildysart
Home to the Scott, O’Grady, O’Connell, Hayes, Garry, Meehan and Hogan families. Still standing and inhabited. See ‘Houses of Clare’ by Hugh W L Weir page 247.

**Miss M O’Connell-Bianconi:**
Lackanashinnagh, Kildysart. She was awarded the Military Medal ‘for Gallantry during an air raid in France’ in June 1918.
(See Clare WW1 Individual Profiles)

**Lackanashinnagh Kildysart**
Home to the MacCarthy, Bianconi, O’Connell, Clancy and Moloney families. The house is still standing and inhabited. See ‘Houses of Clare’ by Hugh W L Weir page 172.

**Paradise Kildysart**
Home to the Henn, Scott, Arthur and Linnebaker families. The house is now ruined and uninhabitable. See ‘Houses of Clare’ by Hugh W L Weir page 214.

**Col. Henn** in Aug 1914, supported the meeting between Unionists and Nationalists in Ennis. The meeting was for the two traditions to pledge solidarity to one another during the Great War. **Lt Edward Henry Lovett Henn:** Grandson of Thomas Rice Henn K.C., D.L., of Paradise Co Clare. The only son of Mr and Mrs Edward Lovett Henn of Sidi Mirrong Algeria. Rifle Brigade. Killed in action May 1915 age 23. G/M on the Menin Gate Memorial in Ypres, Belgium.
**Atlantic House Kilkee**

Home to the Westby and Studdert families, and the Coastguard Service. The house has since been demolished. See *Houses of Clare* by Hugh W L Weir page 11.

**Theodore Studdert:** Atlantic House, Kilkee, died Nov 1915 age 29. Canadian Infantry. G/M in Canada.

**Liscrona House Kilkee**

Home to the MacDonnell, Griffin, O’Dwyer, Lloyd and Bellair families. The house is still standing and inhabited. See *Houses of Clare* by Hugh W L Weir page 180.

**2nd Lt R C R G Vance:** Limerick. Died March 1915 age 22 in Ypres. Cheshire Regiment. He was in command of a trench at the time he was shot, a bullet hitting him on the head and killing him instantly. Youngest son of Rev Chancellor Vance M A Rector of Ardagh Co Limerick. His brother is also at the front. He was the nephew of Thomas R Griffin, Liscrona House Kilkee, ‘where part of many happy years of youthful life were spent in the land of the West’. (Clare Journal)
The Retreat Kilkee


Tarman (Termon House) Kilkee

Edward J Falloon: Son of Honora Mary Pilkington from Tarmon (Termon House) Kilkee. Australian Army, died 18th April 1918, age 31. (KCT)
Henry Colpoys Gloster: Trafalgar Lodge, Kilkee, died March 1915 age 20, Gordon Highlanders, G/M in France. ‘His Colonel spoke highly of him as an officer whose work in the trenches deserved special praise. He suggested improvements and saved several lives of his men when wounded by close attention and skill (he was a medical undergraduate)... He was in command of his platoon in a German trench on the morning of his death, Lt Gloster was a good tennis player, and won the Caius College Fresher’s Tournament in 1914.’ From De Ruvigny’s Roll of Honour.

Sapper John Godfrey King: The Rectory, Kilkishen. He was aged 18 when he enlisted in May 1918. Royal Engineers 352649. His father was Samuel Waldson King. (WW1 British Army Service Records @ ancestry.com)
Ballyvalley Killaloe

Major R. G. Parker: Ballyvalley, Killaloe. King's Own Lancaster Regiment. Mentioned in Sir John French's despatches. He served in the South African War, being present at nearly all the important engagements during the campaign. He was mentioned in despatches twice, and received the Queen's Medal with 6 clasps and the King's Medal with 2 clasps. (Our Heroes website)

Ronald Elphinstone Parker: Ballyvalley, Killaloe, died Sept 1914 age 28 in the Battle of the Marne, Royal Horse Artillery, G/M in France. Brother of Major R G Parker.

Tinerana Killaloe

Cambrai Killaloe
Home to the Lefroy family. Still standing and occupied. See ‘Houses of Clare’ by Hugh W L Weir page 56.

Major Henry Lefroy P.C. J.P.: ‘Born 1860, the eldest son of Henry Maunselle Lefroy of Fern Hollow and Ellen, daughter of James Shine of Ballymacresse, Co Limerick. He was educated at Malvern College, for the Royal Artillery and afterwards he was appointed to be the Engineering Department of Survey, Rocky Mountain Division U.P. (Union Pacific) Railway. When this was finished he came back to Ireland and went into business. In 1895 he married Minnie, daughter of Falkner John Minchin, Annagh Castle, Nenagh. He built his house ‘Cambrai’ at Killaloe, and kept a yacht The Phoenix, on the Shannon.

At the outbreak of the 1914 war he was given command of S.R.A. Royal Irish Regiment area; and in 1916 was promoted as personal assistant to the Director General Royal Artillery in 1917 and was Liaison Officer between the Admiralty, War Office and Royal Air Force. He was gazetted Brevet Major for his services in the First World War and retired in 1919. He was a devoted worker in the interests of ex-servicemen in Ireland, and was chairman of Earl French’s ex-servicemen’s Advisory Committee and member of the Advisory Committee of the Minister of Pensions, Ireland... He was appointed a Trustee of the Irish ex-servicemen’s Land Trust in 1923 by the Duke of Devonshire (H.M. Colonial Secretary), in which capacity he represented the ex-soldiers in the Irish Free State and it is for his work in this position that he is best remembered. He died at Killaloe in 1935, aged 74 years’. (Sean Kierse The Killaloe Anthology) He was the recruiting Officer in Killaloe who enlisted 112 men. (CJ)
**Killaloe/Ballina**

**Ferns Hollow Ballina**
Description: Detached multiple-bay three-storey house, built c. 1830, with subsidiary blocks to the north. Hipped slate roof with rendered chimneystacks. Still standing and inhabited.

**The Palace Killaloe (Clarisford)**
Church of Ireland Bishop’s residence. Still standing and inhabited. See ‘*Houses of Clare*’ by Hugh W L Weir page 72.

**2nd Lt. Gerald Lefroy:** Killaloe, died Aug 1916 on the Somme, Royal Munster Fusiliers, G/M on the Thiepval Memorial in France. Son of Mr J A G Lefroy, Japan and grandson of Henry Maunsell Lefroy, of Ferns Hollow Killaloe. (TB)

In June 1917 the Bishop for Killaloe raised £20 for the Ennis Sub Depot of Irish War Hospital Supplies in WW1. See *Clare Newspapers and WW1* pages 142.

The Right Reverend E Sterling Berry D D Bishop of Killaloe 1913-1924.
Kilrush

In 1915 the Lord Lieutenant, Lord Wimbourne visited the Glynn’s at Kilrush House, on Frances Street. He later addressed a public meeting in the Town Square, from a platform decorated with the British and Allied flags as well as one of a Harp on a Green background.

Lord Wimbourne hoped that ‘the Irish Brigade of today may help the French to win a new Fontenoy over a different enemy.’ The local brass and reed bands then closed off proceedings with a rendering of the National Anthem and A Nation once Again.
The Glebe Kilrush

Canon Simon Carter Armstrong, the Rector of Kilrush had eight sons, four of which served in WW1. They lived in the Glebe on Grace Street.


Pella House Kilrush

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Pella House was the home of the Glynn family.

During The Great War a lookout which once stood to the south-west of Pella House, was used by coastguards to watch for enemy submarines and invasion craft.

Pella House, the ruins of the original Studdert house are visible on the right. (Photograph courtesy of Michael F. Glynn, sourced by Paul O'Brien)

A Studdert home on the Vandeleur estate valued at £13 in the mid 19th century. Weir writes that the house was built by Admiral John Fitzgerald Studdert and it remained a Studdert home until 1900.
Norman Gore Hickman: Kilmore, Knock, Kilrush. Royal Dublin Fusiliers. His 2 brothers Poole Henry and Thomas also served.

Capt. Henry Poole Hickman: Kilmore, Knock, Kilrush, died Aug 1915 age 35 in Gallipoli, Royal Dublin Fusiliers, G/M in Turkey. ‘The first line was led by Captain Poole Hickman of D Company, who came of a well-known Clare family, and was a barrister by profession. He never returned from the charge. As the Dublins appeared at the summit there was a splutter of fire along the ridge, which was lined by Turkish marksmen. The men wavered and swayed uncertainly for a minute or two before the shower of bullets. Hickman was well in front, waving his revolver and shouting “On Dublins”. That was the last that was seen of him alive. From The Irish at the Front. (See Clare WW1 Individual Profiles)

Thomas Hickman: Kilmore, Knock, Kilrush. Royal Dublin Fusiliers.
**Liscannor**

**Birchfield Liscannor**
Home to the O’Cahill, O’Brien, Stackpoole, Hamilton, Gore, Purdon, Comyn, Arthur, Furnell, Macnamara, Lysaght, O’Brien, Keogh and McDonagh families. The house is now ruined and uninhabited. The original gateway is still standing. The O’Brien column and O’Brien’s tower on the Moher cliff-top (now a tearoom and a tourist shop) are still standing. See ‘Houses of Clare’ by Hugh W L Weir page 42.

**Captain Frederick Bertram Keogh MC: Birchfield,** Liscannor, died Aug 1918, Tank Corps, G/M in France. Awarded the Military Cross for Gallantry.

**Moymore House Liscannor**

**Cecil Stacpoole Kenny:**
**Moymore House,** Liscannor Co Clare, died Nov 1915 age 27, Shropshire Light Infantry, G/M in England.
Seamount House Liscannor
Home to the O’Callaghan, Fallon, Thynne and O’Higgins (Higgins) families. A large, two storey, three bay, hip-roofed house with crenellated corners, facing east. The house is now ruined and uninhabited. The Gate Lodge is standing and inhabited. See ‘Houses of Clare’ by Hugh W L Weir page 242.

Michael Higgins MM, Seamount House, Liscannor, died Sept 1916 on the Somme, Irish Guards, G/M in Thiepval France. He won the Military Medal for Gallantry in the Field.

Lisdoonvarna

Elva View Lisdoonvarna
Home to the Forster family. The excellent Elements B&B stands on the site today giving excellent views over the Slieve Elva mountain. See ‘Houses of Clare’ by Hugh W L Weir page 117.

Robert Burke Forster: Elva View, Lisdoonvarna, died May 1917 in Arras, Machine Gun Corps, G/M in France.
Thomond House Lisdoonvarna

Jose Laurent Gonzales Tinchant: Belgian Army. Died Sept 1915 age 17. He was the grandson of Mrs Bugler, Thomond House. G/M in Belgium.
**Loophead**

**The Cabin Loophead**
Home to the O’Brien and Keane families. The house is now demolished. See ‘Houses of Clare’ by Hugh W L Weir page 52.

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**Henry Colpoys Gloster: Trafalgar Lodge, Kilkee,**
died March 1915 age 20, Gordon Highlanders, G/M in France. ‘His Colonel spoke highly of him as an officer whose work in the trenches deserved special praise. He suggested improvements and saved several lives of his men when wounded by close attention and skill (he was a medical undergraduate)... He was in command of his platoon in a German trench on the morning of his death, Lt Gloster was a good tennis player, and won the Caius College Fresher’s Tournament in 1914.’ From De Ruvigny’s Roll of Honour.

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**Meelick / Limerick**

**Castlepark Meelick / Limerick** This house is now in ruins and adjacent to Moyross.

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**Another Young Officer Killed.**

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**2nd Lieutenant James O’Grady Delmege:**
Castlepark Limerick. Died 27th 1915 Age 24 in the Second Battle of Ypres. 4th Dragoon Guards. **Killed in action.** G/M in Belgium. Son of James O’Grady Delmege and Mrs Delmege. The Delmegas were landlords of half of the parish of Meelick. The family seat however was at Castlepark in Co Limerick, one hundred yards from the Clare boundary. ‘On 24 May 1915, the 4th Dragoon Guards, after a long spell in the trenches, were relieved by the 18th Hussars, but Lieutenant Delmege was left behind to instruct the 18th in the plan of the trenches. During the night and early morning they were heavily gassed by the enemy, and he succumbed to gas poison.’ From De Ruvigny’s Roll of Honour. (TB)
Mountshannon

Frederick Ralph George: Mountshannon House, died Nov 1914 age 31, Connaught Rangers, G/M in France. “Son of the late Barry George, 13th Foot, was born at Mountshannon House Co Clare, the residence of his uncle, on 9th Sept 1883...Lt George volunteered to take part in a bayonet attack on the night of the 5th November 1914 and was shot during the charge.” From Bond of Sacrifice Volume 1.

Mountshannon House

Mountshannon

Doolough Lodge
Home to the Kelly, Kelly-Kenny, O’Gorman and McMahon families. Still standing and inhabited. See ‘Houses of Clare’ by Hugh W L Weir page 103.

On 9th Nov 1914 he urged ‘Compulsion (Conscription) for the War’ in The Times. (Clare Journal).
Mountshannon

Mountshannon Rectory

Home to the Whately, Church of Ireland and Cooke families. Still standing and inhabited. See ‘Houses of Clare’ by Hugh W L Weir page 200.

Cyril Dermott Fouace Somers:
Mountshannon Rectory, died May 1917 aged 20, Royal Iniskilling Fusiliers, G/M in France. He was the elder son of the Rev. S.H. Somers, Rector of Inniscaltra Parish, Co. Clare.

Newmarket on Fergus

Caherbane (Carrowbane), Newmarket on Fergus

Home to the Creagh and Murphy families. This was a comparatively large rectangular house, which faced north over a tree scattered parkland. There was a magnificent wooded park and demesne, and the house was approached by a long drive from the north. The original house and the gate lodge are now demolished with a new house standing on the site. There are monuments to the family in the Kilnasoolagh Church of Ireland. See ‘Houses of Clare’ by Hugh W L Weir page 53.

Charles O’Moore Creagh: Caherbane Co Clare, died March 1918 age 21 in Arras, Royal Field Artillery, G/M in France. Mentioned in Despatches 21 May 1918 for his ‘gallant and distinguished service in the field’ ‘At the Battle of Messines he was taking signals from the infantry to his headquarters for fifteen hours, and on 1 September was on liason for the third attack, when he was reported killed in action at Fevillacourt, near Mont Street Quentin, 23 March 1918. He took part in the actions at Richebourg 17 May 1915, and those at the Hohenzollern Redoubt, Loos, Vermelles, Ypres, on the Somme, at Messines and Passchendale etc, and when he was killed was within a few days of obtaining his Captaincy.’ From De Ruvigny’s Roll of Honour.
Dr Augustine Thomas Frost (Austin):
Beechlawn Newmarket on Fergus. He joined the RAMC. and was a Lieutenant in 1904, rising to Lt Colonel. He specialised in VD and Dermatology. He served in Hong Kong, India and England. During the first World War Austin served for a time in Mesopotamia (Iraq) and Egypt. This was part of the Indian Division. He was awarded the OBE in 1919.

Castlefergus, Newmarket on Fergus

Lord Inchiquin: Dromoland Castle. In Jan 1915 he housed some Belgian refugees at Castlefergus, Newmarket on Fergus
Carrigoran, Newmarket on Fergus

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Honour of Ireland

Sir,
EVERY true Irishman, irrespective of class or creed, will heartily wish success to Mr Asquith’s recruiting campaign, and hope that the resulting great meeting, patriotically supported by Mr John Redmond and other Nationalist leaders, will effectively rouse and rally Ireland, so that the whole of the British Empire may present a united front to the common foe.

I have just returned from a visit to England and have been enormously impressed by the wonderful enthusiasm which animates all classes of the community.

Recruits are pouring in everywhere, and are drilling on all available open spaces. Hardly a house or shop but bears on its windows or frontage the War Office “Call to Arms” whilst the flags of the Allies, notably that of brave little Belgium, are flying everywhere!

The touching sympathy shown by high and low to the helpless Belgian and French refugee, and the money pouring in to the numerous War and Relief Funds shows unmistakably how deeply the hearts and sympathies of the British people have been stirred, by the heroic bravery of one of the smallest States of Europe facing undoubtedly the overwhelming might of the greatest European military power in righteous defence of its violated territory and of its threatened liberty and independence.

Surely Belgium’s brave stand equally and specially appeals to Irish hearts!

This is no rant on war of aggression or of conquest, but one of the most righteous struggles that has ever been waged in defence of the weak against the strong, of liberty against tyranny, in Mr Asquith’s own words: “In fulfilment of a small and relatively weak country of our pledged word.”

No true man, reading of this terrible conflict, of ruined and devastated Belgium, of the merciless destruction of Louvain, of the sufferings and barbarities inflicted on unarmed and helpless people, of priests, women, children and old men shot down in cold blood by the ruthless soldiers of the Kaiser can control a feeling of burning indignation against the authors and perpetrators of so much ruin, misery, sorrow and suffering.

No Irishman who realises that the guilt of this terrible war lies solely with Germany’s overweening ambition and brutal and shameless disregard of solemn treaties and obligations can in doubt where his duty lies or to which cause his sympathy and support should be given.

For the honour of Ireland may the Southern Irish Brigade be there when the hour of our victory has come.

Yours faithfully,
W. W. A. FITZGERALD
Carrigoran House,
Newmarket on Fergus.
**Lord Inchiquin:** In Jan 1915 he housed some Belgian refugees at Castlefergus, Newmarket on Fergus. He was a prominent of the unionist community during the war and was the President of the Clare Unionist Club.

**Lady O’Brien:** Ethel wife of Lord Inchiquin, played a major role in the county in looking after the Belgian refugees. For this work and her generosity, Lady Inchiquin received a medal from the Queen of Belgium at the end of the war. She also promoted the Queen’s Appeal in 1915 with Mrs Willis of Bindon Street. This was a charity for unemployed women and girls in great distress. (Joe Power)

**The Hon H Barnaby O’Brien MC:** Dromoland Castle. Capt in the Irish Guards. **He was awarded the Military Cross.**

**The Hon Donough E F O’Brien:** Dromoland Castle. Capt in the Rifle Brigade. **See Clare Newspapers and WW1 page 160.**

**The Hon K Beryl O’Brien:** Dromoland Castle. Served in the Voluntary Aid Detachment (V.A.D.) a voluntary unit that provided field nursing units. **The Hon Phaidrig L O’Brien:** Dromoland Castle. Served in the Cadet Corps RAF.

**The Hon Desmond O’Brien:** Dromoland Castle, died Feb 1915 age 19, Lieut in the Royal Naval Air Service, G/M in England. **(TB) Desmond was taking part on a air raid on the Belgium coast.** The role of honor from his school, Charterhouse reads "Flight Lieutenant. Born 14th May 1895, 6th son of Edward Donough O’Brien, 14th Baron Inchiquin, of Dromoland Castle, Co. Clare, Ireland (where he was born), and Lady Inchiquin. He was at Charterhouse [S] 1909 - 1911. In the Great War he joined the R.N.A.S. He was killed in action on 16th February 1915 in what a contemporary claims to have been the first air attack launched on German naval bases. He is commemorated on the Chatham Naval Memorial, Ref. 12. At Charterhouse O’Brien is said by Robert Graves and others to have been an heroically disruptive influence, a kind of one-man Stalky & Co. On his eventual expulsion he was cheered down Charterhouse Hill on his way to the railway station."
Newmarket on Fergus

Fenloe House Newmarket on Fergus
Home to the Hickman, Long, O'Connell and Costelloe families. The old house is demolished and a new house is standing on the site. See ‘Houses of Clare’ by Hugh W L Weir page 125.

Mrs Hickman: Fenloe House, Newmarket on Fergus. In May 1920 she was recognised as ‘The Soldier’s Friend for Clare’. She was the Honorary Secretary and Treasurer of the Comrades of the Great War Club in Newmarket on Fergus.

Knockaun House, Newmarket on Fergus
Home to the McMahon and Miller families. Knockaun House was a small eighteenth-century, two-storey, four bay house, facing south-south-west, with a return to the rear of the north-east. There was a walled garden and a curved drive approached from the south-west. The house is ruined and uninhabited. See ‘Houses of Clare’ by Hugh W L Weir page 168.

Second Lieutenant Patrick Senon/Stan McMahon: Knockaun House, Newmarket on Fergus, died Dec 1915 age 28, Royal Munster Fusiliers 8th, G/M in France. (See Clare WW1 Individual Profiles)

Rathlaheen House Newmarket on Fergus
Home to the Vandeleur, Creagh, Stoney, McInerney, Murray and Hannon families. Rathlaheen House was a large, pink, rectangular, three-storey residence, facing north over broad tree-scattered parkland. While there were utility drives from the north and from the south, the main front avenue approached through woodland from the gate and gate lodge to the west-south-west. The house is now demolished. See ‘Houses of Clare’ by Hugh W L Weir page 224.

Mr Stoney from Rathlaheen House, Newmarket on Fergus, sent a letter of apology for missing a public meeting at the Courthouse, to raise funds for Clare POW’s in Nov 1915.
Captain Annesley St. George Gore: Derrymore, O’Callaghans Mills. Gurkhas. He was reported unofficially as having fallen in action. He first joined the Royal Irish Regiment at Rawal Pindi, and afterwards the 10th Mahratta Light Infantry (Gurkhas). He exchanged later into the 2nd Battalion of the 9th Rifles, with whom he was serving when he fell at the head of his men on Saturday, June 26th 1915, leading an attack to recover the body of one of his Scouts, and to drive the Germans back. (See Clare WW1 Individual Profiles)

Derrymore House O’Callaghan’s Mills
Home to the Molony, MacGrath and Gore families. The main portion of the house has been demolished. The servants quarters incorporating the original seventeenth century house is standing and inhabited. See ‘Houses of Clare’ by Hugh W L Weir page 101.

Lieutenant Desmond Arthur (1884–1913) Glenomera, O’Briensbridge. He was an Irish aviator in the Royal Flying Corps. Following his crash in 1913 in Scotland’s first fatal aircraft accident his name is connected to a ghost believed to haunt the airfield at RAF Montrose in Montrose, Angus, Scotland. The case is considered one of the most famous ghost stories from the First World War, and was investigated by the British government. (See Clare WW1 Individual Profiles)

O’Briensbridge
Glenomera, O’Briensbridge
Home to the Arthur family. The house and Gate Lodge are completely demolished. See ‘Houses of Clare’ by Hugh W L Weir page 137.

O’Callaghan’s Mills
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Mary Fort  O’Callaghan’s Mills
Home to the Butler, Westropp, O’Callaghan, O’Callaghan Westropp and Smidth families, and Fleming Gmb H. The house is now demolished. There is a bungalow in front of site. Original entrance gateway, gates and gate lodge (inhabited). Yard and utility buildings standing and used. See ‘Houses of Clare’ by Hugh W L Weir page 186.

Maryfort House, Tulla.
Maryfort, also known as Fortane, and Lismehane House. The house is located 1km north of the Scariff road, 4.5 km east north east of Tulla.

Members of the O’Callaghan-Westropp family on the steps of Maryfort House (Lismehane House) O’Callaghan's Mills in 1918. The man standing centre back is Colonel George O’Callaghan-Westropp who attended a meeting between Nationalists and Unionists in August 1914 in Carmody’s Hotel Ennis. The meeting was for the two traditions to pledge solidarity to one another during the Great War.
Fairy Hill Parteen

Parteen House Parteen
Home to the Vincent, Crowe, Kelly and Gloster families. The house is now demolished. The original gate piers and gate are standing. See ‘Houses of Clare’ by Hugh W L Weir page 215.

Francis Beresford Gloster: Parteen House, died Dec 1917 age 20, Royal Flying Corps, G/M in France. He was an observer in a reconnaissance plane that was shot down. Francis and his pilot were buried on the spot where they fell behind enemy lines. His family received some measure of comfort from a letter of sympathy written by a German officer Lt. C. Mayweg, which was dropped from a plane onto a British held position. Son of George and Mrs A J Gloster.
Lt B E Stacpoole-Mahon : Corbally, Quin. Northumberland Fusiliers. He was reported missing in May 1915. He had been previously reported wounded. He was the son of Mr Thomas G Stacpoole-Mahon. **Miss Geraldine Mahon** appealed for eggs for wounded soldiers and sailors in Dublin hospitals in 1915.

In 1915 the Hon Mrs Blood was elected President of the newly formed Prisoners of War Aid Fund Committee.
**Hazelwood Quin**
Home to the Gibbon, Studdert, McGee and Singleton families. The house is demolished. The gateway is standing and the Gate Lodge is inhabited. See ‘Houses of Clare’ by Hugh W L Weir page 146.

**Miss Studdert** organised a concert in the Town Hall in 1915 which raised £20 for the Blue Cross, a charity for wounded horses.

**Knappogue Castle Quin**
Home to the MacNamara, Smyth, Scott, Creagh-Scott, Butler and Quin families. In 1966 the Andrews family of Texas purchased the castle and developed it as a special tourist project and banqueting centre. See ‘Houses of Clare’ by Hugh W L Weir page 166.

**Lieut Robert H. Studdert**: Hazelwood, Quin. Royal Field Artillery. Mentioned in Despatches ‘For gallant and distinguished service in the field’ Feb 1915. He also received the Military Cross ‘For distinguished service in the field’ July 1915. Wounded Sept 1916. The shrapnel stopped just short of his heart. See Clare Newspapers and WW1 pages 26, 48, 101 and 156.

**The Hon L J P Butler**: Knappogue Castle, Quin. Irish Guards. Son of Lord Dunboyne, promoted in March 1915 to Lt Colonel for service in the field. He had also been Mentioned in Despatches twice.
Moyriesk, Quin
Home to the Macnamara, Sampson, O’Callaghan, Fitzgerald, Vesey-Fitzgerald, Foster-Vesey-Fitzgerald, O’Brien and Crowe families. Part of the house still stands, most of which was demolished. See ‘Houses of Clare’ by Hugh W L Weir page 203.

Mr Crowe of Moyriesk, supported the meeting between Unionists and Nationalists, in Aug 1914 in Ennis. The meeting was for the two traditions to pledge solidarity to one another during the Great War.

Ruan

Dromore House Ruan
Home to the Crowe, Studdert, Paterson and O’Brien families. A three-storey, three bay gable-ended house with a central porch-protected front door. A big tree stands to the left. The house is now demolished. See ‘Houses of Clare’ by Hugh W L Weir page 110.

Captain Fitzwilliam Hume Crowe: Dromore, Ruan. Leinster Regiment. Wounded by a bullet in the arm 4 days after he arrived on the front in 1915. He returned to France and fought in the Battle of the Somme, where he was also wounded. In October 1917 as he was leading a raiding party to capture German prisoners, a grenade burst beside his head blinding him and killing his sergeant. (See Clare WW1 Individual Profiles)
Scariff

Major F C Sampson M B: Moynoe House Scariff. Royal Army Medical Corps. Mentioned in Despatches twice (Oct 8th 1914 & Oct 15th 1914). He was also awarded the Distinguished Service Order DSO in Jan 1916 ‘in recognition of his distinguished conduct and devotion to duty’. He was the son of Dr F C Sampson. CJ (See Clare WW1 Individual Profiles)

Moynoe House Scariff
Home to the Ringrose, Bowerman, Ringrose, Bowerman, Reade, Brady, Henchy, Stewart, Sampson and Macnamara families. Still standing and inhabited. See ‘Houses of Clare’ by Hugh W L Weir page 203.

Port House Ruan
Home to the Mellett, Dexter, O’Loghlen, Sampson, Cullinan and Kelly families. Still standing and inhabited. See ‘Houses of Clare’ by Hugh W L Weir page 216.

Port House Ruan on the shores of Dromore Lake.

John Montague ‘Monty’ Kelly: Port House, Ruan. Leinster Regiment. Suffered from shell shock. (See Clare WW1 Individual Profiles)

Port House Ruan on the shores of Dromore Lake.

Ruan
Castlecrine Sixmilebridge

Home to the Fanning, Purefoy, Butler, Massy and Graham families. This delightful house was demolished in 1955. The Gate Lodge walls are standing. The original front gates are demolished, but the rear gates are standing. See ‘Houses of Clare’ by Hugh W L Weir page 66.

Miss Henrietta Butler

Castlecrine attended a public meeting in Nov 1915, at the Courthouse to fundraise for Clare POW’s in Germany.

Eddie Graham and Jack Graham fought in WW1. They were from Castlecrine.

Glenwood, Sixmilebridge

Home to the Gabbett, Davoren, levers, Studdert and Maunsell families. This house was demolished in the 1930’s. See ‘Houses of Clare’ by Hugh W L Weir page 139.

Captain Loftus A Studdert:

Glenwood Sixmilebridge. ‘Age 49. He worked in the War Office, Lands Branch with Major G J Ball.
Mount Ievers, Sixmilebridge
Home to the Ievers and Morrow families. This house is still standing and inhabited. See ‘Houses of Clare’ by Hugh W L Weir page 196.

Description
Detached seven-bay three-storey over raised basement Georgian house, built 1730-1737, to designs by John Rothery. Hipped slate roof with cut-stone eaves course, moulded frieze and rendered chimney stack. Red brick walls to south elevation, cut-limestone to north elevation, having cut-stone quoins, string courses and architraves. Roughcast rendered walls to sides with cut-stone plinth and string courses. Segmental-arched openings to basement and square-headed openings to upper floors with timber sliding sash windows having thick glazing bars and limestone sills. Carved limestone pilaster and entablature doorcases with timber panelled doors to south and north elevations. Flight of limestone steps leading to south entrance. Detached eight-bay single-storey outbuilding with round-headed integral carriage arch and moulded architraves to openings. Red brick piers with ball finials having pedimented round-headed flanking niches and bellcote, set in rubble stone boundary walls.
**Sixmilebridge**

**Mount levers, Sixmilebridge**

Home to the levers and Morrow families. This house is still standing and inhabited. See ‘*Houses of Clare*’ by Hugh W L Weir page 196.

**Major Eyre levers**: Mount levers, Sixmilebridge. 5th Bn Royal Munster Fusiliers. During WW1 he was engaged in recruiting in the Limerick area. He died in Feb 1922 from pneumonia at his residence. He was aged 54 and married with four children. (Clare Champion 28th Feb 1922)
General Sir Bindon Blood G C B G C V O: Cranagher House, Spancil Hill. Born 1842. He had joined the Royal Engineers when aged 18 and served in the Zulu War, the Afghan War and in India. He was credited with shooting 57 tigers. In 1914 he was made Colonel-Commandant of the Royal Engineers, and worked to recruit soldiers for WW1. He died in 1940. His wife Charlotte died in 1948. They are both interred in Corofin Churchyard.

Capt Edward Lysaght: Raheen Manor Tuamgraney. He was a leading member of the National Volunteers that had a barracks at Raheen Manor. The brother of Thomas Lysaght.

Lt Thomas Lysaght: Raheen Manor Tuamgraney, died Dec 1914, Royal Horse Artillery, G/M in France. He was promoted from Corporal to Lieutenant in Dec 1914 for repeated acts of bravery. See Clare Newspapers and WW1 page 23 and 247.

Edward Vivian Morgan Crofton: Raheen His mother was Francis Westropp Harrison Moreland formerly of Raheen Manor Co Clare. He died July 1917 age 28, Royal Engineers, G/M in Belgium.
**Tulla**

**Affick House Tulla**

**Lt. Henry Spaight: Affick House, Tulla. Royal Army Medical Corps. Wrote a letter from the front in Dec 1914. (CJ) See Clare Newspapers and WW1 Page 17 and page 21**

**Castlevie Cottage (Fomerla House) Tulla**
Home to the Perry family. Castleview ia a small, early nineteenth-century, two storey, three bay, gabled house, with a central fanlit front door facing south west towards Formerla Castle. It is still standing but uninhabited. See ‘Houses of Clare’ by Hugh W L Weir page 70.

**Charles Joseph Perry:** (1882-1955) Tulla. He served as a gunner with the Royal Field Artillery – reg no. L31269. He was awarded 5 medals including a **Distinguished Conduct Medal DCM** and survived the War. *(Eric Shaw)*

**Frederick Perry:** Tulla, He was taken prisoner by the Turks and he held in Bor Nigde until he was released. He had been with the British Army in India and was a professional soldier all of his life. He came home from the camps in very poor health and shortly afterward died tragically in London. He is buried in Ballysheen, Sixmilebridge. *(Eric Shaw)*
Kiltannon House, Tulla
Home to the Molony, Engler and Talty families. The house is now ruined. The original gate piers and gate lodges are standing and inhabited. See ‘Houses of Clare’ by Hugh W L Weir page 164.

Bertram Weldon Molony: Kiltannon Tulla Co Clare, died Feb 1915 age 26, East Lancashire Regiment, G/M Belgium. Bertram joined the army in 1911 and was made a Captain the year before his death. He came from the well known Molony family from Kiltannon, Tulla who had substantial lands in Tulla, Feakle and beyond.

New Grove House Tulla
Home to the Macnamara, Browne, Brady and Brady-Browne families. The house is now demolished. The main entrance gateway and gates and original driveway are standing and used. The kitchen garden walls are standing. See ‘Houses of Clare’ by Hugh W L Weir page 206.

Captain Thomas Henry Brady-Browne: (1882-1937) Newgrove, Tulla. Royal Field Artillery. He fought in France throughout the war. He had previously been with the Clare Artillery and the Fifth Irish Lancers and saw service in the Boer War. He had retired in 1913 but enlisted again in 1914. (David Brady-Browne) (See Clare WW1 Individual Profiles)

Windham Alexander Brady-Browne: (born 1887) Newgrove, Tulla. Trench Mortar Battalion, Canadian Army. He had previously been with the the Clare Artillery (like his brother above) until 1908. He went to Canada in 1911 and joined the Canadian Army in 1915. He was very badly wounded (gunshot and shrapnel) in the Third Battle of Ypres (Passchendaele) in 1917, after which he was repatriated to the Canadian Orthopaedic Hospital in Derbyshire. His injuries were too severe for him to resume military service. (David Brady-Browne) (See Clare WW1 Individual Profiles)
William Archer Redmond (1825-1880) was one of Ireland’s first Home Rule MPs, elected for Wexford Borough in 1872. He married Mary Hoey of Dunganstown, Co. Wicklow. They lived at Ballytrent House near Rosslare Harbour, Co Wexford. Their two sons, John Edward Redmond (1856-1918) and William (Willie) Hoey Kearney Redmond (1861-1917 - MP for east Clare), served as Irish Parliamentary Party MPs until their deaths.
“The Ould Stock of Clare.”

From Liscombick, Lissycasey, Lisduff, and Lismalin,
Garuragh by the Shannon, and rock-bound Corofin,
Dromoland’s ancient towers a grand old race recalls;
Calvereon and sweet Carnelly, Bunratty’s olden walls;
From Stamer Park and Edenvale—their like was not elsewhere—
The men who fought in “Boney’s” days, the “ould stock of Clare.”

In Dysart and Liscannor, they were soldiers every man;
Fortfergus, Tinneranna, Kilmore, and old Fort Ann;
In Carrickgoran’s fertile valleys, Ballykity and Coolunore,
Coolteemergown and Clonderlaw, away by Shannon’s shore,
And in our Empire’s cause to-day some still can do and dare,
And some have fallen at Surin Bay of the “ould stock of Clare.”

KILDYSART.
—in the “Limerick Chronicle.”
H.V. MacNamara’s (Ennistymon House) speech at an Ulster Unionist rally in August 1911, in which he claimed that Protestants were being persecuted in Clare, created both bewilderment and fury among Catholics and Protestants alike in Clare. Five members of the County Club Committee publicly distanced themselves from the allegations: F N Studdert (Templemaley), W B Moloney (Kiltannon), Eyre Levers (Mount Levers), Fitzgerald Blood (Ballykilty), and R J Stackpoole (Edenvale).
A list of Clare houses in the Great War

Abbeyfield House (Abbeyville) Ennis
Abbeyview House (Remount Castle) Ennis
Affick House Tulla
Ashfield Ennis
Ashline House Ennis
Atlantic House Kilkee
Ballyalla Ennis
Ballyglass House Clonlara
Ballykilty House (Manor) Quin
Ballyleaan House Kildysart
Ballyvalley Killaloe
The Barracks in Clarecastle
Baunkyle House Corofin
Beechpark Ennis
Beechlawn Newmarket on Fergus
Belle Vue Ennis
Birchfield Liscannor
Bunratty Castle
The Cabin Loophead
Caherbane Newmarket on Fergus
Cahercalla House Ennis
Cahercon Kildysart
Cambrai Ballina
Carnelly, Clarecastle
Caherblonick Cottage, Corofin
Carrigoran, Newmarket on Fergus
Castlecrine Sixmilebridge
Castlerfogus, Newmarket on Fergus
Castelake Broadford.
Castlepark Meelick / Limerick
Castleview Cottage (Fomerla House) Tulla
Clare Abbey House Clarecastle
Clifden House Corofin
Clonroad Ennis
Clareeen House
Clonboy, Bridgetown
Corbally Quin
Cragleigh House Ennis
Cragmoher Corofin
Cranagher Spencel Hill
Derrymore House O’Callaghan’s Mills
Doolough Lodge
Doonass House Clonlara
Dromoland Castle Newmarket on Fergus
Dromore House Ruan
Drumconora Ennis
Edenvale Ennis
Elva View Lisdoonvarna
Ennistymon Glebe
Ennistymon House
Erasmus Smith Academy (Ordnance House)
Fairy Hill Parteen
Fenloe House Newmarket on Fergus
Ferns Hollow Ballina
Firgrove Bunratty
Fort Fergus Ballinacally
Fountain House Ennis
Glenard House Clarecastle
Glenomera O’Briensbridge
Glenwood, Sixmilebridge
Green Lawn Ennis
Hazelwood Quin
Islandmagrath House (Island) Clarecastle
Kilkishen Glebe Kilkishen
Kilmore Knock
Kilrush House
Kiltannon Tulla
Knappogue Castle Quin
Knockaun Nemarket on Fergus
Knockroe House Boston
Lackannashinnagh Kildysart
Leadmore House Kilrush
Liscrona House Kilkee
The Manse Ennis
Mary Fort O’Callaghan’s Mills
Mill View Ennis
Mount Callan Inagh
Mount Levers, Sixmilebridge
Mountshannon House
Mountshannon Rectory
Moymore House Liscannor
Moynoe House Scariff
Moyriesk, Quin
New Grove House Tulla
New Hall Ennis
The Palace Killaloe
Paradise Kildysart
Parteen House
Pella House Kilrush
Port House Ruan
Raheen House (Raheen Manor) Tuamgraney
Rathlaheen House Newmarket on Fergus
The Retreat Kilkee
Rockforest House Corofin
Rosslevin Ennis
Seamount House Liscannor
Shore Park Kildysart
Stamer Park Ennis
Summerhill Clonlara
Tarman (Termon House) Kilkee
Templemaley Ennis
Thomond House Lisdoonvarna
Tinerana Killaloe
Trafalgar Lodge Kilkee
Trinaderry House Barefield
Waterpark House Clonlara
Waterpark House Ennis
Westbourne