

## MONAGHAN AND NEIGHBOURHOOD.

**MONAGHAN** is a market town (formerly a parliamentary borough) and a parish; the head of a barony, and capital of its county; 77 miles S.W. from Dublin, 54 S.W. by W. from Belfast, 49 S.E. from Enniskillen, 20 S.E. from Clogher, 16 S.W. by S. from Armagh, 15 N. from Cootchill, 14 N.W. from Castle-Blaney, 13 S. from Anghuacloy, 11½ N.E. by E. from Clones, 10½ N. from Ballibay, 9 S.W. from Caledon, 6½ S. from Emlyvale, and about the same distance south-south-west from Glasslough; seated on the Ulster canal, and at the intersection of the Dublin and Londonderry mail-road with that from Belfast to Enniskillen. The ancient name of the parish was **ROCKWALLIS**, from an extensive townland so called, and which had a church, of which there are no remains. Monaghan, till within a comparatively modern period, was distinguished only by a monastery, which must have existed previously to 931, as in that year it was plundered. It flourished for about two centuries, after which no mention of it occurs. About the commencement of the seventeenth century Sir Edward Blayney, who had been appointed seneschal of the county, erected a small fort here, and, at that time, only a few scattered cabins formed the village; it soon after, however, began to increase in population and extent, and, in 1611, Sir Edward obtained, from James I, the grant of a market and fair, and, in 1613, the inhabitants were incorporated by royal charter. The town consists of one principal square, in the centre, called the **Diamond** (in which is the linen hall), of another spacious area (in which is the market-house), and of three streets diverging from the principal square in a triangular direction. One lake, of two hundred yards in length, called **Monaghan Lough**, extends immediately west of Glasslough-street, and approaches within ninety yards of the Diamond; and another, two hundred and thirty yards in length, called **Spark's Lough**, lies five hundred and fifty yards south-west of the Diamond. The streets of the town are somewhat narrow, but are kept very clean; the carriage-ways are macadamized, and flanked by raised footpaths. Within these few years many improvements have been made; some of the streets have been widened, and old and unsightly thatched cabins superseded by good limestone houses, of two and three stories in height, with slated roofs. From Monaghan a number of excellent roads proceed, respectively, to Castle-Blaney, Ballybay, Clones, Newbliss, Smithborough, Tedavenet, Glasslough, Cootchill, and the city of Armagh—all, except the two latter, in this county. The number of the resident gentry, their opulence, their attention to the improvement of their country, with the abundance and excellence of easily acquired materials, render the roads of this barony the admiration of travellers passing through it. The general surface of the surrounding country is irregular and hilly, partially rugged towards the south, more smooth and undulating to the north, nearly all arable, and in the neighbourhood of the town fertile. The county court-house, situated as before stated in the Diamond, is a very handsome modern building of hewn stone, containing spacious court rooms for the judges of assize, and all requisite offices for the county, and other public business. The county gaol, situated at the western extremity of the town, on a healthy and elevated site, is a strong and convenient building, competent to the classification of prisoners. The county infirmary occupies also an elevated situation, off the north-east corner of the Shamble-square; and about a quarter of a mile from the town, in the same direction, is the fever hospital. At the north entrance is the cavalry barrack, a handsome range, and contiguous is the union workhouse. Monaghan publishes a newspaper weekly on Saturday—the '**Northern Standard**,' a highly respected journal, of considerable circulation; and a well regulated news-room is supported by subscription.

Monaghan, as before stated, was incorporated by James I, and the corporation styled the '**Provost, Free Burgesses, and Commonalty of the borough of Monaghan**.' The corporation does not appear to have possessed any property, and under the Municipal Act their power merged in certain commissioners thereunder appointed, in whom the government of the town is now vested; and the public peace is preserved by a party of the county constabulary, who have a station in the town. Assizes for the county are held twice a year; general sessions of the peace four times within the same period, and petty sessions every Tuesday. Under the charter of incorporation Monaghan obtained the privilege of returning two members to the Irish parliament, which the burgesses continued to exercise until the Union, when the borough was disfranchised. The linen manufacture formerly flourished here more extensively than at present; it is still, however, a considerable linen market; but the principal trade is the exchange of general merchandize for the agricultural produce of the surrounding country. A noted brewery is carried on in the town by Messrs. Warren and Gillis; the Milltown corn mills, of Mr. Adams, are extensive; and the '**Westerra Arms Hotel**' is a very excellent house. The Ulster Banking Company, the Belfast Banking Company, and the Provincial Bank, have each a branch establishment, and there is a bank for savings. A branch of the Blackwater joins the main river about six miles distant, forming the northern boundary of the parish, which is likewise watered by several mill-streams and small rivulets in every direction, and the Ulster canal, which passes through the town, contributes to its prosperity—which is progressively increasing.

The parish church, standing in the centre of the town, is a very handsome structure, in the later English style of architecture, with a square tower, surmounted by a spire. It was erected on the site of the former edifice in 1536, at an expense of upwards of £5,300., of which £2,000. was a loan from the late Board of First Fruits, and the remainder made up by legacies and subscriptions. The interior, which is very neatly fitted up, contains some handsome monuments and marble mural tablets. Adjoining the town is the Roman Catholic chapel, a remarkably neat structure, both in its exterior and interior—the latter is embellished with an elegant altar-piece representing the Crucifixion. The Presbyterians have a meeting-house in the Market-place, and the Wesleyan and Primitive Methodists have chapels in other parts of the town. The principal charities are the county infirmary, fever hospital, and union poor-house, before noticed; a dispensary, some public schools, and a school, founded by Captain Richard Jackson in 1808, who likewise endowed almshouses for six poor widows. The market days are Monday and Saturday—the first for the usual articles of consumption—the latter for corn. Fairs the first Monday in every month. The parish of Monaghan contained, in 1811, 12,160 inhabitants, and the town 4,130 of that number.

**POST OFFICE.** Diamond, Thomas Wright, *Post Master*.—Letters from DUBLIN and all parts of the SOUTH OF IRELAND, also from ENGLAND, arrive every morning at five minutes before four, and are despatched every evening at eight minutes before nine.—Letters from BELFAST and the NORTH OF IRELAND, also from SCOTLAND, arrive every morning at half-past two, and are despatched every night at a quarter past ten. Letters from ENNISKILLEN and the WEST OF IRELAND arrive every night at a quarter past eleven, and are despatched every morning at half-past two.—Letters from ARMAGH, CALEDON and GLASSLOUGH arrive every evening at a quarter past eight, and are despatched every afternoon at four.

# NOBILITY, GENTRY AND CLERGY.

Allcock Rev. Alfred H. Glasslough st.  
Aukett William, Esq. J.P. Aukett  
Grover  
Bellew the Very Rev. Patrick, Chapel  
Beckley Rev. John, A.M. Hill st  
Evatt Jas. B., Esq. J.P. Mount Lewes

Fitzgibbon Rev. Esq. Castle Shane  
Hackett Rev. Esq. Killycouligan  
Hamilton Jas. Esq. J.P. Cornecassa  
Hatchell John, Esq. J.P. Beaumont  
Park  
Johnston Henry George, Esq. Fort  
Johnston John, Esq. Dublin st  
Johnston John, Esq. J.P. Thornhill

Johnston Wm. Henry, Esq. Brookvale  
Kirk Lieutenant William, Coolkil  
Lewes Arthur G. Esq. J.P. Ballyleck  
Lucas Edwd. Esq. J.P. Castle Shane  
Park  
McAlly Rev. Matthew, Corvoan  
McCanna Rev. Peter, North st  
McCullagh Thos. Esq. Dnraymond  
McDonnell Rev. James, North st

## Directory.

## MONAGHAN, &amp;c.

## Ulster.

Maffett Rev. Henry, Park st  
Maguire Rev. Francis, North st  
Mitchell Miss Charlotte, Park st  
Mitchell Henry, Esq. Drumreask  
Mitchell Richard, Esq. Hill st  
Mitchell Samuel, Esq. Cappog  
Mooney Rev. Thomas, the Hill  
Murray Andrew, Esq. Lockona  
Rankin Rev. John, Drumcaw  
Richardson Mrs. Poplar Vale  
Robinson Thos. Esq. Sally-mount  
Roper Rev. William L. Glebe House  
Rossmore the Right Honble. Lord,  
Rossmore Park [Glebe  
Schomburg Rev. George A. Kilmore  
Slate William, Esq. North st  
Thompson Robt. Esq. J.P. Brandrim  
Waddell William Charles, Esq. Lis-  
navane House  
Warren Robt. Gibson, Esq. Diamond  
Whitsitt Joseph, Esq. J.P. Talloo  
**ACADEMIES AND SCHOOLS.**  
Bleckley Rev. John, A.M. (boarding)  
Hill street [st  
Cotterell Geo. (classical), Glasslough  
Cotterell Sarah Jane (day), Glass-  
lough street  
**DIOCESAN SCHOOL,** Hill—Rev. Thos.  
Mooney, master  
**INFANTS' SCHOOL,** New road—  
Dorothea Ellen Jebb, mistress  
**JACKSON'S FREE SCHOOL,** Hill st—  
John Emerson, master; Jane  
Secian, mistress  
McNally Ellen, Dublin st  
**PAROCHIAL SCHOOL,** New road—  
Charles Welsh, master  
Warner Mary Ann & Eliza, Hill st

## AGENTS.

(See also Fire, &c. Office Agents.)  
Browne Thos. (emigration), Glass-  
lough street  
Holmes Arthur Wellington (local  
agent for the estate Transfer Office  
of Ireland), Hill street  
Rogers Henry (land), Hill st  
Russell John (emigration, and  
house), Diamond

## APOTHECARIES.

Carlile John (& druggist), Diamond  
Lepper James George, Diamond  
Robinson John L. Diamond

## ATTORNEYS.

Barkley Hugh, Diamond  
Burnell Maurice (and notary and re-  
gistrar for the diocese of Clogher),  
Hill street  
Mitchell Richard, jun. Hill st  
Morphy Edmund Percival, Mill st  
Reilly Thomas, Hill st  
Wright & Nunn, Mill st

## AUCTIONEERS.

Jones John E. Mill st  
Russell John (& valuator), Diamond  
Watson William, Dublin st

## BAKERS.

Donaldson John, Dublin st  
Hoy Catherine, Dublin st  
Keiran Philip, Park st  
Kelly Patrick, Dublin st  
King Alexander, Dublin st  
McCarren John, Dublin st  
McCruden Patrick, Market st  
McGrouan Patrick, Glasslough st  
Quigley James, Glasslough st  
Richardson Samuel, Market st  
Slowe Charles, Market st  
Smith Thomas, Park st  
Sullivan Patrick, Market st

## BANKS.

BELFAST BANKING CO. (Branch),  
Dublin street—(draw on Devison,  
Heywood & Co. London)—Mr.  
John Johnson, manager

PROVINCIAL BANK OF IRELAND  
(Branch), North st—(draws on  
Spooner, Attwoods' & Co. Lon-  
don)—Mr. William Slate, manager  
ULSTER BANKING CO. (Branch),  
Glasslough st—(draw on Prescott,  
Grote & Co. London)—Mr. Robt.  
Gibson Warren, manager  
SAVINGS' BANK, Hill st—(open on  
Monday from twelve till two)—  
Mr. Henry Rogers, manager

## BLACKSMITHS.

Brothers John, Rooskey  
Carroll William (and white), Mill st  
Curry James, Meeting-House sq  
James Patrick, Glasslough st  
Kiernan Philip, New road  
McClellan John (and white), Meet-  
ing-House square  
McCormick John, Glasslough st  
McEntee Francis, Park st  
McEntee Philip, Canal st  
Maguire Patrick, Park st  
Shaw Thomas, Rooskey  
Taggart Edward, Park st

## BOOKSELLERS.

Greacen Nathaniel, Diamond  
Lennox William, Dublin st  
Robinson Joseph, Diamond

## BOOT AND SHOE MAKERS.

Connolly James, Glasslough st  
Duffy James, High st  
Duffy John, Rooskey  
Hewitt John, Glasslough st  
Hughes George, Glasslough st  
Hughes Michael, Glasslough st  
Johnston Thomas, Dublin st  
Johnston Thomas, Glasslough st  
Keenan Owen, Mill st  
McCormack John, Glasslough st  
McKenna John, Glasslough st  
O'Neill John, Glasslough st  
Wynn Philip, Glasslough st

## BREWERS.

Warren & Gillis, Park st

## BUTCHERS.

Commiskey Patrick, Dublin st  
McKeon John, Dublin st  
Macklin John, Dublin st  
Mahon Owen, Dublin st  
Owens Archibald, Dublin st

## CABINET MAKERS.

Jones John E. Mill st  
Robinson Robert, Glasslough st

## CARPENTERS.

Crawford Henry, Park st  
Kerr Thomas, Glasslough st  
McGone Robert (and turner), Meet-  
ing-House square  
Moore Robert, High st  
Stewart John, Glasslough st

## CLOTHES BROKERS.

Tighe John, Dublin st  
Watson William, Dublin st  
Woods John (and hosier), Dublin st

## COAL DEALERS.

McCulloch Peter, Market st  
Murray John, Church st  
O'Hanlon John, Diamond

## CONFECTIONERS.

Donaldson John, Dublin st  
McDaniel Elizabeth, Church square  
Turtle Isabella, Diamond

## COOPERS.

Boylan Bartholomew, Glasslough st  
McCullen Richard, Church square  
Reilly Daniel, Park st

## DYERS.

Fisher Elizabeth, Dublin st  
Haulon James, Market st

## EARTHENWARE DEALERS.

Murdoch Ann, Glasslough st  
Warner James, Church square

## FIRE, &amp;c. OFFICE AGENTS.

ALLIANCE, William Slate, North st  
BRITISH COMMERCIAL (life), Henry  
Rogers, Hill st  
LONDON, EDINBURGH AND DUBLIN  
John Fleming, Hill st [st  
NATIONAL, Francis Adams, Market  
STANDARD (life), John Johnson,  
Dublin street

## FLAX DRESSERS.

Adams Francis, MILL TOWN MILLS;  
house Mill st

McGinnis James, Market st  
McGinnis William, Market st

## GROCERS.

Cunningham Mary, Park st  
Fleming Francis, Dublin st  
Horner David, Diamond  
Keiran Philip, Park st  
Lennon Henry P. (and tobacco ma-  
nufacturer), Mill st [Dublin st  
Lewers John (and seed merchant),  
Logan Mary, Glasslough st  
McCarren John, Dublin st  
McCosker John (and flour dealer),  
Dublin street

## HABERDASHERS.

McCulloch Peter, Market st  
McGinnis William, Market st  
Milligan Edward, Market st  
Mitchell & Boyle, Market st  
Murdoch Ann, Glasslough st  
Murdoch Samuel, Glasslough st  
O'Hanlon John, Diamond  
Richardson Samuel, Market st  
Ross James Alexander, Church sq  
Warner James, Church square

## GUNSMITHS.

McDaniel John, Church square  
Skelton Richard, Market st

## HABERDASHERS.

See Linen Drapers & Haberdashers.

## HOTELS.

Slag, Edward Campbell, Dublin st  
Westerra Arms, (commercial and  
posting house and Excise Office),  
Peter McPhillips, Diamond

IRONMONGERS AND HARD-  
WAREMEN.

Graham Robert, Diamond  
Horner David, Diamond  
Lewers John, Dublin st  
McCulloch Peter, Market st  
Murray John, Church square  
O'Hanlon John, Diamond  
Ross Jas. Alexander, Church square

## LEATHER SELLERS.

Beckingham Charles, Park st  
Clarke James, Dublin st  
McCosker John, Dublin st  
Milligan Edward, Market st  
Ross Jas. Alexander, Church square  
Slevin John, Park st  
Slowe Thos. Meeting-House square

LINEN DRAPERS AND  
HABERDASHERS.

Marked thus \* are also Woollen Drapers.

\*Adams Francis, Market st  
\*Barkley Hugh, Diamond  
Blakely Richard, Glasslough st  
Fallon Patrick, Mill st  
\*Fay John, Diamond  
\*Little Robert, Diamond  
\*McKnight James, Diamond  
\*Manus Eliza, Dublin st  
\*Quaid Michael, Church square  
\*Quaid Peter, Church square  
\*Mitchell Hendrie, Diamond  
\*Moyné James, Mill st  
Scott Hannah, Market st  
Trumble Isabella, Dublin st  
Watson William, Diamond

## MERCHANTS.

Graham John (flax), Hill st  
McPhillips Peter (linen), Diamond