# **ECCLESIASTICAL ITEMS EXTRACTED FROM:**

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# **ECCLESIASTICAL AND TESTAMENTARY COLLECTIONS**

#### PREROGATIVE COURT

After the abolition of the jurisdiction of the Church of Rome, Commissioners were appointed, in Ireland, under the Act of 28 Hen. VIII., c. 19 (1536), to issue such faculties, dispensations, etc., as it was formerly necessary to sue for to Rome, but could now be given by the Archbishop of Canterbury. In the appointment of Acworthe and Garvey to be Commissioners of Faculties (Fiant 2996 Eliz., 1576-7), we find that the power of proving wills and granting administrations in the case of persons having goods in divers dioceses was also given to them. I Ins grant was revoked in 1578, and in 1579 (25 May, 21 Eliz.), a commission was granted to Adam, archbishop of Dublin, and Robert Garvey, M.A., empowering them ' to prove, approve and insinuate the testaments, codicils and last wills and to grant letters of administration, etc., of all and singular persons of the realm of Ireland .... which have goods and chattels . . . . in divers provinces, jurisdictions or dioceses......according to the course and order of the Prerogative Court of the Archbishop of Canterbury in the realm of England," etc.\* The, Prerogative Court for Ireland was apparently created by Letters Patent of 1 Mar., 28 Eliz. (See Patent Rolls, Ireland. 25 Eliz., d.r. 7.)

By letters patent of 20 James 1., the jurisdiction of the Prerogative Court in ecclesiastical causes and the Court of Faculties of Ireland was granted to the Archbishop of Armagh and his successors for ever. (See also Patent Rolls 2 Car. I. p. 2 and 8 Car. I. p. 1).

During the Cromwellian Period, commissioners were appointed to act in all testamentary cases, hut with the Restoration, the jurisdiction of the Archbishop of Armagh was restored.

In 1858 by the Act 20 and 21 Vic., c. 79, the testamentary jurisdiction was transferred to the new Court of Probate, and appeals, which had hitherto been carried before the Court of Delegates, were in future to be made to the Court of Appeal in Chancery. But the Court of Prerogative still continued to exist (till the disestablishment of the Church of Ireland in 1870) for granting special licences and faculties. This collection is indexed in the Testamentary Detailed Index.

The chief officers were a Judge or Commissary and a Registrar, appointed by the Archbishop.

Account book (Judges), 1792-1827.

Account of fees received by the judge; this method of paying the judge ceased in 1827 under the Act of 7 & 8 Geo. IV., c. 44. See Day Books.

Acts of Court, 1773-1832. Orders of the Court in full.

Advocates, Petitions to be admitted as, 1822-57.

Advocates. See also Oaths.

Affidavits, 1754-1857.

Bonds (Administration), 1682-1846. These are continued with Commissions.

Bonds (Marriage Licence), 1750-1849.

Cause Papers (various dates).

Caveat Books, 1680-1858. Sec also Proctors.

Caveats, 1779-1858.

Certificates, 1816-57.

Certificates that attorneys and proctors practising in the Prerogative Court, also administrators, have paid the Stamp Duty.

Charitable Donations and Bequests, Extracts of, 1765-1815.

Citations, 1768-1857.

*Commissions, etc.,* 1769-1858.

Commissions to take oaths of executors, administrators, etc., directed to minister of the parish in which executor, etc., lived, with oaths, bonds, affidavits, and other proceedings connected therewith; also, from 1847, papers leading to grants of probate and letters of administration in all cases.

Consents, 1786-1836. See also Commissions, etc.

Convocation, Minute Book of the Upper House of, 1703-11.

Court Books (Rough), 1674-1749.

Day Books, 1775-1858.

Daily registers of fees received for documents issued, and allocated between offices of judge, registrar, marshal, and stamp duties.

Deposit Book, 1889-44.

Register of sums deposited in ordering copies.

Depositions, 1664-81, 1677-1685.

The vol for 1664-81 contains transcripts of depositions, and other documents, in the cause of Ryder v. Taylor, 1664, and in the appeal cause in the Court of Delegates of Shaw v. Mathews (John Grangier, deceased), 1681.

Dispensation, Letters of, 1793-1802.

Dispensation, Petitions for, 1789-1829.

For earlier dates, see Entry Books of Petitions for Faculties.

Ecclesiastical Causes, Commissioners of, 1570-7.

Register of cases and decisions by the Commissioners. This will be found in the REVENUE EXCHEQUER collection.

Estimates of expense of building country churches and glebe houses, as designed by T. Cooley, 1778.

Examiners, Commissions to swear, 1801-55.

Examiners, Oaths of, 1816-46. See also Oaths.

Exhibits (various dates).

Faculties, Entry Books of, 1661-1870.

Entries of faculties of dispensations for absence, pluralities, ordination or preaching; also for midwives and practicing medicine, and from 1813, notarial faculties, which, for earlier dates, will be found in the Grant Books. See Notaries Public. Faculties were granted under 28 Hen. VIII., c. 19.

Facilities, Entry Book« of Petitions for, 1678-1748.

Entries of petitions for faculties, with bishops' certificates, and fiats of the judge. Indexed.

Faculties or Ordination, Petitions for, 1870.

Fee Books (Marriage Special Licences anti Faculties), 1858-70.

Fee Books (Office and Officers'), 1789-1848. See also Account Books and Praetors.

Fiats for Com missions, Requisition, etc., 1813-58.

*Grant Books,* 1593-1858.

These grant books comprise grants of probate, Administration, marriage licence, facility of notary public, letters of tutelage and acquittance, commissions, etc., with some decrees. Indexed.

Inventories, 1688-1858.

Schedules of assets of deceased lodged by executors or administrators. See also Schedules (Proctors), and Commissions. There is also a volume of Inventories for 1672-3.

Inventories, List of, 1590-1610.

Judges' Bonks, 1798-1858. Day lists of business.

Leases (Primate's), Enrolments of. 1691-1784.

Letter Book (Proctor Ormsby's), 1858-9.

Marriage Licences (Special), Oaths and Fiats for, 1858-70.

Marriage Licences (Special), Grant Book of, 1863-70.

Marriage Licences. See Bonds, and Grant Books.

Miscellaneous.

Notaries Public, Petitions to be admitted as, and Indentures of Apprenticeship of, etc., 1793-1869.

These also contain certificates of recommendation and fiats of the judge; also roll of oaths of allegiance, 1859-69. See Faculties, Entry Books of Petitions of; and Oaths. From 1871, this jurisdiction was transferred to the fjord Chancellor.

Oaths. Rolls of, 1692-1869.

Rolls of oaths taken by advocates, proctors, notaries public and officials of the Court on appointment. See also Era miners' Oaths; and Oaths of Dep. Registrars.

Oaths of Dep. Registrars, 1846.

Petitions, 1701-1858.

Precedent Books, 1705-1845, etc.

Probates, Administrations, etc., 1689-1857.

Original probates and letters of administration not taken out of Office, and other papers.

Probates and Administrations, Grants of. See Grant Books.

Probates and Administrations, List of, 1596-1614.

List of some probates and administrations with names of executors, etc., and notes of what account had to be returned of the legacies, etc.

*Procedure. Rules of,* 1786-1846.

Process Books, 1693.1757.

Register of issue of citations, commissions, etc. Indexed.

Processes, etc., from Diocesan Courts, 1627-39. Copy proceedings.

Proctors, Accounts with, 1829-46.

Proctors' Account Books, 1796-1868.

Accounts of fees due by proctors for work done.

Proctors' Fees or Costs Books. 1800-1862.

Proctors' Ledgers, 1828-54.

Proctors' Notice Book, 1841-6.

Copies of notices served ON other proctors by Tilly, Hamilton and Ormsby.

Proctor's (Worthington) Caveat, Rule, etc., Book, 1804-8.

Proctor's (Hawkins) Caveat Book, 1805-23.

*Proxys,* 1784-1832.

Appointments of guardians and of proctors to take out letters of administration in minor matters. Continued with Commissions, etc.

Renunciations, 1704-1846 See also Commissions and Requisitions.

Requisitions, 1814-1846.

Requisitions to archbishops, etc.. to take oaths of executors, administrators, etc., living outside the jurisdiction of the Prerogative Court, with papers connected therewith. Continued with Commissions.

Recquisition Dockets, c. 1843-50.

Dockets requesting the production of original will, and stating purpose.

Requisitions, Bespeak or Order Books, 1842-54.

Rule Books, 1597-1858.

Rule of judge at each sitting, and also acts of Court done in Registrar's Office by consent of Proctors in pending causes. There is a series of Hough Rule Books, 1774-1800. which contains fuller entries.

Schedules (Proctors') 1819-62.

Proctors' copies of inventories or schedules of assets. They contain date of death.

Stamp Books or Blotters, 1837-58.

Visitations, Regal, 1615, 1633-4.

Ecclesiastical visitations made by Royal commissioners, the first being under commission dated 20th june, 1615, and the other probably made under a commission of Lord Deputy Wentworth, in 1634. (See Calendar of States Papers, 1633-47, p. 90).

Visitations, Triennial, 1663-1782.

Wills, 1586-1858.

Will Books, 1562-1858.

Wills (Unproved), 1689.1858.

Wills (Unproved), Hawkins Collection.

These are wills transferred from the Principal Registry, marked Private Wills," "Taken from Mr. Hawkins' Private Office after his death, r Hawkins was Deputy Registrar of the Court of Prerogative. See the Deputy Keeper's Report XIV., appendix 1.

Wills (Unproved), Orme collection, 1820-56.

#### DIOCESAN REGISTRIES.

The jurisdiction of the archbishops and bishops in their dioceses was of a twofold nature, being (1) a voluntary jurisdiction, consisting of the granting of probates and administrations; sequestrations of livings; institutions and collations; licences for marriage for curates, schoolmasters, etc.; conservations of churches and churchyards: granting of faculties for building and altering glebe houses, and churches, etc., and (2) a contentious jurisdiction, which comprehended testamentary and matrimonial suits, tithe cases, and causes of correction, such as simony, immorality, non-residence of clergy, and defamation, adultery, etc., of the laity.

Except at the times when visitations were held, the bishop's duties were delegated to a judicial officer, who combined the offices of Official Principal, Vicar General, Chancellor and Commissary General, who could appoint a deputy or surrogate, and to a Registrar, who, cither by himself or his deputy, kept the records and proceedings of the Court, issued copies of wills, prepared visitation books, prepared and registered titles of the clergy, etc. There was also a Seal Keeper and an Apparitor. Appeals from these Consistorial Courts were made to the Metropolitical Courts, and from them to the Court of Delegates.

Upon the pausing of the Probate Act of 1857 (20 and 21 Vic., c. 79). these Courts and the Court of Prerogative were deprived of their testamentary jurisdiction, and most of the testamentary records belonging to the Diocesan Registries (with the exception of the diocese of Meath\*) were transferred to the Central and District Registries of the Court of Probate, from whence they were removed to the Public Record Office after the passing of the Public Records (Ireland! Act in 1867.+

By the Act of 27 and 28 Vic., c. 54 (1864), certain of the Courts and Registries were united. By the Act of 32 and 33 Vic.. c. 42, it was ordered that all the remaining jurisdiction of these Ecclesiastical Courts, whether contentious or otherwise, in all matters matrimonial, spiritual or ecclesiastical, should cease from 1st January, 1871. By the Act of 33 and 34 Vic., c. 110, a Court for Matrimonial Causes and Matters was constituted, to which all matrimonial causes still pending in the Ecclesiastical Courts at the end of the year 1870 were transferred.

The remaining Matrimonial records were transferred from some of the Diocesan Registries to the Principal Registry of the Court for Matrimonial Causes and Matters, from whence they have been transferred to the Public Record Office, but in other registries, they were so mixed up with the remaining testamentary records that the separation would have involved much labour, so they were transferred with them to the Public Record Office. (See Deputy Keeper's Report, V., p. 15.)

In 1871, under the 47tli section of the Act 32 and 33 Vic., c. 42, all deeds and Papers respecting Church property in the different registries were handed over to the Commissioners of Church Temporalities in Ireland, by whom they were subsequently transferred to the Irish Land Commission, under the Act of 14 and 45 Vic., c. 71', whence they came to the Public Record Office. All other matter was transferred to the Public Record Office direct from the District Registries. (See Deputy Keeper's Reports VII. and VIII.).

# PROVINCE OF ARMAGH.

# UNITED DIOCESES OF ARMAGH AND CLOGHER.

The See of Clogher was united with that of Armagh for the period 1850-1886.

The diocese of Armagh was divided into two portions, the lower and the upper portion, the latter of which, comprising the deaneries of Drogheda, Atherdee and Dundalk, was called the Drogheda District of the diocese, and had a separate surrogate and registrar.

DIOCESE OF ARMAGH.

ARMAGH DISTRICT.

(Administration.)

Building Charge Application Papers, 1871-3.

Building Papers (various dates).

Clergy Residence, etc., Returns, 1828-69.

Council (Pricy), Acts of, 1637-1861.

Deeds, Leases, Conveyances, etc., 1619-1870. See also Perpetual Cures, Vicar's Choral; Glebe Loan Mortgages; See Leases.

Deeds (Perpetuity Grants), Register of certificates of rent, etc., 1837-70.}

Diocesan Registry Books, 1714-1870.

Fee Books, 1803-58.

Glebe Loan Mortgages, 1861-8.

Kilmoon Manor, co. Meath:

This manor was part of the see estate of Armagh, having been granted 25 Feb., 1614. The records consist of Court Baron Rolls of proceedings and papers in connection therewith, c. 1763-1861; two Court books containing entries of proceedings of the

Court (1761-1861), abstracts of customs, observations on copyholds and commons, rent rolls opinions of counsel, etc.; and one book of enrolments of deeds and documents exhibited by tenants on admission, 1832-61.

*Leases (See),* 1620-1871.

" " enrolled, 1691-1784.

" " Registry of, and List, 1700-62, 1822-70.

Maps and Terriers (Glebes), 1721-1871. See also Kilmoon.

Miscellaneous.

*Tithe Composition Papers*, 1833-4.

Valuation Books, 1699-1870.

Entry books of valuations of buildings and improvements on church lands by the Commissioners appointed for that purpose.

Visitation Books, 1695, 1748-1870.

Visitation Papers, 1688-1870.

Visitation Papers (Parochial Returns). 1786-1871.

Visitation Papers (Rural Deans' Reports), 1822-39.

(Testamentary, Matrimonial and Court Records.)

Administration Bonds, 1742-1857.

Affidavits and Schedules of Assets, 1816-31.

Appeals (Transmmisses), 1824-1804.

Cause Papers (various dates).

Caveats, 1840-57.

Citations, 1741-1843.

Court Books, 1800-70. (Draft), 1779.1870.

Fee and Desk Books, 1806-58.

*Grant Books,* 1803-58.

Inventories, 1659-1882.

Marriage Licence Bonds, 1727-1845.

" Returns and Affidavits, 1866-70.

" *Fiats,* 1817-30.

Marriage Notices and Books, 1845-70.

Memorials of Acts (Memoranda of probates, etc., issued), 1816-21.

Miscellaneous, 1673-1849.

Probates, Administrations and copies, 1698-1845.

Renunciations, 1701-1852.

Renunciation and Caveat Rook, 1839-57.

Wills, 1677-1858.

Will Books, 1777, 1816-56.

# DROGHEDA DISTRICT.

(Administration).

Commission issued by Primate for enquiry into value of parishes, 1764

Visitation Books, 1690-1826.

Papers about tithe of fish, Christ Church, Dublin.

(Testamentary, Matrimonial and Court Records).

Accounts of Wills, etc., 1812-63.

Returns of administrations granted, and of copies of wills made.

Administrations, Entry Book of, 1784-1846.

Administration Bonds, 1817-46.

Affidavits and Schedules, 1816-46.

Cause Papers (various dates).

Caveats, 1840-57.

Citations, 1741-1843.

Court Book, 1806-23.

Grant Books, 1784-1830. Indexes, 1806-44.

Inventories, 1815-45.

Marriage Fee Books, 1829-45.

Miscellaneous, 1773-1846.

Renunciations. (See Armagh District.)

Wills. 1691-1846.

# DIOCHESE OF CLOGHER.

(Administration.)

Building Charge Application Papers, 1871-3.

Applications for orders o» ascertain the amount of building charge under section 24 of tin Irish Church Act (32 and 33 Vic., c. 42). Valuations of the Ecclesiastical Commissioners under 3 and 4 William IV. c. 37, nod returns to the same Commissioners of the yearly value of the parishes, together with other papers in connection with the applications, ore put up .with this collection.

Building Papers, 1704-1870.

Memorials and petitions for building and repairs, commissions of dilapidation and reports thereon, commissions to value improvements, licences, specifications, estimates, accounts, maps mid plans, etc., in reference to building and repair of churches and glebe houses. Many of these are entered in the Diocesan Registry Books.

Clergy Residence, etc., Return,. 1882-69.

Returns by clergy as to residence, performance of duty, etc;., to enable the archbishop to make returns to the Privy Council under the Act of 5 Geo. IV., c. 91. They are sometimes called Privy Council Returns, when abstracted or summarised.

Declaration or Subscription Rolls, Index to, 1717-1804.

This is an index to rolls of oaths of allegiance, supremacy, and abjuration, with declaration, and oaths of simony, canonical obedience, continual residence, and of conforming to the liturgy of the Church of Ireland, and subscription to first four canons of Synod of 1634, taken and subscribed by clergymen, vicars choral, schoolmasters, parish clerks, etc. No rolls were transferred.

Deeds and Leases, c. 1727-1870. See also Leases (Sec).

Deed, (Perpetuity Grants, 1839-49, and Certificates, 1834-68).

By 3 and 4 Will. IV., c. 37, tenants of church lands could purchase a' perpetual estate in such lands. In such cases, the Ecclesiastical Commissioners issued a certificate specifying the amount of annual rent and of the average renewal fine formerly paid. Sec also ENROL MENTS (CHANCERY).

Diocesan Registry Books, 1681-1870.

Those bulks' contain entries of titles, glebe, etc., building papers, valuations, leases, sequestrations, licences for non-residence, deeds of consecration, etc. Wills and Grants were formerly entered in these books, but from 1764, separate books of entries were kept for them.

Fee, Precedent and Seal Books, 1799-1847.

Lease, (Sec), (various dates). Index, c. 1758-1804.

Letter Books (outward), 1845-63.

Maps, Terrier, and Inquisition, etc., 1657-1843.

Maps of glebe lands, see estate, mensal lands, unions and severances of parishes; terriers (schedulae terrarum), inquisitions, etc.

Miscellaneous, 1702-1862.

Parish Union, etc., Act, of Council, etc.. respecting, 1736-1857. See also Diocesan Registry Books.

Return, (Parliamentary), 1782-1863.

Amongst these are lists of names of male Protestants for parishes of Dromore, Errigal Trough, Magheraclooney and Trory, for 1785.

Return, (Schools), c. 1787-1824.

Sequestration Bond, and Paper, 1080-1801.

Titles, Peculations, Appointment,. Resignations. etc., 1696-1870.

These include not only titles of incumbents and curates, with the r collations, institutions, certificates of inductions and mandates, but also appointments of churchwardens, parish clerks surrogates, registrars and their deputies, faculties of notary public, dispensations etc.. which were mostly entered in Diocesan Registry Books under the Act "to remedy the inconveniences which arise to Ecclesiastical

persons from the loss of their titles and certificates of their other qualifications," 25 Geo. III., c. 38.

Visitation Books, 1775-1870. See also PREROGATIVE COLLECTION.

These include Rural Doans' Reports which, when bound, virtually become Visitation Books.

Visitation Papers, 1712-1865.

Fees, proxies, mandates, commissions, inhibitions, relaxations, presentments of churchwardens and other papers connected with the visitations.

Visitation Papers (Parochial Returns), 1660-1870.

Copies of entries of baptisms, marriages and burials made by the clergy and returned by them to the bishop at his visitation.

(Testamentary, Matrimonial and Court Papers.)

Account Book (Sums proved), 1830-49.

Administration Bonds, 1660-1858.

Affidavits and Schedules, 1822-1858.

Cause Papers, 1660-1858.

Caveats, 1758-1858.

Certificates (Stamp Duty), 1825-8.

Commissions, 1826-49.

Court Books. 1712-1860.

Executors, Oaths of. 1840-52.

Fees on Probates and Administrations, 1785-1817.

Fee, Precedent and Seal Books. See Administrative Side.

Fiats for Probates, Administrations, etc., 1809-18.

Grant Books, 1793-1856. For entries of grants, 1712-55, see Diocesan Registry Books.

Inventories, 1663-1847. Index, 1812-20. .

Letters of Guardianship, 1756-1828.

Marriage Licence Bonds and Affidavits, 1709-1870.

" Notices and Books, 1708-1830. 1845-70.

Miscellaneous Papers, 1723-1857.

Monitions, 1814-28.

Proctors' Licence and Admission Book, 1816-59.

Renunciations, 1686-1857. Index, 1791-1830.

Wills, 1661-1858.

Will Books, 1764-1857. For entries of wills, I712-55, see Diocesan Registry Books.

DIOCESE OF MEATH.

(Administration.).

Building Charge Application Papers, c. 1071-3.

Building Papers (various dates),

Clergy Residence Returns etc., 1800-70.+

" " (Abstracts), 1841.69.

Declaration Rolls. See Subscription Rolls.

Deeds and Leases (Glebes, etc.), 1663-1870.

" (Perpetuity Grants), 1837, 1843.

Diocesan Books,

These include "State and Revenue of Bishopricks of Meath and Clonmacnoise, and Dio. of Meath, etc., 1622-93"; "State of Parishes," 1733, 1814, and one undated; Inquisitions and Grants relative to the diocese, and to Lanthony Abbey, 1541-1672.

Diocesan Registry Books, 1712.1871.+

Diocesan Registry, Record Entry Books.

These contain lists of documents lodged, and form u sort of index to the whole collection.

Diocese, Rolls relating to.

These consist of Rolls of Taxations, Proxies, Synodals and Pensions (undated); a copy made by Hugh, Bishop of Meath, 1518; and Roll for registry of Roman Catholic Clergy (with place of receiving orders, etc.), 1782-1791.

First Fruit Papers, c. 1092-1810.

Leases (See), (various dates). See also Deeds.

Maps, Terriers and Inquisitions, 1655-1864.

Miscellaneous (Ancient).

Amongst the more ancient of this collection will be found an in- speximus of un Act of Ed. IV. reciting an Act of 29 Hen. VI. continuing the title of the bishops of Meatli to the manors of Ardbrakcn, Killeghan and Ardeath, etc.; portion of an inquisition relating to grants made by George, late archbishop of Dublin, c. 1555; Council Order, 81 May, 1089, for leasing tithes of Loughseudy; argument and law opinion of Sir W. Domvile, 1666-1692; copies of portions of Strafford's Survey (bishop's lands in Westmeath) and Gross Survey (bishop's lands in co. Galway), made in 1682: catalogue of churches with their values and patrons (probably early 17th century): book entitled "Contents of Dean Dopping's List": accounts of Sub-treasurer of Ireland for 82-6 Hen. VIII., and 1-6 Ed. VI.; "The Chequer Booke," containing duties of officers of Court of Exchequer in England, tempore Elizabeth; and various patents.

Miscellaneous Parochial Papers.

The contents of these bundles are of a very varied nature, comprising consecrations, institutions, burial places, pews, non-residence, maps, sequestration and building papers, etc.

Miscellaneous Small Collections, 1705-1870.

Amongst these may be noted "Wilson's Hospital, Letters and Papers as to," 1799-1809, 1857; papers as to Confirmation Tours, 1788-1870; Counsel's opinions, 1705-1858.

Ordination Papers, 1776-1870.

Parish Unions and Severances, Papers relating to, c. 1078-1870.

Presentations, c. 1750-1860.

Recantations, Certificates and Oaths of, c. 1770-1814.

Returns (Protestants and Roman Catholics), 1706-1851.

Returns (various), c. 1787-1850.

Schools, Papers relating to, c. 1745-1860.

Sequestration Papers, c. 1750-1870.

Subscription Rolls (Clergy, Schoolmasters, etc.), 1785-1865.

Titles, Patents, Preferments, Appointments, Resignations, 1695-1870.+

Vestry Book (Raddinstown), 1756-1824.

Visitation Books, 1674-1868. (For 1678, see PREROGATIVE.)

Visitation, Acts of Synod of the Clergy at, 1772-1869.

Visitation Papers, c. 1720-1870.

Visitation Papers, (Parochial Returns), 1791-1871.

Visitation Papers, (Rural Deans' Reports), 1800-1869.

(Testamentary, Matrimonial and Court Records.)

Administration Bonds, 1663-1857.

Affidavits, 1724-1857.

Appointments (Admors. and Proctors), 1780-1852.

Cause Papers, 1715-1870.

Caveats. 1762-1856.

Caveat Books, 1725-1857.

Certificates (Receipt of Stamp Duty), 1816-20.

Citations, 1700-1857.

*Commissions,* 1723-1826.

Court Books, 1706-1864.

*Grant Books,* 1742-1857.

*Inventories,* 1698-1855

Letters of Request (Testament, and Eccles.), 1817-1851.

Marriage Licence Bonds, 1065, 17(r2-1845.

Marriage Licences, Parents Consents for, etc., 1785-1868.

Marriage Notices and Notice Books, 1845-71.

Miscellaneous (Testamentary), 1718-1862.

Precedent book (Court and Eccles.), c. 1740-1810.

Renunciations, 1690-1854.

Seal Book (Admissions of Proctors), 1819-1849.

Stamp Office Returns, 1829-1857.

Wills, 1572-1858.

Will Books, 1667-1857.

# UNITED DIOCESES OF DERRY AND RAPHOE.

The bishopric of Raphoe was united with that of Derry in 1884, but the Courts and Registries were not united till after the Act of 27 and 28 Vic., c. 64.

DIOCESE OF DERRY.

(Administration.)

Building Charge Application Papers, 1871-3.

Building Papers, 1720 1870.

Clergy beside nee Returns (Abstracts), 1831-65, (Deng and Raphoe).+

Declaration Rolls (Clergy, Schoolmasters, etc.), 1745-1865.+

Deeds and Leases, 1788.1871. (Derry and Raphoe).

(Perpetuity Grants), 1836-56.+

Diocesan Registry Rooks, 1677-1870.

Leases (See), (various dates). For Leases, see also Deeds, etc.

Miscellaneous, 1616-1870.

Amongst the more ancient of this collection may be noted Grants from the King of various lands. 1616-37, Orders of the King, Lord Deputy and Council, and the Court

of Exchequer, 1633-62; and list of Derry parishes, with names of ministers, c. 1660-65, etc.

Returns to Privy Council Queries, 1831-56. (Derry and Raphoe).

Those include queries about clergy, residence, attendance to duty, etc.

Sequestration Papers, c. 1781-1863.

Titles, Patents, Preferments, etc., 1767-1870.+

Visitation books, 1622, 1634, 1691-1868.

Visitation Papers (Parochial Returns), 1811-69.

(Testamentary, Matrimonial and Court Records.)

Administration Bonds, 1698-1857.

Cause Papers (various dotes).

Caveats, 1821-57.

Commissions to swear Executors, etc., 1756-1857.

Court Books, 1771-1866.

Fee Book (Derry and Raphoe), 1865-70.

Fiats for Probates and Letters of Administration, 1855-8.

Grant Books, 1812-58. See also Wills and Grants, Entries of.

*Inventories,* 1708-1857.

Marriage Licences. See Marriage Licence Affidavits.

- " Licence Affidavits and Notices, 1845-71.
- " Licence Bonds, 1702-22.
- " Notices and Books, 1845-71.

Miscellaneous, 1793-1853.

Monitions (to send wills to Prerog. Court), 1785-1851.

Petitions for Guardians, 1792-1816.

Renunciations and Consents, 1754-1857.

Returns in connection with Probates and Admons., 1844-58.

Wills, 1612-1858.

Wills and Grants, Entries of, 1081-1739, see n Dio. Reg. Books.

Will Books, 1786-1858. See also Wills and Grants, Entries of.

# DIOCESE OF RAPHOE.

(Administration.)

Building Charge Application Papers, c. 1871-6.

Building Papers, c. 1750-1870.

*Chapter Book,* 1714-1807.

Declaration Rolls (Clergy, Schoolmasters, etc.), 1693-1865.

Deeds, Leases and Conveyances, 1636-1871. See also DIO. DERRY.

Deeds (Perpetuity Grants), 1837-57.

Diocesan Registry Books, 1695-1869.

Leases (See), c. 1718-1850.

Maps, c. 1780-1851.

Miscellaneous., 1633-1850.

Amounts these are specially worthy of notice, Council Proceedings, 1633-8, in suit by the bishop against the dean relative to founding of Chapter; extracts from Council Chamber Book of Ulster, as to raphoe herenaghs and tithes, 1708-9; commission and report as to bishop's and dean's lands, 1715; parochial papers, c. 1680-1829; Raphoe Manorial Records, 1703-25; and confirmation lists, 1726-1832.

Rent Rolls and Papers connected therewith, 1670,1870.

Returns, c. 1800-50.

Returns to Privy Council Queries, see DIO. DERRY.

*Tithe Papers and Returns, c.* 1820-40.

Titles, Patents, Presentations, Appointments, etc., 1697-1867.

Visitation Books, 1692-1869.

Visitation Papers, 1682-1868.

Visitation Papers (Parochial Returns), 1696-1870.

Visitation Papers (Rural Deans' Reports), 1808-51.

(Testamentary, Matrimonial and Court Records)

Administration Bonds, 1684-1858.

Cause Papers, 1690-1855.

Certificates of Executors, 1817.

Court Books, 1697-1857.

Court Papers, 1681-1755.

Inventories, 1691-1857

Marriage Licence Affidavits and Notices. See DIO. DERRY.

Marriage Licence Bonds, 1710-1830.

Marriage Notice Books, 1845-1870.

Precedent Book, 1725-6.

Renunciations and Caveats, 1695-1846.

Renunciations and Contents, 1847-1857.

Wills, 1884-1858.

Will and Grant Books, 1821-58.

# UNITED DIOCESES OF DOWN. CONNOR AND DROMORE.

The dioceses of Down and Connor were united in 1442 by a Bull of Pore Eugenius the Fourth, confirmed by Henry VI. The bishopric of Dromore wan united to that of Down and Connor in 1842: the Court and Registry were united in 1866 under the Act of 27 and 28 Vic., c. 54.

#### DIOCESE OF DOWN AND CONNOR.

(Administration).

Building Charge Application Papers, 1871-7.

Building Papers (various dates).

Clergy Residence, Returns to Privy Council, 1827-69.

Clergy Residence, Licences of exemption, monitions, etc., c, 1812-66.

Declarations by Clergy, etc. See Diocesan Registry books.

Deeds, Leases and Conveyances, 1686-1871. See also Leases (See).

Diocesan Registry Books, 1661-1870.

Fee Entry Book (Procurations, Mar. Lics., etc.), 1816-30. See also Miscellaneous.

Leases (See), 1692-1871.

Maps and Terriers, 1752-1825.

Miscellaneous, 1592-1870.

Amongst these may be noticed the Arbitration Award (12 Mar., 1665) of Archbishop of Armagh as to Magharesharkin, Ardmoy, etc.. in dispute between the Bishop of Down and Connor and the Marquis of Antrim; the General State of the diocese of Down and Connor, 1693, respecting the former state thereof; copies of grants, leases and inquisitions (1582-1669). etc.

Returns, c. 1785-1850.

Sequestration Bonds and Papers, c. 1730-1870.

Titles, Patents, Preferments, Appointments, etc., 1625, 1742-1870.

Visitation Books.

Dio Down, 1720-1810; Dio. Connor, 1693-1784; Dio. of Down and Connor, 1810-68. Sec also PREROGATIVE Collection.

Visitation Papers, c. 1667-1860.+ See also Fee Entry Book.

Visitation Papers (Parochial Returns), 1807-78.

Visitation Papers (Rural Deans' Reports), 1831-48, 1869.

(Testamentary, Matrimonial and Court Records).

Administration Bonds (Down), 1635-1858; (Connor), 1636-1858.

Administration Papers (Admons. not taken out), 1810-51.

Affidavits for Executors, 1816-17.

Cash Day and Invoice Books, 1802-51.

Caveats and Book (Down), 1881-51; (Connor), 1814-54.

Court Books, 1743-1870.

Court Papers, 1694-1858.

Inventories and Bonds (Down), 1642-1814; (Connor), 1636-1855.

Marriage Licences and Blocks, 1789, 1814-70 (including Dromore).

Marriage Licence Affidavits and Fiats, 1865-70 (including Dromore).

Marriage Licence Bonds, 1721-1845 (including Dromore).

Marriage Licence Fee Book. See Fee Entry Book.

Marriage Licence Returns, 1826-71 (including Dromore).

Marriage Notice Books, 1845-70 (including Dromore).

Miscellaneous, 1800-58.

Miscellaneous (Down, Connor and Dromore), 1689-1845.

Probates and Administrations, 1798-1888.

Probates and Administrations, Entry books of.

These books contain name and residence of deceased, with note of papers (e.g., will, bond, inventory, renunciation, etc.), exhibited, names of persons to whom probate or administration granted, date of grant and notes. They also contain indexes of probates and administrations not taken out; also of old renunciations and wills deposited, for some years. (Down), 1785-1858; (Connor), 1622-1858.

Proctors' Costs and Fee Books, etc., 1810-54.

Renunciations (Down), 1684-1816; (Connor), 1694-1838.

Stamp Certificates, 1816-19.

*Testamentary Papers,* 1681-96, 1810-53.

Wills (Down), 1646-1858; (Connor). 1622-1858.

Will and Grant Books (Down), 1794-1858.

Will and Grant Books (Connor), 1810, 1817-58.

DIOCESE OF DROMORE

(Administration).

Building Charge Application Papers, 1871-3.

Building Papers (various dates).

Clergy Residence Returns and Papers, 1823-59.

Declarations of Clergy, 1747-1811. See also Dio. Registry Books.

Deeds and Leases, 1747-1828. See also Leases (See) and DIO. DOWN AND CONNOR.

Deeds (Perpetuity Grants), 1837-54.

Diocesan Registry Books, 1699-1870.

Leases (See), c. 1739-1870.

Maps and Terriers, 1788-1842.

Miscellaneous, c. 1750-1860. Sec also DIO. DOWN AND CONNOR.

Returns (Misc.), c. 1800-1870.

Sequestration Papers, c. 1796-1860.

Titles, Patents, Presentations, Appointments, etc., 1694-1868.

Visitation Books, 1718-1868. Sec also PREROGATIVE.

Visitation Papers, c. 1730-1860-+

Visitation Papers (Parochial Return,), 1783-1872.

Visitation Papers (Rural Deans' Reports), 1817-54, 1869.

(Testamentary, Matrimonial and Court Records).

Administration Bonds, 1742-1858.

Affidavits and Schedules, 1840-3.

Cause Papers (various dates).

Caveats, 1839-51. See also Court Book, 1772-1782.

Court Books. 1714-1865, continued with DIO. DOWN AND CONNOR.

Court Papers, c. 1745-1870.

Court Book and Papers (Dromore Manor), 1785.1857.

Grant Books, 1714-82 in Court Book.

Grant Books, 1790-1814. For continuation, see Wills (proved and unproved and Administrations, Entry Book.

Inventories, 1733-1858.

Inventories, Bonds and Wills, List of, c. 1683-1716.

Marriage Licence Bonds. Sec DIO. DOWN AND CONNOR.

Marriage Notice Books, 1845-70.

Renunciations, 1746-1858.

Wills, 1678-1858.

Wills (Proved and unproved) and Administrations, Entry Book, 1796-1858.

# EXEMPT JURISDICTION OF NEWRY AND MOURNE.

The ecclesiastical jurisdiction of the lordship of Newry formerly belonged to the abbot of the Cistercian Abbey of the B.V.M. and St. Patrick of Newry, In 1573, it was incorporated in a secular college, but the college, and all its possessions, were granted by Edward Vi. (6 Ed. VI.) to Sir Nicholas Bagnal, to be held in as ample a manner as they had been enjoyed by the former abbots. Thus the proprietors, as lay abbot, had the right of holding ecclesiastical courts, granting probates of wills and licences of marriage, etc., just as any bishop could; and he also exercised the same right over the manor of mourne and Greencastle, the territory of which had been included in the grant above referred to. He appointed a vicar-general, and the jurisdiction was exempt from that of the Bishop of Dromore.

On the passing of the Act. 20 & 21 Vic., c. 79, the testamentary business was handed over to the District registrar of Belfast.

On the disestablishment of the Irish Church, the parish of Newry was placed under the jurisdiction of the Archbishop of Armagh, while the other parishes were brought within the diocese of Down.

Administration Bounds, 1811-45.

Grant Books, 1804-57.

Renunciations, 1821-46.

Wills, 1727-1858.

# UNITED DIOCESES OF KILMORE, ELPHIN AND ARDAGH.

The bishopric of Ardagh was united with kilmore in 1839; that of Elphin in 1854. The courts and Registries of Elphin and Ardagh were united with Kilmore under the Act 27 and 28 Vic., c. 54.

# DIOCESE OF KILMORE.

(Administration).

Building Charge Application Papers, 1871-3.

Building Papers (Glebe, etc.), 1775-1871.

Council, Acts of (changing parishes, etc.), 1734-1854.

Declaration or Subscription Rolls, 1745-1870.

Deeds, Leases, etc., 1664-1869.

Deeds (Perpetuity Grants), 1836-56.

Diocesan Registry Books, 1678-1871.

*Leases (See),* 1748-1870.

Maps and Terriers. 1679-1871.

Miscellaneous, 1616-1662, 1731-1869.

Amongst these may be mentioned papers concerning the estate of the bishopric of Kilmore and Ardagh, 1616-1662; returns, etc.

Returns.

Clergy Residence, 1836-1868.
Clergy Residence (abstracts), 1832-69 (Kilmore, Elphin and Ardagh).
Parliamentary, Schools, etc., 1776-1864.

Sequestration Papers, 1810-66.

Tithe Composition Papers (4 Geo. IV., c. 99, etc.), 1825-37.

Titles, Preferments, Appointments, etc., 1724-1875.

Visitation Books, 1673, 1766-1868.

Visitation Books (Rural Deans' Reports), 1800-69.

Visitation Papers, 1761-1868.+

Visitation Papers (Parochial Returns), 1768-1869.

(Testamentary, Matrimonial and Court Records).

Administration Bonds, 1739-1857.

Cause Papers, 1761-1857.

Caveats, 1799-1857.

Certificates of Admore. (Stamp Duty), 1816-24.

Court Books, 1748-1852.

*Inventories,* 1727-1851.

Marriage Licence Bonds, 1697-1844. (Kilmore and Ardagh).

Marriage Licence Entry Book, 1820-48. See also Grant Books.

Marriage Licence Affidavits, 1865-70.

Marriage Notices and Books, 1845-70.

Probates and Administrations, 1769-1850.

Renunciations, 1720-1861.

Wills, 1682-1857.

Will and Grant Books. 1693-1857.

# DIOCESE OF ELPHIN.

(Administration),

Building Charge Application Papers, 1871-3.

Building Papers, various dates.

Declaration Rolls subscribed by the Clergy, etc., 1720-1870.

Deeds and Leases, 1734-1872.

Deeds (Perpetuity Grants), 1838-46.

Diocesan Registry Books, 1638-1871.

Leases (See), 1740-1870.

Maps, 1741-1859.

Miscellaneous, 1792, 1838.

Precedent Book, c. 1730-1820.

Returns (First Fruits, Schools, etc.), 1629.1846.

Returns (Privy Council), see DIO. KILMORE.

Sequestration Papers, 1757-1868. See also Dio. Reg. Books.

Titles, Preferments, etc., 1700-1870.+

Trees, Register and Affidavits of, and Notices to register, 1807-29.

Visitation Books, 1720-1868.

Visitation Books (Rural Deans' Reports), 1838-69.

Visitation Papers, 1762-1866.

Visitation Papers (Parochial Returns), 1729-1869.

Visitation Papers (Entry Books of Parochial Returns), 1781-1845.

(Testamentary, Matrimonial and Court Records).

Administration Bonds, 1726-1857.

Cause Papers, 1729-1864.

Caveats, 1852-6. See also Diocesan Reg. Books.

Court Books, 1699-1865.

Inventories, 1698-1852.

Marriage Licence Affidavits and Fiats, 1852-70.

Marriage. Licence Bonds, 1733-1845.

Marriage Notices, 1845-70.

Miscellaneous Papers, 1757-1851.

Renunciations, 1796-1856.

Stamp Office Returns and Certificates, 1812-57.

Wills, 1650-1858.

Will and Grant Books, 1781-1853. See also Diocesan Reg. Books.

DIOCESE OF ARDAGH.

(Administration).

Building Charge, Application Papers, 1871-5.

Building Papers, c. 1706-1874.

Declaration or Subscription Rolls (Clergy, Schoolmasters and Clerks), 1728-1865.

Deeds and Leases, 1810-70.

Deeds (Perpetuity Grants), 1839-40.

Diocesan Registry Books, 1839-70.

Leases (See), (various dates).

Maps and Terriers, 1767-1860.

Miscellaneous, 1708-1864.

Returns, 1697. 1782-1844.

Those include returns to bishops of the state of the parishes, and returns of English Schools, etc. For Privy Council Returns, see KILMORE DIOCESE.

Sequestration Papers, 1817-50.

Titles, Preferments, Appointments, etc., 1711, 1747-1874.1

*Visitation Books,* 1673, 1781, 1805-68.

Visitation Books (Rural Deans' Reports), 1845-69.

Visitation Papers (Parochial Returns), 1740-1869.

(Testamentary, Matrimonial and Court Records).

Affidavits for Probate and Administration and Fiats, 1741-4, 1839-57.

Cause Papers, 1720-1850.

Caveat and Renunciation Book, 1839-56.

Court Books, 1745-1858.

*Inventories,* 1695-1857.

Marriage Licence Bonds. See DIO. KILMORE.

*Marriage Affidavits,* 1855-70.

Marriage Licences (blocks), 1865-70.

Marriage Notices and Notice Books, 1846-70.

Renunciations and Consents, 1718-1857.

Wills, 1695-1858.

Will and Grant Books, 1762-1859.

# UNITED DIOCESES OF TUAM, KILLALA AND ACHONRY.

The diocese of Achonry was united to that of Killala in 1622. The bishoprics of Tuam and Killala and Achonry were united in 1884. The Registries and Courts were united under the Act 27 & 28 Vic., c. 54.

DIOCESE OF TUAM.

(Administration).

Building Charge Application Papers, 1871-4.

Building Papers, 1778-1872.

Chapter Books, 1667-1870.

Deeds and Leases (Glebe, etc.), c. 1707-1869.

Deeds (Perpetuity Grants), 1837-41.

Diocesan Registry Books, 1693-1872.

Leases (See), 1705-1872.

Maps of Mensal and Demesne Lands, 1720, 1863.

Miscellaneous, 1696-1864.

Returns (Parliamentary, etc.), 1811-34.

Sequestration Papers, 1759-1863.

Visitation Books, 1785-1869.

Visitation Books (Rural Deans' Reports), 1816-70.

Visitation Papers. 1718-1868.

Visitation Papers (Parochial Returns), 1795-1870.

(Testamentary, Matrimonial and Court Records).

Administration Bonds, 1692-1857.

Cause Papers, 1723-1869.

Caveats, 1743-1857.

Commissions for Oaths, 1722-1850.

Costs, Taxation of, 1759-1816.

Court Books, 1762-1889.

Fee Books (Registrar's), 1783-1822.

Grants (Probate, etc.), not taken out, 1836-52.

*Grant Books,* 1696-1857.

*Inventories,* 1683-1857.

Letters of Request, 1750-1829.

Marriage Licences, 1831-40.

Marriage Licence Affidavits, 1845-67. (Tuam, Killala and Achonry).

Marriage Licence Bonds, 1769-1846.

Marriage Licence Grant Books, 1788-1820, 1858-69. For other dates, see Grant Books.

Marriage Notices and Notice Books, 1845-70. (Tuam, Killala and Achonry).

Monitions (from Prerog. Court), 1736-1848.

Precedents, 1765-1824.

Proctors' Licences (Certs, of Stamp Duty), 1823-42.

Renunciations, 1725-1850.

Wills, 1648-1858.

Will Books, 1641-1857.

# DIOCESE OF KILLALA AND ACHONRY.

(Administration).

Building Charge Application Papers, 1871-3.

Building Papers (various dates).

Deeds and Leases, 1731-1846.

Deeds (Perpetuity Grants), 1838-57.

Diocesan Registry Books, 1723-1871.

These contain many entries of wills and grants, beside the usual matter.

Documents in connection with title of lands of See of Killala, 1626-86.

Leases (See), c. 1625-1870.

Maps, 1721-1845.

Maps of See Estate and Bishops' Maps, of mensal and demesne lands, and of unions and severances of parishes.

Miscellaneous, 1787-97.

Returns (Parliamentary, Charitable Donations, etc.), 1801-63.

Sequestrations, 1753-1872.

Tithe Composition, etc., Papers, 1823-34.

Visitation Books, 1615, 1633, 1786-1868.

Visitation Books (Rural Deans' Reports), 1830-70.

Visitation Papers, 1700-1865.

Visitation Papers (Parochial Returns), 1768-1871.

(Testamentary, Matrimonial and Court Records).

Administration Hands, 1777-1851.

Cause Papers, 1752-1857, etc.

Caveats, 1761-1855.

Court Rooks, 1810-63.

Grant Books, 1781-1857. See Diocesan Registry Books for earlier dates.

*Inventories,* 1752-1857.

Marriage Licence Affidavits, see DIO. TUAM.

Marriage Licence Bonds, 1787-1842.

Marriage Licence Grant Book, 1782-1869. See Diocesan Registry Books for earlier dates.

Marriage Notices, 1865-70. See also DIO. TUAM.

Miscellaneous, 1812-62.

Powers of Attorney, 1787-97.

Renunciations, 1721-1857.

Stamp Office, etc., Correspondence and Returns, 1815-66.

Wills, 1698-1857.

Will Book, 1884-65. For entries of wills back to 1698, see Diocesan Registry Books.

#### PROVINCE OF DUBLIN.

# UNITED DIOCESES OF DUBLIN, GLENDALOUGH AND KILDARE.

The bishopric of Glendalough was united to Dublin in 1211; that of Kildare was united to Dublin and Glendalough in 1846. The Courts and Registries were united under the Act of 27 & 28 Vic., c. 54. Some records still remain in the custody of the Registrar of the United Dioceses.

#### DIOCESE OF DUBLIN AND GLENDALOUGH.

(Administration).

Account and Memoranda Books, 1766-1838.

Accounts (Parochial), see Rent Rolls.

Building Charge Application Papers, 1871-3.

Building Papers, c. 1750-1870.

Clergy Residence, Attendance, etc., Papers, 1780-1869.

These include returns made under 49 Geo. III.; petitions for nonresidence, etc.

Diocesan Registry Books, 1557-1870.

Many of these contain entries of leases, rent rolls, etc., of Dean and Chapter, vicars' choral, petty canons, etc., of Christ Church and St. Patrick's.

*Leases (See),* various dates.

Maps and Terriers, 1656-1883.

These are maps and schedules of lands of the See Estate, economy estate of St. Patrick's, and estate of the minor canons and vicars choral of St. Patrick's and Christ Church Cathedrals; unions and severances of parishes; maps of glebes, etc.

Miscellaneous, 1740-1875.

Those contain small collections of deeds, leases and conveyances; papers as to burials, exhumations, etc.; consecrations; pews; legal papers (cases and opinions, etc.), etc.

Ordination, Papers relating to, c. 1765-1850.

Parish Unions and Severances, Orders, etc., for, c. 1800-40. See also Maps. Perpetuity Grants (Church Sites, etc.), 1821-51.

Rent Rolls and Accounts (Parochial), 1798-1864. See also Diocesan Registry Books and Maps.

Returns for Parliament, Lists, Answers to Queries, etc., 1805-68.

St. Patrick's Cathedral, Economy and Petty Canons Estates. See Diocesan Registry Books, and Maps.

Schools, various papers as to, 1790-1850.

Sequestration Papers, 1774-1862.

Tithes, Papers and Returns as to, 1740-1830.

Titles, Preferments, Institutions, Resignations, Appointments, etc., 1721-1863.

Visitation Books, 1841-1870.

Visitation Papers (Proxies, Monitions, etc.), 1726-1872.

Visitation Papers (Parochial Returns), 1719-1872.

Visitation Papers (Preachers' Rooks and Lists), 1789, 1817-71.

Visitation Papers (Rural Deans' Reports), 1801-40.

(Testamentary, Matrimonial and Court Records).

Administration Bonds. 1697-1858.

Those contain also Bonds of Tutelage.

Affidavits and Schedules, 1817-51.

Appeals (Transmisses), 1740-78.

Copies of pleadings sent up on appeal from other diocesan Courts to the Metropolitan Court of Dublin.

Cause Papers (various dates).

Caveat Books, 1638-51, 1706-1845.

The former arc to be found in Marriage Licence Grant Book for that period.

Court book (Dublin Provincial), 1865-70.

For earlier entries, see Rule Rooks. Continued in Court for Matrimonial Causes and Matters.

Court Papers (Misc.), c. 1750-1857.

Grant Rooks, 1638-57, 1710-1858.

For indexes, see Deputy Keeper's Report XXVI., Appendix (corrected in Report XXXI., Appendix I), and Report XXX., Appendix. For 1660-1715, see Will and Grant Rooks.

Inventories, 1600-1851.

Judge's Book, 1814-48.

Marriage Licence Acts, 1831-56.

These arc grant Book8 of marriage licences. Before 1831, see Grant Books. From 1856, the practice of entering tip the Acts in Books was abandoned. See Marriage Licence Bonds, etc.

Marriage Licence Bonds, Affidavits and Fiats, 1707-1870.

Affidavits and Fiats commenced in 1840, and Bonds ceased to be kept in 1845. Indexed.

Marriage Licence Memorandum Books, 1848-67.

Marriages, Notices of, 1846-70.

Notices of intention to be married, sent to the Vicar-General, who intimated the notice to the incumbents of the parishes to which the parties belonged.

Miscellaneous, 1740-1857.

Renunciations, 1782-1851.

Rule Books, 1681-1865. Continued in Court Book (Dublin Provincial).

Wills, 1536-1858.

Will Books, 1647-1858.

Will and Grant Books, 1660-1715.

#### DIOCESE OF KILDARE.

(Administration).

Building Charge Application Papers, 1871-4.

Building Papers, 1743-1862.

*Chapter Books,* 1663-1870.

Diocesan Registry Book, 1842-70. See DUBLIN DIOCESE.

Fee Book, 1818-38.

Leases (See), 1705-1846.

Maps and Terriers. See Dublin Diocese.

Miscellaneous, 1682, 1764-1851.

Copy bishop's assessment for salary of Diocesan Schoolmaster, 1682, and small collections of acts and leases by Dean and Chapter, also accounts of the same, confirmation notices, etc., etc.

Ordination Papers, 1809-43.

Returns (Schools, Tithes, States of Parishes, etc.), 1803-54.

Rolls, 1687-1764.

The first roll consists of procurations of the bishop of Kildare for deaneries of Kildare, Naas and Killighy; the rest are declaration rolls subscribed by clergy, schoolmasters, etc., and one, 1709-21, renunciations of Popery by lay people.

Titles, Patents, Preferments and Appointments, 1780-1848.

Visitation Books, 1757-1857.

Visitation and Provincial Synod Papers, c. 1800-50.

Visitation Papers (Parochial Returns), 1784-1871.

Visitation Papers (Rural Deans' Reports), 1806-1846.

(Testamentary, Matrimonial and Court Records).

Administration Bonds. 1770-1848.

Cause Papers, 1666-1827.

Caveat Book, 1793-1818.

Grant Book, 1802-57.

Marriage Licence Affidavits and Fiats, 1864-70.

Marriage Licence Bonds and Affidavits, 1790-1865.

Marriages, Notices of, 1858-65. (For 1865-8, see Dublin Diocese).

Miscellaneous, 1792-1847.

Wills, 1661-1857.

Will and Grant Books, 1678-1857.

The grants ceased to be entered up in this series in 1761.

## UNITED DIOCESES OF OSSORY, FERNS AND LEIGHLIN.

The bishopric of Leighlin was united to Ferns in 1597; in 1835 the bishopric of Ferns and Leighlin was united to Ossory. The Courts and Registries were united under the Act of 27 & 28 Vic., c. 54.

DIOCESE OF OSSORY.

(Administration).

Building Charge Application Papers, 1872-6.

Building Papers, 1733-1873.

Clergy Residence Returns (5 Geo. IV.), 1834-56.

Clergy Residence Returns (5 Geo. IV.) (Abstracts), Ossory, Ferns and Leighlin, 1832-69.

Declaration Rolls (Clergy, Schoolmasters, etc.), 1737-1843.

Deeds and Leases (Ossory, Femi and Leighlin), 1722-1875.

Deeds (Perpetuity Grants), 1838-44.

Diocesan Registry Books, 1660-1870.

Leases (See), (various dates).

Maps and Terriers, 1713-1857.

Miscellaneous.

Amongst these may be noted, Court book and proceedings m the Manor Court of Durrow, 1764-68; Irish town and Kilkenny Corporation Papers, 1376, 1574-1804 (being copies of charters, Irish town Corporation Oaths Roll, 1730-1804; Freemen's Admission Book, 1776, etc.); See h state Papers, 1613-1800: account of papers left with William, bishop of. Ossory, 1775; Report of Commissioners of Inquiry re Widows Alms Houses founded by Bishop Williams and Library founded by Bishop Otway in Kilkenny, c. 1706, etc.

Returns by Clergy (State of Parishes), 1781-1863.

Returns (various), 1674-1859.

Sequestration Papers, 1754-1869.

Tithe Books, 1883. For Tithe Papers, see Miscellaneous.

Titles, Patents, Presentations, etc., c. 1675-1870.

Visitation Books, 1697-1868.

Visitation Papers (Par. Returns), 1739-1870.

Visitation Papers. Sec also Miscellaneous and Returns.

(Testamentary, Matrimonial and Court Records).

Administration Bonds, 1660-1857.

Affidavits, 1816, 1826-31.

Caveats, 1675-1716, 1783-1856.

Caveat Book, 1812-1865.

Certificateas (Stamp Duty), 1816-34.

Commissions for taking Oaths, 1693-1728, 1830-47, 1851-62.

Court Papers (various dates).

Court Papers (Index), 1746-1804.

Court Books, 1739-1860.

Court Books (Office), 1749-78, 1823-9.

Grant Books, 1675-1858. (See Dio. Reg. Book for earlier dates)

*Inventories,* 1663-1866.

Marriage Licence Affidavits and Fiats, 1845-70 (including Ferns and Leighlin.

Marriage Licence Bonds, 1691-1845 (including Ferns and Leighlin).

Marriage Licence Bonds, Letters relating to, 1752-1842 (including Ferns and Leighlin).

Marriage Notices and Books, 1845-70 (including Ferns and Leighlin).

Miscellaneous, 1731-1824.

Precedent Book (no date).

Renunciations, 1702-90, 1809-45.

Wills, 1536-1858.

Will Books, 1054-1858.

DIOCESE OF LEIGHLIN.

(Administration).

Building Charge Application Papers, 1871-3.

Building Papers, various dates.

Dean and Chapter, Act Book of, 1661-1714.

Declaration Rolls, see Subscription Rolls.

Deeds and Leases, see Ossory Diocese.

Deeds (Perpetuity Grants), 1888-43

Diocesan Registry Books, 1660-1870.

Leases (See), see Ferns Diocese.

Maps, 1770-1859.

Miscellaneous, 1660-1869.

Amongst these may be noticed Papers respecting Rights of Patronage; See Estate (Old Leighlin) Papers, c. 1809; Acts concerning Unions Parishes, 1660-1858; Papers respecting Killeshin Parish, 1847-55, an Charities. 1763-1822.

*Non-Residence, Licences and Petitions for,* 1824-67.

Precedent Book, c. 1720-84.

Returns, 1755-1848

These include Rural Deans' Reports and Clergy Returns (State of Parishes), 1818-48; return of male protestants, parish Killeban, re urns of parish clerks and schoolmasters, etc.

Sequestration Papers, 1799-1857.

Subscription Rolls (Ferns and Leighlin), 1728-1852.

Tithe Composition, etc., Papers, 1823-36.

Titles, Patents, Presentations, etc. (various dates).

Visitation Books, 1714-1868.

Visitation Papers and Account Book, 1735-1869. See also Returns.

Visitation Papers (Parochial Returns), 1781-1871.

(Testamentary, Matrimonial and Court Records).

Administration Bonds, 1694-1845.

Affidavits and Schedules, 1818-1826.

Cause Papers, 1725-1857.

Caveats, 1823-52.

Caveat Books, 1804-52.

Certificates (Stamp Distributors), 1824-32.

Court Books, 1710-1841.

*Inventories, etc.,* 1691-1840.

Marriage Licence Bonds, Affidavits and Notices. See OSSORY DIOCESE.

Marriage Notice Books, See OSSORY DIOCESE.

Miscellaneous, 1779-1836.

Monitions, 1718-1846.

Renunciations, 1788-1843.

Wills, 1682-1858

Will and Grant Books, 1703-1857. (For 1052-1688, see Dio. Beg. Books).

DIOCESE OF FERNS.

(Administration).

Building Charge Application Papers, 1870-3.

Building Papers, 1759-1870.

Declaration Bolls. See Ossory Diocese.

Deeds and Leases. Se Ossory Diocese.

Deeds (Perpetuity Grants), 1838-56.

Diocesan Registry Books, 1660-1869.

Leases (See), 1732 1872. (Ferns and Leighlin).

Maps and Terriers, 1767-1850.

Miscellaneous, 1612-1868.

These include some Visitation Papers, 1758-1864.

Sequestration Papers. See Titles, Presentations, etc.

Titles, Presentations, etc. (various dates).

Visitation Books, 1742-1865.

Visitation Papers (Parochial Returns), 1781-1871.

Visitation Papers (Preachers' Lists), 1823-60.

Visitation Papers (Rural Deans' Reports and Clergy Returns), 1805, 1836-43.

(Testamentary, Matrimonial and Court Records).

Administration Bonds, 1765-1833.

Commissions, 1777-1842.

Court Rooks, 1791-1865.

Inventories, 1012-1857.

Marriage Licence Bonds, Affidavits and Notices. See OSSORY DIOCESE.

Miscellaneous, 1823-57.

Probates not taken out, 1746-1843.

Renunciations, 1789-1846.

Wills, 1601-1858.

Will and Grant Books, 1774-1858. (For 1661-1778, see Dio. Reg. Books).

#### UNITED DIOCESES OP CASHEL AND EMLY. AND WATERFORD AND LISMORE.

The diocese of Emir was united to Cashel in 1562; the diocese of Lismore was united to Waterford in 1363. The bishopric of Waterford and Lismore was united to that of Cashel and Emly in 1832, but the Courts and Registries were only united under the Act of 27 & 28 Vic., c. 54.

# DIOCESE OF CASHEL AND EMLY.

(Administration).

Building Charge Application Papers, 1871-3.

Building Papers, c. 1746-1870.

Cases for opinions, etc.

Chapter Acts, Economy Accounts, 1661-1758.

Chapter Book (Cashel). See Diocesan Registry Books.

Chapter Book (Emly), 1719-1870.

Charitable Donations and Bequests, Returns, etc., of, 1806-35.

*Commissions,* 1678-1866.

Declaration or Subscription Rolls, 1660-1865.

Deeds and Leases, 1548-1871. See also Leases (See).

Deeds (Perpetuity Grants and Certificates), 1837-57.

Diocesan Registry Books, 1654-1870.

The first of these volumes was commenced by the Registrar tor the Liberties of Cashel appointed under the Statute of 1653 for registering all births, deaths and marriages, but only contains entries of marriages. After the Restoration it was used as a Chapter Register. (See vol. iv. of the issues of the Parish Register Society of Dublin). In another volume is a copy of a visitation by the Archbishop of Cashel in 1437, and a roll of proxies, 1571.

Leases (See), (various dates).

Maps, 1703-1867.

Miscellaneous (small collections), 1695-1868.

Miscellaneous (various), (Cashel and Emly; Waterford and Lismore), 1618-1870.

Son-Residence, Licence and Petitions for, 1824-66.

Parishes, Acts of Council, etc., for Unions of, 1682-1867.

Returns, 1664-1868.

Sequestration Papers, 1866-71.

*Tithe Papers,* 1563-1846.

Titles, Preferments, Appointments and Resignations (various dates).

Visitation Books, 1437, 1615, 1660-1870.

Visitation Papers, 1571, 1667-1870.

Visitation Papers (Cashel and Emly, and Province of Munster),

Visitation Papers (Parochial Returns), 1845 68.

(Testamentary, Matrimonial and Court Records).

Administration Bonds, 1644-1858.

Affidavits (value of deceased's assets), 1772-1833.

Caveat Book, 1777-1843.

Citations to exhibit, 1668-1829.

Citations, Fiats for, 1777-88.

Court Books, 1692-1864.

Court Papers (Cashel and Emly, Waterford and Lismore), various dates.

Grant Books, 1826-67 (1660-1, 1731-4 in Dio. Reg. Books).

*Inventories,* 1661-1858.

Marriage Licence Bonds, 1667-1857, 1862.

Miscellaneous, 1666-1857.

Renunciations, 1718-57.

Wills, 1618-1858.

Will Books, 1660-1858.

#### DIOCESE OF WATERFORD AND LISMORE.

(Administration).

Building Charge Application Papers, 1871-3.

Building Papers (various dates).

Chapter Books (Waterford), 1745-1870.

Chapter Books (Lismore), 1663-1870.

Chapter Deeds and Leases, 1730-1870.

Clergy Returns, 1828-39.

Declaration or Subscription Rolls, 1743-1865.+ See also CASHEL DIOCESE.

Deeds and Leases, 1806-71. See also Chapter Leases: Leases (Sec).

Deeds (Perpetuity Grants), 1837-8.

Diocesan Registry Books, 1667-1869.

*Leases (See),* 1730-1870.

Letters and Orders, Entry Rooky 1825-58.

Maps, 1654-1867.

Miscellaneous, 1660-1868.

This collection includes "A View of the Temporalities and Spiritualities of the United Bisbopricks of Waterford and Lysmore", 1660, by Joshua Boyle, Registrar of the Diocese, and a Diocesan Rent Roll with values in 1640 and 1660.

Sequestration Papers, 1663-1870.

Titles, Preferments, Appointments and Resignations, 1746-1870.

Visitation Books, 1661-1870.

Visitation Papers, 1713-1870.

Visitation Papers (Parochial Returns), 1738-1868.

Visitation Papers (Rural Deans' Reports), 1787-1858.

(Testamentary, Matrimonial and Court Records).

Administration Bonds, 1661-1857.

Caveat Book, 1855-7.

Commissions, 1789, 1838-57.

*Grant Rooks,* 1762-1865.

Inventories, 1741-1854.

Marriage Licence Bonds and Affidavits, 1649, 1708-1945.

Marriage Licences, 1774-1803.

Marriage Licences, Affidavits for, 1848, 1850-61.

Marriage Notices, 1850-60.

Miscellaneous Papers, 1775-1854.

Renunciations, 1740-1857.

Wills, 1645-1858.

Will and Grant Books, 1690, 1725-1858.

#### LISMORE PECULIAR JURISDICTION.

The Dean of Lismore had a peculiar jurisdiction over the parishes of Lismore, Tallow and Macollop, giving him the right of appointing a registrar and issuing grants of probate and administration, and marriage licences.

Administration Bonds, 1766-1846.

Affidavits for Administrators and Inventories, 1805-46.

Marriage Licence Honda. Sec Waterford Diocese.

Wills. 1767-1851.

Will and Grants Book, 1818-57.

## UNITED DIOCESES OF CORK. CLOYNE AND ROSS.

The diocese of Cloyno was united with that of Cork, 1431-1678, and the diocese of Ross was united with Cork and Cloyne in 1583. Cloyne was separated in 1678 but reunited in 1835. The Courts and Registries were united under the Act of 27 & 28 Vic., c.54.

## DIOCESE OF CORK AND ROSS.

(Administration).

Building Charge Application Papers, 1871-3.

Building Papers, c. 1737-1870.

Clergy Residence Returns (5 Geo. IV.), 1828-35.

Commissions and Appointments (Surrogacy, etc.), 1641-1862.

Consecrations, Acts of, 1749-1868.

Council, Acts of, 1743-1869.

Dean and Chapter Accounts and Papers, 1699-1858. See also Miscellaneous.

Declaration or Subscription Rolls, 1731-1887.1

Deeds and Leases, 1358-1870

Among these,' the collection of deeds (1348-1721) was purchased at the sale of the books and MSS. of the late Dr. Caulfield, and consists mostly of deeds of messuages

in Cork, Kinsale and Youghal; also an indenture setting out the bounds of the city of Cork, 7 Jas. I.; deed shewing how Gerald fitzJames Rotchford proved himself before the Lord Bishop of Cork and Cloyne to be the chief of his nation by the grant of his father, James, against John Rotchfort, 1514, and sentence of Lord Bishop of Cork, confirming Gerald in the principality of the Rotchfords, 1514.

Deeds (Perpetuity Grants), 1886-40.

Diocesan Registry Books, 1707-1870. For earlier dates, see Will Books.

Leases (See), c. 1660-1870.

Letters Dimissory, Requisitorial, etc., 1733-1865.

Licences and Petitions for non-residence, 1823-41.

Licences and Petitions for non-residence, Entry book, 1830-69.

Licences and Petitions concerning Pews, 1840-56.

Licences and Petitions for Vaults, exhuming bodies, etc., 1861-70.

Licences for Church Services, 1827-40.

Maps and Terriers, 1699-1856 (Cork, Cloyne and Ross).

Miscellaneous, 1567-1869.

The earlier portion of this collection consists of three books in which many documents connected with Rural Deans' Returns, appoinment of schoolmasters, churchwardens' presentments, receipts for Cathedral buildings, etc., have been pasted. There are also some Sarsfield papers, 1614-1728.

Petitions and Memorials, 1618-1868.

Preachers' Lists,\_\_\_\_

Recantations, 1702-1782.

Precedent Books,\_\_\_\_

Return, (Misc.), 1774-1863.

Sequestration Papers, 1624-1869.

*Tithe Papers,* 1729-1850.

Titles, Patents, Presentations, Appointments, etc., c. 1711-1870.

Visitation Books, 1689, 1841-68 (Cork).

Visitation Books, 1666, 1722-65, 1841-56 (Rom); cont. with Cork.

Visitation Papers, 1694-1862. See also Misc.

Visitation Papers (Par. Returns), 1687-1859.

Visitation Papers (Rural Deans' Reports), 1781-1844. (Sec also Misc.)

(Testamentary, Matrimonial and Court Records).

Administration Bonds, 1612-1858.

Affidavits of Assets, 1814-47.

Cause Papers, c. 1637-1870.

Caveats, 1661-1843.

Certificates of Administrators and Executors, 1816-48.

Citations, 1722-1853.

*Commissions,* 1661-1803.

Court Books, 1685-1870.

Grant Books, 1750-1858.

Grants of Administration, Index to, 1620-1857.

*Inventories,* 1616-1854.

Marriage Licence Affidavits, 1845-70.

Marriage Licence Bonds, 1623-1845.

Marriage Notice Books, 1845-70. (Cork, Cloyne and Ross).

Miscellaneous Papers, 1682-1866.

Monitions, 1831-59.

Precedent Books,\_\_\_

Renunciations, 1638-1858.

Wills. 1605-1858.

Will Books, 1454, 1479, 1571-1618 (Cork, Cloyne and Ross, also containing

documents 1548-680, 1750-1858. (For 1703-49, sec Dio. Registry Books).

#### DIOCESE OF CLOYNE.

(Administration).

Building Charge Application Papers, 1871-3.

Building Papers (various dates).

Clergy Residence Returns (5 Geo. IV.), 1860-6.

Clergy Widows' Fund Account, 1720-58.

Consecration, Sentences of, 1682-1863.

Dean and Chapter of Cloyne, Books and Papers, 1663-1869.

These consist of Lease and Chapter Books, 1663-1727; Act and Minute Book, 1711-95; Accounts, 1798-1869, etc.

Declaration Rolls. See Subscription Rolls.

Deeds and Leases, etc., 1663-1865.

Deeds (Perpetuity Grants), 1843-47.

Diocesan Registry Books, 1683-1870.

Leases (See), (various dates).

Letters Dimissory, 1697-1835.

Maps and Terriers, 1717-1870. See also Diocese ok Cork and Ross.

Miscellaneous, 1638-1868.

Amongst these may be particularly noticed, Manor of Cloyne Court Book 1720-68; Old MSS. book on law, containing precedents and forms of writs; list of R.C. priests registered 1782-93; papers respecting Youghal College and Parish, 16:58-1877; catalogue of the churches in the diocese of Cloyne compiled from ancient rolls, made 1631; and rentals.

Non-Residence, Petitions and Licences for, 1824-68.

Pipe Roll. St. Colman, 1364.

This roll contains copies of inquisitions, rentals, deeds, etc., concerning the See of Cloyne. See Cork Historical and Archaeological Journals for transcript.

See Estate Papers, 1598-1866.

Legal proceedings and other papers connected with the Bee instate, especially in the case against Sir John fitz Edmund Gerald.

Sequestration Papers, 1681-1869.

Subscription Rolls, 1708-1865.

Tithe Composition Papers, 1823-34.

Titles, Patents, Presentations, etc., c. 1663-1870.

Visitation Books, 1673-1868.

Visitation Papers (Par. Returns), 1773-1859. See also Miscellaneous for some Visitation Papers.

(Testamentary, Matrimonial and Court Records).

Administration Bonds, 1630-1857.

Cause Papers, 1617-1856.

Caveats, 1731-1858.

Certificates of Administrators, 1822-57.

Commissions, 1670-1828.

Court Books, 1679-1854.

Inventories, 1620-1855.

Marriage Licence Bonds, Affidavits and Notices, 1680-1867.

Marriage Notice Books. See Dio. Cork and Ross.

Miscellaneous Papers (Probates, copies of wills, etc.), 1617-1864.

Monitions, 1797-1854.

Renunciations, 1618-1847.

Wills, 1621-1858.

Will Books, 1750-1857. Sec also DIO. CORK. (For 1719-26, see Dio. Registry Books).

UNITED DIOCESES OF KILLALOE AND KILFENORA, CLONFERT AND KILMACDUAGH.

The See of Kilfenora was held by the Archbishops of Tuam, 1661-1741, and by the Bishop of Clonfert, 1742-52, in which year it was united with Killaoe.

The See of Kilmacduagh was held in commendam by the Bishops of Clonfert, 1627-1836, when both were united to Killaloe.

The diocesan Courts and Registries of Killaloe and Kilfenora, and of Clonfert and Kilmacduagh were united under the Act of 27 & 28 Vic., c. 64.

#### DIOCESE OF KILLALOE AND KILFENORA.

(Administration).

Building Charge Application Papers, 1871-3.

Building Papers (various dates).+

Clergy Residence Returns (5 Geo. IV.) See CLONFERT DIO.

Declaration or Subscription Roll, 1790, 1804.+ See also Limerick Dio.

Deeds and Leases, 1682-1871.

Deeds (Perpetuity Grants), 1838-49.

Diocesan Registry Books, 1668-1872.

Leases (See), c. 1750-1872.

Maps, 1789-1866.

Miscellaneous Collections, 1622-1871.

Amongst these small collections there is a "State of the diocese of Killaloe, Presented to His majesty's Commissioners at Dublin, July, 1622, by John Rider, bishop of Killaloe," which is most valuable for the history of the diocese.

Sequestration Papers, 1718-1863.

Tithe Books and Papers, c. 1834-8.

Titles, Presentations, Appointments, Resignations, etc., 1707-1870.

Visitation Books, 1695-1869.

Visitation Books (Triennial), 1667-1868.

Visitation Papers, 1722-1859.

Visitation Papers (Parochial Returns), 1698-1848.

Visitation Papers (Rural Deans' Reports), 1861-2, 1868.

(Testamentary, Matrimonial and Court Records).

Administration Bonds, 1708-1857.

Cause Papers (various dates).

Caveats, 1757-1857.

Court Books, 1697-1853.

*Grant Books,* 1776-1857.

*Inventories,* 1707-1851.

Marriage Licences and blocks, 1813-29, 1870.

Marriage Licence Affidavits, 1841-70.

Marriage Licence Bonds, 1718-1845.

Marriage Notices, 1843-70.

Marriage Notice Books (Killaloe and Clonfert), 1845-70.

Miscellaneous (Testamentary) Papers, 1724-1846.

Precedent Book and List of Fees.

Renunciations, 1703-1857.

Wills, 1658-1858.

Will Books, 1791-1858. (For 1692-1766. see Dio. Reg. Books).

DIOCESE OF CLONFERT AND KILMACDUAGH.

(Administration).

Building Charge Application Papers, 1871-7.

Building Papers, 1742-1869.

Chapter Registry Book, 1713-1820.

Clergy Residence Returns (5 Geo. IV.), 1832-55.

Declaration or Subscription Rolls, 1772-1866.1 See also Limerick Dio.

Deeds and Leases, 1706-1839.

Deeds (Perpetuity Grants), 1836-40.

Diocesan Registry Books, 1711-1871.

Leases (See), 1676-1870.

Maps, 1738-78.

*Miscellaneous collections,* 1718-1874.

Sequestration Papers, c. 1812-71.

Tithe Applotment Book, 1836.

Tithe Composition, etc.. Papers, 1815-85.

Titles, Presentations, Appointments, Resignations, etc., 1770-1867.

Visitation Books, 1722-1869.

Visitation Papers, 1722-1869.

Visitation Papers (Parochial Returns), 1810-62.

Visitation Papers (Rural Deans' Reports), 1840-68.

(Testamentary, Matrimonial and Court Records).

Administration Bonds, 1738-1857.

Affidavits, 1837-56.

Cause Papers (various dates).

Caveats, 1819-57.

Court Books, 1718-1868.

Grant Books, 1818-50 (For 1716-41, 1782. and 1818, see Dio. Reg. Books).

Inventories, 1728, 1787-1848.

Marriage Licences, Bonds and Certificates, 1739, 1815-44.

Marriage Notices and Affidavits, 1845-70. See also DIO. KILLALOE).

Renunciations, 1779-1849.

Wills, 1663-1857.

Will Books, 1819-42. (For 1711-54, see Dio. Reg. Books).

#### UNITED DIOCESES OF LIMERICK, ARDFERT AND AGHADOE.

The bishopric of Ardfert and Aghadoe was united to Limerick in 1661. though the Courts and Registries were not combined till recent times under the Act of 27 & 28 Vic., c. 54.

## DIOCESE OF LIMERICK.

(Administration).

Account and Day Books, 1820-53.

\*Building Charge Application Papers, 1871-8.

\*Building Papers (various dates).

Cases for Counsel, and Judicial Proceedings (See Estate, etc.)

Chapter Economy Account Book, 1846-51.

\*Clergy Residence Returns (5 Geo. IV.), 1840-61.

\*Clergy Residence Returns (5 Geo. IV.), (Abstracts), 1884-69.

Costs Books, 1826-51.

Declaration or Subscription Rolls, 1715, 1742-1870.

Deeds and Leases, 1627-1870.

Deeds (Perpetuity Grants and Certificates), 1834-58.

\*Diocesan Registry Books, 1678-1871.

\*Leases (See), (various dates).

Letter Book (incoming), 1853-64.

Letters Dimissory and of Priests' and Deacons Orders, 1754-1869.

Licences for Curates and Non-residence, List of, 1830-52.

\*Maps and Terriers, 1664-1864.

Amongst these may be particularly mentioned an extract of procurations and taxation of the diocese of Limerick from the Black Book, made by Bishop Bernard Adams in 1610; Rent Rolls of the diocese of Ardfert, 1508-1704: and an Account of the property of the See of Limerick written by Bishop Webb, who was made a prisoner in 1641, and died in the Castle of Limerick, included in See Estate Papers, 1640-1867.

Parishes, Acts of Council, etc., for uniting, etc., 1803-09.

Rent Charge Book.

\*Returns (Parliamentary, etc.), 1783-1870.

Tithe Composition Assessments and Payments, 1826-32.

Tithe Composition Schedules and Papers, 1824-38.

Tithes due to Dean, 1820-3.

\*Titles, Presentations, Appointments and Resignations (various dates).

Titles Book (Institutions, Register of), 1772-89.

Vicars' Choral Minute Book, 1716-1871.

\*Visitation Books, 1615-1870.

Visitation Fees, etc., 1830-35.

\*Visitation Papers, 1708-1868.

\*Visitation Papers (Parochial Returns), 1782-1851.

\*Visitation Papers (Rural Deans' Reports), 1811, 1833-62.

(Testamentary, Matrimonial and Court Records).

Administration Bonds, 1789-1855.

Affidavits of Witnesses, Executors, etc., 1840-51.

Cause Papers (various dates).

<sup>\*</sup> *Miscellaneous*, 1508-1870.

Caveat Book, 1814-57. Court Books, 1678-1865. Grant Books, 1772-1858. See also Will and Grant Book. Inventories and Schedules, 1723-1857. Marriage Licence Affidavits, 1862-72. Marriage Licence Bonds and Affidavits, 1827-44. Marriage Licence Bond Book, 1814-26. Marriage Notice Books and Blocks, 1845-70. Miscellaneous Papers, 1789-1840. Precedent Books,\_\_\_\_ Renunciations, 1706-1857. Wills, 1615-1858. Will Books, 1814-58. Will and Grant Book, 1678-79. DIOCESE OF ARDFERT AND AGHADOE. (Administration). *Chapter Book,* 1810-22. Deeds (Perpetuity Grant and Cert.), 1841-8. Visitation Books (Triennial), 1748-1868. (Testamentary, Matrimonial and Court Records). Admiralty. See Grant Books. Administration Bonds, 1782-1858. Citations, 1781-1857.

Court Books, 1767-1849.

Fee Books (Registrar's), 1865-70.

*Grant Books,* 1780-1858.

Inventories (no dates).

Marriage Licence Affidavit Book, 1865-70.

Marriage Licence Bonds, 1820-1885.

Marriage Licence Books and Blocks, 1789-1870.

Marriage Notices and Books, 1845-70.

Miscellaneous Papers, 1882-49.

Office Fee and Letter Book, 1824-48.

Renunciations and Consents, 1742-1857.

Wills, 1690-1858.

#### PROBATE AND MATRIMONIAL DIVISION

(including Court of Probate, and Court for Matrimonial Causes and Matters).

By the Act of 20 and 21 Vic., c. 79, the testamentary jurisdiction of the ecclesiastical courts in Ireland was abolished, and became vested in a new Count called the Court of Probate, of which the Judge of the late Prerogative Court became the first Judge. To t his Court there was attached a Principal Registry with District Registries throughout the country.

By the Act 38 and 34 Vic., c. 110, on the disestablishment of the Irish Church, the jurisdiction in matrimonial causes formerly belonging to the Archbishops ceased to exist by law, and a Court called the Court for Matrimonial Causes and Matters was established, of which the Judge of the Probate Court became the Judge.

By the 34th section of the Judicature Act (1877), the Probate Court and the Court for Matrimonial Causes and Matters were merged in the Probate and Matrimonial Division of the High Court of Justice.

Appeals from the decision of the Judge of the Court of Probate were made to the Court of Appeal in Chancery, till 1877; since the Judicature Act of that year, they have been made to the Court of Appeal in Ireland.

The records of the above Courts are set out in the Testamentary Detailed Index.

#### PRINCIPAL REGISTRY.

Administration (Intestate), Papers leading to Grants of, 1858-97.

Affidavits (leading to citations, subpoenas, etc.), 1858-97. Index, 1879-90.

Affidavits of Script, 1858-97. Indexes, 1858-87.

Affidavits of Attesting Witnesses (District), 1866-8.

Affidavits for Commissioners of Inland Revenue. See Schedules.

Appearance Books, 1858.95.

Appearance Books (Special), 1865-89.

Those register special appearances to citations to accept or refine Probate or Administration.

Application Books. See Caveat and Application Book.

Bespeak Book (Rules Office), 1871-95.

Calendars, 1858-97.

Annual Lists of wills proved and administrations granted, with particulars.

Cause Books (Court), 1858-73.

Cause Books (Rules Office), 1866-71.

Cause Books (Setting Down), 1860-76.

Continued as Hearing Book (Setting Down Causes).

Cause and Contentious Papers, 1858-96. Index, 1858-87.

Caveat Books, 1859-97.

Caveat and Application Book, 1858.

Caveat Posting Books, 1858-69.

Costs, Bills of, 1858-61, 1871-9. Continued in Consolidated Taxing Office.

Court Orders or Rules, 1863-97. Duplicates of Court Rule Books.

Court Records Bound. Sec Probate Records.

Day Books, 1858-97.

Decrees. See Probate Records Filed.

Fee Books, 1863.

Grant Books, 1858-97.

These include grants of probate, intestacy, wills annexed, and special and unadministered grants. Indexes 1859-69. Also the number in brackets in the calendar indicates the page in the Grant Book.

Grant Books (District), 1858-97.

Copy grants issued by the District Registrars, which were transmitted to the Principal Registry.

Hearing Book (Setting Down Causes), 1876-86.

Continued from Cause Rooks (Setting Down). Discontinued by order.

Judgments, 1891-7.

Judgments with jury panels and issues. Entered in Judgment Books. For earlier dates, see Probate Records Filed.

Judgment Books, 1891-7. Entries of Judgments both testamentary and matrimonial.

Letter Books, 1858-87.

Matrimonial Causes and Matters, Court of.

Matrimonial Appearance. Book, 1871-96.

Matrimonial Court Books, 1871-91.

Matrimonial Cause Papers, 1868-97.

Matrimonial Cause Book, 1870-94.

Minor Matters, Papers and Petitions in, 1848-68.

Miscellaneous Papers, 1859-93.

Notices (bound), 1863-5.

Notice Books, 1869-68.

Order Books (Side Bar), 1865-90.

Order Books (Side Bar), Renunciations, 1865-96.

Order Books. See Court Orders or Rules.

Probate or Court Records Filed, 1848-91.

These are decrees in testamentary causes, with jury panels and issues. Continued aw Judgments.

Rule Books (Court), 1858-97.

Rule Books (Registrars'), 1858-97.

Rule Books (Side Bar), 1861-75.

Rule Books (Side Bar), Consents, 1883-90.

Schedule Books, 1865-97.

Schedules of Assets, with affidavits. Between 1858 and 1865, these do not appear to have been filed in the Registry.

Seal Book, 1866-8.

Stamp Office Certificates, 1865-97.

Stamp Blotter, 1858-67.

Stamps (Impressed), Schedules of Fees paid by. 1883-91.

Warnings Book, 1858-68.

Warnings and Caveat Book, 1858-65.

Warnings Certificates Books, 1868-96.

Wills, 1858-97.

Wills (Receipt Book), 1854-68.

Entry book of wills received by Mr. Ward.

Wills (unproved), lodged 1858-97.

Wills (Soldiers), 1868-95.

Will Books, 1858-97.

Will Books (District), 1858-97.

Copies of wills sent up by District Registrars.

Will Books, 1858-83. Indexes, 1858-70.

## DISTRICT REGISTRIES.

#### ARMAGH.

Administration (Intestate), Papers leading to Grants of, 1858-96.

Application Books, 1858-77.

Caveat Books, 1858-77.

Caveats, 1858-95.

General Indexes, 1862-94.

Indexes to wills, administrations, caveats, applications, unproved wills, etc.

*Grant Books,* 1858-90.

Renunciations, 1879-90.

Wills, and Papers connected therewith, 1858-90.

Wills (unproved), lodged 1858-94.

#### BALLINA.

Administration (Intestate), Papers leading to Grants of, 1858-96.

Grant Books, 1858-85.

Miscellaneous. 1802-79.

Will Book, 1858-05.

Wills, and Papers connected therewith, 1858-96.

Wills (unproved), lodged 1859-88.

#### **BELFAST**

Administration (Intestate), Papers leading to Grants of, 1858-96.

Application Books, 1858-96.

*Applications,* 1858-68.

Caveat Book, 1858-77.

Caveats, 1880-95.

Grant Books, 1858 96.

Renunciations, 1858-90.

Wills, and Papers connected therewith, 1858-96.

Wills (unproved), lodged 1858-80.

#### **CAVAN**

Administration (Intestate), Papers leading to Grants of, 1859-96.

Applications, 1860-77.

Caveats, 1859-94.

Grant Books.

There are no grant books for this District Registry between 1858.88, the custom being to place copies of the grants along with the papers loading to grants of probate or administration.

Miscellaneous, 1858-63.

Renunciations, 1864.

Registrar's Certificates, 1865-69.

Wills, and Papers connected therewith, 1858-96.

Wills (unproved), lodged 1858.95.

# CORK

Administration (Intestate), Papers leading In Grants of, 1858-96.

Application book, 1858.97.

Car cat Book, 1858-92.

Caveats, 1858-95.

*Grant Rooks,* 1858-95.

Wills, and Papers connected therewith, 1858-96.

Wills (improved), lodged 1864.

#### **KILKENNY**

Administration (Intestate), Papers leading to Grants of, 1858-96.

Miscellaneous.

Wills, and Papers connected therewith, 1858-96.

Wills (unproved), lodged 1858-70.

## LIMERICK

Administration (Intestate), Papers leading to Grants of, 1858-96.

Applications, Notices of, 1858-65.

Caveats, 1858-62.

Caveat Books, 1858-94.

*Grant Books,* 1858-95.

*Miscellaneous,* 1858-74.

Wills, and Papers connected therewith, 1858-96.

Wills (unproved), lodged 1858-78.

#### **LONDONDERRY**

Administration (Intestate), Papers leading to Grants of, 1858-96.

Caveats, 1858-96.Index, 1858-81,

Fee Books, 1858-69.

Fee Lists, 1861-68.

Grant Books, 1858-96.

*Letter Books,* 1858-66.

Miscellaneous, 1858-64.

Wills, and Papers connected therewith, 1858-96.

Wills (unproved), lodged 1858-91.

## **MULLINGAR**

Administration (Intestate), Papers leading to Grants of, 1858-96.

Application Book, 1878-91.

Caveats, 1859-71.

Grant Books, 1859-91.

Miscellaneous.

Wills, and Papers connected therewith, 1858-96.

Wills (unproved), lodged 1862-79.

#### **TUAM**

Administration (Intestate), Papers leading to Grants of, 1858-96.

Caveats, 1858-96.

Caveats, Subductions of, 1861-9.

*Grant Books,* 1858-71.

These also contain grants of marriage licences for 1858-66.

Miscellaneous. 1859-60.

Wills, and Papers connected therewith, 1858-96.

Wills (unproved), lodged 1809-70.

#### WATERFORD

Administration (Intestate), Papers leading to Grants of, 1858-96.

Caveats and Applications, 1858-68.

*Grant Books,* 1858-91.

Miscellaneous, 1860-1884.

Notice and Caveat Book, 1858-69.

Stamp Office Certificates, 1858-65.

Wills, and Papers connected therewith. 1858-96.

Wills (unproved), lodged 1858-95.

#### PARISH REGISTERS AND DEEDS.

#### PARISH REGISTERS.

There does not appear to have been any obligation on the clergy of the Established Church of Ireland to keep registers of baptisms, marriages and burials before 1634, when they were required to do so by the 46th Canon.\* Very few of the parishes possess registers of such an early date, and during the seventeenth and eighteenth centuries, there would appear to have been considerable laxity in some dioceses in keeping; such registers. (See Returns of the Registrars of the Diocesan Courts, Record Commissioners' Reports). The Record Commissioners in 1812 pointed out their importance and the necessity for their safe preservation, and suggested that legislative action should be taken, but nothing was done till, by the Act of 38 and 39 Vic., c. 59, the registers of the parishes of the late. Established Church of Ireland were brought under the control of the Master of the Rolls, and were, upon the death or resignation of the person who was the parochial officer on 31st December, 1870, to be removed to the Public Record Office. This Act was amended by the Act of 39 and 40 Vie., e. 58, by which the Master of the Rolls may permit parish registers, which would have been attachable under the former Act, to remain in the charge of the incumbent of the parish, if satisfied that they arc kept in a fit and safe building, and that due provision is made for their safe custody. A list of parishes of the late Established Church, with the dates of the registers, and an indication of their place of deposit (viz., whether in the Public Record Office or in local custody) will be found in the Deputy Keeper's Report. XXVIII., appendix 2. See also Report XLI., appendix I.

Besides these registers, there is a class called Parochial Returns (in England called "Bishops' Visitations"), being extracts of baptisms, marriages and burials from the parish registers, returned at the Annual Visitations under (lie 46th Canon. They are very imperfect as a series, but are useful in cases where the original registers may have been lost, and will be found entered up in the Parish Register Detailed Index.

#### PARISH DEEDS.

St. Nicholas Within, Deeds, etc., of.

Deeds, 1234-1680.

Entry Book of Charters, Deeds and Rent Rolls. 2 Ed. II.-1801, and Minutes of Vestry Meetings, 1840-59.

Copy Leases, etc. (Chapel of St. Mary), 1671-1726.

Papers and Deeds relative to appointments of chaplains of St. Mary's Chantry in the Church of St. Nicholas Within. 1642-1840.

Those deeds will be found net out in the Diocesan Detailed Index.

St. Werburgh's Parish, Deeds and Miscellaneous Documents in connection with, 1248-1715.

These deeds and documents wore deposited in the Public Record Office in 1912 by the Rector and the Select Vestry of tin- Parish of St. Werburgh, and a Calendar of thorn has been made. They will be found indexed in the Miscellaneous Detailed Index.

#### **CHANCERY**

Ecclesiastical Deeds, 1836-1877.

By 3 and 4 Will. IV., c. 37, and subsequent Acts, tenants or lessees of church lands could purchase a perpetual estate or interest in such lands. This collection of deeds consists of the conveyances by the Ecclesiastical Commissioner's and Bishop to lessee, etc., and certificate of Commissioners specifying the amount of annual rent and of the average renewal fine formerly paid. The enrolment was made under 5 140 of the above Act. Between 1836-1867, the conveyances are bound together according to dioceses, and there is a separate index. From 1868, they are bound up under date of enrolment, and each volume contains its own index. In 1869 the Ecclesiastical Commissioners were succeeded by the Commissioners of Church Temporalities.

Appeals (Ecclesiastical and Admiralty).- See Delegates, Commissions of. Delegates and Adjuncts, Commissions of, 1728-1866.

By the Act of 28 Hen. VIII., c. 6, for abolishing appeals to Rome, in eases of appeal from a decision in an ecclesiastical court of an archbishop, or bishop of an exempt Jurisdiction, or in the Court of Admiralty, the Lord Chancellor issued a warrant to the Clerk to issue a commission to certain delegates under the Great Seal, to hear and determine the case. Also, when a commission was issued and some of the commissioners were unable to take part in the proceedings, a commission of adjuncts was issued adding one or more commissioners to the original number. The warrant or fiat of the Lord Chancellor was endorsed on the apostle, or, in the case of a commission of adjuncts, on the petition. The proceedings of these commissioners will be found amongst the records of the COURT OF DELEGATES.

Delegates, Adjuncts and Reviews, Apostles, . Warrants, etc., for Commission of, 1704-1867.

Apostles are, in the appeals both from the Ecclesiastical and Admiralty Courts, letters dimissory by the Judge of the Court testifying to the appeal by one of the parties to a suit against his decision. In the appeals from the Admiralty Court, protests of appeal,

praying apostles, appear also to have been treated as apostles. On those apostles or protests was endorsed the warrant or fiat of the Lord Chancellor to the Clerk to issue a commission under the Great Seal. On the abolition of the Prerogative Court, petitions were substituted for apostles in the Ecclesiastical Courts. In this collection will also be found orders in Council for a review of the judgment of the Court of Delegates, with fiat of the Lord Chancellor. Sec also Petitions and Orders; Writs Returns, Pleas, etc.

Valuation, Commissions of, Warrants, etc., 1678-1858.

These consist of commissions issued (1) under 10 and 11 Car. I., c. 2, to enable restitution of impropriations and tithes and other rights ecclesiastical to the clergy, with returns and warrants; and (2) under 17 and 18 Car. II,, c. 7, for valuing the houses in each parish, so as to provide for the ministers in cities and corporate towns, with warrants. These latter commissions were always sent on to the Clerk of the Council, so that only the warrants remain in the Hanaper Office.

Writs "De excommunicato capiendo," and Significavits and Warrants for, 1712-1817.

Significavits containing the intimation to the Sovereign by the ecclesiastical authority of the contumacy of the excommunicated party, and the prayer for the assistance of the secular arm; with warrant to Clerk to issue the writ, and the writs. See also Petitions and Orders; Writs, Returns, Pleas, etc.

# **EXCHEQUER**

Ecclesiastical Causes, Commissioners of, (Registrar's Book). See Extinct Commissions.

#### ECCLESIASTICAL REVENUE.

(See also First Fruits and Twentieth Parts; Tithes; and Rentals).

Bishops' Lands (Connaught), taken from Composition Book of Queen Elizabeth's reign.

Bishops' Lands (Commonwealth).

Bishops' Lands, 1655, compiled by Sir C. Coote.

Bishops' Leases, made prior to 1640.

Bishops' Leases, 1657, also includes custodiams, 1662-71, and copies of leases, 1562-1659.

*Bishops' Rents, Ulster,* 1652-3, including payments to ministers, schoolmasters, maimed soldiers, etc.

Collations to Vicarages, 1665.

Return of collations made by the bishop of Kilmore and Ardagh to vicarages, the rectories of which were formerly appropriated to abbeys.

Faculties, Accounts of the Clerk of the, 34 Eliz., 1631-7, 1700-1.

*Impropriate Tithes, circa* 1660.

Monasteries, Chattels and Lands of.

Chattels, 1539-40.

Account of sums realised on sale of the chattel property of the various monasteries.

Lands, 1544-68.

Account of sums realised from the lands of the various monasteries remaining in the hands of the Crown.

Ministers' Money, Account of,

1855-1857

Transfers of, to account of Ecclesiastical Commissioners 1855-1857

#### FIRST FRUITS OFFICE.

The revenue derived from the payment of First Fruits or Annates (which were the first year's value of every ecclesiastical benefice or promotion) and of the Twentieth Parts (which were the twentieth part of each year's value of a benefice or preferment) in Ireland was formerly paid to the Pope till, by the 28 Hen. VIII. (cap. 8 and 14), it was vested in the Crown, and became part of the casual revenue. Commissioners were appointed by 29 Hen. VIII. and subsequent patents under the Great Seal to value the benefices, a record of which will be found in the Valor Beneficiorum. By the letters patent of 10 Anne, confirmed by 2 Geo. I., c. 15, the First Fruits were granted to Trustees for the building of churches and purchase of glebes and impropriations, while the bishops and clergy were freed from the exaction of twentieth parts. The Trustees were abolished by 3 and 4 Will. IV., c. 37, and their powers handed over to Ecclesiastical Commissioners.

The above office was a patent office, and divided into two departments, viz., that of Remembrancer and of Receiver.

See also Record Commission and Revenue Exchequer (Ch. Rem. and Lord Treasurer's Office). For records of the Board of Trustees, see Ecclesiastical Commission.

Account, Archbishop of Dublin, (Twentieth Parts and Subsidies). 1566.1585.

Account Books (Office), 1800-1833.

" Trustees and Commissioners, 1806-1816.

Account (General), 1742-1767.

Account, Leighlin Dio., (First Fruits and Twentieth Parts)

Accounts of Archbishops and Bishops (Twentieth Parts), 1607-1642.

Accounts of Bishops (First Fruits and Twentieth Parts), 1675-1708.

Accounts, Clerk of the First Fruits, 1564-1706.

These are accounts of the First Fruits to 1585, and of Twentieth 1 arts from 1601-1706. The series is imperfect. These accounts are also entered in Hanaper Receipt Rolls, 1548-1568.

Accounts, Copies of, 1671-3.

" *Miscellaneous,* 1687-1696.

A few accounts, with Poll Tax Accounts, 1695-9.

#### **Arrears**

Book for each diocese compiled in 1805, and showing arrears and payments thereof since circa 1750.

Arrears, Lists of, 1747-1806.

Arrears or Defaulters' Roll, 1806. Received from Record Tower.

Building Churches, etc., 1801-1812.

Parliamentary payments for building churches and glebe houses.

Certificates (Twentieth parts), 1666 1706.

Clerk of First Fruits, Patents for.

Composition Bonds Entry Book, 1634.

Composition Bonds Roll, 1806-1813. Received from Record Tower.

History of Annates, First Fruits and Copy Valor Beneficiorum.

Incumbents' Cost Book, 1805-9.

Account of fees payable, where process has issued tor not compounding First Fruits and for non-payment of bonds. Received from Record Tower.

Incumbents' Roll, 1806-1813.

List of incumbents promoted, with taxation. and note of having compounded or paid their taxation. Received from Record Tower.

Legal Papers, 1787-1806.

Briefs on behalf of the Clerk of the First Fruits against Sheriffs and others, with affidavits, copy letters, constats, certificates of process, etc., in support of same.

Memoranda Books (Incumbents), 1806-1816.

' *(General),* 1802-1814.

Received from Record Tower.

Miscellaneous, 1744-1829. Received from Record Tower.

Process Books, 1789-1820.

Indentures of Fines from First Fruits Office (writs and schedules).

Process, Draft, 1806-1810.

Draft documents from which the writs to Sheriffs were prepared, nee Returned Writs, Sheriffs.

Receipt Rolls. See under "Hanaper Office," REVENUE EXCHEQUER.

Return Book, Sheriffs (First. Fruits), 1804-5.

Received from Record Tower.

Returned Writs, Bishops (First Fruits), 1626-1833.

These are the writs issued from the Exchequer at the instance of the Clerk of the First Fruits with the returns of the bishops thereto of all persons collated or instituted to benefices.

Returned Writs, Bishops (First Fruits), Copies or Registers of, 1615-1814.

Returned Writs, Bishops (First Fruits), Transcripts of, 1615-1743. Prepared by the Record Commissioners.

Returned Writs, Bishops (First Fruits), Inventory, 1600-1813.

Returned Writs, Sheriffs (First Fruits), 1790-1820.

These are proceedings under the Green wax process for collection of unpaid First Fruits, being writs with schedules of Crown Debtors and inquisitions returned by Sheriffs.

Returned Writs, Sheriffs (Twentieth Parts), 1604-1699.

Returns of First Fruits, Bishop of Cork, 1808.

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" " (copies), 1616-1729 and 1810-18.
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Returns of First Fruits, etc., 1811-30. Received from Record Tower.

Sheriffs' Cost Book, 1805-6.

Costs of proceedings against Sheriffs for not returning Green wax process. Received from Record Tower.

Valor Beneficiorum 29 Hen. VIII.-5 Car. I.

Value and taxation of the First Fruits of all the bishoprics and all other spiritual livings in charge in the Exchequer. There are 3 copies.

Valor Beneficiorum, 1805, incomplete. Received from Record Tower.

Valuation of Bishoprics, benefices, etc., not already valued for First Fruits and Annates, with securities, 1591-2.

Valuation (Comparative) of First Fruits, Tithes, etc., 1831. Received from Record Tower.

## **PRIVY COUNCIL OFFICE**

Church Papers, 1679-1847.

Papers concerning the union and division of parishes and glebes, and change of sites of churches, under 2 Geo. I., and containing petitions, consents of bishops, orders of Council, reports of Committee, rules, etc. There are a few Maps. Indexed. See also Council Order Books.

Church Valuations or Ministers' Money, 1672-1857.

These papers include petitions of Ministers and Churchwardens to Lord Lieutenant for commissions to issue under 17 & 18 Car. II., s. 7, for the valuation of houses not included in, or built since, the last valuation, for the support of ministers; commissions, returns, etc. By 17 & 18 Vic., c. 11, Ministers' Money was abolished,

and a rate levied instead, to be paid to the Ecclesiastical Commissioners. This came to an end in 1857, by the Act 20 & 21 Vic., c. 8. See also Fiant Books.

Church. See Letters (Special) to Council Office.

Ecclesiastical. Sec Fiant Books, Warrant Books, Church Papers, etc., and Instructions and Precedents.

Fiant Books, 1711-1832.

These books are concerned with ecclesiastical matters, and contain fiants for Letters Patent for presentations, consecrations, restitutions, etc., and orders, reports and awards in connection with Valuations for Ministers' Money. Indexed.

Instructions and Precedents, c. 1786.

The first portion of this book contains explanations or instructions about drawing up certain writs; the latter portion contains precedents for ecclesiastical business.

Letters (Special) to Council Offi.cc, etc., 1718, 1844-5.

These are letters to the Council Office from the Ecclesiastical Commissioners (1844-5), and other Church papers. Also lists compiled in 1718 of fees payable to officers of the Crown. See Fees, Tables of.

Warrants for appointments of Archbishops, etc., 1711-1815

Copies of King's and Queen's Letters appointing archbishops bishops deans chaplains, etc.. with warrant of the Lord Lieutenant to the Clerk of the Council to prepare the fiant. See also Ecclesiastical Affairs (Chief Secretary's Office).

## **CHIEF SECRETARY'S OFFICE**

Church Papers (Misc.), 1652-1796.

Petitions, letters and other papers, mostly from ecclesiastics, to the Lord Lieutenant, etc., about preferment and other church matters, the state of the country, etc. They are indexed and calendared. The latter contains drawings of heraldic designs on the original documents. See also the section "Ecclesiastical" in Departmental Letters and Official Papers and Ecclesiastical Affairs.

Civil Affairs Entry Books, 1697-1823.

These contain warrants of the Lord Lieutenant in civil administration affairs, being warrants for fiants, pardons, inventions; grants of licence of absence, pensions, commissions, offices; charges on the revenue; appointments of sheriffs,

stockbrokers, etc.; proclamations, reprieves, transportations, presentations, swearing in of bishops, etc. Indexed. See also *Warrant Books* for similar entries. From 1777 see Ecclesiastical Affairs Books for ecclesiastical appointments. There are two consolidated indexes for this series for the period 1607-1806, but they do not include all entries.

## Departmental Letters and Official Papers, 1760-1831.

These are mainly letters to the Irish Government from Public Departments or officials in England and Ireland, and papers connected therewith; they are classified in part according to the Departments from which they came, and in part according to the subjects with which they deal. They are a continuation of the important series already transferred under the title of Departmental Correspondence (British). See also Government Correspondence and Letters and Papers (Misc.)

The following list of sub-heads contains most of any importance in the series:

Accounts (Public).	Ecclesiastical.	Patents.
Addresses	Education.	Phoenix Park.
Admiralty Office.	Emigration.	Post Office.
Admiralty, Court of.	Excise.	Prisons.
Annuities	Fairs and Markets.	Quarantine.
Ballast Office	Fisheries.	Quarter Sessions.
Banks.	Foreign Office.	Revenue Commissioners.
Barracks and Public	Forfeited Estates.	Ribbonism.
Works.	French Invasion.	Roman Catholic Asso-
Battle Axe Guards.	Genevan Colony.	ciation
Borough Compensation.	Gunpowder. Roma	n Catholic Claims.
Chief Secretary's Office.	Health.	Roman Catholic Clergy.
Claims to Peerages, etc.	Home Office.	Roman Catholic Oaths.
Clerks of the Crown	House of Industry.	Secret Service.
and Peace	Inland Navigation.	Sheriffs.
Combination.	Institutions, Public.	Smuggling.

Commander of the Irish Office. Stamp Office.

Forces. Law Opinions. Stationery Office and

Convicts. Letters. Memorials, etc. King's Printer.

Corn. Lighthouses. Suffering Loyalists.

Council Office, London. Lined Board. Surveys.

" Dublin. Lords Lieut. and Lords Synods. Presbyterian.

# Ecclesiastical Affairs, 1777-1831.

Entry books of warrants to Clerk of the Council to draw up fiants for presentations, and to the Lord Chancellor to draw up Church Valuation Commissions; grants of deaneries, diocesan and other schoolmasterships; oaths to be administered to archbishops and bishops; chaplaincies to his Excellency; licences to consecrate; petitions for unions of parishes and repairs of buildings and reports; consents for change of church sites by the Lord Lieutenant, etc. For earlier entries, see Civil Affairs Entry Books, and Warrant Books. For the fiants, see Fiant Books (PRIVY COUNCIL OFFICE). Indexed.

Ecclesiastical. See also Church; Government Correspondence; Departmental Letters and Official Papers; Established Church.

Schoolmasters. See Crown Livings, etc.; and Ecclesiastical Affairs.

Warrant Books, 1699-1777.

Those books contain warrants for licences of absence, for fiants of pardons, presentations, fairs and dignities; for reprieves and transportations, high sheriffs, etc. Entries of a similar nature will be found in Civil Affairs Entry Books. From 1777 the ecclesiastical entries were continued in Ecclesiastical Affair Books, and the others in Civil Affairs Entry Books. Indexed.

### **EXTINCT COMMISSIONS**

#### COMMISSION OF ECCLESIASTICAL INQUIRY.

The only record of this Commission in the Public Record Office consists of . letter book in the Record Tower collection. The Commission opened in 1830 and sat m the Council Chamber, Dublin Castle.

# COMMISSION TO INQUIRE INTO THE ECCLESIASTICAL REVENUE AND PATRONAGE IN IRELAND.

This Commission was opened in 1832, and the records consist of the returns of archbishops, bishops, and clergy to inquiries about their revenue and patronage (transferred to the Public Record Office from the Land Commission, to which they were apparently sent at the time of the disestablishment of the Church of Ireland, and set out in the Miscellaneous Detailed Index), and a Letter Book, dated 1832-3, which will be found in the Record Tower collection. The Commission sat in the Council Chamber, Dublin Castle.

#### ECCLESIASTICAL COMMISSION.

By the Act of 3 and 4 Will. IV., c. 37, First Fruits were abolished in Ireland, and an annual tax substituted therefor, the number of bishops was reduced, and the revenues thus saved and the annual tax imposed were to be applied to the building, repairing, etc., of churches and the augmentation of small livings, while the tenure by which Church lands were held was altered, and tenants of See leases were able to purchase the interest in the lease. Commissioners were appointed to carry out the Act, and the records of the late Board of Trustees of First Fruits were handed over to them. The corporation of the Ecclesiastical Commissioners in Ireland was dissolved by 32 and 33 Vic., c. 42 and its property vested in the Commissioners of Church Temporalities in Ireland, which body in its turn was merged in the Trish Land Commission by the Act 44 and 40 Vic., c. 71.

The documents belonging to the Commission were transferred from the Land Commission and will be found set out in the Miscellaneous Detailed Index.

Accounts, 1741-1810.

Agreements, 1833.

Assessment, Certificates of, 1809-31.

These are certificates of churchwardens, etc., of assessment having been made by the vestry for church building, countersigned by the bishop and Rent to the Commissioners and Trustees of First Fruits.

Augmentation of Benefices, 1835-66.

Approval of the Commissioners of the augmentation of benefices under and 4 Will. IV., c. 37, s. 93; 3 and 4 Vic., c. 101; and 23 and 24 Vic., c. 150.

Boulter's Fund. 1762-1842.

Accounts of the charitable bequest of Dr. Hugh Boulter, Archbishop of Armagh, for augmenting the maintenance of the poor clergy.

Deeds (Ecclesiastical), enrolled.

Deeds of conveyance in perpetuity, with maps. See CHANCERY ENROLMENTS.

First Fruits, Minutes of Board of, 1712-1832.

First Fruits, Parliamentary Grant Fund, 1759-1813.

First Fruits. Bishops' Returns, 1744-1833.

Entry books of admissions to livings, with amount of first fruits, as certified by the Bishops.

Glebe House Loans Bonds, 1805-30.

These include both bonds for duo application of instalments as advanced, and for repaying instalments under Act 43 Geo. III., c. 106.

Improved value of small benefices. Entry book of, 1808-24.

Letter Books, 1833-69.

Loans for Churches and Glebes (8 Geo. III., c. 65), 1810-32.

Loans, Repayment of, 1811-31.

Ministers' Money, 1855-69.

Accounts of amounts payable to parishes entitled to Ministers' Money.

Minutes (Board), 1838-69, and Index.

Minutes (Committee), 1833-67.

Reports of Commissioners, 1834-68.

Robinson's Legacy, 1795-1811.

Accounts of bequest of Dr. Richard Robinson, Archbishop of Armagh, towards augmenting the poor livings of clergy.

Vestry Cess for Church Purposes, Returns of, 1833.

These returns were sent up to the Ecclesiastical Commissioners after being approved of by the bishop.

## **MISCELLANEOUS**

Census, 1834 (Religious).

In 1834 a commission was issued for inquiring "respecting the state of religious and other instruction now existing in Ireland." In connection with this inquiry, a census was taken of the number of those belonging to the different religious bodies in Ireland.

## Population Returns.

These returns were made on the basis of the population returns for 1831, and contain the list of houses, names of occupier or occupiers, number of persons in family, and their religion.

Returns to Queries.

Ecclesiastical Returns.

These were returns to ascertain the limits of the parishes, with the townlands included therein, and other ecclesiastical information.