

# O'Donnells of Kilcash

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## 1 Introduction

The document is part of an effort I am undertaking to compile family trees for all O'Donnells in Southern Tipperary, whether related to me or not. The sparsity of information for family history prior to 1850 means that it is often difficult to follow one's own ancestors backwards. By compiling a record of all O'Donnells upwards from whatever records exists makes it easier for a family researcher to find where their ancestor might fit in.

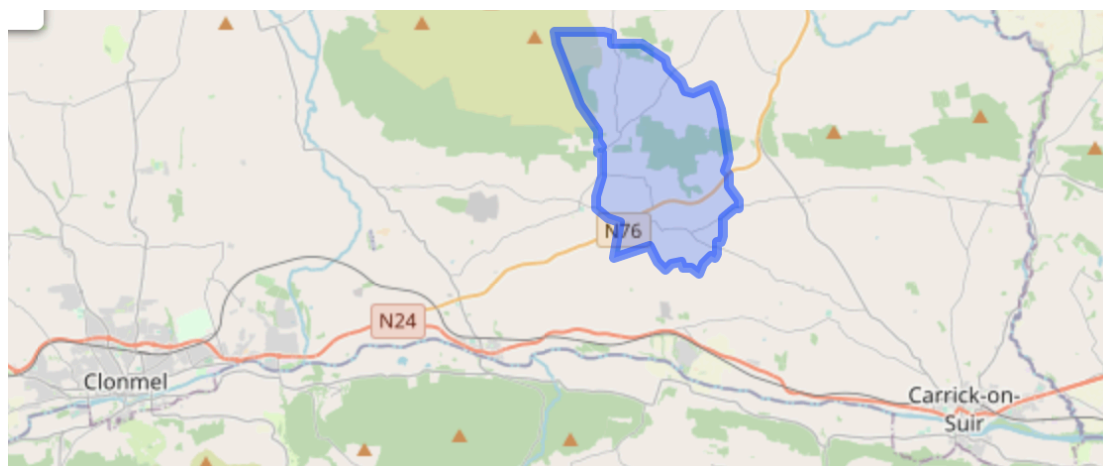
This particular document tracks the descendants of a Bryan O'Donnell who leased land in Kilcash and nearby Knockrathkelly. His descendants farmed these two leases.

Kilcash townland is in the **Civil Parish of Kilcash** is in the Barony of Iffa and Offa East. Kilcash Civil Parish consists of several townlands:

- Carrigaloe (Carraig an Lua),
- **Kilcash** (Cill Chaise),
- **Knockrathkelly** (Cnoc Ráth Cheallaigh),
- Kyleanoreashy
- Lisbalting (Lios Bealtaine)
- Mayladstown (Baile an Mhiolóidigh)
- Toor (An Tuar)

O'Donnells are only present in two of these townlands, Kilcash and Knockrathkelly. And these O'Donnells all seem to be part of one line, descendants of Bryan born c.1690.

Kilcash Civil Parish accounts for an area between Clonmel and Carrick on Suir, on the south-eastward face of Slievenamon.



Much of the parish was the land owned by the Butlers, who held all of Munster at one time. A branch of the Butler family lived in Kilcash Castle. It seems that up to 1720 or so, the land was managed as a single estate, but from that time, the Butlers began to lease out lots for farming. For instance, the following is a description of a lease given out in 1730 by Col. John Butler of Garryricken to a consortium (including an O'Donnell), one of several given at this time:<sup>1</sup>

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<sup>1</sup> [https://www.nli.ie/sites/default/files/2022-12/176\\_ormond-papers-additional-collection-list.pdf](https://www.nli.ie/sites/default/files/2022-12/176_ormond-papers-additional-collection-list.pdf)

*Lease from Col. Thomas Butler of Kilcash (first party) to John Morris, Laurence Sexton, William Lawless, Daniel Moran, Patrick Hayden, Phillip Duhy, Derby Hayden, Edward Bryan, Denish [Dennis] Hart, William Meagher, Robert Tobin, Pierce Butler, William Ryan, John Cahill, William Gorman, Edward Mahony, Edward Sexton, James Lawless, **Bryan Daniell**, Thady Meagher, Thomas Strange and John Sutton (second party) of **445 acres of land in Kilcash** for 31 years at a yearly rent of £78, to be paid in half-yearly instalments.*

A student essay on Kilcash from the 1930s says that:<sup>2</sup>

*Many of the ponds, roads, fields, etc. round the district are named since the days when the Butlers reigned in glory in their castle. There is still "The Avenue" which leads to the ruined castle. The "LONG AVENUE" which led in those olden days from the castle to the banks of the Suir; "LADY'S POND", a large pond in the wood near the Castle where the ladies of the castle were wont to bathe. It is now completely drained and planted over; ... "THE PADDOCK" a farm which was the paddock of the Castle; "THE LODGE" another farm house near at hand, "GORT na mBRAINACH" the large field where the young horses belonging to the Castle were kept.*

This supports the idea that Butler at some point converted his large managed estate into a number of leased farms. "the Paddock" for instance became the farm of the O'Donnells of Kilcash.

## 1.1 A note on date estimation

Where exact birth and marriage dates are not available, I estimate them in relation to other available dates.

- Years preceded by "a." (e.g., "a.1766") indicate that the year was calculated from a known date and an age at that date, e.g., if someone was 76 on the 1<sup>st</sup> May, 1876, then their birth year is given as a.1800, but they may in fact have been born a year earlier or later.
- Years preceded by "c." (e.g., "c.1766") indicate that the year is a rough estimate using simple metrics:
  - Women are assumed to marry at 22, men at 24.
  - Couples are assumed to have their first child two years after marriage.
  - Births are assumed to be spaced two years apart.

While these metrics are often not true in the individual case, they do provide a means to get a ballpark date for births and marriages. In most cases, I have found the calculated date to be fairly accurate.

## 2 Summary Tree

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**Bryan O'Donnell** of Kilcash b: c.1690

Married: **UNKN UNKN** (c.1692-) c.1715:

1. **UNKN O'Donnell** of Kilcash b: c.1730

Married: **UNKN UNKN** (c.1732-) c.1755:

1. **Bryan O'Donnell** of Kilcash b: c.1760

Married: **UNKN UNKN** (c.1762-) c.1783:

1. **Bryan O'Donnell** of Kilcash b: c.1785 d: 11/1847

Married: **Johanna Hearn** (c.1787-) c.1810:

1. **Vincent O'Donnell** of Kilcash b: c.1811 d: 14/11/1893

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<sup>2</sup> <https://www.duchas.ie/en/cbes/4922256/4864569>

Married: **Anastasia O'Donnell** (c.1815-after 1851) c.1843:

1. **Johanna** O'Donnell of Kilcash b: 30/5/1844 d: 4/4/1911  
Married: **William Slattery** (c.1850-10/11/1927) 18/1/1887

2. **Catherine** O'Donnell of Kilcash b: 8/6/1845 d: 25/8/1932

3. **Brian** O'Donnell of Kilcash b: 10/1/1847 d: 28/12/1925

Married: **Margaret Mary Molony** (c.1849-) 21/6/1898:

1. **Anna Anastasia Josephine Mary** O'Donnell of Kilcash  
b: 21/3/1899

Married: **John Connolly** (c.1897-) 19/7/1927

2. **Vincent Joseph** O'Donnell of Kilcash b: c.1901

Married: **Mary O'Brien** (c.1903-) 31/8/1932:

1. **Bryan** (Bernard) O'Donnell of Kilcash b: c.1934  
d: 8/7/2014

2. **Gretta** O'Donnell of Kilcash b: c.1935 d:  
8/9/2022

Married: **James Barrett** (c.1933-before 2022)  
c.1954:

1. **Bryan** Barrett of Glounthaune, Co. Cork  
b: c.1956

2. **Vincent** Barrett of Glounthaune, Co.  
Cork b: c.1958

3. **Barbara** Barrett of Glounthaune, Co.  
Cork b: c.1960

4. **Desmond** Barrett of Glounthaune, Co.  
Cork b: c.1962

5. **James** Barrett of Glounthaune, Co. Cork  
b: c.1964

6. **Suzanne** Barrett of Glounthaune, Co.  
Cork b: c.1966 d: before 9/2022

3. **Philomena** O'Donnell of Kilcash b: c.1936 d:  
14/10/2020

4. **Claire** O'Donnell of Kilcash b: c.1937

5. **Vera** O'Donnell of Kilcash b: c.1938

3. **Margaret Mary** O'Donnell of Kilcash b: 16/5/1902

4. **Thomas** O'Donnell of Kilcash b: 26/3/1848 d: 1/8/1904

Married: **Mary Butler** (1/8/1864-27/10/1911) 25/10/1882:

1. **Anastasia Mary** O'Donnell of Kilcash b: 16/10/1883

2. **Vincent** O'Donnell of Kilcash b: 12/1/1885

Married: **Anne O'Neil** (18/12/1895-) 22/10/1919:

1. **Mary Frances** O'Donnell of Kilcash b: 5/8/1920  
d: 4/1/2004

Married: **Edmond O'Reilly** (14/7/1913-  
18/10/1971) 17/3/1942:

1. **Mary** O'Reilly of Kilcash b: c.1943

2. **Vincent** O'Reilly of Kilcash b: c.1944

2. **Anastasia Mary** O'Donnell of Kilcash b:  
2/5/1922

3. **Nancy** O'Donnell of Kilcash b:

3. **Kate** (Kattie) O'Donnell of Kilcash b: 29/1/1887

4. **UNKN** O'Donnell of Kilcash b: 15/1/1889 d: 15/1/1889

5. **Edward** O'Donnell of Kilcash b: 15/1/1889 d: 17/1/1889
6. **Mary** (Molly) O'Donnell of Kilcash b: 18/4/1891
7. **Edward** (Eddie) O'Donnell of Kilcash b: 6/3/1893
8. **Margaret** O'Donnell of Kilcash b: 21/8/1895
5. **Edmond** O'Donnell of Kilcash b: 22/7/1849 d: 23/9/1918  
Married: **Marianne Hogan** (20/1/1860-27/5/1934) 28/7/1897
6. **John** O'Donnell of Kilcash b: 11/2/1851
2. **Thomas** O'Donnell of Knockrathkelly b: c.1813  
Married: **Bridget Corbett** (c.1817-) c.1838:
  1. **Mary** O'Donnell of Knockrathkelly b: 17/4/1840
  2. **Catherine** O'Donnell of Knockrathkelly b: 17/2/1842 d: 17/6/1910  
Married: **Edmund Reilly** (c.1825-) 31/5/1864:
    1. **Margaret** Reilly of Kilcash b: 24/7/1865
    2. **Mary Catherine** (Kate) Reilly of Kilcash b: 28/5/1868 d: 5/8/1942  
Married: **Augustine Thomas Drew** (8/5/1876-31/8/1952) c.1902:
      1. **Agnes Mary** Drew of Cape Town, South Africa b: c.1906 d: 9/11/1978
      2. **Augustine Aloysius Patrick** (Gus) Drew of Cape Town, South Africa b: 8/5/1910 d: 21/8/1987
      3. **Kathleen Mary** (Kay, Sue) Drew of Cape Town, South Africa b: c.1911 d: 6/7/1982
  3. **Bridget** Reilly of Kilcash b: 20/12/1866 d: 21/5/1948  
Married: **Michael O'Reilly** (8/5/1876-31/8/1952) 6/3/1897:
    1. **Kate** O'Reilly of Grangemoockler b: 6/7/1897 d: after 1911
    2. **Bridget** O'Reilly of Grangemoockler b: 7/6/1900  
Married: **John O'Sullivan** (c.1898-) 11/7/1939
    3. **John** (Jack) O'Reilly of Grangemoockler b: 3/10/1902 d: 30/6/1984
    4. **Mary** (Molly) O'Reilly of Grangemoockler b: 7/3/1905 d: 7/11/1963
    5. **Ethel** O'Reilly of Grangemoockler b: c.1909 d: 21/1/1936
  4. **Ellen** Reilly of Kilcash b: 12/7/1873 d: 2/11/1910
  5. **Patrick Joseph** Reilly of Kilcash b: 22/10/1874 d: 12/2/1937  
Married: **Anne Skehan** (c.1876-19/9/1937) 6/10/1904:
    1. **Josephine Antionette** O'Reilly of Clonmel b: 13/9/1917
    2. **Kathleen** (Kitty) O'Reilly of Clonmel b: 1911 d: 1982  
Married: **Patrick Joseph O'Callaghan** (15/9/1905-1/12/1991) 18/12/1934:

1. **Brian** O'Callaghan of Powerstown b: c.1936 d: 11/12/1986
2. **Moir**a O'Callaghan of Powerstown b: c.1938 d: 10/1993
3. **Hugh** O'Callaghan of Powerstown b: c.1940
4. **UNKN** O'Callaghan of Powerstown b: c.1942
5. **Patrick Joseph** O'Callaghan of Powerstown b: c.1944 d: 20/11/1997
6. **Michael** Reilly of Kilcash b: 11/2/1876
7. **Nicholas** Reilly of Kilcash b: 16/9/1877
8. **Julia** (Julie) Reilly of Kilcash b: 16/2/1879
9. **Thomas** Reilly of Kilcash b: 9/3/1881 d: 29/4/1949  
Married: **Bridget Egan** (c.1889-28/7/1970) 23/2/1911:
  1. **Catherine Mary** Reilly of Kilcash b: 6/2/1912
  2. **Edmond** Reilly of Kilcash b: 14/7/1913
  3. **Bridget Mary** Reilly of Kilcash b: 10/1/1915
  4. **Mary** Reilly of Kilcash b: 18/8/1916
  5. **Josephine** Reilly of Kilcash b: 14/1/1918
  6. **Thomas** Reilly of Kilcash b: 27/4/1922
10. **William** (Willy) Reilly of Kilcash b: 21/11/1885
3. **Bryan** (Bernard) O'Donnell of Knockrathkelly b: 21/4/1843 d: before 1901  
Married: **Elizabeth Fitzgerald** (c.1845-before 1911) 24/6/1868:
  1. **Thomas** O'Donnell of Knockrathkelly b: 25/4/1869 d: 12/11/1946  
Married: **Catherine White** (17/12/1872-29/3/1955) 5/3/1905:
    1. **Elizabeth** (Eliza) O'Donnell of Tullohea, Garrangibbon b: 19/10/1906 d: 11/9/1914
    2. **Bryan** O'Donnell of Tullohea, Garrangibbon b: 4/2/1911
    3. **Catherine** O'Donnell of Tullohea, Garrangibbon b: 18/6/1915
    4. **Mary Elizabeth** O'Donnell of Tullohea, Garrangibbon b: 21/7/1917 d: after 1947
  2. **Michael** O'Donnell of Knockrathkelly b: 31/10/1870 d: after 1905
  3. **Bridget** O'Donnell of Knockrathkelly b: 25/8/1872 d: 6/12/1907
  4. **Mary Ann** O'Donnell of Knockrathkelly b: 2/9/1875
  5. **Bryan** O'Donnell of Knockrathkelly b: 12/2/1877
  6. **UNNAMED** O'Donnell of Knockrathkelly b: 15/12/1878 d: 15/12/1878
  7. **Julia** O'Donnell of Knockrathkelly b: 10/2/1880 d: 6/9/1880
  8. **Margaret** O'Donnell of Knockrathkelly b: 24/10/1881
4. **James** O'Donnell of Knockrathkelly b: 3/12/1844

5. **Ellen** O'Donnell of Knockrathkelly b: 25/1/1846
6. **Margaret** O'Donnell of Knockrathkelly b: 8/9/1847
7. **Julia** O'Donnell of Knockrathkelly b: 3/12/1848
8. **Bridget** O'Donnell of Knockrathkelly b: 19/5/1850  
Married: **Patrick Morrissey** (c.1848-14/1/1918) 14/4/1871:
  1. **Johanna** Morrissey of Kilcash b: 4/4/1872
9. **Thomas** O'Donnell of Knockrathkelly b: 14/4/1853
10. **Elizabeth** O'Donnell of Knockrathkelly b: 9/5/1854  
Married: **Anna Maria Dwyer** (c.1836-30/10/1882) 16/2/1870
3. **Edward** O'Donnell of Kilcash b: c.1815
4. **James** O'Donnell of Kilcash b: c.1817
5. **Margaret** O'Donnell of Kilcash b: c.1819
2. **Edward** O'Donnell of Kilcash b: c.1786
3. **John** O'Donnell of Kilcash b: c.1787
4. **Vincent** O'Donnell of Kilcash b: c.1789
5. **Ellen** O'Donnell of Kilcash b: c.1791
6. **Mary** O'Donnell of Kilcash b: c.1793
7. **Joseph** O'Donnell of Kilcash b: c.1795

### 3 Bryan Daniell, leases 1726-1730

Bryan Daniel must have been born in the late 1600s. We first hear of him when he leased land from Col. John Butler of Garryricken in various parts near Kilcash. In evidence, the description of the Ormonde papers in the National Library of Ireland lists two leases:<sup>3</sup>

In 1726, Butler leased out 225 acres in Killurney, just to the west of Kilcash, to 7 people, including four O'Donnells.

*A lease and the counterpart of a lease between Col. John Butler of Garryricken, Co. Kilkenny (first party) and Hugh Quin, **Bryan Daniell, Terence Daniell, Mary Daniell, Edmond Daniell** and James Hanagan of 'Killurney' [Killurney], Co. Tipperary (second party) for 225 plantation acres of land ('Killurney') in the region of Kilcash for thirtyone years at a yearly rent of £65, to be paid in half-yearly instalments. Mining and forestry rights for the land were withheld by Col. Thomas Butler. The deeds bear the signature of the first party and the marks of the six members of the second party. 23 Mar. 1726. 2 items*

It is possible that Bryan is the father, of Terence, Mary, and Edmond, as children were often named on leases so that on the death of the father, the family could continue the lease.

In 1730, Butler leased out 445 acres in Kilcash, between 22 farmers, including (probably the same) Bryan Daniell:

*Lease from Col. Thomas Butler of Kilcash (first party) to John Morris, Laurence Sexton, William Lawless, Daniel Moran, Patrick Hayden, Phillip Duhy, Derby Hayden, Edward Bryan, Denish [Dennis] Hart, William Meagher, Robert Tobin, Pierce Butler, William Ryan, John Cahill, William Gorman, Edward Mahony, Edward Sexton, James Lawless, **Bryan Daniell**, Thady Meagher, Thomas Strange and John Sutton (second party) of **445 acres of land in Kilcash for 31 years** at a yearly rent of £78, to be paid in half-yearly instalments. Mining and forestry rights for the land were kept by Col. Thomas Butler, although the second party were expected to plant twelve young oak trees every year and to attend to the upkeep of tenements. The deed is signed by the first party and bears the*

<sup>3</sup> [https://www.nli.ie/sites/default/files/2022-12/176\\_ormond-papers-additional-collection-list.pdf](https://www.nli.ie/sites/default/files/2022-12/176_ormond-papers-additional-collection-list.pdf)

*mark of each member of the second party, excepting Patrick Hayden and James Lawless who signed their names. 6 Nov. 1730. 1p.*

#### **KNOCKRATHKELLY LEASE?**

I assume these are the same Bryan O'Donnells in each lease. Bryan was not a common name then. Other evidence suggested that Bryan farmed in Kilcash, possibly he installed one of his sons in Killurney.

Many of the O'Donnells who lived in Kilcash after this were named Bryan, suggesting they are descendants of this Bryan Daniell.

I also note that there are later references to O'Donnells acting as agents for the landlords, collecting the rents from the other farmers. It is possible this began as early as the start of the leases, or may have developed at a later point.

#### **4 Unknown O'Donnell born c.1760**

No other records of Bryan born c.1690 present themselves. However, it appears a son of Bryan continued on the farm in Kilcash, as there was a Bryan holding 74 Acres in Kilcash in the 1834 Tithes List, and more in Knockrathkelly nearby.

This is obviously not the Bryan above, as more than a century has passed. I estimate this Bryan was born c.1785, so he is probably a grandson or great-grandson of the Bryan who signed the first lease. So, we have an unknown son or grandson of Bryan-1690, who had son Bryan born around 1785. And we can identify possible brothers and sisters of this Bryan, including an Edward, said to be a brother of Bryan.

The unknown father of Bryan may have been called Bryan also, as this name was frequent in this line.

It is possible he married a Ms Ryan from Kilcash: records mention an aunt of Edward, called Eleanor (Ellen) Ryan, and this may have been her maiden name. If she is a true aunt, this would make Ellen Ryan the sister of the woman who married UNKN O'Donnell.

There is also a possible sister to UNKN O'Donnell. Eleanor (Ellen) O'Donnell was from Kilcash, and immigrated to Newfoundland, Canada. See more below.

This unknown O'Donnell had at least two children:

- **Bryan**, born c.1785.<sup>4</sup>
- **Edward** (Edward), born c.1787.

Son **Bryan** was the only O'Donnell in Kilcash townland in the 1834 Tithes List, holding 74 acres of land,<sup>5</sup> and more in Knockrathkelly. I assume this is the grandson or great-grandson of the Bryan who first rented the land in 1730, and that he inherited the farm.

Son **Edward** (Edward) is also a son as, when he died, he left half his holdings to "my brother Bryan O'Donnell of Kilcash County of Ireland". I assume he was younger than Bryan, as Bryan inherited the Kilcash farm, while Edward immigrated.

There are other cases which may be children of UNKN O'Donnell, who immigrated to Newfoundland (either with Edward or separately):

- **Vincent**, while not explicitly identified as a brother of Edward, they were in partnership when they first arrived in Newfoundland. Vincent was a common name in the descendants of Bryan.

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<sup>4</sup> Birth year estimated from birth of child Vincent less 26 years.

<sup>5</sup> <http://titheapplotmentbooks.nationalarchives.ie/reels/tab//004587456/00458745600104.pdf>



- **Eleanor (Ellen)**, indirectly identified as Edward's sister, as Edward was named uncle of Ellen's daughter. Married John Hearn.
- **Mary**, identified as "of Kilcash", and Vincent O'Donnell was godfather to her first child, and Ellen O'Donnell was godmother to her second. She married Tim Hogan, who arbitrated between different sections of the family in Newfoundland.
- **Joseph**, no direct indication he was a brother, but he named one child Vincent, and Mary O'Donnell was godmother. Tim Hogan, who married Mary O'Donnell, was witness at Joseph's wedding. He married Mary Cahill.
- **John**. Born a.1787 in Kilcash. Eleanor Hearne (the Ellen just above) was godmother to one of his children. He married Mary McGrath. A Mary O'Donnell was witness, possibly the Mary above.
- **Thomas**, only vaguely linked to the Kilcash clan. He married Mary Fitzpatrick.
- **Dennis**, named in one Mannion record as working with Edward O'Donnell in 1911, but no other mention. Possibly returned to Kilcash.

These immigrants will be covered in a separate chapter later.

## 5 Bryan born c.1785

The first explicit mention of Bryan O'Donnell of this generation is in the will of Edward made just before his death in 1829, naming Bryan O'Donnell of Kilcash as his brother, and leaving half his estate to Bryan. He also left a watch to Bryan's son Edward.

Bryan is shown 5 years later in the Tithes List of 1834:

- Bryan O'Donnell held 74 Acres in Kilcash.
- Bryan O'Donnell held 27 Acres in Knockrathkelly.

I assume these are one person, although it is possible they are cousins, named after the same grandfather. So, Bryan born c.1875 seems to have inherited both the Kilcash farm and a farm in Knockrathkelly from his father.

It is not clear where the Knockrathkelly farm came from (the original Butler leases mention Killurney and Kilcash, but not Knockrathkelly. However, an essay collected from a Kilcash schoolchild in 1937 mentions that the O'Donnells in Knockrathkelly were cursed, and that the current resident was the seventh generation (see more below). Elsewhere these O'Donnells were said to be landgrabbers (taking on other's land when they were evicted). One possibility is that the Knockrathkelly property passed into the hands of the O'Donnell after an eviction. The incumbent in 1937 was I think Thomas son of Bryan son of Thomas son of Bryan born c.1785. Which means the proposed Knockrathkelly takeover was 3 generations earlier.

An online family profile names the wife of Bryan as Johanna Hearn.<sup>6</sup> I don't know where their information comes from, but certainly Hearn was common in the area, and Bryan's son Vincent named his first born daughter Johanna.

### 5.1 Death of Bryan

By the 1850s Griffiths Books, Bryan is not mentioned, I assume he is dead, and has passed on his holdings to his sons.

There are reports of a Mr O'Donnell of Kilcash who was shot dead while collecting rent in 1847. This was probably Bryan, as he had the farm in Kilcash in 1834, but was not there by 1847. I note one of Bryan's sons was listed as "sub-agent" later in time, so it is likely Bryan was sub-agent previously, descendent of one of the original lease-holders of the land.

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<sup>6</sup> <https://www.geni.com/people/Johanna-O-Donnell/6000000053289669229?through=6000000053290590832>



Of the shooting, one report says: <sup>7</sup>

*Mr. O'Donnell, of Kilcash, near Clonmel, sub-agent to the Marquis of Ormonde, has been killed by shot. Lord Besborough had recently applied to the authorities for assistance to enable Mr. O'Donnell to collect the rents on the Ormonde property, but the application was refused.*

A further article gives more information in 1847:<sup>8</sup>

*We have accounts of further assassinations in the south riding of Tipperary. The last victim was Mr. O'Donnell, of Kilcash, near Clonmel, a most respectable gentleman, who held, unhappily for himself, the responsible office of sub-agent to the Marquis of Ormonde. Mr. O'Donnell was shot dead last week. It appears that Lord Bessborough, who resides within some 20 miles of Kilcash, recently applied to the authorities to afford assistance to Mr. O'Donnell in collecting the rents of the Ormonde property, adding that if it were not given he had no doubt, from the temper of the people, that the agent's life would not be worth a pin's purchase. The application was refused.*

These lands in Kilcash were owned by Lord Ormonde (Butler), and it seems the landlord contracted O'Donnell to collect the rent from his fellow landholders. This was during the height of the famine, when people could not pay rent, and were being evicted. It seems that one of the tenants did not appreciate the situation, and so shot him.

It also seems the O'Donnells took on some of the farms that tenants were evicted from. The Griffiths House book for Kilcash (started in 1846, revised in 1852) shows various tenants from the first version crossed out, with new tenants pencilled in above. In two cases, the new tenant was an O'Donnell, possibly sons of Bryan.

A school student, in describing Kilcash, wrote of this in 1937-9:<sup>9</sup>

*There are many families here in this district of Kilcash who got their land in the "Bad Times". Principally amongst these are the Barnes (Protestants) and the O'Donnells who were called land grabbers. Some of the wealthiest farmers got their land for a song in those days - the descendants of these folk have today the finest farms in the parish e.g. Stokes of Kilsheelan and others.*

## 5.2 Sons of Bryan

Records for baptisms in Kilcash (Gambonsfield and Kilcash Parish) do not start until 1840, so we have little evidence for his family.

We know Bryan had a son Edward, alive at least when Bryan's brother Edward wrote his will, which was executed in 1929. Son Edward however does not appear in further records.

Further evidence of his sons comes from land records, those O'Donnells who ended up with the Kilcash and Knockrathkelly land were probably his sons.

In the House books (started August 1846, finished March 1848, and revised January, 1852).

- **Vincent O'Donnell** held a large house (102 measures), along with various farm buildings.<sup>10</sup> His farm had 116 acres.
- **James O'Donnell** is shown having taken over a large house (145 measures) and farm buildings from Mick Hickey (Mick Hickey is crossed out and James O'Donnell written over it). This farm had 227 acres.

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<sup>7</sup> The Spectator, November 27, 1847.

<sup>8</sup> From Gardeners Chronicle & New Horticulturist, 1847.

<sup>9</sup> <https://www.duchas.ie/en/cbes/4922256/4864587>

<sup>10</sup> [http://census.nationalarchives.ie/reels/vob/IRE\\_CENSUS\\_1821-51\\_007246815\\_00352.pdf](http://census.nationalarchives.ie/reels/vob/IRE_CENSUS_1821-51_007246815_00352.pdf)

- **Thomas O'Donnell** of Knockrathkelly is shown having taken over a small house (45 measures) from John Sheeney (John Sheeney is crossed out and James O'Donnell written over it). This farm had 46 acres.

It is not clear whether the original entries were from the 1846 version or from the 1848 version, but it appears the crossings out (possible evictions and re-tenanting) were from January 1852.

As Bryan O'Donnell seems to have been killed 1847, I would guess the entry for at least Vincent came in 1848 when he had taken over the family home (the only house held by O'Donnells before the 1852 revisions). I assume he is the eldest or second eldest son of the family.

Thomas is marked as "of Knockrathkelly". One possibility is that Bryan held two farms in the 1834 Tithes Lists, one on Kilcash and one in Knockrathkelly. I assume Thomas, as eldest son, was put into the (smaller) Knockrathkelly farm while Bryan continued to farm the Kilcash farm (with the help of his other sons).

It is possible that Thomas was not son of Bryan of Kilcash. However, Thomas's first son was named Bryan, probably from his father, which argues that he was son of Bryan. There may however have been two Bryans, cousins, one in Kilcash, the other in Knockrathkelly. While this is possible, I will assume that one Bryan was father to both Thomas of Knockrathkelly and Vincent of Kilcash. I also assume James was the next younger son of the family.

Thomas of Knockrathkelly also held a large house (95 measures) and farm buildings in Knockrathkelly. In the 1834 Tithes list, this had 27 acres attached, but 47 acres in the 1852 Griffiths List.

One other probable child of Bryan:

- **Margaret**, born a.1819.

A record shows a Margaret O'Donnell, spinster, died Kilcash in 1904, aged 85.<sup>11</sup> She was thus born a.1819, so she is a likely sister to Vincent, estimated to be born 1811. The death record says Bryan O'Donnell, her nephew, was present, and Vincent had a son Bryan who was holding the house in Kilcash at that time. Bryan also named one of his daughters Margaret, suggesting it was one of the family names.

I thus propose the following list of children of Bryan and his wife:

- **Edward**, probably born before his uncle Edward immigrated in 1811, as Edward seems to have been his godfather. No mention of him after this point.
- **Vincent**, born a.1811,<sup>12</sup> who inherited the farm "The Paddock".
- **Thomas**, born early 1800s. He was probably have been the Thomas O'Donnell holding a farm in Knockrathkelly, 4km to the north of Kilcash. Bryan O'Donnell held a farm there in the 1834 Tithes List, with 27 acres. It appears Vincent got the Kilcash farm, and Thomas the smaller Knockrathkelly farm.
- **James**, born early 1800s.
- **Margaret**, born a.1819.<sup>13</sup> She died a spinster, living with her brother Vincent.

#### 5.2.1 Thomas, son of Bryan

Thomas O'Donnell, according to the 1850s Griffiths list, held land in Kilcash and also house and land in Knockrathkelly. He was probably born around 1810, and either the first or second born son of Bryan. More details of his family given in a separate chapter below.

<sup>11</sup> <https://civilrecords.irishgenealogy.ie/churchrecords/images/deathsreturns/deaths1904/05634/4585323.pdf>

<sup>12</sup> From age at death.

<sup>13</sup> From age at death.

## 5.2.2 Vincent O'Donnell and Anastasia Daniel

**Vincent O'Donnell** was born a.1811.<sup>14</sup> Given that the name Bryan occurs frequently amongst his offspring, I assume he was son of Bryan of Kilcash born c.1792.

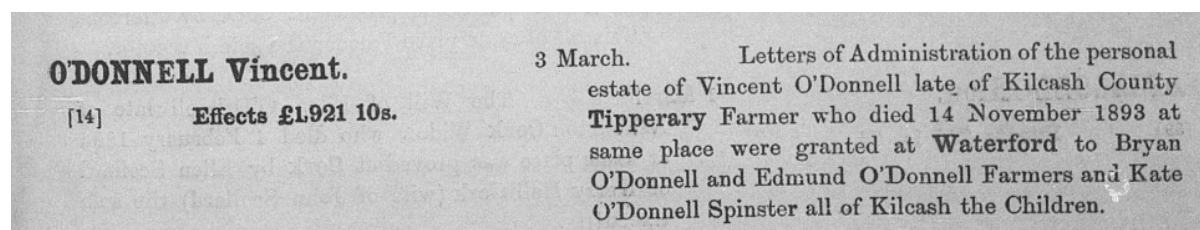
From godparents of his children, it is likely he has brothers: Patrick and James, and sister Johanna. He was a farmer in Kilcash. A family tree by his granddaughter<sup>15</sup> calls him "Vincent O'Donnell of Paddock", and the farm is elsewhere termed "the Paddocks". It is said to have been a horse paddock of Kilcash Castle held by the Butlers, made into a farm when the estate was farmed out to smaller farmers.<sup>16</sup>

He married **Anastasia (Statia) O'Donnell** in c.1843.<sup>17</sup> The above-cited family tree calls her "Statia O'Donnell of Ballyneal", suggesting she was of the Ballyneale line of O'Donnells, who held substantial land around Carrick on Suir. She was possibly the Anne O'Donnell, born 1815, daughter of William O'Donnell of the Cottage and Mary Sausse.

They had several children:

- **Johanna**, baptised 30<sup>th</sup> May, 1844.<sup>18</sup>
- **Catherine**, baptised 8th June, 1845.<sup>19</sup> Godparents were Patrick O'Donnell and ?Hana O'Donnell.
- **Brian**, baptized on the 10<sup>th</sup> January, 1847.<sup>20</sup> Witnesses: Joseph O'Donnell and Margaret Daniel. Parish of Gambonsfield and Kilcash. I suspect Joseph was of Stasia's family (the Ballyneal line) as that name was common there.
- **Thomas**, baptised 26th March, 1848.<sup>21</sup>
- **Edmond**, baptised 22<sup>nd</sup> July, 1849.<sup>22</sup> Godparents were James O'Donnell and Johanna O'Donnell.
- **John**, baptised 11<sup>th</sup> February, 1851.<sup>23</sup>

**Vincent** the father died 14<sup>th</sup> November, 1893.<sup>24</sup> The administration of the will was given to Bryan O'Donnell, Edmund O'Donnell (farmers) and Kate O'Donnell Spinster, all of Kilcash. These names all correspond with children of Vincent. The death registry showed 16<sup>th</sup> November, 1893,<sup>25</sup> rather than the 14<sup>th</sup> shown on the will administration entry. It showed his age at death as 82, indicated he was born a.1811.



As to **Anastasia**, there is no record of her after her last child was born in 1851. Certainly, she was dead by 1893, when Vincent died a Widower. As there is no civil death record, she may have died close to 1851, explaining why they only had children over a 7-year period.

<sup>14</sup> From age in his death record.

<sup>15</sup> <https://www.duchas.ie/en/cbes/4922256/4864592/5051940>

<sup>16</sup> <https://www.duchas.ie/en/cbes/4922256/4864569>

<sup>17</sup> Based on the births of their children.

<sup>18</sup> <https://www.findmypast.co.uk/transcript?id=IRE%2FPRS%2FBAP%2F6812433>

<sup>19</sup> <https://www.findmypast.co.uk/transcript?id=IRE/PRS/BAP/4408440>

<sup>20</sup> <https://www.findmypast.co.uk/transcript?id=IRE/PRS/BAP/4768276>

<sup>21</sup> <https://www.findmypast.co.uk/transcript?id=IRE/PRS/BAP/6812592>

<sup>22</sup> <https://www.findmypast.co.uk/transcript?id=IRE%2FPRS%2FBAP%2F6106656>

<sup>23</sup> <https://www.findmypast.co.uk/transcript?id=IRE/PRS/BAP/6106669>

<sup>24</sup> <http://www.willcalendars.nationalarchives.ie/reels/cwa/005014908/00501490800371.pdf>

<sup>25</sup> [https://civilrecords.irishgenealogy.ie/churchrecords/images/deaths\\_returns/deaths\\_1893/05983/4701548.pdf](https://civilrecords.irishgenealogy.ie/churchrecords/images/deaths_returns/deaths_1893/05983/4701548.pdf)

### 5.2.3 Johanna daughter of Vincent

**Johanna** daughter of Vincent married **William Slattery** of Lawlestown on the 18<sup>th</sup> January, 1887.<sup>26</sup> He was 37 at the time (born a.1850), son of William Slattery, a farmer, dead at the time of the marriage.

I believe they farmed in Knockeevan, Lisronagh, closer to Clonmel. It appears they had no children.

#### **1901 Census: house 9 in Knockeevan (Lisronagh, Tipperary)**<sup>27</sup>

- Slattery, William, 50, Head of Family, farmer
- Slattery, Johanna, 50, Wife

For the 1911 census, the couple still have no children. Johanna seems to be elsewhere. William is not shown as a Widower.

#### **1911 Census: house 4 in Knockeevan (Lisronagh, Tipperary)**<sup>28</sup>

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- Slattery, William, 62, Head of Family, Married
- Slattery, Hanna, 18, Niece
- Slattery, James, 11, Nephew
- Byrne, John, 17, Servant

It seems that **Johanna** was in a Nursing Home in Clonmel. She died just after the census, on the 4<sup>th</sup> April, 1911.<sup>29</sup>

**William** died on the 10th November, 1927, aged 81.<sup>30</sup> His residence given as Darling Hill, Knockeevan. A nephew, James Slattery of Knockeevan was present-at-death, the same nephew living with them in the 1911 Census.

### 5.2.4 Catherine daughter of Vincent

Regarding **Catherine**, born 1845: she is shown living with her brother Bryan during the 1901 Census, in House 6 in Kilcash, a spinster. She was still there, unmarried, in the 1911 census.

There is also a death registry for a Kate O'Donnell, who died on the 25th August, 1932, aged 89, a spinster, from Kilcash.<sup>31</sup> The witness was Margaret O'Donnell, sister-in-law, of Kilcash. This matches Catherine above with 2 years error in age. Margaret is the wife of Catherine's brother, Bryan, in whose house she lived (Bryan died in 1925). She was recorded as a housekeeper, so she must have shared the housework with Margaret.

### 5.2.5 Brian O'Donnell son of Vincent

**Bryan** was born 1847. On the 21<sup>st</sup> June, 1898, aged 51, he married **Margaret Mary Molony**, from Ardfinnan, in Iffa and Offa West.<sup>32</sup> She was the daughter of Andrew Molony, a farmer.

Bryan was shown as living at "The Paddock, Kilcash", which must be the name of their farm. He is shown as a farmer, and the son of Vincent O'Donnell, a farmer.

Bryan and Margaret had a number of children:

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<sup>26</sup> <https://civilrecords.irishgenealogy.ie/churchrecords/images/marriagereturns/marriages1887/10797/5937409.pdf>

<sup>27</sup> <http://www.census.nationalarchives.ie/pages/1901/Tipperary/Lisronagh/Knockeevan/1712500/>

<sup>28</sup> <http://www.census.nationalarchives.ie/pages/1911/Tipperary/Lisronagh/Knockeevan/819547/>

<sup>29</sup> [https://civilrecords.irishgenealogy.ie/churchrecords/images/deaths\\_returns/deaths\\_1912/05371/4497984.pdf](https://civilrecords.irishgenealogy.ie/churchrecords/images/deaths_returns/deaths_1912/05371/4497984.pdf)

<sup>30</sup> [https://civilrecords.irishgenealogy.ie/churchrecords/images/deaths\\_returns/deaths\\_1927/04965/4351780.pdf](https://civilrecords.irishgenealogy.ie/churchrecords/images/deaths_returns/deaths_1927/04965/4351780.pdf)

<sup>31</sup> <https://civilrecords.irishgenealogy.ie/churchrecords/images/deathsreturns/deaths1932/04874/4318425.pdf>

<sup>32</sup> <https://civilrecords.irishgenealogy.ie/churchrecords/images/marriagereturns/marriages1898/10420/5794276.pdf>

- Anna Anastasia Josephine Mary, born 21<sup>st</sup> March, 1899.<sup>33</sup>
- **Vincent Joseph**, born 1901.<sup>34</sup> No sign of birth registration.
- **Margaret Mary**, born 16<sup>th</sup> May, 1902.<sup>35</sup>

This is confirmed by the 1901 census, which shows the following household:

**1901 Census: house 6 in Kilcash (Kilcash, Tipperary)<sup>36</sup>**

- O'Donnell, Bryan, 50, Head of Family, Farmer
- O'Donnell, Margt, 35, Wife, Housekeeper
- O'Donnell, Kate, 52, Sister, Domestic Servant
- O'Donnell, Anastatia M, 2, Daughter

They were still there in the 1911 census, although numbering of houses appears to be changed:

**1911 Census: house 21 in Kilcash (Kilcash, Tipperary)<sup>37</sup>**

- O'Donnell, Bryan, 64, Head of Family, Farmer
- O'Donnell, Margaret, 48, Wife
- O'Donnell, Anastatia M, 12, Daughter
- O'Donnell, Vincent J, 10, Son
- O'Donnell, Margaret M, 9, Daughter
- O'Donnell, Catherine, 67, Sister

The census indicated that Bryan and Margaret had been married 13 years, and had 3 children, all still living.

**Bryan** died at Kilcash on the 28<sup>th</sup> December, 1925, aged 80 (off by two years from birth record).<sup>38</sup> His daughter S.M. O'Donnell was present at death (this does not match any I have records for, maybe Margaret, maybe another daughter born after 1911).

Regarding **Margaret wife** of Bryan, no sign of her death in Clonmel district.

Regarding daughter **Margaret**, no sign of her death or marriage in Clonmel district.

Regarding daughter **Anastasia** born 1899, she married **John Connolly** on the 19<sup>th</sup> July, 1927.<sup>39</sup> He was from "Ballincuna, Rathgormack", in Waterford, which I think should be Ballingarra. He was son of James Connolly, a Farmer. Anastasia's father is shown as "Bernard O'Donnell", farmer of Kilcash, and Bernard is an alternative name for Bryan. A witness was Margaret O'Donnell, which corresponds to Anastasia's younger sister.

Regarding **Vincent J.**, he married **Mary O'Brien** on the 31<sup>st</sup> August, 1932.<sup>40</sup> He was mentioned as a farmer of Kilcash, son of Bryan. Mary was a nurse from Glenbower (possibly in Cork), daughter of Cornelius O'Brien, a farmer. They were married in Ballyneale Church. Records reveal he had at least five children (based on a death notice for their son Bernard):<sup>41</sup>

- **Bryan** (Bernard), born c. 1934. Died 8th July, 2014.<sup>42</sup>
- **Gretta**, born c.1935. Married **James (Jim) Barrett**, and lived in Glounthaune, Co. Cork. Jim died before her. She died on the 8th September 2022.<sup>43</sup> They had children:

<sup>33</sup> <https://civilrecords.irishgenealogy.ie/churchrecords/images/birthreturns/births1899/02037/1780513.pdf>

<sup>34</sup> Both from 1911 Census. Full name from his marriage record.

<sup>35</sup> <https://civilrecords.irishgenealogy.ie/churchrecords/images/birthreturns/births1902/01908/1740170.pdf>

<sup>36</sup> <http://www.census.nationalarchives.ie/pages/1901/Tipperary/Kilcash/Kilcash/1711988/>

<sup>37</sup> <http://www.census.nationalarchives.ie/pages/1911/Tipperary/Kilcash/Kilcash/908704/>

<sup>38</sup> [https://civilrecords.irishgenealogy.ie/churchrecords/images/deaths\\_returns/deaths\\_1926/04998/4364116.pdf](https://civilrecords.irishgenealogy.ie/churchrecords/images/deaths_returns/deaths_1926/04998/4364116.pdf)

<sup>39</sup> [https://civilrecords.irishgenealogy.ie/churchrecords/images/marriage\\_returns/marriages\\_1927/09107/5294297.pdf](https://civilrecords.irishgenealogy.ie/churchrecords/images/marriage_returns/marriages_1927/09107/5294297.pdf)

<sup>40</sup> [https://civilrecords.irishgenealogy.ie/churchrecords/images/marriage\\_returns/marriages\\_1932/09007/5259673.pdf](https://civilrecords.irishgenealogy.ie/churchrecords/images/marriage_returns/marriages_1932/09007/5259673.pdf)

<sup>41</sup> <https://rip.ie/death-notice/bernard-o-donnell-clonmel-tipperary/229458>

<sup>42</sup> [https://tippfm.com/obituaries/obituaries\\_for\\_thursday\\_july\\_10th\\_2014/](https://tippfm.com/obituaries/obituaries_for_thursday_july_10th_2014/)

<sup>43</sup> <https://www.tipperarylive.ie/news/deaths/907740/tipperary-deaths-and-funeral-details-september-10.html>

- Bryan Barrett,
- Vincent Barrett,
- Barbara Barrett,
- Desmond Barrett,
- James Barrett,
- **Suzanne Barrett**, died before September, 2022.
- Two sons married, one to Olivia another to Anne. A daughter married Peter, these couples had children Ailbhe, Ciara, Niamh, Desmond, Jane, Laura, Brian, Cael, Saidhbhin and Garbhán.
- **Philomena**, born c.1936. She did not marry. She lived on the Kilcash farm until she died 14th October 2020.<sup>44</sup>
- **Claire**, born c.1937. Still alive September, 2022.
- **Vera**, born c.1938. She married **Edward Snowden**. Still alive October 2020.

The death notice for Bernard/Brian says he was the only son of Vincent and Mary O'Donnell. In the memorial, he is called "Bernard O'Donnell of the Paddocks, Ballypatrick". I note:

1. Bernard and Brian are variant names, with some individual alternating between these names in different records.
2. Brian born 1847 was said to reside in "The Paddock, Kilcash". Kilcash and Ballypatrick are immediately adjacent, and some places seem to switch between the two.

#### 5.2.6 Thomas O'Donnell son of Vincent

As stated above, Thomas was baptised on the 26 March, 1848, son of Vincent and Anastasia.

**Thomas** married **Mary Butler** on the 25<sup>th</sup> October, 1882.<sup>45</sup> Mary was daughter of Edmond Butler, a Farmer, of Clasnasmuth, Carrick-on-Suir (Clashnamut, which is well north of Carrick) and Catherine Morris.<sup>46</sup> She was born 1<sup>st</sup> August, 1864.<sup>47</sup>

The marriage record shows Thomas was living in Kilcash at the time of the marriage, a farmer, and son of Vincent O'Donnell. On one of their children's birth records, their residence is given as "Kilcash, Kilcash", suggesting they resided within Kilcash townland within Kilcash Civil Parish.

Thomas's age at marriage was shown as 31, which does not match the birth record by 3 years. However, other aspects match enough to establish this Thomas as Thomas son of Vincent son of Bryan (the father in both cases is Vincent O'Donnell, and Vincent was a very rare name in Tipperary at this time).

One of the witnesses was Thomas O'Donnell, probably his uncle Thomas (although could be a cousin by another brother, perhaps from the Knockrathkelly branch). The uncle held the second O'Donnell farm in Kilcash in 1852, and Thomas of Vincent took it over at some point, certainly by the 1901 census.

Thomas and Mary had several children (residence of all given as Kilcash):

- **Anastasia Mary**, born 16<sup>th</sup> October, 1883.<sup>48</sup> She was not at home during the 1901 census when she was 15. She may have died, or working as a servant elsewhere.
- **Vincent**, born 12<sup>th</sup> January, 1885.<sup>49</sup>
- **Kate** (Kattie), born 29<sup>th</sup> January, 1887.<sup>50</sup>

<sup>44</sup> <https://www.tipperarylive.ie/news/deaths/581241/tipperary-deaths-thursday-october-15-2020.html>

<sup>45</sup> <https://civilrecords.irishgenealogy.ie/churchrecords/images/marriagereturns/marriages1882/10986/8016548.pdf>

<sup>46</sup> From a family tree prepared by their granddaughter Nancy

<sup>47</sup> [https://civilrecords.irishgenealogy.ie/churchrecords/images/birth\\_returns/births\\_1864/03603/2328806.pdf](https://civilrecords.irishgenealogy.ie/churchrecords/images/birth_returns/births_1864/03603/2328806.pdf)

<sup>48</sup> <https://civilrecords.irishgenealogy.ie/churchrecords/images/birthreturns/births1883/02710/1997673.pdf>

<sup>49</sup> <https://civilrecords.irishgenealogy.ie/churchrecords/images/birthreturns/births1885/02655/1978902.pdf>

<sup>50</sup> <https://civilrecords.irishgenealogy.ie/churchrecords/images/birthreturns/births1887/02568/1949650.pdf>



- An unnamed twin, who died at birth, born prematurely.<sup>51</sup>
- **Edward**, twin to the above, born 15<sup>th</sup> January, 1889.<sup>52</sup> He died 2 days later.<sup>53</sup>
- **Mary** (Mollie), born 18<sup>th</sup> April, 1891.<sup>54</sup>
- **Edward** (Eddie), born 6<sup>th</sup> March, 1893.<sup>55</sup>
- **Margaret**, born 21<sup>st</sup> August, 1895.<sup>56</sup>

These births are confirmed by the 1901 Census, with Thomas and Mary living in House 5 of Kilcash:

**1901 Census: house 5 in Kilcash (Kilcash, Tipperary)<sup>57</sup>**

- O'Donnell, Tomas, 52, Head of Family, Farmer
- O'Donnell, Mary, 35, Wife
- O'Donnell, Vincent, 14, Son
- O'Donnell, Kattie, 13, Daughter
- O'Donnell, Mary, 10, Daughter
- O'Donnell, Eddie, 8, Son

The 1889 Basset's Directory lists two O'Donnells in Kilcash, one being Thomas O'Donnell, Farmer.

**Thomas** died 1<sup>st</sup> August, 1904, from cancer of the appendix.<sup>58</sup> His son Vincent was present at death.

The creative recording of age is demonstrated by Mary, 10 years later, having aged just 7 years.

**1911 Census: house 1 in Kilcash (Kilcash, Tipperary)<sup>59</sup>**

- O'Donnell, Mary, 42, Head of Family, Farmer, Widow,
- O'Donnell, Vincent, 25, Son, Farmer's Son.
- O'Donnell, Kattie, 23, Daughter
- O'Donnell, Mollie, 19, Daughter<sup>60</sup>
- O'Donnell, Eddie, 17, Son

**Mary** the mother I believe died the 27<sup>th</sup> October, 1911.<sup>61</sup> Her age, 45 years old, approximately matches her estimated 1864 birth estimate. The residence (Kilcash), status as "Widow of Farmer" and her daughter being Mary all match.

**Daughter Anastasia** seems to have gone to England to work, taking a teaching post in Salford, Lancashire, England.

The 1901 Census (March 31) shows Anastasia O'Donnell, from Ireland, aged 17, with occupation "PUPIL TEACHER ELEMENTRY SCH". She was a student in the catholic school attached to a convent.<sup>62</sup>

<sup>51</sup> <https://civilrecords.irishgenealogy.ie/churchrecords/images/deathsreturns/deaths1889/06149/4756608.pdf>

<sup>52</sup> <https://civilrecords.irishgenealogy.ie/churchrecords/images/birthreturns/births1889/02482/1921232.pdf>

<sup>53</sup> <https://civilrecords.irishgenealogy.ie/churchrecords/images/deathsreturns/deaths1889/06149/4756608.pdf>

<sup>54</sup> <https://civilrecords.irishgenealogy.ie/churchrecords/images/birthreturns/births1891/02386/1890111.pdf>

<sup>55</sup> <https://civilrecords.irishgenealogy.ie/churchrecords/images/birthreturns/births1893/02312/1866602.pdf>

<sup>56</sup> [https://civilrecords.irishgenealogy.ie/churchrecords/images/birth\\_returns/births\\_1895/02202/1832047.pdf](https://civilrecords.irishgenealogy.ie/churchrecords/images/birth_returns/births_1895/02202/1832047.pdf)

<sup>57</sup> <http://www.census.nationalarchives.ie/pages/1901/Tipperary/Kilcash/Kilcash/1711987/>

<sup>58</sup> <https://civilrecords.irishgenealogy.ie/churchrecords/images/deathsreturns/deaths1904/05616/4579753.pdf>

<sup>59</sup> <http://www.census.nationalarchives.ie/pages/1911/Tipperary/Kilcash/Kilcash/908684/>

<sup>60</sup> Incorrectly transcribed from the original form as "9", but it is 19, and corresponds to Mary, born 1891.

<sup>61</sup> [https://civilrecords.irishgenealogy.ie/churchrecords/images/deaths\\_returns/deaths\\_1912/05356/4492822.pdf](https://civilrecords.irishgenealogy.ie/churchrecords/images/deaths_returns/deaths_1912/05356/4492822.pdf)

<sup>62</sup> <https://www.familysearch.org/ark:/61903/1:1:X9KB-ZH4>



The 1911 Census for Salford records Anastasia O'Donnell born in Kilcash, County Tipperary, aged 27, as a boarder in a Catholic Convent in Greengate, Salford, and working as an Assistant Teacher.<sup>63</sup>

There is an indication she was still there in 1921 (FindMyPast search shows a 1921 Census entry for Anastasia O'Donnell in Salford). She is also on the Electoral Register in Salford for 1926 through 1930.

**Vincent son of Thomas** was also a Farmer in Kilcash. I believe he took over the family farm. He married on the 22<sup>nd</sup> October, 1919 (aged 34) to an **Anne (Annie) O'Neil**.<sup>64</sup> She was born 18<sup>th</sup> December, 1895,<sup>65</sup> daughter of James O'Neil, another farmer of Kilcash, and Statia Madden.<sup>66</sup> An Edmond O'Donnell was witness, quite likely Vincent's younger brother Eddie.

No sign of death of Vincent or Annie in Clonmel District.

They had children:

- **Mary Frances**, born 5<sup>th</sup> August, 1920.<sup>67</sup>
- **Anastasia Mary**, born 2<sup>nd</sup> May, 1922.<sup>68</sup>
- **Nancy**, born c.1925.<sup>69</sup>

**Mary Frances** married **Edmond O'Reilly** on the 17<sup>th</sup> March, 1942.<sup>70</sup> <sup>71</sup> He was born 14<sup>th</sup> July, 1913, son of Thomas O'Reilly, a Farmer, and Bridget Egan.<sup>72</sup> Edmond was also a Farmer. For some reason, they married in Cappoquin, Lismore, Co. Waterford.

They had 11 children, including

- **Mary O'Reilly** (who married a Tobin)
- **Vincent O'Reilly**.

**Edmond O'Reilly** died on the 18<sup>th</sup> October, 1971, aged 58.<sup>73</sup> He was recorded as a Farmer of Kilcash. His wife Mary was present-at-death.

**Mary Frances** died 4<sup>th</sup> January, 2004, aged 83, buried in Kilcash Cemetery.

A picture of Mary Frances below:



**Nancy** was in school in 1937 when a national initiative was held to collect cultural information. Nancy provided her family tree back 3 generations.<sup>74</sup>

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<sup>63</sup> <https://www.familysearch.org/ark:/61903/1:1:XW13-BZN>

<sup>64</sup> <https://civilrecords.irishgenealogy.ie/churchrecords/images/marriagereturns/marriages1919/09697/5517550.pdf>

<sup>65</sup> [https://civilrecords.irishgenealogy.ie/churchrecords/images/birth\\_returns/births\\_1896/02180/1825359.pdf](https://civilrecords.irishgenealogy.ie/churchrecords/images/birth_returns/births_1896/02180/1825359.pdf)

<sup>66</sup> Mother's name from daughter Nancy's family tree.

<sup>67</sup> [https://civilrecords.irishgenealogy.ie/churchrecords/images/birth\\_returns/births\\_1920/01205/1501523.pdf](https://civilrecords.irishgenealogy.ie/churchrecords/images/birth_returns/births_1920/01205/1501523.pdf)

<sup>68</sup> [https://civilrecords.irishgenealogy.ie/churchrecords/images/birth\\_returns/births\\_1922/01153/1481954.pdf](https://civilrecords.irishgenealogy.ie/churchrecords/images/birth_returns/births_1922/01153/1481954.pdf)

<sup>69</sup> She was a schoolgirl in 1937-39 when the Schools archive was collected. She provided a family tree going back 3 generations from herself.

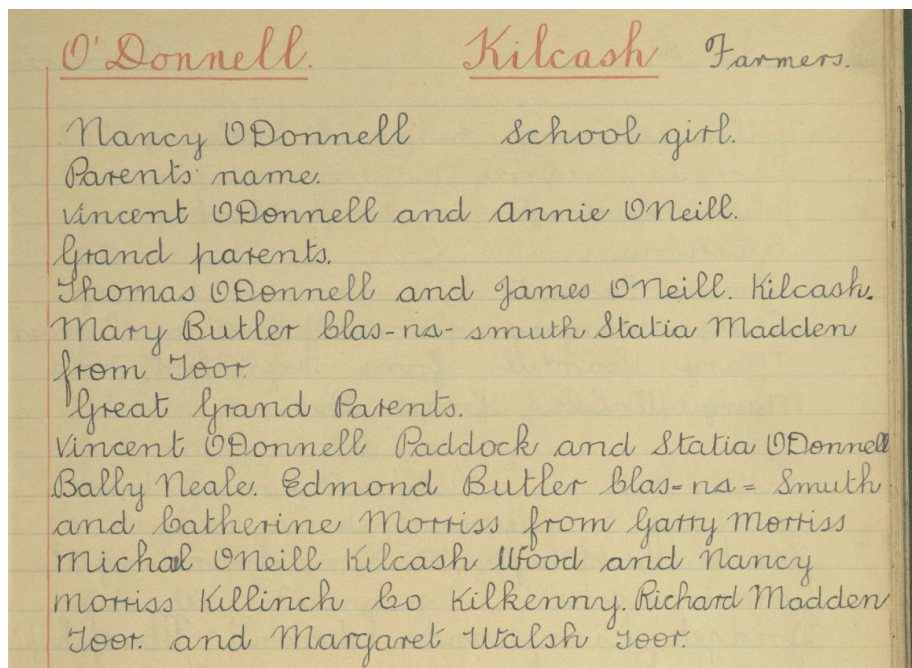
<sup>70</sup> [https://civilrecords.irishgenealogy.ie/churchrecords/images/marriage\\_returns/marriages\\_1942/08797/5180011.pdf](https://civilrecords.irishgenealogy.ie/churchrecords/images/marriage_returns/marriages_1942/08797/5180011.pdf)

<sup>71</sup> <https://www.geni.com/people/Mary-O-Reilly/6000000018004386232>

<sup>72</sup> [https://civilrecords.irishgenealogy.ie/churchrecords/images/birth\\_returns/births\\_1913/01428/1585948.pdf](https://civilrecords.irishgenealogy.ie/churchrecords/images/birth_returns/births_1913/01428/1585948.pdf)

<sup>73</sup> [https://civilrecords.irishgenealogy.ie/churchrecords/images/deaths\\_returns/deaths\\_1972/04113/4042159.pdf](https://civilrecords.irishgenealogy.ie/churchrecords/images/deaths_returns/deaths_1972/04113/4042159.pdf)

<sup>74</sup> <https://www.duchas.ie/en/cbes/4922256/4864592/5051940>



#### 5.2.7 Edmund son of Vincent

Edmond O'Donnell was born 1849 son of Vincent and Anastasia O'Donnell.

Edmond married **Marianne Hogan** on the 28<sup>th</sup> July, 1897.<sup>75</sup> She was daughter of Daniel Hogan, a farmer of "Kilnaracy". Kilnaracy is an alternative spelling of Kyleanoreashy, Kilcash, as Edmond and Marianne set up house in Kylanoreashy, probably the farm of Marianne's father. Daniel Hogan died in 1895,<sup>76</sup> and his wife before that, so Marianne seems to have inherited the farm. His residence at death was also given as Kilnaracy, Kilcash. A witness to the wedding was Bryan O'Donnell, no doubt Edmund's elder brother.

The 1901 and 1911 censuses show Edmond and Marianne with no children. Note they married relatively late in life, with Edmond 48 when they married, and Marianne in her late Thirties. Probably because of this, they had no children.

#### 1901 Census: house 7 in Kylanoreashy (Kilcash, Tipperary)<sup>77</sup>

- Donnell, Edmond, 50, Head of Family, Farmer, born Co. Tipp.
- Donnell, Marianne, 40, Wife, born Co. Tipp.

#### 1911 Census: house 2 in Kylanoreashy (Kilcash, Tipperary)<sup>78</sup>

- O'Donnell, Edmond, 62, Head of Family, Farmer, born Co. Tipp.
- O'Donnell, Marianne, 50, Wife, born Co. Tipp
- O'Reilly, Michael Albert, 19, Nephew, Labourer, born Co. Tipp

The 1911 census says the couple had been married 15 years, with no children.

The nephew Michael Albert O'Reilly was son of Marianne's sister Margaret, who married Michael O'Reilly.<sup>79</sup>

<sup>75</sup> [https://civilrecords.irishgenealogy.ie/churchrecords/images/marriage\\_returns/marriages\\_1897/10465/5811188.pdf](https://civilrecords.irishgenealogy.ie/churchrecords/images/marriage_returns/marriages_1897/10465/5811188.pdf)

<sup>76</sup> [https://civilrecords.irishgenealogy.ie/churchrecords/images/deaths\\_returns/deaths\\_1895/05938/4686822.pdf](https://civilrecords.irishgenealogy.ie/churchrecords/images/deaths_returns/deaths_1895/05938/4686822.pdf)

<sup>77</sup> <http://www.census.nationalarchives.ie/pages/1901/Tipperary/Kilcash/Kylanoreashy/1712015/>

<sup>78</sup> <http://www.census.nationalarchives.ie/pages/1911/Tipperary/Kilcash/Kylanoreashy/908711/>

<sup>79</sup> [https://civilrecords.irishgenealogy.ie/churchrecords/images/birth\\_returns/births\\_1892/02333/1873122.pdf](https://civilrecords.irishgenealogy.ie/churchrecords/images/birth_returns/births_1892/02333/1873122.pdf)

**Edward** died on the 23<sup>rd</sup> September, 1918, residence given as Kilnoracy, although the witness was Marianne Ryan, Kilcash.<sup>80</sup> This may have been a daughter of his (same name as the mother, but married a Ryan?) or not.

Marianne erected a memorial to her parents:<sup>81</sup>

*Erected by Maryanne O'Donnell Killonaracy in memory of her parents Daniel Hogan who died 16<sup>th</sup> March 1895 aged 88 years, Margaret Hogan who died ... [rest of memorial not visible in Google Books]*

**Marianne** died on the 27<sup>th</sup> May, 1934, aged 74.<sup>82</sup> Residence still Kilnoracy. Daniel Foley, a nephew, was present at death.

## 6 O'Donnells of Knockrathkelly

There are records of **Thomas O'Donnell** holding house and land in Knockrathkelly at least 1846-1852, and the same Thomas holding land in Kilcash (he was in that context named "Thomas O'Donnell of Knockrathkelly").

This Thomas was son of a Bryan (from his second marriage registration), who I believe is Bryan of Kilcash, born c.1785. Thomas seems to have taken over the land that Bryan held in 1834 (Tithes List), and he named his first son Bryan. Also, Vincent son of Bryan of Kilcash named his second son Thomas (and at that time children were often named after the father's brothers). And at the wedding of Thomas son of Vincent, one witness was Thomas O'Donnell, potentially the uncle, Thomas of Knockrathkelly. A school essay of 1937 also named the Knockrathkelly O'Donnells as a branch of the Kilcash O'Donnells, although the branching could have been a generation or two earlier.

So, I assume Thomas was a son of Bryan of Kilcash born c.1785. Thomas would have been born between 1805 and 1825. He was given the Knockrathkelly holding, at least by the 1846 Griffiths House book, and was still there in the 1852 final version.

The Griffiths Valuation (1950s) shows the block which Bryan held in the 1930s was at the point held by **Thomas**, with house, offices and land, and 45 acres of land. The Griffiths House books show Thomas was resident there from at least 1846. The house had 95 measures, which was quite a large house.

KNOCKRATHKELLY. (Ord. S. 78.)		Exemptions,	1115 1 6	815 0 0	50 2
Thomas O'Donnell, .	Marquis of Ormonde,	House, offices, and land,	45 2 24	24 7 0	3 3
Richard Walsh, .	Marquis of Ormonde,	House, offices, and land,	43 1 0	22 17 0	2 13
Patrick Walsh, .	Richard Walsh,	House, offices, and land,	2 0 3	1 4 0	0 14
KYLANOREASHY.		Total, .	90 3 27	48 8 0	6 10

House books (18<sup>th</sup> March 1848) and similar in 13 Aug 1846<sup>83</sup>

<sup>80</sup> <https://civilrecords.irishgenealogy.ie/churchrecords/images/deathsreturns/deaths1918/05167/4425757.pdf>

<sup>81</sup> Flood, John, Flood, Phil (1999) *Kilcash: A History, 1190-1801* - Page 116

<sup>82</sup> [https://civilrecords.irishgenealogy.ie/churchrecords/images/deaths\\_returns/deaths\\_1934/04841/4306263.pdf](https://civilrecords.irishgenealogy.ie/churchrecords/images/deaths_returns/deaths_1934/04841/4306263.pdf)

<sup>83</sup> [http://census.nationalarchives.ie/reels/vob/IRE\\_CENSUS\\_1821-51\\_007246815\\_00334.pdf](http://census.nationalarchives.ie/reels/vob/IRE_CENSUS_1821-51_007246815_00334.pdf)



- **Thomas**, baptised 14 April, 1853.<sup>92</sup> Godparents: ??? O'Donnell and Honora O'Donnell.
- **Elizabeth**, baptised 9<sup>th</sup> May, 1854.

The father's name in the records for the baptisms of the children alternate between Bernard and Bryan. These names are alternative forms in Ireland.

The Godparents here look like Killurney O'Donnells (William, Edmond, Patrick, Joseph). It is possible this was not the family of Thomas of Killurney. The baptisms do not specify more than Kilsheelan Parish. However, there are records which place two of these children (Bryan and Catherine) as living in Knockrathkelly at marriage, with ages that fit, and Bridget was said to be of Kilcash, often given as the general district of the farm.

A student essay in c.1937 talked of this branch of the family.<sup>93</sup> They first talked about Kilcash O'Donnells (quoted above), and then talk about the Knockrathkelly O'Donnells being a branch of the Kilcash family:

*One branch of these O'Donnells living in Knockrathkelly is said to have been cursed in generations gone by. The present owner is supposed to be the seventh generation and so the curse will finish with him. No one can give the origin of the curse but it is well known that the man himself O'Donnell, has no luck with anything he does. Everything goes wrong if he tries to do it and so for many years the family were badly off. His wife took over to the complete management of the farm these latter years and everything is done in her name. Since that time things have gone quite well with the family.*

*The bean sidhe is said to follow the O'Donnell's also. Many people are said to have heard her crying the night before death occurred in this family. She also follows the Foxes.*

The O'Donnell holding a farm in Knockrathkelly in 1937 was Thomas (born 1869) son of Bryan (born 1843) son of Thomas, so the curse supposedly was set 4 generations before, perhaps when Thomas's ancestor took over the Knockrathkelly property from some defaulting tenant.

There is also a marriage on the 16<sup>th</sup> February, 1870, of **Thomas O'Donnell** of Knockrathkelly, son of Bryan O'Donnell, a farmer, to **Anna Maria Dwyer**.<sup>94</sup> Both were marked as Widow/Widower. This is I assume the same Thomas as above, and his wife Bridget Corbett died, somewhere between 1854 (birth of last child) and 1870. Possibly Thomas needed a wife to help run the farm, and to care for his children (although the youngest was 15).

**Anna Maria** was born a.1836,<sup>95</sup> daughter of Thomas Dwyer, a Farmer. She had previously married a Mr Murphy, who had died. She was a shop-keeper in Irishtown, Clonmel. By 1882, Thomas and Anna were living in Main St., Clonmel, where they ran a Grocery and Pub (or possibly they had the shop/pub in Irishtown but lived in Main St.).

**Anna** died on the 30<sup>th</sup> October, 1882, aged 46.<sup>96</sup> She was indicated as "married", suggesting her husband survived longer. In the Calendar of Wills, Bryan O'Donnell, a farmer of Knockrathkelly, Ballypatrick was appointed administrator of the will.<sup>97</sup> This was probably Thomas's eldest son (from the first marriage), 39 years old at that time.

[http://www.willcalendars.nationalarchives.ie/reels/cwa/005014898/005014898\\_00366.pdf](http://www.willcalendars.nationalarchives.ie/reels/cwa/005014898/005014898_00366.pdf)

<sup>92</sup> <https://www.findmypast.co.uk/transcript?id=IRE%2FPRS%2FBAP%2F6443972>

<sup>93</sup> <https://www.duchas.ie/en/cbes/4922256/4864587>

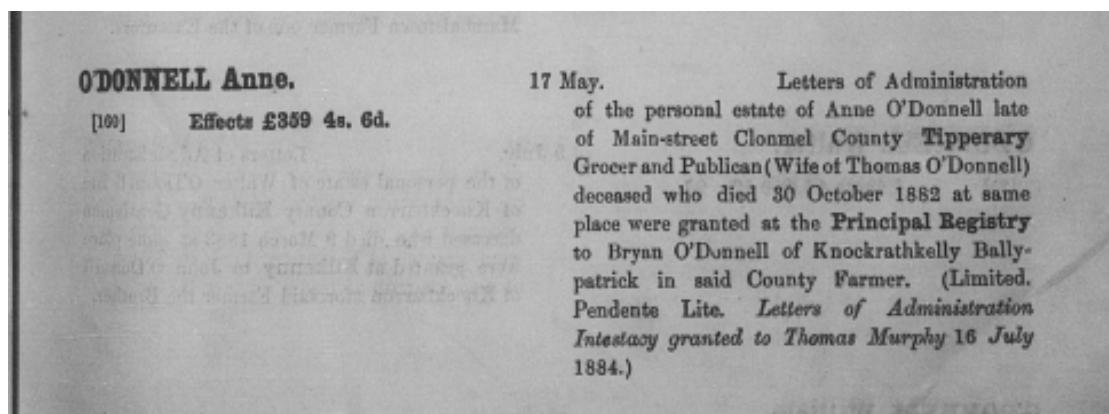
<sup>94</sup> [https://civilrecords.irishgenealogy.ie/churchrecords/images/marriage\\_returns/marriages\\_1870/11376/8176966.pdf](https://civilrecords.irishgenealogy.ie/churchrecords/images/marriage_returns/marriages_1870/11376/8176966.pdf)

<sup>95</sup> From age at death.

<sup>96</sup> [https://civilrecords.irishgenealogy.ie/churchrecords/images/deaths\\_returns/deaths\\_1882/06381/4832029.pdf](https://civilrecords.irishgenealogy.ie/churchrecords/images/deaths_returns/deaths_1882/06381/4832029.pdf)

<sup>97</sup> From will calendar.





No clear sign of death of **Thomas** in Clonmel District. One possibility is a Thomas Daniel who died 4<sup>th</sup> May, 1887, aged 75.<sup>98</sup> He was a Widower (which matches), a Merchant (possible as his wife Anna was recorded as Grocer and Publican). However, residence given as Charles St, Clonmel, which does not match any known residence, and present-at-death was a Hanora Kennedy, possibly the daughter of this Thomas, but not matching any daughter of the Knockrathkelly Thomas.

### 6.1 Bryan son of Thomas

**Bryan** son of Thomas married **Elizabeth (Bessie or Eliza) Fitzgerald** on the 24th June, 1868.<sup>99</sup> Her father was given as Michael Fitzgerald, and her residence as Frankford, Kilkenny. A witness was Thomas O'Donnell, possibly Bryan's father, or possibly Bryan's cousin, Thomas son of Vincent of Kilcash. The wedding was registered in Windgap Parish, in Kilkenny (13 km from Knockrathkelly). Bryan was shown to be a Farmer of Knockrathkelly, son of Thomas O'Donnell, a Farmer.

They had several children, all baptised in Kilsheelan parish. For birth registrations, Bryan was shown as a Farmer. Residence was given as Knockrathkelly for most but as Tullohea, Garrangibbon in 1872:

- **Thomas**, born 25<sup>th</sup> April, 1869,<sup>100</sup> baptised 26<sup>th</sup> April, 1869 in Windgap Parish, Kilkenny.<sup>101</sup> Residence for the baptism given as Knockaakelly (possibly an abbreviation of Knockrathkelly). Birth registered in Callan District, Kilkenny.
- **Michael**, born 31<sup>st</sup> October, 1870,<sup>102</sup> baptised 1st November, 1870.<sup>103</sup> Parish record gives father given as Bernardi.<sup>104</sup> Godparents: Thomas and Julia O'Donnell.
- **Bridget**, born 25<sup>th</sup> August, 1872,<sup>105</sup> baptised 25<sup>th</sup> August, 1872.<sup>106</sup> Father given as Bernard in the baptism record. Residence given as Tullohea in the civil record. Godparents: Thomas and Margaret O'Donnell.
- **Mary Ann**, born 2<sup>nd</sup> September, 1875.<sup>107</sup> Not present in the 1901 census.

<sup>98</sup> [https://civilrecords.irishgenealogy.ie/churchrecords/images/deaths\\_returns/deaths\\_1887/06211/4776990.pdf](https://civilrecords.irishgenealogy.ie/churchrecords/images/deaths_returns/deaths_1887/06211/4776990.pdf)

<sup>99</sup> [https://civilrecords.irishgenealogy.ie/churchrecords/images/marriage\\_returns/marriages\\_1868/11462/8212482.pdf](https://civilrecords.irishgenealogy.ie/churchrecords/images/marriage_returns/marriages_1868/11462/8212482.pdf)

<sup>100</sup> [https://civilrecords.irishgenealogy.ie/churchrecords/images/birth\\_returns/births\\_1869/03392/2243929.pdf](https://civilrecords.irishgenealogy.ie/churchrecords/images/birth_returns/births_1869/03392/2243929.pdf)

<sup>101</sup> <https://www.findmypast.co.uk/transcript?id=IRE%2FPRS%2FBAP%2F5048035>

<sup>102</sup> [https://civilrecords.irishgenealogy.ie/churchrecords/images/birth\\_returns/births\\_1870/03319/2216516.pdf](https://civilrecords.irishgenealogy.ie/churchrecords/images/birth_returns/births_1870/03319/2216516.pdf)

<sup>103</sup> <https://www.findmypast.co.uk/transcript?id=IRE%2FPRS%2FBAP%2F4729739>

<sup>104</sup> <https://www.findmypast.co.uk/transcript?id=IRE/PRS/BAP/4729739>

<sup>105</sup> [https://civilrecords.irishgenealogy.ie/churchrecords/images/birth\\_returns/births\\_1872/03231/2184560.pdf](https://civilrecords.irishgenealogy.ie/churchrecords/images/birth_returns/births_1872/03231/2184560.pdf)

<sup>106</sup> <https://www.findmypast.co.uk/transcript?id=IRE%2FPRS%2FBAP%2F6098405>

<sup>107</sup> [https://civilrecords.irishgenealogy.ie/churchrecords/images/birth\\_returns/births\\_1875/03088/2132012.pdf](https://civilrecords.irishgenealogy.ie/churchrecords/images/birth_returns/births_1875/03088/2132012.pdf)

- **Bryan**, born 12<sup>th</sup> February, 1877,<sup>108</sup> baptised 18<sup>th</sup> February, 1877.<sup>109</sup>
- **An unnamed daughter**, born 15<sup>th</sup> December, 1878.<sup>110</sup> Died at birth, born prematurely.<sup>111</sup>
- **Julia**, born 10<sup>th</sup> February, 1880,<sup>112</sup> baptised 11<sup>th</sup> February, 1880.<sup>113</sup> She died on the 6<sup>th</sup> September, 1880, aged 7 months.<sup>114</sup>
- **Margaret**, born 24<sup>th</sup> October, 1881.<sup>115</sup>

**Bryan the father** died before the 1901 Census, as Bessie was marked as a widow. No sign of his death in the civil registry.

By the 1901 Census, 5 of the children are still at home and unmarried. **Mary Anne** was elsewhere or dead.

#### **1901 Census: house 3 in Knockrathkelly (Kilcash, Tipperary)<sup>116</sup>**

- O Donnell, Bessie, 49, Wife, Widow, Farmer
- O Donnell, Thomas, 29, Son, Farm Labourer, unmarried
- O Donnell, Michael, 23, Son, Farm Labourer, unmarried.
- O Donnell, Bridget, 26, Daughter, unmarried
- O Donnell, Bryan, 20, Son, Farm Labourer, unmarried
- O Donnell, Margaret, 18, Daughter,

No sign of **son Michael** after the 1901 census. No registered marriage or death in Clonmel District.

**Bridget daughter** of Bryan and Bessie was apparently born with congenital idiocy. She was at home for the 1901 Census while her mother ran the house, but she died 6<sup>th</sup> December, 1907, aged 30.<sup>117</sup> She suffered from bedsores, suggesting she was largely restricted to bed.

No sign of **son Bryan** after the 1901 census. No registered marriage or death in Clonmel District.

No sign of **daughter Margaret** after the 1901 census. No registered marriage or death in Clonmel District.

**Bessie** seems to have died by 1911, as she was not in the 1911 Census, and son Thomas is running the farm. No record of her death in Clonmel district.

**Michael son of Bryan and Bessie** was at home in the 1901 census, but had left by the 1911 census. He was witness to his brother Thomas's wedding in 1905. No sign of marriage or death in Clonmel District.

**Thomas son of Bryan** married **Catherine White** on the 5<sup>th</sup> March, 1905.<sup>118</sup> She was a farmer's Daughter of Graigue. She was born on the 17<sup>th</sup> December, 1872 to Patrick White, a Farmer, and Catherine Lonergan, in Lower Graigue.<sup>119</sup>

Thomas's brother Michael was witness. Thomas and Catherine had children:

<sup>108</sup> [https://civilrecords.irishgenealogy.ie/churchrecords/images/birth\\_returns/births\\_1877/03019/2106558.pdf](https://civilrecords.irishgenealogy.ie/churchrecords/images/birth_returns/births_1877/03019/2106558.pdf)

<sup>109</sup> <https://www.findmypast.co.uk/transcript?id=IRE%2FPRS%2FBAP%2F6403656>

<sup>110</sup> [https://civilrecords.irishgenealogy.ie/churchrecords/images/birth\\_returns/births\\_1879/02927/2072749.pdf](https://civilrecords.irishgenealogy.ie/churchrecords/images/birth_returns/births_1879/02927/2072749.pdf)

<sup>111</sup> [https://civilrecords.irishgenealogy.ie/churchrecords/images/deaths\\_returns/deaths\\_1879/06524/4879762.pdf](https://civilrecords.irishgenealogy.ie/churchrecords/images/deaths_returns/deaths_1879/06524/4879762.pdf)

<sup>112</sup> [https://civilrecords.irishgenealogy.ie/churchrecords/images/birth\\_returns/births\\_1880/02882/2055980.pdf](https://civilrecords.irishgenealogy.ie/churchrecords/images/birth_returns/births_1880/02882/2055980.pdf)

<sup>113</sup> <https://www.findmypast.co.uk/transcript?id=IRE/PRS/BAP/4729883>

<sup>114</sup> [https://civilrecords.irishgenealogy.ie/churchrecords/images/deaths\\_returns/deaths\\_1880/06465/4859192.pdf](https://civilrecords.irishgenealogy.ie/churchrecords/images/deaths_returns/deaths_1880/06465/4859192.pdf)

<sup>115</sup> [https://civilrecords.irishgenealogy.ie/churchrecords/images/birth\\_returns/births\\_1881/02802/2028375.pdf](https://civilrecords.irishgenealogy.ie/churchrecords/images/birth_returns/births_1881/02802/2028375.pdf)

<sup>116</sup> <http://www.census.nationalarchives.ie/pages/1901/Tipperary/Kilcash/Knockrathkelly/1712008/>

<sup>117</sup> [https://civilrecords.irishgenealogy.ie/churchrecords/images/deaths\\_returns/deaths\\_1907/05510/4544447.pdf](https://civilrecords.irishgenealogy.ie/churchrecords/images/deaths_returns/deaths_1907/05510/4544447.pdf)

<sup>118</sup> [https://civilrecords.irishgenealogy.ie/churchrecords/images/marriage\\_returns/marriages\\_1905/10157/5695677.pdf](https://civilrecords.irishgenealogy.ie/churchrecords/images/marriage_returns/marriages_1905/10157/5695677.pdf)

<sup>119</sup> [https://civilrecords.irishgenealogy.ie/churchrecords/images/birth\\_returns/births\\_1872/03219/2180392.pdf](https://civilrecords.irishgenealogy.ie/churchrecords/images/birth_returns/births_1872/03219/2180392.pdf)



- **Elizabeth (Eliza)**, born 19th October, 1906.<sup>120</sup> Residence given as Tulllohea, Garrangibbon. She died aged 8 on the 11<sup>th</sup> September, 1914.<sup>121</sup>
- **Bryan**, born 4th February, 1911.<sup>122</sup> Residence given as Tulllohea.
- **Catherine**, born 18th June, 1915.<sup>123</sup> Residence given as Tulllohea.
- **Mary Elizabeth**, born 21st July, 1917.<sup>124</sup> Residence given as Toor, Kilcash.

#### 1911 Census: house 3 in Knockrathkelly (Kilcash, Tipperary)

- O'Donnell, Thomas, 40, Head of Family,
- O'Donnell, Catherine, 35, Wife,
- O'Donnell, Eliza, 4, Daughter
- O'Donnell, Bryan, 0, Son

For the births of most of their children, Thomas is on the Tulllohea farm, which his father Bryan seems to have bought or inherited or married into. It seems to be their primary residence. However, for the 1911 census, Thomas and Catherine are shown to be the householders of the main Knockrathkelly farm. It is possible Thomas had the two farms. For the 1917 birth, residence given as Toor, which may just be a re-branding of Tulllohea.

**Thomas** died on the 12<sup>th</sup> November, 1946, aged 77.<sup>125</sup> His daughter **Mary** was present-at-death, apparently unmarried. Residence of both given as Knockrathkelly.

**Catherine** wife of Thomas died on the 29<sup>th</sup> March, 1955, aged 80.<sup>126</sup>

No sign of **son Bryan** in Clonmel district after the 1911 census. One possibility is a Bryan O'Donnell, a Carpenter, who lived in Limerick, died in 1971 aged 63.<sup>127</sup>

No sign of **daughter Catherine** in Clonmel district after the 1911 census.

Regarding **daughter Mary**, she was living at home when her father died in 1947, unmarried. No sign of her marriage or death in Clonmel district.

## 6.2 Catherine daughter of Thomas

**Catherine** (Kate) daughter of Thomas married **Edmund Reilly** on the 31<sup>st</sup> May, 1864.<sup>128</sup> <sup>129</sup> Witness was Maryanne O'Donnell, possibly the elder sister of Catherine. Edmond was a Farmer of Kilcash, son of John Reilly (deceased), a farmer.

In the wedding registry, Catherine's residence was given as Knockrathkelly, and her father was **Thomas O'Donnell**, a subagent. All of this matches Catherine being a daughter of Thomas O'Donnell of Knockrathkelly.

For the births of their children, residence was given as Kilcash, so it looks like the couple lived on Edmond's father's farm. Catherine and Edmond had children:

- **Margaret Reilly**, born 24<sup>th</sup> July, 1865,<sup>130</sup> baptised 25<sup>th</sup> July, 1865.<sup>131</sup> Godmother: Johanna O'Donnell.

<sup>120</sup> [https://civilrecords.irishgenealogy.ie/churchrecords/images/birth\\_returns/births\\_1906/01717/1679600.pdf](https://civilrecords.irishgenealogy.ie/churchrecords/images/birth_returns/births_1906/01717/1679600.pdf)

<sup>121</sup> [https://civilrecords.irishgenealogy.ie/churchrecords/images/deaths\\_returns/deaths\\_1914/05286/4469035.pdf](https://civilrecords.irishgenealogy.ie/churchrecords/images/deaths_returns/deaths_1914/05286/4469035.pdf)

<sup>122</sup> [https://civilrecords.irishgenealogy.ie/churchrecords/images/birth\\_returns/births\\_1911/01537/1622594.pdf](https://civilrecords.irishgenealogy.ie/churchrecords/images/birth_returns/births_1911/01537/1622594.pdf)

<sup>123</sup> [https://civilrecords.irishgenealogy.ie/churchrecords/images/birth\\_returns/births\\_1915/01365/1563046.pdf](https://civilrecords.irishgenealogy.ie/churchrecords/images/birth_returns/births_1915/01365/1563046.pdf)

<sup>124</sup> [https://civilrecords.irishgenealogy.ie/churchrecords/images/birth\\_returns/births\\_1917/01301/1538589.pdf](https://civilrecords.irishgenealogy.ie/churchrecords/images/birth_returns/births_1917/01301/1538589.pdf)

<sup>125</sup> [https://civilrecords.irishgenealogy.ie/churchrecords/images/deaths\\_returns/deaths\\_1946/04593/4216176.pdf](https://civilrecords.irishgenealogy.ie/churchrecords/images/deaths_returns/deaths_1946/04593/4216176.pdf)

<sup>126</sup> [https://civilrecords.irishgenealogy.ie/churchrecords/images/deaths\\_returns/deaths\\_1955/04429/4156945.pdf](https://civilrecords.irishgenealogy.ie/churchrecords/images/deaths_returns/deaths_1955/04429/4156945.pdf)

<sup>127</sup> [https://civilrecords.irishgenealogy.ie/churchrecords/images/deaths\\_returns/deaths\\_1972/04112/4041715.pdf](https://civilrecords.irishgenealogy.ie/churchrecords/images/deaths_returns/deaths_1972/04112/4041715.pdf)

<sup>128</sup> <https://www.findmypast.co.uk/transcript?id=IRE%2FPRS%2FMAR%2F1120432%2F1>

<sup>129</sup> [https://civilrecords.irishgenealogy.ie/churchrecords/images/marriage\\_returns/marriages\\_1864/11613/8274973.pdf](https://civilrecords.irishgenealogy.ie/churchrecords/images/marriage_returns/marriages_1864/11613/8274973.pdf)

<sup>130</sup> [https://civilrecords.irishgenealogy.ie/churchrecords/images/birth\\_returns/births\\_1865/03560/2310991.pdf](https://civilrecords.irishgenealogy.ie/churchrecords/images/birth_returns/births_1865/03560/2310991.pdf)

<sup>131</sup> <https://www.findmypast.co.uk/transcript?id=IRE%2FPRS%2FBAP%2F7131092>

- **Mary Catherine (Kate)**, born 28<sup>th</sup> May, 1868.<sup>132</sup>
- **Bridget Reilly**, born 20<sup>th</sup> December, 1866.<sup>133</sup>
- **Ellen Reilly**, born 12<sup>th</sup> July, 1873,<sup>134</sup> baptised 14<sup>th</sup> July, 1873.<sup>135</sup>
- **Patrick Joseph Reilly**, born 22<sup>nd</sup> October, 1874,<sup>136</sup> baptised 25<sup>th</sup> October, 1874.<sup>137</sup>
- **Michael Reilly**, born 11<sup>th</sup> February, 1876.<sup>138</sup>
- **Nicholas Reilly**, born 16<sup>th</sup> September, 1877,<sup>139</sup> baptised 22<sup>nd</sup> August, 1877.<sup>140</sup>
- **Julia (Julie) Reilly**, born 16<sup>th</sup> February, 1879.<sup>141</sup>
- **Thomas Reilly**, born 9<sup>th</sup> March, 1881.<sup>142</sup>
- **William (Willy) Reilly**, born 21<sup>st</sup> November, 1885.<sup>143</sup>



Photo of Catherine

The 1901 Census shows the family still on the Kilcash farm.

**1901 Census: house 4 in Kilcash (Kilcash, Tipperary)<sup>144</sup>**

- OReilly, Edmond, 76, Head of Family, Farmer
- OReilly, Cate, 57, Wife
- OReilly, Ellen, 27, Daughter, Not married
- OReilly, Michael, 25, Son, Not married
- OReilly, Thomas, 20, Son, Not married
- OReilly, Willy, 15, Son

**Kate** died on the 17<sup>th</sup> June, 1910, aged 61.<sup>145</sup> She was marked as a Widow, indicating Edmond died before her. Her son Thomas was present-at-death. No sign of death of Edmond. A Geni.com profile mentions they found a gravestone with age at death 64.<sup>146</sup>

### 6.2.1 Margaret Reilly daughter of Edmund and Kate

Regarding daughter **Margaret Reilly**, born 1865, no sign of her after birth in Clonmel records (no marriage or death). Maybe married or died in another district, or immigrated.

<sup>132</sup> [https://civilrecords.irishgenealogy.ie/churchrecords/images/birth\\_returns/births\\_1868/03437/2262006.pdf](https://civilrecords.irishgenealogy.ie/churchrecords/images/birth_returns/births_1868/03437/2262006.pdf)

<sup>133</sup> [https://civilrecords.irishgenealogy.ie/churchrecords/images/birth\\_returns/births\\_1866/03506/2288790.pdf](https://civilrecords.irishgenealogy.ie/churchrecords/images/birth_returns/births_1866/03506/2288790.pdf)

<sup>134</sup> [https://civilrecords.irishgenealogy.ie/churchrecords/images/birth\\_returns/births\\_1873/03181/2166783.pdf](https://civilrecords.irishgenealogy.ie/churchrecords/images/birth_returns/births_1873/03181/2166783.pdf)

<sup>135</sup> <https://www.findmypast.co.uk/transcript?id=IRE%2FPRS%2FBAP%2F6403562>

<sup>136</sup> [https://civilrecords.irishgenealogy.ie/churchrecords/images/birth\\_returns/births\\_1874/03122/2145083.pdf](https://civilrecords.irishgenealogy.ie/churchrecords/images/birth_returns/births_1874/03122/2145083.pdf)

<sup>137</sup> <https://www.findmypast.co.uk/transcript?id=IRE%2FPRS%2FBAP%2F5205749>

<sup>138</sup> [https://civilrecords.irishgenealogy.ie/churchrecords/images/birth\\_returns/births\\_1876/03065/2123875.pdf](https://civilrecords.irishgenealogy.ie/churchrecords/images/birth_returns/births_1876/03065/2123875.pdf)

<sup>139</sup> [https://civilrecords.irishgenealogy.ie/churchrecords/images/birth\\_returns/births\\_1877/02995/2097681.pdf](https://civilrecords.irishgenealogy.ie/churchrecords/images/birth_returns/births_1877/02995/2097681.pdf)

<sup>140</sup> <https://www.findmypast.co.uk/transcript?id=IRE%2FPRS%2FBAP%2F5205887>

<sup>141</sup> [https://civilrecords.irishgenealogy.ie/churchrecords/images/birth\\_returns/births\\_1879/02927/2072749.pdf](https://civilrecords.irishgenealogy.ie/churchrecords/images/birth_returns/births_1879/02927/2072749.pdf)

<sup>142</sup> [https://civilrecords.irishgenealogy.ie/churchrecords/images/birth\\_returns/births\\_1881/02825/2035638.pdf](https://civilrecords.irishgenealogy.ie/churchrecords/images/birth_returns/births_1881/02825/2035638.pdf)

<sup>143</sup> [https://civilrecords.irishgenealogy.ie/churchrecords/images/birth\\_returns/births\\_1885/02622/1967701.pdf](https://civilrecords.irishgenealogy.ie/churchrecords/images/birth_returns/births_1885/02622/1967701.pdf)

<sup>144</sup> <http://www.census.nationalarchives.ie/pages/1901/Tipperary/Kilcash/Kilcash/1711986/>

<sup>145</sup> [https://civilrecords.irishgenealogy.ie/churchrecords/images/deaths\\_returns/deaths\\_1910/05425/4516611.pdf](https://civilrecords.irishgenealogy.ie/churchrecords/images/deaths_returns/deaths_1910/05425/4516611.pdf)

<sup>146</sup> <https://www.geni.com/people/Catherine-O-Reilly/600000003205242611?through=6000000053290573859>

### 6.2.2 Mary Catherine Reilly daughter of Edmund and Kate

Regarding daughter **Mary Catherine**, according to an online family tree, she married **Augustine Thomas Drew** (born 8<sup>th</sup> May, 1876 in Clonmel), and immigrated to Cape Town, South Africa, where she died on the 5<sup>th</sup> August, 1942.<sup>147</sup> There is no sign of the marriage in Ireland, so they may have married in Africa. They had 3 children:

- **Agnes Mary Drew**, born c.1807 in Cape Town. She married Mr. Katz. She died 9<sup>th</sup> November, 1978 in Cape Town.
- **Augustine (Gus) Aloysius Patrick Drew**, born 8<sup>th</sup> May, 1910 in Cape Town. He married Elaine Randall. He died 21<sup>st</sup> August, 1987 in Cape Town.
- **Kathleen Mary (Kay, Sue) Drew**, born c.1911 in Cape Town. She married Mr Broadly and then Geoffrey More. She worked as a secretary. She died 6<sup>th</sup> July, 1982 in Cape Town.

### 6.2.3 Bridget Reilly daughter of Edmund and Kate

Regarding **Bridget daughter of Edmond Reilly**, an online family tree provides details.<sup>148</sup> It says she married **Michael O'Reilly** on the 6<sup>th</sup> March, 1897.<sup>149</sup> I at first thought this link was a mistake, as the wedding took place in Grangemockler Church, Garrangibbon, and says her residence was Grange. The wedding was registered in Carrick on Suir. I have seen no indication of any connection to Grange of the Reilly family, and as her occupation was given as Farmer, one would expect her to have been on her father's farm. However, Bridget was said to be daughter of Edmond O'Reilly, which does match. Also, Bridget was 5 months pregnant when she married, she may have been "sent away" to avoid stigma. A later connection confirms this link (Bridget's daughter Bridget was missing from the family home for the 1911 Census, but Bridget's brother Thomas had a Bridget Reilly, niece, staying with him in Kilcash. This would seem to confirm that the Grange Bridget is of the Kilcash family.

The family site names the following children for this couple (I added in civil records where possible):

- **Kate**, Born 6<sup>th</sup> July, 1897.<sup>150</sup> Still at home in the 1911 Census. No sign of marriage or death in Clonmel or Carrick on Suir.
- **Bridget**, born 7<sup>th</sup> June, 1900.<sup>151</sup>
- **John (Jack) O'Reilly**, born 3<sup>rd</sup> October, 1902.<sup>152</sup> Residence given as Grangemockler. Married Frances UNKN. Died 30<sup>th</sup> June, 1984. Wife died 6<sup>th</sup> June, 1982.
- **Mary (Molly) O'Reilly**, born 7<sup>th</sup> March, 1905.<sup>153</sup> Residence given as Grangemockler. She died 7<sup>th</sup> November, 1963 in Dublin.
- **Ethel O'Reilly**, born a.1909. She died January 21, 1936, aged 26. Residence given as Grange.<sup>154</sup> Brother John registered the death.

The 1911 Census shows the family together, except Bridget. The census indicated they had had 5 children, of which all were still alive, so Bridget may have been at a relative's house. In fact, she was at her uncle Thomas Reilly's house at Lot 2, Kilcash (see below).

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<sup>147</sup><https://www.geni.com/people/Mary-Catherine-Drew-SM-PROG/6000000000592212613?through=6000000003205242611>

<sup>148</sup> <https://www.geni.com/people/Bridget-O-Reilly/6000000018003917037?through=6000000003205242611>

<sup>149</sup> [https://civilrecords.irishgenealogy.ie/churchrecords/images/marriage\\_returns/marriages\\_1897/10447/5804362.pdf](https://civilrecords.irishgenealogy.ie/churchrecords/images/marriage_returns/marriages_1897/10447/5804362.pdf)

<sup>150</sup> [https://civilrecords.irishgenealogy.ie/churchrecords/images/birth\\_returns/births\\_1897/02114/1804283.pdf](https://civilrecords.irishgenealogy.ie/churchrecords/images/birth_returns/births_1897/02114/1804283.pdf)

<sup>151</sup> [https://civilrecords.irishgenealogy.ie/churchrecords/images/birth\\_returns/births\\_1900/01993/1766803.pdf](https://civilrecords.irishgenealogy.ie/churchrecords/images/birth_returns/births_1900/01993/1766803.pdf)

<sup>152</sup> [https://civilrecords.irishgenealogy.ie/churchrecords/images/birth\\_returns/births\\_1902/01887/1733555.pdf](https://civilrecords.irishgenealogy.ie/churchrecords/images/birth_returns/births_1902/01887/1733555.pdf)

<sup>153</sup> [https://civilrecords.irishgenealogy.ie/churchrecords/images/birth\\_returns/births\\_1905/01792/1703314.pdf](https://civilrecords.irishgenealogy.ie/churchrecords/images/birth_returns/births_1905/01792/1703314.pdf)

<sup>154</sup> [https://civilrecords.irishgenealogy.ie/churchrecords/images/deaths\\_returns/deaths\\_1936/04808/4294088.pdf](https://civilrecords.irishgenealogy.ie/churchrecords/images/deaths_returns/deaths_1936/04808/4294088.pdf)

### 1911 Census: house 15 in Grangemockler (Garrangibbon, Tipperary)<sup>155</sup>

- O'Reilly, Michael, 42, Head of Family, Farmer
- O'Reilly, Bridget, 45, Wife
- O'Reilly, Kate, 13, Daughter
- O'Reilly, John, 8, Son
- O'Reilly, Mary, 6, Daughter
- O'Reilly, Ethel, 2, Daughter

**Bridget** the mother died on the 21<sup>st</sup> May, 1948.<sup>156</sup> Residence given as Nine-Mile House, Clonmel, which was the house of her daughter Bridget.

Her daughter **Bridget** married **John O'Sullivan** on the 11<sup>th</sup> July, 1939.<sup>157</sup> He was a shop-keeper in Clonmel, resident at Nine-Mile House, Clonmel. He was son of Patrick Sullivan, a shop-keeper. Bridget's sister Mary was witness. Bridget's occupation was Teacher.

#### 6.2.4 Ellen Reilly daughter of Edmund and Kate

Regarding **Ellen Reilly born 1873, daughter of Edmond Reilly**, she was living at home and unmarried in the 1901 Census (aged 27). She died on the 2<sup>nd</sup> November, 1910, aged 37, still unmarried.<sup>158</sup> Residence given as Kilcash. Her brother Thomas recorded the death. She died of Tuberculosis.

#### 6.2.5 Patrick Joseph Reilly son of Edmund and Kate

According to a Geni.com page,<sup>159</sup> **Patrick Joseph Reilly, born 1874, son of Edmond Reilly**, married **Annie Skehan** on the 6<sup>th</sup> October, 1904.<sup>160</sup> They lived in Sarsfield St., Clonmel. Patrick was a Draper. He died 12<sup>th</sup> February, 1937 in Clonmel.<sup>161</sup> Annie died 19<sup>th</sup> September, 1937. They had children:

- **Josephine Antionette**, born 13<sup>th</sup> September, 1917.<sup>162</sup> Address given as Sarsfield St., Clonmel.
- **Kathleen (Kitty) Reilly**, born January, 1911.<sup>163</sup> She married **Dr. Patrick Joseph O'Callaghan** on the 18<sup>th</sup> December, 1934 in Clonmel.<sup>164</sup> He was born 15<sup>th</sup> September, 1905 in Knockanroe, Kilcorney, Co.Cork.<sup>165</sup> She died 1982 in Clonmel. He died 1<sup>st</sup> December 01, 1991 in Clonmel. They had children:
  - **Brian O'Callaghan**, born c.1936. He died 11<sup>th</sup> December, 1986 in Powerstown, Clonmel. Married UNKN and had children: Patrick, Brian, David and UNKN female.
  - **Maira O'Callaghan**, born c.1938. Became a doctor. She married a Kennedy. She died October 1993. They had children Hugh, Mella and Callaghan Cormac.
  - **Hugh O'Callaghan**, born c.1940.
  - **UNKN O'Callaghan**, born c.1942. He married an O'Donovan.<sup>166</sup> They had 4 children, one named Orla.

<sup>155</sup> <http://www.census.nationalarchives.ie/pages/1911/Tipperary/Garrangibbon/Grangemockler/840153/>

<sup>156</sup> <https://www.geni.com/people/Bridget-O-Reilly/6000000018003917037?through=6000000003205242611>

<sup>157</sup> [https://civilrecords.irishgenealogy.ie/churchrecords/images/marriage\\_returns/marriages\\_1939/08872/5208708.pdf](https://civilrecords.irishgenealogy.ie/churchrecords/images/marriage_returns/marriages_1939/08872/5208708.pdf)

<sup>158</sup> [https://civilrecords.irishgenealogy.ie/churchrecords/images/deaths\\_returns/deaths\\_1910/05409/4511479.pdf](https://civilrecords.irishgenealogy.ie/churchrecords/images/deaths_returns/deaths_1910/05409/4511479.pdf)

<sup>159</sup> <https://www.geni.com/people/Patrick-Joseph-O-Reilly/6000000018003645859?through=6000000018003920373>

<sup>160</sup> [https://civilrecords.irishgenealogy.ie/churchrecords/images/marriage\\_returns/marriages\\_1904/10218/5719637.pdf](https://civilrecords.irishgenealogy.ie/churchrecords/images/marriage_returns/marriages_1904/10218/5719637.pdf)

<sup>161</sup> [https://civilrecords.irishgenealogy.ie/churchrecords/images/deaths\\_returns/deaths\\_1937/04787/4286855.pdf](https://civilrecords.irishgenealogy.ie/churchrecords/images/deaths_returns/deaths_1937/04787/4286855.pdf)

<sup>162</sup> [https://civilrecords.irishgenealogy.ie/churchrecords/images/birth\\_returns/births\\_1918/01277/1529775.pdf](https://civilrecords.irishgenealogy.ie/churchrecords/images/birth_returns/births_1918/01277/1529775.pdf)

<sup>163</sup> From age in 1911 Census. No birth record.

<sup>164</sup> [https://civilrecords.irishgenealogy.ie/churchrecords/images/marriage\\_returns/marriages\\_1934/08972/5247520.pdf](https://civilrecords.irishgenealogy.ie/churchrecords/images/marriage_returns/marriages_1934/08972/5247520.pdf)

<sup>165</sup> <https://www.geni.com/people/Patrick-O-Callaghan-Dr/6000000018004288757?through=6000000018003920373>

<sup>166</sup> <https://www.geni.com/people/private/6000000018004253380?through=6000000018003920373>

- **Patrick Joseph O'Callaghan**, born c.1944. Became a doctor. Married **UNKN Dunne**. Died 20<sup>th</sup> November, 1997 in Powerstown, Clonmel. Had one child.

#### 6.2.6 Michael Reilly son of Edmund and Kate

Regarding son **Michael Reilly**, born 1876, he was at home for the 1901 Census, aged 25. He married UNKN. He died on the 29<sup>th</sup> April, 1931, aged 61.<sup>167</sup> His occupation was given as Farmer, and his residence as Nine Mile House, Clonmel (the house of his Niece Bridget Sullivan). He died in the Mental Hospital, Clonmel, of Cancer of the Tongue).

#### 6.2.7 Nicholas Reilly son of Edmund and Kate

Regarding son **Nicholas Reilly**, born 1877, according to a family site,<sup>168</sup> he immigrated to New York, and married Eva UNKN. He died 22<sup>nd</sup> January, 1962, and is buried in Holy Cross Cemetery, Dansville, NY.

#### 6.2.8 Julia Reilly daughter of Edmund and Kate

Regarding daughter **Julia (Julie) Reilly**, born 1879, according to a family site,<sup>169</sup> she married **Richard Dolan**, and immigrated to South Africa.

#### 6.2.9 Thomas Reilly son of Edmund and Kate

**Son Thomas Reilly** married **Bridget Egan** on the 23<sup>rd</sup> February, 1911.<sup>170</sup> She was from Kilvemnon, north of the Slievenamon mountain just above Kilcash. She was daughter of Thomas Egan, a Farmer. Thomas's younger brother Willie was witness.

The 1911 Census shows the house passed to son Thomas (not clear what happened to elder sons Patrick, Michael and Nicholas). Thomas's niece is also present, daughter of his sister Bridget.

#### **1911 Census: house 2 in Kilcash (Kilcash, Tipperary)<sup>171</sup>**

- O'Reilly, Thomas, 30, Head of Family, Farmer
- O'Reilly, Bridget, 23, Wife
- O'Reilly, Willie, 25, Brother
- O'Reilly, Bridget, 10, Niece

They had children:

- **Catherine Mary O'Reilly**, born 6<sup>th</sup> February, 1912.<sup>172</sup>
- **Edmond O'Reilly**, born 14<sup>th</sup> July, 1913.<sup>173</sup>
- **Bridget Mary O'Reilly**, born 10<sup>th</sup> January, 1915.<sup>174</sup>
- **Mary O'Reilly**, born 18<sup>th</sup> August, 1916.<sup>175</sup>
- **Josephine O'Reilly**, born 14<sup>th</sup> January, 1918.<sup>176</sup>
- **Thomas O'Reilly**, born 27<sup>th</sup> April, 1922.<sup>177</sup>

For all births, residence given as Kilcash, and Thomas as a Farmer.

<sup>167</sup> [https://civilrecords.irishgenealogy.ie/churchrecords/images/deaths\\_returns/deaths\\_1931/04897/4327047.pdf](https://civilrecords.irishgenealogy.ie/churchrecords/images/deaths_returns/deaths_1931/04897/4327047.pdf)

<sup>168</sup> <https://www.geni.com/people/Nicholas-D-O-Reilly/6000000018003827138?through=6000000003205242611>

<sup>169</sup> <https://www.geni.com/people/Nicholas-D-O-Reilly/6000000018003827138?through=6000000003205242611>

<sup>170</sup> [https://civilrecords.irishgenealogy.ie/churchrecords/images/marriage\\_returns/marriages\\_1911/09942/5614520.pdf](https://civilrecords.irishgenealogy.ie/churchrecords/images/marriage_returns/marriages_1911/09942/5614520.pdf)

<sup>171</sup> <http://www.census.nationalarchives.ie/pages/1911/Tipperary/Kilcash/Kilcash/908685/>

<sup>172</sup> [https://civilrecords.irishgenealogy.ie/churchrecords/images/birth\\_returns/births\\_1912/01499/1609186.pdf](https://civilrecords.irishgenealogy.ie/churchrecords/images/birth_returns/births_1912/01499/1609186.pdf)

<sup>173</sup> [https://civilrecords.irishgenealogy.ie/churchrecords/images/birth\\_returns/births\\_1913/01428/1585948.pdf](https://civilrecords.irishgenealogy.ie/churchrecords/images/birth_returns/births_1913/01428/1585948.pdf)

<sup>174</sup> [https://civilrecords.irishgenealogy.ie/churchrecords/images/birth\\_returns/births\\_1915/01385/1569590.pdf](https://civilrecords.irishgenealogy.ie/churchrecords/images/birth_returns/births_1915/01385/1569590.pdf)

<sup>175</sup> [https://civilrecords.irishgenealogy.ie/churchrecords/images/birth\\_returns/births\\_1916/01334/1550634.pdf](https://civilrecords.irishgenealogy.ie/churchrecords/images/birth_returns/births_1916/01334/1550634.pdf)

<sup>176</sup> [https://civilrecords.irishgenealogy.ie/churchrecords/images/birth\\_returns/births\\_1918/01285/1532931.pdf](https://civilrecords.irishgenealogy.ie/churchrecords/images/birth_returns/births_1918/01285/1532931.pdf)

<sup>177</sup> [https://civilrecords.irishgenealogy.ie/churchrecords/images/birth\\_returns/births\\_1922/01153/1481955.pdf](https://civilrecords.irishgenealogy.ie/churchrecords/images/birth_returns/births_1922/01153/1481955.pdf)



**Thomas the father** died on the 29<sup>th</sup> April, 1949, aged 68.<sup>178</sup> His daughter-in-law, Mary O'Reilly, was present-at-death. This indicates that one of Thomas and Bridget's sons married a Mary. Thomas' wife **Bridget** lived until the ripe old age of 81, dying on the 28<sup>th</sup> July, 1970.<sup>179</sup> Regarding son **William (Willy) Reilly**, born 1885,

### 6.3 Bridget daughter of Thomas

**Bridget O'Donnell** was born 1850 to Thomas O'Donnell of Knockrathkelly and Bridget Corbett. She married **Patrick Morrissey** on the 14<sup>th</sup> April, 1871 in Kilsheelan church.<sup>180</sup> He was a Farmer of Kilcash, son of Oliver Morrissey, a farmer. He was born a. 1848.<sup>181</sup> Bridget was given as resident of Kilcash, daughter of Thomas O'Donnell.

Bridget and Patrick Morrissey had at least one daughter:

- **Johanna Morrissey**, born 4<sup>th</sup> April, 1872.<sup>182</sup> Residence given as Toor, Kilcash. A rootsweb forum said she was born 7<sup>th</sup> April, 1873.<sup>183</sup> Which either got the date wrong, or implies the first Johanna died, and another was born a year later. However, no civil record exists to support this.

The 1901 Census shows Patrick and Bridget living on Patrick's mother's farm in Kilmolash. Daughter Johanna not at home.

#### **1901 Census: house 1 in Kilmolash Lower (Ballyclerahan, Tipperary)**<sup>184</sup>

- Morrissey, Catherine, 74, Head of Family, Farmer
- Morrissey, Patrick, 50, Son, Farmer
- Morrissey, Bridget, 38, Daughter in Law
- Flynn, Michael, 25, Servant

By the 1911 Census, Patrick and Bridget are in sole possession of the Kilmolash farm.

#### **1911 Census: house 7 in Kilmolash Lower (Ballyclerahan, Tipperary)**

- Morrissey, Patrick, 63, Head of Family, Farmer
- Morrissey, Bridget, 48, Wife

**Patrick Morrissey** died on the 14<sup>th</sup> January, 1918, aged 70.<sup>185</sup> Residence still Kilmolash. Wife Bridget was present-at-death.

No sign of death of **Bridget** Morrissey nee O'Donnell in Clonmel district.

Daughter **Johanna** is dead or living elsewhere (she would have been 28 in 1901). A possible marriage of Johanna: married to **John McGrath**, in Co. Waterford on the 16<sup>th</sup> May, 1894.<sup>186</sup> Father given as Patrick, which matches, as does her age of 23. However, residence given as Kilmeaden, Co. Waterford. It is possible she went there to work. Her occupation was given as Labourer. However, the 1901 Census shows her born Co. Waterford (although sometimes such details were mis-recorded).<sup>187</sup>

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<sup>178</sup> [https://civilrecords.irishgenealogy.ie/churchrecords/images/deaths\\_returns/deaths\\_1949/04544/4198449.pdf](https://civilrecords.irishgenealogy.ie/churchrecords/images/deaths_returns/deaths_1949/04544/4198449.pdf)

<sup>179</sup> [https://civilrecords.irishgenealogy.ie/churchrecords/images/deaths\\_returns/deaths\\_1970/04143/4052411.pdf](https://civilrecords.irishgenealogy.ie/churchrecords/images/deaths_returns/deaths_1970/04143/4052411.pdf)

<sup>180</sup> [https://civilrecords.irishgenealogy.ie/churchrecords/images/marriage\\_returns/marriages\\_1871/11347/8165535.pdf](https://civilrecords.irishgenealogy.ie/churchrecords/images/marriage_returns/marriages_1871/11347/8165535.pdf)

<sup>181</sup> From age in the 1911 Census.

<sup>182</sup> [https://civilrecords.irishgenealogy.ie/churchrecords/images/birth\\_returns/births\\_1872/03244/2188969.pdf](https://civilrecords.irishgenealogy.ie/churchrecords/images/birth_returns/births_1872/03244/2188969.pdf)

<sup>183</sup> <https://lists.rootsweb.com/hyperkitty/list/cotipperary@rootsweb.com/thread/13211236/>

<sup>184</sup> [http://www.census.nationalarchives.ie/pages/1901/Tipperary/Ballyclerahan/Kilmolash\\_Lower/1712583/](http://www.census.nationalarchives.ie/pages/1901/Tipperary/Ballyclerahan/Kilmolash_Lower/1712583/)

<sup>185</sup> [https://civilrecords.irishgenealogy.ie/churchrecords/images/deaths\\_returns/deaths\\_1918/05192/4434341.pdf](https://civilrecords.irishgenealogy.ie/churchrecords/images/deaths_returns/deaths_1918/05192/4434341.pdf)

<sup>186</sup> [https://civilrecords.irishgenealogy.ie/churchrecords/images/marriage\\_returns/marriages\\_1894/10582/5855462.pdf](https://civilrecords.irishgenealogy.ie/churchrecords/images/marriage_returns/marriages_1894/10582/5855462.pdf)

<sup>187</sup> <http://www.census.nationalarchives.ie/pages/1901/Waterford/Reisk/Raheens/1759726/>

## 7 Kilcash O'Donnells in Newfoundland

Dr. John Mannion and his wife Maura compiled records of immigration to Newfoundland, Canada, from 1750 to 1850. These records are available online.<sup>188</sup>

The following subsections show potential siblings of Bryan O'Donnell born c.1785, all gathered from these records.

### 7.1 Edward O'Donnell

Edward, brother of Bryan, immigrated to Newfoundland in Canada. This we know from his will:<sup>189</sup>

Will of Edward O'Donnell:

*I Edward O'Donnell of Isle Valen in the Island of Newfoundland do make this my last will and testament. I bequeath unto my aunt Ellen Ryan of St. John's Newfoundland one half of my property. The other half I bequeath unto my brother Bryan O'Donnell of Kilcash County of Ireland.*

*Codicil: I bequeath unto my nephew Edward the son of the above said Bryan O'Donnell my watch seal and chain.*

*Codicil: My Clothes I bequeath to the Poor and I wish them to be sent to St. John's to my aunt Ellen Ryan to be given by her to such persons as she may think proper. I further appoint David Tasker Esquire of St. John's and Isaac King Moore Esquire of Oderin to see this my will fulfilled.*

*Given under my hand and Seal this 18th day of December 1827 Edward O'Donnell.  
Witness William Hanrahan.*

He signed this will 18th December, 1827. Another record shows he died 11 September, 1828.<sup>190</sup>

It seems he never married, and had no kids.

The mention of his aunt Ellen Ryan. The most prominent

this is probably his mother's sister. This last would imply Bryan and Edward's mother was a Ryan. Another possibility is that Ryan was her name from a prior marriage, in which case she may even have been an O'Donnell by birth, possibly a sister to Edward's father.

From Mannion's records, we can see that:<sup>191</sup>

- At some point, possibly 1806, Edward migrated to Newfoundland. There is a suggestion that he was sent to Burin, perhaps paid by a Mr Shea.
- He was a trader, in partnership with Vincent O'Donnell (possibly his brother, but no records state this. Vincent was a rare name in Tipperary at that time, but common in the Kilcash family). They established their partnership in 1812.<sup>192</sup>
- Edward and Vincent at this point lived in Merasheen, Newfoundland (an island). The records suggest Edward was there from 1809 to 1818.<sup>193</sup>
- He mainly worked with a trading firm Ryan and Morris.<sup>194</sup> They had an office in in Burin, Newfoundland. Burin is a fishing port, with cod being the main catch. I believe the trade was mainly concerned with sending cod (smoked?) back to Europe. Ryan and Morris had

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<sup>188</sup> <https://www.mannioncollection.ca/default.aspx> <https://www.mannioncollection.ca/default.aspx>

<sup>189</sup> From Newfoundland will books vol 1 page 47 probate year 1827-1830 <http://ngb.chebucto.org/Wills/odonnell-edward-1-47.shtml>

<sup>190</sup> <http://www.ancestraldigs.com/ODonnell/odonnelseary.htm>

<sup>191</sup> <http://www.mannioncollection.ca/DetailView.aspx?lookupid=i0e100005617.jpg>

<sup>192</sup> <http://www.mannioncollection.ca/DetailView.aspx?lookupid=i6%5Ce100067627.jpg>

<sup>193</sup> <http://www.mannioncollection.ca/DetailView.aspx?lookupid=i6%5Ce100067619.jpg>

<sup>194</sup> <http://www.mannioncollection.ca/DetailView.aspx?lookupid=i6e100067613.jpg>



two ships.<sup>195</sup> In 1809, they brought pork, butter, bread, salt, stores from Liverpool, and other food from Waterford and Cork. The goods went through to St. Johns, trans-shipped to Burin. They exported cod, femoy, mackerel, cod oil, etc. back to Liverpool, and fur to Poole. In 1810, they shipped to Lisbon and Oporto, and took back salt. In 1812, they chartered two additional ships.

- In 1815, Edward and Vincent dissolved their partnership. There was a lawsuit between them, Edward suing Vincent. They agreed that Edward took cash (3500 pounds), leaving Vincent with stock-in-trade, valued at 8000 pounds.
- By 1818, Edward was deeply in debt. He became legally insolvent in 1819.
- During the years after 1815, Edward may have worked for Ryan and Morris as a clerk. There are records for instance saying he supervised the loading of a ship with cod for Lisbon.
- In 1818, Edward was living in Isle Valen, where he lived until he died in 1829. Isle Valen was a small village 100km north of Burin
- He is named as receiving poor relief from various people, on 4<sup>th</sup> July 1818. Source given as Slade Ledgers. William O'Donnell of Kilcash is also mentioned here.<sup>196</sup>
- In 1824, Edward commissioned John Walsh to build a 15-ton sloop for him.<sup>197</sup> It was registered in 1825 or 1826, with name "Visitor". Elsewhere it was called a schooner. Probably for use in the cod trade. In some places he was labelled "captain".

## 7.2 Vincent O'Donnell

**Vincent** was the partner of Edward in Newfoundland when Edward first went there. They may have been brothers, although there is no clear indication that they were. He may, however, have been a cousin. The name Vincent however was common in the Kilcash family, so if he was not a brother, he may have been a cousin.

Vincent was godfather for the son of Mary O'Donnell (who married Tim Hogan),<sup>198</sup> suggesting Vincent was brother to Mary, or maybe a cousin.

Vincent was a trader, in partnership with Edward O'Donnell, from 1812.<sup>199</sup> They both lived in Merasheen, Newfoundland (an island). They dissolved the partnership in 1815. Edward sued Vincent, and they agreed that Edward took cash (3500 pounds), leaving Vincent with stock-in-trade, valued at 8000 pounds.

Vincent seems to have struggled financially, with various lawsuits against him in 1816 and 1817 to recover debts.<sup>200</sup> In 1818, he wrote to his accountant in Merasheen, asking him to hide the account books from the time he worked with Edward.

See more info here.<sup>201</sup> And here.<sup>202</sup> And here.<sup>203</sup> And here.<sup>204</sup> And here.<sup>205</sup>

Seems to have died 1820.<sup>206</sup> But no, further legal cases in 1822.<sup>207</sup> And here.<sup>208</sup>

<sup>195</sup> <http://www.mannioncollection.ca/DetailView.aspx?lookupid=i6e100067698.jpg>

<sup>196</sup> <http://www.mannioncollection.ca/DetailView.aspx?lookupid=i6e100067621.jpg#gallery>

<sup>197</sup> <http://www.mannioncollection.ca/DetailView.aspx?lookupid=i6e100065186.jpg#gallery>

<sup>198</sup> <http://www.mannioncollection.ca/DetailView.aspx?lookupid=i6%5Ce100067618.jpg#gallery>

<sup>199</sup> <http://www.mannioncollection.ca/DetailView.aspx?lookupid=i6%5Ce100067627.jpg>

<sup>200</sup> <https://www.mannioncollection.ca/DetailView.aspx?lookupid=i6%5Ce100067627.jpg#gallery>

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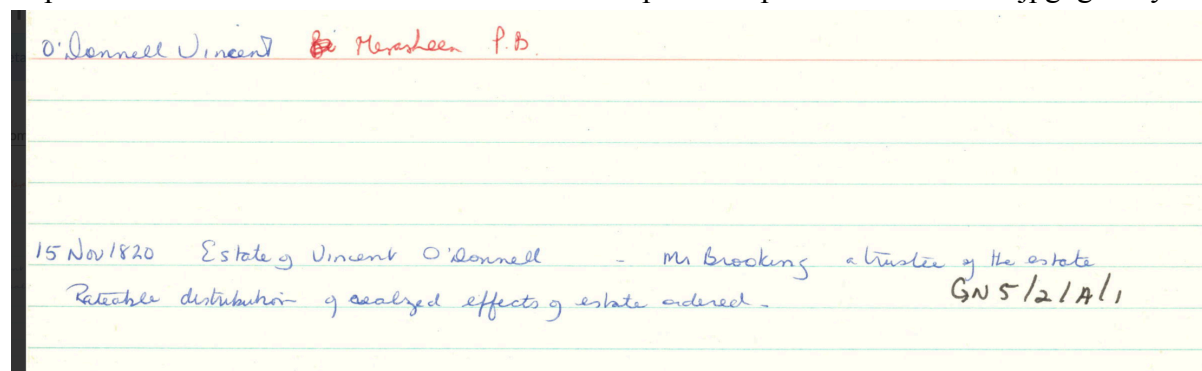
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<sup>207</sup> <https://www.mannioncollection.ca/DetailView.aspx?lookupid=i6e100068004.jpg#gallery>

<sup>208</sup> <https://www.mannioncollection.ca/DetailView.aspx?lookupid=i6e100063480.jpg#gallery>

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### 7.3 Ellen O'Donnell married John Hearn

**Ellen O'Donell** is indirectly identified as a sister of Edward O'Donnell, as Edward is identified as the uncle of Ellen's daughter (see below).<sup>209</sup> She also went to Newfoundland.

She married **John Hearn** on the 30th March, 1815.<sup>210</sup> They had one daughter:

- **Ellen**, married a Mr. Roach. This daughter is mentioned as a cousin of Edward, so possibly Eleanor was a sister of Edward.

Ellen married **John Hearn** on the 30<sup>th</sup> March, 1815.<sup>211</sup> Tim Hogan was a witness, husband of Ellen's sister, Mary.

Ellen was godmother to Mary and Tim Hogan's second child, born 1817 (name given as Eleanor O'Donnell).

Ellen and John Hearn had a daughter.

- Eleanor (Ellen) Hearn.

Mannion says that John Hearn died before 1828.

While Edward O'Donnell was sick (leading to his death), Ellen Hearn took on his care.

Ellen herself died soon after, in February, 1828, in St. Johns.<sup>212</sup>

Ellen the daughter married a Mr Roche (Roach, Roache), who died before 1829.

Ellen the daughter was fighting to become administrator of her mother's estate. I believe Joseph O'Donnell, her brother, was also wanting to become administrator. In the end, I think Tim Hogan (husband of Ellen's sister Mary) was granted the role.

As a separate issue, Ellen Roche, also widow by 1829, sued to get part of Ed O'Donnell's estate for "services rendered" by her mother during his sickness. A letter from Tim Hogan (married Ellen Hearn's sister, Mary O'Donnell) to the court says:

*Mr O'Donnell had services rendered to him by Ellen Hearn, and Ellen Roach wishes to a certain sum of money which was due to her mother because of the services*

Another letter from Tim Hogan says:

*Mr Joseph O'Donnell called on me yesterday for the purpose of becoming security to the heirs of the late Mrs Ellen Hearn, previous to her receiving letters of Administration to manage her mother's affairs and finding that she intends claiming a certain sum of money due to her mother for services rendered to her late uncle Mr Ed O'Donnell during his*

<sup>209</sup> <https://www.mannioncollection.ca/DetailView.aspx?lookupid=i1\e100019720.jpg#gallery>

<sup>210</sup> <https://www.mannioncollection.ca/DetailView.aspx?lookupid=i1\e100019720.jpg>

<sup>211</sup> <https://www.mannioncollection.ca/DetailView.aspx?lookupid=i1\e100019720.jpg#gallery>

<sup>212</sup> <https://www.mannioncollection.ca/DetailView.aspx?lookupid=i1\e100019654.jpg#gallery>

*illness. I have declined coming forward for I made up my mind from the beginning not to have anything whatsoever to do in this family matter and more particularly...*

#### 7.4 Mary O'Donnell married Tim Hogan

**Mary Daniell or O'Donel** was mentioned in records together with Vincent and Edward. She was from Kilcash, and also went to Newfoundland. She married **Tim Hogan** (from Clonmel), on the 24<sup>th</sup> October, 1814, in Basilica Parish, Newfoundland.<sup>213 214 215 216</sup> The last two of these sources show her place of birth as Kilcash. They had children:

- **John**, born 1815. Vincent was godfather, which makes me think Vincent and Mary were siblings.
- **Eleanor**, born October, 1817. Godmother was Eleanor O'Donnell (who married John Hearn, sister of Mary).

Tim Hogan was connected to the affairs of the Kilcash O'Donnells in various ways, for instance, taking positions in the legal action between Ellen O'Donnell (Hearn)'s daughter, and Edward O'Donnell's estate for recompense, and between Joseph O'Donnell and Ellen's daughter for administration of the estate.

#### 7.5 Joseph O'Donnell

**Joseph O'Donnell** was probably a brother, of at least Mary O'Donnell who married Tim Hogan. He was a merchant in St. Johns.<sup>217</sup> In 1816-17, he was in financial problems with creditors, declares bankruptcy, but manages to be appointed in charge of resolving the debts.<sup>218 219</sup> He seems to have had dealings with Nicholas Power, a merchant of Waterford, and he and Tim Hogan owed him 1,200 pounds.<sup>220</sup>

Joseph married **Mary Cahill** on the 3<sup>rd</sup> April, 1815.<sup>221 222 223</sup> He was living in St. Johns at the time. Tim Hogan, husband of Mary O'Donnell, was witness, suggesting a possible family link.

Joseph and Mary had children:

- **Vincent**, born January, 1818.<sup>224</sup> Mary O'Donnell was godmother, possibly wife of Tim Hogan.
- **Joseph**, born 2<sup>nd</sup> November, 1819.<sup>225</sup>

The use of the name Vincent reinforces the link to the Kilcash family, as does the involvement of Tim Hogan and his wife Mary nee O'Donnell. Mannion elsewhere identified Joseph O'Donnell as being from Kilcash.<sup>226</sup>

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<sup>213</sup> <http://www.mannioncollection.ca/DetailView.aspx?lookupid=i0%5Ce100005631.jpg>

<sup>214</sup> <http://www.mannioncollection.ca/DetailView.aspx?lookupid=i0e100003528.jpg>

<sup>215</sup> <http://ngb.chebucto.org/Parish/basilica-mar-1811-1820-sjcity.shtml>

<sup>216</sup> <http://www.mannioncollection.ca/DetailView.aspx?lookupid=i2e100020275.jpg>

<sup>217</sup> <https://www.mannioncollection.ca/DetailView.aspx?lookupid=i2e100028275.jpg#gallery>

<sup>218</sup> <https://www.mannioncollection.ca/DetailView.aspx?lookupid=i2e100028274.jpg#gallery>

<sup>219</sup> <https://www.mannioncollection.ca/DetailView.aspx?lookupid=i2e100028275.jpg#gallery>

<sup>220</sup> <https://www.mannioncollection.ca/DetailView.aspx?lookupid=i2e100028990.jpg#gallery>

<sup>221</sup> [https://sites.rootsweb.com/~cannf/as\\_marrbasilica1811-20.htm](https://sites.rootsweb.com/~cannf/as_marrbasilica1811-20.htm)

<sup>222</sup> <https://www.mannioncollection.ca/DetailView.aspx?lookupid=i2%5Ce100028271.jpg#gallery>

<sup>223</sup> <https://www.mannioncollection.ca/DetailView.aspx?lookupid=i7e100078106.jpg#gallery>

<sup>224</sup> <https://www.mannioncollection.ca/DetailView.aspx?lookupid=i2e100028272.jpg#gallery>

<sup>225</sup> <https://www.mannioncollection.ca/DetailView.aspx?lookupid=i7e100076486.jpg#gallery>

<sup>226</sup> <http://www.mannioncollection.ca/DetailView.aspx?lookupid=i2e100026967.jpg>

## 7.6 James O'Donnell

**James O'Donnell** is another person often mentioned in connection with the Kilcash O'Donnells. Mannion identifies him at one point as James of Kilcash.<sup>227</sup> He was born 1794.

James married **Mary O'Brien** (1812-1884) on ??.<sup>228</sup> She was from Golden, Tipperary. She had a brother Roger O'Brien in Golden, along with sisters Ellen and Bridget.<sup>229</sup>

James ran a store in Belvedere, which is a part of St. Johns. He may also have had a farm, on Freshwater Rd.<sup>230</sup>

Mannion mentions that James and Mary had a daughter:

- **Margaret**, born 1821, died 1908.

**James** died in 1878, at the ripe old age of 84.<sup>231</sup>

**Mary** died in 1884, reported in the local paper (Evening Telegram) on the 29<sup>th</sup> May, 1884.

Daughter **Margaret** married **John Crowdell** on November 8, 1849 in the Basilica church.<sup>232</sup> He was born in 1822, in Dunimaggin, Co. Kilkenny (another record puts him born 1802). He arrived into Newfoundland around 1844. He was a farmer. After marriage, John and Margaret took over the store from her parents. They lived in the farmhouse in Freshwater road.

**John Crowdell** died in 1894, reported in the local paper on the 9<sup>th</sup> June, 1894.<sup>233</sup>

**Margaret** died 1908.

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letter Dr. James O'Donnell to Tracy Nov. 30, 1886 refers to incident when some Wm Henry threw file at him in St. John's + planned to kill O'Donnell. Mr. Gleeson discovered plot + hid O'Donnell in the attic of his house for 12 days. Even Gleeson's servants did not know he was there. Gleeson brought O'Donnell all valuables from chapel + home at night + spread rumour that O'Donnell had gone hiding in Pictou Cove. See [redacted] 1886.

## 7.7 John O'Donnell

**John O'Donnell** was born a.1787.<sup>234</sup> Some of the Mannion records place John O'Donnell as born in Kilcash. He immigrated to St. Johns, Newfoundland, probably in 1807.<sup>235</sup> There, he was a "Dealer and Chapman".<sup>236</sup> He was declared bankrupt in February, 1818.<sup>237</sup>

John married **Mary McGrath** on the 11<sup>th</sup> July, 1810.<sup>238</sup> She was the daughter of Patrick McGrath. Mary O'Donnell was the sponsor, which is most probably the Mary who married Tim Hogan (Mary Hogan called her son John, possibly after this proposed brother).

John and Mary had at least two children:

- **Margaret**, baptized on the 26<sup>th</sup> July, 1813.<sup>239</sup>
- **Catherine**, baptized 26<sup>th</sup> February, 1819.<sup>240</sup> Eleanor Hearne nee O'Donnell was sponsor.

<sup>227</sup> <http://www.mannioncollection.ca/DetailView.aspx?lookupid=i6\100067627.jpg>

<sup>228</sup> <https://www.mannioncollection.ca/DetailView.aspx?lookupid=i2\100028234.jpg#gallery>

<sup>229</sup> <https://www.mannioncollection.ca/DetailView.aspx?lookupid=i8\100081363.jpg#gallery>

<sup>230</sup> <https://www.mannioncollection.ca/DetailView.aspx?lookupid=i2\100028234.jpg#gallery>

<sup>231</sup> <https://www.mannioncollection.ca/DetailView.aspx?lookupid=i2\100028234.jpg#gallery>

<sup>232</sup> <http://www.mannioncollection.ca/DetailView.aspx?lookupid=i6\100067627.jpg>

<sup>233</sup> <http://www.mannioncollection.ca/DetailView.aspx?lookupid=i6\100067627.jpg>

<sup>234</sup> From age at death.

<sup>235</sup> <http://www.mannioncollection.ca/DetailView.aspx?lookupid=i0\100005624.jpg>

<sup>236</sup> <https://www.mannioncollection.ca/DetailView.aspx?lookupid=i2\100028260.jpg#gallery>

<sup>237</sup> <https://www.mannioncollection.ca/DetailView.aspx?lookupid=i2\100028260.jpg#gallery>

<sup>238</sup> <http://www.mannioncollection.ca/DetailView.aspx?lookupid=i8\100081132.jpg>

<sup>239</sup> <http://www.mannioncollection.ca/DetailView.aspx?lookupid=i2%5Ce100028247.jpg>

<sup>240</sup> <http://www.mannioncollection.ca/DetailView.aspx?lookupid=i7\100070223.jpg>

Patrick McGrath (father of Mary) leased a property, No. 85, the Barrens, in 1805 on a 21-year lease, and John took over this lease when it expired in 1826, although he never paid rent on it. Margaret McGrath paid rent on it in 1822 and 1823, but a W.B. Calver paid rent on it from 1824-37. This may be another daughter of McGrath (married a Calver), or some other arrangement (sub-leased to Calver?).<sup>241 242</sup>

John died 22<sup>nd</sup> December, 1864, aged 77.<sup>243, 244</sup> There seems to be an obituary in the local paper soon after.

## 7.8 Thomas O'Donnell

**Thomas O'Donnell** was another O'Donnell possibly from the Kilcash family. He was in Newfoundland. Although no record explicitly names him as part of the family. His address was given as Ragged Harbour, Newfoundland.

Thomas married **Mary Fitzpatrick** on the 12<sup>th</sup> October, 1816, in ?KCPR.<sup>245</sup> Witness was Mary O'Donnell, possibly Mary who married Tim Hogan, although she married him in 1814. Elsewhere the witness was listed as Mrs Ryan, suggesting the witness was possibly Ellen Ryan (nee O'Donnell).<sup>246</sup> Sometimes maiden names were given for witnesses to baptisms and marriages.

Thomas and Mary had children:<sup>247</sup>

- **Thomas**, born 6<sup>th</sup> October, 1818.
- **Edward**, born 6<sup>th</sup> June, 1821.
- **Johanna**, born 6<sup>th</sup> June, 1821.
- **Alice**, born 30<sup>th</sup> June, 1824.

Another website refers to William O'Donnal, of Ragged Harbour in 1815, and of Riders Harbour in 1816.<sup>248</sup> That site said the information came from: NFLD Archives KCRC.

It also says Ragged Harbour is presently called Melrose, which is on the west coast of Newfoundland.

## 7.9 Dennis O'Donnell

The Mannion collection mentions that in 1811 “Edward O'Donnell + Denis O'Donnell buy flour from Ryan+Morris, Burin.”. Possibly another brother or cousin. But no other mentions in the records. Possibly returned to Ireland.

## 7.10 Ellen Ryan

Edward O'Donnell's will left half of his estate to “his aunt, Ellen Ryan”. Now, there are various possibilities as to who this Ellen Ryan could be.

One primary possibility is that his aunt was a member of the family of Timothy Ryan, a major trader in Newfoundland, with branches in St John, Burin, and another branch in Liverpool. When Edward first came to the area, he worked for the firm Ryan and Morris, based out of Burin. I thought at first that this might have been run by his aunt, but records show that this firm was run by Timothy Ryan's daughter, Catherine Ryan, and her husband, Geoffrey Morris. Tim Ryan had

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<sup>241</sup> <http://www.mannioncollection.ca/DetailView.aspx?lookupid=i2\e100027179.jpg>

<sup>242</sup> <http://www.mannioncollection.ca/DetailView.aspx?lookupid=i2\e100028258.jpg>

<sup>243</sup> <http://www.mannioncollection.ca/DetailView.aspx?lookupid=i1\e100012805.jpg>

<sup>244</sup> <http://www.mannioncollection.ca/DetailView.aspx?lookupid=i2\e100028253.jpg>

<sup>245</sup> <https://www.mannioncollection.ca/DetailView.aspx?lookupid=i4\e100049202.jpg#gallery>

<sup>246</sup> [https://sites.rootsweb.com/~cannf/as\\_marrbasilica1811-20.htm](https://sites.rootsweb.com/~cannf/as_marrbasilica1811-20.htm)

<sup>247</sup> <https://www.mannioncollection.ca/DetailView.aspx?lookupid=i4\e100049716.jpg#gallery>

<sup>248</sup> <http://www.ancestraldigs.com/ODonnell/odonnelseary.htm>



another daughter called Ellen, but she had married (to Henry Shea) well before Edward left Ireland, so he would not refer to her as Ryan.

Another possibility is that Tim Ryan's wife was called Ellen, and that she was the aunt of Edward, sister to Edward's father (thus an O'Donnell by birth) or of his mother. There are no records identifying the first or maiden name of Tim Ryan's. This is possibly, but unconfirmed.

A third possibility is that Edward's aunt (sister of his father or mother) married one of the two sons of Tim Ryan. That would give Edward the family connection to the Ryan and Morris firm. Again, I can find no information as to who Patrick and Joseph Ryan married.

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A fourth possibility is that the aunt was not related to Tim Ryan. She may have been born a Ryan, in which case Edward's mother was probably a Ryan as well. She may alternatively have been born an O'Donnell, a sister to Edward's father, and married a Ryan at some point.

Lacking evidence for any of these possibilities, I will include here details of Tim Ryan's life and family, in case the Kilcash O'Donnells did marry into this family.

Tim Ryan was born c.1750, probably from Carrick on Suir or Waterford, and came to Newfoundland around 1770.<sup>249</sup> She started as a shopkeeper, and later became a trader, mainly shipping cod to Waterford and Liverpool, but also importing food goods and manufactured goods from Waterford and Liverpool.

A transport record from 1794 shows Tim and wife with 4 children, 2 boys and 2 girls at that point.<sup>250</sup> And other records support this. The children were:

- **Patrick**, worked with father to run the main trading firm in St. Johns. He was operations manager for Ryan and Sons. He died in 1814, at which time his brother-in-law Henry Shea took over as operations manager for Ryan and Sons.
- **Eleanor (Ellen)**, married **Henry Shea** on 20th November, 1800.<sup>251</sup> He was a Trader, born 1767 in or near Carrick on Suir, who settled in St. Johns around 1784. According to Mannion, Shea was from a respected family, but he ran away from home to go to Newfoundland. He worked as a clerk for a trader, Nathaniel Phillips for several years until Phillips death, at which time Shea established his own trading company. Shea and Ryan formed a separate trading house in 1810, Shea and Company. Henry died 29 Oct. 1830.<sup>252</sup>
  - Eleanor and Henry had had seven sons and three daughters. These include:
  - **Joseph Shea**, the eldest. He became a doctor and practiced in St. Johns.<sup>253</sup>
  - **John Shea**, was Henry Shea's left right hand in the business, until his father died, whence he relocated to Cork, Ireland.<sup>254</sup>
  - **Patrick Shea**, born 12<sup>th</sup> June, 1807.<sup>255</sup> Tim Ryan and Eleanor Ryan were godparents. These might be the parents of Eleanor, supporting the idea her mother was also Eleanor.
  - **Ambrose**, born 17<sup>th</sup> September, 1815.<sup>256</sup> The fifth son. Became the first Governor of the Bahamas. Knighted at some point.

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<sup>249</sup> [http://www.biographi.ca/en/bio/shea\\_henry\\_6F.html](http://www.biographi.ca/en/bio/shea_henry_6F.html)

<sup>250</sup> <https://www.mannioncollection.ca/DetailView.aspx?lookupid=i3\e100030839.jpg#gallery>

<sup>251</sup> [http://www.biographi.ca/en/bio/shea\\_henry\\_6F.html](http://www.biographi.ca/en/bio/shea_henry_6F.html)

<sup>252</sup> [http://www.biographi.ca/en/bio/shea\\_henry\\_6F.html](http://www.biographi.ca/en/bio/shea_henry_6F.html)

<sup>253</sup> [http://www.biographi.ca/en/bio/shea\\_henry\\_6F.html](http://www.biographi.ca/en/bio/shea_henry_6F.html)

<sup>254</sup> [http://www.biographi.ca/en/bio/shea\\_henry\\_6F.html](http://www.biographi.ca/en/bio/shea_henry_6F.html)

<sup>255</sup> <https://www.mannioncollection.ca/DetailView.aspx?lookupid=i3\e100031181.jpg#gallery>

<sup>256</sup> [https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Ambrose\\_Shea](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Ambrose_Shea)

- **Eleanor**, born 21<sup>st</sup> September, 1809.<sup>257</sup> One Mannion record names Ellen Roach as daughter of Ellen Ryan, but another record names Ellen Roach as daughter of Ellen Hearn.<sup>258</sup>
- **Catherine Shea**, born September, 1813.<sup>259</sup> Her aunt Catherine Morris nee Ryan and her husband Geoffrey Morris were godparents.
- **Catherine**, married **Geoffrey Morris** on the 5<sup>th</sup> May, 1800.<sup>260 261</sup> Timothy Ryan and Mrs Shea were witnesses. They established a second branch of the Ryan empire, trading firm Ryan and Morris in Burin, established 1802. They had three sons:<sup>262</sup>
  - Edward Morris,
  - Vincent Morris,
  - Geoffrey Morris.
  - **Patrick Morris**, born February, 1817.<sup>263</sup> Godparents: Vincent Morris and Ellen Shea. I assume Ellen Shea was daughter of Tim Ryan, Catherine's mother. Vincent might be the brother of the child, if born sufficiently before him.
- **Joseph**. Set up the Liverpool branch of the Ryan empire. Probably had a daughter:
  - **Margaret**, lived in Burin.<sup>264</sup>
- On the death of his father in 1830 (and also Geoffrey Morris and Henry Shea), Joseph left Liverpool and relocated to Burin, and continued trading with his sister, Catherine Morris, now a widow, and some sons.

In 1817, there was a depression in the cod industry, and both Ryan and Sons and the Liverpool branch went bankrupt. By 1819, things were improving in the 1820s.<sup>265</sup> But by the death of Tim Ryan in 1830, Ryans was closed, while Shea's company struggled on, although problems with debts.

Mannion says:

Probably the most significant step in this slow transition was Shea's marriage to Eleanor, the daughter of Timothy Ryan, a merchant, which took place two years after the death of Nathaniel Philips and the dissolution of that house.<sup>8</sup> Ryan had been resident in St. John's some three decades; with his sons, particularly Patrick, he had by 1800 established a considerable trade.<sup>9</sup>

Another daughter of Ryan married Geoffrey Morris in St. John's in 1802 and a second firm, Ryan and Morris, was established in Burin, Placentia Bay, probably the focus of the Ryan's outharbour trade.<sup>10</sup> Shortly afterwards the Ryans set up a third branch of the firm in Liverpool (then emerging as Britain's leading port in the Newfoundland trade) under the direction of Timothy's younger son, Joseph, and developed a pattern of commerce characteristic of the larger merchant houses engaged in the fishery.<sup>11</sup>

Every spring Ryan and Sons sent out supplies to the parent house in St. John's or sometimes directly to Burin from Liverpool, and to a lesser extent from ports such as Bristol, Poole, Waterford, and Cork. Ryan and Sons conducted an extensive supply trade in St. John's and contiguous districts, as well as in Placentia Bay, and shipped fish back to Britain, Ireland, Spain and Portugal.

<sup>257</sup> <https://www.mannioncollection.ca/DetailView.aspx?lookupid=i3\e100031181.jpg#gallery>

<sup>258</sup> <https://www.mannioncollection.ca/DetailView.aspx?lookupid=i2\e100020282.jpg#gallery>

<sup>259</sup> <https://www.mannioncollection.ca/DetailView.aspx?lookupid=i3\e100031182.jpg#gallery>

<sup>260</sup> <https://www.mannioncollection.ca/DetailView.aspx?lookupid=i6\e100068459.jpg#gallery>

<sup>261</sup> <https://www.mannioncollection.ca/DetailView.aspx?lookupid=i3\e100030841.jpg#gallery>

<sup>262</sup> <https://www.mannioncollection.ca/DetailView.aspx?lookupid=i6\e100067700.jpg#gallery>

<sup>263</sup> <https://www.mannioncollection.ca/DetailView.aspx?lookupid=i6\e100068455.jpg#gallery>

<sup>264</sup> <https://www.mannioncollection.ca/DetailView.aspx?lookupid=i6\e100068701.jpg#gallery>

<sup>265</sup> [http://www.biographi.ca/en/bio/she\\_henry\\_6F.html](http://www.biographi.ca/en/bio/she_henry_6F.html)