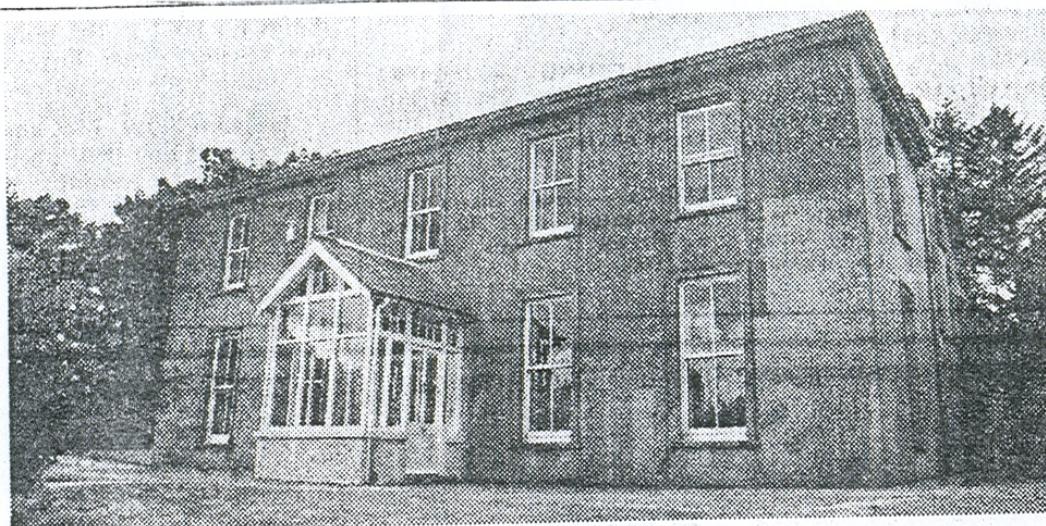


Reverend Horatio Townsend [600] of Donoughmore



St Cohnan's, Cloyne





● *The Glebe, Coolmona, Donoughmore, Co. Cork.*

Ghostly allure

ANY elegant old country home needs a ghost and the Glebe at Coolmona, Donoughmore, Co. Cork, is no exception to the rule.

Locals say horses have refused to pull carriages up through the front lawn and talk of certain rooms inside which have had regular visitations.

The Glebe was constructed in 1752 at the cost of £433 by Rev. Horatio Townsend of West Cork and extended in 1840. The three storey over basement dwelling originally included 20 acres with a grist mill, mill pond, tennis courts and an orchard.

The diningroom and lounge both have period marble fireplaces while additional

ground floor accommodation includes a livingroom, study and kitchen/breakfastroom with fitted units and Rayburn oil fired cooker.

There are six bedrooms and a bathroom on the first floor and three rooms at attic level would be ideal for offices, storage or additional living accommodation.

Outside, an enclosed yard includes stables, stalls, a coach house, a gardener's residence and a small two storey house.

Agent Thomas O'Driscoll (025-32725) seeks £180,000 on behalf of local property developer Mr Dave Dineen.

1732. December 11. HORATIO TOWNSEND, A.M., P. Donoghmore, per session of Chinnery; and again ("ad jure et facto jam vacan-tem") on 24th Nov., 1738. [D.R.]

On 9th July, 1733, Townsend took the chapter oath; and on 21st June he effected an exchange of glebe land with the Bishop of Cloyne. On 16th Oct., 1746, he was fined 20s. for non-attendance at chapter meetings. [C.B.]

In 1762, H. Townsend, resident; yearly income, £300. [Hayman MSS.]

Horatio Townsend (youngest son of Bryan, the second son and heir of Colonel Richard Townsend, of Castletownsend, *vide* Rev. Philip Townsend, Holy Trinity Vicarage, Cork, 1707-1735,) was born on 1st Sept., 1706, at Castletownsend, and entered T.C.D. when sixteen years old, on 1st June, 1722, and became Scholar in 1724.

He was ordained Deacon on 23rd June, 1728, at Cloyne.

From 1730 to 1737 he was P. Kilmeen, Tuam; and from 1732 to his death in 1772 was P. Donoghmore.

He married, in 1739 [Mar. Bond, May 21], Mary, dau. of Thomas Hungerford, of Inchydoney, near Clonakilty, county Cork. (She was a legatee in the will of her cousin, John Hungerford, lord of the manor of Hungerford, in England.—See Burke's "Landed Gentry of Great Britain and Ireland," London, 1862: Hungerford of Inchydoney.) By her, Horatio Townsend had three surviving sons—the Rev. Edward-Synge Townsend, 601
V. Clonmeen, q. v.; Richard, and Samuel-Philip; and two 6800
daughters—Susan and Mary. Having purchased Knockane, in 605
the parish of Donoghmore, he resided there for a time, while he was building the glebe-house of Coolmona, in the same parish. He died in October, 1772.

Horatio Townsend's second surviving son, Richard, was 6900
seated at Palacetown, near Kinsale, and married, December 29, 1772, Mildred, dau. of Achilles Daunt, of Gortigrenane Castle. Richard, died April 8, 1805, with surviving issue, three sons and eight daughters. Richard's third son, Samuel-Philip, suc- 6903
ceeded to his father's estate, married Frances-Helena, youngest dau. of Adam Newman, of Dromore, near Mallow, and is seated at Garrycloyne Castle, near Blarney, county Cork. He has by her six sons and six daughters.

Horatio Townsend's third surviving son, Samuel-Philip, 6800
was seated at Firmount, in the parish of Donoghmore.—(See Townsend's "Statistical Survey of the County Cork," vol. ii. p. 157, foot-note, Cork, 1815.) Samuel-Philip Towns- end married Helena, dau. of the Rev. Thomas Robinson, of Coronea, near Skibbereen, and had four sons and one daughter. Samuel-Philip's eldest son, Horatio, is seated at Woodside, 6801
near Cork, and married, first, Catharine, dau. of Abraham Morris, of Dunkettle, near Cork; and secondly, Henrietta, dau. of the Rev. John Chetwood, Rector of Rathcooney (Glanmire), near Cork. By his first wife, Horatio had four daughters; by his second wife he had three sons and two

daughters. The youngest son of Samuel-Philip, of Firmount, Edward-Richard, is a physician, residing in Cork, and married Jane, dau. of Neville Bath, of Cork, with issue, four sons and five daughters. The other sons of Samuel-Philip were—William-Robinson Townsend, R. Aghada, q. v.; and Thomas (third son), who was ordained Deacon on 10th Feb., 1811, and Priest 29th Sept. following, both at Cork. He was licensed to the curacy of Tullagh, Ross, on 11th Feb., 1811; to that of Clonmel on 13th March, 1812; and to that of Farrahy on 8th March, 1817. From 1823 to 1860 he was R. Mayo, Tuam. He married, on 13th August, 1814, at Queenstown, Caroline, dau. and co-heir of SIR EDWIN JEYNES, knt., Alderman of Gloucester, and by her (who died on 3rd Dec., 1840), had issue four sons—Samuel-Philip, baptized at Clonmel, 12th July, 1814; William-Hotham-Robinson, baptized 8th Feb., 1816, at Clonmel; Thomas, and Edward. He had also four daughters—Caroline; Rose-Anne-Hotham, born at Farrahy, in 1820, who is married, and has issue; Helena; and Mary-Young. The Rev. T. Townsend died, aged seventy-four, on 20th March, at Tivoli Gardens, Cork, and was buried at Donoghmore on 24th March, 1860.

Horatio Townsend's dau., Susan, married the Rev. John Meade, of Ballymartle, near Kinsale, without issue. Horatio's dau., Mary, married in 1768, Adam Newman, Collector of Kinsale, with issue, namely, Adam, who succeeded on the death without issue of his uncle, Colonel Newman, to the family estate of Dromore, near Mallow; and Horatio Townsend Newman, who is at this date (1863), Dean of Cork.

1772. Nov. 7. JAMES HINGSTON, A.M., P. Donoghmore, per mortem Townsend. [D.R.] He took the chapter oath on 8th July, 1773. [C.B.]

1774. Donoghmore. It lies part in the barony of Barretts, and part in that of Muskerry; value, £400 per ann. Church at present in ruins, but to be repaired. Patron the Bishop. Glebe, 20A. En., with a house and improvements. Proxy, £1 2s. Taxed in the King's books, £2, ster. Incumb., James Hingston, A.M. [Hingston.]

James Hingston, eldest son of William Hingston, "*generosi*," was, I suppose, grandson of James Hingston, of Cork, who purchased from the Trustees of Forfeited Estates, on 28th April, 1703, for the sum of £829 3s., the town and lands of Aglish, county Cork, being 353 acres.

He was born at Aglish, and entered T.C.D. when sixteen years old, on 10th Nov. 1729.

He was ordained Deacon at Cloyne on 19th Sept., 1736, and Priest on 7th March, 1737, also at Cloyne, for the curacy of Donoghmore. He was licensed on 30th Oct., 1740, to the curacy of Kilshannig. From 1751 to 1771 he was V. Roskeen and Kilcorney; and from 1751 to 1775 was V. Clonmeen.

Extracts from Samuel Lewis' Topographical Directory 1837

ISLAND (The), or INCHYDON, a parish, partly in the Eastern Division of the barony of EAST CARBERY, but chiefly in the barony of IBANE and BARRYROE, county of CORK, and province of MUNSTER, 1 1/2 mile (S.) from Clonakilty; containing 1445 inhabitants. It is situated on the bay of Clonakilty, in which is the island from which it takes its name. In 1390, De Courcy,

Baron of Kinsale, and his brother Patrick, were put to death by the Irish of Carbery under the command of Daniel Moel McCarty Reagh. In 1584, the island, having escheated to the Crown, was granted by Queen Elizabeth to the Bishop of Ross. After the battle of Clonakilty, in 1642, 600 of the Irish forces fled towards this island as a place of refuge; but the tide setting in at the time, they were all drowned before they could reach it. An extensive strand surrounds the base of the island, which is dry at low water; it comprises more than 1000 acres of rich alluvial soil, which might be reclaimed from the sea and brought into profitable cultivation. The parish contains 2502 statute acres, as applotted under the tithe act: the land is fertile and in a state of high cultivation; it is principally under tillage, with some rich pasture; the system of agriculture is improved, and there is neither waste land nor bog. Sea manure is obtained in abundance, and is brought in by sand boats and lighters daily. The principal seats are Island House that of T. Hungerford*, Esq., pleasantly situated in a retired and sheltered part of the island; and Dunowen, of Geo. Sandes, Esq., occupying an interesting site on the mainland. The living is a vicarage, in the diocese of Ross, formerly united to those of Kilgariff, Castleventry, Kilkerranmore, Ardfert, and Desart, from which it was severed in 1829, and now solely constitutes the prebend of Island in the cathedral of Ross, with which are held the vicarages of Kilgariff and Desart, and in the patronage of the Bishop; the rectory is impropriate in the representatives of F. Townsend [?], Esq. The tithes of the prebend amount to £260, and of the benefices held with it, to £250. Near Dunmore is a rich vein of lead ore, containing nearly 15 per cent, of pure silver

* *Hungerford connections with Philip Townsend [500] and Horatio Townsend [600].*

DONOUGHMORE, a parish, partly in the barony of BARRETTTS, but chiefly in that of EAST MUSKERRY, county of CORK, and province of MUNSTER, 12 miles (W. N. W.) from Cork, on the new line of road to Kanturk; containing 6794 inhabitants. This parish comprises 22,000 statute acres, of which 8000 acres, which had been forcibly withheld from the see of Cloyne (to which nearly half the parish belongs), since the year 1539, were, in 1709, recovered by Bishop Crow, and are now the property of that see, but in the hands of the Commissioners under the Church Temporalities act: about 2880 acres are bog and mountain, and the remainder is good arable and pasture land. The soil is generally cold and wet, except in the neighbourhood of Derry, where the lands are well cultivated and very productive. Not more than one-fourth of the land is under tillage; the remainder is mountain pasture and bog, especially in the northern part of the parish, where a vast tract of heathy bog and moorland extends to the summit of the Boggra mountain, on which numerous herds of cattle are pastured. The principal residences are Derry, that of J. B. Gibbs, Esq.; Derry Cottage, of the Rev. W. Meade; Kilcullen, of Jer. Lynch, Esq.; **Firmount, of Horace Townsend** (*Horace Townsend [6B01]*) Esq.; and Fortnaght, of the Rev. Morgan O'Brien. The new line of road from Cork to Kanturk passes through this wild district, and will contribute greatly to its improvement: the rivers Dripsey and Awenbeg have their rise in it. Fairs are held on May 18th and Nov. 21st for general farming stock. Near the cross of Donoughmore is a constabulary police barrack. A manorial court is held under the Bishop of Cloyne and petty sessions monthly. The rectory constitutes the corps of the prebend of Cloyne in the cathedral of St. Colman, and in the patronage of the Bishop: the tithes amount to £1100. The glebe-house is a very old building; the glebe comprises 14 acres of fertile land. The church is a small and very old edifice in a state of great dilapidation, and is about to be rebuilt by the Ecclesiastical Commissioners. A school is supported by the rector, in which about 20 children are educated; at Garrane is a school, in which about 30 boys and 20 girls are instructed, and for which a house was given by Mr. Stowell; and there are five pay schools, in which are about 300 boys and 160 girls.

* *Horatio's grandson*