

ARTHUR E. HERBERT

Arthur E. Herbert was the last of the Curran Herberts in the Castleisland area. An old bachelor, he lived in Killeentenna house now the residence of the parish priest.

Hussey 226 Died aged 45.

He was a (small-time) land agent and as such was entitled to serve as a magistrate. This did not help to increase his popularity as, unlike Captain William Meredith in the early 19th century, he was a very severe and outspoken magistrate and when a lenient sentence had been passed by his colleagues Herbert was not slow to let it be known that the sentence would have been much more severe had he got his way.

3 judges normally served at petty sessions

At a petty session in Brosna, he expressed his regret that he was not in command on the occasion of a riot in Brosna, when a crowd assembled to prevent the police effecting a process service. He also stated that "he would have skinned the people with buckshot." This intemperate remark attracted the adverse attention of the Lord Chancellor.

226 He was very unpopular even among his own labourers. Samuel Murray Hussey, himself a notorious landlord, describes A.E. as harsh, turbulent, rash, foolhardy and contemptuous. No further character reference is necessary.

Erection of Mrs. O'Leary