

RICHARD GRIFFITH + THE ROADS OF KERRY
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Abbeyfeale - first saw it in 1823 9.101
 Abbeyfeale - Newmarket 1825c 8.102
 Abbeyfeale village 1822-9 9.97 note 16
 Abbeyfeale, Brosna, Knockragoskel 9.99 to 101
 Abbeyfeale 440 inhabitants 9.101
 Absentee Proprietors - hill country 8.99
 Absentee middlemen hill country 8.100 note 23
 Acts 1-3 George 4 (1820-30) Probably 1820 8.94
 roads for inaccessible areas
 Act 2 William 4 1832 9.114
 Money for Castleisland - King Williamstown Rd.
 Grand Jurors Cork 4,700 Kerry 2,300
 Asylum for smugglers, robbers + Whiteboys 8.99

Bald William mapmaker 9.93
 Bank failure 1820 8.93
 Barclay Thomas surveyor 9.93
 Bland of Derryquin (oysters + fish) 9.123
 Bleneville Canal July 3 1822 survey 8.95
 Bridges near King Williamstown 9.115 note 44
 Brosna, Abbeyfeale, Knockragoskel 9.99-101
 Butter + eggs in lieu of rent 8.100
 Butter 6 days to Cork 8.95
 Butter 2 to 3 firkins per horse 8.106
 Butter 8 to 12 horses + men
 1 cart load 24 firkins
 1 Firkin = 56 lbs.
Bengin Osborn Madin in Beama 8.89

Cahirveen improvements Nimmo 8.113
 Canal Bleneville July 3 1822 8.95
 Captain Rock Whiteboys Pobbletoe Claims 9.108
 Carrigdulkeen Quarry Mauslower 9.116 HC 1834 31 yrs lease
 owned by Earl of Kenmare 9.116
Castleisland Town 1822-29 9.96
 garrison of 1822 withdrawn
 road + footpaths
 new houses etc

Castleisland - Newcastle Road 8.102 8.109
 Grant 1500 Estimate 1,000 = 5,500 8.102
 Glenlaraen hill 1:7 1:27 1/2 8.109
 Wellesley Bridge (Feales bridge) 9.93
 Finished 1827 26 m³ for 18 m³ for 27,043-9-3 1/2 9.93
 Killaney Limerick via Tralee 95 1/2 miles 8.103
 via C. Island 66

Castleisland to Clonkeen Bridge proposed 1823 9.111
Castleisland to King Williamstown
 12 m³ for 12 m³ 9.115 note 41
 2 Act William 4 1832 9.114
 Grand Jurors Cork 4700
 Kerry 2300
 8 Nov 1832 Road marked out 9.115
 hope to finish by end of 1836 9.117
 hope to finish May 1837 9.118
 King's bridge completed 1834 9.116

| Census | IRELAND | KERRY |
|--------|-----------|---------|
| 1821 | 6,801,827 | 216,185 |
| 1831 | 7,767,401 | 263,126 |
| 1841 | 8,175,124 | 293,580 |
| 1851 | 6,552,385 | 238,239 |
| 1861 | 5,799,967 | 210,800 |

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Castleisland - Abbeyfeale - Newcastlewest 9.92 29 miles 9.93 26-7-18
 finished in 1827 9.93 m feet per

Cork - 2 day Journey To Cork alone 9.98
Cork - Killarney row 8 a.m. - 3 p.m.

Church Dr John Land agent Kistowel 8.90
formerly in medical practice

Take Limerick mail coach road

Did it like Grand Jury system 8.95

Clements Hill July 2 1822
Griffiths assistant in Kerry 9.109 9.111

Clonkeen Bridge

Coote Sir Charles

10 Feb. 1815 Report on Killarney - Tralee Rd. 8.93

1 Apr. 1822 Capitally made - needs repairs 8.93

1817 Surveyed Tralee Tarbert 8.91

Crown Estate 9.110

Charleville - Newmarket - Castleisland 8.103

Caherseven village 1824 P.O. 30 miles ^{away} 8.113

Direct Labour system - no middlemen 8.108

piece work 8.110

paid once a month (8p to 1^s) 9.104 8.110

Dromagh (leader landlord) colliery? 9.109

Duncanen bridge completed 1834 9.116

Employment May 1824 3000, earlier up to 7,000 9.104 9.123
Summer 1833 1250 men 118 horses. Winter 500 9.114

East of Desmond Territory 8.98

Education 8.111

Elizabethan Roads 8.99

Famine of 1822 8.93 (Spring + Summer)

potato crop failed 8.110 8.93

scarce summer of 1822 9.99

Feale Bridge Kistowel Griffiths 1823 9.93 Supervised by Griffiths 5x50'

Feales bridge (Wellesley Rd. Lieutenant) 9.93 8.109 21 arches = 1x70' span

Firkin = 56 lbs.

Single span of 70' 9.93

Farms - mountain farms enclosed 9.94

Gangel extra 1^s in the pound 8.110

Garrisons large Castleisland etc 8.94 see below

withdawn by 1829 9.96

Grand Jury bad roads 1812-30 8.90

Gregory Wm. Undersecretary for Ireland 8.95-7 8.95 N 22

Griffiths Sir Richard John (1784-1878) 94 8.94-5 Note 16

Geologist, Engineer, Commissioner of Valuation

Both Home St. Dublin

Limerick 6 June 1822

Tarbert pier 8.96

Kerry July 1 8.94 into Tarbert on Monday last 8.97

Tralee July 2 Hill Clements Tuesday 8.94.5

Accurate parochial returns on poor 8.95

Tralee Bay July 3 Wed 8.95

Blenerville canal 8.95

Killarney July 4 Thursday 8.96

living standards 8.101

lived near Mallow 8.101 note

unarmed, house unlocked 8.101

Cork July 8 8.96

system of employment 8.110

Progress report Apr. 1829 9.92

improvements in farming 9.94

Report 15 July 1839 Kingwilliamstown 9.120-1

Garrisons (large) Newmarket, Kantank 8.94

Millstreet, Castleisland, Kistowel

Abbeyfeale, Glin, Newcastle

Dromcollogher + Liscarroll

Griffiths emphasis on living standards 8.101

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Headley Lond. Knockragoshel, Borena 9.99-100
 Headley Lond Glenbeigh Road 8.112
 Nimmo letter 1824
 Horse first gladly 2/8 per day 9.100
 come 4^s per day 9.101
 2 to 3 firkins (56 lbs) 9.118
 old roads 12cwt heavy 9.118
 new roads 20 to 22cwt 9.118
 25-30cwt 9.118 note 52
 24-30cwt 9.119
 12-15 old roads 9.119
 Hussey Mr. - Lond Lansdowne's agent 9.124
 Hill Clements Engineer Tralee July 2 8.95

Improvements

Abbeyfeale 9.97 9 Note 16 p 97
 Borena 9.99-101
 Cahiveen .. Nimmo 8.113
 Castleisland 9.96
 Knockragoshel 9.99-101
 Tralee 9.97

Iris Mr. - apartment Kingwilliamstown 9.120
 Insurrection Act in full force July 1822 8.94

Jardine James surveyor 9.92
 Judges Limerick Cork Tralee 8.91
 Castleisland
 round of about 60 miles

Kantuck - Cork 8.107
 Kenmare - Glengarriff 8.107
 Kearney Thomas surveyor 9.92 } sent to Kerry / Griffith 1823 9.98
 Kelly John Engineer Abbeyfeale 9.101 } - engineer to Knight of Glin
 Kenmare - Bantry examined summer '33 8.109
 Kingwilliamstown experiment 9.111-3
 Griffith report 15 July 1839 9.120-1
 King's Bridge completed 1834 9.116
 Knockragoshel 9.99
 Knight's bridge on The Smearta 9.96

Listowel - Newmarket 8.108
 landlords resident 8.98
 + Knight of Glin
 leader of Dromagh

Lansdowne Rd. + Lady came 1822 9.124 Hussey agent
 Leaders Bridge Dromagh 8.98
 Learning Alexander Nimmo 8.111 Latin, Trinity college 9.107
 Griffith } Weale No deficiency of natural intelligence
 } Peasants SW of Ireland 9.107
 Lewis Topographical Dictionary 1837 9.121 Kingwilliamstown
 Listowel Feale bridge 8.104
 Language { More than 1/2 men spoke English 8.101
 { A great number of women did dit 8.101

Macdon - Glenflesk road 8.106-9
 Mahony of Dromagh 9.124
 Mahony Pierce 9.98-9
 On the state of the poor in Ireland
 April 1830
 Improvements due to roads
 letters re Borena / Knockragoshel etc 9.99
 9.93
 Mapmaker - Wm. Bald 9.113 9.116
 McAuliffe mountain 9.104-5
 Method of road construction 8.100
 Middlemen - non resident
 7 between landlord + tenant 8.98
 Military roads post Desmond Rebellion 8.98
 Miss Waldie married Griffith 18.12 9.123
 Military see garrisons. 8.94 9.96

65-3-1 (3)

Nimmo Alexander 1783-1832 (49) 8.111

Engineer + surveyor
b. Kirkcaldy d. Dublin
built harbours + piers
Surveyed bogs
{ Engineer of Western district 1822
{ Ceibh Nimmo in Galway
Built Tralee - Limerick Road
Surveyed Valentia, Castlemaine + Kenmare River
Remarks on mountain roads 8.113

Nuisances on roads 9.105

Road act 36 George 3 1796
Magistrates + police turned blind eye
Cows, manure heaps, turf, pigs
Report (Griffith) 5 June 1851 9.122

O'Connell Daniel 8.89
Letter to wife on state of roads

Parson's Bridge road completed 1829 9.95
500 during the winter
9.115 Summer 1833 1250 men 118 horses
partly 6mths. either side 9.116

Pay 4d a day up to 10d or 1s
summer of 1828 advanced prices 8.108
unusually high 1828 9.94
8d to 1s (paid once a month) 9.100
9.104 - Varied from 6d to 15d
8.110

Piecework

Pobble li Chacrauh 9.106 9.108-9
Poets + bridges 8.104-5
Seamus O' Cathain + William O' Cathain
Potato Crop failed 1821 8.93

Pool - accurate parish returns wanted 8.95
Pool Law Relief Act 1838
Pool as bad in Kerry as in Limerick 8.94
Relief delivered free 8.94

State of the poor in Ireland Apr. 1830 9.98

Postal deliveries 9.113-4
Poor except for a few parishes in S. Kerry 8.94

Quarry Carrigdufkean Mausrowr 9.116
East of Kenmare HC 1834 4 no 173.24

Relief delivered free 8.94

Rents 8.100

1/3 to 1/2 full rent to landlord (with middlemen)

paid in butter + eggs
Griffith fair rent 10 to 15s
They pay 20s 8.100

Road Act 36 George 3 1796 9.105

Roche Martin inn Kingwilliamstown 1837 9.119

Rent £18
Roche N. Gave up shop 9.119

Smugglers 8.99

water guard 1821
became whiteboys
Southern district of Ireland 8.97

Spirits 5 booths on pay day 9.116

workers 6mths. either side
pipet + dance 9.118 March 1837 Preparation for stage coach

Steam line Valentia to America 9.114 note 40

Stowbreaker 8.89

Surveyors 9.92-3

Statute acre unknown north of Blackwater 8.100

Tarbert Pier July 1 1822 8.96
 on passing into Kerry on Monday last 8.97
 Tralee Bay survey Griffith July 3 1822 8.95
 Tralee Cork via Killarney 76 miles 9.109
 via Castleisland 62 miles
 Tralee-Kimerick Mail Coach road 8.90-2
 { in 1825 a fine road - Church 8.92
 { engineer probably Alex Nimmo
 Tralee Trade improves c 1829 9.97 3 grain stores 1813 now 18/19
 Trinity College ~ several workers children 8.111
 Tobacco 8.100 There

Waldie Miss m. Griffith 1821 9.123
 Water Guard 1821 affected smugglers 8.99
 Weale James b. d. 1838 9.106
 Office of the commissioners of
 His Majesty's woods, forests, land revenues,
 works + public buildings.
 Book collector - Petty's Down Survey 9.106 note 30
 } 22 March 1931
 } Plan for the improvement of Pobble Uí Chaoimh 9.107 9.112-3
 } first inspected 1825 9.108
 No road passable for horses in winter 9.109
 Friend of Dr. John Murphy, bishop of Cork 9.107
 No deficiency of natural intelligence 9.107
 Many women did not speak English 9.107
 Peasantry in the S.W. counties of Ireland 9.107
 are more advanced than the same class
 in any county of England

Wellesley Lord Lieutenant 1821 + 1833 8.94
 Bridge (Fealesbridge) floods 1822 8.104
 Whiteboy insurrection 1821 8.93 8.98 Winter 8.99 Autumn 8.99
 Wiggins John Glenbeigh 1807 or 8 first 8.90
 State of the Poor in Ireland - 1830 8.90 note 4

Coote Sir Charles Tralee-Tarbert coach road 8.91 (1817) 8.92 8.93
 Griffith Richard
 Kelly John Civil Engineer to the Knight of Kerry Sent to Kerry 1823
 Nimmo Alexander 8.93 Tralee-Tarbert on Griffith's instruction 9.98
 Weale James
 Wiggins John 8.90 8.90 note 4
 Church Dr. John Land agent near Listowel (ex MD)
 Hill Clements July 2 1822 Tralee 8.95
 James Jardine Road Surveys 1823-6 9.92
 Thomas Kearney } Road surveys 9.93
 Thomas Barclay }
 William Bald - map of the southern district 9.93
 Pierce Mahony