

EVICCTIONS

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95-6
Donovan

The late Pat^o Keefe and I went to see an eviction carried out by Arthur E. Herbert who was shot a few years later as he was walking home to Killeenterna. I cannot now remember the exact townland of that famous eviction but it was somewhere on the road between Glenties + Knockabout. It was indeed a sad + cruel sight, and the terrible work of that day left a lasting impression on my mind. . . . Along the side of that road a company of soldiers stood in all the paraph of war, while on the other side there were serried ranks of helmeted R.I. Constabularians with their swords and rifles ready to disperse any of the mountaineers who would dare to interfere with the majesty of the law. There we saw British law at its worst - an army driving a poor Irish peasant from his homestead. The few pieces of furniture flung out, the hardworking parents, with their children, thrown on the roadside, and the old grandfather that made the land a farm feebly following.

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One notable incident took place at Glenties. A labourer called ^oLeary held a house from Lord Vestry. When the rent was due, he was unable to pay and went to America. His wife who remained behind was evicted in Aug. 1830 and took shelter in an outhouse near her former home. On the night of September 5/6, about 60 men armed with guns, revolvers + pitchforks came to where Mrs. ^oLeary was living, knocked on the door and took herself, her children, furniture and beds back to her former house. As they left, they told her not to leave the house again and that if the landlord put her out they would return and reinstate her. This incident caused great excitement in the district.

Mysteries
of Ireland

p. 189 re Arthur E. Herbert
the eviction which he was the instrument of carrying out on Mr. Hartnett's estate in May 1881

1852
Griffith

Townland of Knockabout
Edward Hartnett was the lessee of a lot of houses + land. He also held land from the Earl of Bessborough. There was no ^oLeary in the townland in 1852.

Famine
Kerry
General

p. 119 The first outrage occurred on 10 Sept 1879 when a band of armed men reinstated in her holding the evicted widow ^oLeary.

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Edward Hartnett also owned the townland of Shanawillen leased in 1852 to Walter Costello (79^A 3^R 34^P). He himself leased 50-0-22 at Knockanahilly from Robt. Leeson. ^oDonovan says that Edward Hartnett built Sandville House in 1836 but it is more likely he renovated and extended it.

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Edward Hartnett of Sandville had a duel with William Sealy of Rockfield.

Unions

Tralee Killarney Listowel Cahiveen Dingle Kenmare