

“Moyclere,” in the Barony of Erley “cum dominio et servitio Walteri Candelan pro terris et tenementis suis ibidem.” The Countess of Ormond held “Muckleary,” in the parish of Killamery, in 1653. The castle of Frankford (*Cushlawn Macleeara*), now in ruins, was inhabited down to about 1800. Frances, wife of John Butler, of Garryricken, died here March 2nd, 1764. After her came the Lanigans, ancestors of the Stannard-Lanigan family of Grange. On their departure the castle fell into decay.

Part of this townland is called Turkstown, in Irish, *Bollianadhurcach*.

KILTRASSY.

The ruins of Kiltrassy church stand, not in the townland of Kiltrassy, but in the adjoining townland of Oldcastle. The church measures about 50 ft. by 30 ft. None of the original work remains but a small part of the east gable about 3 ft. high. All the other walls have been destroyed, but have been modernly built up all round, with dry stones, to a height of 3 ft. The piece of the original work remaining is only 2½ ft. thick. There are some rough, uninscribed head-stones in the graveyard. No interments have taken place here for many years.

In a list of Ossory churches entered in the *Red Book of Ossory*, about 1500, Kiltrassy church appears as the “Capella de Kylldrasse” in the parish of Kyllamery; and, in another list, of about the same date, in the same volume, it appears as “Kyldresse.” In Irish it is now called indifferently *Kilthrasä* and *Kyle-throssä*.

Beside the graveyard there is a holy well called “the church well,” and, in Irish, *Tobaratiampuill*. On William Neill’s land in Kiltrassy, there is a well called *Thubberagligän*, (“Tobernagloghin,” on the Ordnance Map), or the well of the tinkling or purling. Near this is a high, conical sepulchral mound or tumulus, called “Kiltrassy Moat.”

Oldcastle was formerly one townland with Kiltrassy. The castle from which it is called stood in Michael Davis’s land. Its ruins were uprooted in 1847.

One field from Kiltrassy, which here forms the western boundary of Kilkenny County, stands the old Tobin castle of Castle-John (in Irish, *Cushlawnteawin*), in the Co. Tipperary. Kiltrassy and Oldcastle belonged to the Tobins, lords of Kaemshinagh, till the Cromwellian Confiscations. Tradition states that one Sheppard got the former townland from Cromwell; and that he purchased Castle-John, for a white horse, from the Cromwellian soldier to whom it had been given. The last of Sheppard’s descendants died in Kiltrassy about 1870.

LAMOOGÉ.

Though now merged in the civil parish of Tullahought, Lamooge itself was