

HISTORIC SITES

Royal Seats, scenes of historic events—battles, mass meetings, historic festivals, &c. Location. Landonner. Historical or traditional notes.

Pollnacantenna, that grim, terrifying chasm on Dewpatrick Head was the scene of one of the most tragic occurrences that followed the defeat of the Insurgents of 1798. British soldiers and yeomanry were scouring the country in bloodthirsty columns, seeking out and massacring those who were suspected of fighting and even sympathising with the Insurrectionists. Whilst busy tending their long neglected crops, a band of about thirty men from the Laggan district received but a late warning of the approach of an English flying column. Knowing well the fate that would be theirs were they to await the arrival of the soldiery, the men sought refuge in the most dangerous of all hiding places. A strong young woman held a rope by means of which they descended in turn to a ledge of rock below. The woman was to return on the departure of the soldiers but being frightened, she fled to the hills and when she did return, long after the appointed time, the incoming tide had trapped the unfortunate men and all had died a most horrible death; the bodies could be seen floating far below.

HISTORIC HOUSES ; BURIAL PLACES

(a) Birth places or one-time residences of distinguished Irishmen or other personalities. Location and description. Present owner or occupant. (b) Burial places of distinguished personalities.

NONE

SPAS OR MINERAL SPRINGS

Spas formerly in use. Location and present condition. Access. Right of way to public? Mineral content and curative properties so far as known locally.

NONE KNOWN