

I.T.A. TOPOGRAPHICAL AND GENERAL SURVEY

AMENITIES AND GENERAL INFORMATION. TOWNS AND VILLAGES (Other than Seaside)

BARONY OF Erris

TOWN OR VILLAGE None PARISH Kilcemma COUNTY Mayo (North)

Location and brief description. Population 3,200 approx.

This parish forms the north-western corner of the county, being bounded on the north by the Atlantic Ocean and on the west by Broadhaven Bay. With the exception of the coast-line which is very beautiful in its wild, natural scenery, the country hereabouts is very barren and uninteresting. Miles of bogland and bleak mountain extend on every side and I consider the roads to be the worst-conditioned in Ireland.

There is no town or village in the parish; Ballycastle is 11 miles from the most easterly part of the parish and Belmullet is over six miles from the most south-westerly corner of Kilcemma. Chief centres of the parish are :- Glenamoy, Rospert, Carrowteige, Pellathomas and Inver.

The western side of the parish is a Gaeltacht area; the natives being fluently bi-lingual.

Is there a Town Hall? No Location

Parks, Gardens and Recreation Grounds. Brief description:

None

Brief comments on water supply and sewerage:

None. Good spring wells are very scarce.

The most useful passenger transport service is that provided by the week-day mail car service Ballina - Carrowteige and return.

PUBLIC SERVICES Belmullet/Ballina bus passes within about ten miles of Pellathomas.

Nearest station Ballina Distance 32 miles Bus? None
from Glenamoy

Public lighting by—Electricity? None Gas? None

DANCING

Dance hall at Glenamoy Proprietor Mr Michael Healy
at Carrowteige ----- Mr Philip Garvin.

CINEMAS AND THEATRES

Cinemas None Pictures shown
(nights)

Theatre None Kind of shows
(Drama, Comedy &c.)

LIBRARIES

Public Libraries None

Private Lending Libraries None

CHURCHES AND SERVICES

R.C. Church	Aughes (1 ml. Pellathemas)	Services (Sundays)	1st & 2nd ^{Sundays} at 10.0 O'Clock 3rd, 4th, (5th) at 11.30.
"	Glensmoy	-----	9.30.
"	Iaver	-----	1st & 2nd at 11.30 3rd, 4th, (5th) at 10.0.
"	Ceraboy	-----	1st & 2nd at 10.0 3rd, 4th, (5th) at 11.30.
"	Carrowteige (Schselhouse)	-----	1st & 2nd at 11.30 3rd, 4th, (5th) at 10.0
Protestant --	Pellathemas	-----	Occasional services, usually every 2 months.

POSTAL FACILITIES

Location of Post Office Glensmoy (no telephone, telegrams or M.O.);
Pellathemas (telegraph, telephone, M.O.)
Ressport (Telegraph, telephone -not M.O.)

Business (? M.O., Telegraph, Telephone) Carrowteige (M.O., no telephone or
telegraph service).

BANKING

Banks None nearer than Belmullet.

SPORTS AND PHOTO SUPPLIES

Sports Dealers None

Photographic Stores None

SWIMMING POOLS AND BATHS

Several natural bathing places on the several miles of strands.

Swimming Pool? None Location None

Public Baths? None Location None

SOCIAL CLUBS, CULTURAL SOCIETIES, &c.

Social Clubs **None**

Cultural Societies **None**

INDUSTRIES AND HANDCRAFTS

Industries: **Fishing is the main industry.**

At Carrowteige and Pullathomas, over twenty girls are employed at each of the "Lace Schools", relics of the Congested Districts Board's efforts to relieve distressed areas; the schools are now controlled by the Gaeltacht Industries Branch, Department of Lands. Principal products of the schools are knitwear and crochet work.

Handcrafts or Cottage Industries (Give names of craftsmen, employer, &c.):

The spinning wheel is now in general use since the war commenced. Prior to that the craft had almost been forgotten. There is a number of weavers in the parish but practically the entire production is for local home use.

A number of girls employed by Gaeltacht Industries are provided with machines in their own homes but their output is controlled by the Department.

PUBLIC MONUMENTS

(Brief description; inscription to be quoted)

None

IMPORTANT PUBLIC BUILDINGS

(Give brief notes on architectural features)

None

SCHOOLS AND COLLEGES

Boys and Girls National Schools (Mixed):

Perturlin, Glenaney, Carrowteige, Pullathomas,

Rassport, Inver.

HOSPITALS

Nearest hospital is at Belmullet

FAIRS AND MARKETS ; HALF-HOLIDAY

Monthly fairs and markets None

Weekly market day None Half-holiday None

GARAGES AND PETROL STATIONS

None

CONVEYANCES FOR HIRE (Owners) :

Taxis Mr John Menaghan, Rospert.

Motors (Touring) None

Boats (State type) None other than fishing boats listed.

Bicycles None

Caravans None

Horses None

CAMPING SITES

(At principal holiday resorts)

Location None Landowner

Local Improvements Committee

Secretary

DATE July 17th 1943.

(Signed) Conor O'Brien.

Surveyor.