

FIELD NAME BOOK  
of  
FREYNESTOWN PARISH  
Co. Wicklow

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Moanvawn (21)

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Móin bán, White Bog.

Moanvawn (made <u>Men</u> as often as possible.)	-- J.O'D.
Mullenbane	-- Mn. Sy.
Moanvawn	-- By. Surveyor's Sketch Map
---Do.---	-- <del>X</del> M. M.
---Do.---	-- J. Hyland P.P.
---Do.---	-- Geo. Fisher
---Do.---	-- Chas. Winnett

In the Parish of Fryanstown, Barony of Upper Talbotstown and County of Wicklow; and is bounded as follow. On the N.E. by the Parish of Dunlavin in the Barony of Lower Talbotstown. East by the Parish of Donoughmore. South by the Townland of Knockbawn, and West by the Townlands of Byrneshill and Toolstown.



## Moanvawn (contd.)

It contains 237 acres 3 roods 20 pers. of which there are about 14 acres of Heath. It is the property of Mr. Grogan of Slaney Park near Baltinglass; he receives his own rent. Farms are from about 8 to 27 Irish acres. Rents from 20s. to 31s. 6d. per acre. Leases three lives. About one half is under pasture grazing sheep, milk and black cattle, Horses &c. The other is under tillage bearing chiefly oats & potatoes. The fields are small and well fenced, the soil is of a tolerable fertile quality. Manures are *dung* and clay got in the land intermixed with a small proportion of limestone gravel which is found to make great improvement on the land. Fuel is got at Harraghmore bog about four miles I. hence, Granabeg bog eight miles I. hence, and Kylesoon bog 10 miles I. hence. Dunlavin is the market town about three miles hence where the Petty Sessions are held weekly. There is a good road on the S. and one on the West side of this Townland.

## Knockbawn (21)

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Cnoc bán, white hill.

Knockbawn	-- T.O'C.
-----bawn, compare	-- J.O'D.
Knockbawn	-- By. Surveyor's Sketch Map
Knockbawn	-- Allen's Map of Co. Wicklow
---Do.---	-- <del>N</del> M.M.
---Do.---	-- J. Hyland
---Do.---	-- G. Fisher
---Do.---	-- Chas. Winnett

In County of Wicklow, Barony of Lower Upper Talbotstown and Parish of Fryanstown and is bounded as follow. On the East by the Parish of Donoughmore S.; W. by the Parish of Rathbran and by the Townlands of Shepherdshill and Byrneshill, and on the North by the Townland of Moanvawn.

Contains 155 acres 1 rood 38 pers. of which there are about 12 acres of swampy ground yielding coarse pasture. It is the property of Mr. Grogan of Slaney Park near Baltinglass; he receives his own rent. Mr. Shepherd holds part of the Td. and has it sublet to under tenants at various rates; the remr. is held direct from Mr. Grogan by lease of three lives at abt. 24s. per. Irish acre. Fifty Acres I. is the largest farm. Abt. one half the Td. is under pasture grazing sheep, milk and black cattle; and horses; and the remr. tilled bearing tolerable good crops of oats & potatoes. Manure used is *dung* and a mixture of clay & limestone gravel got in the land. There is a good road bounding it on the North side. Fuel is got at the bogs of



## Knockbawn (contd.)

mentioned in the remarks on Moanvawn Townland. Dunlavin is the market town about three miles hence where the Petty Sessions are held weekly.

## Toolstown (21)

4

Baile Ui Thuataill, O'Toole's town.

Toole's town (Right)

Toolstown	-- T.O'C.
Toolstown	-- By. Surveyor's Sketch Map
---Do.---	-- S. M. H.
Toolestown	-- J. Hyland
---Do.---	-- Geo. Fisher
---Do.---	-- Chas. Winnett

In County of Wicklow, Barony of Upper Talbotstown and Parish of Fryanstown and is bounded as follow. On the North by the Parish of Rathcallagh, on the East by the Townland of Moanvawn; on the South by the Td. of Byrneshill and on the West by the Townland of Fryanstown hill.

Contains 214 acres 1 rood 3 pers. all arable land. The property of Mr. Grogan of Slaney Park near Baltinglass; he receives his own rent. The farms are from about 12 to 24 Irish acres. Rents about 35s. per acre. Leases 3 lives. This Td. is chiefly under tillage bearing tolerable good crops of oats & potatoes. The fields are small & well fenced. Manures used are dung, and a mixture of clay & limestone gravel got in the land. A tolerable good bye road bounds it on the East side. For fuel, market town & petty sessions, See the foregoing Townlands.

## Byrneshill (21)

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Cnoc Ui Broin, O'Byrne's hill.

Byrneshill (Right)

Byrneshill	-- T.O'C.
Byrneshill	-- By. Surveyor's Sketch Map
---Do.---	-- S. M. H.
---Do.---	-- J. Hyland
---Do.---	-- G. Fisher
---Do.---	-- Chas. Winnett

In County of Wicklow, Barony of Upper Talbotstown and Parish of Fryanstown and is bounded as follow. On the North by the Townland of Toolstown; East by the Townland of Moanvawn; S.E. by the Tds. of Knockbawn and Shepherdshill; on the South by the Tds. of Lower Fryanstown and Upper Fryanstown and on the West by the Townland of Fryanstown hill.



## Byrneshill (contd.)

Contains 171 acres 1 roof 32 pers. all arable land. It is the property of Mr. Grogan of Slaney Park, near Baltinglass, he receives his own rent. The farms are from about 12 to 40 Irish acres, at about 35s. per acre. Leases three lives. The fields are small and well fenced and chiefly under tillage bearing tolerable good crops of oats & potatoes. Manures used are dung, with clay & limestone gravel got on the ground. There is a good road bounding the South and East sides of the Td. For fuel & market town & Petty Sessions, see remarks on Moanvawn Td.

## Shepherdshill (21)

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Shepherdshill	-- T.O'C.
Shepherdshill	-- By. Surveyor's Sketch Map
-----Do.-----	-- S.M.M.
-----Do.-----	-- J. Hyland
-----Do.-----	-- G. Fisher
-----Do.-----	-- Chas. Winnett

In County of Wicklow, Barony of Upper Talbotstown and Parish of Fryanstown and is bounded as follow. On the South by the Parish of Rathbran; on the West by the Townland of Lower Fryanstown; N.W. by the Townland of Byrneshill and on the N.E. by the Td. of Knockbawn.

Contains 199 acres 9 pers. of which there are abt. 13 acres of swampy ground yielding coarse pasture. The remr. is chiefly under tillage yielding tolerable good crops of oats & potatoes. Chief Proprietor Mr. Grogan of Slaney Park, near Baltinglass. Hired Man Mr. Shepherd who has it let to tenants at will at 35s. per Irish acre. Farms are from 20 to 51 Irish acres. The fields are well fenced and in a good state of cultivation; manures used are dung, and a mixture of clay and limestone gravel. A good road bounds it on the N.W. For market town, Petty Sessions and fuel see remarks on Moanvawn Td.

## Lower Fryanstown (21)

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Frainston	-- Inq. temp. Jac. I.
Fraynston	-- " " Car. I.
Frainstowne	-- En. Survey
Fraynstowne	-- -----Do.----- Map
Freynestown	-- J.O'D.
Lower Fryanstown	-- By. Surveyor's Sketch Map
Fryanstown	-- Allen's Map of Co. Wicklow
Lower Friendstown	-- S.M.M.
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Freyne, or De la Freyne a family name.



## Lower Fryanstown (contd.)

In the County of Wicklow, Barony of Upper Talbotstown and Parish of Fryanstown, and is bounded as follow. On the South by the Parish of Rathbran; on the West by the Townland of Upper Fryanstown; North by the Townland of Byrneshill and East by the Townland of Shepherdshill.

Contains 186 acres 26 pers. all arable land. The Property of Mr. Grogan of Slaney Park near Baltinglass, who has it let in farms from about 20 to 50 I. acres by lease of three lives at about 35s. per I. acre. The fields are well fenced, about one half under pasture, grazing sheep, ~~milk~~ and black cattle, horses &c. The tilled part is in a tolerable good state of cultivation bearing good crops of oats, and potatoes. Manures~~N~~ used are dung, with a mixture of clay & limestone gravel. There is a good road bounding it on the North, another passing through the West end. Dunlavin is the market Town about three and a half miles hence, where the Petty Sessions are held weekly. Fuel is got at the bogs mentioned in the remarks on Moanvawn Townland.

## Upper Fryanstown (21)

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Upper Fryanstown	-- By. Surveyor's Sketch Map
See P. 10	
Upper Friendstown	-- A.M.M.
-----Do.-----	-- J. Hyland
-----Do.-----	-- G. Fisher
-----Do.-----	-- Chas. Winnett

In the County of Wicklow Barony of Upper Talbotstown and Parish of Fryanstown, and is bounded as follow. On the South by the Parish of Rathbran; West by the Parish of Ballynure; N.W. by the Parish of Rathsallagh; N.E. by the Townland of Fryanstownhill, and East by the Townlands of Byrneshill, and Lower Fryanstown.

Contains 223 acres 1 rood 11 pers. all arable land. The property of Mr. Grogan of Slaney Park, near Baltinglass, he receives his own rent. It is let in farms from 12 to 50 acres by lease of three lives at from 25 to 35s. per Irish acre. The fields are well fenced, about one half under pasture, grazing sheep, horses, ~~milk~~ & black cattle. The other is under tillage, bearing tolerable good crops of oats & potatoes. The manures used are dung, and a mixture of clay and limestone gravel got in the land. There is a good road bounding it on the N.E. side and another passing through the centre. There is a small Rath in low ground in the South side. The remarks in the foregoing Tds. on market Town, Petty Sessions and fuel, apply to this one also.



## Fryanstown hill (21)

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Fryanstown hill  
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-- By. Surveyor's Sketch Map

Friendstown hill

-- A.M.M.

-----Do.-----

-- J. Hyland

-----Do.-----

-- G. Fisher

-----Do.-----

-- Chas. Winnett

In the County of Wicklow, Barony of Upper Talbotstown and Parish of Fryanstown, and is bounded as follow. On the North and N.W. by the Parish of Rathsallogh; on the West by the Parish of Ballynure; on the S.W. by the Townland of Upper Fryanstown; on the S.E. by the Townland of Byrneshill and on the N.E. by the Townland of Toolstown.

Contains 180 acres 3 rods 27 pers. all arable land. The property of Mr. Grogan of Slaney Park, near Baltinglass who has it let in farms from 10 to 50 Irish acres at from 15 to 45s. per Irish acre. The fields are well fenced, chiefly under pasture grazing, chiefly sheep, some horses & milk & black cattle.. The part tilled bears tolerable crops of oats and potatoes. Manures used are dung and a mixture of clay & limestone gravel. There is a good road bounding the S.W. side. Dunlavin is the Market Town about three miles hence where the Petty Sessions are held weekly. Fuel for this Td. as well as for all the foregoing is got in Narraghmore bog abt. 4 I. miles hence. Granabeg bog, abt. eight miles hence, and Kyledoon bog abt. 10 I. miles hence.

## Fryanstown Ph.

-- See page 10 (MS.)

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In the County of Wicklow and Barony of Upper Talbotstown, and is bounded as follow. On the North and N.W. by the Parish of Rathsallogh; on the N.E. by the Parish of Dunlavin in the Barony of Upper Talbotstown; on the East by the Parish of Donsoughmore; on the South by the Parish of Rathbran and on the West by the Parish of Ballynure.

Contains 1568 acres 2 rods 6 pers. all arable except about 25 acres of swampy ground in the S.E. extremity. The Parish is the property of Mr. Grogan of Slaney Park near Baltinglass. The farms are from about 10 to 50 Irish acres. Leases three lives and Rents from about 25 to 35s. per Irish acre. The Market Town is Dunlavin about three miles from the centre of the Ph. in which the Petty Sessions are held weekly. The Ph. is badly supplied with fuel; it is got at Narraghmore bog four miles I. hence, Granabeg bog eight I. miles hence and Kyledoon bog ten I. miles hence.

The Ph. consists of small hills; the heighest is near



## Fryanstown Ph. (contd.)

the centre and is 731 feet above the sea; the lowest ground is the swamp in the S.E. of the Ph. and is about 540 feet above the sea. This Parish is nearly destitute of the ornament of wood; it is cut into small fields well fenced. The fences are chiefly banks of earth sown with furze which are frequently cut to increase the closeness of the hedge. The houses are chiefly built of stone & lime and in general are of a tolerable comfortable appearance. Agriculture is the chief employment of the Inhabitants. Education is much neglected; there is not a school in the Parish. The Inhabitants are chiefly Roman Catholics. They manufacture their own frize which is made of a light drab color.

The County Cess is paid according to the rent, which is generally from 6d. to 8d. in the pound half yearly.

J. Hen. Lyster, Lieut. R. Engrs.  
June 25th, '38

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