

Maddoxtown / Blackrath Cemetery

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Foreword:

The prebendal Church of Blackrath now known as Maddoxtown is situated on the east side of the River Nore. It is a very old church, now in ruins, and is believed to date back to the time of the Norman invasion. None of the monuments in the graveyard are ancient (Carrigan Vol. III, p 366).

Inscriptions:

Name	Tomb No.	Inscription
Brown	1	(Large ivy covered tombstone between Nowlan & Phelan) Erected by Catherine Brown alias Kelly in memory of her husband Joseph Brown, Green Street, Kilkenny who died October 30 th 1812 aged 52. Note: Pigots Directory 1824 – Catherine Brown, Green Street, Baker.
Byrn (1)	2	(Near boundary ditch, end of cemetery). Here lies ye body of James Byrn who died 1742. Honor Keife his wife died December 1740.
Byrn (2)	3	(Between Clancy altar tomb and Fleming. Right side) God be merciful to the souls of Mary Byrn alias Moran with six of her children dead, May ye 7 th 1742 aged 29. Erected by her son.
Bryan	4	(Beside Church ruin in line with Lanigan (2)) Erected by Mr John Bryan of Windgap, Kilkenny in memory of his mother Ellen Bryan who died 1848 and four of his children. Also Mr G. Bryan. R.I.P.
Byrne (1)	5	(Altar tomb (broken) near church entrance)

		Here lie the remains of Rev. William Byrne of Coolgrange who died 11 th June 1801 aged 35. In memory of a much pious Clergyman. Erected by friends and acquaintances.
Byrne (2)	6	(Beside above) Here lie the body of Mr Thomas Byrne Coolgrange who died March 9 th 1803 aged 72 as also his wife Mrs Margaret Byrne alias Cahill died December 17 th 1813 aged 74. Also their beloved son Mr Michael Byrne who died September 21 st 1799 aged 37.
Colles (1)	7	(Pediment to left inside gate, inside iron surround. White marble inset with inscription) Here rests the body of Alexander Colles Esq. second son of Richard and Anne Colles. He died 6 th March, 1876 aged 61, also that of Isobella Colles his wife who died 12 th January 1881 aged 58. Erected by their loving children. Note: Taken from Mrs C. Murphy's <i>'The Kilkenny Marble Works'</i> . O.K.R. (1948). Alexander Colles born 1815, and married in 1841 to Isobella Monserrat daughter of Mark Monserrat, wine merchant. Alex. Colles went to live with William Colles, Millmount in 1843 when he revived the marble industry which had been practically derelict since his father's death in 1849. He was Mayor of Kilkenny in 1862 & 63, when he erected the Market Gates. He was succeeded by his son Richard who sold the works and retired in 1920 thus severing their connection with the marble works after 200 years. William Colles (born 1702, died 1770) who founded the Marble Works was a son of a noted Dublin surgeon (also William). He married Susan Wheeler alias Hill, had 2 sons (William & Christopher) who died young and a daughter Hanna, born 1729 who married her first cousin Christopher James of the Rock, Kilkenny. (See James, Tomb No. 21) See St. Mary's Kilkenny for monument to above William. Surgeon Colles, Dublin gave his name to a fracture of the wrist – known since as a 'Colles Fracture'.
Colles (2)	8	(Altar tomb beside above) Mrs Mary Ann Colles widow of the late William Colles Esq. of Millmount who died 28 th November, 1840 in the 90 th year of her age. William Colles Esq. of Millmount died 20 th October 1849 aged 78. Richard Colles Esq. of Riverview died 17 th Oct 1849 age 76 son of above William and Mary Ann Colles. Prayer.
Connick	9	(Iron and facing road on right of Colles) Mrs Bridget Connick died June, 1893. R.I.P.
Clancy	10	(Altar tomb next to Nary (1)) This tomb erected by Patrick Clancy of Lavistown in memory of his daughter Nora who died 9 th February 180-- aged ---, also his wife Bridget who died January ----- . His son Michael died in May ---- and daughter Mary died --- 18 ---.
Cantwell	11	(One of eight facing roadway)

		Erected by Catherine Cantwell in memory of her beloved husband Thomas Cantwell of Dunbell who departed this life 13 th April 1889 aged 70.
Delahunty	12	(Close to Adams (Springfield) ditch) Erected by John Delahunty, Rose Inn St. in memory of his beloved wife Anastasia who died December 1898 and his son Thomas who died September, 1906. John Delahunty died September 1912, also his daughters May Delahunty died 24 th July, 1922 and Mrs Bridie Hayes died 16 th July 1931, also her husband Charles Hayes died March 8 th 1955 and Julia Delahunty died 26 th November 1957. R.I.P. Note: Charles Hayes was a Gents Hairdresser in Rose Inn Street.
Denison	13	(Small upright tomb stone near Church) Erected by John Denison of Smithstown in memory of his wife Margaret who died 1883, aged 70, also his mother Bridget Denison.
Divey	14	(Upper tomb stone beside Gibbs) God be merciful to the souls of John Divey who died August 15 th 1794 aged 80, also his wife Margaret Divey alias Dowling who died October 26 th 1795 aged 70. Also James Divey who died November 25 th 1809. Martin Divey died 1 st May 1912 aged 70 years. Laurence Divey died 28 th April 1937 aged 60. R.I.P. Note: Latter part of inscription i.e. Martin and Laurence appears to be fairly recently done.
Dowling	15	(Upper tomb stone (now flat on ground) beside Ryan) Erected by Rosinia Dowling of King Street, Kilkenny in memory of her brother James Dowling whom he has left to mourn his loss. His faults were few He died 27 th October 1860 aged 29.
Dullard	16	(At back (left side) of ruins) Erected by Michael Dullard to the memory of his wife Betty of Lavistown who died 17 th March, 1841 aged 50, also his daughter Bessy who died May 11 th 1818 aged 22 years.
Fleming	17	(Between Nowlan and Byrn) Erected by Margaret Fleming in memory of her father Nicholas Fleming who died 1773 aged 44.
Ford	18	(Upright tombstone, inside roadway ditch, near Connick) Erected by their loving children to the memory of John, Margaret and William Ford. Also to James and Anne Burchell (no date on this) Tomb maker - O'Dwyer, Kilkenny
Gibbs	19	(Upper tomb stone, lamb on top, right side of Divey) Erected by Anne Gibbs in memory of her beloved father Richard Gibbs of Templemartin who died March 12 th 1875, aged 77, also his son John Gibbs who died young. Here also interred are the remains of her sister Mrs Johanna Heffernan alias Gibbs who died October 7 th 1901 aged 54, and her husband Denis Heffernan who died January 7 th 1894 aged 60. The mortal remains of John Gibbs and his wife Mrs Johanna Gibbs alias Hayden Grandparents of Anne Gibbs of John Street, Kilkenny also lie here. R.I.P. Note: Egans Guide (1884) gives City Parliament Voters including John

		Heffernan, Cellarstown West with a rating of £111-10-0.
Hogan	20	(Small upright near Whitely altar tomb - end ditch). In memory of Mrs Mary Anne Hogan who died 21 st January, 1901
James	21	(Altar tomb facing roadway, behind McDonald (2)) Erected to the memory of Christopher James Esq. of Danville in the Liberties of Kilkenny. Barrister at Law. He departed this life January 1817 aged 71 years. Note: See note on Colles family re Christopher James of the Rock. Pigots Directory (1824) states that a James, 30 William Street, Dublin was admitted as a Barrister in Hilary Term 1798.
Jordan	22	(Beside Tallent, Upper tombstone, facing road) Erected by Judith Jordan in memory of her husband Peter Jordan who died June 4 th 1802 aged 39.
Kealy (1)	23	(Facing road) Erected by James Kealy of Maddoxtown in memory of his beloved wife Mary who died 14 th October 1933 aged 52. The above James Kealy died 31 st August 1955 aged 78 years. Note: James Kealy was one of the last men who worked in the Colles Marble Industry and was a skilled craftsman.
Kealy (2)	24	(Beside above) Erected by John Kealy in memory of his father and mother, three sisters and his wife and 3 children who died young. The above John Kealy died 1 st October 1905 aged 73 years.
King	25	(Large upright tombstone between Mahony and Lewis) Erected by Arthur King in memory of his brother James who died 10 th January, 1816 aged 27 years with two brothers and two sisters who died young. Also his grandson Arthur King who died February 17 th 1880 aged 21 years. R.I.P.
Kenny	26	(Between Treacy and Neil) God be merciful to the soul of Patrick Kenny who died 1 st September 1777 aged 70, also P.K. Kenny, grandson.
Langton (1)	27	(Upright tombstone between Michael Lanigan and William Langton) God be merciful to the souls of William Langton, Catherine Langton alias Cod his wife and the soul of Robert Langton deceased 1759.
Langton (2)	28	(Upright tombstone over altar tomb of Langton (3)) D.O.M. Here lieth the body of Mr William Langton, Clothier, also from the Parish of St. Canice. He died August 4 th 1756 aged 56 years with two of his children. R.I.P.
Langton (3)	29	(Altar tomb beside Clancy) Here lieth the body of Michael Langton who died November 3 rd 1790 aged 66 years, also his wife Margaret alias Dooly who died March 21 st 1763 aged 35 years. Their daughter Mary Langton died June 8 th 1788 aged 28 years.

Lannan (1)	30	(Near Lewis and Delahunty – Adams side) Erected by Mathew Lannan of Chapple of Pitt in memory of his daughter Eleanor who died February 14 th 1850 aged 24 years. His grandson John Lannan died 1 st February 1885 aged 25 years. His son John died March 16 th 1885 aged 69 years. R.I.P.
Lannan (2)	31	(Cross on top. Close to Church entrance and Byrne (1) altar tomb) Erected by James Lannan in memory of his brother Mathew who died 1860 aged 18 years. His father James Lannan died 1872 aged 72 years. His wife Bridget Lannan alias O'Neill died 1885 aged 32 years. His mother died in 1891 aged 82 years. Also above James died 1915 aged 68 and his brother John died 1922 aged 70 years.
Lannan (3)	32	(Beside above) Here lie the body of Mary Lannan who died September 10 th 1765, also William Lannan died 1767.
Lannan (4)	33	(Near above) Erected in memory of James Lannan of Maddoxtown who died 23 rd June 1822 aged 72 years. His son Laurence died in Newfoundland in December 1817 aged 34 years. Five of his children (sons) died young.
Lannan (5)	34	(Beside No 4. Small, old tomb stone.) Here lyeth ye body of Nicholas Lannan deceased March ye 5 th 1744 aged 5 years.
Lannan (6)	35	(Between above and Byrne (2)) Erected by John Lannan in memory of his father Michael Lannan who died March in the year 1796 aged 59 years. Also his wife Margaret Lannan alias Quirke who died March 11 th 1777 aged 35 years.
Lanigan (1)	36	(Beside Dullard) Erected by Michael Lannigan of Maddoxtown in memory of his wife Eleanor Lanigan alias Costelloe who died June 21 st 1858 aged 73. Also 2 children died young. Above named Michael Lanigan died April 5 th 1865 aged 84. His son Daniel died in Australia December 29 th 1880 aged 54 years, his son James died Dec 19 th 1882 aged 58 and his son Walter died 9 th February 1890. His daughter Margaret died 14 th April 1894 and his daughter Mary died 9 th December 1906. Note: A Walter Lanigan had a drapery shop in High Street in 1884 (Egan)
Lanigan (2)	37	(Between Neil and Bryan) Erected in memory of Michael Lannigan who died June 18 th 1882 aged 80 years.
Leahy	38	(Opposite road and beside Kealy) In memory of Edward Leahy who died 9 th May 1892. Mrs Eileen Leahy his wife died 5 th Nov 1901. Edward Leahy his son died April 27 th 1929 aged 52 and Nellie Leahy his granddaughter died 28 th May 1931 aged 22 years.
Lewis	39	(Upright tombstone between King and Lannan No.1) Erected by Patrick Lewis in memory of his father Nicholas who died June

		28 th 1805 aged 78 years. Also his mother Mary Lewis alias Brennan died May 4 th 1771 aged 66 and his sister Mary Farrell alias Lewis died October 10 th 1817 aged 66 years. R.I.P.
Lutterall	40	(Upright tombstone near Moran altar tomb) Erected by John Lutterall of Maddoxtown in memory of his beloved child Johanna who died 8 th November 1881 aged 12 years and his son Michael died September 26 th 1887 aged 22 years. His wife Margaret Lutterall died 31 st October 1890 aged 56 years.
McCarthy	41	(Upright tombstone nearest town ditch) In loving memory of Annie McCarthy, Maddoxtown who died August 23 rd 1898 and her sister Mary Anne died August 12 th 1907 aged 32 years. Also their parents, John McCarthy died September 8 th 1922 aged 80 years and his wife Mary McCarthy died November 27 th 1938 aged 88 years. R.I.P.
McDonald (1)	42	(In line with Kealy, Cantwell and Leahy, opposite road) Erected by Thomas McDonald of Maddoxtown in memory of his beloved father Daniel McDonald who died March 18 th 1872 aged 67 years. Also 2 of his children died young. Also his mother Ann McDonald who died 6 th May 1880 aged 70 years. His daughter Mary died 10 th October 1904 aged 19 years. Also the above Thomas McDonald who died 29 th June 1912 aged 62 years and his wife Ellen died 29 th September 1912 aged 55 years. His son James died 28 th March 1932 aged 68 years. R.I.P. Note: The McDonald family are associated with stone working and the Colles. Tom McDonald (Teddy) put up the ancient font for Kilkenny Archaeological Society in 1952. In 1970 he was working for Mullen.
McDonald (2)	43	(Beside above) Queen of the Most Holy Rosary pray for Bridget McDonald, Maddoxtown who died 11 th September 1960. Her sister Annie who died 24 th Aug. 1927. R.I.P.
McDonald (3)	44	Erected by Daniel McDonald, Maddoxtown in memory of his wife Mary McDonald who died June 25 th 1916 aged 31 years, also his son Michael McDonald died May 5 th 1914 aged 3 years. The above Daniel died 10 th Feb. 1956 aged 74 years. R.I.P.
Mahony	45	(Alongside Adam's ditch facing town) Erected by Martin Mahony of Maddoxtown in memory of his father Patrick Mahony who died 11 th February 1902 aged 67 years, also his mother Catherine Mahony died September 5 th 1921 aged 82. Also 3 children who died young. Above Martin Mahony died 24 th October, 1945 and his wife Ellen died 9 th December 1952 aged 60 years.
Moran	46	(Altar tomb behind Colles Pediment) Here lie the remains of Daniel Moran who died November 18 th 1825 aged 82. He lived for upwards of 60 years in the service of Mrs Colles of Millmount in this Parish, during all that time he took such care of her property as if it had been his own. His grateful mistress has erected this humble monument to extend her high respect to the very regretted memory of her faithful servant.

Nary (1)	47	(Upright tombstone between Nary and Nary (2) D.O.M. Here lieth the body of Michael Nary who died 25 th May 1750 aged 40 years, also his wife Mary Nary alias Hickey who died 21 st November 1784 aged 70 years. Grand-daughter Bridget Nary died December 24 th 1783 aged 5 years and Ann Nary died December 24 th aged 6 months. R.I.P.
Nary (2)	48	(Beside above) Erected by Patrick Nary in memory of his wife Jillan Nary alias Tynan who died August 22 nd 1801 aged 56 years, also her son Daniel Nary who died January 23 rd 1801 aged 17 years. R.I.P.
Neary (2)	49	(Between Nary (2) and Clancy) Erected by Thomas Neary of Woollengrange in memory of his wife Anastasia Neary alias Gorman who died April 7 th 1827 aged 50, also his daughter Eleanor Neary died ----- aged 22 years.
Neary (1)	50	(Facing road) Erected by Michael Neary of Maddoxtown in memory of his beloved child Patrick who died young and his son Michael died March 1941
Neil	51	(Nearest town, other side Lanigan (2)) Erected by John Neil of Maddoxtown in memory of his beloved wife Mary Neil alias Langton who died Jan 31 st 1848 aged 28 years, also her brother Laurence who died young. R.I.P.
Nowlan	52	(Between Fleming and Brown. Top part of tomb stone broken off and missing) ----- the body of John Nowlan of Maddoxtown who died July 21 st 1832 aged 60. R.I.P.
O'Connell	53	(Small upright tombstone near McCarthy) Erected by Michael O'Connell in memory of his wife who died 24 th February 1878 aged 28 years.
Phelan	54	(Beside Brown, towards Church ruins) This stone has been erected by James Phelan, Maudlin Street, Kilkenny, in memory of his father James Phelan who died 15 th September 1865 aged 40 and his mother Catherine Phelan died 19 th October 1884 aged 60 and his sister Mary died December 5 th 1888 aged 25. R.I.P.
Ryan	55	(Upright Monument with rustic-like Cross (ivy leaves) beside Walsh, between ruins and town ditch) Lord have mercy on the parents and relations of Thomas Ryan of Dominic street, Dublin late of Sion whose remains are interred here and elsewhere. Note: Pigots Directory 1824 gives Thomas Ryan, Dominic Street, Dublin as a Saddler and Harness maker.
Tallent (1)	56	(Upright tombstone under Church wall, east end, facing road) Lord God of Heaven and Earth be merciful to the soul of Thomas Tallent who died August in the year of Our Lord one thousand, eight hundred and twenty one in the 30 th year of his age. Also Tobias Tallent of Sheastown who departed this life July 1842 age 70 years. Note: Pigots Directory 1824 – Thomas Tallent Esq., Governor of City Gaol

Tallent (2)	57	(Altar tomb near above) Beneath this tomb lie the bodys of Mrs Alicia Tallent alias Fennelly who departed this life in the year of Our Lord 1818 in the 64 th year of her age; also Nicholas Tallent who died 6 th February 1820 in the 45 th year of his age.
Treacy	58	(In line with Fleming, City side) Here lieth the bodys of 3 children of Thomas Treacy, also Mary Dowling who died January 1 st 1741.
Walsh (1)	59	(Large upright tombstone beside town ditch) Erected by Patrick Walsh in memory of his mother Johanna Walsh who died March 20 th 1861 aged 50 years, also her two sons Michael and Robert who died young. Also his father John Walsh died April 18 th 1879 aged 64 years. The above Patrick Walsh died 2 nd March 1895 aged 49. R.I.P.
Whitely	60	(Altar tomb next to Hogan, end ditch) Erected by Patrick Whitely in memory of his father John Whitely late of Kilmocahill who died 3 rd April 1820; also his mother Mary Whitely who died August 8 th 1833 aged 75 years. R.I.P.
Lee	61	(Small upright tombstone on right of Church) In loving memory of Margaret Mary Lee who died April 9 th 1919 aged 9 weeks. Her father Michael Lee died Sept 1952 aged 62. Also his niece Alice Barry (baby).
Murphy	62	Erected by James Murphy, Maddoxtown in memory of his son Denis who died young, and his wife Kate who died Feb 9 th 1949 aged 58 years. His brothers William who died June 15 th 1961 aged 84 and Denis who died young. R.I.P.
Sheehan	63	(Beside Church) In loving memory of Thomas Sheehan, Inch Lodge who died 6 th Feb 1909 aged 35 years and two children died young. R.I.P.
Tallent (3)	64	(Upright stone repaired at back) Here lies interred the remains of Mr John Tallent late of this town. He died 3 rd June 1814 aged 72.
Walsh (2)	65	(Erected by James Walsh, Maddoxtown in memory of his children, Bridie who died 10 th April 1902 aged 3 years, Maggie died 17 th Feb 1903 aged 10 years and two infants who died young.
Tobin	66	In loving memory of Joseph Tobin who died 20 th Sept 1920 also his four children who died young. Erected by his wife and family. Also his daughter Agnes Tobin who died 6 th Dec 1935, and his son Michael who died 18 th Sept 1939, and his wife Mary Tobin died 1 st June 1969 aged 90 years.

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