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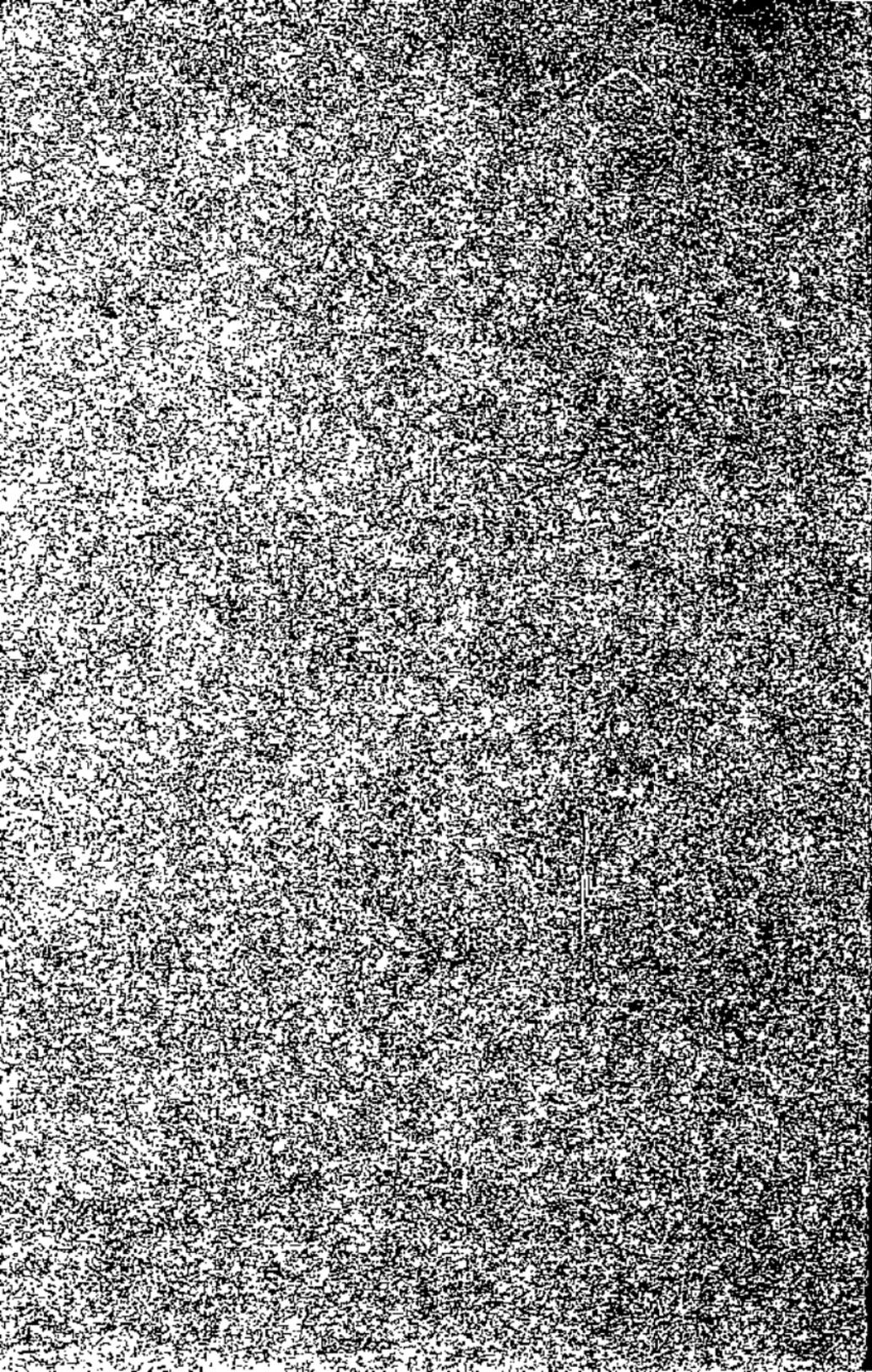
MEMOIR

OF THE

FAMILY OF ANKETELL.

*A Protest against the way in which the Pedigree
of the Family of Anketill or Anketell appears
in the New Edition of Sir B. Burke's
"Landed Gentry."*

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The Sources from which the following information has been derived are—

1. Wills in Prerogative Office, Four Courts, Dublin.
2. Bills in Chancery.
3. Deeds in Registry of Deeds Office, Dublin.
4. Lists of Town-lands in same Office.
5. Rental of Anketell's Grove Estates.
6. Family Bibles and Private Letters.
7. The Registers of Errigal Parish from 1803.
8. Statements of R. C. Anketell, Oliver Anketell, Miss Campbell, Mrs. Hughes, and Mrs. McWilliam, who in 1856 was 90 years old.

The Registers of Errigal Parish from 1700 to 1803 are lost. No Parochial Return can be found from 1700 to 1803. There are no Marriage Licence Books for the Dioceses of Clogher and Armagh before 1712, and none between 1733 and 1815.

Donagh Registers begin in 1795.

Having no Registers to appeal to between 1700 and 1803 my task has been one of some difficulty, and has taken considerable time.

The Registers of Errigal Church appear to have been lost during the Incumbency of the Rev. Anketell Moutray.

Memoir of the Family of Anketell.



KNOWING the shortness of life, and feeling how important it is that my sons should not be ignorant of the history of their branch of the Anketell Family, I will delay no longer in placing in a connected form what I have been able to gather from Deeds, Wills, Leases, Letters, and Private Papers, concerning my ancestors.

The branch of the Anketell family from which I descend was founded by ⁽¹⁾ Roger Anketell, of Dernamuck *alias* Mount Anketell, who was the second son of ⁽²⁾ Robert Anketell and his wife Mary, daughter of ⁽³⁾ Mr. William Holland, of Drumbanagher, in the County of Monaghan, Gentleman. ⁽⁴⁾ Mr. Robert Anketell is stated to have been the son of Matthew Anketell, Esq., of Anketell Grove, County Monaghan, by his wife Matilda, daughter of Robert Moore, Esq., of Garvey Castle, County Tyrone, and 16 in descent from ⁽⁵⁾ Roger Anketell, of Anketell Place, Shaftesbury, A.D. 1272.

Mr. Roger Anketell had the lands of Dernamuck demised ⁽⁶⁾ to him in the year 1748, by Oliver Anketell, of Anketell Grove, his eldest brother William being at the time 35 years of age, his youngest brother John 18, and his sister Mary 37. (See Deed in the Registry of Deeds Office, Dublin.) Mr. Roger Anketell married 1742, Rhoda, daughter of Mr. John Foster, of County Louth. (See Statement of Roger Cornwallis Anketell and Oliver Anketell, A.D. 1790. Also Will of Roger Anketell, Prerogative Office, Four Courts, Dublin, A.D. 1781.)

Mr. Roger Anketell, my great grandfather, left by his wife Rhoda, who survived him, five sons, viz. :—

1. John Anketell, in Holy Orders, of Anketell Lodge, Stewart's Town.

See ⁽¹⁾ Will of Roger Anketell, Prerogative Office, Dublin.

⁽²⁾ Letters of Oliver Anketell and R. C. Anketell.

⁽³⁾ See Wills in Prerogative Office and Statement of Mrs. McWilliam and Mrs. Cambell.

⁽⁴⁾ See Rental of Estate and Letter of F. M. Anketell.

⁽⁵⁾ See Hutchens' Dorset, Part IX.

⁽⁶⁾ See Deed, Registry of Deeds Office, Dublin.

2. William Anketell, of Dungillick, (1) Curraghmore, and Plaster, in the Counties of Monaghan and Tyrone, Gentleman.
3. Oliver Anketell, of Kissamone (1) Belragh and Altavadin, Barrister-at-Law.
4. Thomas Anketell, (2) a Major in the 30th Regiment of Foot.
5. Roger Anketell, J.P., of Mount Anketell, in the County of Monaghan, Esq.

Mr. Roger Anketell died in 1782, and his Will was proved in the same year by his three sons, John, William, and Oliver. The following is an Abstract of the Will which may be seen in the Prerogative Office, Four Courts, Dublin.

“Roger Anketell, of Dernamuck, in the County of Monaghan, Gentleman, through the mercies of God lately recovered from a most violent fit of sickness and being still weak of body and indisposed, but of sound disposition of mind, memory, and understanding, Do hereby make and publish this to be my last Will and testament.” ‘He directs his body to be buried in the Churchyard of Errigal, the cost not to exceed £20. He leaves the following town-lands to his sons Oliver and Roger Anketell, jointly, Greagh, Middle Dernalussett, Tamlab Curraghmore; to his son Oliver individually, the town lands of Kissamone *alias* Ivy Hill, Altavadin, and Belragh; to his son Roger individually, the town lands of Aghassurs and Dernamuck Anketell; to his son William, the lease of Dungillick (1) and the freehold of Plaster. The lands of Greagh, Middle Dernalussett, Tamlab, and Curraghmore being charged with annuities to his dearly-beloved wife Rhoda Anketell, his eldest son John Anketell, Clerk in Holy Orders, his second son William, his fourth son Thomas Anketell, a Lieut. in 30th Regiment of Foot, then serving in America, his sister Mary Blair, his nephew William Anketell, and his niece Mary Anketell, he leaves each of his sons the furniture of their own rooms and directs that his widow shall live with one of her sons. A sum of ready money to be given to his sons at his death, and he appoints his four sons John, William, Oliver, and Roger, his executors.’

This Will is dated 14th Dec., 1781, and was proved by the Rev. John Anketell, William Anketell, and Oliver Anketell, on 3rd Sep., 1782.

From this Will I find that my great grandfather was possessed at the time of his death of the following Freehold and Leasehold Properties in the Counties of Monaghan and Tyrone.

(1) See Shirley, Monaghan list of Town lands.

(2) See Army List, 1785.

- I. 1. Derramuck *alias* Mount Anketell.
 2. Greagh.
 3. Middle Dernalussett.
 4. Tamlab.
 5. Kissamone *alias* Ivy Hill. (2)
 6. Belragh.
 7. Altavadin.
 8. Plaster.
 9. Abassur.
 10. Dungillick. (1)
 11. Curraghmore.

And that his five sons were filling positions in the Church, in the Army, at the Bar, and as Country Gentlemen in their native County. The following is a biographical sketch of these five sons and the families they founded.

1. The Rev. John Anketell, Mr. Roger Anketell's oldest son by his wife Rhoda, was born A.D. 1744, he was educated under the Rev. Dr. Grubier, at the Royal School, Armagh, then (3) the most celebrated School in Ireland (see Trench's Realities of Irish Life), he Matriculated at Trinity College, Dublin, in the year 1760, took his Degree in due course, and was admitted to Holy Orders in the year 1770, he served as a Curate in the Diocese of Armagh, and died at Anketell Lodge, Stewart's Town, 1824; he married Miss Stephenson, of County Tyrone, and left by her, who survived him, two sons, Roger Cornwallis Anketell, a Lieutenant in the Tyrone Fusiliers, and a J.P. for Tyrone, Commission dated 1800, and James Rodney Anketell, a Lieutenant in the Army and Monaghan Militia.

Officers serving in Regiment at same time,—

Colonel, Lord Charlamount.

Captain, Viscount Northland.

„ Lord Claud Hamilton.

„ Robert Moore.

„ Burleigh Stewart.

1. (3) Lieut. Roger Cornwallis Anketell, he married Miss Hare, of County Limerick, and by her, whom he survived, left two daughters, both unmarried.

(1) See Shirley, Monaghan list of Town lands under Dungillick and Ivy Hill.

(2) See his letters and private papers, also preface to book.

(3) See Army List for 1806.

2. (1) James Rodney Anketell, a Lieutenant in the Army and Monaghan Militia, Commission dated 1806, died s. p.

Officers in Regiment at the same time,—

Colonel, Mathew Anketell.

Lieutenant, James Seaton.

„ (1) James Rodney Anketell.

„ Alexander Moutray.

The Rev. John Anketell was remarkable for his wit and humour, and was a constant contributor to the *Dublin Chronicle* in its best days, he published in 1793 a book of poems which caused considerable amusement at the time.

2. William Anketell, Mr. Roger Anketell's second son married in the year 1780, Eleanor, daughter of the Rev. Dr. Owens, (2) of County Fermanagh (see Ecklin and Faussett's Families of that County). On the day of his marriage his father presented him with the Lease of Dungillick and the Freehold of Plaster, he died on the 7th January, 1828, and left issue four sons and three daughters.

1. Roger Anketell, of Ivy Hill and Plaster, in the Counties of Monaghan and Tyrone, Gentleman, he married in 1816 Mary, daughter of Captain Ker, of His Majesty's Army, who died in India, in 1816. (See Deeds of Families of Ker or Kerr, also Wills, County Donegal.) Mr. Roger Anketell died on the 11th June, 1824, and was buried at Errigal on 13th June, leaving by his wife Mary who died on 1st July, 1836, aged 47, three sons and four daughters, viz. :—

1. John, who emigrated to Australia.

2. William, accompanied him.

3. James, emigrated to America.

(1) Margaret, married William Leaper, Esq., M.D., of Keady, and left issue one son and three daughters, (i) William, Mary, Jane, Eleanor.

(2) Ellen Anketell, baptized 2nd Feb., 1812, died A.D. 1860, unmarried.

(3) Mary, baptized 27th Feb., 1819, married (3) Morris Townsend Somerville, Esq., son of Thomas Townsend Somerville, Esq., J.P., D.L., of Drishan, County Cork, and has had issue Neville, Richard, Ancketill.

(4) Elizabeth, died 1884, unmarried.

(1) See Army List for 1806.

(2) See her Will in Four Courts.

(3) See that Family.

Mr. William Anketell's second son by his wife Eleanor. John Anketell emigrated to New England, where he married Augusta a lady of fortune, and dying in 1863 left two sons.

(1) John Anketell, in Holy Orders, in the American Episcopal Church, sometime American Chaplain at Dresden.

(2) Edward Anketell, a Barrister at the American Bar.

Mr. William Anketell's third son, Thomas Anketell, succeeded his father at Dungillick, he was born there on 1st September, 1791, and died on 8th January, 1868, he was a Magistrate and a Grand Juror for the County of Monaghan for over 40 years. In the year 1868 the Tenantry of the Anketell Grove and Fort Singleton Estates joined the Gentry of the County of Monaghan and presented him with a testimonial.

(1) A Family Bible bound in gold.

(2) A silver Centrepiece.

(3) And a Purse of Gold.

On a Shield leaning against the Centrepiece is the following inscription, and also inside the Bible.

"Presented to Thomas Anketell, Esq., J.P., by a number of his friends of various classes and creeds as a mark of the high opinion they entertain for his upright, honourable, and Christian character."

The Address is Signed by the Lord Lieutenant of the County, Sixteen Magistrates, and Deputy-Lieut., 12 Clergymen, and 600 Tenants. The Address was read and the Presentation made by the High Sheriff of the County of Monaghan.

He married on the 28th August, 1820, in Errigal Church, Jane Ker, daughter of Captain Ker, (1) of His Majesty's Army, who died in India, in 1815, and was a Captain in the same Regiment with Mr. Alexander afterwards Lord Caledon. Mr. Anketell left by her, who died on 25th July, 1840, aged 47 years, six sons and a daughter.

1. William Anketell, J.P., of Merry Creek, Victoria, a Magistrate for Victoria, baptized (2) in Errigal Church, on 22nd July, 1821, is married and has issue.

2. James Ker Anketell, J.P., of Brookvale, Clogher, County Tyrone, a Magistrate for the Counties of Monaghan and Tyrone, and Chairman of the Clogher Board of Guardians, born at Dungillick, A.D. 1822, unmarried.

(1) See Army List and Deeds of this Family.

(2) See Registers of Errigal Church which begin A.D. 1803.

3. Thomas Anketell, in Holy Orders, born at Dungillick, A.D. 1824, Vicar of Maraghatoon, Diocese of Clogher, for 21 years Incumbent of Shanon, Errigal, educated at the Royal School, Armagh, and Trinity College, Dublin, B.A. 1845, married Sarah, daughter of H. Synnamond, of Drumcree, and died 21st April, 1874, leaving four sons and four daughters.
- 1, Thomas Henry, 2, Oliver, 3, William Robert, 4, James Mary, Edith, Selina, Eleanor.
4. John Anketell, Sub-inspector Royal Irish Constabulary, baptized at Errigal, 10th February, 1826, died 26th July, 1870, and buried at Mount Jerome, Dublin.
5. Roger Anketell, baptized at Errigal, 24th January, 1827, educated at Royal School, Dungannon, and Trinity College, Dublin, married Miss Young, daughter of Rev. A. Young, Oyster Bay, Newark, U. S., and has issue, now of Wisconsin, U. S.
6. Oliver Anketell, born at Dungillick, 21st October, 1830, educated at the Royal School, Dungannon, and Trinity College, Dublin, married in 1864, Ellen, daughter of James B. Boyd, Esq., J.P., of Bolear, Co. Armagh, and sister of the late Colonel Horner Boyd, who died in command 17th Regiment of Foot, and has issue.
- 1, Margaret, unmarried.

Thomas Anketell, Esq., my Father, married secondly on the 4th August, 1841, at Ballymore Eustus Church, County Kildare, Wilhelmina, daughter of R. M. Kennedy, Esq., of Dublin, and sister of the Very Rev. R. M. Kennedy, Dean of Clonfert, Precentor St. Patrick's Cathedral, Dublin, and the Very Rev. Thomas Le Ban Kennedy, D.D., Dean of Clogher, and Rector of Dunaghmoine, County Monaghan, and by her who died on 23rd March, 1879, aged 71 years, he left issue six sons and a daughter.

- I. Robert Thomas Le Ban Anketell, in Holy Orders, born at Dungillick, 24th March, 1843, married Mary Jane, daughter of Mr. George Elliott, no issue.
- II. Henry Kennedy Anketell, in Holy Orders, Vicar of Seagry, Diocese of Gloucester and Bristol, born at Dungillick, 28th March, 1845, married 28th December, 1870, at St. Mary's, Winkfield, near Windsor, Sarah Amalia, youngest survi-

single daughter of (A) John Fullarton Burnside, Esq., of Mugdock Castle, N. B., and has had issue four sons and three daughters.

I. Archibald Kennedy Anketell, born at 8, Eaton Place, Brighton, on 20th September, 1871, killed at Durbridge, Redmarley, D'Abitol, on 31st March, 1878, and there buried on 28th March.

II. Raimund Henry Fitz-Amaleuc Anketell, born on 22nd August, 1873, at Winkfield, near Windsor.

III. Oliver Kenneth Burnside Anketell, born on 15th September, 1875, at Winkfield, near Windsor.

IV. Arthur Gordon Anketell, born 9th August, 1877, at Durbridge, Redmarley, D'Abitol.

V. Lillian Mary Anketell, born 30th November, 1880, at Seagry Vicarage, Chippenham.

VI. Eleanor Bruce Anketell, born 21st April, 1882, at Seagry Vicarage, Chippenham.

VII. Lucy Gertrude Anketell, born 22nd March, 1885, at Seagry Vicarage, Chippenham.

VIII. Wilberforce Anketell, Mr. Thomas Anketell's third son by his wife Wilhelmina, was born at Dungillick, on 6th April, 1846, and died in New York on 14th September, 1879, leaving by his wife, Bessy, one son, Thomas, and a daughter, Wilhelmina.

IX. Alfred Owens Anketell, born at Dungillick, 16th April, 1848, now in United States, America, married and has issue.

X. Theodore Kennedy Anketell, died in infancy.

XI. Frederick Adolphus Anketell, born at Dungillick, on 6th March, 1852, in the Military Train, Volunteered to convey the Guns of R. H. A. from Bombay to Candahar, in 1879, seized with cholera on the march at Qnetta, Afghanistan, and died there on 14th June, 1879, buried the same day with military honours, four rounds were fired over his body and a tomb erected to his memory before the march to Candahar was resumed.

XII. Jane Ker Anketell, born at Dungillick, on the 18th June, 1860, Married the Rev. William Studdard Kennedy, Vicar of St. Mary's, Leeds, and eldest son of the Very Rev. R. M. Kennedy, Dean of Clonfort.

(1) See Elphinston, Fullarton, Buller, Baron Elphinston's Pedigree; also the Pedigree of Lord Harris Collateral Branches.

IV. Oliver Anketell, Mr. William Anketell's fourth son by his wife Eleanor, died at Bathgar, near Dublin, 1854, without issue. (See his Will in Prerogative Office, Dublin.)

I. Esther Anketell, married in Errigal Church, on 3rd May, 1810, John Murdock, Esq., of Glasslough.

II. Mary Anketell, married William Walker, Esq., of County Armagh.

III. Eleanor Anketell, married (1) William Pringle, Esq., of Caladon, County Tyrone.

III. Oliver Anketell, of Kiasamone, Belragh, and Alfavadin, Barrister-at-Law, third son of Roger and Rhoda Anketell, was born 1749, he was educated at the Royal School, Armagh, under the Rev. Dr. Grubier, and at Trinity College, Dublin, he resided at Ivy Hill, in 1793, afterwards at Cork Hill Park, Enniakillen, which he rented at the yearly rent of £120, he died at Anketell Grove, in the year 1830, aged 81 years. His diary is still preserved, and many letters, which show that he was a man of considerable refinement and on intimate terms with the leading men of his time. His will was proved in 1831. He died unmarried. His collection of plate and jewels was inherited by my father. (See his Will in Prerog. Office.)

IV. Thomas Anketell, fourth son of Roger and Rhoda (2) Anketell, a Major in 30th Regiment of Foot, educated at the Royal School, Armagh, entered the Army in his 15th year, serving in the Island of Dominica, in 1793, married Miss Young, whose father was Governor of the Island. He was remarkable for his powerful physique, and his exploits as an athlete were celebrated in Trough, in prose and verse.

V. Roger Anketell, Esq., of Mount Anketell, born 1762, died 1839, aged 77 years, he left no legitimate issue.

This concludes the history of a branch of the Anketell family, which claims descent from Roger Anketell, of Anketell Place, Shaftesbury, A.D., 1272. See Hutchens' Dorset, Part IX.

1st day of May, 1885.

Signed HENRY K. ANKETELL.

(1) See Wills of that Family in the Prerogative Office.

(2) See Army Lists from 1760.

Connection between Roger Anketill, of Dernamuck *alias* Mount Anketel, and Roger Anketel, of Anketel Place, Shaftesbury, 1245.

Roger Anketel, of Anketel Place, 1245, left a son Roger Anketell, 1272, his son William, M.P. for Shaftesbury, 1306, his son John, 1333, his son William, 1374, his son William, 1433, his son Oliver, 1450, his son John, 1478, his son William, 1524, his son Thomas, his son George, 1536, his son Christopher, 1574, his son Christopher, 1619, his son William, 1630, his son Oliver, 1666, his son Matthew, 1688, his son Robert, 1730, his son Roger, 1782. See Hutchens' Dorset.

AGENDA.

Some Strictures on the Pedigree of Anketell, of Anketell Grove, or Anketell, as given in Sir B. Burke's Landed Gentry, and Shirley's, Monaghan.

I. Oliver Anketell who died in 1760 is stated to have married once, the fact is he married twice; his first wife died in 1742, his second wife Ann, survived him. (See his Will in Prerogative Office, Dublin.)

II. Bullingbroke Anketell could not have been Oliver Anketell's brother as he had two sisters Margaret and Sussangh; his father and mother were alive at time of his death, 1803. (*) (See his Will in Prerog. Office.)

III. Frederick Anketell, of Drumconally who died in 1792, could not have been a brother of Oliver Anketell who died in 1760, Matthew Anketell died 1688, aged 36 years. There could not have been a space of 30 years between the brothers, considering that Oliver Anketell, who died in 1760, executed with his eldest brother William, in 1701, a Deed for Sale of Forfeited Estates, he must have been 21 at that time and therefore born about 1679, seven years before his Father's death. This Deed was signed by his Father Matthew Anketell, in 1674. (See Deed for Sale of Forfeited Estates, McKenna v. Anketell, Prerogative Office, Four Courts, Dublin.)

Matthew Anketell who was killed in 1688, had a sister Elizabeth, they were both godparents to Elizabeth Roberts, in Errigal Church on the 8th June, 1688, two years after the death of their father which took place at Armagh on 28th June, 1686.

See Parochial Returns from Parish of Errigal, for that year.

Other persons who are affected by the way the Pedigree of the Anketell or Anketell family appears in the last edition of Sir B. Burke's Landed Gentry, are the descendants of John Anketell of the County of Cork, who died in 1646, and bequeathed to his brother Anthony Anketell £200 for the use of his son and his nephew Samuel Anketell. This John Anketell left with other issue a son, John Anketell, a minor at the time of his father's death. His son John Anketell, of Moyalan, County Cork, executed a Deed between himself and his brother Mervin, A.D. 1779. (See Deed in Prerogative Office, Dublin.)

See Wills of John Anketell, Richard Anketell, Ellen Anketell, Prerog. Office.
See Deeds in Reg. Deeds Office.

Bills and Deeds in which members of this family appear, Anketell v. Eakless, Hamilton, Wiley, Dunlop, Anketell, A. Moore, Stephens, Holland, Johnson, &c.

In 1738 we find living a Robert Anketell and a Richard Anketell, who are stated to have been the sons of John Anketell, of Targuin, County Kerry. (1) Richard Anketell, M.D., died in 1784, leaving issue,

Mary Ann Anketell.

Richard Anketell.

John Anketell.

Alice Anketell.

In 1803 Ellen Anketell, of Dingle, County Cork died, leaving issue,

Lucy Alicia Anketell.

George Anketell.

Richard Anketell.

She was the Widow of Richard Anketell, Son of Richard Anketell, M.D., of Limerick, (see his Will,) who was Son of John Anketell, of Targuin. Members of this family are still living in Ireland, and bearing the name of Anketell.

Scattered Notes of the Family of Anketell.

1. I have in my possession a Copy of an Old Deed giving the boundaries of Brokenborough, near Malmesbury, Signed at Malmesbury, A.D. 1162, and among the Witnesses is one named Anketill.

2. Upon Maisemore Bridge leading from Gloucester to Redmarley D'Abitot there formerly stood a Cross with this inscription:

“In honore Deū nri Thū qui nobis crucifixus erat Ceosie croz. fiz Willm. fiz Anketill de litton. Et Ciscoli Willm. fiz Anketill comenza pont de Mzemore.” Which means:

“For the honor of the Lord Jesus Christ who was crucified for us, William, the son of Anketill made this Cross, and the same William, the son of Anketill began the Bridge of Maysemore.” No (c) appears in the spelling this name, (see Ruddier's Gloucestershire.)

S. Nostell and its Priors.

Amongst the list of the Priors of this once famous Religious House I find the following notice.

Anketillus the fifth prior died A.D. 1196, after reigning 21 years, he began the Choir of the Church and built several houses. At that early date the name was spelt without a (c). Anketillus began his rule in the year 1176.

Magdalen College School, Oxford.

Anketillus was the first Master of this School, A.D. 1480.

(1) See his Adventures in France.

