

There is an old castle in ruins in Tinekill Townland.

Tenachelly (now Tinekill) Kilmuyman (now Kilmainham) and Acargar (now Acragar) appear on the old Map of Leix and Ophaly, on which is also shewn not far from Kilmainham to the south west, a Church called Killugay, which I cannot identify with any of those above mentioned nor with any name nor feature now existing in the Parish. Perhaps it is the Church which, having lost its ancient appellation, now goes by the modern name of Ivy Church?

In the northern portion of this Parish is situated Portnehinch, Port ne h-Inse, i.e., the Fort of the Island, and to the south of the Barrow. 195

Though this name became the name of the Barony, and its signification would suggest the existence of a castle or fortress, yet it is not even traditionally known that there ever was a castle within the townland at present bearing the appellation. Nor does Portnehinch occur as a notable locality in any of our documents. Sir Charles Coote, though he treats of the Barony, does not at all advert to Portnehinch as a place of note, either at the time he wrote or before it. On this particular, he says not a word.

Your obedient servant,
T. O'Connor.

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Stradbally,
December 8th 1838.

Dear Sir,

Having finished Ossory, I now proceed to Hy Regan in Offaley, anciently and at present the country of the O'Duns.

OF THE PARISH OF ROSSANALLIS.

This Parish forms the south east portion of Hy Regan, now the Barony of Tinnahinch. It is bounded on the north and north west by the Parish of Rearymore; on the east by the Parish of Castlebrack; on the south by the Parishes of Ardea and Clonenagh and on the south west by the Parish of Offerilan. 197

NAME. Rossanallis, now corruptly pronounced Rose in Aalice, seems to be the Church called Ros Finnglaise by the ecclesiastical Irish writers, though this never occurred to Colgan who gives this Church as Ros an Aluis in the list of Churches and monasteries erected by St. Bridget. If the original name be Ros Finn Glaise, as I suppose, it signifies the Wood (Boscus) of the Finglas (Fionnglaise) or Clear Stream, an appellation which would be applicable