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John McLoughlin (c1800-1901)¹, a farmer of Ardmoneen, Leitrim, Ireland lived a very long life. He married twice and had at least 4 children. He probably had more children but baptismal records began in 1841.² John was buried at the Kilmakerril Graveyard, Munakil townland, near Manorhamilton, Leitrim.

“Pray for the soul of
John McLoughlin of Ardmoneen
who departed this life 22 September 1901
aged 99 years
Erected by his son
the late Rev'd Patrick McLoughlin P.P.
of Glenade
who died 16th April 1909
age 55 years
and is buried in the grounds
of his parish church
R.I.P.”³

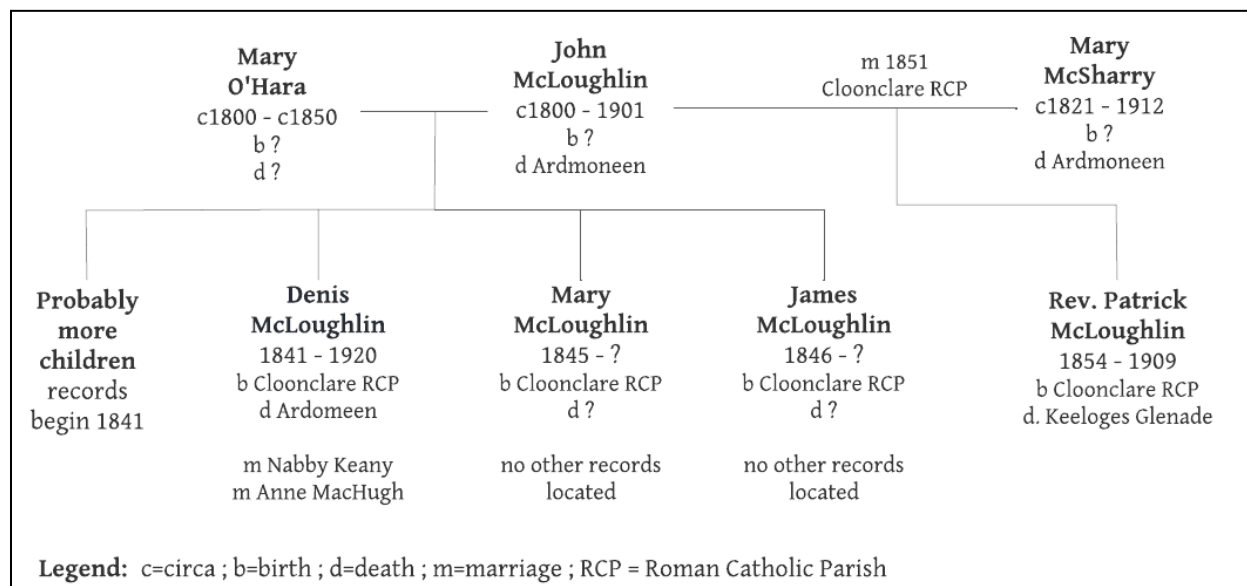


Image 1 - Family Tree for McLoughlin, O'Hara, and McSharry

¹ Minister for Culture, Heritage and the Gaeltacht, 23 Kildare St, Dublin 2, Ireland, civil death record, Manorhamilton District, Manorhamilton Union, Leitrim County, John McLoughlin, 22 September 1901; database and images, *IrishGenealogy* (https://civilrecords.irishgenealogy.ie/churchrecords/images/deaths_returns/deaths_1901/0571/46148.pdf : accessed 24 March 2022).

² "Genealogical Sources Available Online," Leitrim, *RootsIreland.ie* (<https://rootsireland.ie/leitrim/online-sources.php>) : accessed 15 March 2022).

³ Leitrim Genealogy Centre, Kilmakerril Graveyard, Munakil townland near Manorhamilton, Leitrim, Ireland, transcript for John McLoughlin, no. 196; Patricia Mc Cartin, Leitrim Genealogy Centre, Ballinamore, Leitrim, Ireland, info@leitrimroots.com to Judith Blanco, email, 5 December 2017; privately held by Judith Blanco..

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In 1901, when John died he left 235£ to Denis Daly, school master. This would be over 30,777£ today.⁴ His death record listed his age at 99 and the 1901 census listed it at 101.⁵ Neither John McLoughlin nor his wife Mary could read and write, yet education must have been important to him to leave such a sum to a school master.

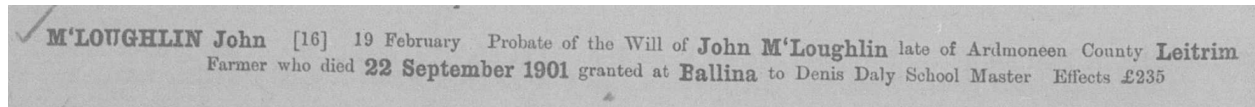


Image 2 - Will for John McLoughlin 1901⁶

Seeking connections

So who was Denis Daly (1851-1922)

Denis Daly, school master, was the son of Maryanne McLoughlin and James Daly, school master.

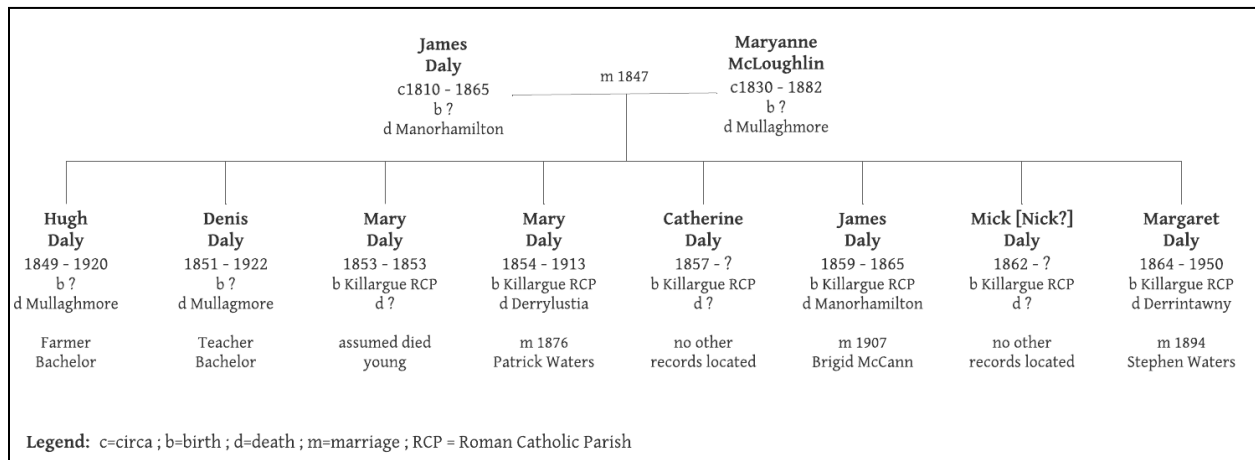


Image 3 - Family tree for James Daly and Maryanne McLoughlin

⁴ "CPI Inflation Calculator," *in2013dollars.com* (<https://www.in2013dollars.com/uk/inflation/1901?amount=235> : accessed 24 May 2022).

[Note for simplicity used only UK currency]

⁵ "1901 Census for Ireland," database and images, *National Archives of Ireland* (<http://www.census.nationalarchives.ie/pages/1901/Leitrim/Glenfarne/Ardmoneen/1474851/> : accessed 24 May 2024), entry for John McLoughlin (age 101), house 10, Ardmoneen, Glenfarne, Leitrim.

⁶ John McLoughlin will, died 22 Sep 1901, Ardmoneen, County Leitrim, granted in Ballina ; database and images, "Calendar of Wills and Administration, 1858-1922," *nationalarchives.com* (http://www.willcalendars.nationalarchives.ie/reels/cwa/005014q12/005014q12_00452.pdf : accessed 13 May 2022).

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Denis Daly (1851-1922), national school teacher, lived in the Mullaghmore townland, Killargue Roman Catholic Parish, Killagra civil Parish, County Leitrim, Ireland.⁷ The same year of John McLoughlin's death in 1901, Denis Daly lived with his two brothers, Hugh and James, and Mary Waters, his niece. They could all read and write. They lived together in a 3-roomed house made of brick, stone, or concrete with a roof of thatch or wood, 3 windows in front, and 8 out buildings.⁸ Next door lived the family of Philip and Mary Sheridan Waters. Philip was probably another uncle to Mary. Mary Waters (1879-1901) died fourteen days after the 1901 census was recorded.⁹ She was the granddaughter of James Daly (1810-1865)¹⁰ and Maryanne McLoughlin (c1830-1882).¹¹ Mary Waters was born in Derrylustia, Leitrim, the child of Patrick Waters and Mary Daly. Derrylustia is in the Inishmagrath civil parish, Killenummery Roman Catholic Parish, and Manorhamilton civil registration district. Mary's mother was originally from the Killargue Roman Catholic parish as listed on her 1876 marriage record.¹² The three Roman Catholic parishes of Manorhamilton, Killenummery, and Killargue are all in northern Leitrim.

Denis Daly and his father James Daly, taught at the Lughnaskeehan National School that was in the townland that borders Mullaghmore. The proof that James was a national school teacher was listed on his wife's death record, his daughter's marriage record,¹³ and even his death record.

⁷ Minister for Culture, Heritage and the Gaeltacht, 23 Kildare St, Dublin 2, Ireland, civil death record, Manorhamilton District, Manorhamilton Union, Leitrim County, Denis Daly, 3 Jan 1922 ; database and images, *IrishGenealogy* (https://civilrecords.irishgenealogy.ie/churchrecords/images/deaths_returns/deaths_1922/05079/4393388.pdf : accessed 25 May 2022).

[Note: Mullaghmore townland, retired National School teacher.]

⁸ "1901 Census for Ireland," database and images, *National Archives of Ireland* (<http://www.census.nationalarchives.ie/pages/1901/Leitrim/Belhavel/Mullaghmore/1485981/> : accessed 24 May 2024), entry for Denis Daly (age 49), house 11, Mullaghmore, Belhavel, Leitrim.

⁹ Minister for Culture, Heritage and the Gaeltacht, 23 Kildare St, Dublin 2, Ireland, civil death record, Manorhamilton District, Manorhamilton Union, Leitrim County, Mary Waters, 16 Apr 1901; database and images, *IrishGenealogy* (https://civilrecords.irishgenealogy.ie/churchrecords/images/deaths_returns/deaths_1901/05728/4616405.pdf : accessed 20 May 2022).

¹⁰ Minister for Culture, Heritage and the Gaeltacht, 23 Kildare St, Dublin 2, Ireland, civil death record, Manorhamilton District, Manorhamilton Union, Leitrim County, James Daly, 1865; database and images, *IrishGenealogy* (<https://civilrecords.irishgenealogy.ie/churchrecords/details-civil/9175b622452086> : accessed 28 June 2022); copy of record from General Register Office, Roscommon in personal files Judith Blanco for James Daly, age 55, died 22 June 1865, Mullaghmore townland, school master, Mary Daly widow present at death.

¹¹ Minister for Culture, Heritage and the Gaeltacht, 23 Kildare St, Dublin 2, Ireland, civil death record, Manorhamilton District, Manorhamilton Union, Leitrim County, Mary Deally [Daly], 19 Jun 1882 ; database and images, *IrishGenealogy* (https://civilrecords.irishgenealogy.ie/churchrecords/images/deaths_returns/deaths_1882/06403/4838667.pdf : accessed 26 March 2022).

¹² Minister for Culture, Heritage and the Gaeltacht, 23 Kildare St, Dublin 2, Ireland, civil marriage record, Registrar's District, Manorhamilton, Leitrim County, Patrick Waters and Maryanne Daly, 15 Apr 1866 ; database and images, *IrishGenealogy* (https://civilrecords.irishgenealogy.ie/churchrecords/images/marriage_returns/marriages_1876/1157/8087132.pdf : accessed 26 May 2022).

¹³ Minister for Culture, Heritage and the Gaeltacht, 23 Kildare St, Dublin 2, Ireland, civil marriage record, Manorhamilton District, Manorhamilton Union, Leitrim County, Stephen Waters and Margaret Daly, 31 May 1894 ; database and images, *IrishGenealogy* (https://civilrecords.irishgenealogy.ie/churchrecords/images/marriage_returns/marriages_1894/10561/5847311.pdf : accessed 26 March 2022).

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School registers, even listed James' grandchildren, Patrick and Denis,¹⁴ who attended this school.¹⁵

To paint a picture of how James Daly lived, in 1857 he leased a house, office, and land from representatives of Margaret Phibb. This included 12 acres, and a building valued at 10 shillings in the townland Mullaghmore.¹⁶ This townland is in the Killagra Civil Parish and Killargue Roman Catholic Parish. At this time a building valued in the Griffith's Valuation of 25£ signified a mansion, 15 shillings a three room house with thatched roof, and 5 shillings a windowless hut so the Daly family probably lived in a 2 room house.¹⁷

So who was Maryanne McLoughlin (c1830-1882)

Maryanne McLoughlin's connection to John McLaughlin (c1800-1901) can only be hypothesized.

Maryanne McLoughlin married a school teacher, James Daly in 1847¹⁸ and had 8 children.¹⁹ She was from the Cloonclare Roman Catholic Parish [also known as the Manorhamilton Roman Catholic Parish]. So why did John McLoughlin (1800-1901) grant her son, Denis Daly, a school teacher, 235£? Maryanne could be his daughter but note that he baptized a daughter named Mary in 1845. Or maybe Maryanne could be his niece. Or maybe yet another connection. Maryanne moved from her parish to the neighboring Killargue Parish probably after her marriage in 1847. There are no known records to prove where in the Cloonclare Roman Catholic Parish that she lived. Making a hypothesis that she knew John McLoughlin, then she lived in the area of Ardmoneen. John, Thomas, and Francis McLoughlin lived in the area per the 1857 Griffith's Valuations. In 1857, John McLoughlin lived in Ardmoneen and Francis McLoughlin

¹⁴ Minister for Culture, Heritage and the Gaeltacht, 23 Kildare St, Dublin 2, Ireland, civil birth record, Manorhamilton District, Manorhamilton Union, Leitrim County, Denis Daly, 18 Mar 1915; database and images, *IrishGenealogy* (https://civilrecords.irishgenealogy.ie/churchrecords/images/birth_returns/births_1914/01412/1580237.pdf : accessed 26 March 2022). See also Patrick Daly (14 April 1913).

¹⁵ National Education Commissioners, *Rollbooks / Registers Co. Leitrim Lughnaskeehan Boys*, 1871-1925, p. 83 ; "Ireland National School Registers," for Denis Daly, database and images, *FindmyPast* (<https://www.findmypast.com/search/historical-records> : accessed 26 March 2022); citing National Archives Dublin.

¹⁶ Richard Griffith, *General Valuation of Rateable Property in Ireland... Union of Glin... County of Leitrim* (Dublin: Her Majesty's Stationary Office, 1857), 28a, for James Daly, occupier, Mullaghmore (townland), Killarga (parish); "Griffith's Valuation, 1847-1864"; database and images, *AskAboutIreland.ie* (<http://www.askaboutireland.ie/griffith-valuation/> : accessed 24 March 2022).

¹⁷ Marie Daly, Senior Genealogist, Seminar, American Ancestors, 2015.

¹⁸ Ireland, Leitrim County, Manorhamilton marriage banns, James Daly and Mary Anne McLoughlin, 21 December 1847 ; database and transcripts, *RootsIreland.ie* (https://rootsireland.ie/leitrim/view_detail.php?recordid=644073&type=mch&recordCentre=leitrim&page=1&n=1&backLink=quis.php&sc=0 : accessed 26 May 2022); citing Irish Family History Foundation. Note James from Killargy [probably Killagra Civil Parish / Killargue Roman Catholic and Mary Anne from Cloonclare [probably Cloonclare Civil Parish / Manorhamilton Roman Catholic Parish and not the Cloonclare townland].

¹⁹ Diocese of Kilmore, Killargue Parish, "Baptisms 26 Sep 1852 to 26 Feb 1881," Mary Dayly [Daly], 8 May 1853 ; database and transcripts, *RootsIreland* (www.rootsireland.ie : accessed 13 May 2022); citing National Library of Ireland (NLI), Dublin, Microfilm 05344 / 10 ; See also Mary Daly (17 Dec 1854), Catherine Daly (5 Jun 1857), James Daly (4 Nov 1859), Mick [Nick?] Daly (22 May 1862) and Margaret Daly (4 Apr 1864).

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and Thomas McLoughlin lived in the neighboring townland, Laghty. It is possible that they were brothers.

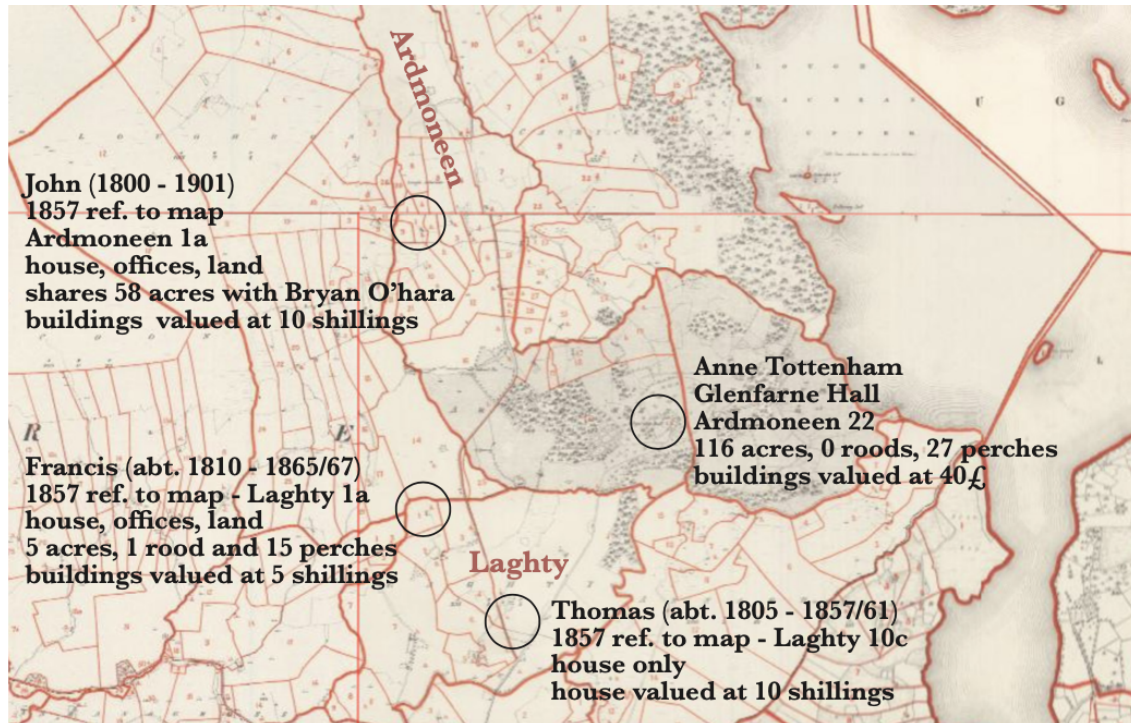


Image 4 - Ordnance Survey Map of residences of Thomas, John, & Francis McLoughlin in 1857²⁰

Thomas's son, Francis McLoughlin (1826-1900)²¹ could read and write per his signature on his naturalization record²² and his 1870 census record.²³ Francis McLoughlin and his wife, Margaret (c1799-1889) had at least one son, James McLoughlin, who was present at her death in Laghty.²⁴ James McLoughlin (c1840-1912)²⁵ married Ann Gordon and they had no children per the 1911

²⁰ Richard Griffith, *General Valuation of Rateable Property in Ireland...Union of Glin...County of Kerry* (Dublin: Her Majesty's Stationary Office, 1857), 1a/b & 3, for John McLoughlin, occupier, Ardmoneen (townland), Cloonclare (parish), Leitrim; "Griffith's Valuation, 1847-1864"; database and images, *AskAboutIreland.ie* (<http://www.askaboutireland.ie/griffith-valuation/> : accessed 28 May 2022). See also Lahty (townland), Cloonclare (parish).

²¹ Boston, Massachusetts, Vital Records, 1841-1910, Volume 507, Page 142, Francis McLaughlin [McLoughlin], 16 Mar 1900; *FamilySearch* (<https://www.familysearch.org/ark:/61903/3:1:3Q3M-CT3K-8ZB> : accessed 18 March 2022); citing Massachusetts Archives.

²² "United States, New England, Petitions for Naturalization, 1787-1906," images, *FamilySearch* (<https://www.familysearch.org/ark:/61903/3:1:3Q3M-CT3K-8ZB> : 1 May 2022), Massachusetts > US Circuit Courts > US Circuit Court > Petitions for naturalization, Oct 1872, vol 63, 72-72A > image 161 of 434; citing National Archives at Boston, Waltham, Massachusetts.

²³ 1870 U.S. Census, Suffolk County, Massachusetts, population schedule, Boston, Ward 2, p. 216 (penned), dwelling 784, family 1957, Mary Ryan household; digital image, *Ancestry* (https://www.ancestry.com/imageviewer/collections/7163/images/4271361_00221?pid=28405852 : accessed 26 May 2022); citing NARA microfilm publication M593, roll 641B.

²⁴ Minister for Culture, Heritage and the Gaeltacht, 23 Kildare St, Dublin 2, Ireland, civil death record, Manorhamilton District, Manorhamilton Union, Leitrim County, Margaret McLoughlin, 19 February 1917; database and images, *IrishGenealogy* (https://civilrecords.irishgenealogy.ie/churchrecords/images/deaths_returns/deaths_1889/06142/4754498.pdf : accessed 18 March 2022).

²⁵ Minister for Culture, Heritage and the Gaeltacht, 23 Kildare St, Dublin 2, Ireland, civil death record, Manorhamilton District, Manorhamilton Union, Leitrim County, James McLoughlin, 12 January 1912; database and images, *IrishGenealogy* (https://civilrecords.irishgenealogy.ie/churchrecords/images/deaths_returns/deaths_1912/05373/4498827.pdf : accessed 20 March 2022).

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census.²⁶ James granted 179£ to his wife and she granted 132£ to her brother, John Gordon, National School Teacher and Thady Clancy, farmer.

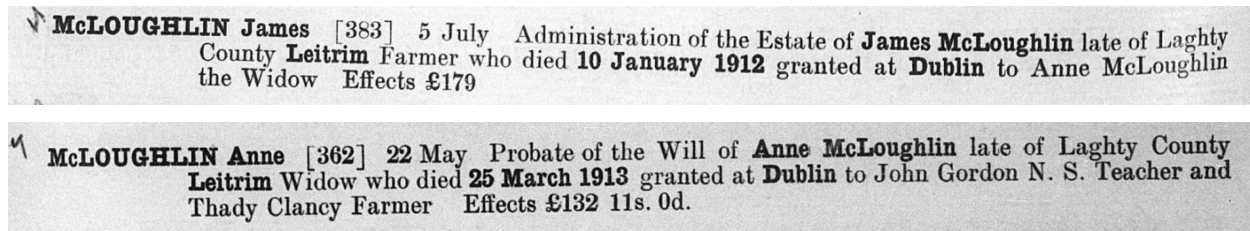


Image 5 - Wills of James and Anne McLoughlin²⁷

John Gordon was the second school principal at the Loughross National School. The school opened in 1839 on Maguire lands and the first principal was Francis Maguire. It operated for almost 100 years until it closed in 1935.²⁸ In 1857, the Loughross National School was on Bernard Maguires land in Ardmoneen at the edge to the Tottenham Estate.²⁹ Loughross is the adjacent townland.



Image 6 - Historic 6" Last Edition B&W Ardmoneen, Leitrim³⁰

²⁶ "1911 Census for Ireland, Household Return, Form A" database and images, National Archives of Ireland (<http://www.census.nationalarchives.ie/pages/1911/Leitrim/Glenfarne/Laghty/657052/> : accessed 20 March 2022), entry for James McLoughlin (age 72), Laghty, Glenfarne, Leitrim. [Note "Nil" entered for total children born alive.]

²⁷ James McLoughlin will, died 10 Jan 1912, Laghty, County Leitrim, granted at Dublin ; database and images, "Calendar of Wills and Administration, 1858-1922," *nationalarchives.com* (http://www.willcalendars.nationalarchives.ie/reels/cwa/005014917/005014917_00590.pdf : accessed 13 May 2022). See also Anne McLoughlin (25 Mar 1913).

²⁸ T. McHugh, *Loughross National School, Glenfarne A History* (The Glenfarne Historical Society, 2014), 123-125.

²⁹ Richard Griffith, *General Valuation of Rateable Property in Ireland...Union of Glin...County of Leitrim* (Dublin: Her Majesty's Stationary Office, 1857), 16a/b, for Bernard Maguire, occupier, Ardmoneen (townland), Cloonclare (parish); "Griffith's Valuation, 1847-1864"; database and images, *AskAboutIreland.ie* (<http://www.askaboutireland.ie/griffith-valuation/> : accessed 28 May 2022). [Note: Bernard Maguire was Commissioner of National Education]

³⁰ Ordnance Survey of Ireland, 1829-1842, "Historic Map 6 inch B&W (1837-1842)," Ardmoneen, Leitrim, Ireland; digital images, *Ordnance Survey Ireland* (<http://map.geohive.ie/mapviewer.html> : accessed 28 May 2022); © Ordnance Survey Ireland/Government of Ireland Copyright Permit No. MP 003322.

So what happened to Mary McSharry McLoughlin (1821-1912)

Mary McSharry McLoughlin, lived out her years with her grandchildren.

Mary McSharry McLoughlin was the second wife of John McLoughlin. Though she was not mentioned in the will, she continued to live in her home, near her step-son Denis McLoughlin. She lived with her step granddaughter and grandson, James and Kate McLoughlin Cullen, and their children.³¹ James Cullen, was present at her death.³² Kate [Catherine], was the daughter of Mary McSharry McLoughlin's step son, Denis McLoughlin.³³

Her natural son, Reverend Patrick McLoughlin, Parish Priest of Glenade, predeceased her in 1909.³⁴ No gravestone was located, but that was not uncommon for this time period.

It can only be assumed from tradition and the few records that exist that Mary McLoughlin was cared for despite not inheriting the money from her husband's will.

³¹ "1911 Census for Ireland," database and images, *National Archives of Ireland* (<http://www.census.nationalarchives.ie/pages/1911/Leitrim/Glenfarn/Ardmoneen/656993/> : accessed 26 May 2022), entry for Mary McLoughlin (age 88), Ardmoneen, Glenfarne, Leitrim.

³² Minister for Culture, Heritage and the Gaeltacht, 23 Kildare St, Dublin 2, Ireland, civil death record, Manorhamilton District, Manorhamilton Union, Leitrim County, Mary McLoughlin, 17 Feb 1912 ; database and images, *IrishGenealogy* (https://civilrecords.irishgenealogy.ie/churchrecords/images/deaths_returns/deaths_1912/05373/4498829.pdf : accessed 20 March 2022).

³³ Minister for Culture, Heritage and the Gaeltacht, 23 Kildare St, Dublin 2, Ireland, civil marriage record, Manorhamilton District, Manorhamilton Union, Leitrim County, James Cullen and Catherine McLoughlin, 18 Nov 1906 ; database and images, *IrishGenealogy* (https://civilrecords.irishgenealogy.ie/churchrecords/images/marriage_returns/marriages_1906/10144/5690798.pdf : accessed 26 May 2022).

³⁴ Minister for Culture, Heritage and the Gaeltacht, 23 Kildare St, Dublin 2, Ireland, civil death record, Manorhamilton District, Manorhamilton Union, Leitrim County, Reverend Patrick McLoughlin, 16 Apr 1909; database and images, *IrishGenealogy* (https://civilrecords.irishgenealogy.ie/churchrecords/images/deaths_returns/deaths_1909/05461/4528034.pdf : accessed 26 May 2022).