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Hello to all Mountainy Kennedys, their relatives and descendants and other interested people.

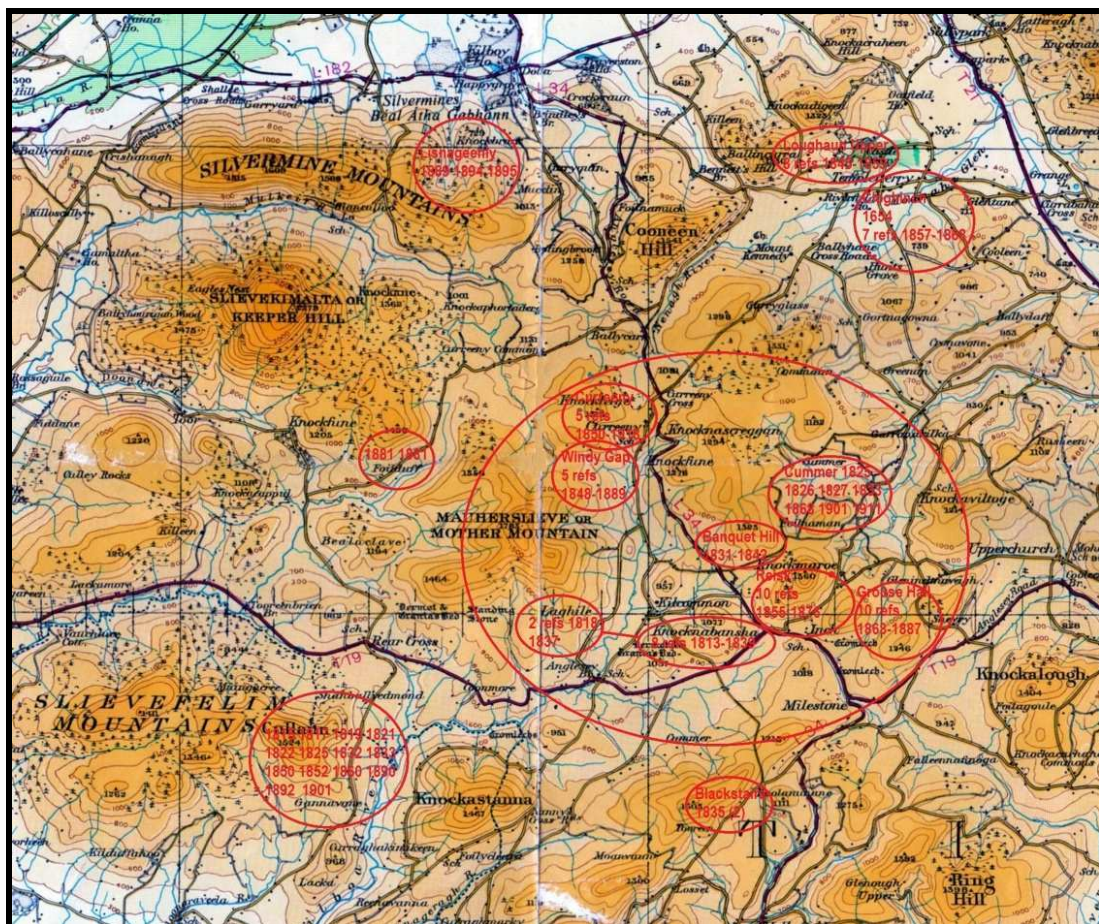
Thank you to all of those who have contacted me since the last mailing list. There are many people who have been in touch.

As an example, in List No.4, I mentioned the Story of the Descendants of Con Kennedy, Dolla (died 28 December, 1853) provided by Mary Kennedy of Dublin. Mary has now provided a digital copy of this excellent booklet and would like to make it available to anyone interested. It is a large pdf file of over 13 Mb so you will need to have the capability to receive this. Please contact me if you would like a copy with Mary's compliments.

CHRONOLOGICAL LIST OF MOUNTAINY KENNEDY FIRST NAMES

For this issue we are jumping to **P for Philip Kennedy** due to some research I have been doing into this first name. The chronological list of Philip/Phillip/Phillipp etc is from references from my books "The Irish Kennedys" and "The Mountainy Kennedys". Those who are interested may use this to compare with the generations in their own research.

Philip O'Kennedy, son of Gilla Patrick, was Lord of Ormond in the middle of the 14th century. He had a first cousin also named Philip who was the son of Gilla Patrick's brother Donch Mor. The father of Gilla Patrick and Donch Mor was Gilla Kevin O'Kennedy. The name Philip eventually became widespread across Lower and Upper Ormond and the name appears many times in the Mountainy Kennedy areas.



When plotted on a map of the mountains, one large cluster of the name Philip becomes evident together with one medium cluster and some smaller ones. On the map above the Philip clusters are shown with years in red.

Before starting on the large Kilcommon cluster we will have a look at the Gannavane (pronounced Garravane) cluster in the Rearcross area to the left. The records of the name Philip in this cluster start in 1815. This is soon after the baptism records for Kilcommon started in 1813. We are informed by Fr. Rody Kennedy that Philip, son of Long Andrew Kennedy, went to Gannavane. As we know, Long Andrew is buried in Templederry old graveyard. This indicates that the name Philip came from the Templederry area.

The large Kilcommon cluster of the name Philip records the name from 1813 in Knocknabansha (plus two connected records in Laghile), from 1825 in Cummer, from 1831 in Banquet Hill, from 1848 in Windygap, from 1850 in Curreeny and from 1868 in Grouse Hall. There are two other small outliers of the name in that area.

In addition to the original Philip in the Civil Survey of 1654 for Cloghinch, Templederry, there is another cluster there with records starting in 1857. Another small cluster is nearby at Loughane Upper dating from 1845 listing the family of Philip Kennedy and Eliza Murray.

Each of these clusters can be surmised to have Cloghinch and Templederry origins with descent from the Philip in the Civil Survey. The attached listing of references to Philip Kennedy provides the strange records that a person of that name from Clohensy (Cloghinch) was slain in rebellion and then later pardoned. However, Philip was recorded as being the proprietor of Clohensy in the Civil Survey of 1654 and possessing lands valued at £20. All landholders with lands of more than £10 valuation were to be transplanted to Connacht. Three Philip Kennedys were recorded as being transplanted but not Philip from Cloghinch. A look at the map above reveals that an escape route from Cloghinch could have taken Philip less than 10 km deep into the mountains to the vicinity of Kilcommon. Subsequent generations could then have continued the use of his name.

This Philip was recorded as Philip McHugh O'Kenedy in the Patent Rolls and State Papers. An extensive check of the RIA Kennedy genealogies unearths only one instance of a father son sequence of Hugh – Philip. The genealogy is as follows:

McGilla Kevin Buide O'Kennedy (c 1300)
Donchd Mor O'Kennedy
Philip O'Kennedy
Domnall O'Kennedy
Philip O'Kennedy
Rory O'Kennedy
Hugh O'Kennedy
Philip O'Kennedy (This is the only Philip, son of Hugh, listed anywhere in the RIA genealogies)
Rory O'Kennedy
Donchd (Daniel) O'Kennedy, Tiege O'Kennedy, Edmund Bwy O'Kennedy – all of Ballintotty
Sons of Edmund Bwy (died 1622) were Matthew and Daniel.

Hugh, the father of Philip, may have been the ancestor of the elusive Hugh who was buried in Templederry old graveyard in 1766.

An indicator of Ballintotty origins is interment in Kilkeary graveyard.

A final small cluster of the name Philip is in Lisnageenly in the Silvermines – Dolla area. There is a Philip Kennedy listed as a Titulado or chief gentleman in Kilmore parish in the Census of 1659. This Philip was obviously exempted from transplantation and may have

been the ancestor of the Lisnageenly Philips. There was also a Philip listed in the Hearth Money Records of 1667 for Curraghliegh near Dolla who was not a landholder and did not transplant.

EGANSTOWN, AUSTRALIA, KENNEDYS

Rosemary Kennedy has written to me as follows:

You may have read on the Borrisoleigh website reference to Eganstown and John Egan. I have been unravelling my Kennedy's history in the Eganstown area and as a result have also been researching other families to find connections back to Borrisoleigh. My goal is to eventually write a history of this area with some other people with relatives in this area. I have been collecting information together for twenty years and as you know such things are time consuming and take longer than expected.

If any people on your mailing list have links to Eganstown or know of people with such connection, then I may have information to give them or they may be able to inform our history book.

Some information I have come across in the Eganstown area may relate to families from Borrisoleigh on your mailing list who I have come across:

1. Margaret Maher (nee Kennedy) was travelling on the *John Linn* ship in 1857 into Melbourne with her husband James Maher. Margaret's parents were registered as Margaret Brown and Lawrence Kennedy (D#9489). The couples known children born in Victoria were: John, (1860); Margaret, (1861); Ann; Mary; Michael, (1866); James, (1867); Catherine, (1871, and Martin, (1872). Margaret and James Maher are both buried at the Malmsbury Cemetery in Victoria. There were other Maher passengers – Catherine 21, Jas 27, Margaret 26, Maria 23, Patricia 25, and Richard 23 who may have been related to James Maher travelling on the same ship.

2. A John Harrington married Mary Doyle from Tipperary in Creswick on the 25th of January, 1863. His parents were listed on the marriage certificate as Philip Harrington and Catherine Ryan (D#1327, 1920) and her parents were listed as Thomas Doyle and Bridget Shea. At the time of the marriage John Harrington was 22 years old and a miner and Mary was 22 years old and a housemaid at Bald Hills, another small town in the Creswick area. The witnesses to the marriage were John Burke and Margaret Ryan (M#439).

JOHN & MARY CHILDREN:

Name	Birthdate and Place	Fathers Occupation	Death
Catherine (Kate)	1863-65		
Thomas	1869-70		
Phillip	1871		
Bridget	16/10/1872	Farmer, Kangaroo Hills	
Mary	1879 (B#9066)		
Silena??	1881		
James	Not known		Deased 1920
John	1885		

John died on the 15th of March, 1920 and was buried at the Creswick cemetery (D#1327). When he died John had been in Australia for 57 years and therefore he would have arrived in 1863. John married Mary Doyle in January 1863 which indicates that John had arrived before 1863.

If you have any information to share with Rosemary it would be much appreciated.

A NOTE FROM THERESE KENNEDY IN GALWAY

I hope to start some work on my own family tree in the next while. My great great grandfather was Laurence Kennedy married to Mary Spillane and they lived in Grousehall / Cummer Moloughney. They are listed in the Mountainy Kennedys book. I would like to trace further back.

Therese's Kennedys are listed in the attachment. If anyone has any further connections to share could they please advise. I have a son named Laurence which is the anglicisation of

the old Irish name Lorcan (father of the first Kennedy) and it is interesting to see the name persisting in the mountains.

GRIFFITHS VALUATION MAP FOR KILLEEN

Rody Kennedy from England (formerly of Toomyvara) has asked about the occupiers of Killeen (the one 4 km south-east of Dolla) in Griffiths Valuation.

What initially looked like an easy question has proved much more difficult. There is an anomaly between the Griffiths listing and the associated map. Philip Kennedy is listed as being the occupier of Section 19 a,b,c from Philip Dawson and partners, totalling 84 acres of the 501 acres of Killeen. The problem is – the map is only divided into 10 numbered sections. Section 19 cannot be identified from the map. However, Section 6 a,b on the map covers the area from the pub down to the chapel.

Can anyone shed some light on this anomaly?

BOOKS

Copies of “The Mountainy Kennedys” and “The Irish Kennedys” can be obtained Internationally from the website at <http://home.onthenet.com.au/~laurieag?index.htm>

If you have any further information about the Mountainy Kennedys that you would like to share or any questions to ask your contribution would be most welcome. As you will appreciate, reading and research takes time, but we will endeavour to keep the mailing lists coming out on a regular basis.

All the best,

Brian