

BALLINGRY PARISH

POPULATION

In 1755 the numbers were rated at	464
When the last account of the parish was drawn up	220
By the account of 1831, the Males were	209
Females	183
Total	392
Perhaps 20 workmen engaged at two buildings in this parish in 1831, should be deducted	-20
The number at present	372

PAROCHIAL ECONOMY.

ECCLESIASTICAL STATE :- In 1831, a commodious church was built, sufficient for the inhabitants. The number of families attending the Established Church is 53, and that of Dissenters 16.

EDUCATION:- A school and a house for the teacher, who has the maximum salary was built in 1825. His school fees may amount to L. 7 Sterling yearly; and he has besides L. 2, 2s., and two bells of oatmeal in lieu of garden ground.

POOR FUNDS- The poor sustained a loss by exchanging their land for what was not so good as what they had. Their land is feued at L. 21 Sterling yearly. The collections at the church doors may average about L. 7 Sterling a-year. The number on the roll has been nine for some years, who receive from 3s. to 7s. month. A late proprietor left a legacy of L.100 Sterling to the poor's fund. There is an infirm woman, who is very reluctant to be put on the roll, although she needs assistance. This is a singular case.

INNS:-There are two houses in which malt and spirituous liquors are sold by legal license, but in one of them none is given to such as are intoxicated. This laudable example is worthy of the imitation of all-engaged in the sale of ardent spirits. Were it universally followed, society would derive the greatest benefit from it. The inhabitants,are generally sober and industrious.

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