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Dear Phyllis,

I have decided to copy out the letter from Ireland that Nancy sent, for you to have. It certainly looks as if that is where the Dalbots became related by the marriage of John Dalbot to Mary Whitten doesn't it. Religious Society of Friends so here goes.

6 Eustace St ^{Historical} Library
Dublin 2

3rd Feb 1977

Mrs Nancy Wellham
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Australia.

Dear Mrs Wellham,

We have ~~recently~~ received your interesting letter postmarked Sydney, on 24th January. We have Births Marriages & Deaths registers for all our meetings since the beginning of our society. The name Dalbot occurs only in our Mountmellick ^{meeting} registers and mason ~~under~~ ^{under} barlow, Dublin, Lurgan, Co. Tipperary and Waterford meetings, and births & marriages only for Mountmellick & marriages for Mountmellick & marriages for Edenderry, Richhill, Moate & Cork. Mountmellick records the marriage of John Dalbot of Roscrea Co Tipperary. Son of John & Margaret Dalbot

to Mary Whitten of Roscrea. 24th Sept 1809.
and the births of their daughters Elizabeth 1810
Margaret 1812 & Anne 1815.

Elizabeth died in 1827. Margaret in 1835,
and Anne 1848 aged 47 & ~~10~~ months, while
John died aged 75 in 1853. And his wife
Mary in 1829 aged 47 & 10 months, born 1778
This John would seem to be the John Talbot, you
refer to in your letter, but he does not seem to have
left any descendants, as there is no record of his
daughters marrying. We have no note of any
other Talbot.

The only record we have of the Mason family from
Co Tipperary is the family of Josiah Mason 1672-1741
who married Sarah Smith of Knockgraffern Co Tipperary,
& whose family were born between 1701 and 1710
and a grandson born in 1767.

Any records of the branch of ~~the~~ ^{your} Mason family
would seem to be in England. And failing the
Public Record Office in London, I am not sure to
whom you could apply; possibly the Irish
Genealogical Research Society of the Irish Club,
82 Bator Square, London S.W.1.

Sorry not to have been able to help you further
Richard ^{your sincerely} Dupainell for Curator.

G. W.

Extract from a Topographical Dictionary of
Ireland by Samuel Lewis. (sent to me by Miss Moore's
daughter. Nancy Wellham)

Ballingary, is a parish, in the barony of Lower
Ormond, County of Tipperary, Province of Munster
(4 miles E by N) from Burriskane containing 1767
inhabitants, of which number 85 are in the hamlet,
which consists of 13 houses.

This parish is situated on the high roads from
Roscrea to Portumna and from Nenagh to Parsonstown,
and comprises 3498 plantation acres, divided into
nearly equal portions of tillage and pasturage;
the state of agriculture is much improved, and
green crops are partially cultivated.

There is a considerable extent of bog; and limestone
of good quality abounds, and is used for building.
"Knockshagwona" or "The Hills of the fairies" connected
with which are some interesting legends, rises to a
considerable height in the parish, and is an excellent
land mark to the surrounding country, its summit, on
which is a small tower, commands a very extensive
view into several adjacent countries; On the east
and west sides, it is well planted, and the land
on its north ~~side~~ eastern declivity is of excellent quality.

A lake surrounded by a large bog, and called
Lough-no-Ganch, is said to be very deep; near the
centre is a small island formed artificially, by piles
of wood, but for what purpose is a matter of

conjunction, The principal seats are Lisbryan,
situated in a well planted demesne. That of J. Bunting
J. Bunting Esq. South Park of Charles Atkinson Esq.
Ballingary Castle of Marmaduke Thompson Esq.
Blyton & White Hall, ^{the} former, the seat and the latter,
the property of Captain Shepherd, and Fairy Mount,
the residence of Rev. J. H. Saunderson, the vicar.
Lismacross, the ancient residence of the family of Smith,
is now the property of Mr. Bunting.

Here is a station of the constabulary police.

The living is a vicarage, in the diocese of Killaloe to
which the vicarage of Mekeane was episcopally united
in 1772 and 1809 and in the patronage of the Bishop;
The rectory is impropriate in Mr. Thompson Esq.

The tithes amount to £ 263 - 2 - 6 of which £ 159
is payable to the impropriator and £ 104 - 2 - 6 to the vicar
and the entire tithes of the benefice payable to the vicar
are £ 208.

The church is an ancient edifice
with a spire and murals, for the repair of which the
Ecclesiastical Commissioners have lately granted £ 157
There is neither glebe-house nor glebe.

In the R. C. divisions this parish forms part of the union
of Burris-o-Kane The chapel is situated at the Pike
and is of recent erection, A school was started
established in 1834 by the vicar, by whom, aided by
a few private subscriptions, it is supported, There are some
remains of the ancient castle of Ballingary from which it appears
to have been of great strength & magnitude (Book written in 1840^s)