**Text Summary Aughaval**

* **Accommodation Aughaval**

The listing of accommodation and catering facilities in Aughaval Parish is confined to Westport as it is the only urban centre of any significance in the parish. Details of Westport hotels are provided with comments on the quality of the accommodation.

* **Amenities Aughaval**

In this section there are details of churches, schools, sports clubs, water supply, sewerage, principal businesses fairs and markets. There are numerous additional pages describing the town of Westport. Emphasis is placed on it being the major shopping and commercial centre for the region, with the port and harbour being especially important. Among the industries mentioned are furniture factories, a shoe company, tanning, a woollen company, and a sewing company. The architectural features of the Church of Ireland, St. Mary’s Roman catholic church, and the Methodist Church.

* **Antiquities Aughaval**

Much of the section on antiquities is taken up with a detailed description of Murrisk Abbey, including sketches of the building. Aughaval Old Church also features, again with a sketch. Other antiquities of note are Cahernamart, site of the castle of the Ó Maille clan, Finn MacCool’s grave and the forts of Curreenaneeleen and Cahernaran.

* **Customs and Patterns Aughaval**

Under the heading of Customs and Patterns the only site mentioned is Tober Columkille. Details of pilgrims’ prayers are given.

* **Historic Sites Aughaval**

The section dealing with historic sites is taken up with notes on two battles: Inis Aonaigh or Inisheeny and Inishraher

Under the heading “Historic houses, burial places” there are notes on Westport Rectory with particular reference to George Birmingham, and Canon Hannay, who spent some years there. There are quotations from his book “Pleasant places”. Mention is made of James Hardiman, born in Westport, and the possibility that Dr Gilbert of “Gilbert and Sullivan” fame lived in Westport for a time. The surveyor states that he could not verify this.

* **Historical Notes Aughaval**

There are a number of extra pages added to the survey outlining the history of Murrisk Barony. The chief family or clan here was the O’Malley or Ó Máille clan. There is a chronology of events in the history of the area from 1094 to 1467, mainly based on material from the annals of the Four Masters and the annals of Loch Cé.

* **Natural features Aughaval**

This section of the survey contains a description of the most prominent features of the landscape around Westport including suggestions for walking and cycling routes. There is a lengthy quotation from Thackeray on the scenic beauty of the area.

* **Sports and Games Aughaval**

The list of sporting activities and sports clubs in Westport include golf, coursing, shooting, annual regatta, Gaelic football, hurling, handball, soccer rugby, road bowling, lawn tennis, badminton, bridge, boxing, and basketball. Notes on angling are included for the following lakes and rivers:

Owenwee River, Owenmore River, Carrowbeg River, Deerpark Lake, Gaggeen Lake, Lugacolliwee Lake, Lough Gall, Lough Nacorra, Lough Greney and Moher Lake