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HISTORIC SITES

Royal Seats, scenes of historic events—battles, mass meetings, historic festivals, &c. Location.
Landowner. Historical or traditional notes.

NONE.

HISTORIC HOUSES ; BURIAL PLACES

(a) Birth places or one-time residences of distinguished Irishmen or other personalities.
Location and description. Present owner or occupant. (b) Burial places of distinguished personalities.

The Bourkes of Turbough.

The De Burgos took up their residence in Turbough as overlords of North Tip in A.D. 1450, adopting the Irish title of Mac William Eighitee. The Turbough Bourkes descended from Sir Edmund Albanac Bourke who died in 1375. Richard Bourke became chieftain of Upper Connaught in 1460. He was succeeded by his grandson Edmund Bourke, son of Blinne Wick Bourke. His Richard Fitz-Dawice

SPAS OR MINERAL SPRINGS

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Spas formerly in use. Location and present condition. Access. Right of way to public?
Mineral content and curative properties so far as known locally.

none.

Parish: Turlough.

Barony: CARRA.

Bourke was Baron of Turlough in 1574. Sir Philip Sidney wrote of Sir Richard "He is a great man, his lands yet a large the best North-west Coast of the realm wherein he hath many goodly houses, and he is lord of 3 times as much land as the Earl of Lancaster. Theobald Bourke became Chieftain in 159, and Walter Bourke got a grant by patent right of the Turlough estate from James I in 1617. Walter Bourke was the ruler in 1636 and he was succeeded by Theobald Bourke, who went out in the uprising and Civil War, 1641-1645, and joined the Confederation of Kilkenny under Cardinal John Papst Ricci. He was driven out of his lands 1655-1656 by the Cromwellian Commissioners, and it was probably at this date the Old Church of Turlough was left roofless and ruined. Colonel Walter Bourke regained possession

of the lands in 1689, but, having fought at Aughrin, he was captured in the defeat, lost his lands, and after the Treaty of Limerick he left for France with the "Wild Geese". He had an adventurous career on the Continent. He became a Marshal in the French Army. He fought at the Battle of Marsaglia 1693, at the Siege of Valenza, on the Rhine, at Chiavari 1701, at Luzzara 1702, at Santa Vittoria and San Benedetto 1703, at Verucchi, Doria, Verona, Cassano, Turin 1706, Lerida in Spain 1707, Tortosa 1708, in Dauphine and Provence 1708-1712, at Barcelona 1714 - where he died in 1715. His son Richard, a Captain in the French Army, survived his father by 50 years, and has disappeared from the scene of history.

Note:- It is not possible to ascertain the birth place, residences or burial place of any one of the above and I merely give see page xvii

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Irish :- Lurlough.

Barony :- CARRA.

This historical note because of an Irish
link with military affairs on the Continent.
