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I.T.A. TOPOGRAPHICAL AND GENERAL SURVEY

NATURAL FEATURES, ANTIQUITIES, HISTORIC ASSOCIATIONS, ETC.

BARONY OF MURRIS'S
TOWN OR VILLAGE LOUISBURGH PARISH Kilgavie COUNTY Mayo

TOPOGRAPHY

Brief description of outstanding scenic views in the district, natural attractions, or unusual topographical features.

The Park of Kilgavie which is situated on the Glenties is
Blew Bay, is irregular in shape, and contains approximately
20,000 acres. The physical features - imposing mountains
groups, several lakes set in rough bog land and a finely
rugged coast, are due to the geological structure of the

GEOLOGY

Brief notes on unusual geological features, such as caves, eskers, etc.

district, and the hard igneous and Crumpled
metamorphic rocks of which it is mainly composed.
The coast presents many fine study beaches, such as at
Olea Head, Carronmore, Tallabawn, and Cross. The
most prominent features of the landscape are the portions

MANSIONS, CASTLES AND ESTATES OF IMPOSING CHARACTER

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Location and brief description. Owner. Past associations. Libraries or art collections?
Gardens? Open to visitors? Admission charge?

of the Wicklow Mountains (2688 ft) and the Slippy
 Hills (2504 ft) which lie within its boundary
 on the Southern Side; Silurian and Ordovician
 rocks prevail here and there is the usual material
 of which the mountains are built. Both mountains
 rise rapidly from the general level of the ground
 and are separated by the beautiful Doo Lough
 Valley which takes the waters of Lough Corrib
 and Glen Cullen Lough, turning south into Doo
 Lough and thence into Killybeg Harbour. The
 parish is drained by several rivers. One of
 them, the Brosses River, takes its rise in the
 Slippy Hills and after an 9 miles course,
 passing through the village of Louisburgh, enters
 the sea at Telloghmore. The other, the Carronisky
 River also rises in the Slippy Hills and winds
 its way for a 10 mile course until it enters
 the sea on the Western Coast a few hundred
 yards from Roanah Lough. Other large rivers
 and streams also drain the parish, and on
 which are situated delightful little lakes. Most
 of the cultivated land lies in the Eastern
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Geography

portion of the parish. The main source of the livelihood of the inhabitants are sheep raising, wool, cattle raising, sheep and turf. Of late years this parish has proved to be the best turf producing area in Mayo.

Itineraries - From LOUISBURGH.

- i) Via Long St., for $\frac{1}{2}$ miles to Dec Head Cross, then turning left and about $\frac{1}{2}$ mile leaves one at Dec Head Pier, where a beautiful little sandy beach - delightful mountain and sea scenery come before the eye. Thence east to Kinnisburgh by the same route 3 miles.
- ii) Via Budge St. and after taking new bridge over bridge taking the Carramore Road for about $\frac{1}{2}$ miles which leaves one at the foot of Askehan Hill (274 ft), which is an easy climb and will well repay it an unsurpassable panorama of sea, mountain, sandy beach and island scenery. 3 miles. Back by same route.
- iii) Via Chapel St., and Pooker for about $\frac{1}{2}$ miles to Kiegewee which contains one of the

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of an early church & Holy Well. An excellent view may be seen from the head of Killybeggie Hill (578 ft) of Lough Bay and the mountains from Achill to Newport. While to the east is Longaugh Pass. Back by same route. 3 miles.

Lepta Run.

Via Budge to Cregganbawn (6 miles), on to Glenculain Lough, through to Delightful Doo Lough Valley into Delphi (13 miles), on to the ~~the~~ Anslight Falls and into Keenane (2 miles). Back by same route 42 miles.

P.S. There are no land-above walls or bike runs possible in this district. It is just a case of going one way and back by same route. The number of bike runs are limited owing to the impossible condition of the roads.