

The Rent Roll Books for Dreenan

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The following is extracts from the Rent Roll books for the Earl of Stafford's Bellaghy Estate.

Dreenan was part of the Bellaghy Estate along with most of Lavey, Bellaghy, Greenlough and parts of Maghera including Fallagloon. The estate was leased to the Earl (Sir Robert Bateson Bart.) from the Vintners of London. It was further sublet to the following local tenants some of who would have sublet it further to local farmers.

1718 Vintners portion of land of Drinane (Dreenan) & Eden

Name	Area	Rent
James Downing	Five Eights of Drinane (Dreenan)	£8
David Mulholland	Three Eights of Drinane and all of Eden	£20

1729 Vintners portion of land (Dreenan)

Number	Name	Yearly Rent
41	Lev. David Mulholland	£21
40	J.A. Downing	£8

1775-82 Rent Books for Dreenan

Leaser	Yearly Rent			
	1775	1776	1781	1782
John Downing	£25	£25	£12	£12
Henry Mulholland & Co.	£27	£27	£12	£12
Phelemy O'Neill & Co.	£26	£26	£14	£13

1788-90 Rent Books for Dreenan

Leaser	Yearly Rent		
	1788	1789	1790
John Downing	£12		
Henry Henry & Partners	£12	£17	£17
John Mulholland & Partners	Inc Above	£21	£21
Henry Mulholland	Inc Above		
Phelemy O'Neill & Co.	£14	£11	£11
James O'Neill & Bryan Higgins	Inc above	£11	£11

Hugh Convery & Partners Inc above £20 £20

1793 Rent Books for Dreenan

Leaser	Yearly Rent
John Downing	£25
Henry Henry & Partners	£17
John Mulholland & Partners	£21
Phelemy O'Neill	£11
James O'Neill & Bryan Higgins	£11
Hugh Convery & Partners	£20