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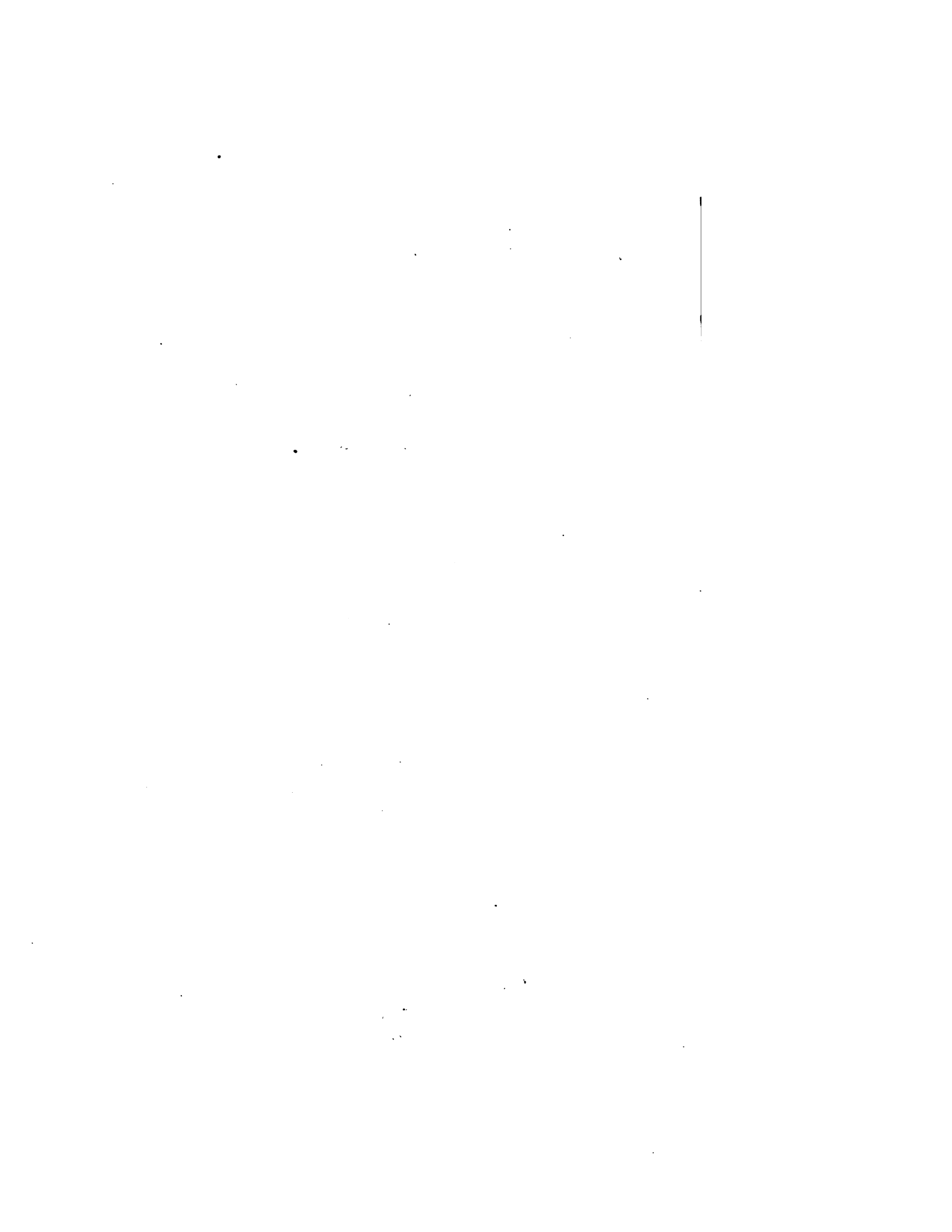
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PHASES OF THE MOON.

JANUARY.		APRIL.		JULY.		OCTOBER.	
D.	H. M.	D.	H. M.	D.	H. M.	D.	H. M.
Last Quarter	4 1 51 a.m.	Last Quarter	2 6 24 a.m.	New Moon	8 3 13 a.m.	New Moon	4 8 5 a.m.
New Moon	11 2 32 a.m.	New Moon	10 6 55 a.m.	First Quarter	15 2 47 a.m.	First Quarter	10 10 9 p.m.
First Quarter	19 4 0 a.m.	First Quarter	18 6 45 a.m.	Full Moon	23 9 6 a.m.	Full Moon	18 6 38 p.m.
Full Moon	24 5 7 p.m.	Full Moon	24 10 23 p.m.	Last Quarter	29 7 51 p.m.	Last Quarter	25 9 54 p.m.
FEBRUARY.		MAY.		AUGUST.		NOVEMBER.	
D.	H. M.	D.	H. M.	D.	H. M.	D.	H. M.
Last Quarter	3 9 29 a.m.	Last Quarter	1 7 32 p.m.	New Moon	6 4 54 p.m.	New Moon	3 4 3 p.m.
New Moon	9 8 5 p.m.	New Moon	9 11 8 p.m.	First Quarter	13 7 15 a.m.	First Quarter	9 10 44 a.m.
First Quarter	18 6 19 a.m.	First Quarter	17 4 3 p.m.	Full Moon	20 21 51 a.m.	Full Moon	17 1 7 p.m.
Full Moon	25 4 43 a.m.	Full Moon	24 6 6 a.m.	Last Quarter	28 1 23 p.m.	Last Quarter	25 11 7 a.m.
MARCH.		JUNE.		SEPTEMBER.		DECEMBER.	
D.	H. M.	D.	H. M.	D.	H. M.	D.	H. M.
Last Quarter	3 7 16 p.m.	New Moon	8 1 28 p.m.	New Moon	4 10 12 p.m.	New Moon	3 2 17 a.m.
New Moon	11 1 30 p.m.	First Quarter	15 10 16 p.m.	First Quarter	11 1 16 p.m.	First Quarter	9 2 18 a.m.
First Quarter	19 5 32 p.m.	Full Moon	22 2 23 p.m.	Full Moon	19 2 1 a.m.	Full Moon	17 8 8 a.m.
Full Moon	26 2 15 p.m.	Last Quarter	30 2 40 a.m.	Last Quarter	27 6 24 a.m.	Last Quarter	24 9 51 p.m.



TO
MISS SAUNDERS FORSTER,
THIS CONCLUSION
OF
AN INQUIRY CONCERNING THE OLD COUNTESS OF DESMOND
IS AFFECTIONATELY DEDICATED,
BY
RICHARD SAINTHILL.

CORK, *June 8*, 1863.



PREFACE.

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THE discovery by the ~~Earl~~ of Kildare of a lease of lands granted by his ancestor, Gerald Fitz Thomas, dated the 9th of June, 1505, to Gilis Ny Cormyk, first wife to Sir Thomas of Desmond, the husband of Kathrin Fitz-Gerald, the *Old* Countess of Desmond, being assumed to prove that Sir Walter Raleigh's statement, that the old Countess was married in the reign of Edward IV., who died 9th April, 1483, is erroneous; and as the marriage had issue, one daughter, and this daughter, it is suggested, may have been born, perhaps, twenty years after 1505, the idea that the Countess Kathrin had any claim to be considered *Old* in any extraordinary manner was a delusion; though shared by Sir Walter Raleigh, who was personally acquainted with her, down to 1589; by, we may presume, the Youghal lawyers, who drew the leases, for Sir Walter Raleigh of Coullie Clofina, 20th July, 1588, and Coullie Ffoina, the 1st February, 1589, in both of which she is described as "y^e Lady Cattelyn *oulde* Countess Dowager of Desmond Widdowe" (having the first claim on these lands, part of her jointure); and the residents at and about Youghal, who, in 1613, she having died 1604, informed Fynes Moryson that she was about 140 years old at the time of her death.

Considering that this was a body of evidence so independent and concurring as not easily to be shaken, the question became, how was it consistent with the fact of Sir Thomas of Desmond's first wife, Gilis Ny Cormyk's, being alive, and apparently, by



COUNTESS OF DESMOND.

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CASTLE.

THIS extraordinary woman lived to the amazing age of 145 years, and preserved her faculties to within a short period of her death. Many years previous to her departure from life the Countess became acquainted with old Thomas Parr, of Salop; and it is generally thought that Parr gave her a supply of the herbal medicine by the aid of which he maintained his vigour to such an extreme period of life—viz., 152 years.

Persons of weak and shattered constitutions have become strong, hearty, and full of health, from the use of PARR'S PILLS. They completely renovate the system. A very short trial is sufficient to prove their efficacy. To women they are invaluable. They correct all the irregularities to which the sex is liable, and, by assisting the secretions, give such an healthy action to the organs as to give the colour of the rose to the complexion, and tone and vigour to the whole frame. Parr devoted his whole study to the physical capabilities and infirmities of man, and his pills are the most wonderful adjuncts to man's bodily power ever discovered. The confined invalid finds relief from them in a very short time, and he whose health is but temporarily deranged is cured as it were by magic. In some instances the body wastes merely from loss of appetite. PARR'S PILLS have a peculiar effect in restoring it; in short, they constitute the greatest blessing conferred by man upon his fellow man.

THE
OLD COUNTESS OF DESMOND:

An Inquiry

(CONCLUDED),

WHEN WAS SHE MARRIED?

WITH

NUMISMATIC CRUMBS.

BY

RICHARD SAINTHILL,

OF TOPSHAM, DEVON.



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No. I.

Deed of Assignment by the Old Countess of Desmond, of Inchiquin Castle and Manor, to Gerald, Earl of Desmond.

This very interesting document having been as yet but partly, and in one instance very erroneously, published, I print a certified copy, from the Rolls' Office, in full, with the Earl of Desmond's subsequent assignment of the property to Mr. John Synot:—

Adhuc Coia de i' m̄io sc̄i Michis Anno xxviii° Regine Elisabeth finien?

Wexford
Dcertis
evidencijs
dñe Katharine
Comitessē Desmoñ
fac? Johi Synnett
hic ir̄ pformam
statuti, &c.

ADHUC RECORD.

Memorfd qd Johes Synnotte de Wexford geñ
veñ coram Baroñ hujus Sc̄ii xxviii° die No-
vembr? hoc ðm̄io in ppria psoñ sua. Et exhuit
Cuñ hic quasdā chartas Evidenē munimen? &
& Scrip? tangeñ & concerneñ Inchequyn & at
terit in Coñ Corcke. Et petiit illi hic de record
irrotlar? jux? formam Statuti in ea pte nup edi? &
& pviš. Et Barones illi hic irrotlar? p̄cipunt in hic verba S. [or SS ?
sequentia ?]. Where I ladye Kathrifi late Wief to Thomas late Earle of
Desmond decessed have & doe enjoye amongst other pcells as my thirdē
pte & Dower of my saide late husbondes landes by lafull assignm^t the
Castell & Towne of Inchequyne with sixe plowelandes arrable lande
called the six ffreplouelandes in Inchequine togeether with mores mea-
dowes pastures groves Woodds milles & milplaces with there watercourses
rivers streames with there weares & fishinges pcell of the saide towne &
belonginge to the same. Be it knowen unto all men by these pñtes that
for good consideracōns me movinge I have geven graunted & surrendred
the said Castle & towne of Inchequine with the said six plowelandes,
together with all and singler the p̄mises with there āpttenncf together
with all my interestē & estate therein unto the righte honorable Gerrot
Earle of Desmond, now injoyenge the revercōn of the p̄misses. To
have holde & Injoye the same unto the saide Earle his heires & Assignes,
as his pper inheritance, notwithstandinge any dower Joynter or any

