

WITH THE STORY TELLERS

And frightfully they punished
The Saxons of the Pale;
For six score heads they brought him from
The glen of wild Imaile.

Now consternation seemed to reign
From Bray to Malahide,
As with the royal funds and stores,
To Carlow town they hied;
And levied too a special tax,
Through Leinster near and far,
Against McMurrough and O'Toole
To wage a deadly war.

Meanwhile O'Toole has left behind
The vale of Glenmalure,
And on the plains of Ossory,
McMurrough met O'Moore.

What means this gathering of the clans
Upon the loyalists' track;
Is Ireland's inland capital
The object of attack?

Then to Kilkenny Ormond came
And met the Earl of March,
Knight of the Bath and Garter too,
And of the Royal Arch,
And heir apparent to the throne
Of England's ancient realm;
The royalists are happy now
With such men at the helm.

Battle of Kells

Way down the river Glory
That flows into the Kings,
Is seen the Irish army
That Art McMurrough brings.

See McGees History of Ireland.