4 TIPS FOR DISCOVERING YOUR ANCESTORS IN IRELAND

Following your Irish ancestors back through their original historical records seems like a natural next step, but if you're not armed with just the right information, the search can be slow-going. Use the following tips to help make your journey through Irish property records, including Griffith's Valuation at Ancestry.co.uk, as simple as possible.

GO BEYOND YOUR ANCESTOR.

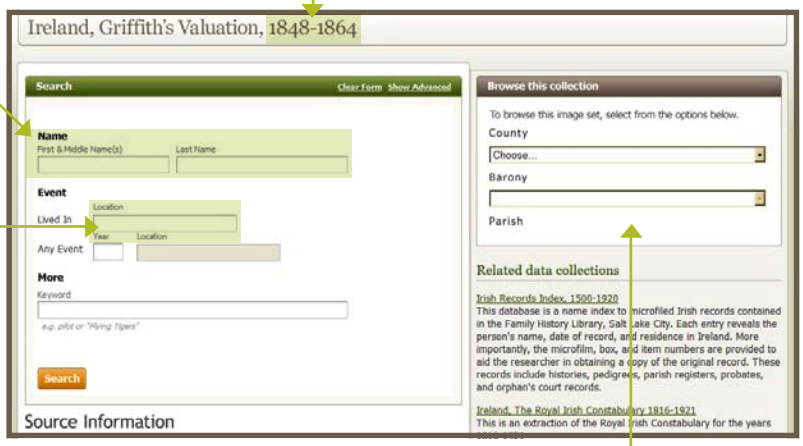
Search for other family members , too. Find clues to the extended family on passenger lists, in obituaries, and birth announcements, in family trees and in correspondence and other family mementos.

CAST WIDE – AT FIRST.

Start your search with the county and narrow to parish or townland if necessary.

BIRTH DATES ARE IMPORTANT.

A relative who was a child between 1848 and 1864 likely won't be listed in this collection of landowners and tenants, but his or her parent might be.



BROWSE AROUND.

Once you know where your ancestor hailed from, look at landowners and tenants nearby. You may discover other names that sound familiar to you — possibly friends and relatives.

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