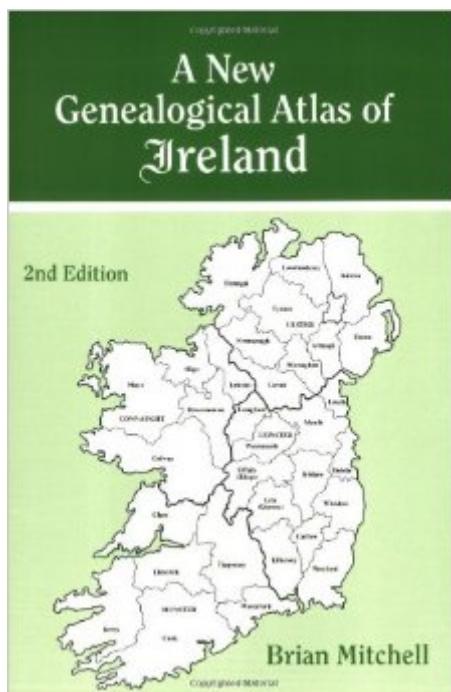


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# A New Genealogical Atlas Of Ireland, Second Edition



## Synopsis

Since its publication in 1986, A New Genealogical Atlas of Ireland has established itself as a key resource in Irish genealogical research. Now, with the addition of maps detailing the location of Roman Catholic parishes in all thirty-two counties of Ireland and Presbyterian congregations in the nine counties of Northern Ireland, this new 2nd Edition moves the book to the forefront of Irish genealogical research. Also, for the first time ever, this one volume contains a complete geographical picture of the three major religious denominations in Ireland during the middle years of the 19th century. And just what is the importance of this? Civil registration for everyone in Ireland didn't begin until 1864. Prior to that, the only records of births, marriages, and deaths were found in local parishes. Therefore, the first step in any Irish research for the first half of the 19th century and before should be to identify the religious denomination and parish of your ancestor. Although any of the Townland Indexes from 1851, 1871, or 1901 will show the location of each civil parish (which generally corresponds to the boundaries of the Church of Ireland parishes), it has been much more difficult to uncover the corresponding Catholic parish or Presbyterian congregation. Until now! This new 2nd Edition is not only invaluable for tracing your pre-1864 ancestors in church records but also for locating your post-1864 ancestor in civil records, for this volume provides descriptions and maps of the parochial and civil administrative divisions to which all major Irish record sources are linked. To aid the researcher in identifying the precise location of the administrative divisions, and thus their jurisdiction, Mr. Mitchell has drawn at least four, and sometimes five, maps for every county. The first county map depicts the civil/Church of Ireland parishes; the second shows the baronies and Church of Ireland dioceses; the third map illustrates the poor law unions and the parishes included within the probate districts serving that county; the fourth plots Roman Catholic parishes and dioceses; and the fifth locates Presbyterian congregations for the nine counties of Northern Ireland. Three maps of Ireland are also included to show the area covered by each county, diocese, and probate district. In addition, the book describes all of the major record sources of Ireland. These maps provide the clues to the Irish origins of millions of Americans, making this atlas indispensable for tracing ancestors in Ireland!

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Now in an updated second edition, genealogy research expert Brian Mitchell's *A New Genealogical Atlas Of Ireland* is a very straightforward, accessible reference, presenting maps of each Irish county. Each county has five maps: one depicting the Church of Ireland parishes, one showing the baronies and Church of Ireland dioceses, one of the poor law unions and parishes included within probate districts, one of Roman Catholic parishes and dioceses, and a fifth set of maps for the nine counties of Northern Ireland shows Presbyterian congregations. Since civil registration for everyone in Ireland didn't begin until 1864, *A New Genealogical Atlas Of Ireland* is an extremely useful reference for tracing ancestors who lived prior to 1864. An invaluable contribution to genealogical reference and resource materials.

This book is just what it is called: an atlas. It does not give advice or information about Irish history, genealogy, or anything of the sort (which is what I had mistakenly hoped for). It is a very, very detailed atlas of the counties, parishes, and every other conceivable subdivision of the land of Ireland over the last 200 years. It could be a valuable resource for anyone who has their genealogical research within Ireland already. If you are like me, and have traced the family to the boat ride but no further, this will not help you quite yet. Thank you still to the author for the extensive research that must have gone into this!

Now in a new and expanded second edition, *A New Genealogical Atlas Of Ireland* by genealogical expert Brian Mitchell has added maps detailing the location of Roman Catholic parishes in all thirty-two counties of Ireland, and Presbyterian congregations in the nine counties of Northern Ireland. A complete geographical picture of the three major religious dominations in Ireland during the middle years of the 19th century is another newly added feature. An invaluable reference and guide for doing genealogical research for an Irish ancestry, *A New Genealogical Atlas Of Ireland*

continues to be an indispensable, core addition to personal, professional, and genealogical society reference collections.

Brought this for my wife to trace her ancestry by county in Ireland. However, there is no index and few cross references, so before buying this you'll have to research where to look...which, it seems, could generate all the answers without buying the book. We returned it.

Very easy to read maps, great helper when your trying to figure out Baronies, Poor Unions and Parishes for anyone whether starting or revisiting their Irish genealogy projects.

I'm not sure about the other county maps, but the maps for County Mayo contain at least one error - #27 is indicated twice on the map and #28 not indicated at all. I will need to reference another map to clarify. Kind of loses the efficacy of using the book as a resource. As I am only interested in a specific area of County Mayo, I am unable to determine if this is the only error. I was going to email the author but there is no information of how to do so. I hope that is able to contact him.

I hoped for more but only got a catalog. I live and learn.

If you have research to do about Irish genealogy then you need this book to locate parish places in order to locate the proper records. I wish I had had this 20 years ago, it would have saved a lot of time.

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