


<b>Property:</b>	<b>Number:</b>	<b>No 120 Cancellation Book</b>
<b>Property Modern</b>	<b>Number:</b>	<b>No Street Number</b>
<b>Property Modern:</b>	<b>Modern Shop Name</b>	<p data-bbox="907 375 1921 427"><b>Ram's Arms Hotel (now Fire Station &amp; Carpark)</b></p> 





Rams Arms Hotel in its Hey Day at the turn of 20<sup>th</sup> century



Rams Arms Hotel in the “not so hey days” prior to the demolition in 1977

<p><b>Property Previous:</b></p>	<p><b>Previous Shop Names</b></p>	<p>Previously: Rams Arms Hotel          Previously: Malone’s Hotel Rams Arms          Previously: Kidd’s Hotel – Rams Arms          Previously: Fitzsimons Hotel</p>	
<p><b>Landlord</b></p>	<p><b>Time Period</b> from the Cancellation Book</p>	<p><b>Occupier</b></p>	<p>Further Details</p>
<p><i>Reps of Richard Brownrigg</i></p>	<p>1853 – 1860</p>	<p><b>Mary Fitzsimons</b></p>	<p>Rams Arms Hotel owned by Matthew Fitzsimons in 1846. Link Vol 4 No 1 Christmas 1977.</p>

Reps of Richard Brownrigg	1868	Mary Fitzsimons	
<i>In fee</i>	1869-1873	<b>Mary Fitzsimons</b>	Mary Fitzsimons buys the property in 1870.
<i>In fee</i>	1874-1881	<b>William Kidd</b>	William Kidd is a nephew. Will in 1881. Mary Fitzsimons died 25 <sup>th</sup> May 1881.
	1882 – 1883		
<i>In Fee</i>	1884 – 1891	William Kidd	William Kidd died 7 <sup>th</sup> January 1897. He left his property to Jane Kidd. Jane Kidd nee Whitney. They married in New Ross in 1877. William was born in 1843 in Kilrush, County Wexford.
<i>In Fee</i>	1892-1898	Jane Kidd	Jane Kidd lives in Main Street Gorey with her two Whitney sisters.
In Fee	1899-1904	Jane Kidd then James Malone	Jane Kidd sells the property to James Malone in 1901. James Malone was a vet. His wife was from Scotland.
In Fee	1905-1915	James Malone	
In Fee	1916-1930	James Malone then Catherine Ramage Malone.	James Malone Died 19 <sup>th</sup> January 1923. Ethel Malone school teacher present at death.
In Fee	1931-1941	Nora Malone	Nora Malone daughter of James Malone. C. R. Malone died 1936. Ethel Maud died 1 <sup>st</sup> Sept 1938 school teacher.  No 52 St Michaels Catalogue 1934: C.R. Malone "Rams Arms Hotel" Family and Commercial; Boots attend all trains; Motor Garage.

			The hotel's had their own men to meet the trains; for the commercial travellers. The men wore peaked caps with the name of the hotel on them and they had a draw or float (car) to carry up their luggage and cases of samples of the goods they were trying to sell. Link Volume 7 No 1 Christmas 1980
<i>In Fee</i>	1942-1983	Nora K Malone	Laurence Kinsella was a vet and rented a yard here. The Ram's Arms Hotel was knocked in 1977.
	2018		Site of Carpark and Firestation.

The Ram's Arms Hotel was situated at the top of Main Street Gorey, across from Christchurch. The hotel is named after the leading family of the area – The Ram's of Ramsfort.

The hotel was knocked down on 10<sup>th</sup> of October 1977; as it was becoming dilapidated. Currently the site is now occupied by the Fire Station and public car park.

The building itself was built around 1700 as a private house possibly for a member of the Ram Family. The property then passed into the hands of a Matthew Fitzsimon's around 1839;

and it was established as a hotel. Mary Fitzsimon's is recorded in the cancellation books in 1853 as being the occupier. The hotel enjoyed the patronage of the Gentry, Clergy and Commercial Travellers.

The hotel's accommodation included a ladies sitting room, commercial room, stock room and dining room capable of seating up to one hundred.

Mary Fitzsimon's died on the 28<sup>th</sup> May 1881; John Kidd was present at her death and her effects of £1,103 10 shillings and 6d was left to her nephew William Kidd who is recorded as Hotel Keeper of same place;

one of the beneficial residual legatees. In 1885 William Kidd advertises the hotel as Rams Arms Kidd's Hotel.

The hotel ran a wagonette service to Courtown as well and would meet commercial travellers from the train station and escort them to the hotel.





Photograph of Fireplace and of Grandfather Clock which were in the Rams Arm's Hotel. Both photographs were taken courtesy of current owners of the items.

The Clock was made by Robert Richards Clockmaker of Gorey. Items from the hotel were auctioned off and purchased by many buyers.

William Kidd was married to Jane Whitney. They were married in New Ross, County Wexford in 1877. William Kidd died 7<sup>th</sup> January 1897.

Jane Kidd sold the Rams Arms property to James Malone, Veterinary Surgeon around 1901.

James Malone had run a successful veterinary practice in Gorey since 1886 behind Mrs Tehan's Hotel Main Street Gorey (Railway Hotel).

The census below in 1901 shows the family of Malone at the Rams Arms Hotel Gorey.

**CENSUS OF IRELAND, 1901.**  
(Ten Examples of the mode of filling up this Table are given on the other side.)

**FORM A.** No. on Form B. 50

RETURN of the MEMBERS of this FAMILY and their VISITORS, BOARDERS, SERVANTS, &c., who slept or abode in this House on the night of SUNDAY, the 31st of MARCH, 1901.

No.	NAME and SURNAME.		RELATION to Head of Family.	RELIGIOUS PROFESSION.	EDUCATION.	AGE.			SEX.	BORN, PROFESSION, OR OCCUPATION.	MARRIAGE.	WHERE BORN.	IRISH LANGUAGE.	If Dead and Death: Date only; Birth: Month or Year; or Locality.
	Christian Name.	Surname.				Years	Months	Days						
1	James	Malone	Head of Family	Roman Catholic	Read & write	40		17	M	Veterinary Surgeon	Married	Wexford City		
2	Josephine	Malone	Wife	Roman Catholic	Read & write	38			F	Hotel Keeper	Married	Scotland		
3	Joseph	Malone	Daughter	Roman Catholic	Read & write	14			F	Scholar	Not married	Scotland		
4	Emmale	Malone	Son	Roman Catholic	Read & write	15			M	Scholar	Not married	Scotland		
5	Mary Frances	Malone	Daughter	Roman Catholic	Read & write	12			F	Scholar	Not married	Co. Wexford		
6	John	Malone	Daughter	Roman Catholic	Read & write	10			F	Scholar	Not married	Co. Wexford		
7	Marie Louise	Wardale	Maids	Presbyterian	Read & write	20			F	Barmaid	Not married	Scotland		
8	Eliza	McEnery	Maids	Roman Catholic	Read & write	26			F	Hospital Nurse	Not married	Co. Wick		
9	Mary Ann	O'Connor	Servant	Roman Catholic	Read & write	30			F	Cook	Married	Co. Wexford		
10	Julia	Keenan	Servant	Roman Catholic	Read & write	24			F	Waitress	Not married	Co. Wexford		
11	Sarah	Murphy	Servant	Roman Catholic	Read & write	22			F	Housemaid	Not married	Co. Wexford		
12	Elizabeth	Hendrick	Servant	Roman Catholic	Read & write	17			F	Kitchen Maid	Not married	Co. Wexford		
13	Thomas	O'Searain	Servant	Roman Catholic	Read & write	25			M	Hotel Cook	Not married	Co. Kerry	Irish & English	
14	Thomas	Burke	Servant	Roman Catholic	Read & write	19			M	Barman	Not married	Co. Cork	Irish & English	
15														

I hereby certify, as required by the Act 63 Vic, cap 6, s. 6 (1), that the foregoing Return is correct, according to the best of my knowledge and belief.  
*Anthony Lawson Cook* (Signature of Enumerator.)

I believe the foregoing to be a true Return.  
*James Malone* (Signature of Head of Family.)

In 1911 the Malone family are as follows in the census for Rams Arms Hotel Gorey:



# CENSUS OF IRELAND, 1911.

Two Examples of the mode of filling up this Table are given on the other side.

## FORM A.

No. on Form B. 5\*

RETURN of the MEMBERS of this FAMILY and their VISITORS, BOARDERS, SERVANTS, &c., who slept or abode in this House on the night of SUNDAY, the 2nd of APRIL, 1911.

Number.	NAME AND SURNAME.		RELATION to Head of Family.	RELIGIOUS PROFESSION.	EDUCATION.	AGE (last Birthday) and SEX.		RANK, PROFESSION, OR OCCUPATION.	PARTICULARS AS TO MARRIAGE.			WHERE BORN.	IRISH LANGUAGE.	If Deaf and Dumb; Dumb only; Blind; Imbecile or Idiot; or Lunatic.
	Christian Name.	Surname.	State whether "Head of Family," or "Wife," "Son," "Daughter," or other Relative; "Visitor," "Boarder," "Servant," &c.	State here the particular Religion, or Religious Denomination, to which each person belongs. [Members of Protestant Denominations are requested not to describe themselves by the vague term "Protestant," but to enter the name of the Particular Church, Denomination, or Body to which they belong.]	State here whether he or she can "Read and Write," can "Read" only, or "Cannot Read."	Insert Age opposite each name:—the Ages of Males in column 6, and the Ages of Females in column 7.  For Infants under one year state the age in months, as "under 1 month," "1 month," "2 months," &c.	State the particular Rank, Profession, Trade, or other Employment of each person. Children or young persons attending a School, or receiving regular instruction at home, should be returned as <i>Scholars</i> . [No entry should be made in the case of wives, daughters, or other female relatives solely engaged in domestic duties at home.]  Before filling this column you are requested to read the instructions on the other side.	Whether "Married," "Widower," "Widow," or "Single."	State for each Married Woman entered on this Schedule the number of:—  Completed years the present Marriage has lasted. If less than one year, write "under one."	Children born alive to present Marriage. If no children born alive, write "None" in column 11.	Children still living.	If in Ireland, state in what County or City; if elsewhere, state the name of the Country.	Write the word "Irish" in this column opposite the name of each person who speaks Irish only, and the words "Irish & English" opposite the names of those who can speak both languages. In other cases no entry should be made in this column.	Write the respective infirmities opposite the name of the afflicted person.
1	James	Malone	Head of family	Roman Catholic	Read & Write	49	Veterinary Surgeon	Married				Wexford		
2	Catherine Ramage	Malone	Wife	Roman Catholic	Read & Write	47	House Keeper	Married	24	4	4	Edinburgh Scotland		
3	Maah Kathleen	Malone	Daughter	Roman Catholic	Read & Write	25		Single				Edinburgh Scotland		
4	May Frances	Malone	Daughter	Roman Catholic	Read & Write	23		Single				County Wexford		
5	Ann Marie	Malone	Servant	Roman Catholic	Read & Write	28	Housemaid	Single				Wexford		
6	Constance	White	Servant	Roman Catholic	Read & Write	29	Waitress	Single				Dublin		✓
7	Patrick	Shurphy	Servant	Roman Catholic	Read & Write	24	Guardman	Single				County Wexford		
8	Hugh	Hane	Visitor	Roman Catholic	Read & Write	47	Draper	Widower				County Wexford		
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The Malone Family ran the hotel for many years until it became unprofitable as a business. James Malone died in 1923; his wife Catherine Ramage Malone (nee McKean) died in 1936

and his youngest daughter Ethel Ramage Malone died here on July 17th 1938. James Malone ran a veterinary practice here as well as the hotel business.

Her brother Edmond Walter Malone became a Passionist priest and was known as Father Marcellus Malone and he was based in Holycross, Ardoyne, Belfast.

He was the first Passionist to be professed in Ireland in November 1915 at Mount Argus. In 1911 census Edmond (Fr Marcellus) is recorded in Mount Argus, Dublin.

Norah K. Malone died October 21<sup>st</sup> 1972.

The Rams Arms building became dilapidated afterwards and was subsequently knocked down in 1977.

The contents of the property were auctioned off.



Image of the Rams Arms in the early years.



### **The Two Headed Calf Story**

James Malone was a veterinary surgeon and operated in the early years from a yard at Railway Hotel Gorey (Mrs. Tehan's yard).

After buying the Rams Arms Hotel in 1901 he ran his veterinary practice from here in the yard at the back of the hotel. A well-known story around Gorey is of the two headed calf.

James delivered the animal at some point and afterwards had it preserved and mounted by a taxidermist. It was on display in a glass case in the lobby of the hotel.

It was moved to the back houses where Larry Kinsella was a vet; in a back shed. John o Doherty took over the practice. The calf disappeared. Possibly in midlands.

### **Malone's Headstone in St. Michael's Cemetery.**

Sacred to the memory of James Malone C.V.S he died 19<sup>th</sup> January 1923 his wife Catherine Ramage McKean died 14<sup>th</sup> May 1936 also their daughter Ethel Maude Malone B.H.A

Died July 17<sup>th</sup> 1938. The son Esmonde Walter became Reverend Father Marcellus G.P. died 5<sup>th</sup> July 1958 (interred Holycross Retreat, Ardoyne, Belfast),  
Norah K. Malone died October 21<sup>st</sup> 1972. Aged 90.

Norah kept her brothers room as is. Buried in St. Michaels.

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