Book List

These books deal with Roscommon history, mostly during the famine and pre-famine time periods. Part of the Ballykilcline Society’s stated mission is to foster the Strokestown-Kilglass area’s history; members are doing that in many ways.

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