

LORRHADORRA HISTORICAL SOCIETY



THREE HEADS OF ABBEYVILLE

One of the many stories about the 3 heads is: A long time ago there was a fire in Lackeen Castle and the ghost, who lived there and woke when she smelt the smoke and shot up and out of the castle. There was so much smoke she couldn't see and she flew madly and landed in a stream, nearby. She took up residence there. Years later she took to roam around the Castle and yard and people started to see her. One mad called a ghost-catching service from England and when they arrived, they wanted to catch her on a picture. 3-2-1 click, and immediately the ghost twisted around and turned the men into stone. She was so angered; she tore off their heads and threw them in a gutter.

The heads are still in the gutter to this day and if you're unlucky she will come and get you.

The Heads are outside the village of Lorrha, in the townland of Abbeyville. Lackeen Castle is just up the road from them and that castle is also steeped in history. The 3 heads are just on the road beside the entrance to Abbeyville House. The rough GPS coordinates are 53 5' 7" N 8 3' 55" W.