and purposes aforesaid. . . . This Commission shall continue and be in force until 20th October next ensuing or until further order." Athlone, 16 June. Commissions and Instructions A/26. 24. ff. 99-101.

686. Additional Instructions[1] for Sir C. Coote and the rest of the Commissioners for setting out of forfeited lands to persons transplantable into the Province of Connaught and County of Clare.

1. Expedition to be used to allot the same proportion of profitable lands in quantity according to the survey of Connaught, as by the Decree and Order is or shall be judged to belong unto them and every of them respectively; and that rent-charges and the like, which cannot be set out according to the quantity be satisfied proportionably unto what the said rent-charge might be valued at in 1641, with present land to make up the like value in Connaught.

2. Those who have already transplanted themselves not to be removed unless they desire it, except in case of extreme necessity, when they are to have reparation for all buildings etc. erected, and special care taken for their future accommodation.

"3. For the more orderly proceeding in setting out of any lands you are to begin with one barony in each county, beginning in one point of the barony as *e.g.* north-east, and so proceed in the same barony to all persons coming before you next adjoining one to another without intervals, and have equal regard unto them as they do or shall come before you, and so to proceed from one barony to another, and having filled one barony then to proceed in like manner in the next barony; provided this shall not extend to persons already settled by you, or such transplantable persons who have or shall have special orders or directions from us."

4. No lands within garrisoned or walled towns or within one mile of a garrison, or within three miles of the sea or Shannon to be assigned or set out to any persons transplantable as abovesaid, nor any woods of considerable quantity of timber, such being to be preserved for the Commonwealth.

"5. Where any person or persons that are Popish Recusants

[1] Note in margin: "Instructions for Commissioners at Loughrea. The former Instructions are dated 6th January 1653[-4]." See pp. 387-389.

have and are possessed of any lands or houses in any town or parish in Connaught or Clare, you shall forthwith cause such person and persons to put in his claim thereto before the Commissioners appointed for the adjudication of claims and to prosecute the same with effect and under what Qualifications they fall; and, according to the proportion of land adjudged to belong unto them, you are to permit them to enjoy such part and portion thereof, as is or shall be so adjudged to belong unto them, without any picking or choosing to be made by the party himself, and to cause such equal allotment to be made unto him and them as indifferently as you may, but so as the persons transplantable, that are to be placed in towns or in the residue of the lands lately belonging unto them, may also have an equal allotment and proportion with them, wherein you are to use all equality and indifference; and if any preference be to be had, to give it to such person or persons as shall appear to you to have been most deserving.

"6. When any person or persons transplantable as abovesaid have, by colour of former orders, gotten the possession of any castle or garrison hereafter mentioned, or any lands within one mile thereof or within three English miles of the sea and three English miles of the Shannon, or the possession of any wood having considerable timber growing therein, or that is or shall be by you adjudged fit to be reserved for the growth and preservation of timber, that you cause such persons forthwith to be removed out of such garrisons and places as abovesaid, and that you do forthwith cause him and them (when their qualifications are determined) to have other forfeited lands near adjoining thereto, that do belong to the Commonwealth and are undisposed of, such forfeited lands to be of equal proportions and quantity as the lands he and they are removed from; provided that such persons, that have made or caused to be made any gardening, ploughing or other planting, do receive this summer's profit thereout, but not otherwise."

7. Licence to be given to transplanters to cut down wood in order to expedite their settling; but security to be taken that not too much is cut down and that the licences be not otherwise misused. Athlone, 16 June. *Ib.* ff. 102-4.

687. THE NAMES OF THE GARRISONS WITHIN WHICH, OR WITHIN ONE ENGLISH MILE THEREOF, NO POPISH RECUSANT, OR OTHER PERSON TRANSPLANTABLE SHALL BE ADMITTED TO INHABIT, OR RESIDE, OR TO HAVE LANDS APPOINTED OR ALLOTTED TO THEM VIZ.

In County Galway, the town and city of Galway or within five miles thereof. The isles of Aran, Inishboffin, Cleggan Bay, Lettermullan, Dunmore, Meelick, Banagher, Ballymoe.

In County Roscommon Athlone, and within three miles thereof, Ballinasloe, Termonbarry, Ballatnara (? Bellantra), Cam Island, Ballyleague.

In County Clare, Carrigaholt, Lymaneagh,[1] Clare Castle, Inchicronan and Killaloe.

In County Sligo, the town of Sligo or within five miles thereof, Bellahy, Ballinafad, Ballymote.

In County Mayo, Ballinrobe, Cahernamart,[2] Ballyloghan, Broadhaven and Beleek.

In County Leitrim, Jamestown, Carickdrumrusk,[3] Harbour Burshell (?), Fenagh, Tomonoghan (?).

The towns ensuing are to be reserved on the account of garrisons for English plantations, viz. Loughrea, Athenry, Portumna, Ballintober, Shrule, Akin, Dunamon. 16 June. *Ib* f. 105.

688. Ordered that John Santhy and the rest of the Commissioners sitting at Athlone to adjudge of the titles and qualifications of the Irish, and James Cuff,[4] or any one or more of them, be empowered to give the oath ensuing to Col. Wm. Edwards and the rest of the Commissioners that are to sit at

[1] Lemaneh, in the parish of Kilnaboy and Barony of Inchiquin.
[2] Now Westport.
[3] Now Carrick-on-Shannon.
[4] James Cuff or Cuffe was the son of Thomas Cuffe of Crych, Somersetshire, who at the outbreak of the Rebellion contributed liberally in money and provisions for its suppression. As a Commissioner for assigning lands to the Irish in Connaught James Cuffe acquired considerable property in counties Mayo and Galway, in and about Ballinrobe. He was at heart a royalist, and joining with Coote and Broghill to secure the restoration of Charles II, he was confirmed in the possession of his estate, and having received the honour of knighthood, together with the office of Master of the Ordnance in 1660, he was in 1661 elected M.P. for county Mayo, appointed Clerk of the Council in Connaught in 1662, and a Commissioner for the execution of the Act of Settlement and created a Privy Councillor. In 1655 he married Alice, daughter of Dr Ambrose Aungier, and died in 1678. Lodge, Peerage. Ed. Archdall, iii, pp. 376-378 and *Cal. State Papers*, Irel., 1660-1670 *passim*.