

This is a hand-tinted print of :

***'Caldwell Castle the Beautiful Seat of
Sir James Caldwell in Ireland'***

published by F.Newbery, London in
1780.



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A few years earlier, **Sir James Caldwell** had spent more than £16,000 building

'a most comfortable good house, a very large court of excellent offices, ...two very large walled gardens with fish ponds, a beautiful temple built on the Black Rock glazed with painted glass'.

The **four-bay house** is shown among the trees in the left background. A walled area nearby, probably the courtyard, incorporates a two-storey coach-house and a small building with a high pointed roof. Below this may be one of the walled gardens.

On the extreme right of the print, in the centre, is the small **octagonal temple**. The bridge is evidence of higher water levels than today.

Either the sailing boat or the rowing boat in the foreground may represent **St. Patrick's Barge**, owned by Sir James Caldwell. This is the boat from which the fiddler, **Denis McCabe**, fell in 1770. His death is commemorated on the **Fiddler's Stone**.

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