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ABOUT THE IRISH MANUSCRIPTS COMMISSION

Since 1928, when the Commission was established by the Irish Government, scholarship and learning have expanded beyond anything that could have been conceived at the time. The Commission has played a significant role in this process by publishing to the highest scholarly standard editions, calendars and lists of primary materials.

The Irish Manuscripts Commission is committed to promoting public awareness of primary source materials and their importance for the history, heritage and culture of Ireland.

The experience gained by the Commission over the years makes it especially suited to advise on policy towards preserving and making accessible sources of our past.

Through its publication programme, the Commission can bring these sources to the widest possible readership within Ireland and worldwide.

Ó 1928, nuair a bhunaigh Rialtas na hÉireann an Coimisiún, tá borradh thar cuimse tagtha ar léann is foghlaim na tire. Bhí páirt nach beag ag an gCoimisiún sa phróiseas seo ag foilsiú, den chaighdeán is aoirde, eagráin, cailenadair agus liostaí de bhunabhair.

Tá cúram ar an gCoimisiún eolas poiblí a chur chun cinn faoi fhoinsí bhunabhair agus a dtabhacht i leith stair, oidhreacht and cultúr na hÉireann.

Leis an cleachtadh atá faighte ag an gCoimisiún le blianta anuas tá ar a chumas comhairle a thabhairt ar pholasaí faoi chaomhnú agus inrochtaineacht fhoinsí stairiúla.

Tríd a chlár foilseacháin tá ar chumas an Choimisiúin na foinsí seo a chur ós chomhar an phobail is fairsinge in Éirinn agus ar fud an domhain.

ORIGINS AND THE WORK OF THE IRISH MANUSCRIPTS COMMISSION

President of the Executive Council William T. Cosgrave announced the establishment of the Irish Manuscripts Commission in the Dáil on 17 October 1928. Its brief was to report on the nature, extent and importance of manuscripts of historical interest relating to Ireland, to undertake their publication as necessary and advise on their protection and preservation. The Commission held its first meeting at 5 Ely Place, Dublin on 15 January 1929.

Bringing together scholars from across Ireland, the Commission has always been a representative independent voice in the cultural heritage sector and its cross-border membership has given it an important North-South dimension.

IMC is at the cutting edge of historical scholarship and, on occasion, of technological innovation. In the 1930s the Commission introduced new photographic and printing techniques, including microfilming, to Ireland. In recent years IMC has been involved in developing a policy on best practice in digitisation.

MEMBERS OF THE COMMISSION AND THEIR ROLE

Led by Chairman Eoin MacNeill, the members of IMC — Ireland's leading historians, librarians and archivists — began work in 1929 with an ambitious attempt to gather the most important of the remaining source materials for Ireland's histories. They sought copies of what had been lost in the Four Courts fire in the great archives of Britain and Europe

and, often through specially appointed inspectors, searched for new and undiscovered materials while demonstrating at local and national level the importance of preserving historical sources.

During the paper shortages of the Second World War the members of the Commission alerted the Irish public to the need to safeguard valuable records, which could be destroyed by accident. They also urged Government departments to ensure the security of historic records from possible wartime damage, particularly destruction from air attack.

Since the 1950s, under successive chairmen— R. I. Best, Edward MacLysaght, Rev. Patrick Corish, Rev. Donal Cregan, Brian Trainor, Geoffrey Hand and James McGuire—IMC has advocated the need to develop viable national structures for the preservation of historical sources.

From the 1960s IMC pioneered the preservation of records in private hands, most importantly, business records.

PUBLICATIONS

Through its publications IMC has for more than eighty years made the fundamentals of Irish history accessible to the widest audience. In its early years the Commission published the great codices of early, medieval and early modern Irish history. Since the 1990s the Commission has consciously broadened its remit to publish primary source material from all ages and centuries of Irish history.

To date IMC has published 197 volumes of primary sources for periods from the medieval to the twentieth century. Single volume and multi-volume, transcripts, facsimiles and calendars, these editions cover events of central importance to the history of the island of Ireland.

Several series are included in these publications, the most important of which are: *The Civil Survey, 1654–56* edited by R. C. Simington (10 vols, 1931–61); *Calendar of Ormond Deeds* edited by Edmund Curtis (6 vols, 1932–43); *Commentarius Rinuccinianus* edited by Fr Stanislaus Kavanagh (6 vols, 1932–49); *The Correspondence of Daniel O'Connell* edited by Maurice O'Connell (8 vols, 1973–7).

Forty-five issues of IMC's serial publication, *Analecta Hibernica*, have been published since the first volume in 1930 edited by James Hogan of University College Cork. Today *Analecta Hibernica* is edited by James Kelly of St Patrick's College, Drumcondra and it continues to publish important documents that are too short to form a stand-alone publication. In the early days it played an important role in the publication of reports by the Commission's inspectors on collections of documents in public and private archives.

IMC looks forward to the future with renewed energy, fully committed to raising awareness of the scholarship contained in its publications and to making that knowledge available to the widest possible audiences via print and digital editions.

A HISTORY OF THE IMC

Reconstructing Ireland's Past: a history of the Irish Manuscripts Commission

Michael Kennedy and Deirdre McMahon



Written to mark the 80th anniversary of the foundation of the Irish Manuscripts Commission, this book records the history of the IMC and its role in preserving sources for Irish history since 1928. After 80 years, and having published over 180 editions of historical documents and 45 issues of its serial publication (*Analecta Hibernica*), IMC

continues to promote the development of history as a discipline in Ireland and it supports a wide range of initiatives to improve public awareness of the importance of historical sources and of the need to preserve those sources.

...we have been blessed with a highly engaging and compelling study of one of Ireland's most revered and deserving institutions.

—GERARD O'BRIEN, *IRISH HISTORICAL STUDIES*

ISBN 978-1-874280-50-7, xxiv + 210 pp, €40, 2009

Michael Kennedy is the executive editor of the Royal Irish Academy's series Documents in Irish Foreign Policy and Deirdre McMahon lectures in 20th century history at Mary Immaculate College, University of Limerick.

Commemorative editions

Letters to and from internment camps in Ireland, 1920–1921

William Murphy, *editor*

November 1920 marked a turning-point in the Irish War of Independence as increasing violence prompted the British authorities to institute a range of stronger security measures, including widespread internment.

In the following months internment camps were established at locations across Ireland, including Ballykinlar, Co. Down, the Curragh, Co. Kildare, and Spike and Bere Islands in Co. Cork. Some 3,311 men were held at these places by late June 1921.

The letters transcribed in this edition throw light on the impact of internment on the families and communities of the internees as well as the conditions and conflicts in the camps and the camp cultures that emerged. More importantly, the correspondence expresses the loneliness of spouses, the anxiety of mothers, and the solidarity of siblings.

ISBN 978-1-906865-30-6, 2015

British perspectives on the 1916 Rising

Deirdre McMahon, *editor*

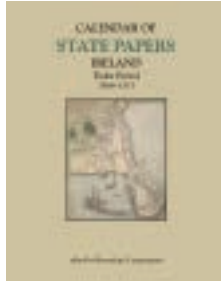
The first of the two collections presented in this volume consists of British military and intelligence records from the de Valera Papers in UCD Archives. These papers were given to de Valera in 1967 when he was President of Ireland and contain documents not available in other archives in Ireland or Britain. Extending from March 1916 to the spring of 1917, they contain correspondence between the Irish Executive at Dublin Castle and the Irish Command at Parkgate Street, and between GHQ Home Forces, the War Office and the British Cabinet in London. Included are reports on the activities of Sinn Féin and the Irish Volunteers, the Rising in Dublin and the subsequent executions and aftermath.

The second collection of documents consists of the 1916 papers of Andrew Bonar Law. Bonar Law was the leader of the Conservative Party who in December 1916 became Chancellor of the Exchequer and Leader of the Commons. The papers place the Rising within the context of the First World War and the need to secure active American support for the British war effort. They include descriptions of the fighting in Dublin, and the arrest and execution of the leaders including Roger Casement. The Bonar Law documents also chart the British government's efforts to find a political solution in the wake of the Rising, notably the Lloyd George proposals in the early summer of 1916. Recruiting for the war, the threat of conscription, and the gradual decline of John Redmond and the Irish Party are other prominent subjects in 1916–17.

ISBN 978-1-906865-31-3, 2015

Calendar of State Papers, Ireland, Tudor period, 1547–1553

Colm Lennon, *editor*



This volume calendars material in the National Archives in London relating to policy towards Ireland and its governance in the mid-Tudor period when Edward VI was king of England and Ireland from 1547 to 1553. These state papers reveal not only how the institutions of central government were extended into the provinces, but also the tenor of life in the

local communities, especially the towns. For those interested in the history of Anglo-Irish relations in the early modern period, this edition provides valuable information on the roots of English colonial policy in Ireland, and early evidence of native responses to Tudor social, economic and religious policies.

ISBN 978-1-906865-50-4, c. 220 pp, €50, Winter 2015

Colm Lennon, Professor Emeritus at Maynooth University, has written widely on the early modern period in Ireland.

The correspondence of James Ussher, 1600–1656

Elizabethanne Boran, *editor*



James Ussher constructed a circle of correspondents that spread across the religious boundaries and disciplinary fields of seventeenth-century Europe. He has justifiably been described as Trinity College Dublin's greatest scholar and one of the most influential intellectuals of early modern Europe. His correspondence reflects his political and ecclesiastical role at the head of the Church of

Ireland at a crucial time of forging its identity as a separate enclave from the Church of England but it is his scholarly network which reveals his pivotal role in Irish, British and European intellectual life.

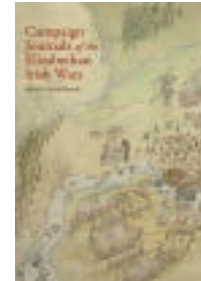
This edition of the Ussher correspondence provides a vital research tool for anyone interested in the connections between Irish and European intellectual, cultural, religious and political life in the first half of the seventeenth-century.

ISBN 978-1-874280-89-7 in 3 volumes, xlix + 1189 pp plus indexes, €130, 2015

Elizabethanne Boran is Librarian of the Edward Worth Library, Dr Stevens' Hospital, Dublin.

Campaign Journals of the Elizabethan Irish Wars

David Edwards, *editor*



When Elizabeth I succeeded as the last of the Tudor monarchs in 1558 her government was already involved in wars of conquest and containment in different parts of Ireland. Before her death in 1603 there would be many more. This book gathers together nineteen journals of the Elizabethan campaigns, recording military operations by crown forces in all

four provinces, on land and at sea. The journals cover every aspect of the fighting, from preparation to the often bloody aftermath, and offer unique insights of the Tudor conquest and how it was experienced by those who took part.

These journals are key historical sources and they are reproduced in full here for the first time. They demonstrate the importance of record-keeping for Elizabeth's commanders, and the central role of soldiering in their sense of themselves and their place in history.

ISBN 978-1-906865-51-1, c. €40, Spring 2015

David Edwards lectures in history at UCC.

Acts of the Corporation of Coleraine, 1623–69

Brid McGrath, *editor*



This manuscript, still in private hands, records the decisions taken by the Common Council of Coleraine for the period 1623–1669. For the ten years prior to 1623 all significant decisions regarding Coleraine's development and administration were taken in London; after this time Coleraine's Common Council had greater scope to direct the expansion of the town and create a

new urban centre and community in the north of Ireland. This book provides a complete listing of the membership of the Common Council and a full account of their decisions.

Acts of the Corporation of Coleraine, 1623–1669 records the Council's attempts to control trade, its relationship with the merchant community and the military, its methods of raising taxes, its response to the upheavals of the 1640s, adjustment to the Commonwealth and the Restoration. Through it we also see the councillors' concern with their own interests and social status, including the annual mayoral elections and their precedence within the Council, but also their acquisition of status symbols such as official dress and town silver.

This edition will be of particular interest to scholars working on urban history, early modern Ireland, early modern social structures, military historians and local historians.

ISBN 978-1-906865-52-8, c. €40, Spring 2015

Brid McGrath is an independent scholar and has previously published The minute book of the Corporation of Clonmel, 1608–1649 *with the Irish Manuscripts Commission.*

1641 Depositions

Aidan Clarke, *general editor*



The *1641 Depositions* are witness testimonies mainly by Protestants, but also by some Catholics, from all social backgrounds, concerning their experiences of the 1641 Irish rebellion. The testimonies document the loss of goods, military activity, and the alleged crimes committed by the Irish insurgents. This body of material is unparalleled anywhere in

early modern Europe, and provides a unique source of information for the causes and events surrounding the 1641 rebellion and for the social, economic, cultural, religious, and political history of seventeenth-century Ireland, England and Scotland. In total, 19,010 manuscript pages in 31 bound volumes have been transcribed and are arranged for publication as follows:

Volume IV: Dublin
ISBN 978-1-906865-38-2, €50, 2015

Aidan Clarke is Emeritus Erasmus Smith's Professor of Modern History at Trinity College Dublin.

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Micheál Ó Siochrú

Associate Editors

Edda Frankot, Annaleigh Margey, Elaine Murphy

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All volumes available separately.

The Acts of James II's Irish Parliament of 1689

John Bergin and Andrew Lyall, *editors*

This is the first scholarly edition of the extant acts of King James II's Irish parliament of 1689.

Along with the journals of both houses of James's parliament, the official copies of all thirty-five acts of this parliament were ordered by an act of William III's Irish parliament in 1695 to be 'openly cancelled and utterly destroyed'. But the text of 25 of these acts remain extant and it is from the earliest surviving copies that this edition has been compiled. It supersedes older editions which were neither comprehensive nor based on the most authentic sources.

The myriad topics covered in the 1689 acts include land, warfare, finance, constitutional rights and liberty of conscience. The acts show a society legislating both for present needs and a Jacobite settlement that was not to be.

John Bergin is a Visiting Research Fellow in the School of History and Anthropology, Queen's University Belfast, and Andrew Lyall taught land law and legal anthropology in the Faculty of Law at University College Dublin from 1980 until his retirement in 2007.

ISBN 978-1-906865-49-8, c. 200 pp, 2015

Mapping Ireland c. 1550–1636: a catalogue of manuscript maps of Ireland

Annaleigh Margey, *editor*

This book provides the first combined catalogue and visual portfolio of all extant manuscript maps of Ireland. Surveying and mapping were core elements of English plantation policy and practice in Ireland; they were crucial for ascertaining the extent and quality of lands escheated to the Crown and monitoring the progress of plantations throughout Ireland.

The catalogue contains data and images of c. 600 maps (some never published before) and has a strong geographical structure by province, county, location and date.

ISBN 978-1-906865-03-0, c. 600 pp, large format, c. €150, 2015

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Digitising the IMC heritage

Recognising the importance of digitisation in the preservation of sources for Irish history and culture, IMC is making its editions of primary sources accessible online to the widest possible audience.

In 2014–15 IMC will continue to digitise its out-of-print publications. Forty-six editions are currently available to read and search on the IMC website, including major series such as the *Books of survey and distribution*, *Ormond deeds* and *The correspondence of Daniel O'Connell*. Seventy more titles will be added to this online resource in 2015.



IMC regards the digitising of its backlist as an intrinsic part of its public service remit to improve access to and awareness of the primary manuscript sources it has preserved in print. Within the means and resources available to it, IMC makes every effort to source and credit the rights owners of all material used on the Digital Editions section of its website.

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Catholics and Protestants in eighteenth-century Ireland: Irish religious censuses of the 1760s

Brian Gurrin, Kerby A. Miller and Liam Kennedy, *editors*

This edition presents abstracted religious census data from the two national religious surveys conducted in Ireland during the 1760s: the first, during 1764 and 1765, by the hearth-money collectors, and the second, in the first half of 1766, by the parish ministers of the Established Church.

This edition has identified surviving material from both surveys and abstracted the data and compiled it by administrative divisions into a consistent, standardised format. Colour distribution maps are included for each county.

Researchers examining developments in eighteenth-century Irish society and social inquiry will find these sources extremely useful. No other pre-census source comes close to providing the wealth of demographic and social information contained in these censuses.

ISBN 978-1-906865-29-0, 2015

Documents relating to the Bogs Commissioners, 1809–1813

Arnold Horner, *editor*

In operation between 1809 and 1813, the Bogs Commissioners were a government-appointed body given the task of appraising the development potential of the bogs of Ireland. In fulfilment of their remit, they organised a series of district surveys with reports and maps that embody an exceptional range of detail on a major feature of the Irish landscape.

The interest in the early scientific work of the Bogs Commissioners lies in the extent of the changes to the bogs they documented 200 years ago and in the survival of so many of their records, manuscript as well as printed, which can feed into local and national studies of environmental change.

NAI, 1137/77, the main text presented here, is a minute book recording summary detail from the 146 meetings held by the nine commissioners over a sixty-month period. Although punctuated by 'silences' concerning some of their decisions, discussions and activities, this book charts much of the planning, operationalisation, aspirations and limitations of the work of the commissioners.

ISBN 978-1-906865-55-9, 2015

A calendar of Irish Chancery Letters c. 1244–1509

Peter Crooks, *editor*

The Irish chancery was a key organ of English government in medieval Ireland. The original rolls of chancery suffered a series of calamities from the late thirteenth century onwards, culminating in 1922 with an explosion in the Public Record Office of Ireland at the Four Courts, Dublin. *A calendar of Irish Chancery Letters*, c. 1244–1509, is being created by collating all known transcripts and calendars of Irish chancery letters ranging in date from the fourteenth to nineteenth centuries. These records are located in various archival repositories in Ireland and the United Kingdom.

This calendar will advance our understanding of the 'making of Ireland' between the high Middle Ages and the dawn of the modern era. This edition is arranged as follows:

Volume I: Henry III to Edward II (1244–1327)
ISBN 978-1-906865-32-0;

Volume II: Edward III (1327–77)
ISBN 978-1-906865-33-7;

Volume III: Richard II and Henry IV (1377–1413)
ISBN 978-1-906865-34-4;

Volume IV: Henry V to Henry VII (1413–1509)
ISBN 978-1-906865-35-1.

4 volumes, available separately, 2016

Verse travesty in Restoration Ireland: 'Purgatorium Hibernicum', with 'The Fingallian Travesty'

Andrew Carpenter, *editor*



The manuscripts of the 'Purgatorium Hibernicum' (c. 1670) and 'The Fingallian Travesty' (1686), constitute a significant source of unexplored literary texts from Restoration Ireland. Though both are versions — in coarse, rhyming Hiberno-English and 'Fingallian' — of the same verse travesty of Book VI of the *Aeneid*, they differ widely from each other.

The text of the 'Purgatorium' — the longer and more interesting source — is presented as it appears in the manuscript, with Virgil's noble lines copied out below each passage of bawdy, exaggerated 'stage-Irish' verse, and intermittent sidenotes providing explications of the verse in Latin, English and Irish. The Hiberno-English text itself contains otherwise unrecorded linguistic coinages as well as syntactical and grammatical features borrowed from Irish.

'The Fingallian Travesty', though derived from the same source as the 'Purgatorium', was designed for a readership in England and clarifies many of the obscurities in the 'Purgatorium'.

Scholars of many disciplines, particularly cultural, linguistic, literary and social historians, will find much to interest them in these hitherto inaccessible texts.

ISBN 978-1-906865-15-3, xvi + 240pp, €30, 2013

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Letterbook of George, 16th earl of Kildare

Aidan Clarke and Bríd McGrath, *editors*



The letterbook presented here consists for the most part of copies of the incoming correspondence of George FitzGerald (1612–1656/7), 16th earl of Kildare, from 1628, when he was sixteen years of age, to 1634, with a few later items. The letters deal principally with matters arising from the acquisition of George's wardship by Richard Boyle, 1st earl of Cork, in 1629 and the attainment of his majority in 1633, but the ever-present theme is the condition of the Kildare estates. The letterbook is in the Public Record Office of Northern Ireland.

The text is supplemented by a transcription of BL MS Add. 19937, a schedule of lands in Ireland belonging to the earl of Kildare and relations but in the possession of others. This was for use in identifying and discovering lands affected by an ongoing dispute with Lady Lettice Digby.

ISBN 978-1-906865-28-3, xiv + 148 pp, €30, 2013

Aidan Clarke is Emeritus Erasmus Smith's Professor of Modern History at Trinity College Dublin and Bríd McGrath is an historian of the 17th century.

The letterbook of Richard Hare, Cork merchant, 1771–1772

James O'Shea, *editor*



Relatively little primary source material on mercantile activities in Cork survives for the eighteenth century. The Hare letterbook is by far the most comprehensive extant work for a Cork export business and it contains 843 letters covering the period 1771 to 1772 (with occasional gaps). It records Richard Hare's exchanges with some 265 correspondents, mostly in Britain (London, Bristol and Liverpool), but also in Ireland, the West Indies and Europe.

The correspondence recorded in this merchant letterbook provides an important primary source for local history, genealogy, biography, landed estates, social and economic history, and for students of business administration.

ISBN 978-1-906865-17-7, xx + 277 pp, €35, 2013

James O'Shea is an electrical engineer based in Cork with an interest in Cork's mercantile history.

The proclamations of Ireland, 1660–1820

James Kelly with Mary Ann Lyons, *editors*



The proclamation was a crucial instrument of government and administration in the seventeenth and eighteenth centuries; it was also the most frequently encountered item of official print. Long published, promulgated and posted in the immediately recognisable broadside format, and subsequently printed in the *Dublin Gazette*, proclamations were normally issued by the Lord

Lieutenant (or Lords Justices) and Privy Council. Since they engaged with virtually every aspect of government, they were an essential complement to acts of parliament in the governance and administration of the kingdom. This edition, arranged in five volumes, presents the texts, or a detailed guide to the content of some 2,500 proclamations, and allied documents, issued in Ireland as follows:

Volume 1: Charles II, 1660–85,
ISBN 978-1-906865-18-4, lxxxii + 483 pp, €60, 2014;

Volume 2: James II, 1685–91; William and Mary, 1689–1702; Anne, 1702–14,
ISBN 978-1-906865-19-1, lxii + 742 pp, €60, 2014;

Volume 3: George I, 1714–27 and George II, 1727–60,
ISBN 978-1-906865-20-7, lxii + 567 pp, €60, 2014;

Volume 4: George III, Part 1: 1760–90,
ISBN 978-1-906865-21-4, lxi + 552 pp, €60, 2014;

Volume 5: George III, Part 2: 1791–1820,
ISBN 978-1-906865-22-1, lxii + 596 pp, €60, 2014.

5 volume set: ISBN 978-1-906865-53-5, €250

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The Register of St Saviour's Chantry of Waterford –

Registrum Cantariae S. Salvatoris Waterfordensis

Niall Byrne, *editor*

with Michael Byrne

prepared for publication by Kenneth Nicholls



BL Harleian MS 3765, *Registrum Cantariae S. Salvatoris Waterfordensis*, the Register of St Saviour's Chantry of Waterford, is the only surviving register of a medieval Irish chantry and provides details of the running of a pre-Reformation Irish cathedral church. In particular it allows glimpses of the theology of the clergy of that era, and permits an examination of the fruits of that

theology in action. Relating mostly to the period from 1468 to 1482, the earliest record is 1435 and the latest 1535.

The text presented here is a translation of a Latin transcription of the original manuscript. Along with the Great Parchment Book of Waterford and the Great Charter Roll of Waterford, the register provides a trilogy of records for Waterford city during the medieval period.

ISBN 978-1-906865-48-1, xvi + 86 pp, €25, 2013

Niall Byrne (1934–2012) served as Veterinary Officer of Waterford City Council from 1994 to 2011 and held a PhD in history from UCC.

Recent titles from IMC

The Great Parchment Book of Waterford –

Liber Antiquissimus Civitatis Waterfordiae

Niall Byrne, *editor*



Preserved in the Waterford Museum of Treasures, the *Liber Antiquissimus Civitatis Waterfordiae* or the Great Parchment Book of Waterford is an exceptional record of an Irish municipality. Compiled mostly between the mid-fifteenth and mid-seventeenth centuries, it also includes copies of records relating to the city of Waterford dating back to the early thirteenth century.

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Registers of the archbishops of Armagh

The Register of Milo Sweteman, Archbishop of Armagh, 1361–1380

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Milo Sweteman was Archbishop of Armagh during one of the most turbulent periods in Irish history. His register, the first of its kind to survive from medieval Ireland, offers remarkable insights into how the Church operated in the midst of a divided society in the middle of the fourteenth century.

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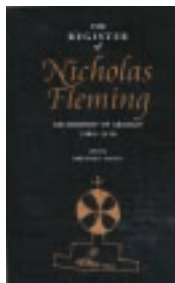
with the Archbishop of Dublin and his uneasy relations with Irish rulers such as Niall Ó Néill who threatened 'like a pope or an emperor' to seize all his lands in Armagh, Ó hAnluain who assaulted and threatened his servants, and Mac Aonghusa who made a devastating raid into County Louth in 1374.

ISBN 978-1-874280-07-1, xxv + 318 pp, €40, 1996

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Brendan Smith, *editor*



Nicholas Fleming was Archbishop of Armagh at a time when English power in Ireland was at its weakest, and when the western Church was bitterly divided by schism. His attempts to maintain peace and order in his troubled province, and his involvement in initiatives to restore the prestige of the papacy are two aspects of his busy primacy that receive attention in his register.

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ISBN 978-1-874280-75-0, xvii + 312 pp, €40, 2003

The Register of Octavian de Palatio, Archbishop of Armagh, 1478–1513

Mario Sugh, *editor*



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ISBN 978-1-874280-96-5, xcix + 146 and 893 pp, 2 volumes, slipcased, €65, 1999

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Calendar of entries in the Papal Registers relating to Great Britain and Ireland. Papal Letters Volume XIV, 1484–1492

J. A. Twemlow, *editor*



The pontificate of Innocent III coincided in England with the last years of the reign of Richard III and the first seven years of the Tudor dynasty. Recorded here are proceedings against Irish bishops for their adherence to Lambert Simnel, while the majority of the letters recorded here are mandates for provision to religious houses and benefices in Ireland because the Statutes of

Provisors were not applied to that country.

vi + 418 pp, €95, 1960

This book does not have an ISBN and is only available in limited quantities from the IMC office.

Calendar of entries in the Papal Registers relating to Great Britain and Ireland. Papal Letters Volume XV, 1484–1492, Innocent VIII

Michael J. Haren, *editor*



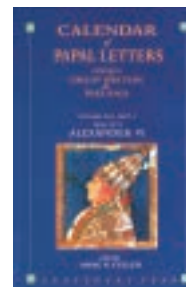
This volume continues the series of calendars formerly published by HMSO London. In addition to a full rendering of the historical information in the register entries, it includes two introductory essays. The first is an illuminating account of the administrative procedures of the papal chancery under Pope Innocent VIII. The second, with its accompanying Formulary, examines the diplomatic and legal content of the bulls, providing one of the most comprehensive statements yet published of the common form of papal letters for the period.

ISBN 978-1-874280-21-7, cxcii + 764 pp, €65, 1978

Calendar of entries in the Papal Registers relating to Great Britain and Ireland. Papal Letters Volume XVI is out of print

Calendar of entries in the Papal Registers relating to Great Britain and Ireland. Papal Letters Volume XVII, Part I, 1495–1503, Alexander VI (1492–1503), Lateran Registers part II, 1495–1503

Anne P. Fuller, *editor*



This calendar carries on from Volume XVI and provides full English summaries of all the British and Irish material in the Vatican Registers of Alexander VI (1492–1503). The bulk of the entries—typically Scottish and Irish—are letters expedited by the camera and the apostolic secretariat. This volume makes accessible a mass of valuable material, ranging from a dispensation for the poet laureate of Arthur, Prince of Wales, to the reform of a Benedictine abbey and from the rehabilitation of an Irishman who had conspired against his bishop to the excommunication of marauding bands in the Scottish Highlands.

ISBN 978-1-874280-04-0, lxxvii + 926 pp, €65, 1994

Calendar of entries in the Papal Registers relating to Great Britain and Ireland. Papal Letters Volume XVII, Part II, 1492–1503, Alexander VI (1492–1503), Vatican Registers 1492–1503 with missing letters from other sources

Anne P. Fuller, *editor*



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ISBN 978-1-874280-14-9, cliv + 314 pp, €65, 1998

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Calendar of entries in the Papal Registers relating to Great Britain and Ireland. Papal Letters Volume XIX, 1503–1513, Julius II, Lateran Registers, Part II

Michael J. Haren, *editor*



This volume completes the survey of the chancery registers of Pope Julius II (1503–1513) and includes tables of lost registered letters, extracted from the Vatican Archives' *Indici*, relating to the whole of the pontificate of Julius II and for the short pontificate of Julius's predecessor, Pius III.

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ISBN 978-1-874280-08-8, lxii + 782 pp, €65, 1998

Calendar of entries in the Papal Registers relating to Great Britain and Ireland. Papal Letters Volume XX, 1513–1521, Leo X, Lateran Registers Part I

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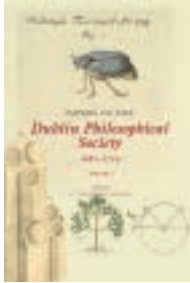
This volume of papal letters covers the first tranche of the chancery, or Lateran Registers, of Leo X (1513–21) and brings to light a great mass of biographical and topographical information illustrating the ecclesiastical landscape of Great Britain and Ireland at a critical moment.

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K. T. Hoppen is Emeritus Professor of History at the University of Hull, a Fellow of the British Academy and an Honorary Member of the Royal Irish Academy.

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ISBN 978-1-874280-79-8, xxvi + 214 pp, €40, 2006

The catalogue has placed the historians who will mine this incredible archive in Dr Malcomson's debt, for surely it will become a frequently consulted first port of call for a wide range of researchers interested in Irish social and economic history.

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A. P. W. Malcomson, MRLA was director of the Public Record Office of Northern Ireland from 1988–98.

Calendar of the Rosse papers

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The Clements archive

A. P. W. Malcomson, *editor*



This calendar of the papers of the Clements family is based on material in the National Library of Ireland, Trinity College Dublin, the Public Record Office of Northern Ireland and at Killadoon, the family estate, and on the associated papers of the Stewart, Molesworth and Warren families. Smaller collections of material in private and institutional hands are also covered.

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The archive also illuminates the careers of the three best-known members of the Clements family: Nathaniel Clements (1705–77); Robert Bermingham, Lord Clements (1805–39); and William Sydney Clements, 3rd earl of Leitrim (1806–78). It is an essential resource for all libraries.

ISBN 978-1-906865-08-5, liv + 824 pp, €85, 2010

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Patrick Walsh and A. P. W. Malcomson, *editors*



The Conolly archive, now dispersed among a number of repositories in Ireland, comprises c. 15,000 letters and papers ranging in date from 1570 to 1953. It relates mainly to William Conolly (1662–1729), Speaker of the Irish House of Commons (1715–29), generally considered to be the richest man in Ireland, but also to his nephew and grandnephew.

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ISBN 978-1-906865-09-2, xxviii + 373 pp, €45, 2010

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Diane Urquhart is senior lecturer in modern Irish history at the Institute of Irish Studies, University of Liverpool.

Infanticide in the Irish Crown Files at Assizes 1883–1900

Elaine F. Farrell, *editor*



This book presents records relating to 115 suspected infant murder and concealment of birth cases detected in Ireland between 1883 and 1900. The material transcribed in this volume, taken from the Crown Files at Assizes held at the National Archives of Ireland, comprises 1,140 witness statements sworn before coroners and magistrates.

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ISBN 978-1-906865-23-8, xxviii + 545 pp, €65, 2012

Elaine Farrell is a lecturer at the School of History and Anthropology, Queen's University, Belfast.

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Jean Agnew, *editor*



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Jean Agnew is author of Belfast Merchant Families in the seventeenth century (Dublin 1995).

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Andrew Carpenter, *editor*



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Niall Byrne, *editor*

with Michael Byrne

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Calendar of material relating to Ireland from the High Court of Admiralty, 1641–1660

Elaine Murphy, *editor*



This volume calendars the papers relating to Ireland from 1641 to 1660 in the High Court of Admiralty files held in the National Archives at Kew in London. The calendar continues on from that edited by John C. Appleby in 1992. The period covered by this calendar was one of intense maritime activity in the seas around Ireland. The war at sea dominates High Court of Admiralty records concerning Ireland

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ISBN 978-1-906865-14-6, xvi + 402 pp, €50, 2011

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Elaine Murphy lectures in history at the University of Plymouth. She previously worked on the 1641 Depositions project at Trinity College, Dublin.

Calendar of material relating to Ireland from the High Court of Admiralty examinations, 1536–1641

John Appleby, *editor*



This calendar of the High Court of Admiralty examinations makes available a wide body of material, much of which was previously unknown or inaccessible to students of Irish history.

This material covers a broad range of subjects including trade, shipping, fishing, piracy and privateering. It also sheds light on the commercial interest of Irish merchants, and on the

activities of Dutch and English merchants in Ireland during the sixteenth and early seventeenth centuries. As such it will be an invaluable resource for students of maritime history and those with interests in related economic, social or colonial themes.

ISBN 978-1-874280-03-3, xxi + 375 pp, €50, 1992

John Appleby lectures in history at Liverpool Hope University and has published widely on aspects of English and Irish maritime and colonial history during the sixteenth and seventeenth century.

Calendar of State Papers, Ireland, Tudor period, 1566–1567 & 1568–1571

Bernadette Cunningham, *editor*



These two volumes calendar material in the National Archives in London relating to policy towards Ireland and the governance of Ireland in the late Tudor period. Sir Henry Sidney was lord deputy of Ireland from 20 January 1566 until March 1571. These state papers do not merely document the workings of central government, but also reveal much incidental detail on life and politics in the provinces. While English perspectives on Ireland predominate, historians wishing to concentrate on themes relating to 'native' rather than 'newcomers' will find this edition an invaluable source.

Calendar of State Papers, Ireland, Tudor period, 1566–1567
ISBN 978-1-906865-00-9, xxiv + 342 pp, €65, 2009

Calendar of State Papers, Ireland, Tudor period, 1568–1571
ISBN 978-1-906865-01-6, xviii + 302 pp, €65, 2010

Bernadette Cunningham is deputy librarian at the Royal Irish Academy and has published extensively on early modern Ireland.

Calendar of Inquisitions formerly in the Office of the Chief Remembrancer of the Exchequer prepared from the MSS of the Irish Record Commission

Margaret C. Griffith, *editor*



This important publication contains summaries of the Latin calendars of inquisitions regarding landholding and property for Co. Dublin for the period Henry VIII to William III (with one item for Henry VI), prepared by the Record Commission of 1810–1830, the originals of which perished in the destruction of the Public Record Office of Ireland in 1922.

ISBN 978-1-874280-00-2, xvii + 769 pp, €65, 1991

Crown surveys of lands 1540–41 with the Kildare Rental begun in 1518

Gearóid MacNiocaill, *editor*



This volume contains three surveys of monastic lands in Ireland, carried out by Henry VIII's commissioners in late 1540 and early 1541, now held in the National Archives in London. These are supplemented by a fourth manuscript in the British Library that comprises a survey of the Earl of Kildare's possessions, beginning in 1518. The surveys and land rental material remain an excellent source for historians of early Tudor Ireland.

ISBN 978-1-874280-01-9, x + 443 pp, €50, 1992

The O Doyne (Ó Duinn) Manuscript

K. W. Nicholls, *editor*



This volume showcases a series of papers, letters and documents relating to the family of O Doyne (Ó Duinn), compiled from material in Marsh's Library, Dublin. It primarily concerns the lengthy inheritance lawsuit between Charles O Doyne, a Master in the Irish Court of Chancery who died in 1617, and his elder brother Thady O Doyne; both sons of another Tadhg

Ó Duinn, lord of Iregan. This volume sets out in detail the various rents and exactions of Ó Duinn in county Laois, and follows with a recital of the landowners of Iregan and their lands.

ISBN 978-1-874280-36-1, xvii + 217 pp, €40, 1983

Calendar of Ormond Deeds, Volume 6, 1584–1603

Edmund Curtis, *editor*



This is the final volume of a series of publications calendaring the deeds of one of the most important noble families of medieval and early modern Ireland. It remains a useful mine of information for historians of the period as well as for genealogists. It is the last remaining volume in print.

ISBN 978-1-874280-30-9, xix + 240 pp, €40, 1943

Sir William Herbert: *Croftus Sive de Hibernia Liber*

Arthur Keaveney and John A. Madden, *editors*



Protestant, planter and political scientist, Sir William Herbert (1553–1593) was all these things. In *Croftus* he set out the ills of contemporary Ireland and what he believed to be their causes. He was also ready with the solutions: Anglicisation, religious conversion and the introduction of ‘civility’.

In this edition, which is the first for over 100 years, the original Latin text has been freshly edited and equipped with a side-by-side English translation. Extensive commentary, an introduction and appendices are designed to help facilitate modern readers of this important treatise.

ISBN 978-1-874280-02-6, lxi + 207 pp, €35, 1992

The Irish Commission of 1622. An investigation of the Irish Administration, 1615–22, and its consequences, 1623–24

Victor Treadwell, *editor*



The papers edited in this volume were generated by the wide-ranging commission of enquiry sent to Ireland in the spring of 1622. Appointed by James VI and I, this body investigated the political, religious and administrative state of the country. The commissioners examined the impact of the large Elizabethan and Jacobean plantations in Munster and Ulster and of the smaller English and Scottish settlements elsewhere. They also looked at the position of the established church, the Irish customs and the legal reforms required in the Irish judicial system.

Bringing together material from a number of different archives, including the Bodleian Library Oxford, Trinity College Dublin and the National Libraries of both Ireland and Scotland, this book will be invaluable for historians of Stuart Ireland, while the extensive indices of persons and places will be a great resource for local and family historians.

ISBN 978-1-874280-63-7, lii + 859 pp, €65, 2006

Victor Treadwell's volume presents a vivid snapshot of early seventeenth-century Ireland at a crucial moment in its evolution...

— RAYMOND GILLESPIE, *STUDIA HIBERNICA*

Court of Claims: submissions and evidence, 1663

Geraldine Tallon, *editor*



The Court of Claims was appointed by Charles II to administer the Act of Settlement, 1662. The submissions and evidence presented before this body were recorded in a manuscript that is edited here for the first time, listing about 900 claims of ‘innocence’ submitted from 28 January to 20 August 1663. Complete with extensive indices of place and personal names as well as

an introduction by J. G. Simms, historians of seventeenth-century Ireland and those interested in the history of landholding and estates, both local and national, as well as family historians, will find this book invaluable.

ISBN 978-1-874280-80-4, xvi + 688 pp, €65, 2006

Commentarius Rinuccinianus. De Sedis Apostolicae Legatione ad Foederatos Hiberniae Catholicos. Volume 6

S. Kavanagh, *editor*

Volume 6 comprises essays on the ‘History and Authorship’ of the *Commentarius* as well as detailed indices and a synopsis in English of the first five volumes which are in Latin and are now out of print. It is an essential companion for anyone specializing in the British and Irish civil wars of the mid-seventeenth century.

ISBN 978-1-874280-44-6, xvii + 308 pp, €40, 1949

A Census of Ireland circa 1659 with essential materials from the Poll Money Ordinances, 1660–1661

Séamus Pender, *editor*, with a new introduction by William J. Smyth



The '1659 Census' is one of the most comprehensive and accessible of the 'survey' documents that have come down to us from the mid-seventeenth century. Yet the 'Census' has received little scholarly analysis. In this volume Séamus Pender's 1939 edition of the '1659 Census' is reproduced with a detailed new introduction by William J. Smyth.

What Professor Smyth succeeds in demonstrating is that the 'Census' is a better, more consistent and much more important source of information than has been allowed for in the existing literature. He also locates the 'Census' in the context of William Petty's overall objectives in the 1660s, and by way of a series of island-wide maps, reveals the relevance of the 'Census' to ongoing research on seventeenth-century Ireland.

ISBN 978-1-874280-15-6, lxxxiii + 946 pp, €75, 1939 & 2003



All volumes in the ten-volume Civil Survey edition are available to read on the Digital Editions section of the IMC website.

Letter-book of the earl of Clanricarde, 1643–1647

John Lowe, *editor*



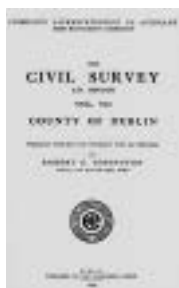
This volume brings together an important collection of letters relating to one of the key figures in mid-seventeenth century Irish politics. Ulick Burke, 5th earl of Clanricarde, was a devout Catholic but also a confirmed royalist and one of the richest landowners in the kingdom who was inclined to be English rather than Irish in his outlook. He turned to the king's advantage a strategically

influential position between the government and the Irish Catholics during the Confederate period. It is an essential work for anyone specialising in the history of the Irish and British civil wars of the 1640s.

ISBN 978-1-874280-35-4, xiv + 504 pp, €50, 1983

The Civil Survey, 1654–1656, Volume 7, County Dublin

R. C. Simington, *editor*



This section of the Civil Survey of 1654–1656 provides detail regarding landowners and landholdings in County Dublin. It remains a useful resource for historians of the period as well as for genealogists.

ISBN 978-1-874280-09-5, lii + 317 pp, €35, 1945

The council book for the province of Munster, c. 1599–1649

Margaret Curtis Clayton, *editor*



Preserved in the British Library, MS Harleian 697—'The Council Book for the Province of Munster'—provides a rare insight into the workings of English provincial government in early seventeenth-century Ireland. Here are a wide variety of administrative records, the likes of which have rarely survived from other regions, such as presidential court cases,

county assizes and gaol deliveries, protections, *concordata*, and proclamations, as well as correspondence with Dublin and with the privy council in London.

This edition of a rare example of a wide-ranging provincial primary source provides a full transcription of what is the only extant register of the body that administered Munster in the first half of the seventeenth century. It offers a unique and richly detailed insight into life at the time and is an invaluable resource to scholars of early modern Ireland, particularly those specialising in legal, administrative, religious and social history.

ISBN 978-1-874280-87-3, xiv + 498 pp, €65, 2008

The minute book of the Corporation of Clonmel, 1608–1649

Brid McGrath, *editor*



The Minute Book of the Corporation of Clonmel, held in the National Library of Ireland, records details of the town's administration between 1608 and 1649. Through this detailed transcription we can see Clonmel's institutions and their workings, its officers and their operations, and the various groups of people that made up the community—the Free burgesses who managed the town through their membership of the town council, the merchants and their guild, the skilled tradesmen and their trade companies, other groups of workers, women, the church and the poor. It also sets out the arrangements for the defence of the town during the civil wars of the mid-seventeenth century. The edition adds greatly to our understanding of urban communities and the social makeup of Ireland in the early modern period.

ISBN 978-1-874280-53-8, xiv + 383 pp, €45, 2006

Franco-Irish correspondence, 1688–1692

Sheila Mulloy, *editor*



These volumes provide historians with easy access to important French correspondence relating to the Glorious Revolution and the Williamite war in Ireland. Very little documentary evidence has survived in English from the Jacobite side of the conflict but French manuscripts give an account of events as seen through the eyes of James' French allies. These documents complement the additional material contained in James Hogan's edition of the correspondence of le Comte d'Avaux (IMC, 1934). They cover every aspect of the war from military and naval engagements to the cost of a horseman's uniform, providing an unparalleled source for the study of the Jacobite side of this war, one with significant Irish and European perspectives.

Volume I

ISBN 978-1-874280-32-3, xix + 457 pp, €65, 1983

Volume II

ISBN 978-1-874280-33-0, x + 546 pp, €65, 1984

Volume III

ISBN 978-1-906865-12-2, viii + 310 pp, €40, 1984

Negociations de M le Comte d'Avaux en Irlande, 1689–90

J. Hogan, *editor*



This volume of reflex facsimiles brings together correspondence and papers relating to the twelve-month mission to Ireland of French ambassador Jean-Antoine de Mesmes, Comte d'Avaux. During his stay he exchanged a very large number of letters with Louis XIV, Louvois, Seignelay and Colbert de Croissy giving them a detailed account of the state of the country, of the composition of the army which Tyrconnel had built up and of the aims of the various parties.

In short, his minutely detailed despatches from February 1689–April 1690 constitute a contemporary source of information of great trustworthiness and detail for the first year of the Williamite War.

ISBN 978-1-874280-45-3, xxix + 756 pp, €65, 1934

The Bishopric of Derry and the Irish Society of London, 1602–1705. Volume II, 1670–1705

T. W. Moody and J. G. Simms, *editors*



The Irish Society was the body instituted by the common council of the City of London in 1610 to manage the property acquired by the City as a collective undertaker in the Ulster Plantation scheme of the area renamed in 1613 the county of Londonderry. Relations between the society and the bishop of Derry during the seventeenth century were

characterized by chronic controversies over fisheries and lands on the west bank of the Foyle. This volume continues the story from 1670, and culminates under Bishop King (1690–1703) in a constitutional collision between the Irish and the English house of Lords (1697–1700).

The documents here printed illustrate in unusual detail the civil and ecclesiastical administration and the economic and social life of the Foyle–Bann region, as well as providing a wealth of detail about seventeenth-century fishery practice.

ISBN 978-1-906865-07-8, xix + 580 pp, €35, 1983

Volume I of this collection is out of print.

Letterbook of George, 16th earl of Kildare

Aidan Clarke and Bríd McGrath, *editors*



The letterbook presented here consists for the most part of copies of the incoming correspondence of George Fitzgerald (1612–1656/7), 16th earl of Kildare, from 1628, when he was sixteen years of age, to 1634, with a few later items. The letters deal principally with matters arising from the acquisition of George's wardship by Richard Boyle, 1st earl of Cork, in 1629 and the attainment of his majority in 1633, but the ever-present theme is the condition of the Kildare estates. The letterbook is in the Public Record Office of Northern Ireland.

The text is supplemented by a transcription of BL MS Add. 19937, a schedule of lands in Ireland belonging to the earl of Kildare and relations but in the possession of others. This was for use in identifying and discovering lands affected by an ongoing dispute with Lady Lettice Digby.

ISBN 978-1-906865-28-3, xiv + 148 pp, €30, 2013

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Digitising the IMC Heritage

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In 2012 IMC published an edition of the account books (expenditure) at the Franciscan House in Broad Lane, Cork for the period 1764–1921 edited by Liam Kennedy and Clare Murphy. The text of this edition was made available to search

for free online through the IMC website. See

<http://www.irishmanuscripts.ie/html/faccounts/index.html>

to access the search interface and for instructions on how to use this service.

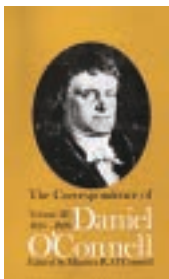


In 2009 IMC's serial publication, *Analecta Hibernica*, was digitised and made available as part of the Ireland collection on JSTOR.

JSTOR's Ireland collection is an interdisciplinary collection of journals and other materials and provides an invaluable basis for research in Irish history and Irish studies. This service will allow you to find and purchase individual articles published in volumes 1–41 of *Analecta Hibernica*.

The correspondence of Daniel O'Connell, Volume III, 1824–1828

Maurice R. O'Connell, *editor*



The correspondence of Daniel O'Connell is essential reading for all students of both British and Irish history in the first half of the nineteenth century. The letters generally, but in particular of O'Connell and his wife, are a unique source for Irish social history.

Volume III of his correspondence, covering the period 1824–28, describes the foundation of the Catholic

Association in 1824. The progress and financial difficulties of the O'Connell family are intermingled with election news, as O'Connell was elected MP for Clare in 1826, and the correspondence with his wife at this time of political activity is extensive. The volume ends with the last stages in the struggle for Catholic Emancipation.

ISBN 978-1-874280-54-5, vi + 441 pp, €40, 1974

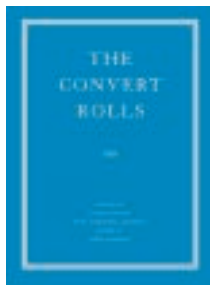


All other volumes of this eight-volume edition are out of print but available to read on the Digital Editions section of the IMC website.

The Convert Rolls—the calendar of the Convert Rolls, 1703–1838, 2nd edition

Eileen O'Byrne, *editor*

with Fr Wallace Clare's annotated list of converts 1703–78 edited by Anne Chamney



The publication in 1981 of *The Convert Rolls*, edited by Eileen O'Byrne, provided historical researchers with easy access to the main documentary record of those who converted to the Established Church in the eighteenth and early nineteenth centuries. The extensive alphabetical listing of converts is complemented by the inclusion of

Fr. Clare's annotated list of converts, 1703–78, which presents elusive biographical data on 1,207 converts, some not present in the official convert rolls, which adds to the value and usefulness of the original.

ISBN 978-1-874280-64-4, xiii + 487 pp, €65, 2005

The Commission performed a valuable service for social historians and genealogists in publishing the first edition. This has been considerably enhanced by the addition of Fr Clare's notes in this new edition... it will be an indispensable source for researchers.

— THOMAS P. POWER, *STUDIA HIBERNICA*

The census of Elphin, 1749

Marie-Louise Legg, *editor*



The census of the Diocese of Elphin was organised by Bishop Edward Syngé in 1749 so he could establish the numbers of Protestants and Roman Catholics in his diocese, which embraced most of Co. Roscommon, part of south-east Co. Sligo and part of north-east Co. Galway. The census covers 69 parishes, and the major towns of Sligo, Roscommon, Boyle and that part of Athlone which is in Co. Roscommon.

The editor has written an introduction to each parish, establishing the background of many of the inhabitants and the quality of the land upon which they depended for their livelihood. Additionally, Brian Gurrin has placed the Census in the context of other population data of the period, and has conducted a statistical analysis of the Census material to establish the size of families and their households.

The Census of Elphin is an important, and largely unexplored, historical document and this edition will be of particular use to historical demographers, local historians and genealogists.

ISBN 978-1-874280-73-6, xlii + 597 pp, €75, 2004

An electronic version of this document is available to search through the Irish Origins section of the Origins.net website. Please note that accessing detailed records attracts a charge.

'A Volley of Execrations', The letters and papers of John FitzGibbon, Earl of Clare, 1772–1802

D. A. Fleming and A. P. W. Malcomson, *editors*



This volume brings together over 600 pieces of correspondence and other material deriving from John FitzGibbon, 1st earl of Clare. a man who, as attorney general (1783–9), and lord chancellor (1789–1802), played a dominant role in Irish public life. His letters, with their characteristically abusive and funny writing style, show that he was a determined, turbulent man, yet they

also express the disappointment of a failed political harmoniser—one of the facets of his career stressed in Malcomson's introductory reassessment of Clare.

The edition forms a significant resource for anyone interested in eighteenth century men and manners and those who have a specialist interest in Irish affairs in the last decades of the eighteenth century.

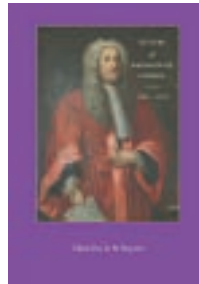
ISBN 978-1-874280-58-3, lix + 502 pp, €50, 2005

IMC deserves congratulations for bringing this book into print in such a fine edition ... making important materials available to the eighteenth-century Irish historian.

— EGIN MAGENNIS, EIGHTEENTH-CENTURY IRELAND

The letters of Marmaduke Coghill, 1722–1738

D. W. Hayton, *editor*



The politician Sir Marmaduke Coghill (1673–1739) was one of the pillars of the 'Protestant ascendancy' in early eighteenth-century Ireland. A civil lawyer by profession, playing a key role in the administration of the established church, he was also a Member of the Irish Parliament and an active politician, and from 1728 until his death occupied a position at the centre of government, as

principal revenue commissioner and chancellor of the Irish exchequer.

His surviving correspondence, drawn from a variety of sources in Ireland, England and the U.S.A., reflects the broad range of his interests—not only in politics and government, but also in trade and economic development, in the affairs of Trinity College, and within the private sphere, in promoting innovation in architecture, gardening, and the consumption of luxury goods. In exposing the milieu of a 'man of business' with influence on almost every facet of Irish public life in the period, these letters offer a flood of new information and revealing insights into the 'official mind' of the Dublin Castle administration in the age of Swift.

ISBN 978-1-874280-68-2, xxiii + 198 pp, €40, 2005

...this collection will inform and enliven the current re-consideration of eighteenth-century Irish history ...

— LIAM CHAMBERS, MARY IMMACULATE COLLEGE

Proceedings of the Dublin Society of United Irishmen

R. B. McDowell, *editor*



The Dublin Society of the United Irishmen was, from its foundation in 1791 to its suppression in 1794, the leading radical club in Dublin. This volume brings together over a hundred of the letters of the member Thomas Collins, held in the National Archives in Dublin, who for two and a half years regularly transmitted information about its proceedings to the government.

Collins' reports are thorough and methodical and he can at times express himself with crude vigour. In addition to summarising the evening's proceedings he often enclosed lists of candidates for membership and gives thumb-nail sketches of the more outstanding members. His communications throw considerable light not only on Dublin radicalism, but also on popular political organisation in the eighteenth century.

ISBN 978-1-874280-16-3, 143 pp, paperback, €9.50, 1998

Proceedings of the Irish House of Lords, 1771–1800

James Kelly, *editor*



This ground breaking, three-volume set reconstructs for the first time the proceedings of the Irish House of Lords during the busy years of the late eighteenth century. Based in the first instance on press reports, this edition also brings together reports of individual debates and high-profile speeches to provide a unique vista on the personalities, policies and politics of the parliament over three decades.

Presented with an extensive introduction and index, this work amplifies our understanding of the role and significance of the upper house of the Irish parliament at a crucial moment of its history.

ISBN 978-1-874280-70-5, 3 vols, cv + 1830 pp, €150, 2008

No library should be without a set, and no scholar of the period should ignore them... As we would expect from Professor Kelly, this is a work of meticulous scholarship and considerable importance. It is as indispensable as the Parliamentary Register in any study of late eighteenth-century Irish politics...

— NEAL GARNHAM, *EIGHTEENTH-CENTURY IRELAND*

James Kelly and the Irish Manuscripts Commission have done a major service by editing these excellently referenced volumes...

— MARTIN MANSERGH, *THE IRISH TIMES*

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Charlotte Brooke's *Reliques of Irish Poetry*

Lesa Ní Mhunghaile, *editor*



This volume contains a full facsimile of a 1789 edition of Brooke's 'Reliques of Irish Poetry'. The editor also adds new translations and analyses of the poems, songs and other writings in Irish translated by Charlotte Brooke. This publication in 1789 marked one of the first interactions between the oral tradition in the Irish language and print culture in

Ireland. It is important in the wider context of the 'discovery' of popular culture by the upper classes and an associated interest in antiquarianism, at a time when traditional popular culture was seen to be in retreat. The interdisciplinary aspect of this work will appeal to students of history, literature and culture of Ireland and to those with a wider interest in cultural, postcolonial and translation studies.

ISBN 978-1-874280-77-4, xlv + 575 pp, €50, 2009

...the originality of Ní Mhunghaile's meticulous scholarship is at all times apparent. This book will be of immense interest to all concerned with eighteenth-century Ireland...

— ANNE MARKEY, *EIGHTEENTH-CENTURY IRELAND*

I have run out of superlatives! This really is a de-luxe and noble edition, which does justice to a very important Lady and her major contribution to the collecting and publicising of the heroic lays in Ireland.

— DONALD MEEK, *UNIVERSITY OF EDINBURGH*

Lesla Ní Mhunghaile lectures in Irish at NUI Galway.

Pauper Limerick: the register of the Limerick House of Industry, 1774–1793

David Fleming and John Logan, *editors*



Of the twelve houses of industry established under the Irish poor law of 1771–2, this is the only admission book known to have survived. The register of the Limerick House of Industry contains information on the age, sex, place of origin, religion, medical condition, admission and discharge, amongst other details, for 2,747 inmates for the period 1774–1793.

While revealing the mechanisms employed to administer a significant institution, the register also provides a singular record for a social group whose history is necessarily elusive. There is evidence of individual strategies for dealing with poverty, infirmity, disease and lunacy. Genealogists researching families in Limerick, Clare, Tipperary and Cork (the places in which most of the inmates originated) will also find it useful.

ISBN 978-1-906865-10-8, xxxvi + 109 pp, €45, 2011

David Fleming lectures in history at the University of Limerick. John Logan lectured at the University of Limerick from 1997 until his retirement in 2012.

The account books of the Franciscan House, Broad Lane, Cork, 1764–1921

Liam Kennedy and Clare Murphy, *editors*



The records of the Catholic Church in Ireland have a greater significance for the study of the past than is true of many other western European countries. This is partly because of the destruction of Irish public records in the early twentieth century but also because the Roman Catholic church and its various institutions possessed a degree of continuity, formal organization and geographical coverage that is unmatched by any other private body.

The Franciscan Order in Ireland kept especially good records. While the potential of these archival treasures has yet to be fully realized, this volume makes available for the first time a substantial slice of the records of the famous Franciscan convent at Broad Lane in the city of Cork. These unique sources consist of the hand-written account books that recorded the day-to-day expenditures of the Cork Franciscans, stretching from the year 1764 through to 1921. The books offer a revealing window on economic, social and cultural change in the city, while also throwing light on the progress of the Cork Franciscans, and the Catholic church more generally, in this formative period of modern Irish history.

ISBN 978-1-906865-24-5, xx + 949 pp, €80, 2012

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The proclamations of Ireland, 1660–1820

James Kelly with Mary Ann Lyons, *editors*



The proclamation was a crucial instrument of government and administration in the seventeenth and eighteenth centuries; it was also the most frequently encountered item of official print. Long published, promulgated and posted in the immediately recognisable broadside format, and subsequently printed in the *Dublin Gazette*, proclamations were normally issued by the Lord

Lieutenant (or Lords Justices) and Privy Council. Since they engaged with virtually every aspect of government, they were an essential complement to acts of parliament in the governance and administration of the kingdom. This edition, arranged in five volumes, presents the texts, or a detailed guide to the content of some 2,500 proclamations, and allied documents, issued in Ireland as follows:

Volume 1: Charles II, 1660–85,
ISBN 978-1-906865-18-4, lxxxii + 483 pp, €60, 2014;

Volume 2: James II, 1685–91; William and Mary, 1689–1702; Anne, 1702–14,
ISBN 978-1-906865-19-1, lxii + 742 pp, €60, 2014;

Volume 3: George I, 1714–27 and George II, 1727–60,
ISBN 978-1-906865-20-7, lxii + 567 pp, €60, 2014;

Volume 4: George III, Part 1: 1760–90,
ISBN 978-1-906865-21-4, lx + 552 pp, €60, 2014;

Volume 5: George III, Part 2: 1791–1820,
ISBN 978-1-906865-22-1, lxii + 596 pp, €60, 2014.

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The letterbook of Richard Hare, Cork merchant, 1771–1772

James O'Shea, *editor*



Relatively little primary source material on mercantile activities in Cork survives for the eighteenth century. The Hare letterbook is by far the most comprehensive extant work for a Cork export business and it contains 843 letters covering the period 1771 to 1772 (with occasional gaps). It records Richard Hare's exchanges with some 265 correspondents, mostly in Britain (London, Bristol and Liverpool), but also in Ireland, the West Indies and Europe.

The correspondence recorded in this merchant letterbook provides an important primary source for local history, genealogy, biography, landed estates, social and economic history, and for students of business administration.

ISBN 978-1-906865-17-7, xx + 277 pp, €35, 2013

James O'Shea is an electrical engineer based in Cork with an interest in Cork's mercantile history.

Reconstructing Ireland's Past: a history of the Irish Manuscripts Commission

Michael Kennedy and Deirdre McMahon



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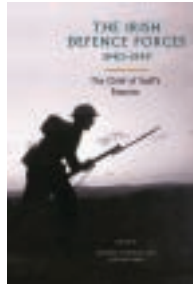
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