

CO. TIPPERARY HISTORICAL SOCIETY

QUARTERLY



NEWSLETTER

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NATIONAL LIBRARY OF IRELAND - NEW EXTENDED OPENING HOURS (NOW IN OPERATION)

Main Reading Room:

Monday	10 a.m.	-	9 p.m.
Tuesday	2 p.m.	-	9 p.m.
Wednesday	2 p.m.	-	9 p.m.
Thursday	10 a.m.	-	5 p.m.
Friday	10 a.m.	-	5 p.m.
Saturday	10 a.m.	-	1 p.m.

Manuscript Room:

*Monday	10 a.m.	-	8.30 p.m.
*Tuesday	2 p.m.	-	8.30 p.m.
*Wednesday	2 p.m.	-	3.30 p.m.
Thursday	10 a.m.	-	4.30 p.m.
Friday	10 a.m.	-	4.30 p.m.
Saturday	10 a.m.	-	12.30 p.m.
*Closed 4.45 - 6.00 p.m. for staff break.			

FOREIGN LANDS:

Our esteemed Secretary and founder member Mr. Joe Walsh has retired from officership as his work takes him to Saudi Arabia. Joe, a scientist by profession, is a keen historian whose contribution to the society since its foundation ensured its success. In his own native town of Cahir, he has produced over forty historical newsletters, better known as the heritage letter. The society wishes him every success in his forthcoming marriage and new career.

NEW SECRETARY:

Mr. Michael O'Donnell, Hill Cottage, Owing, Carrick-on-Suir is the Historical Society's new Secretary. Michael is a member of the Fethard Historical Society and also a keen historian. The Society wishes Michael every success in his new position.

VALUABLE COLLECTION:

The death of Hugh Ryan, Carrick-on-Suir, took place early in the year. Hugh had become over his life span of 82 years the unofficial historian of Carrick-on-Suir. Over the years he had accumulated a high collection of books, photographs etc not only relative to Carrick but also to the national and international affairs. His main material was from the Daniel O'Connell era to the 1940's. His valuable and priceless collection of over 800 volumes were presented to the County Librarian, Mr. Martin Meagher, and are on display in the Sean Healy Memorial Library, Carrick-on-Suir.

ROSCREA HERITAGE CENTRE:

Ongoing Exhibitions:

- a) The Kelly collection - a record of farming family in the first part of this century when farming was more leisurely varied and family run;
- b) The Monastic Midlands - Major exhibition relating to the Artistic achievement of the Monastery Midland for the 7th to the 11th Century.

ROSCREA SUMMER SCHOOL OF LOCAL STUDY:

"The Landscape and Heritage of the Monastic Midlands".

Monday July 2 - Friday July 6, 1990 at the Vocational School, Roscrea.

THE ORMOND HISTORICAL SOCIETY:

Will hold a field trip on May 20, to Castletown and Castlough areas, taking in the slate quarries, Castletown Graveyard, Castletown Tower House (Courtesy of Mrs. Rice), Castlough House Garden (Courtesy of Mr/Mrs Vandenberg) and concluding with an optional walk through Castlough Woods.

First Assembly Point : Banba Square, Nenagh 2.15 p.m.
Second Assembly Point : Portroe Cross.
Third Assembly Point : Castletown Graveyard 3.15 p.m.

NEWPORT NEWSLETTER - 7TH EDITION DECEMBER, 1989:

The title newsletter is misleading because in actual fact it is a booklet of 108 pages (£2). The book covers many social activities of this Mulcair parish. It also includes articles of historical significance **"The Twiss Family of Birdhill"**; **the story of the construction of the Power Station at Ardnacrusha in the mid 1920's with photographs and the story of The Composer Michael Burke (1879 - 1954).**

HISTORY OF THE IRISH PARLIAMENT:

Later this year, a list of all M.P.'s who sat in the House of Commons in Dublin for the years 1692 to 1800 will be published. Naturally, all Co. Tipperary M.P.'s will be included. Following this, it is the intention to publish a four volume work on the M.P.'s giving, on each, the following details: 1) Who were these men? 2) How were they elected?
3) What did they do? 4) What did they say?

Information required: The names of their parents, spouses and issue, and, if possible, their gravestone inscriptions, should be sent to Mr. David N. Luke, History of the Irish Parliament, c/o Public Records Office of Northern Ireland, 66, Balmoral Avenue, Belfast BY9 6NY, Northern Ireland.

DATES:

May 9 : Clonmel Historical/Archaeological Society visit to Swiss Cottage. Meet Oakville @ 6.15 p.m.
Travel by car. Small entrance fee.
May 11 : Tipperary Town Heritage Society Lecture. John O'Leary and his family by Marcus De Burca.
Venue: Sports Complex Tipperary @ 8 p.m.
August 11 & 12 : Kickham Country Weekend - Mullinahone.

FETHARD HISTORICAL SOCIETY:

A guided tour of Kilkenny will take place on Sunday, May 20. Bus leaving Fethard @ 2 p.m. A set (6) of Post Cards of Medieval Fethard are for sale at the cost of £1 per set. Contact Mr. Joe Kenny, Main Street, Fethard.

TASMANIAN NEWS:

Following the successful Ireland-Tasmania Conference in Hobart in September 1988, at which Dr. Willie Nolan was guest of honour, the History Department of the University of Tasmania has obtained a sizeable grant from the Australian Research Council to work on several projects, including the initial Publication of William Smith O'Brien's Tasmanian Journal and a computerised data bank of all the Irish transported to Van Diemen's Land (a total of about 14,000 from all counties).

Smith O'Brien's Tasmanian Journal, unlike John Mitchel's famous Jail Journal, has never been published, probably because of the Unionist views of many of his immediate family. In the Journal, O'Brien gives not only an interesting description of Tasmania in the 1850's, but has much to say on Irish affairs and the reasons for the failure of his Tipperary Rebellion in July 1848.

The Irish Convict Data Bank when completed will correlate the very extensive Tasmanian convict records with the convict microfilms presented by the Irish Government as an Australian Bicentennial gift in 1988. As the Irish records give the date of trial in Ireland, it will be possible to follow the fate of individuals from their actions in Ireland through to the end of their convict careers in Tasmania. The computer will facilitate the extraction of particular groups (for example, Tipperary women convicted of arson) and will thus be an invaluable aid for local historians. On these projects, Tim Jetson, well qualified in both Irish and Tasmanian history will be working with Richard Davis and John Williams, the leading authority on Irish convicts in Van Diemen's Land and a contributor to The Tipperary Historical Journal.

GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY OF AUSTRALIA:

45 Members of the above Society are visiting Ireland in May under the leadership of Mr. Richard Reid.

On Saturday, May 12, a conducted tour of Thurles by Mr. Jim Condon followed by a visit to the County Library to view references and archives. After lunch they will visit St. Patrick's Seminary and will be given a Civic Reception by the Town Fathers at 4.0'clock.

On Monday, May 14, the party will visit the "Ballagh Memorial" in Clonoulty which commemorated the attack on the barracks and the transportation of 13 people to Australia in 1815. At 8.30 p.m. in Dundrum House Hotel, Richard Reid and Fr. Max Barret, author of "King of Galong Castle" will give talks on **"Emigration to Australia 1840's to 1870's"** An account of 420 from Clonoulty; **"Fr. Mackey's Report on the Devon Commission re evictions in the Clonoulty area by Maude"** and the social conditions of the time.

Afterwards the Australian party will go to "Irish Night" in the Golden Vale, Dundrum.

SARSFIELD'S RIDE - AUG. 10TH TO 12TH:

Equestrian Ride Tour coming by Toem and Cappawhite. Consult Joe O'Connor, Limerick Corporation, for details. Phone 061/311991 - **TREATY 300.**

FEDERATION OF LOCAL HISTORY SOCIETIES:

Theme **"The Emergency"** The Royal Hotel, Bray, Saturday, May 12, 1990. £10.50 includes Lunch, coffee, and evening lecture.

OLD CASHEL SOCIETY:

- May : Tour of Dualla district led by Mr. Peter Meskil.
- June 24 : Tour of Kilmallock followed by a visit to Castle Matrix.
- July : Tour of the Glen of Aherlow.

SEEKING:

A.M. Nolan, Melaka, Oakfield, Hawkhurst, Kent, TN18 4JR is seeking information on the following:

1. **James Nowlan** (Suir Lodge) m. Maria Keating d. 13.9.1803.
Source St. Mary's Cahir records, query where was/is Suir Lodge? In 1798 James sold lease of his residence the present Glengall Restaurant, Square, Cahir, for 41 years to John Walpole. Information is sought on Keating family.
2. **Daniel Nowlan** m. Catharine de Lamphier.
Clonmel Gazette Sat. 16th April 1791 Advertisement **Daniel Nowlan** has taken the Garter Inn at Clogheen lately held by Mr. Thomas Vowell query where was the Garter Inn and information is required on C. de Lamphier. William Lamphier Senior and Junior on the Cashel and Emly Religious Census 1766 and a Thomas Nowlan.
3. Lt. (Half-pay) **Andrew de la Peere (Poer) Robinson** of Nenagh m. Hannah Nowlan, Cahir 14.12.1820. Andrew, Middlesex, Regt., 57th wounded in head by gunshot at battle of Pampluna 29.7.1814. Believed to be son or nephew of Lt. Gen. Robert Robinson of Ballynavin Castle, Modreeny, and in 1776 Governor, Pendennis Castle, Cornwall. Information sought on the Robinson family.
4. **Mary Nolan** m. George Langrish on 11.8.89 1859 Cahir, a Sergeant in the Royal Horse Artillery. Information sought on Langrish.
5. **Joanna Nowlan** b. 1772 d. 8.2.1840 m. Michael Sullivan (lower Grague). Her gravestone is in Cahir Old Churchyard recently renovated. Information required on who had work done and also present Sullivan family.

1890 - 1990 - A HUNDRED YEARS OF REVIEW:

The Nationalist and Munster Advertiser, Clonmel, will celebrate a hundred years in circulation this year. To mark this historic occasion, The Nationalist will publish a 128 page supplement to its weekly edition in the beginning of September. It will be a general survey of the centenary in Co. Tipperary and especially in the South of the County. It will feature many articles by leading scholars on the leading events of the day, including "The Land Wars", "History of the G.A.A.", "History of Protestants in Co. Tipperary for the last century", "Restoration of Holycross", "History of Cashel and Emly Diocese" and "History of Waterford and Lismore Diocese". There will be a limited number of copies produced, and it is important if one is outside the Nationalist general circulation to order your copy in time.

Mr. Brendan Long, The Nationalist, Clonmel, Co. Tipperary.

EXPLORING THE LANDSCAPE:

With Dr. John Feehan, Sunday, August 26 - Saturday, September 1, 1990 at Mount St. Joseph Abbey, Roscrea.

AUTUMN NEWSLETTER:

Items for inclusion in the Autumn Newsletter should reach John Kelly (Hon. Treasurer), Hillview, Chadville, Cappawhite, Co. Tipperary (062-76193), not later than September 7, 1990.

Per pro J.K.

JOHN KELLY.