

Irish Studies at the Hesburgh Library — News

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Famine Document in Rare Books Department.

The Library acquired a manuscript that tells of provisions and prices during the Famine: the financial accounting day-book for a soup kitchen in Drumbo (probably in Co. Down), kept by the treasurer, Mr. Orr, from 1846-48. Receipts and expenses are itemized, and along with the notebook is a sheet of penny vouchers for the daily soup.

Microform Collection of Irish Pamphlets.

Irish Pamphlets c. 1700-1850 consists of copies of 1,033 pamphlets on microfiche, from the Catholic University of America. The guide to the pamphlet collection is available as a PDF document, and consists of a catalogue entry for each pamphlet, organized by a rough classification system, indexed by author, printer and year.

The microfiche set is in the Lower Level, Hesburgh Library, and the Guide is available at the following URL: http://www.idc.nl/pdf/100_guide.pdf

Electronic Databases and Digital Resources.

Over the past year, we have added subscriptions to a number of resources. These are listed on page 2, along with some of the free web resources that are available to us.

For a guide to all these resources, see the Irish Studies page on the Library's web site:

http://www.library.nd.edu/subjects/irish_studies



A Guide to Irish Fiction, 1650-1900.

*Rolf Loeber and Magda Loeber
with Anne Mullin Burnham.*

The "Loeber Bibliography" arrived on our shelves late last year, and is quickly becoming a standard reference work on Irish fiction — for booksellers, at any rate.

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RARE BOOKS

Charles O'Connor:

A bound collection of pamphlets by Charles O'Connor of Belanagare, consisting of letters and addresses dealing with Catholic episcopal appointments.

Douglas Hyde:

A collection of 21 books and pamphlets by Douglas Hyde from the library of P.S. Ó hEigeartaigh.

Irish Priests in Louvain:

An addition to our books by Irish priests in Europe: Sinnich, John (1603-1666) *Confessionistarum Goliathismus Profligatus sive Lutheranorum Confessionis Augustanae Symbolim.* Lovanii, Nempae, 1667.

Charabanc Theatre Collection.
See page 4.

ELECTRONIC RESOURCES

Irish Books in Print

Bibliographic database of Irish-published, Irish-interest and Irish-authored titles. Includes *Books Ireland* listings.

Northern Ireland: a Divided Community.

A digitized and indexed set of Cabinet Conclusions and related memoranda from the Stormont Government from 1921 to 1972. The database is supplemented by a number of essays on Northern Ireland which provide links to the relevant cabinet papers.

Times Digital Archive, 1785-1985.

A complete digital archive of The Times (London), including every article, advertisement and illustration.

British and Irish Women's Letters and Diaries.

Full text database of letters and journals from published sources, indexed by author, nationality, place of writing, and many other features. Letters written in Ireland or written to people in Ireland are also indexed.

Free web-based resources:

Irish History Online

<http://www.irishhistoryonline.ie>

EPPI: Enhanced British Parliamentary Papers on Ireland, 1801-1922.

<http://www.eppi.ac.uk/>

From Partition to Direct Rule: 50 Years of Northern Ireland Parliamentary Debates Online

<http://stormontpapers.ahds.ac.uk/stormontpapers/index.html>

IRISH NEWSPAPER ARCHIVES

The Library is initiating a subscription to the Irish Newspaper Archives. When it comes into effect, it will include access to digital images of the following newspapers:

Freeman's Journal, 1763-1924

Anglo-Celt, 1908-2001

Connacht Sentinel, 1927-2003

Connacht Tribune, 1909-2002

Connaught Telegraph, 1975-2003

Galway City Tribune, 1984-2002

Irish Farmers Journal, 1957-1990

Leitrim Observer, 1923-1976

Meath Chronicle, 1897-2002

Munster Express, 1933-1948

Southern Star, 1892-1969

Sunday Independent, 1935-2006

Tuam Herald, 1994-2000.

The Archives' website includes a search engine, allowing the search of words from the text of the newspapers. To learn more about this archive, visit their website. This will be available on the Library's website as soon as the subscription is in order.

<http://irishnewspaperarchives.com/>

IRISH PENNY SHEETS.

A large collection of penny sheets has recently been treated by the Preservation Department. They were removed from a scrapbook and individually washed, de-acidified and mended. They are now in the Rare Books Dept., in plastic sheets for safe handling, and organized in numbered folders.

Each penny sheet consists of a ballad that was printed for sale (at a penny, presumably) in Ireland, in or around the 1860s. The Library acquired two scrapbooks of these sheets, of which one has been treated at this time. These items, 224 songs, are currently indexed by title on a list in the Rare Books Dept. In the future we will be able

to search for individual songs on the Library catalog.

Some titles:

The Irish Tenant Farmers Lament from Eviction From His Native Home.

A New Song on the General Taxation of Our Days

The Gallant Farmers' Farewell to Ireland.

A New Song on the hiring of the servants.

The Adventures of John Manks and His Pock-Marked Cat.

A much admir'd Love Song call'd the Feenian Lovers.

A Guide to Irish Fiction, 1650-1900.

Rolf Loeber and Magda Loeber with Anne Mullin Burnham.

Dublin: Four Courts Press, 2006.

The above book is now available in the Hesburgh Library (PR 8706 L64 2006). We have a circulating copy, a copy in the Reference area, and a copy in Special Collections Reference.

This guide lists almost 6,000 titles of works of fiction in the English language by Irish authors, or relating to Ireland. The *Guide* is arranged alphabetically by author and includes all relevant fictional works known to the Loebers, including books that could no longer be found. Entries include biographical information on the authors, commen-

taries on the books, and bibliographical details as well as location information. In addition to indexes of persons, titles, publishers and places, there is an Index of Historic Periods, Themes and Settings.

The *Guide* includes location information in each entry, our Loeber Collection holdings being indicated by "InND Loeber coll." The personal collection that the Loebers built up while working on this project was purchased by this library some years ago, and numbers 2,444 books, but considerably less titles. (Examples of duplica-

tion include Edgeworth's *Castle Rackrent* of which our Loeber Collection holdings number 8 editions.)

While the *Guide's* location notes are useful, we should be aware that our library is only noted as a location for books that we acquired from the Loebers. Many titles with no "InND" are, in fact, held by Hesburgh Library, so the Library catalog should always be checked for holdings information.

LEABHAIR GHAELIGE NUA/ NEW BOOKS IN IRISH

Risteárd de Róiste. *Loch Garmáin agus Éirí Amach 1916.*

Coiscéim, 2006.

DA 962 .D316 2006

Tom ás Mac Síomóin. *1916: Leathréabhlóid: paradacs a it na Gaeilge.*

Coiscéim, 2006.

DA 962 .M428 2006

Manchán Magan. *Baba-ji agus T. na G.: Seachrán san India.*

Coiscéim, 2005.

PN 1992.8 .T75 M34 2005

Bernadette Nic an tSaoir. *Lusanna na gréine.*

Coiscéim, 2005.

PB 1400 .N53 L875 2005

Bríona Nic Dhiarmada. *Téacs bainneann téacs mná: gnéithe de fhilíocht Nuala Ní Dhomhnaill.*

An Clóchomhar, 2005.

PB 1399 .N473 Z78 2005

Brighid Ní Mhóráin. *Síolta an iomais.*

Cló Iar-Chonnachta, 2006.

PB 1399 .N526 S56 2006

Tadhg Ó hlfearnáin. *Beartas Teanga.*

Coiscéim, 2006.

P 119.32 .I73 O14 2006

Liam Ó Muirthile: *Ar an bpeann.*

Cois Life, 2006.

PB 1399 .O43455 A6 2006

Joe Steve Ó Neachtain. *In ainm an athar, & Níor mhaith linn do thrioblóid.*

Cló Iar-Chonnachta, 2006.

PB 1399 .O5776 I5 2006

Pádraig Ó Snodaigh. *Na príompall áin: 1916 agus athscríobh na staire.*

Coiscéim, 2006.

DA 962 .O83 2006

An prós comhaimseartha.

[Léachtaí Cholm Cille, 36]

An Sagart, 2006.

PB 1201 .L436 v.36

Liam Prút (eag.) *Athbheochan an léinn nó dúchas na Gaeilge? Iomarbhá idir Pádraig de Brún agus Domhnall Ó Corcora, Humanitas 1930-31.*

Coiscéim, [2005].

PB 1215 .A86 2005

CHARABANC THEATRE COLLECTION

Library Guide to Irish Studies Resources:
http://www.library.nd.edu/subjects/irish_studies

Finding help at the Hesburgh Library:
<http://www.library.nd.edu/reference/asklib/>

Irish Studies Librarian:
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A collection of scripts, programs, posters, recordings and articles relating to the Charabanc Theatre was recently donated to the Library by Dr. Helen Lojek of Boise State University, and will be housed in the Department of Rare Books and Special Collections.

The Charabanc Company was a highly innovative women's theatre, active in Belfast from 1983-1995. Dr Lojek gathered the documents in triplicate in order to preserve the company's history, and deposited sets with Belfast's Linen Hall Library and in the Irish Theatre Archives. This third set, then, is the only set of these documents in an American library.

To learn more about the Charabanc Company and its plays, see the new book, *Four Plays by Charabanc Theatre Company: Inventing women's work*, selected, edited and introduced by Claudia W. Harris. Oxford University Press, 2006. (Just received, not yet catalogued.)

NEW BOOKS

Fionnuala McCurtain. *Remember – it's for Ireland: a family memoir of Tomás MacCurtáin*. Mercier Press, 2006.
DA 965 .M24 M24 2006

Geraldine Dillon Plunkett. *All in the blood: a memoir*. Dublin: Farmar, 2006.
DA 965 .P65 A3 2006

David Jardine. *Belfast's Bleak House*. Marshalls, c1985.
BV 4340 .J37 1985

Gerry White. *The burning of Cork*. Mercier Press, 2006.
DA 995 .C7 W55 2006

Stiofán Ó Cadhla. *Civilizing Ireland: Ordnance Survey 1824-1842: Ethnography, cartography, translation*.

Irish Academic Press, 2007.
GA 66 .I73 O33 2007

Stuart Andrews. *Irish rebellion: Protestant polemic*. Palgrave Macmillan, 2006.
DA 950 .A53 2006

Andrew Halpin. *Ireland: an Oxford archaeological guide to sites from earliest times to AD 1600*. Oxford University Press, 2006.
DA 920 .H257 006

Kevin J. James. *Handloom weavers in Ulster's linen industry, 1815-1914*. Four Courts, 2007.
HD 8039 .T42 I64 2006

Bernard Farrell. *Many happy returns*. Mercier Press, 2006
PR 6056 .A744 M36 2006

Medbh McGuckian. *The Cur-rach requires no harbours*. Gallery Press, 2006.
PR 6063 .C5 C87 2006C

Colm McHugh. *Lighthouse*. Scotus Press, 2005.
PR 6113 .C484 L54 2005

Kate O'Brien. *The land of spices*. Virago, 2006.
PR 6029 .B65 L3 2006

Anne Doughty. *The hawthorns in May*. Blackstaff Press, 2006.
PR 6054 .O79 H39 2006

Paul Muldoon. *General admission*. Gallery, 2006
PR 6063 .U367 G46 2006

Audio-Visual (all in the AV Collection, 2nd floor):

Fr. Casey and the Land War. Radharc Films, 1992.
I68-8 DVD

Irish Civil War: the madness from within. Films for the Humanities, 1999.
I65-67 VC

Irish Destiny: a film. Irish Film Institute/RTE, 2006.
I68-7 DVD