



Irish Capuchin Archives

Descriptive List

The Capuchins and the Irish Revolution

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A collection of personal and political papers accumulated by Capuchin friars from the late nineteenth to the early twentieth centuries. The collection contains political papers covering the nationalist struggle for Independence including material relating to the 1916 Rising, the War of Independence and the Civil War.

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Photographic print of Fr. Albert Bibby and Fr. Dominic O'Connor at Church Street

1922

Item

Photographic print on card

19.5 cm x 24.5 cm

Photographic print (black and white) of Fr. Albert Bibby OFM Cap. (left) and Fr. Dominic O'Connor OFM Cap. outside the Church Street friary. The print is pasted onto card and is annotated on the reverse: 'Father Albert (left) and Father Dominic. Two Capuchin Patriot Priests. Father Dominic attended to Cork's Lord Mayor, Terence MacSwiney, during his hunger strike and death in Brixton Prison, London, in 1920. Both priests died in the United States'.

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IDENTITY STATEMENT

Reference code	IE CA/IR/1
Title	The Capuchins and the Irish Revolution
Date range	1898-1966, predominately 1916-1925
Level of Description	Fonds
Extent	9 series, 23 sub-series, and 7 sub-sub-subseries, comprising 216 items and 129 files

CONTEXT

History

From the re-establishment of Irish Province of the Capuchin Order in 1885 there had been strong links between its members and the emerging national movement. It was clear that the cultural resurgence associated with the Irish Ireland movement deeply influenced the men who were drawn to Capuchin religious life. Even before the Province was re-constituted Fr. Albert Mitchell OFM Cap., an ardent nationalist, made a particular point of always wearing Irish made garments and vigorously championed home-made products. Later, Fr. Aloysius Travers preached a 'buy Irish Campaign'. Fr. Edwin Fitzgibbon played a leading role in promoting Gaelic games. Many of the friars were fluent Irish speakers and Fr. Augustine Hayden and Fr. Albert Bibby were to the forefront in fostering interest in the native language through Conradh na Gaelige. Most of the Irish Capuchins were educated in the novitiate in Rochestown, County Cork where the collegial atmosphere was conducive not only to a religious education but also to a flourishing interest in cultural nationalism. Following the Insurrection of 1916 the Capuchins of St. Mary of the Angels, Church Street, Dublin, became very prominently associated in the public mind with the Independence movement. Some of the events of this period are recorded in the 1942 and 1966 editions of *The Capuchin Annual*. Besides the well-known Capuchins like Albert Bibby, Dominic O'Connor (stationed in Holy Trinity, Cork), Augustine Hayden and Aloysius Travers, who rendered spiritual and humanitarian service to nationalist participants in the struggle, there were other less well-known men like Columbus Murphy, Sebastian O'Brien and Brendan Green who played some role. Although the interaction of these priests with Republicans has attracted most attention, it should be noted that other traditions found some expression in Capuchin ministries. The aforementioned Dominic O'Connor, John Butler and Ignatius Collins served as chaplains in the First World War. Mark McDonnell and Angelus Healy were other Church Street friars who were, according to some accounts, somewhat removed from republican sympathies.

Biographical Notes

Fr. Albert Bibby OFM Cap.

Thomas Bibby was born on 24 Oct. 1877 in Bagenalstown, County Carlow. He was baptised on 28 Oct. 1877. His family were proprietors of a woollen mill at Greensbridge and operated two drapery establishments in Kilkenny City, one in Parliament Street and another on High Street. He entered the Capuchin Novitiate at Rochestown on 7 July 1894 and took the religious name of Albert. He was solemnly professed on 8 May 1900 and was ordained a priest at Church Street on 23 Feb. 1902. A gifted scholar, Fr. Albert was among the first batch of Capuchin students to receive a BA degree from the Royal University. He later became a professor of philosophy and theology and taught these subjects to Capuchin students for some years after his ordination. One of his first students was Fr. Dominic O'Connor. Fr. Albert was active in the Gaelic revival movement and was a fluent speaker of

Irish. He was engaged in temperance advocacy and gave missions sometimes solely in Irish in Gaeltacht areas. He was also involved in the Columcille branch of Conradh na Gaelige in its early years. Briefly a part of the community of friars in Kilkenny, he moved to the Capuchin community on Church Street in the early 1900s. In the aftermath of the Easter Rising Fr. Albert ministered to a number of rebel prisoners in Kilmainham Jail and in other locations. He was present for the execution of Seán Heuston on 8 May 1916 and wrote an account of his final hours. He was later a regular correspondent with prominent republicans and their relations. On 16 Dec. 1920 both Fr. Albert and Fr. Dominic O'Connor were arrested by British forces during a raid on the Friary in Church Street. Fr. Albert was detained for some hours in Dublin Castle but was afterwards released whilst Fr. Dominic was sentenced to five years' penal servitude. When the Four Courts was attacked on 27 June 1922, Fr. Albert was present in the building alongside Fr. Dominic. Both priests remained with the Anti-Treaty Irregulars until the Four Courts was evacuated. They then proceeded to administer to Cathal Brugha and other IRA men occupying the Hamman Hotel on O'Connell Street. In June 1924 Fr. Albert was sent to the United States and was eventually appointed Pastor of the Capuchin Mission at Santa Inez in California. He immediately set about restoring both the parish and the structures of the old Franciscan Mission. Modern plumbing and electricity systems were installed at Santa Inez and Fr. Albert was joined by Friars Reginald O'Hanlon and Colmcille Cregan. At this point, however, Fr. Albert's health deteriorated and he was soon admitted to St. Francis Hospital in Santa Barbara. He died on 14 Feb. 1925, a mere three months after his arrival in Santa Inez. He was buried just outside the mission's chapel. His remains (along with those of his former pupil Fr. Dominic O'Connor) were later repatriated to Ireland and he was buried in Rochestown Cemetery on 14 June 1958.

Fr. Columbus Murphy OFM Cap.

Daniel V. Murphy was born on 17 June 1881 in Cork. He was baptised in St. Finbarr's Church on 19 June 1881. His parents were James and Sarah Murphy (née Flynn) of Ethelville, Western Road, Cork. A student of the Capuchin College, Rochestown, he applied for entrance to the Capuchin Novitiate in Aug. 1898. During the 1916 Rising Fr. Columbus played an important role in bringing about a cessation of hostilities. The day after the surrender of the Four Courts garrison on 29 April there was still confusion in North King Street and in other locations as to whether this was a truce or a complete surrender. To clarify, Fr. Columbus went to the Four Courts in an effort to retrieve Pádraig Pearse's note which had led to the surrender of Commandant Ned Daly. He later negotiated with the British military to arrange a personal meeting with Pearse in Arbour Hill and brought a copy of the surrender order to Commandant Holohan at North Brunswick Street. Between 30 Apr. and 4 May Fr. Columbus was called on to minister to the prisoners in Kilmainham Jail prior to their executions. He later compiled a diary recording his experiences of tending to rebel leaders awaiting their court martials and sentencing (**CA/IR/1/2/6**). Fr. Columbus later acted as President of Father Mathew Hall, Church Street, from 1925-28. He died on 20 Feb. 1962.

Fr. Aloysius Travers OFM Cap.

William Patrick Travers was born into a prominent Cork family on 20 Mar. 1870. The family were devoutly Catholic. His elder brother, John, was also a Capuchin and took the religious name of Anthony; another brother became an Augustinian whilst a sister became an Ursuline Nun. William entered the Capuchin Order in 1887, took the religious name of Aloysius and was ordained a priest in 1894. From his earliest years, Fr. Aloysius took a keen interest in promoting the work of the temperance movement. He was appointed President of the Father Mathew Hall in Dublin and held this position from 1904-1913. During his years as President, he used the Hall for the promotion of temperance and as a recreational venue for the members of the Sacred Heart Sodality. To further support the ideals of temperance and to revitalise interest in Irish culture, he founded *The Father*

Mathew Record which began publication in January 1908. The year before, he had inaugurated the *Féis Maitiu* which promoted Gaelic cultural revivalist activities such as storytelling and festivals of native song and dance. Fr. Aloysius also used the pages of the *Record* to strongly promote a 'Buy Irish Campaign'. About this time, he also established the League of Young Irish Crusaders. Like many of the Capuchin friars of Church Street, Fr. Aloysius was involved in ministering to the Rising leaders during their imprisonment and was present at the execution of James Connolly in Kilmainham Jail on 12 May 1916. He later championed the cause of various labour leaders in Dublin. It has also been speculated that Fr. Aloysius undertook a secret mission to Pope Benedict XV in connection with the Irish struggle. He was elected seven times to the office of definator and was Provincial Minister of the Irish Capuchins from 1913-1916. In his later years, he became an enthusiastic member of the Legion of Mary and published numerous devotional tracts including a popular prayer book, *The Voice of the Church*, *The Seraphic Standard* (a Tertiary Handbook) and *Íosa Mo Mhian*. He died on 2 May 1957 at the Capuchin Friary of St. Mary of the Angels, Church Street, Dublin. He was 89 years old and was a Capuchin for almost 69 of these years. He was buried in Glasnevin Cemetery.

Fr. Augustine Hayden OFM Cap.

John Hayden was born in November 1870. He was baptised in Gowran, County Kilkenny on 7 Nov. 1870. His parents were William and Mary Hayden (née Morrissey). On 8 Dec. 1884, he was amongst the first five pupils to be admitted to the recently opened Seraphic School at Rochestown, County Cork. He took the religious name of Augustine on entering the Capuchin Order in November 1885. Towards the end of his clerical studies his health deteriorated and he was forced to spend two years in Switzerland. He was ordained a priest in the Augustinian Church, Thomas Street, Dublin, in November 1893. On 3 August 1896, Fr. Augustine was appointed rector of Rochestown College, replacing Fr. Francis Hayes. He held this position from 1896-1907. He later returned to Dublin and was Guardian of the Church Street Capuchin community from 1913-1916. He cultivated a strong interest in the Gaelic Revival and in particular preserving the Irish language. He was associated with Shán Ó Cuív in establishing the Irish Language College at Ballingeary, County Cork in 1904, the first college of its kind. He was also a regular correspondent with Fr. Peadar Ua Laoghaire, a noted figure in Conradh na Gaelige, and for many years conducted missions in Gaeltacht areas of Counties Kerry and Donegal. In the immediate aftermath of the 1916 Rising, Fr. Augustine accompanied Fr. Aloysius Travers in his visit to Pádraig Pearse and James Connolly. He was instrumental in securing the surrender of Thomas MacDonagh at the Jacob's Biscuit Factory and was present at Éamonn Ceannt's surrender at the South Dublin Union. He also ministered to Ceannt in the hours before his execution. Like the other Capuchin friars of the Church Street Community, Fr. Augustine later committed his memories of Easter Week to writing (**CA/IR/1/4/1**). In 1917 he officiated at the wedding of Terence MacSwiney to Muriel Murphy and was also the celebrant at the marriage of McSwiney's daughter in Cork in 1940. He also authored a number of devotional texts including *Ireland's Loyalty to the Mass* (1933) and *Ireland's Loyalty to Mary* (1952). Fr. Augustine died on 7 Feb. 1954 at the Bon Secours Home, Cork, and was laid to rest in Rochestown Cemetery.

Fr. Dominic O'Connor OFM Cap.

John Francis O'Connor was born on 13 Feb. 1883 in County Cork. He was born into a devoutly Catholic family. His father, John O'Connor, a teacher, and his mother Mary Ann Sheehan were both Tertiaries of the Third Order of St. Francis attached to the Capuchin Church of the Holy Trinity, Cork. A brother of Mary Ann Sheehan had already joined the Capuchin Order and as Fr. Luke Sheehan was one of the first Irish missionaries to minister in the American state of Oregon. A good number of John's siblings also entered into religious life. John entered the Seraphic School at Rochestown in the Autumn of 1897. Having successfully completed his secondary education, he entered the Capuchin

novitiate on 1 Oct. 1899 and received the religious name of Dominic. A year later he took his simple vows and in the Autumn of the same year entered the Royal University, Cork, to study for a degree in philosophy. He was ordained a priest on 17 Mar. 1906 in the Capuchin Friary in Kilkenny. He later enrolled in the Catholic University in Louvain where he obtained a *Sacrae Theologiae Baccalaureus* (Bachelor of Sacred Theology). In response to a call from Cardinal Michael Logue, Archbishop of Armagh, Fr. Dominic volunteered for chaplaincy work with British forces during the First World War. After spending two months with a Scottish brigade in England, he transferred to a hospital unit bound for Salonika, Greece. After approximately two years of service, Fr. Dominic resigned his post in 1917, returned to Ireland and was appointed to the Capuchin community at Holy Trinity, Cork. Fr. Dominic soon attained notoriety in nationalist circles and was appointed chaplain to the Cork Brigade of IRA Volunteers by Tomas MacCurtain. As chaplain, Fr. Dominic was the first to appear at the MacCurtain home in Blackpool, Cork, on the morning the Sinn Féin Lord Mayor was killed by British forces (20 Mar. 1920). He also served as chaplain to MacCurtain's successor as Lord Mayor of Cork, Terence MacSwiney, who was arrested on 12 Aug. 1920. Fr. Dominic ministered to MacSwiney throughout his hunger strike in Brixton Prison and was present at his death on 25 Oct. 1920. Soon after his return to Ireland, Fr. Dominic was arrested at the Friary in Church Street, Dublin. He was taken to Dublin Castle and in January 1921 was court martialled and sentenced to five years' imprisonment. During his confinement, he became acquainted with two notable republican detainees, Ernie O'Malley and Padraig O'Caoimh. Fr. Dominic served about a year of his imprisonment in Parkhurst Prison. Following the signing of the Treaty in December 1921, there was a general amnesty and he was released in January 1922. On 25 February 1922, he was granted the freedom of Cork 'as a mark of respect for his valuable services rendered to the first two Republican Lord Mayors of Cork'. With the onset of the Civil War the Capuchins in Church Street were once more involved in ministering to besieged Republicans. In June 1922 the Four Courts, located only a couple of hundred meters from the Friary, was attacked by Free State forces, and Fr. Dominic (assisted by Fr. Albert Bibby) provided spiritual comfort, assisted in the evacuation of the wounded, and later facilitated the surrender of the defeated garrison. Soon afterwards, Fr. Dominic returned to Holy Trinity, Cork. On 26 November 1922 the decision was made by the Provincial Definitory of the Capuchin Order to have Fr. Dominic transferred to the Province's Mission in Bend, Oregon. This was the location of Fr. Luke Sheehan's (Fr. Dominic's uncle) pioneering missionary work some years before. For the remainder of his life Fr. Dominic performed the routine duties associated with the missionary apostolate of the Capuchin friar. He was appointed temporary rector of St. Francis de Sales Cathedral and published the first of a two-volume history of the Diocese of Baker in 1930. In August 1935 he sustained serious injuries in a car accident from which he never fully recovered. He died on 17 Oct. 1935 and was buried in Bend, Oregon. His remains (along with those of Fr. Albert Bibby) were later repatriated to Ireland and he was buried in Rochestown Cemetery on 14 June 1958.

Archival History

The fonds form part of the archival collection of the Irish Province of the Order of Friars Minor, Capuchin. The collection is held at the Provincial Archives, Capuchin Friary of St. Mary of the Angels, Church Street, Dublin 7.

CONTENT AND STRUCTURE

Scope and Content

The fonds consists of the correspondence and papers of Capuchin priests detailing their involvement with participants in the national struggle. The majority of the material dates from 1916-1925 and includes many records highlighting the role played by Irish Capuchins in ministering to Republican leaders and their relations. Of particular interest is a large collection of 'prison letters' including the correspondence of some of the leading figures of the Irish Revolution. The fonds also contains a large collection of Republican publicity material, newspapers and miscellaneous items of ephemera and artefacts mostly relating to the military and political campaign organised by nationalists for Irish independence. A smaller collection relating to the repatriation of the bodies of Fr. Albert Bibby and Fr. Dominic O'Connor from the United States to Ireland in 1958 is also extant.

System of Arrangement

A new arrangement has been imposed upon the fonds. The collection has been divided into nine series, of which five have been further divided into sub-series. Due to the large extent of papers, two sub-series within Fr. Albert Bibby's papers have required a further division into sub-sub-series. The series represent the papers of the five Capuchin priests most closely connected with the Republican movement (see Biographical Notes). The papers in each of the remaining series represent either a particular area of activity, a subject or a specific document or record type and have been arranged accordingly. Within the various divisions all papers have been arranged chronologically.

ACCESS AND DESCRIPTIVE CONTROL

Language	The majority of the material within this collection is written in English. Some specified material is written in Irish.
Physical characteristics	The papers are generally in good condition
Finding Aid	Descriptive catalogue
Archivist's note	Catalogue compiled by Provincial Archivist
Conventions	<i>Irish Guidelines for Archival Description</i> (2009)/ISAD(G), 2 nd Ed.
Date of description	December 2011
Access Conditions	Access is open to bona fide researchers
Reproduction Conditions	Reproduction and licensing rules available on request

1. The Papers of Fr. Albert Bibby OFM Cap.

Level: Series

Dates of Creation: 1902-1958

Scope and Content: A collection of Fr. Albert Bibby's personal papers relating to his involvement with participants in the national struggle primarily from 1916-1922. The records relating to Fr. Albert have been arranged in six sub-series: 1) 1916 Rising; 2) Correspondence; 3) Photographs, 6) Newspaper clippings; 5) Memorial Cards; 6) Commemorative and Souvenir Publications. The large amount of Fr. Albert's correspondence extant in the sub-series has necessitated the creation of a further division into four sub-sub series: Correspondence with Republican Prisoners; Correspondence with Wives and Relations of Republican Prisoners; Correspondence with other Capuchins; Other Correspondence. The records in each sub-series represent a particular area of activity and have been arranged accordingly.

Format: Manuscript, typescript and photographic prints

Extent: 63 items and 31 files

Note: See also a collection of copy letters to Fr. Bonaventure Murphy OFM Cap. relating to Fr. Albert from the period of his exile in America to his death in Santa Inez, California on 14 Feb. 1925. The location of the original manuscript letters has not been ascertained. The copy letters are numbered 1-48 and form part of Fr. Albert's personal file.

1.1. 1916 Rising

Level: Sub-series

Dates of Creation: 1916

Scope and Content: The sub-series comprises papers relating to Fr. Albert Bibby's ministry to Republicans detained after Easter Week. The section includes authorisations from British forces allowing Fr. Albert to visit the prisoners and extracts from various prison letters.

Format: Manuscript, typescript and printed

Extent: 8 items and 1 file

CA/IR/1/1/1/1 Copy statement written by Thomas MacDonagh in Kilmainham Jail

2 May 1916

Item

5 pp

Manuscript

A contemporary copy of a statement written by Thomas MacDonagh in Kilmainham Jail, Midnight, Tuesday, 2 May 1916.

Note: See Piaras F. Mac Lochlainn, *Last Words, letters and statements of the leaders executed after the rising at Easter 1916* (Dublin, 1990), pp 60-63. 'This document is in the possession of Barbara MacDonagh'.

CA/IR/1/1/1/2 Authorisation from Colonel H.V. Cowan, Assistant Adjutant General, Headquarters, Irish Command, Parkgate, Dublin, to Fr. Albert Bibby

6 May 1916

File

2 pp

Manuscript and typescript

The note reads: 'The General Officer Commander in Chief directs that every facility be given to his Reverend Father Albert OSFC to visit rebel prisoners at any

of the places of detention or internment, to hear confessions and administer the rights of his Church, at all times'. With typescript copy.

- CA/IR/1/1/1/3 Receipt for a parcel belonging to Major John McBride**
 6 May 1916
 Item
 1 p.
 Manuscript
 The receipt reads: 'Received from Fr. Paul [Neary] OSFC – a small sealed parcel – addressed to Mrs McBride – mother of the late Major McBride. Fred J. Allan, City Hall'. With cover.
- CA/IR/1/1/1/4 'Persons to be inquired about in Richmond Barracks and Kilmainham Prison, May 7-14th, 1916, Fr. Albert'**
 7-14 May 1916
 Item
 4 pp
 Manuscript
 List of approximately 100 names with various annotations. Listed individuals include Arthur Griffith, Sean Connolly, 'Miss [Grace] Gifford', Garret Holohan, John O'Mahony and '[de] Valera'. Annotations such as 'K' and 'R', presumably standing for Richmond and Kilmainham, appear beside some of the individuals listed.
- CA/IR/1/1/1/5 Copy extract (probably by Fr. Albert Bibby) from a letter by Harry O'Hanrahan**
 15 May 1916
 Item
 1 p.
 Manuscript
 Copy extract from a letter by Harry O'Hanrahan to his mother and sisters. He refers to his detainment in Richmond Barracks and to detectives selecting 'out about 14 including the 2 Cosgraves, T. Mac Donagh, Kent, ourselves etc ...'. He also refers to the fighting in Jacob's Biscuit Factory.
- CA/IR/1/1/1/6 Copy notes 'sent by some of the soldiers of the Irish Republic after the surrender, Easter Week 1916, to their friends'**
 c. 1916
 Item
 1 p
 Manuscript
 The note affirmed that the extracts 'are exact copies of the original, which I sent to their friends as I had promised the men themselves (Fr. Albert OSFC, Church St.)'. Includes copy notes from Michael Charlton; Jimmy Bronghan; Martin Shannon (who fought at Stephen's Green during the Rising).
- CA/IR/1/1/1/7 Copy letter from Fr. Albert Bibby concerning Seán Heuston's execution**
 c. 1916
 Item
 4 pp
 Typescript copy

Copy letter from Fr. Albert Bibby. The typescript copy notes that the original 'belongs to L.T. Langley, 164 Iveragh Road, Gaeltacht Park, Whitehall, Dublin. The letter is incomplete, and no indication is given of the person to whom it is addressed'. The letter provides an account of the 'closing scenes of Sean Heuston's life'. Fr. Albert contends that 'shortly after Easter Week, 1916, I gave a rather full account for publication in the *Catholic Bulletin*, but owing to the Censor's restrictions it could not appear in print'. The letter reads: 'At about 3.45 A.M. a British soldier knocked at the door of the cell and told us time was up. We both walked out together down to the end of the Jail yard; here his hands were tied behind his back, a cloth tied over his eyes and a small piece of white paper, about 4 or 5 inches square, pinned to his coat over his heart'. Reference is also made to Fr. Augustine's Hayden's administration to Éamonn Ceannt and Michael Mallin.

CA/IR/1/1/1/8 *Pádraig Mac Piarais Calling Card*

c. 1916

Item

1 p.

Printed and manuscript

A calling card of P.H. Pearse, St. Enda's College, Rathfarnham. Manuscript signature of Éamon de Valéra on reverse.

CA/IR/1/1/1/9 *Notes from Ireland*

1 July 1916

Item

8 pp

Printed

A 'special number' of *Notes from Ireland* (no. 2a, vol. 25) reporting on the 'Sinn Féin Revolt'. The journal was published by the Irish Unionist Alliance.

1.2. Correspondence

Level: Sub-Series

Dates of Creation: 1916-1933

Scope and Content: Fr. Albert Bibby's correspondence has been divided into four sub-sub series: Correspondence with Republican Prisoners; Correspondence with Wives and Relations of Republican Prisoners; Correspondence with other Capuchins; Other Correspondence.

Format: Manuscript, typescript and printed

Extent: 41 items and 16 files

1.2.1. Correspondence with Republican Prisoners

Level: Sub-sub-series

Dates of Creation: 1916-1922

Scope and Content: A collection of letters sent to Fr. Albert Bibby by Republican internees and prisoners including Cathal Brugha, William Partridge, Constance Markievicz and Austin Stack.

Format: Manuscript

Extent: 13 items and 7 files

CA/IR/1/1/2/1/1 Letter from A. J. Howlin to Fr. Albert Bibby

29 May 1916

Item

1 p

Manuscript

Letter from A. J. Howlin, prisoner no. 899, Wakefield, to Fr. Albert Bibby, Church St., Dublin, asking to convey his thanks to Fr. Peter [Bowe] 'for his interest in us all the time. He was greatly knocked about on our account'. Signed Seamus Ua Hualláin. With cover opened by censor.

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Note from Cathal Brugha to Fr. Albert Bibby

14 June 1916

Item

1 p

Manuscript

Note from C. Burgess [Cathal Brugha], Dublin Castle Hospital, to Fr. Albert Bibby, Franciscan Capuchin Church, Church St. It reads: 'I should be obliged if you dropped in here any time tomorrow or Friday to hear my confession. As there has been a new regulation made here with regard to the admission of the clergy it might be as well if you brought this card with you'. During the Rising Brugha was severely wounded by a hand grenade, as well as by multiple gunshot wounds, and was initially not considered likely to survive. He recovered over the next year, but was left with a permanent limp.

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Letter from Patrick Holohan to Fr. Albert Bibby

10 July 1916

Item

2 p

Manuscript

Letter from Patrick Holohan, 'Number: 975, hut 2, Irish Prisoner ... Frongoch, North Wales' to Fr. Albert Bibby, Church Street, Dublin, referring to the provision of religious services and giving news of conditions and prisoners at the camp. Holohan adds 'I was glad to hear that you were with Heuston when he died as I was very fond of him. It is delightful to see all our leaders being converted to the Catholic faith'. With cover which has been opened by the censor.

CA/IR/1/1/2/1/4

Copy letter from Roger Casement to Fr. E.F. Murnane

16 July 1917-2 Aug. 1916 + 16 Dec. 1903

File

6 pp

Manuscript

Copy letter from Roger Casement, Pentonville Prison, to his chaplain, Fr. E.F. Murnane, regarding the progress of his appeal against the indictment of high treason. With a letter (2 Aug. 1916) from E.F. Murnane, The Presbytery, Dockhead, [Bermondsey, London, S.E.], in the same hand, to George Gavan Duffy regarding Casement's last hours. Includes a copy extract from a letter from the Prison Chaplain giving a brief account of Casement's piety before his execution. The file also includes an original letter from Roger Casement, Wellington Club, Grosvenor Place, S.W., to Francis H. Cowper (16 Dec. 1903) declaring that all is well him 'but fearful Congo row is brewing and I shall be the storm centre I fear'. He adds 'Give the brindled John my love and a kiss on his black nose'.

Note: See Papers of Sir Roger Casement (National Library of Ireland, Collection List no. A 15, Roger Casement Papers: MS 13,073-MS 13,092).

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Letter to Tim Healy from various republican internees

4 Oct. 1916

Item

9 pp

Manuscript

Letter to Tim Healy from various republican internees asking him intercede in a dispute with prison authorities. The manuscript provides background to the dispute. The letter is in two distinctive hands and is (copy) signed by 'Michael Staines, Head Leader; James Murphy, leader, no. 1 room; Edward A. Morkan, leader, no. 2 room; R.J. Mulcahy, leader, no. 3 room; Thomas D. Sinnott, Leader no. 4 Room'. In September 1917 Healy acted as counsel for the family of the dead Sinn Féin hunger striker Thomas Ashe. He was one of the few King's Counsel to provide legal services to members of Sinn Féin in various legal proceedings in both Ireland and England after the 1916 Rising. This included acting for those interned in 1916 illegally in Frongoch in North Wales.

CA/IR/1/1/2/1/6

Letters from William Partridge to Fr. Albert Bibby

c. Apr.-May 1917

File

5 items

Manuscript and newspaper cutting

Letters from William Partridge to Fr. Albert Bibby giving an outline of his career mostly in the labour and union movement under James Larkin. Partridge was amongst those rebels who surrendered at St Stephen's Green in 1916. He was subsequently sentenced to ten years' penal servitude and sent to Dartmoor and afterwards to Lewes Prison. He was released due to ill-health and returned to Ballaghadreen, County Mayo, but died on 26 July 1917. He refers to his physical condition in some of the correspondence. He writes 'Please excuse scribbling as my sight got bad in Prison and I have not yet got glasses'. With his memorial card and newspaper cutting of his obituary notice. The file also includes a letter from [his wife, F. Partridge] referring to his last days and thanking Fr. Albert for his words of sympathy.

CA/IR/1/1/2/1/7

Letter from D. O'Callaghan to Fr. Albert Bibby

c. 4 Apr. 1917

Item

2 pp

Manuscript

Letter from D. O'Callaghan, prisoner no. q 128, Lewes Prison, to Fr. Albert Bibby, concerning his conditions of imprisonment. He also expresses his joy on hearing that the 'Gaelic League is doing splendidly and was never stronger'. He later claims that 'my people are immigrated all over the world not through any fault of their own and not necessary for me to tell you the cause'. He has yet to receive a letter mailed to him from his brother in America.

CA/IR/1/1/2/1/8

Letters from D. O'Callaghan to Fr. Albert Bibby

Apr. 1917

File

2 items

Manuscript

Letters from D. O'Callaghan, Lewes Prison, to Fr. Albert Bibby concerning his prison conditions and to kindness shown to him by a Sister Bridget. He adds: 'Duggan and Beasley were glad to hear from her and sends best wishes'. He later refers to his actions during Easter Week: '... I done my best to conduct things to the best advantage for all, and if done a great deal of damage to property, it had to be done to insure the safety of the men that were in my charge. But I certainly say no unnecessary damage was done by us'.

Reference is also made to his fellow prisoners G. Grofts and Jimmy Brennan. With an undated letter [c. Apr. 1917] from O'Callaghan referring to the deteriorating conditions endured by republican prisoners: 'On Wednesday, the 9th some of the young fellows started kicking a rag ball at exercise and warder Birch picked it up most abruptly on the fooling day he had Boland charged with using insolent language. Boland got severely punished and on the following day we struck work. ... Our experience is that the warders are incapable of making a correct statement about us. McEntee and I were charged with insubordination simply because we spoke on behalf of our comrades'.

CA/IR/1/1/2/1/9

Notes from Frank Cullen referring to prison conditions

16 Apr. 1917

File

2 pp

Manuscript

Notes from Frank Cullen, prisoner no. 135, to his brother Tom and to his mother, mostly referring to prison conditions. He informs his brother that a photograph of 'poor John J. Heuston which his sister Theresa sent me about a fortnight ago' was confiscated. 'I was told that the photograph was of one of the men executed in Dublin and they could not give it to me ... you see we are not allowed to have the photograph of an Irishman in our cells who gave his life for his country'. He asks both his brother and mother to remember him to his various friends at home.

CA/IR/1/1/2/1/10

Letter from D. O'Callaghan to Fr. Albert Bibby

7 May 1917

Item

3 pp

Manuscript

Letter from D. O'Callaghan, prisoner no. q 128, Lewes Prison, to Fr. Albert Bibby, offering his thanks to all the 'patriotic priests who offered up the Masses for the souls of our dear brothers, comrades and relatives ...'. He assures that Fr. Albert that 'all the men you mentioned De Velera [sic], J and G. Plunkett, J.J. Walsh, Desmond Fitzgerald and O'Hanrahan asked me to than you on their behalf, for kindly visiting their people ... E. Duggan and P. Beasley were glad to hear from you'. O'Callaghan declares that he does not see much hope of any conciliation as 'there has been so much blood and frightful suffering for the past seven hundred years, and foreign law is as hateful today as it was in the beginning'. He also gives news of the Jimmy

Brennan and the 'Church St. Boys'. The letter is written on an official form with regulations governing prisoner regulations printed on first page.

CA/IR/1/1/2/1/11 Letter from James O'Sullivan to Fr. Albert Bibby

14 May 1917

Item

1 p

Manuscript

Letter from James O'Sullivan prisoner no. q 100, Lewes Prison, declaring that 'all the men here, look to the Capuchin Fathers, as their especial friends – they found the comrades in times of peril, true friends of the people, the ideal priests'. O'Sullivan adds that 'Edmund Duggan (my dearest friend), Pierce Beasley, D. O'Callaghan, G. Crofts and Jimmy Brennan, wish to be remembered to you'. James O'Sullivan fought at the General Post Office during the Rising.

CA/IR/1/1/2/1/12 Letter from Henry O'Hanrahan to Fr. Albert Bibby

22 May 1917

Item

1 p

Manuscript

Letter from Henry O'Hanrahan, prisoner no. q. 150, Lewes Prison, to Fr. Albert Bibby and Fr. Augustine Hayden, thanking the Capuchin fathers for their services: 'It will indeed be a while till we here, our friends, or Ireland forget what we owe to "Church St." ... [on] a very memorable Sunday'. He also refers to increasing clerical support for the republican cause. O'Hanrahan fought at Jacob's Biscuit factory during the Rising.

CA/IR/1/1/2/1/13 Letters from D. O'Callaghan to Fr. Albert Bibby

11 June 1917-13 June 1917

File

2 items

Manuscript

Letters from D. O'Callaghan, prisoner no. q 128, Portland Prison, to Fr. Albert Bibby, Church Street, referring to his health. The official letter states that O'Callaghan is in 'bad health' and notes that if he behaves well, shall 'be allowed to write another letter about 19 Jan. 1918'. A letter M.H. Smith, medical officer, Portland Prison, reports that O'Callaghan 'is in his usual health'. With cover.

CA/IR/1/1/2/1/14 Letter from James Joseph Walsh to Fr. Albert Bibby

8 Oct. 1917

Item

1 p

Manuscript

Letter from James Joseph Walsh, prisoner no. 899, Mountjoy Prison, to Fr. Albert Bibby, referring to the gradually improving conditions for prisoners. Walsh also refers to the public who 'in large numbers still crowd to the gate'

of the prison. He informs Fr. Albert that three prisoners are still deprived of the privilege of a daily visit: 'Sullivan, Cork; Shaw, Stradbally; and Fleming, Galway'. The letter is written on an official form with regulations governing prisoner regulations printed on first page.

- CA/IR/1/1/2/1/15 Card signed by 'Constance de Markievicz, I.R.A.' and Kathleen Clarke**
 Dec. 1918
 Item
 1 p
 Manuscript
 Card signed by 'Constance de Markievicz, I.R.A.' and Kathleen Clarke. Dated at Holloway Jail, Dec. 1918'. With cover opened by the censor.
- CA/IR/1/1/2/1/16 Letters from Constance Markievicz to Fr. Albert Bibby**
 1 Mar. 1919 [+ 2 letters, c. 1919]
 File
 3 items
 Manuscript
 Letters from Constance Markievicz, Holloway Jail, to Fr. Albert Bibby, Church St., Dublin, referring to her conditions of imprisonment and conveying her good wishes to Fr. Albert, Fr. Augustine Hayden and Sister Brigid. She declares that 'when we free our country I shall start a movement for the reformation of jails and jailors! I am proud of being selected as a candidate. I wonder whether I should have a better chance of election in or out of jail?'
 With 2 covers.
- CA/IR/1/1/2/1/17 Letter from Austin Stack to Fr. Albert Bibby**
 9 May 1919
 Item
 3 pp
 Manuscript
 Letter from Austin Stack, prisoner no. 148, Manchester Prison, to Fr. Albert Bibby, thanking the 'friars of Church St.' for the interest they have shown in their incarcerated 'fellow countrymen and women'. Reference is also made to their prison conditions and to prisoner Fionán Lynch. With cover.
- CA/IR/1/1/2/1/18 Letter from Robert Barton to Fr. Albert Bibby**
 9 Feb. 1920
 Item
 2 pp
 Manuscript
 Letter from Robert Barton, Mountjoy Gaol, to Fr. Albert Bibby, stating that 'prison life is no affliction to me. I much prefer the rest, seclusion and study of a cell to discoursing in public platforms'. He also discusses his reading of economic literature and affirms that he is learning Irish.
- CA/IR/1/1/2/1/19 Recollections of visits made to Kevin Barry and other Republican prisoners**
 1920-1921
 Item

17 pp

Manuscript

Recollections of visits made to Kevin Barry (executed 1 Nov. 1920); to 'six young heroes hanged at Mountjoy Prison, March 14th 1921'; and to Thomas Traynor (executed 26 Apr. 1921). The recollections refer to visits made by unnamed religious sisters. The transcripts focus on the piety and courage shown by the condemned prisoners. It reads: 'All the young men were teetotallers and some of them abstained from smoking. We noticed two empty porter bottles in the grate in Flood's cell. When he saw me looking at them he said "you know our friends can bring us in now anything one asks for. The Black and Tan guards here are decent to us and we ordered in drink for them"'.

CA/IR/1/1/2/1/20 Photographic copy of a letter from Robert Erskine Childers to Fr. Albert Biddy

20 Nov. 1922

File

3 copies

Photograph

Photographic copy print of a letter from Robert Erskine Childers, Beggars' Bush Barracks, Dublin, to Fr. Albert Biddy, declaring that he is 'to die at 7 tomorrow'. He states he will 'die happy and undefeated and at peace with God'. Fr. Albert referred to this letter in his statement titled 'The Case of Farther Albert, O.S.F.C.', defending his actions and declaring his 'absolute impartiality' during the War of Independence and later at the outbreak of Civil War hostilities in Dublin in 1922 (CA/IR/1/1/2/4/6).

CA/IR/1/1/2/1/21 Letter from Liam Mellows to his mother

8 Dec. 1922

Item

3 pp

Manuscript

Letter from Liam Mellows, Mountjoy Prison, Dublin, to his mother. Written at 5 a.m., shortly before his execution. It reads: 'The time is short and much I would like to say must go unsaid. But you will understand in such moments heart speaks to heart. At 3.30 this morning we (Dick Barrett, Rory O'Connor, Joe McKelvey and I) were informed that we were to be "executed as a reprisal". ... I go to join Tone and Emmett, the Fenians, Tom Clarke, Connolly, Pearse, Kevin Barry and Childers. My last thoughts will be on God, and Ireland, and you. I had hopes that some day I might rest in some quiet place – beside Grandfather and Grandmother in Castletown (Co. Wexford), not amidst the wordly poms [sic] of Glasnevin but if it is to be the prison clay, it is all the sweeter for many of our best lie here ...'.

Note: Mellows, O'Connor, McKelvey and Barrett were executed by firing squad on 8 December 1922, in reprisal for the shooting of Seán Hales, TD. This original letter came into the possession of a Mrs Keating, Cathedral Road, Cork. She gave it to her friend, Cormac McCarthy, who subsequently (in 1982) gave it to Fr. Nesson Shaw OFM Cap. (1915-1997).

1.2.2. Correspondence with Wives and Relations of Republican Prisoners

Level: Sub-sub series

Dates of Creation: 1917-1925

Scope and Content: This section comprises Fr. Albert Bibby's correspondence with the wives and relations of Republican detainees and prisoners including those who were executed in the aftermath of the 1916 Rising. Many of the correspondents were significant political figures in their own right including Kathleen Clarke, Áine b. É. Ceannt and Eva Gore Booth.

Format: Manuscript

Extent: 9 items and 4 files

CA/IR/1/1/2/2/1 Letters from Eva Gore Booth to Fr. Albert Bibby

c. Mar.1917-July 1917

File

5 items

Manuscript

Letters to Fr. Albert Bibby from Eva Gore Booth, 33 Fitzroy Square, mostly referring to her sister Constance Markievicz, the East Clare by-election and to the publication of an article in the *Catholic Bulletin*. With covers.

CA/IR/1/1/2/2/2 Letters from Kathleen Clarke to Fr. Albert Bibby

7 Oct. 1916-7 Jan. 1917

File

2 items

Manuscript

Letters from Kathleen Clarke (wife of Tom Clarke), 15 Barrington Street, Limerick, to Fr. Albert Bibby, mostly concerning family news. She also wrote: 'Limerick does not agree with me. I am tired all the time here. I have an unsettled feel here too I find it hard to realise that my home and everything is gone, the only thing left is hope, and if our hopes for Ireland's future are fulfilled the sacrifices will have been worth the making'. She also refers to Ernest Blythe: 'We had hoped for better for him. I suppose he is left Arbour Hill by this and there would be no use in writing to him ...'.

CA/IR/1/1/2/2/3 Letter from Muriel MacDonough to Fr. Albert Bibby

5 Apr. 1917

Item

2 pp

Manuscript

Letter from Muriel MacDonough, 50 Marlborough Rd., Donnybrook, to Fr. Albert Bibby, apologising for not seeing him when he called to her house.

'My bell was out of order and it is practically impossible to hear knocks, especially with [her son] Don babbling making an uproar'.

- CA/IR/1/1/2/2/4 Letters from Nannie O' Rahilly to Fr. Albert Bibby**
 23 Apr. 1917-25 Apr. 1917
 File
 2 items
 Manuscript
 Letters from Nannie O' Rahilly (wife of 'The O'Rahilly'), to Fr. Albert Bibby, expressing her regret that a mass in honour of the rebels of 1916 could not be held in Church St. Friary 'as you did so much for the men who died'. Later she added 'Thank God we had the Mass at Mt. Argus, it was most touching and edifying and as you say the spirit was splendid, without any outward demonstration. So the priests who refused us might easily have had more courage'.
- CA/IR/1/1/2/2/5 Letter from Lillie Connolly to Fr. Albert Bibby**
 30 Apr. 1917
 Item
 3 pp
 Manuscript
 Letter from Lillie Connolly [wife of James Connolly], 22 St Patrick's Road, Drumcondra, to Fr. Albert Bibby, expressing her joy that her son Roderic has started school and has promised to make for 'lost time'. She also expresses her delight on hearing the 'little message from the dear Countess [Markievicz]'. She adds 'I pray and long for the day when she may enjoy her freedom'. With cover.
- CA/IR/1/1/2/2/6 Letter from Sr. Bernard Heuston to Fr. Albert Bibby**
 6 May 1917
 Item
 4 pp
 Manuscript
 Letter from Sr. Bernard [Heuston], Dominican Convent, Galway (a sister of Seán Heuston), thanking him for his remembrance of poor Jack. 'I can scarcely believe that the awful time is only a year ago and yet in another sense it seems decades away'. She also refers to the religious piety which has manifested itself since the rebellion and executions: 'The number of conversions certainly proves the excellent religious foundation of their patriotism'.
- CA/IR/1/1/2/2/7 Letter from Áine b. É. Ceannt to Fr. Albert Bibby**
 9 May 1917
 Item
 3 pp
 Manuscript
 Letter from Áine b. É. Ceannt, [wife of Éamonn Ceannt], 44 Oakley Rd., Ranelagh, noting that 'it is terrible to find that the rebels at Church St. are not only self-willed but so mightily independent'. She compliments Father Albert for saying the mass in Irish: 'I felt how pleased poor Eamonn would be'. She gives news of the ailing condition of Muriel MacDonough's 'poor

soon [who] has to go to a nursing home and lie on his back for months'. She also refers to the North Roscommon by-election and a well-received letter from Fr. Augustine Hayden which was printed in the *Roscommon Herald*.

CA/IR/1/1/2/2/8 Letter from Gertrude Parry to Fr. Albert Bibby

7 June 1917

Item

3 pp

Manuscript

Letter from Gertrude Parry, Shelbourne Hotel, to Fr. Albert Bibby, affirming that she has heard of his offer 'from my friends the Gavan Duffys and Miss Eva Gore Booth'. She adds 'You will not know my name but I am a cousin of Roger Casement and there are several matters I should like to talk to you about'.

Note: Gertrude Parry, née Bannister, was a cousin of Roger Casement. See Papers of Sir Roger Casement (National Library of Ireland: Collection List no. A 15: Roger Casement Papers: MS 13,073-MS 13,092).

CA/IR/1/1/2/2/9 Letter from Maud Griffith to Albert Bibby

18 May 1918

Item

2 pp

Manuscript

Letter from Maud Griffith, 132 St. Lawrence Rd., to Fr. Albert Bibby, asking him to 'find out anything about Arthur. He was arrested at 1 a.m. this morning, what I fear [is that] he may be deported tonight before I could see him ...'.

CA/IR/1/1/2/2/10 Letters from Sinéad de Valera to Fr. Albert Bibby

24 May 1918 + 2 undated (c. 1918)

File

3 items

Manuscript

Letters from Sinéad de Valera to Fr. Albert Bibby, asking for a 'national novena to the Sacred Heart'. She declares that she has 'had a letter from Dev this morning. They have had no Sunday mass since they left Ireland. He served Mass on Corpus Christi but that was the only day they had Mass'. She relays De Valera's request that luxury items such as sweets should not be sent to republican prisoners and suggests that 'some little committee could be formed to collect the money which would otherwise be expended on postage ...'. She adds 'Please don't let Eamonn's name be associated with it as I know he would not like his remark about the luxuries to go around. He has a dislike to being considered a vaitin and his remark might be misunderstood'. In the letter of 24 May 1918 she refers to her anxiety over 'the midnight raid and Saturday's paper'. She added: 'Dev is in Gloucester prison. I had a message from the Governor saying to send on some clothes'.

CA/IR/1/1/2/2/11 Letter from Mary Alden Childers to Fr. Albert Bibby

9 July 1920

Item

2 pp

Manuscript

Letter from Mary Alden Childers [wife of Robert Erskine Childers], 20 Wellington Road, Dublin, to Fr. Albert Bibby, asking him to fulfil a promise and to come to bless their new house.

CA/IR/1/1/2/2/12 Letter from Julia Breen to Fr. Albert Bibby

c. 1923

Item

5 pp

Manuscript

Letter from Julia Breen, Upper Church Street, Tipperary, to Fr. Albert Bibby, thanking him for all 'the trouble you took with our prisoners while they were suffering in Mountjoy, it was prayer and the masses for our prisoners that saved them from death'. With an annotation in Fr. Albert's hand on the first page: 'Letter from Commandant Breen's (I.R.A.) mother. He was on hunger strike at Mountjoy Jail and it was there I met his mother'.

CA/IR/1/1/2/2/13 Letter from Hanna Sheehy Skeffington to Fr. Albert Bibby

5 Feb. 1925

Item

4 pp

Manuscript

Letter from Hanna Sheehy Skeffington to Fr. Albert Bibby expressing her concern on hearing of his serious illness. She affirms that Fr. Albert's name 'is treasured by all who know you and who love Ireland and all dear dead who died for her. The widows and sisters of the men of 1916 whom you attended and consoled and of the later martyrs also will always remember you with affection'.

1.2.3. Correspondence with other Capuchins

Level: Sub-sub-series

Dates of Creation: 1917-1925

Scope and Content: A collection of Fr. Albert Bibby's correspondence with other members of the Capuchin Order in Ireland.

Format: Manuscript and newspaper cutting

Extent: 8 items and 3 files

CA/IR/1/1/2/3/1 Postcard from Fr. Albert Biddy to Fr. Alphonsus Carroll

11 Jan. 1917

Item

1 p

Manuscript

Postcard from Fr. Albert Biddy, Cork, to Fr. Alphonsus Carroll, Capuchin Friary, Walkin Street, Kilkenny, sending on his greetings and declaring that all his friends 'down south are splendid'.

CA/IR/1/1/2/3/2 Letters concerning Fr. Albert Bibby's ministry in the Parish of Ilford, Essex

Dec. 1922-4 Mar. 1924

File

9 items

Manuscript and typescript

The file includes a letter from Fr. Albert to Fr. Edwin Fitzgibbon, Minister Provincial [Dec. 1922], referring to his time in the parish. He declares that the priests there have no interest in Ireland. 'It doesn't count here apparently', and added, 'unemployment [is] very serious. The "Daily News" urges the setting up "unemployment committees" ...'. Later, Canon Palmer, Ilford, Essex, wrote to Fr. Peter Bowe, Provincial Minister, Church Street, Dublin, seeking to have Fr. Albert Bibby come over to cover for one of his clerical assistants who is unwell. On 11 Oct. 1923 Fr. Palmer wrote: 'I would gladly give him all accommodation and he could help us. In strict confidence with yourself I wish to say at the same time that if there is any radical objection to his coming or having facilities. I would not presume to ask you at all'. With letter from Fr. Peter Bowe to Fr. Albert granting permission to 'absent yourself from the Province for the benefit of your health, and to go to Very Rev. Canon Palmer of Ilford ... to help in Parochial Work during the absence of the Senior Curate, until the end of February 1924'. The file also includes a letter from Fr. Sylvester Mulligan to Fr. Peter Bowe, regarding the sending of Fr. Albert to Ilford, Essex. Some political references are made by Fr. Albert in a letter to Fr. Stanislaus Kavanagh (4 Mar. 1924). He wrote: 'I am able to follow the events pretty well. Tis an awful pity that the being in power of the Labour Party is not availed of to scrap or modify the Treaty – a united body at home could now get anything – not that Labour is pro-Irish. It is not, but ... because of the support on which it depends it could not turn down a united Ireland – or a large section demanding it'.

CA/IR/1/1/2/3/3

Letter from Fr. Albert Bibby to Fr. Stanislaus Kavanagh

15 Apr. 1924

Item

4 pp

Manuscript

Letter from Fr. Albert Bibby to Fr. Stanislaus Kavanagh mainly referring to his difficult journey from Ireland to England and to his on-going ill-health. With cover, postmarked at Ilford.

CA/IR/1/1/2/3/4

Letter from Fr. Albert Bibby to Fr. Stanislaus Kavanagh

1 July 1924

Item

4 pp

Manuscript

Letter from Fr. Albert Bibby, St. Benedict's Rectory, 320 West 53D Street, New York, to Fr. Stanislaus Kavanagh, Church St., Dublin, referring to his arrival in New York and his meeting with Fr. Solanus Casey OFM Cap. He also refers to a letter or photograph of letter 'written by P.H. P[earse] to Joe Pl[unkett], 1916, and which I gave you to keep. I promised a copy of it to Mrs Tom Clarke ... I would be grateful if can would, at your convenience, make a copy of it and send it to her or to Miss Daly, Bakery, Sarsfield St., Limerick for her'.

CA/IR/1/1/2/3/5

Letter from Fr. Albert Bibby to Fr. [Aloysius Travers]

20 July 1924

Item

2 pp

Manuscript

Letter from Fr. Albert Bibby to Fr. [Aloysius Travers] referring to his journey to the United States on board the steamship *Republic*. In Irish

CA/IR/1/1/2/3/6

Letter from Fr. Albert Bibby to Fr. Stanislaus Kavanagh

25 Aug. 1924

Item

2 pp

Manuscript

Letter from Fr. Albert Bibby to Fr. Stanislaus Kavanagh referring to his difficult conditions in California. He wrote 'The heat and I suppose change of food and water have told on me this month. I haven't been well at all and have spent some days in bed'. Some mention is made of the political situation in Ireland: 'Wasn't D[e Valera]'s address after release wonderful? No word of bitterness from start to finish'. Reference is also made to Fr. Dominic O'Connor and the opening of a house of studies in California. With cover.

CA/IR/1/1/2/3/7

Letters from Fr. Albert Bibby to Fr. Augustine Hayden

7 Oct. 1924-25 Jan. 1925

File

5 items

Manuscript and newspaper cutting

Letters from Fr. Albert Bibby to Fr. Augustine Hayden referring to journey to the United States, from New York to Santa Barbara, California, his declining health and to the consolation he has found as his death approaches. On 25 Jan. 1925 Fr. Albert wrote: 'I am gradually getting weaker and am preparing for end. ... Fr. Dominic O'Connor came here last night and will remain with me to the end. Tis a great comfort and joy to have him. He will do for me what he did for Terry McSweeney in Brixton Jail'. With a newspaper cutting from the Santa Barbara Daily News (21 Jan. 1925) containing an article with (photographic prints) of the Old Mission of Santa Ynez and 'Padre Albert'.

CA/IR/1/1/2/3/8

Letter from Fr. Albert Bibby to Fr. Peter Bowe

24 Jan. 1925

File

5 items

Manuscript and newspaper cutting

Letter from Fr. Albert Bibby, St. Francis Hospital, Santa Barbara, to Fr. Peter Bowe, Minister Provincial, Dublin, referring to his weakening condition and averring that he has been in hospital for over five weeks. He asks the Provincial for 'forgiveness and pardon for all the faults and all the dis-edifications I have given, as well as for all the violations of rule, constitutions, regulations of which I have been guilty'. He expresses his wish to die 'a loyal member of the Irish Province'. He encloses a newspaper cutting from the *Santa Barbara Daily News* (21 Jan. 1925) containing an article with (photographic prints) of the Old Mission of Santa Ynez and 'Padre Albert'. With cover and copies.

CA/IR/1/1/2/3/9

Letter from Fr. Albert Bibby to Fr. Aloysius Travers

25 Jan. 1925

Item

2 pp

Manuscript

Letter from Fr. Albert Bibby to Fr. Aloysius Travers, Church Street, stating that he is 'getting weaker gradually – the end is apparently not far off'. Fr. Albert admits that the presence of Fr. Dominic O'Connor is a great comfort as his death approaches.

CA/IR/1/1/2/3/10 Letter from Fr. Albert Bibby to Fr. Paul Neary

9 Feb. 1925

Item

2 pp

Manuscript

Letter from Fr. Albert Bibby, St. Francis Hospital, Santa Barbara, California, to Fr. Paul Neary stating that he is 'perfectly resigned to God's will and wonderfully happy family'. An annotation on the top of page reads: Fr. Albert's last letter to me. It was posted after his death. Fr. Paul'.

CA/IR/1/1/2/3/11 Letter from Fr. Albert Bibby to Fr. Mathew [O'Connor]

12 Feb. 1925

Item

2 pp

Manuscript

Letter from Fr. Albert Bibby, St. Francis Hospital, Santa Barbara, California, to Fr. Mathew [O'Connor], Church Street, Dublin, referring to his declining condition. He wrote 'I'm so weak and in such a serious condition that I know not if I shall be alive to-morrow'. He declared that he has renewed his profession 'surrounded by the Franciscan Sisters here and Fr. Dillon, a devoted Kerry friend'. Fr. Albert Bibby died two days later on 14 Feb. 1925. With cover.

1.2.4. Other Correspondence

Level: Sub-sub-series

Dates of Creation: 1916-1933

Scope and Content: This section includes letters to Capuchins referring to Fr. Albert, his ministry to prominent Republicans, his exile in the United States, and his death. The section includes a copy of a letter written by Fr. Albert Bibby to Fr. Juan Antonio de San Juan en Persiceto, Minister General of the Capuchin Order, enclosing a vigorous statement defending his conduct during the Irish Revolution and in particular his ministering to imprisoned Republicans (**CA/IR/1/1/2/4/6**). See also the section below: *Reparation of the bodies of Fr. Albert Bibby and Fr. Dominic O'Connor*

Format: Manuscript, typescript and printed

Extent: 11 items and 2 files

CA/IR/1/1/2/4/1 Letters from Brigid E. Whelan to Fr. Albert Bibby

2 May 1916-4 May 1917

File

2 items

Manuscript

Letters from Brigid E. Whelan, Staplestown Rd., Carlow, to Fr. Albert Bibby regarding a subscription from local people 'to have a Mass said in the

Cathedral Carlow, for the repose of the soul of the I[rish] V[olunteers] who died in connection with the 1916 Rising which proposal was refused by the administrator ...'. (2 May 1916). She later reprobates the 'clergy [who] had abandoned the cause of their motherland'. She added 'Thank God that there are such men as you and your "Beloved Brethren"'. (4 May 1917).

- CA/IR/1/1/2/4/2** **Receipt from the Irish Volunteers' Prisoners' Aid Society to Fr. Albert Bibby**
 22 June 1916
 Item
 1 p
 Manuscript
 Receipt M. Cox, Hon. Secretary of the Irish Volunteers' Prisoners' Aid Society, Manchester, to Fr. Albert Bibby for the sum of £2 7s 6d.
- CA/IR/1/1/2/4/3** **Letter from Sister M. Gonzaga to Fr. Albert Bibby**
 18 Sept. 1916
 Item
 4 pp
 Manuscript
 Letter from Sister M. Gonzaga, Loreto Convent, Fermoy, County Cork, to Father Albert Bibby expressing her hope that the 'brave Sinn Feiner you are anxious about is safe now'. She also declares that '1916 is a year marked in letters of blood, the heart blood of our best and noblest'. She concludes by asking for a prayer for 'the brave boys you helped to die'.
- CA/IR/1/1/2/4/4** ***Invitation card sent to Fr. Albert Bibby***
 14 July 1917
 Item
 1 p
 Printed with manuscript additions
 Invitation card to Fr. Albert Bibby for a reception for released prisoners of war organised by the Irish National Aid and Volunteers' Dependents Fund at the Mansion House, Dublin.
- CA/IR/1/1/2/4/5** **Letter from Alice and Laurence Ginnell to Fr. Albert Bibby**
 10 July 1920
 Item
 1 p
 Manuscript
 Letter from Alice and Laurence Ginnell, Liverpool, to Fr. Albert, Church Street, Dublin, apologising for not been able to visit as 'details of preparation kept us both busy since we leave here to-day for Canada for the benefit of my health'.
- CA/IR/1/1/2/4/6** **Copy letter to Fr. Juan Antonio de San Juan en Persiceto, Minister General, from Fr. Albert Bibby enclosing 'The Case of Fr. Albert, OSFC'**
 12 Aug. 1923
 Item
 1 p + 12 pp
 Typescript copy

Copy letter to Fr. Juan Antonio de San Juan en Persiceto, Minister General OFM Cap., from Fr. Albert Bibby, Capuchin Franciscan Monastery, Rochestown, Cork, referring to the decision to send him to America. He claims that 'this decision would seem to be part of the penalisation which has been meted out to me, probably because of my activities during the period of hostilities in Dublin, last summer'. Fr. Albert encloses a statement, 'The Case of Father Albert, O.S.F.C.', defending his actions and declaring his 'absolute impartiality' during the War of Independence and later at the outbreak of Civil War hostilities in Dublin in 1922. Reference is also made in the statement to his previous pastoral work with republicans in the period from 1916. Fr. Albert declared: 'The war of repression which England waged on Ireland since 1916, did not narrow my vision of duty. My mission as a priest was not to any one section or party, it was to "embrace all in one sentiment of charity". ... When feeling was bitterest against the "G-men" – the secret Police" – I saved one of them from death, and also facilitated the marriage of a member of the British Auxiliaries, who had won for themselves as hated a reputation as had the notorious "Black and Tans"'. Fr. Albert also emphasised his role as an intermediary between Free State forces and Irregular Republicans during the attack on the Four Courts and in subsequent actions in Dublin during the initial phases of the Civil War.

Note: Copy concludes with a statement that the original is 'kept in the Archives of Curia Generalis OFM Cap., Rome (Annus: 1923; Prov. Hiberniae; Section 4). This copy has been made, for the convenience of the Archives of the Irish Province, with the permission of the Most Rev. Fr. General, Fr. Benignus of S. Ilario Milanese, OFM Cap.'. Certified copy signed by Fr. Conrad O'Donovan, Definitor General, OFM Cap., 28 July 1958.

CA/IR/1/1/2/4/14 Letter from Robert Monteith to Fr. Albert Bibby

11 Oct. 1924

Item

3 pp

Manuscript

Letter from Robert Monteith, Detroit, to Fr. Albert Bibby, expressing his pleasure that Fr. Albert will be visiting him in Detroit. Monteith adds 'The news coming across is surely heartening. I feel it in my bones that we are on the eve of great things and that our fond hopes will be realised'. He also expresses his wish that Fr. Albert addresses 'our people' in the city.

CA/IR/1/1/2/4/7 Copy letter from Fr. Albert Bibby to Éamon de Valera

26 Jan. 1925

Item

1 p

Typescript copy

Copy letter from Fr. Albert Bibby, St Francis Hospital, Santa Barbara, California, to Eamon de Valera, President of the Republic of Ireland, pledging his 'unchanged and unchangeable, and uncompromising' allegiance to the Republic and to you, its President'. He argues that 'in the movement for the independence of Ireland I have always endeavoured to remember that I was a Capuchin Priest'.

CA/IR/1/1/2/4/8 Letter from [] to Fr. Albert Bibby

1 Feb. 1925

Item

6 pp

Manuscript

Letter to Fr. Albert Bibby from [signature indecipherable], St. Brigid's Clara, giving family news and referring to Fr. Albert's exile in America. With cover annotated on reverse: 'Fr. Albert died on Feb. 14th [1925]. Return this letter unread, Joseph'.

CA/IR/1/1/2/4/9

Letter from Sinn Féin referring to the death of Fr. Albert Bibby

23 Feb. 1925

Item

1 p

Typescript

Letter from Sinn Féin, 23 Suffolk Street, Dublin, to Fr. Peter Bowe, Provincial Minister, Church St., forwarding a resolution from the party regarding the recent death of Fr. Albert Bibby. In Irish

CA/IR/1/1/2/4/10

Letters from American Associations for the Recognition of the Irish Republic

25 Mar-4 May 1925

File

4 items; 7 pp

Typescript and manuscript

The file includes letters from various American Associations for the Recognition of the Irish Republic to Fr. Peter Bowe, Provincial Minister, re the Fr. Albert Bibby. Includes:

Letter from Mrs John Flanagan, Secretary, Liam Mellows Council of the American Association for the Recognition of the Irish Republic, Portland, enclosing a resolution protesting against the exiling of Fr. Albert Bibby and other Capuchin Priests. With annotated cover: 'Not Answered, F[ather] P[eter]. Deserves none except mind own business'. 25 Mar. 1925.

Letter from Martin Howard, American Association for the Recognition of the Irish Republic, 3 East 42nd Street, New York, enclosing a resolution condemning the 'victimization' of Fr. Albert Bibby and other Capuchin priests who merely expressed 'a deep rooted love of their motherland, Ireland ... and were therefore looked on as a menace to the so-called Free State Government in Ireland ...'. 21 Apr. 1925.

Letter from Loretta A. Ryder, Secretary, Kevin Barry Council of the American Association for the Recognition of the Irish Republic, enclosing a resolution condemning 'the unchristian conduct of the Superiors of the Capuchin Order of Priests in Ireland in exiling Father Albert and other Priests of their Order because they had the courage to stand up for Ireland's rightful independence'. 4 May 1925.

CA/IR/1/1/2/4/11

Letter from Dorothy [Prodfrey?] to Fr. Peter Bowe

14 June 1925

Item

4 pp

Manuscript

Letter from Dorothy [Prodfrey?], 267 West, 139 Street, New York City, to Fr. Peter Bowe, Provincial Minister, Holy Trinity Friary, Cork, referring to the

poor treatment which Fr. Albert received from the higher echelons of the clergy and Order. She asserts: 'May God forgive the clergy or Free Staters who had a hand in his exile. Sending a dying priest 3,500 miles across our land. I went with him to the train and it left a picture in my mind that cannot be blotted out. Another Christ carrying his cross. He was not able to drag his feet across the platform and carrying a heavy bag'.

CA/IR/1/1/2/4/12 Letter from Fr. William, Pantasaph Capuchin Monastery, to Fr. Peter Bowe

17 July 1925

Item

2 pp

Manuscript

Letter from Fr. William, Pantasaph Capuchin Monastery, Holywell, North Wales, to Fr. Peter Bowe, Provincial Minister, extending his sympathy on the loss of Fr. Albert, 'a brilliant member' of the Irish community.

CA/IR/1/1/2/4/13 Letter of Fr. Hilary McDonagh to Fr. Paul Neary

6 Nov. 1933

Item

2 pp

Manuscript

Letter of Fr. Hilary McDonagh, Via Boncompagni, 71, Rome, to Fr. Paul Neary informing him that he has located a letter from the late Fr. Albert Bibby in the archives of the General Curia. Fr. Hilary writes: 'I am informed that it is not usual nor advisable to allow such documents into any hands outside the Curia, so I fear it will not be possible to allow it to be used by any historian of the sad period about which it centres – at least for the present'. With cover.

1.3. Photographs and Prints

Level: Sub-series

Dates of Creation: 1916-1958

Scope and Content: A small collection of prints and photographs connected with the life and ministry of Fr. Albert Bibby.

Format: Photographic prints

Extent: 5 items and 4 files

CA/IR/1/1/3/1 Photographic print of Fr. Albert Bibby

c. 1916-1920

Item

Photographic print on card

15 cm x 10 cm

Photographic (portrait) print of Fr. Albert Bibby. Ink-printed on reverse 'J. Cashman, 21 Capel Street'.

Format: Photographic print on card

CA/IR/1/1/3/2 Photographic print of Fr. Albert Bibby and other Capuchin priests

c. 1919-1920

Item

Photograph

15 cm x 11.5 cm

Photographic (black and white) print of Fr. Albert Bibby, Fr. Augustine Hayden, and possibly Fr. Dominic O'Connor and other clerics in a procession in Dublin
Physical description: Image is faded, slightly torn and frayed at edges.

- CA/IR/1/1/3/3** **Photographic print of Fr. Albert Bibby and Fr. Dominic O'Connor at Church Street**
1922
Item
Photographic print on card
19.5 cm x 24.5 cm
Photographic print (black and white) of Fr. Albert Bibby and Fr. Dominic O'Connor outside the Church Street friary. A woman, carrying an umbrella, and a young boy are following them. The print is pasted onto card and is annotated on the reverse: 'donated by Mrs. H. Cass, Huntstown, Kilmanagh, County Kildare'. The copyright of this image was held by J. Cashman, 13 Manor Place, Dublin, and the *Irish Press*.
Note: See also **GP/225**.
- CA/IR/1/1/3/4** **Photographic print of Fr. Albert Bibby and Fr. Dominic O'Connor at the main door of the Church Street friary**
OS
1922
Item
Photographic print on card
22 cm x 17 cm
Photographic print (black and white) of Fr. Albert Bibby and Fr. Dominic O'Connor outside the main door of the Church Street friary. The print is pasted onto card and is credited to J. Cashman, 13 Manor Place, Dublin. The print has been framed and is titled 'Ireland's Patriot Priests'. There is a further comment below the print: 'Father Albert died in California in 1925. Father Dominic in Oregon in 1935'.
The backing of the frame contains an ink stamp copyrighting the image to J. Cashman. A manuscript annotation reads: 'To Fr. Donal O'Mahony OFM Cap. from Griff. Cashman'. This photograph was probably taken immediately after the picture in **CA/IR/1/1/3/3**.
Note: See also **GP/32**.
- CA/IR/1/1/3/5** **Photographic prints of Fr. Albert Bibby at Rochestown College**
1924
File
4 items
Photographic print on card
10.5 cm x 8.5 cm
Two full-length portrait photographic prints of Fr. Albert Bibby, at the College door, Rochestown, Cork, prior to his departure for the United States in 1924. With a photographic print of Fr. Albert Bibby in a Capuchin habit with another Capuchin friar and another unidentified lay individual at Rochestown.
- CA/IR/1/1/3/6** **Photographic print of Fr. Albert Bibby's Coffin, Santa Inez, California**
Feb. 1925
Item
Photographic print

25 cm x 20 cm

Photographic print of the coffin of Fr. Albert Bibby at Santa Inez, California. Stamped on the reverse: 'Greene, Photographer, 19 W. Figueroa St., Santa Barbara'.

- CA/IR/1/1/3/7 Photographic prints of mourners at Fr. Albert Bibby's funeral, Santa Inez, California**
 Feb. 1925
 File
 26 items
 Photographic prints
 Photographic prints (black and white) of mourners at Fr. Albert's funeral at the Old Mission, Santa Inez, California. A number of prints are annotated on reverse.
 An annotation on one print reads: 'Father Dillon, Father Dominic, Mrs Mellows, Mrs Campbell, Eamon Martin, who came out with Mrs Mellows'. The file includes a cover indicating that some of the prints were sent to Fr. Peter Bowe, Minister Provincial, Church Street, Dublin.

- CA/IR/1/1/3/8 Photographic album of Fr. Urban Riordan**
 c. 1925-1938
 File
 Bound photographic album; 31 prints
 16 cm x 19 cm
 Photographic album of Fr. Urban Riordan (Louis Philip Riordan). The album contains many black and white photographic prints (on card) of views of the Capuchin Mission at Santa Inez, California. First leaf contains a memorial card for Fr. Albert Bibby who 'died in exile for the Republic of Ireland at Santa Barbara, USA, 14 Feb. 1925'. The album contains:
 Photograph of Fr. Urban Riordan and Fr. Leo Sheehan outside a house in Ukiah, California.
 Photograph of Most Rev. Edward Joseph Hanna, Archbishop of San Francisco (1915-1935) with a confirmation group of Native American young girls.
 Photographs of the mourners at the funeral of Fr. Albert Bibby (Feb. 1925). The photograph is captioned: 'Fr. Urban, **Peter Murray**, Fr. Stephen, Rev. Paul Dillon, Eamon Martin, Mrs McWaters [possibly **Mary McWhorter**], Fr. Dominic, Mrs Mellows, Fr Leo ... Funeral, Fr. Albert, Feb. 1925'.
 Portrait photograph of an 'Indian Girl' at Ukiah, California.
 Photograph of Br. Conrad [O'Donovan?] standing in front of the portico of Santa Inez.
 Photograph of a group of 'Californian Indians (Porno), Ukiah, 1925'.
 Photograph of a group of 'Porno Indian Boys, 4.1.25'.
 Note: **Mary McWhorter**, from Illinois, was a prominent Irish-American campaigner for the republican cause. She was President of the Ladies Auxiliary of the Ancient Order of Hibernians from 1916-21. During this period the organisation had over 75,000 members. The Ladies AOH was founded in 1894. McWhorter held a meeting with American President Woodrow Wilson to make a case for Irish freedom. She presented a petition with over 600,000 signatures to President Wilson, demanding an Irish Republic following the end of the Great War.

Peter Murray was a well-known Irish-American who lived near Santa Inez, California. Liam Mellows and Eamon Martin stayed with him from 1916-7 when they travelled to America after the Easter Rising. Peter's father, John Murray, was known as 'Dad' to his close friends. He was active in fundraising and other Republican activities. 'Dad' Murray returned to Ireland in the 1920s and lived at Howth.

CA/IR/1/1/3/9 *Memorial print of Fr. Albert Bibby*

c. 1958

File

Printed

2 copies: 30 cm x 23 cm

Memorial print of Fr. Albert Bibby, 'Chaplain of the Irish Republican Army'. It notes that on 'his deathbed he renewed his allegiance to the Irish Republic. In deference to his life-long wish, his remains, together with those of this loyal pupil Fr. Dominic now lie side by side in Irish soil in the little cemetery Rochestown, County Cork'.

1.4. Newspaper clippings and other papers

Level: Sub-series

Dates of Creation: 1902-1958

Scope and Content: A small collection of newspaper clippings connected with the life and ministry of Fr. Albert Bibby. Some of records refer to the death of Fr. Albert in February 1925 and tributes and commemoration thereafter.

Format: Printed and newspaper clippings

Extent: 2 files and 2 items

CA/IR/1/1/4/1 *Newspaper clippings relating to the life and ministry of Fr. Albert Bibby*

c. 1902-1958

File

40 items

Newspaper clippings

The file includes a clipping reporting the ordination of Fr. Albert in St. Mary's of the Angels, Church Street, (Feb. 1902). With clippings re his involvement in ministering to the 1916 rebel leaders (including Seán Heuston), obituaries and tributes, and later the campaign to have his and Father Dominic's O'Connor's body repatriated to Ireland. The file includes clippings from the *Kilkenny Journal*, the *Kilkenny People*, the *Cork Examiner* and the *Irish Press*.

CA/BV/1/1 *Newspaper Cuttings Book*

c. 1912-1935

Bound volume

126 pp

47 cm x 32 cm

Newspaper cuttings book compiled and annotated by Fr. Stanislaus Kavanagh. Printed stamp on inside front cover: 'Franciscan Capuchin Library, Church Street, Dublin'. The pages have been numbered by Fr. Stanislaus. The book includes:

96; 101-112: Reports relating to the death of Fr. Albert Bibby in Feb. 1925. With some reports on the death of his mother, Julia Bibby in July 1935. With a number of cuttings of photographic prints of Fr. Albert including one with the children of Thomas MacDonagh.

113: Article titled 'Irish Nationality – Its Safeguard', *Kilkenny Journal*, 15 Feb. 1913; Report of Irish lectures at a Gaelic League meeting attended by Fr. Albert Bibby.

114: Article titled 'Awakening of the Nation' referring to the presentation of Home Rule Club Shield to the Freshford Boys' National School and to the propagation of the 'Gaelic Gospel'. The event was attended by Fr. Albert Bibby and article reports his address. *Kilkenny Journal*, 1 Mar. [1912]

115-116: Report of meeting of the Gaelic League which was addressed by Fr. Albert Bibby. *An Claidheamh Soluis*, 13 Nov. 1915; An article praising Fr. Albert Bibby's role in the 1916 Rising. *Sinn Féin*, 21 Feb. 1922; Tributes to the late Fr. Albert Bibby, *Irish World*, 28 Feb. 1925; *Kilkenny People*, 21 Feb. 1925.

117-118: Tributes to the late Fr. Albert Bibby. Includes cuttings of photographic prints. *Irish World*, 4 Apr. 1925.

CA/IR/1/1/4/2 *Franciscan Annals and Tertiary Record*

June 1916

Item

30 pp

Printed

The issue of *Franciscan Annals and Tertiary Record, Organ of the Guild of St. Anthony*, xl, no. 474 (June 1916). The *Annals* was a publication associated with the Third Order of St. Francis. The issue carried a commentary titled 'Franciscan Notes and News', referring to the work done by Fr. Albert Bibby and Fr. Columbus Murphy during the Rising (pp 182-185).

CA/IR/1/1/4/3 *The Monitor's* tribute to Fr. Albert Bibby

OS

28 Feb. 1925

Item

4 pp

Newspaper

The issue of *The Monitor*, 'the family Catholic Weekly of New Jersey', for 28 Feb. 1925 (No. 9). Two pages of the paper are dedicated in tribute to the recently deceased Fr. Albert Bibby, 'a priest of Ireland's Resurrection'.

CA/IR/1/1/4/4 *Necrologia of Fr. Albert Bibby from Analacta Ordinis Minorum Capucinarum*

15 June 1925

File

3 pp

Manuscript and photocopy

Copy 'necrologia' (obituary) of Fr. Albert Bibby from *Analacta Ordinis Minorum Capuicorum*, xvi, fasc. vi, 15 June 1925. In Latin. With manuscript translation into English by Fr. Padraig Ó Cuill OFM Cap.

1.5. Memorial Cards

Level: Sub-series

Dates of Creation: 1916-1922

Scope and Contents: Original memorial cards for deceased Republicans collected by Fr. Albert Bibby. The sub-series has been arranged chronologically into three sub-sub series: 1) 1916 Leaders; 2) War of Independence; 3) Civil War.

Format: Printed

Extent: 6 files

1.5.1. 1916 Leaders

Level: Sub-sub-series

Dates of Creation: 1916-1917

Format: Printed

Extent: 2 files

CA/IR/1/1/5/1/1 Memorial Cards for 1916 Rising Leaders

1916

File

10 Items

Printed

The file includes the following memorial cards:

- Michael O'Hannrachain. With photograph. 2 copies
- Éamonn Ceannt. With photograph. 2 copies
- Con Colbert. With photograph.
Printed by Gill, Dublin.
- Pádraig MacPiarais and William MacPiarais
- 'For the souls of General P. H. Pearse and the Officers and Men of the Irish Republican Army'.
- 'For P.H. Pearse, Thos. J. Clarke and Thos. MacDonagh who died for Ireland, 3rd May, 1916'.
- In memory of John Daly, Thomas J. Clarke and John Edward Daly (combined card). 3 copies

CA/IR/1/1/5/1/2 First Anniversary Memorial Cards for 1916 Rising Leaders

1917

File

3 items

Printed

First anniversary cards for executed leaders of the 1916 Rising including one card for Joseph Mary Plunkett, William Pearse, Michael O'Hanrahan, Edward Daly, another for Major John MacBride, and one for 'for the repose of the

souls of the following Irishmen who were executed by English Law'. (Hand coloured, tricolour and green flag over crossed pikes. Interlacing ribbon reads: 'Our Prayers Daily'.

1.5.2. War of Independence

Level: Sub-sub-series

Dates of Creation: 1917-1920

Format: Printed

Extent: 2 files

CA/IR/1/1/5/2/1 Memorial Cards for Thomas Ashe

1917

File

3 items

Printed

- Memoriam card for Thomas Ashe who 'Succumbed to prison treatment and forcible feeding in Mountjoy Prison and died 27 Sept. 1917'. Card with photographic print, coloured tricolour banner on pikes with interlacing legend: 'Sinn Féin Abu'. With MS annotations.
- 'In memoriam Thomas Ashe, 1917'. Cover has photographic print of Ashe and legend 'He died that Ireland might have greater life'. Handbill containing the text of poem in remembrance of Thomas Ashe signed "'Benmore", Glenar M., Christmas 1917'. 3 pp.
- Memoriam card for Thomas Ashe who 'answered the call and laid down his life for Ireland on Sept. 25th [1917]'.

CA/IR/1/1/5/2/2 Memorial cards

1918-1920

File

6 items

Printed

The file includes the following memorial cards for deceased Republicans:

- Kevin Barry, IRA 'Died for Ireland in Mountjoy Prison, Dublin, on Monday, Nov. 1st 1920'. Coloured, with photographic print.
- Michael Murphy, Boherard, Carrignavar, died 21 June 1917.
- Terence McSwiney, 'Lord Mayor of Cork, Died for Ireland in Brixton Prison, England on October 25th, 1920'. With photographic print.
- Captain Richard Coleman 'who fought for the Freedom of Ireland, Easter, 1916, and died in Usk Prison, England, on December 9th, 1918'. With photographic print.
- Peadar Healy, 86 Phibsboro' Road, Capt., A. Co., 1st Battalion, Irish Volunteers, died 12 Apr. 1919. One card with photographic print and another in Irish.

1.5.3. Civil War

Level: Sub-sub-series

Dates of Creation: 1922

Format: Printed

Extent: 1 file

- CA/IR/1/1/5/3/1 Memorial cards for executed Republicans**
 1922
 File
 2 copies
 Printed
 'In Memoriam Rory O'Connor, Liam Mellows, Richard Barrett, Joseph McKelvey, died 8 Dec. 1922'. 2 copies.

1.6. Commemorative and Souvenir Publications

- CA/IR/1/1/6/1 Programme for Aonach na Nodlag**
 5-14 Dec. 1912
 Item
 40 pp
 Printed
 Programme for 'Aonach na Nodlag', 5-14 Dec. 1912, held at the Rotunda buildings. The Aonach Committee consisted of Arthur Griffith, Chairman, and Éamonn Ceannt, Tomas O'Seaghdha, Hon. Secretaries. Other committee members included The O'Rathghaille, Countess Markievicz and Bean An Paoraigh. With many advertisements including 'Tomás S. O. Cléirigh (Tom Clarke), 75a Parnell Street, 77 Amiens Street, Dublin. Tobacconist, Stationer and Newsagent. Irish Tobacco Goods a speciality'. Printed by Devereux, Newth and Col, Printers, 49 Middle Abbey Street, Dublin. In English and Irish.
- CA/IR/1/1/6/2 Diarmuid Ó Donnabháin Rosa: 1831-1915: souvenir of public funeral to Glasnevin, Dublin, August 1st 1915**
 1915
 File
 2 copies
 Printed
 Souvenir publication for the funeral of O'Donovan Rossa at Glasnevin Cemetery, Dublin, 1 Aug. 1915. 2nd edition. Includes the text of Pearse's graveside oration and other contributions by Thomas Mac Donagh, Seamus O'Sullivan, and James Connolly's statement on The Citizen Army.
 Physical Description: 40 pp., illustrated orig. ptd. Wrappers with some stains and edges frayed.
- CA/IR/1/1/6/3 Songs & poems of the rebels who fought and died for Ireland in Easter week**
 c. 1917
 Item
 58 pp
 An anthology edited by E.G.B, Published in honor of those who died and those who were incarcerated. The collection includes: We shall rise again, Easter

1916/James Connolly--The Wayfarer/P.H.Pearse – ‘the remaining contributions, many of which are not published elsewhere, are unsigned’. In yellow paper wrappers printed in green and gold.
Physical description: 58 pp; 23.5 cm.

- CA/IR/1/1/6/4** ***Grand Irish concert in aid of Irish National Aid and Volunteer Dependents' Fund***
18 Apr. 1917
Item
52 pp
Printed
Souvenir programme for a Grand Irish concert in aid of the fund held in the Mansion House, Dublin, on 18 Apr. 1917. The ‘Concert programme’ is on pp 26-27; the rest is adverts. (on inside front cover for the Funds’ great gift sale April 20-21) and portraits of Thomas J. Clarke, Patrick H. Pearse, James Connolly, Thomas MacDonagh, Sean Mac Diarmada, Eamonn Ceannt, Joseph Plunkett, Major John MacBride, William Pearse, Michael O’Hanrahan, Edward Daly, Michael Mallin, Cornelius Colbert, Sean J. Heuston, Thomas Kent, Roger Casement, all of whom were executed in May 1916. With reserved seat ticket for the said event.
Physical description: 52 pp: ports.; 15 cm x 23 cm.
- CA/IR/1/1/6/5** ***Souvenir Programme for Heuston & Colbert Commemoration***
12 May 1918
Item
15 pp
Printed
Souvenir programme for Heuston & Colbert Commemoration Aeridheacht, Croke Park, 12 May 1918. The event was organised in aid of Fianna Éireann – Battalion II.
- CA/IR/1/1/6/6** ***Remembered, a daughter of Erin, Dora Sigerson Shorter***
1918
File
8 pp + 1 p
Printed
Remembered, a daughter of Erin, Dora Sigerson Shorter, died 6th Jan. 1918, gifted and patriotic, by ‘Benmore’ of Glenarm, Co. Antrim. With printed copy of the poem ‘Kitty’s Toys’, by Dora Sigerson Shorter. An annotation on cover reads: ‘Seán O’Cléirigh’.
- CA/IR/1/1/6/7** ***Souvenir Programme for Fianna Martyrs’ Anniversary***
16 May 1920
Item
19 pp
Printed

Souvenir Programme for Fianna Martyrs' Anniversary and Commemoration Aeridheacht, Croke Park. An annotation on the cover page reads: 'For Fr. Albert'.

CA/IR/1/1/6/8 'Republicans are We' to the air of 'The Soldiers Song'

c. 1922

Item

2 pp

Manuscript

Manuscript transcript of song 'Republicans are We' to the air of 'The Soldiers' Song'. The first verse reads:

'When bravely we'd fought our land to free

Our Tricolour flying o'ar us,

The ancient foe for peace did seek,

From I.R.A. victorious

Our envoys went to London town

And there, let our Republic down;

But still, till Freedom battle's won

Republicans are We'.

CA/IR/1/1/6/9 *Arthur Griffith, Michael Collins*

c. 1922

Item

62 pp

Printed

A memorial booklet commemorating Arthur Griffith and Michael Collins. Harry Clarke (1889-1931), artist, provided the illustrated cover (which is lacking).

Printed in Dublin by Martin Lester. The booklet contains many photographic illustrations and articles by Piaras Beaslai, Eoin MacNeill and others.

Physical description: 62 pp: quarto; ill. ; 29 cm; brown wrappers; binding has disintegrated.

2. The Papers of Fr. Columbus Murphy OFM Cap.

Level: Series

Dates of Creation: 1916

Scope and Content: A collection of Fr. Columbus Murphy's personal papers relating to his involvement with Republican combatants in the 1916 Rising.

Format: Manuscript, typescript and photographic prints

Extent: 4 items and 2 files

- CA/IR/1/2/1 Letter from Major A.F. Owen Lewis, General Staff Officer, Irish Command, Headquarters to The Governor, Arbour Hill Detention Barracks**
 30 April 1916
 Item
 1 p
 Manuscript
 Dated 9.30 am. Letter from Major A.F. Owen Lewis, General Staff Officer, Irish Command, Headquarters to The Governor, Arbour Hill Detention Barracks: 'Please allow Father [Columbus] Murphy to interview Pearse the rebel leader and any other rebels whom he may wish to see'. On Royal Arms embossed paper. Faded Ink-stamped: Headquarters Ireland.
 Note: Major A. F. Owen Lewis, General Staff Officer, Irish Command, gave evidence before the Hardinge Commission of Inquiry, and was mentioned in despatches for distinguished services during the Rising.
- CA/IR/1/2/2 List of demands made by Thomas MacDonagh at Richmond Barracks**
 1 May 1916
 Item
 1 p
 Manuscript
 List of demands made by Thomas MacDonagh whilst jailed in Richmond Barracks. The list reads:
 1. Visits to prisoners
 2. Treatment of officers
 3. Dependents and relations
 4. Blankets
 5. Books
 6. The wearing [of] red cross badge who were not combatants
 7. Washing arrangements
 Faint signature of 'Thomas Mac Donough, Jacobs Factory' is visible in centre of page.
 Addition in different hand at bottom of page reads: 'No 7 will be allowed. Other complaints cannot be dealt with here. Louis [Ramsey?], 1/C. Richmond B[arrac]ks, 1/5/16'.
 Note: See 'My experiences in the 1916 Rising by Father Columbus OSFC', pp 30-31. (CA/IR/1/2/6): 'I then told him [Thomas MacDonough] that I had seen P.H. Pearse in Arbour Hill Detention Barracks. As he was second in command he asked me to go as his delegate and to demand to have them recognised as prisoners of war; and to get the rights of such. The he wrote down for the several headings he wished me to have seen to. These I proposed to submit to the officer in charge of the barracks, to see what could be immediately righted

for them; and then to go on to Dublin Castle. Here is the document as it lies before me’.

CA/IR/1/2/3

Pass signed by Major J.W. Morel, Assistant Provost Marshal, Dublin

1 May 1916

Item

2 pp

Manuscript and typescript

Pass signed by Major J.W. Morel, Assistant Provost Marshal, Dublin, permitting Fr. Columbus Murphy ‘to travel in the streets of Dublin on duty and to visit prisoners where allowed’. Stamped and dated. With unstamped permit allowing Fr. Columbus ‘to travel anywhere in the City and visit prisoners in Richmond [Barracks]’. Indecipherable signature at bottom of pass.

Note: See ‘My experiences in the 1916 Rising by Father Columbus OSFC’, p. 32. (CA/IR/1/2/6).

CA/IR/1/2/4

Notebook detailing the monies received from rebels who occupied the Four Courts during the Rising

May 1916

Item

8 pp + 1 insert

Manuscript

Notebook belonging to Fr. Columbus Murphy detailing the monies received from rebels who occupied the Four Courts during the Rising. An annotation on the inside cover reads: ‘The following is a list of the money I got from the boys at the Four Courts. Also the receipts the different people who came afterwards to claim them. Fr. Columbus Murphy’. Most of the (pencilled) entries refer to personal belongings given to Fr. Columbus for safekeeping by various rebels and to monies and effects later distributed to relations by the Capuchin priest. Entry on page 4 reads: ‘Received three cheques from Fr. Columbus with thanks. June 29th, [19]16, Mrs Mellows. Gave two cheques and one lodgement order. Fr. Columbus’.

Physical description: Soft bound notebook; 10 cm x 6.5 cm. Binding torn at edge.

CA/IR/1/2/5

Notebook belonging to Martin Savage, Irish Volunteer

1916

File

1 p + 13 prints

Manuscript and photographic prints

Notebook belonging to Martin Savage, Irish Volunteer. The annotation on the first page reads: ‘This book belongs to Martin Savage. I [Fr. Columbus Murphy] got it from him at Richmond Barracks. It contained a list of the names and addresses of all the Volunteers of his company. I tore them out and burned them. Fr. Columbus’. A later note reads: ‘He [Savage] was subsequently killed in the attack on Lord French. Fr. C.’. The notebook also contains thirteen black and white portrait photographs of unidentified individuals. Some are group portraits and others are of single individuals both male and female. Some of the photographs have a printed company stamp on the reverse: ‘The Franco Art Co., Grafton Studios, 111 Grafton St. ... Dublin’. Two of the photographs can be positively identified as Savage. The other photographs may be of his relations.

Physical description: hard bound notebook; 11 cm x 7.5 cm; 'Easons "fastfind" No. 2106'.

Note: Martin Savage (in Irish: Máirtín Sabhaois; 1898-19 Dec. 1919), from Ballisodare, County Sligo, was an officer in the Dublin Brigade of the Irish Republican Army. As a 17 year old he took part in the 1916 Easter Rising in Dublin and fought with Pearse and Connolly in the GPO. He was captured by the British Army and imprisoned in Richmond Barracks. On 30 April 1916 he was deported to Knutsford Detention Barracks in Cheshire, England along with 200 other captured prisoners. Upon his release Savage returned to Dublin and became a Lieutenant in the 2nd Battalion of the Dublin Brigade. He was well known in republican circles and was acquainted with Dan Breen, Seán Treacy and Seán Hogan. On 19 December 1919 Savage was killed during a gun battle after an ambush on Lord French at Ashtown during the early stages of the War of Independence.

CA/IR/1/2/6

'My experiences in the 1916 Rising by Father Columbus OSFC'

29 July 1916

File

2 Bound volumes; 42 pp

Typescript

25.5 cm x 20.5 cm

A record by Fr. Columbus Murphy of events between 30 Apr. and 4 May 1916. Most of the memoir refers to his interaction with British military officers and his efforts to minister to the rebel leaders prior to their execution in Kilmainham Jail. The transcript begins: 'I have been asked repeatedly to write out a detailed and connected account of my personal experiences, what I actually saw and did during the Rising. At length I have decided to comply with the request. I do so however not with the intention of ever publishing this report. ... As I sit then at my desk here in the silence and solitude of my monastic cell in Dublin, fourteen weeks have elapsed since those eventful days. I take up my pen. ...'.

Note: Two copies. One of the copies has photographic postcard prints of the rebel leaders (P.H. Pearse, Thomas MacDonagh, Thomas J. Clarke and Edward Daly) pasted onto the end covers. The other copy has numerous illustrations, clippings and prints taken from contemporary pictorial record books and magazines on the Rebellion.

3. The Papers of Fr. Aloysius Travers OFM Cap.

Level: Series

Dates of Creation: 1916-1957

Scope and Content: The material relating to Fr. Aloysius Travers's involvement with the national movement has been arranged into four sub-series: 1) 1916 Rising; 2) Correspondence with Republican Prisoners; 3) Correspondence with Wives and Relations of Republican Prisoners; 4) Other Papers.

Format: Manuscript, typescript and artefact

Extent: 28 items and 8 files

3.1. 1916 Rising

Level: Sub-series

Dates of Creation: 1916-1949

Scope and Content: The sub-series comprises papers relating to the ministries undertaken by Fr. Aloysius Travers to various Republicans detained after Easter Week. The section includes authorisations and passes from British forces allowing him to visit Kilmainham Jail and extracts from various letters written by Republican prisoners in the immediate aftermath of the Rising.

Format: Manuscript

Extent: 11 items and 7 files

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| CA/IR/1/3/1/1 | <p>Authorisation from Colonel H.V. Cowan to Fr. Aloysius Travers</p> <p>2 May 1916</p> <p>Item</p> <p>1 p</p> <p>Typescript</p> <p>Authorisation from Colonel H.V. Cowan, Assistant Adjutant General, Headquarters, Irish Command, Parkgate, Dublin, to Fr. Aloysius Travers. The note reads: 'The General Officer Commander in Chief directs that every facility be given to his Revered Father Aloysius OSFC to visit rebel prisoners at any of the places of detention or internment, to hear confessions and administer the rights of his Church, at all times'.</p> |
| CA/IR/1/3/1/2 | <p>Note from Military Headquarters to Dublin Metropolitan Police</p> <p>2 May 1916</p> <p>Item</p> <p>1 p</p> <p>Manuscript</p> <p>Note from Military Headquarters, Parkgate Street, to Dublin Metropolitan Police. The note reads: 'Please tell the Franciscan Fathers at Church Street that the two men they wish to see at Kilmainham Detention Prison should be seen by them tonight'. Printed heading reads: 'Dublin Metropolitan Police Telephone'. Patrick Pearse, Thomas MacDonagh and Thomas J. Clarke were executed on the morning of 3 May.</p> |

- CA/IR/1/3/1/3 Copy note from Major William Sherlock Lennon to Fr. Aloysius Travers**
 2 May 1916
 Item
 1 p
 Manuscript
 Copy note from Major W.S. Lennon, Commandant, Kilmainham Detention Barracks, to Fr. Aloysius. The note reads: 'The Prisoner H.T. Pearse [sic] desires to see you and you have permission to visit him. Failing you he would be glad to see any of the Capucines [sic]'.
 Note: The original document appears to be held by The Jackie Clarke Library and Archives Collection, Ballina, County Mayo.
- CA/IR/1/3/1/4 Letter from Major Gerald Henry Pomeroy Colley to Fr. Aloysius Travers**
 5 May 1916
 Item
 1 p
 Manuscript
 Letter from Major Gerald Henry Pomeroy Colley, Headquarters, Irish Command, Parkgate, Dublin, to Fr. Aloysius Travers, declaring that he is 'glad to say your kind offices will not be required to night'. Colley was referring to Fr. Aloysius' attendance to imprisoned rebel leaders.
 Note: Gerald Henry Pomeroy Colley was born on 31 Mar. 1870. He was the son of Henry FitzGeorge Pomeroy Colley and Elizabeth Isabella Wingfield. Colley married Dorothy Evelyn Addie, a daughter of Colonel James Addie, on 20 June 1906. He was RM for County Tipperary, and a Major in the 3rd Battalion, Royal Irish Regiment. He was awarded the Queen's medal with five clasps and King's medal with two clasps for services during the Boer War. He died on 12 Nov. 1923 at the age of 53.
- CA/IR/1/3/1/5 Note from rebel participant in the Easter Rising**
 May 1916
 Item
 2 pp
 Manuscript
 The note reads: 'Dear Mother, we had to surrender so we march to Phoneix [sic] Park, don't forget to pray us'. A partially decipherable name and address is given on the reverse: 'Matthew [], 12 Great Longford St, Dublin, off Aungier St.' The item was found within an envelope annotated: 'Farwell letter to His mother of a soldier of the I.R.A. who fought for Ireland in the Rising of Easter Week, 1916'.
- CA/IR/1/3/1/6 Copy of last letter of Sean Mac Aodha [Sean Heuston] to his sister**
 7 May 1916
 Item
 1 p
 Typescript
 Typescript copy of last letter of Capt. Sean Mac Aodha [Sean Heuston] to his sister, 'an Irish nun'.

- CA/IR/1/3/1/7 Letter from [T. Martin?] to Fr. Aloysius Travers enclosing artefacts found in the GPO**
 8 May 1916
 File
 2 pp
 Manuscript + artefacts
 Letter from [T. Martin?], 12 Trinity Street, Dublin, to Fr. Aloysius Travers enclosing an Irish Volunteer button. One is in brass with a harp decoration. Also enclosed is a uniform badge: I.V. (Irish Volunteers) with green enamel inlay, initials and central harp, the reverse stamped 'P. Quinn & Co., Belfast'. The letter informed Fr. Aloysius that 'in searching among the ruins of G.P.O. I found the enclosed. I thought it might interest you and took the liberty of sending it to you'.
- CA/IR/1/3/1/8 Photographic print of Con Colbert**
 c. 1916
 Item
 12.5 cm x 8 cm
 Photographic print of Con Colbert seated and dressed in an Irish Volunteer uniform. The print has been pasted onto card. The print has significant signs of fading and decolourisation.
- CA/IR/1/3/1/9 Copies of Michael Mallin's last letter to his wife and Patrick Pearse's last letter to his mother**
 3-8 May 1916
 File
 3 pp
 Typescript
 Typescript copy of Michael Mallin's last letter to his wife. Copy signed: 'Michael Mallin, Commandant, Stephen's Green Command'; copy of Pearse's last letter to his mother in which he refers to papers he has left with Fr. Aloysius.
- CA/IR/1/3/1/10 Copy letter from Fr. Aloysius Travers to the editor of the *Irish Catholic***
 23 May 1916
 Item
 1 p.
 Autograph typescript
 Copy letter from Fr. Aloysius Travers to the editor of the *Irish Catholic* protesting against the 'obvious and unkind suggestion' made in relation to Thomas MacDonagh in a recent edition of the paper. Fr Aloysius declared: 'I feel bound to emphatically assert that his preparation for his last moment manifested a depth of Catholic Faith and a tenderness of piety most edifying and impressive and that he received the rites of his Church with a devotion which not easily be forgotten by The Priest who assisted him'.
- CA/IR/1/3/1/11 Passes signed by Lord Powerscourt, Major, Assistant Provost Marshal, Dublin**
 24 May 1916
 File
 2 pp
 Manuscript and typescript

Passes signed by Lord Powerscourt, Major, Assistant Provost Marshal, Dublin, permitting Fr. Aloysius Travers and Fr. Columbus Murphy to travel between 'Dublin and England via North Wall or Kingston' and to the 'Capuchin Convent, Church Street'.

CA/IR/1/3/1/12 Correspondence between Thomas W. Bewley, secretary, W & R. Jacob & Co. Ltd., and Fr. Aloysius Travers

25 May 1916-30 May 1916

File

3 items

Manuscript

Correspondence between Thomas W. Bewley, secretary, W. & R. Jacob & Co. Ltd., and Fr. Aloysius Travers regarding a cheque for £25 given by the directors of Jacobs to the Capuchins as a mark of appreciation 'for the deep sense of thankfulness that our Factory was spared from serious injury during the time of the recent rebellion'. Includes a copy reply from Fr. Aloysius returning the said cheque. He writes 'Any services that I may have rendered during the recent sad crisis were such as ... any other priest in the same circumstances would render'. Fr. Aloysius suggests that the cheque should more fittingly be sent to the Lord Mayor's Fund for the Relief of Distress.

CA/IR/1/3/1/13 Photographic postcard print of Grace Gifford

c. 1916

Item

9 cm x 14 cm

Photographic postcard print of a half-length portrait of Mrs Joseph Plunkett (Miss Grace Gifford) 'who married Joseph Plunkett in Kilmainham Prison a few hours before his Execution on May 3rd, 1916'. Printed and Published by the Powell Press, 22 Parliament St., Dublin.

CA/IR/1/3/1/14 Photographic postcard print of St. Enda's College

c. 1916

Item

9 cm x 14 cm

Photographic postcard print of the Study Hall of St. Enda's College, Rathfarnham, established by Padraig Pearse.

CA/IR/1/3/1/15 Letter from Brian O'Higgins to Fr. Aloysius Travers

3 June 1916

Item

4 pp

Manuscript

Letter from Brian O'Higgins, Detention Barracks, Stafford, c/o Chief Postal Censor, to Fr. Aloysius Travers OFM Cap., regarding the conditions of his detention. He writes: 'We are all in good health and in the best of spirits; we are treated very kindly and have little to complain of. We have the Rosary in public – the whole lot of us together ...'. He also asks Fr. Aloysius 'to call at 117 Capel St. and see if Mrs Doyle and her children are being looked after? Her husband asked me to give this favour of you ...'.

Note: Brian O'Higgins (in Irish: Brian Ó hUiginn; 1 July 1882-3 March 1963) was a Sinn Féin politician. O'Higgins was born in Kilskyre, County Meath to a family

with strong Fenian and Parnellite traditions. He moved to Dublin as a teenager and became active in the Gaelic League. He fought in the GPO during Easter Week but due to the state of his health, he participated in little of the fighting. He was later elected unopposed as a Sinn Féin MP for Clare West at the 1918 general election. He opposed the Anglo-Irish Treaty and voted against it. He was re-elected as an Anti-Treaty Sinn Féin TD at the 1921, 1922 and 1923 elections. He lost his seat at the June 1927 general election. From the late 1920s he ran a successful business publishing greeting cards, calendars etc. decorated with Celtic designs and O'Higgins' own verses. He was President of Sinn Féin from 1931-33. From 1938 to 1962 he published the *Wolfe Tone Annual* which gave popular accounts of episodes in Irish history from a republican viewpoint. He was a devout Catholic and critical of those who believed republicans should be socialists. Several of his children became Catholic priests.

CA/IR/1/3/1/16 Letter from Rev. P.J. O'Rourke to Fr. Aloysius Travers

4 Dec. 1916-6 Jan. 1917

File

3 items

Manuscript

Letter from Rev. P.J. O'Rourke, Heppner, Oregon, to Fr. Aloysius Travers enclosing a duplicate copy draft for £65 12s 6d. Fr. O'Rourke added 'Knowing dear Father you can apply it to the best advantage. The donors wished it to be given principally to the survivors of those who fell during Easter Week'. With cover which has been opened by the Censor. With an acknowledgment letter from F.X. Coghlan, Irish National Aid and Volunteer Dependents' Fund, 10 Exchequer St., Dublin. Includes receipt to Fr. Aloysius Travers for the sum £65 12 6d received from the aforementioned parishioners of Heppner, Oregon.

CA/IR/1/3/1/17 'Memories of Easter Week, 1916 by Rev. Father Aloysius, OFM Cap.'

c. 1944-1950

File

17 pp + 11 pp

Typescript

Recollections by Father Aloysius of the fighting of Easter Week, the surrender of the rebel forces and subsequent execution of their leaders. He provides an eye-witness account of the executions in Kilmainham Jail most notably that of James Connolly. The typescript copies are incomplete: 17 pp + 11 pp. With an undated typescript copy of 'Connolly's death speech' taken from the *Gaelic American*.

CA/IR/1/3/1/18 Letter from Patrick J. MacNally to Fr. Aloysius Travers

22 Dec. 1949

File

3 items

Manuscript and sketch maps

Letter from Patrick J. MacNally, Commandant, Collins' Barracks, Cork, to Fr. Aloysius Travers enclosing a typescript copy of his unfinished account of the Easter Week Rising. Comdt. MacNally also encloses a rough sketch of the Church Street area upon which he asks Fr. Aloysius to 'mark roughly the positions of any barricades you saw ... [and] houses that were occupied'. He

also attaches 'a sketch of the Bride Street area ... to enable you to fix the corner where you stood at the surrender of Eamonn Ceannt'.

3.2. Correspondence with Republican Prisoners

Level: Sub-series

Dates of Creation: 1916-1919

Scope and Content: A collection of letters sent to Fr. Aloysius Travers by Republican internees and prisoners including Seán T. O'Kelly and W.T. Cosgrave.

Format: Manuscript

Extent: 5 items

CA/IR/1/3/2/1 Letter from Seán T. O'Kelly to Fr. Aloysius Travers

2 Dec. 1916

Item

3 pp

Manuscript

Letter from Seán T. O'Kelly, Reading Internment Camp, to Fr. Aloysius Travers, conveying his thanks to Fr. Aloysius, Fr. Augustine and Fr. Albert 'during "the week" itself and afterwards during those anxious and trying days of our imprisonment in Richmond [barracks]'. Refers to the conditions of other republican prisoners elsewhere: '... I only wish the boys in Frongoch were with us. It must be awful for them living under such conditions this harsh weather. The men in Dartmoor, Portland, etc. will I presume be much better off now that they are to be removed to Lewes where it is said too they are to be permitted to associate and to be given facilities for reading and writing'. Some reference is also made to the expulsion of republicans from Dublin Corporation and to the release of Brian na Banba [Brian O'Higgins].

CA/IR/1/3/2/2 Letter from 'Jimmy B' to Fr. Aloysius Travers

13 Mar. 1917

Item

2 pp

Manuscript

Letter from 'Jimmy B', prisoner no. "Q 161", to Fr. Aloysius Travers expressing his gratitude to Fr. Aloysius for his 'two cards [and] also the Xmas card which were as rays of sunshine from Church St. to me in my exile'. He also adds 'Eoin McNeill desired me to thank you for his Christmas message which he received alright and Gerard Grofts sends his best respects to you'.

CA/IR/1/3/2/3 Letter from W.T. Cosgrave to Fr. Aloysius Travers

19 Nov. 1918

Item

1 p

Manuscript

Letter from W.T. Cosgrave, Reading Internment Camp, to Fr. Aloysius Travers, conveying his sympathy on hearing of the death of Fr. Aloysius's brother. Cosgrave concludes by declaring his 'kindest remembrance to all your Fathers – particularly Fathers Augustine and Albert and of course yourself'.

- CA/IR/1/3/2/4 Letter from W.T. Cosgrave to Fr. Aloysius Travers**
 30 Dec. 1918
 Item
 2 pp
 Manuscript
 Letter from W.T. Cosgrave, Reading Internment Camp, to Fr. Aloysius Travers, providing news of various prisoners including Joe MacDonough and [P.T.] Daly. Cosgrave also affirmed that 'the last few weeks' newspapers here also occupied a lot of our attention and this morning's news amply rewards any little disadvantages we may have had'.
- CA/IR/1/3/2/5 Letter from Brian Ó hUiginn to Fr. Aloysius Travers**
 4 Jan. 1919
 Item
 1 p
 Manuscript
 Letter from Brian Ó hUiginn [Brian O'Higgins], Birmingham Prison, to Fr. Aloysius Travers, sending on his best wishes. In Irish.

3.3. Correspondence with Lillie Connolly and Muriel MacDonagh

Level: Sub-series

Dates of Creation: 1916-1917

Scope and Content: This section comprises correspondence with the widows of two executed leaders of the 1916 Rising, Lillie Connolly and Muriel MacDonagh.

Format: Manuscript and typescript

Extent: 3 items and 1 file

- CA/IR/1/3/3/1 Declaration of Lillie Agnes Connolly's reception into the Catholic Church**
 15 Aug. 1916
 Item
 1 p
 Autograph typescript
 Declaration of Lillie Agnes Connolly's (wife of James Connolly) reception into the Catholic Church. It reads: 'I Fr. Aloysius OSFC declare that ... I have this fifteenth day of August 1916 received into the Catholic Church Mrs Lily Agnes Connolly observing the prescribed rites and ceremonies'. The document is signed by Lillie Agnes Connolly and witnessed by Fiona Connolly (1907-1976)
 Context: Fiona accompanied her mother to Dublin Castle to see her father James Connolly as he awaited execution. Three months later she was the sole witness on 15 August when her mother was received into the Catholic Church, at Church Street in Dublin.
- CA/IR/1/3/3/2 Letter from Lillie Connolly to Fr. Aloysius Travers**
 25 Aug. 1916
 Item
 3 pp

Manuscript

Letter from Lillie Connolly, 37 St Patrick's Road, Drumcondra, to Fr. Aloysius Travers, affirming that she has 'started the Catholic Belief this morning taking it from the beginning'. She assures Fr. Aloysius that 'I will study it right through'. Final page is endorsed (in a different hand) with a list of Catholic devotions.

- CA/IR/1/3/3/3 Declaration of Muriel MacDonagh's reception into the Catholic Church**
 18 Apr. 1917
 Item
 1 p
 Manuscript
 Declaration of Muriel MacDonagh's (wife of Thomas MacDonagh) reception into the Catholic Church. It reads: 'I Fr. Aloysius OSFC declare that ... I have this eighteenth day of April 1917 received into the Catholic Church Mrs. Muriel MacDonagh observing the prescribed rites and ceremonies'. The document is signed by Muriel Mary MacDonagh.
- CA/IR/1/3/3/4 Letter from Muriel MacDonagh to Fr. Aloysius Travers**
 7 July 1917
 File
 2 items
 Manuscript
 She expresses her regret on hearing of Fr. Aloysius's recent illness. She wrote: 'When I asked for you to go and see [her son] Don I had no notion that you were ill ...'. She added 'Please thank Fr. Albert from me and his promise to go and see Don, also for the copy of the *Catholic Bulletin* which I am delighted to have'. With photographic postcard print of 'Donagh and Barbara MacDonagh children of Thomas MacDonagh, shot at Kilmainham, May 3rd 1916'.

3.4. Other papers

Level: Sub-series

Dates of Creation: 1911-1957

Scope and Content: A collection of mostly personal papers relating to the life and ministry of Fr. Aloysius Travers. The sub-series comprises papers relating to significant political figures and events and includes letters from George Noble Plunkett and Arthur Griffith and an signed admission card to the first meeting of Dáil Éireann.

Format: Manuscript, typescript and printed

Extent: 9 items

- CA/BV/1/1 Newspaper Cuttings Book**
 1 July 1911
 Bound volume
 126 pp
 47 cm x 32 cm
 Newspaper cuttings book compiled and annotated by Fr. Stanislaus Kavanagh. Printed stamp on inside front cover: 'Franciscan Capuchin Library, Church Street, Dublin'. The pages have been numbered by Fr. Stanislaus. The book includes a cutting on page 18 of a photographic print of The Great Temperance Procession in Enniscorthy, County Wexford. An inset to the photograph shows

Fr. Aloysius Travers, William Redmond MP and other dignitaries. The cutting is annotated: 'Supplement to the *Echo*', 1 July 1911.

- CA/IR/1/3/4/1 Letter from George Noble Plunkett to Fr. Aloysius Travers**
 Mar. 1917
 Item
 1 p
 Autograph typescript
 Letter from George Noble Plunkett, 26 Upper Fitzwilliam Street, Dublin, to Fr. Aloysius Travers asking him to attend 'an Assembly to make Ireland's claim for liberty before the Peace Conference'.
- CA/IR/1/3/4/2 Letter from [L.J. Colbert] to Fr. Aloysius Travers**
 5 May 1917
 Item
 2 pp
 Manuscript
 Letter from [L.J. Colbert], Shanagolden [Limerick] expressing happiness that 'the poor martyrs are not forgotten'. Reference is also made to the 'cruel treatment of the poor young fellows and the gentle and tenderly reared Countess [Markievicz]'.
- CA/IR/1/3/4/3 Letter from Clement Shorter to Fr. Aloysius Travers**
 6 Feb. 1918
 Item
 2 pp
 Manuscript
 Letter from Clement Shorter, 16 Marlborough Place (British journalist and literary critic) to Fr. Aloysius Travers, thanking him for letter of sympathy on the death of his wife, Dora Sigerson Shorter.
- CA/IR/1/3/4/4 Letter from Arthur Griffith to Fr. Aloysius Travers**
 31 Mar. 1918
 Item
 1 p
 Manuscript
 Letter from Arthur Griffith, *Nationality* Offices, 6 Harcourt Street, Dublin, to Fr. Aloysius Travers apologising for being unavailable to meet Fr. Aloysius. He adds 'My friend the bearer ... can take any message for me or make any arrangements to suit you'.
- CA/IR/1/3/4/5 Admission ticket to the first meeting of Dáil Éireann**
 21 Jan. 1919
 Item
 1 p
 Printed
 Admission ticket to the first meeting of Dáil Éireann which took place in the Round Room of the Mansion House on 21 January 1919. In Irish: 'Permit or

ticket allowing bearer (unnamed) to attend the first assembly of Dáil Éireann on Tuesday 21 January 1919'. The ticket is signed by George Noble Plunkett.

CA/IR/1/3/4/5 Postcard from 'E. Ní F' to Fr. Aloysius Travers

13 Jan. 1921

Item

1 p

Manuscript

Postcard to Fr. Aloysius Travers, Church Street, from 'E. Ní F' declaring that a 'very small room for your friend' is ready in August. The author also affirms that 'we have had a very quiet time in Rinn but you know we are very much behind the times'. The photographic print of the postcard shows refurbishment work on Liberty Hall after its destruction in the 1916 Rising. The banner across the façade of the hall reads: 'James Connolly murdered May 12th 1916'.

CA/IR/1/3/4/6 Letter from James O'Connor to Fr. Aloysius Travers

17 Aug. 1921

Item

1 p

Autograph typescript

Letter from James O'Connor, solicitor, to Fr. Aloysius Travers regarding a note from British military authorities affirming that 'certain historical papers ... [which] were returned to the late Archbishop Walsh O'Connor advises Fr. Aloysius to ascertain from the Archbishop's house what papers were returned.

CA/IR/1/3/4/7 Receipt for 'articles' received by Anti-Treaty A. Company

28 Oct. 1921

Item

1 p

Typescript with manuscript annotations

Receipt for 'articles' received by Anti-Treaty A. Company, 1st Battalion, Dublin Brigade, Signed: O[fficer] C[ommanding]. Initialled 'b.T'.

CA/IR/1/3/4/8 Letter from James Larkin to Fr. Aloysius Travers

c. 1940

Item

2 pp

Manuscript

Letter from James Larkin, Workers' Union of Ireland, Thomas Ashe Hall, 5a, College Street, Dublin, to Fr. Aloysius Travers, assuring him that he will make arrangements for a meeting soon. Larkin declares that 'the pressure has been so heavy that not only have I had to spend the last few Sundays at meetings of Union branches but have also had to work late and early hours over the week ends to deal with work for which I could not find time during ordinary week days'.

Note: The letter may be from either James Larkin (1876-1947) or his son James Larkin, Jnr (1904-1969).

- CA/IR/1/3/4/9** **Tribute to Fr. Aloysius Travers in the *Father Mathew Record***
 1957
 Item
 4 pp
 Printed
 Tribute to Fr. Aloysius Travers (d. 2 May 1957) in the *Father Mathew Record*.
 Includes a tribute from An Taoiseach, Éamon de Valera dated 23 May 1957.

4. The Papers of Fr. Augustine Hayden OFM Cap.

Level: Series

Dates of Creation: 1920-1966

Scope and Content: A small collection of Fr. Augustine Hayden's personal papers mainly relating to his involvement with Republican combatants in the 1916 Rising.

Format: Typescript, copies and newspaper cuttings

Extent: 2 items and 2 files

- CA/IR/1/4/1** **Recollections of the 1916 Rising by Fr. Augustine Hayden**
 c. 1920-1930
 Item
 25 pp
 Typescript
 Statement by Fr. Augustine Hayden, 'Franciscan Monastery, Rochestown, County Cork, formerly of the Priory, Church Street, Dublin', referring to the hostilities during Easter Week, 1916. The record is probably incomplete. The statement concludes on Monday, 8 May 1916 before the execution of Michael Mallin, Seán Heuston, Con Colbert and Éamonn Ceannt.
- CA/BV/1/1** **Newspaper Cuttings Book**
 15 Apr. 1920
 Bound volume
 126 pp
 47 cm x 32 cm
 Newspaper cuttings book compiled and annotated by Fr. Stanislaus Kavanagh. Printed stamp on inside front cover: 'Franciscan Capuchin Library, Church Street, Dublin'. The pages have been numbered by Fr. Stanislaus. The cuttings includes on pp 94-95: cuttings of photographic prints of relating to the imprisonment of Republican prisoners in Mountjoy Jail. One of the prints shows Fr. Augustine Hayden reciting the rosary outside the Jail. *Irish Independent*, 15 Apr. 1920.
- CA/IR/1/4/2** **Letter from the Bureau of Military History to Fr. Augustine Hayden**
 25 Nov. 1949
 File
 5 items
 Typescript and copies
 Letter from the Bureau of Military History to Fr. Augustine Hayden thanking him for presenting the Bureau with the certain documents. Enclosed are copies of some of the documents which Fr. Augustine provided for the Bureau's Archives:

Bill for £16 9s 0d from Hely's Ltd., Dame Street, Dublin, addressed to the 'Irish Volunteers per The O'Rahilly', together with receipt attached dated 12/7/1916, made out in the name of Rev. Father Augustine, Church Street';

Typed letter from Hely's Ltd, to Father Augustine, Church Street, dated 12 July 1916;

Manuscript note in pencil, undated, bearing the signature 'Ua Rathghaille, 40 Herbert Park';

One envelope bearing an annotation in pencil: 'Last letter of the Ua Rathaille'.

CA/IR/1/4/3

Newspaper cutting from the *Evening Echo*

11 May 1966

Item

1 p

Newspaper cutting

Newspaper cutting from the *Evening Echo*, 11 May 1966, commemorating the links between the Capuchin College at Rochestown and Republican leaders.

Includes portrait photograph of Fr. Augustine Hayden, 'one of the first five pupils with whom the college began in 1884 – [he] became rector in 1896 and held that position for almost fourteen years. He was fearless and inspiring in his priestly ministry to the fighting men in Dublin, Easter 1916'. Pasted onto black card.

5. The Papers of Fr. Dominic O'Connor OFM Cap.

Level: Series

Dates of Creation: 1915-1958

Scope and Content: A collection of Fr. Dominic O'Connor's personal papers primarily relating to his involvement with the contemporary political and military struggle for Irish independence.

The records relating to Fr. Dominic have been arranged in four sub-series: 1) British Army Chaplain; 2) Papers relating to Terence MacSwiney; 3) Papers relating to his imprisonment; 4) Release, Exile and Commemoration; 5) Photographs, Prints and Sketches; 6) Other papers.

Format: Manuscript, typescript, photographic print, sketch and artefact

Extent: 35 items and 22 files

5.1. British Army Chaplain

Level: Sub-series

Dates of Creation: 1915-1917

Scope and Content: The sub-series consists of records relating to Fr. Dominic O'Connor's service as a military chaplain during the First World War.

Format: Manuscript, typescript and artefact

Extent: 4 items and 1 file

CA/IR/1/5/1/1 Letter from Cardinal Francis Bourne to Fr. Aloysius Travers

3 May 1915

Item

1 p

Autograph typescript

Letter from Cardinal Francis Bourne, Archbishop of Westminster, to Fr. Aloysius Travers, Minister Provincial, seeking priests to act as chaplains in the British armed forces for the duration of the war.

CA/IR/1/5/1/2 Letter from Cardinal Michael Logue to Fr. Aloysius Travers

13 Mar. 1916

Item

1 p

Manuscript

Letter from Cardinal Michael Logue, Archbishop of Armagh, to Fr. Aloysius Travers, Provincial Minister, affirming that he has sent the name of Fr. Dominic O'Connor to Cardinal Bourne for appointment as chaplain.

- CA/IR/1/5/1/3** **Copies of letters from Capt. Rev. Dominic O'Connor, 21 Stationary Hospital, Salonika Forces, Macedonian Expeditionary Force**
 c. 1916-1917
 File
 2 items
 Photocopy
 Photocopies of letters from Capt. Rev. Dominic O'Connor, 21 Stationary Hospital, Salonika Forces, M[acedonian] E[xpeditionary] F[orce], and the Capuchin Friary, Fr. Mathew Quay, Dublin, to his sister, [Sister Constantine O'Connor?], explaining his reasons for becoming an army chaplain. He wrote: 'Well someone had to do the work and when those who had done all the recruiting were too cowardly to go there was nothing left except to have us who were anti-recruiters go and help the souls of the soldiers the others had sent out'. He later referred to conditions for the troops he is ministering to: 'We have had more than half the troops down with malaria, dysentery, sandfly fever etc. and it is fortunate that there was no fighting here'. [c. 1915]. In reference to the political situation he later wrote: 'There is no use in saying anything about the political situation. England seems set upon forcing conscription on us. And the Irish Nation is equally or rather more determined to oppose it. God protect us!'.
- CA/IR/1/5/1/4** **Mass Cruets and Tray used by Fr. Dominic O'Connor in World War I**
 OS
 c. 1916-1917
 Item
 Artefact
 Two small flat-bottomed vessels with a narrow neck and integral spout. Possibly made of Pewter. With accompanying tray for holding the two vessels. Note: These objects were donated to the Capuchin Provincial Archives by Elizabeth Allen, a niece of Fr. Dominic O'Connor.
- CA/IR/1/5/1/5** **Circular letter from the Most Rev. Denis Kelly, Bishop of Ross**
 29 Mar. 1916
 Item
 3 pp
 Typescript
 Circular letter from the Most Rev. Denis Kelly, Bishop of Ross, Bishop's House, Skibbereen, regarding the number of Irish chaplains in the British Army and Navy. Distinctions are made between incardinated secular clergy and regulars 'who have gone from the Irish Houses of their respective Provinces'. It is noted that two members of the Capuchin Order in Ireland are serving as chaplains. These were Fr. Dominic O'Connor and Fr. Ignatius Collins.

5.2. Papers relating to Terence MacSwiney

Level: Sub-series

Dates of Creation: 1920-1925

Scope and Content: Fr. Dominic O'Connor served as chaplain to Terence MacSwiney and the Cork Brigade of the IRA. He ministered to the Lord Mayor of Cork during his imprisonment in Brixton Prison. The sub-series includes some correspondence associated with MacSwiney's political career which may have been acquired by Fr. Dominic during the performance of his duties. Of particular

interest is a collection of correspondence from notable figures in the republican administration including Richard Mulcahy, Michael Collins, Arthur Griffith and Seán T. O'Kelly.

Format: Manuscript, typescript and printed

Extent: 11 items and 5 files

CA/IR/1/5/2/1 Copy speech made by Terence MacSwiney

Mar.1920

Item

5 pp

Typescript copy and printed

Copy speech made by Terence MacSwiney on the occasion of his election as Lord Mayor of Cork after the assassination of Tomás Mac Curtain. The final page is signed 'Toirdhealbhach Mac Suibhne'. MacSwiney noted that the 'circumstances of the vacancy in the office of Lord Mayor inevitably governed the filling of it; and I come here more as a soldier stepping into the breach than an administrator to fill the post in the municipality'. In Irish and English. With *Lord Mayor's Prayer*. A message to Republican prisoners on hunger-strike. The text begins: 'To my Comrades in Cork. On your 57th day I greet you! ...'.

CA/BV/1/1 Newspaper Cuttings Book

19 Mar.1920-26 Oct. 1920

Bound volume

126 pp

47 cm x 32 cm

Newspaper cuttings book compiled and annotated by Fr. Stanislaus Kavanagh. Printed stamp on inside front cover: 'Franciscan Capuchin Library, Church Street, Dublin'. The pages have been numbered by Fr. Stanislaus. The book includes on pp 39-43; 95; 125: cutting of a photographic print of Tomas MacCurtain, Lord Mayor of Cork with Fr. Dominic O'Connor. 19 Mar. 1920. Reports on the hunger strikes of Republican prisoners in Mountjoy Jail and later Terence MacSwiney in Brixton Prison in 1920. With cuttings of photographic prints of Fr. Augustine Hayden and references to Fr. Albert Bibby. *Daily Sketch*, 14-16 Apr. 1920; *Evening Herald*, 7 Oct. 1920. On p. 46 there is a cutting of photographic print of Muriel MacSwiney leaving Brixton Prison just before her husband's death. *Daily Graphic*, 26 Oct. 1920.

CA/IR/1/5/2/2 Letter from Richard Mulcahy to Terence MacSwiney

8 Apr. 1920

Item

1 p

Autograph typescript

Typescript letter from Risteárd (Richard Mulcahy, chief of staff, IRA), to Terence MacSwiney, expressing his alarm on hearing that he 'had been going about Cork during the day and even staying at home and elsewhere at night without any protection'. Mulcahy added 'I want you to try and realise what a blow it would be to our prestige, if, after, what has happened in Cork, you should be attacked without having a scrap of protection ...'. A simple general instruction is being issued on this matter, but you must understand that your position is unique ...'. Manuscript annotation on the reverse: 'Toirdhealbhach Mac Suibhne'

- CA/IR/1/5/2/3 Letter from Rev. Michael Curran, Irish College Rome, to Terence MacSwiney**
 25 Apr. 1920
 Item
 2 pp
 Manuscript
 Letter from Rev. Michael Curran, Irish College Rome, to Terence MacSwiney, expressing his hope that 'it may be possible for you to come to Rome for the celebration of the festivities connected with beatification of Oliver Plunkett'. Rev. Curran adds 'We are fully aware of the extraordinary difficulties that must stand in the way of such a visit at such a time ... In case you find yourself unable to come perhaps some other delegate might be sent from the Corporation of Cork'.
- CA/IR/1/5/2/4 Letter from Seán T. O'Kelly to [Terence MacSwiney]**
 25 Apr. 1920
 Item
 2 pp
 Manuscript
 Letter from Seán Tomás Ó Ceallaigh [Sean T. O'Kelly] to [Terence MacSwiney] referring to the occasion of the beatification of Blessed Oliver Plunkett. A delegation consisting of Count O'Byrne, Professor Stockley and Art O'Brien went to Rome on behalf of the Dáil to represent the Government of the Republic at the beatification ceremonies. Sean T. O'Kelly and Mr. D. Hales, Consul in Italy, also took part in the delegation. In Irish
- CA/IR/1/5/2/5 Letter from Arthur Griffith to Terence MacSwiney**
 29 Apr. 1920
 Item
 1 p
 Autograph typescript
 Letter from Art Ó'Gríobhtha [Arthur Griffith], Acting President Dáil Éireann, to Terence MacSwiney, acknowledging receipt of 'unanimous resolution of the Corporation of the city of Cork requesting the Executive of Dail Eireann to bring the verdict returned by the Corner's Jury at the inquest on the late Lord Mayor of Cork to the attention of the Governments of the civilised world'. Tomás Mac Curtain, the Lord Mayor of Cork, was shot on 20 March 1920.
- CA/IR/1/5/2/6 Letter from Michael Collins to Terence MacSwiney**
 9 May 1920
 Item
 1 p
 Autograph typescript
 Letter from Miceál Ó Coileáin [Michael Collins], Aire Airgid [Minister for Finance], Dáil Éireann, Mansion House, Dublin, to Toirdhealbhach Mac Suibhne [Terence MacSwiney], TD, regarding the monies from the city of Cork in connection with the advancement of the Dáil Éireann Loan. In Irish. See: Sinn Fein Meeting Macroom Royal Irish Constabulary File at Cork City and County Archives. <http://www.corkarchives.ie/media/U104web.pdf>
- CA/IR/1/5/2/7 Letter from Austin Stack to Terence MacSwiney**

26 May 1920

Item

1 p

Autograph typescript

Typescript letter A. de Staic [Austin Stack Substitute Minister for Home Affairs], to Terence MacSwiney], asserting that he has 'deputed Mr. J.D. Kenny, BL, LLD, to make a tour of the Counties of Kerry, Cork and Limerick with instructions as to the setting up of the Courts. He will call on you shortly to discuss the subject'.

See: Lord Mayor Terence MacSwiney 1920 Files at Cork City and County Archives. <http://www.corkarchives.ie/media/PR4web.pdf>

CA/IR/1/5/2/8 Letter from Kevin O'Higgins to Terence MacSwiney

3 June 1920

Item

1 p

Autograph typescript

Typescript letter from C.Ó'hUigín [Kevin O'Higgins], Substitute Minister for Local Government, to Terence MacSwiney, TD, acknowledging receipt of a memorandum on 'Criminal and Malicious Injuries'.

See also: Lord Mayor Terence MacSwiney 1920 Files at Cork City and County Archives. <http://www.corkarchives.ie/media/PR4web.pdf>

CA/IR/1/5/2/9 Circular letter from Terence MacSwiney

June 1920

Item

1 p

Typescript

Circular letter from Toirdhealbhaich Mac Suibhne [Terence MacSwiney], Sinn Féin Executive, Macroom, the collection of money for the Dáil Éireann Loan in Mid-Cork. MacSwiney confirms that 'in our Constituency over £6,000 has been subscribed to the Loan for the Government of the Irish Republic'.

CA/IR/1/5/2/10 List of justices for Sinn Féin (Republican) courts in Cork City

c. 1920

Item

1 p

Typescript

List of justices for Sinn Féin (Republican) courts in Cork City. Names are subdivided by administrative region: 'North'; 'South'; 'Centre'.

CA/IR/1/5/2/11 Copy cable from Diarmuid Lynch to Terence MacSwiney

16 July 1920

File

2 items

Manuscript

Copy cable from Diarmuid Lynch (1878-1950), New York, to Terence MacSwiney, City Hall, Cork, confirming that 'Fogarty got no commission

whatever from and was not authorised to act or speak for myself or friends. Advise Dublin' Annotation reads: 'Received 16 July 1920'. Copy in the hand of Liam de Róiste; With [copy?] letter from Liam de Róiste (1882-1959) to Diarmuid Lynch acknowledging Lynch's cable referring to the aforementioned Fogarty. In Irish.

Extent: 2 items

Diarmuid Lynch: Immediately following his release from British captivity (6 June 1917), Lynch became active and, along with Michael Collins and Thomas Ashe, participated in the reorganisation the IRB. After the 1917 Sinn Féin Ard Fheis, Lynch, like Collins, held three senior posts in the IRB, Sinn Féin and in the Irish Volunteers. His position as Sinn Féin food controller resulted in his deportation to England in 1918. Lynch was deported to America and shortly afterwards was appointed Secretary of the Friends of Irish Freedom, originally set up to raise funds and lobby in Washington DC to promote the Irish cause for independence. Under his tenure the organisation became a nation-wide organisation.

Liam de Róiste was a member of the Irish Volunteers and fought in the Easter Rising in 1916 with the Cork City Battalion. He was elected as a Sinn Féin MP for the Cork City constituency at the 1918 general election. He later supported Collins and voted for the Treaty.

CA/IR/1/5/2/12 Photograph of Terence MacSwiney and Capuchins at Rochestown

30 May 1920

File

4 items

Photographic print; 22.5 cm x 18 cm

Photographic print of Terence MacSwiney, Lord Mayor of Cork, Fr. Bonaventure Murphy, OFM Cap., Rector of Rochestown College; Fr. Berchmans Cantillon, OFM Cap.; Fr. Coleman Griffin, OFM Cap., Superior, Rochestown; Fr. Francis Hayes, OFM Cap. Original is pasted on card with title: 'Terence MacSwiney, Lord Mayor of Cork at the College, May 1920'. A small tear is present in the centre of the print. With three later reproductions. The print was published in the *Cork Weekly Examiner*, 6 June 1920.

CA/IR/1/5/2/13 Newspaper clippings concerning the election of Terence MacSwiney as Lord Mayor of Cork and his death in Brixton Prison

31 Mar. 1920-26 July 1921

File

4 items

Newspaper clippings

Includes clippings from the *Daily Sketch*, *The Cork Examiner* and the *Freeman's Journal*.

Note: See also photograph of Fr. Dominic O'Connor standing to the left of the coffin of Terence MacSwiney lying in state at Cork City Hall on 31 Oct. 1920 (See photographic list at **GP/654**).

CA/IR/1/5/2/14 An account by Fr. Dominic O'Connor of the last days of Terence MacSwiney

Oct. 1920

File

5 copies; 5 pp

Typescript

An account by Fr. Dominic O'Connor of the last days and death in Brixton Prison of the hunger-striker Terence MacSwiney, Lord Mayor of Cork. Fr. Dominic wrote: 'His sufferings, no pen could write. Try and conceive the pain you suffer in your shoulders and back and in your knees, the stiff, numbing pain in the calves of your legs, the agony in your heels, instep and ankles, even if you remain for six hours outstretched on your back. What a relief to bend your knees and draw them up toward your body. But even that little relief our heroic sufferer could not have, for the flesh had wasted from his knee'. This account later appeared as an article titled 'Terence MacSwiney by the late Father Dominic O'Connor', *The Capuchin Annual* (1942), pp 337-342. With photocopy.

CA/IR/1/5/2/15 *Flier for a commemorative event in honour of Tomás Mac Curtain and Terence MacSwiney*

19 Mar. 1925

Item

1 p

Printed

Flier for a commemorative event organised by the Corporation of Cork City to mark the deaths of Tomás Mac Curtain and Terence MacSwiney, former Lord Mayors of the city.

5.3. Papers relating to the Imprisonment of Fr. Dominic O'Connor

Level: Sub-series

Dates of Creation: 1921-1922

Scope and Content: Records relating to arrest and imprisonment of Fr. Dominic O'Connor during the War of Independence.

Format: Manuscript and typescript

Extent: 7 items and 3 files

CA/BV/1/1

Newspaper Cuttings Book

18 Dec. 1920-9 Nov. 1923

Bound volume

126 pp

47 cm x 32 cm

Newspaper cuttings book compiled and annotated by Fr. Stanislaus Kavanagh. Printed stamp on inside front cover: 'Franciscan Capuchin Library, Church Street, Dublin'. The pages have been numbered by Fr. Stanislaus. The cuttings book includes:

53-54: Reports on the raid by British forces on the Capuchin Friary, Church Street, and the subsequent detention of Fr. Albert Bibby and Fr. Dominic O'Connor. *Dublin Evening Mail*, 18 Dec. 1920; *Evening Telegraph*, 17 Dec. 1920. Includes some cuttings of photographic prints of Fr. Dominic.

55-66: Reports on the court martial and conviction of Fr. Dominic O'Connor. Jan.-Mar. 1921.

67: Reports in the *Cork Examiner* referring to the ministries of Fr. Albert Bibby, Fr. Dominic O'Connor and other Capuchin priests to Republicans. 7-9 Nov. 1923.

119-120: Articles referring to the trial and sentencing of Fr. Dominic O'Connor. [English] *Evening Herald*, 10 Jan. 1921; *Irish Catholic*, 5 Feb. 1921.

- CA/IR/1/5/3/1** **Diary of Fr. Stanislaus Kavanagh**
 2 Jan. 1921-13 Dec. 1921
 File
 56 pp of text
 Bound volume; 18.5 cm x 12 cm
 'Charles Letts's Small Octavo Diary and Note Book'. A daily record diary of Fr. Stanislaus Kavanagh, Church Street, Dublin. Routine entries record the ministries and day-to-day activities of the Order's members. The diary also chronicles the detention and trial of Fr. Dominic O'Connor. An entry on 5 Jan. 1921 reads: 'Fr. Dominic OSFC notified today in Kilmainham Prison of his approaching Court Martial and told to see his solicitor'. Other entries in the diary refer to the activities of British military forces in the wake of an upsurge in Republican attacks. On 16 Jan. Fr. Stanislaus wrote 'The front portion of our Church and whole street closed with barbed wire. ... This was done in early hours of morning. Many unable to go to Mass to day. House to house search by military. Show's the respect of the English government for the Lord's day'. Fr. Dominic's transfer 'under heavy escort' to Kingstown for the boat to take him to Wormwood Scrubs Prison was recorded on 31 Jan. 1921. On 13 February, Fr. Stanislaus noted that the Capuchin friary in Kilkenny was 'raided by the Black and Tans in their usual rough fashion'.
- CA/IR/1/5/3/2** **Letter from Fr. Dominic O'Connor to Fr. Stanislaus Kavanagh**
 3 Jan. 1921
 Item
 1 p
 Manuscript
 Letter from Fr. Dominic O'Connor, c/o Commandant, Kilmainham Prison, to Fr. Stanislaus Kavanagh, asking that a breviary and other spiritual reading could be sent to him.
- CA/IR/1/5/3/3** **Letter from Fr. Dominic O'Connor to Fr. Aloysius Travers**
 5 Jan. 1921
 Item
 1 p
 Manuscript
 Letter from Fr. Dominic O'Connor, c/o Commandant, Kilmainham Prison, to Fr. Aloysius Travers, detailing the charges which are to be brought against him and informing him that he is to be tried by a General Court Martial on Saturday next at 10.30 a.m.
- CA/IR/1/5/3/4** **Letter from Sir Alfred Cope to Fr. Aloysius Travers**
 7 Feb. 1921
 Item
 2 pp
 Autograph typescript
 Letter from Sir Alfred Cope, Assistant Under Secretary for Ireland, Dublin Castle, to Fr. Aloysius Travers, Church Street, confirming that Fr. Dominic O'Connor is still being detained at Wormwood Scrubs and that he will be moved to Parkhurst Prison in the coming days. Cope also refers to the conditions under which Fr. Dominic will be detained.

- CA/IR/1/5/3/5 Letter from H.K. Greeaway to Fr. Aloysius Travers**
 8 Feb. 1921
 Item
 1 p
 Manuscript
 Letter from H.K. Greeaway, Governor of Wormwood Scrubs, to Fr. Aloysius Travers, Church Street, indicating that Fr. Dominic O'Connor has been moved to Parkhurst Prison. He confirms that Fr. Aloysius's letter and prayer book have been forwarded to the governor there.
- CA/IR/1/5/3/6 Letter from the deputy governor of Parkhurst Prison to Fr. Aloysius Travers**
 19 Mar. 1921
 Item
 1 p
 Manuscript
 Letter from the deputy governor of Parkhurst Prison to Fr. Aloysius Travers, Church Street, re the condition of Fr. Dominic O'Connor. He is in 'his usual health. He is in hospital and receives any medical attention necessary'.
- CA/IR/1/5/3/7 Letters from J.H MacDonnell to Fr. Aloysius Travers**
 29 Sept.-3 Oct. 1921
 File
 2 pp
 Autograph typescript
 Letters from J.H MacDonnell, solicitor, 3-7 Southampton Street, Strand, London, to Fr. Aloysius Travers, Church Street, referring to his hopes for a settlement in relation to the release of Fr. Dominic. He writes: 'I think the Prisoners will be released during the negotiations. I know Bob Barton is very keen on the matter and as I am personally known to all of the delegates who are coming over, I shall press them to push this matter forward'. He also refers to improving conditions of Fr. Dominic's confinement.
- CA/IR/1/5/3/8 An account of the arrest, trial and imprisonment of Fr. Dominic O'Connor by Fr. Aloysius Travers**
 c. 1921
 Item
 13 pp
 Typescript
 The account begins with Fr. Dominic's appointment as civic chaplain to Tomas MacCurtain and later to Terence MacSwiney, Lord Mayors of Cork. The account includes copy correspondence regarding Fr. Dominic's trial and copy extracts from newspapers (*Irish Independent*, *Evening Herald* and *Catholic Herald*) referring to the case and requests for the immediate release of the Capuchin priest. Reference is also made to the harsh treatment endured by Fr. Dominic during his captivity.
- CA/IR/1/5/3/9 Leabhar urnaighthe**
 c. 1921
 Item
 80 pp
 Printed

Published in Dublin by the Catholic Truth Society of Ireland (1904) In Irish. An annotation on end cover reads: 'Prayer book used in Prison by Father Dominic'.

CA/IR/1/5/3/10 Letters from Fr. Dominic O'Connor to May Barrett

7 Jan. 1922-25 Sept. 1922

File

3 items

Manuscript

Letters from Fr. Dominic O'Connor to May Barrett, Watercourse Road, Cork, referring to the execution of Captain Pat Moran in Mountjoy Jail (died 14 Mar. 1921). Fr. Dominic wrote 'What a lot of my friends have gone down since I was last in Cork or indeed in Ireland'. He expresses the hope that 'they'd make Irish compulsory for the Dáil as it would put an end to some of the ... long winded speeches'. With a newspaper clipping of a poem titled 'Subvenite' by Father Dominic, Parkhurst Convict Prison, 'written in Prison on hearing of the execution of Captain Patrick Moran and Volunteer Thomas Whelan, both of whom were fellow-prisoners with him in Kilmainham'. (16 Mar. 1921). In Irish and English.

5.4. Release, Exile and Commemoration

Level: Sub-series

Dates of Creation: 1922-1939

Scope and Content: Papers mostly relating to Fr. Dominic O'Connor's ministry in Oregon, United States following his release in January 1922. The sub-series also includes records referring to the death of Fr. Dominic in October 1935 and tributes and commemoration thereafter.

Format: Manuscript, typescript, printed and photographic print

Extent: 4 items and 8 files

CA/IR/1/5/4/1 Letter from the Most Rev. Peter Emmanuel Amigo to Fr. Dominic O'Connor

18 Jan. 1922

Item

1 p

Manuscript

Letter from the Most Rev. Peter Emmanuel Amigo, Bishop of Southwark, to Fr. Dominic O'Connor, expressing his delight on seeing him after all his recent suffering. He also grants him full diocesan faculties for his stay in the diocese.

CA/IR/1/5/4/2 Letter from the Most Rev. Daniel Cohalan to Fr. Martin Hyland

8 Feb. 1922-12 Feb. 1922

File

2 items; 5 pp

Manuscript

Letter from the Most Rev. Daniel Cohalan, Bishop of Cork, to Fr. Martin Hyland, Guardian of Rochestown Friary, expressing his happiness that Fr. Dominic O'Connor is back in Cork again. He notes that he 'has been a good while in prison [and] previous to that he was a war chaplain', and requests that he prepare for examination for the renewal of faculties to preach and to hear confessions. The examination will be a written test on moral and dogmatic theology. With copy reply from Fr. Edwin Fitzgibbon, Provincial Minister, asserting that 'owing to the degrading and cruel treatments he suffered for the

past thirteen or fourteen months at the hands of the British' it would be unwise to ask Fr. Dominic to prepare for the aforementioned examination.

- CA/IR/1/5/4/3 Letter from the Most Rev. Daniel Cohalan to Fr. Edwin Fitzgibbon**
 22 Feb. 1922-24 Feb. 1922
 File
 2 items; 6 pp
 Manuscript
 Letter from the Most Rev. Daniel Cohalan, Bishop of Cork, to Fr. Edwin Fitzgibbon, Minister Provincial, referring to the withdrawal of Fr. Dominic's faculties due to his inability to take the examination for renewal of faculties. Bishop Cohalan also refers to his unease on reading an announcement in the papers that Fr. Dominic is to be appointed honorary chaplain to a brigade of the IRA. The Bishop wrote: 'Now I put it to you that a lay body has no authority to confer an ecclesiastical honour from a lay authority'. He later asks Fr. Edwin: 'Are you not conceding to a military brigade what belongs essentially to the church?' With a copy reply from Fr. Edwin claiming that he knew nothing of Fr. Dominic's appointment as chaplain to the IRA until his attention was drawn to a report in the Cork Papers.
- CA/BV/1/1 Newspaper Cuttings Book**
 Dec. 1922-21 Jan. 1925
 Bound volume
 126 pp
 47 cm x 32 cm
 Newspaper cuttings book compiled and annotated by Fr. Stanislaus Kavanagh. Printed stamp on inside front cover: 'Franciscan Capuchin Library, Church Street, Dublin'. The pages have been numbered by Fr. Stanislaus. The book includes on p. 69 cuttings reporting the exiling of Fr. Dominic O'Connor to the United States. 'Boston Papers', Dec. 1922; *Cork Weekly Examiner*, 21 Jan. 1925.
- CA/IR/1/5/4/4 Photographic postcard prints of Fr. Dominic O'Connor with a group of Irish Republicans in California**
 17 Mar. 1923 + 18 June 1958
 File
 4 items
 Photographic prints and newspaper clipping
 Photographic postcard prints of Fr. Dominic O'Connor with a group of Irish Republican supporters at Fairpost, Northern California. Some members of the group hold tri-colour pennants annotated: 'St Patrick's Day -1923. Irish Republic'. One of the photographs was reprinted in the *Cork Evening Echo*, 18 June 1958. The individuals are named as:
 Front: Pat Fitzgerald, Fr. Dominic O'Connor, Messrs M. O'Malley, J. McGuire, Barney Nolan.
 Back: Messrs D. Godsil, M. Murphy, J. Shine, M. Barry, T. Sullivan, D. O'Keefe, J. Flynn, J. Leary, T. Curtin, J. Kelleher, J. O'Connor, P. Murphy, V. Daly.
- CA/IR/1/5/4/5 List of names and addresses of people resident in the United States**
 c. 1925-1930
 File
 3 items

Manuscript and printed

List of names and addresses of people resident in the United States. Includes a business card from Joseph Smith, Director, Boston Commercial and Industrial Bureau.

CA/IR/1/5/4/6 Letter from Fr. Dominic O'Connor to Fr. Edwin Fitzgibbon

8 Dec. 1927

Item

2 pp

Manuscript

Letter from Fr. Dominic O'Connor, Hermiston, Oregon, to Fr. Edwin Fitzgibbon, regarding the disposition of Stanfield Church and the progress of building works on other churches in his ministry in Oregon. He wrote: 'As soon as the weather moderates I will begin the building of the Church at Pilot Rock. I intended to call it Santa Clara but I will get a donation of \$1,000 if I call it Saint Agnes. What's in a name? I've called many names myself, few of them as complimentary in the change as this one'.

CA/IR/1/5/4/7 Letter from Fr. Luke [Sheehan] to Fr. Aloysius Travers

12 Oct. 1935

Item

4 pp

Manuscript

Letter from Fr. Luke [Sheehan], Bend, Oregon, to Fr. Aloysius Travers, describing the last hours of his nephew Fr. Dominic O'Connor. He wrote: 'Poor Dominic died rather unexpectedly. He had been ailing for a good many months, complained of a headache and more recently of dizzy spells and loss memory'. The letter is incomplete.

CA/IR/1/5/4/8 Telegrams to Fr. Edwin Fitzgibbon

16-18 Oct. 1935

File

3 items

Manuscript

Telegrams to Fr. Edwin Fitzgibbon, Provincial Minister, concerning the death of Fr. Dominic O'Connor in Bend, Oregon.

CA/IR/1/5/4/9 Memorial cards for Fr. Dominic O'Connor

17 Oct. 1935

File

4 copies

Printed

Memorial cards for Fr. Dominic O'Connor (with photographic print). 'Capuchin Pastor of St. Mary of the Angels, Hermiston, Oregon. Civic Chaplain to Lord Mayor Thomas MacCurtain and Lord Mayor Terence MacSwiney, 1920. Died at Bend, Oregon, 17th Oct. 1935'.

CA/IR/1/5/4/10 Capuchinnews

Oct. 1935

Item

14 pp

Printed

Capuchinnews, V, no. 3 (Oct. 1935). Bi-monthly publication of the Capuchino Club of Our Lady of Angels, Burlingame, California. Page 9 contains a short obituary on Fr. Dominic O'Connor. It reads: '[Fr. Dominic O'Connor] came of a distinguished family that has given many members to the Church. He was a nephew of Father Luke Sheehan, one of the pioneer Capuchin Missionaries in the West ...'.

CA/IR/1/5/4/11 Letters offering sympathies on the death of Fr. Dominic O'Connor

6 Nov. 1935-12 Nov. 1935

File

2 items

Manuscript and typescript

Letters from R.G. Browne, Town Clerk, Urban District Council, Westport, and John Maher, Town Clerk, Cashel Urban District Council, offering their sympathies to the Capuchin Order on the death of Fr. Dominic O'Connor. The resolution from Cashel Urban District Council reads: 'During the martyr struggle of Terence MacSwiney (Lord Mayor of Cork) in Brixton Prison, the late Father Dominic by his attention and fidelity to the noble sufferer and the cause for which he suffers, he has left to Ireland a name that links him with the bravest and most heroic we boast of'.

CA/IR/1/5/4/12 Letter from Joseph I. Bowe to Fr. Colman Griffin

8 Nov. 1939-10 Nov. 1939

File

3 items

Manuscript and typescript

Letter from Joseph I. Bowe, jnr., 32 Addison Road, Dublin to Fr. Colman Griffin, Provincial Minister, seeking permission to rename Addison Road, 'Fr. Dominic Road' in memory 'of that patriotic priest who died in 1935 at Oregon, USA, where he had been obliged to go into exile'. With copy reply from Fr. Colman stating that he has no objection to the proposal.

5.5. Photographs, Prints and Sketches

Level: Sub-series

Dates of Creation: 1915-1958

Scope and Content: A small collection of prints and photographs connected with the life and ministry of Fr. Dominic O'Connor.

Format: Photographic print, copy sketch and printed

Extent: 2 items and 2 files

CA/IR/1/5/5/1 Copy pencilled sketch portrait of Fr. Dominic O'Connor

c. 1915-1917

File

2 copies

Copy sketch

14 cm x 10.5 cm

Copy pencilled sketch portrait of Fr. Dominic O'Connor in the uniform of a British Army chaplain. Titled: 'Fr. Dominic of Cork, OM Cap.'

- CA/IR/1/5/5/2 Photographic print of Fr. Dominic O'Connor in British army chaplain uniform**
 c. 1915-1917
 Item
 Photographic print
 11.5 cm x 9 cm
 Photographic print (black and white, full length portrait) of Fr. Dominic O'Connor in British army chaplain uniform.
 Physical condition: yellowing and fading around the edges.
- CA/IR/1/5/5/3 Photographic prints of Fr. Dominic O'Connor**
 1 Jan. 1919-17 Mar. 1919
 File
 3 items
 Photographic prints on card
 13 cm x 8 cm; 9 cm x 6.5 cm
 Photographic postcard print of Fr. Dominic O'Connor with another unknown friar (possibly Fr. Hilary McDonagh) dated 17 Mar. 1919; print of Fr. Dominic (full length and seated) attached to a greeting card with annotation: 'To Helen, with best wishes, Fr. Dominic, OSFC, 1/1/19'; undated photographic print of Fr. Dominic (full length in Capuchin habit).
- CA/IR/1/5/5/4 Memorial photographic print of Fr. Dominic O'Connor**
 c. 1958
 Item
 Print
 30 cm x 23 cm
 Memorial photographic print of Fr. Dominic O'Connor. The caption reads: 'zealous Chaplain to the martyred Mayors of Cork, Tomas MacCurtain and Terence McSwiney, remained ever loyal to the cause of the Irish Republic'. The memorial notes that Fr. Dominic 'died in exile in Bend, Oregon, U.S.A. in 1935. In June, 1958, the remains were repatriated and re-interred in the Capuchin Cemetery in Rochestown, County Cork'.

5.6. Other Papers

Level: Sub-Series

Dates of Creation: 1911-1958

Scope and Content: A collection of mostly personal papers relating to the life and ministry of Fr. Dominic O'Connor. The sub-series includes some papers relating to his interest in the history of the Capuchins in Ireland and some newspaper clippings published after his death.

Format: Manuscript, typescript, printed, newspaper clipping and photographic print

Extent: 7 items and 5 files

- CA/IR/1/5/6/1 Newspaper clipping of a letter by Fr. Dominic O'Connor**
 8 Nov. 1911
 File
 2 copies
 Newspaper clipping

Newspaper clipping of a letter by Fr. Dominic O'Connor published in the nationalist newspaper the *Cork Free Press* (8 Nov. 1911). The letter is titled 'The Brown Friars: their education in "the dark days"' and refers to the long history behind the education of Irish Capuchins in continental colleges. The article was sent to the editor of the *Cork Free Press* and was signed *Segan Eireannac*. With cover and annotation by Fr. Stanislaus Kavanagh.

- CA/IR/1/5/6/2 Copy note from a German casualty of World War I**
 c. Dec. 1914
 Item
 2 pp
 Manuscript
 Copy note 'taken from a postcard (blood-stained) taken from the breast pocket of a dead German soldier by young Canniffe of Barrick St., Cork – Dec. 1914'. It is added 'The p[ost] c[ard] was sent to Canniffe's father by young Canniffe'. In German.
- CA/IR/1/5/6/3 Newspaper clippings relating to the life and ministry of Fr. Dominic O'Connor**
 c. 1916-1958
 File
 c. 40 items
 Newspaper clippings
 Includes clippings reporting the court martial of Fr. Dominic in Kilmainham Jail in January 1921, his subsequent imprisonment, his exile and ministry in the United States and later obituaries and tributes. The file also contains clippings relating to the campaign to have his and Father Albert Bibby's body repatriated to Ireland. The file includes clippings from the *Irish Times*, the *Freeman's Journal*, the *Cork Examiner* and the *Irish Press*. See also section on *The repatriation of the bodies of Fr. Albert and Fr. Dominic*.
- CA/IR/1/5/6/4 Letter from Lena May Murphy to Fr. Dominic O'Connor**
 23 Nov. 1918
 File
 7 items
 Manuscript and copy photographic print
 Letter from Lena May Murphy, Cork, to Fr. Dominic O'Connor 23 Nov. 1918. It reads: 'I must thank you very sincerely for your great kindness to my dead father in his last illness. All at home are never done telling everybody of you and your wonderful goodness'. This letter was sent by [Maire] Murphy, 35 Mercier Park, Curragh Road, Cork, to Fr. Nesson Shaw (13 Nov. 1991), explaining that Lena May Murphy was her late aunt. With a copy photograph of Lena May Murphy, and notes by Fr. Nesson re Lena May who worked as a nurse caring for elderly patients.
- CA/IR/1/5/6/5 Passport of Fr. Dominic O'Connor**
 11 Nov. 1919
 Item
 7 pp
 Printed with manuscript additions
 Passport of Fr. Dominic O'Connor issued by the British Foreign Office. Fr. Dominic's age is given as 36, his profession as a Roman Catholic Clergyman and

is defined as a 'British-born subject'. With half-length portrait photograph pasted into document. The ink stamps on the passport indicate that Fr. Dominic travelled through France and Belgium in 1919.

CA/IR/1/5/6/12 Letters from Fr. Dominic O'Connor to Fr. Paul Neary

3 Dec. 1919-22 Dec. 1919

File

3 items

Manuscript

Letters from Fr. Dominic O'Connor to Fr. Paul Neary reporting on his research on the early Irish Capuchins in continental archives including Troyes and Charleville, 'home of the Irish Friars of former days'. Fr. Dominic affirms that 'further communications would be safer if addressed to c/o Mr. Seán T. O'Ceallaigh, Grand Hotel, Place de l'Opera, Paris' (3 Dec. 1919).

CA/BV/1/1

Newspaper Cuttings Book

23 Mar. 1920-27 Mar. 1920

Bound volume

126 pp

47 cm x 32 cm

Newspaper cuttings book compiled and annotated by Fr. Stanislaus Kavanagh. Printed stamp on inside front cover: 'Franciscan Capuchin Library, Church Street, Dublin'. The pages have been numbered by Fr. Stanislaus. The book includes on pp 47-52 cuttings of photographic prints reporting the funeral of Thomas McCurtain, Lord Mayor of Cork. *Cork Examiner; Irish Independent, Daily Sketch, Freeman's Journal*, 23-27 Mar. 1920. With references to Fr. Dominic O'Connor.

CA/IR/1/5/6/6 'Go mBeannuigh Dia ár O Tír'

9 Apr. 1920

Item

2 pp

Manuscript

Text of a poem or song signed by Fr. Dominic O'Connor and dated '9/4/4/20'. Fr. Dominic occasionally used the republican calendar to denote his years: 1920 was the fourth year of Republic founded in 1916. With phonetic aid to pronunciation.

CA/IR/1/5/6/7 Letter from Fr. Dominic O'Connor to the Guardian, Capuchin Friary, Church Street, Dublin

c. 21 Dec. 1920

Item

2 pp

Manuscript

Fr. Dominic refers to the existence of archives relating to the early history of the Irish Province extant in the Order's General Archives in Rome. He wrote: 'the opinion was growing stronger in my mind ... as I was advancing in the MSS that there must be a report of the Commissary Provincial about date 1711 in our own Archives in Rome and possibly also in the Propaganda ones. Perhaps a copy may be found even in Milan as many MSS were sent the Historian General of the Order at one time'. With cover.

- CA/IR/1/5/6/8** **Outline of chapters for a biography of Fr. Francis Nugent OFM Cap**
 c. 1920
 Item
 1 p
 Manuscript
 Outline of chapters in a projected biography of Fr. Francis Nugent OFM Cap. (1569-1635) by Fr. Dominic O'Connor. With cover annotated by Fr. Stanislaus Kavanagh.
- CA/IR/1/5/6/9** **Statement by Fr. Dominic O'Connor on the need to stamp out Freemasonry**
 c. 1921
 Item
 3 pp
 Typescript
 Statement by Fr. Dominic O'Connor to the Chief of Staff of the IRA, Four Courts' Barracks, on the need to stamp out Freemasonry in Ireland. The report reads: 'Freemasonry is the same everywhere in principle and desire – to destroy all religion Catholic and Protestant, Christian and Pagan to make way for its own lewd and lustful phallic worship'. Fr Dominic urges that no restraint be shown in destroying Masonic emblems. He writes: 'I think you may have no scruple in destroying them, I think they should be destroyed in as much as they are not religious emblems, but symbols of lewdness, lust and impurity. The reason for the destruction should be made publicly known'.
- CA/IR/1/5/6/10** **Letter from Fr. Dominic O'Connor to Fr. Paul Neary**
 26 Oct. 1922
 Item
 2 pp
 Manuscript
 Letter from Fr. Dominic O'Connor, Brussels, to Fr. Paul Neary, St. Mary of the Angels, Church Street, Dublin, regarding information found in continental archives regarding the early Irish Capuchins particularly in respect of Fr. Francis Nugent. With cover.
- CA/IR/1/5/6/11** ***Silver jubilee card with poem by Fr. Dominic O'Connor***
 1931
 File
 3 copies
 Printed
 The poem reads:
 'Thy favours still, O Lord bestow;
 Through Mary's hands may grace still flow;
 Give me the Cross or pain or woe,
 But give to Eire Liberty'.

6. Pictorial Albums, Ephemera and Artefacts of the 1916 Rising

Level: Series

Dates of Creation: 1916-1919

Scope and Content: The sub-series contains souvenir booklets and miscellaneous ephemera and artefacts relating to the 1916 Rising. Most of the booklets contain photographic postcards depicting various figures, events and artefacts associated with Easter Week and its aftermath.

Format: Printed

Extent: 9 items and 1 file

CA/IR/1/6/1
OS

Savage Model 1907 Pistol and Holster

1916

Item

Artefact

A 'Savage Model 1907' Pistol reputed to have been used by an Irish Volunteer during the 1916 Rising. The weapon was found by a Capuchin friar on North King Street after the conclusion of the hostilities. With leather holster and spare bullet cartridge. A manuscript note found with the pistol in the gallery of St. Mary of the Angels, Church Street reads:

'These are souvenirs of the 1916 Rising'. A revolver used in King Street. A scissors used in the Four Courts'. Fr. Col[umbus Murphy]'.
Weapon: This semi-automatic pistol was produced by the Savage Arms Company of Utica, New York, from 1907-1920. It had a 10 round magazine. A safety lever is located on the left side of the pistol, at the upper rear of the grip. The model 1907 is often erroneously called a Model 1905 because of the date *Nov. 21, 1905* stamped into the top of the slide on all Savage pistols. This was the date Elbert Searle was awarded one of his firearm patents, which were the design basis for Savage pistols. The model 1907 uses no screws (even the grips snap into place) and is relatively easy to dismantle.

Physical Description:
Specifications:
Weight: 0.6 kg / 19 ounces
Length: 165 mm / 6.5 inches
Barrel length: 95 mm / 3.75 inches
Serial numbers:
Body: 112838
Bolt/firing mechanism: 112838
Top slide cover: 111365

Note: Both the pistol and the holster are worn. The firearm has been deactivated.

CA/IR/1/6/2
OS

Bandolier and Hopsack bag

1916

Item

Artefact

A leather bandolier reputed to have been used by an Irish Volunteer during the 1916 Rising. Retrieved from the gallery of St. Mary of the Angels, Church Street. The bandolier has five pouches for the storage of ammunition and is possibly of home-made manufacture. The hopsack bag is very roughly woven.

- CA/IR/1/6/2
OS** **Metal debris and bullet cartridges**
1916
Item
Artefact
Fused fragments of metal and assorted bullet cartridges reputedly taken from the destroyed shell of the General Post Office in the aftermath of the 1916 Rising.
The provenance is uncertain but cf. **CA/IR/1/3/1/7**.
- CA/IR/1/6/3** ***The record of the Irish Rebellion of 1916***
1916
Item
60 pp
Printed
A booklet of prints, pictures and scenes of the various leaders, events and artefact's associated with the Easter Rising. Printed in Dublin: Office of "Irish Life", [1916]. On cover: Passed by the press censor.
Physical description: 56, [4] pp: ill., ports., facsim., maps, 31 cm.
- CA/IR/1/6/4** ***Dublin and the "Sinn Féin Rising": portraits, documents, pictures, volunteer relics, arms & accoutrements, story of the rising***
1916
Item
28 pp
Printed
An album of mounted photographic reproductions of scenes, individuals, artefacts and records associated with the Rising in Dublin. (Oblong, 8vo, illus. & adverts, printed wrappers). Published by Wilson Hartnell & Co., Dublin. Imprint date is based on text and advertisements. Miscellaneous advertisements are present throughout and on p. [2-4] of wrapper. A facsimile of the *Irish War News* is laid in. On the cover page: 'This album has been passed for transmission abroad by the Official Press Bureau'. Physical description: [1-11] 12-25 [26-28] pp : ill. facsim., map, ports. ; 23 x 30 cm.
- CA/IR/1/6/5** ***The "Sinn Fein" revolt, illustrated***
1916
Item
36 pp
Printed
A booklets depicting events, group leaders, and the destruction of the various land marks in Dublin during the insurrection. (Oblong, 8vo, illus. & adverts, printed wrappers). Printed by Hely's Ltd., Dublin.
A photograph is mounted on cover.
Physical description: [36] pp: ill., map, ports. ; 29 x 22 cm.

- CA/IR/1/6/6** ***The Rebellion in Dublin, April 1916***
 1916
 Item
 38 pp
 Printed
 A booklet of 17 mounted photographs of the destruction in 1916, oblong folio D. (Easons), pictorial wrappers, stitched with a cord, Eason's. Also illustrated with advertisements. The first issue, priced at 6d. Caption title: *The six days' rebellion*. Published: [Dublin: Eason & Son, Ltd., Dublin and Belfast], 1916.
 Physical description: [38] pp.: ill., ports. ; 19 x 25 cm.
- CA/IR/1/6/7** ***Dublin after the six days' insurrection: thirty-one pictures from the camera of Mr. T.W. Murphy***
 1916
 Item
 1 v (unpaged)
 Printed
 A pictorial record album of the destruction of parts of Dublin during the Rising. Published in Dublin by Mecedry, Percy and Co., Ltd. Title from cover. At head of cover title: 'Passed for transmission abroad by the official press bureau'.
 Caption title: 'The Sinn Féin rebellion'.
 Physical description: 1 v. (unpaged); 14 x 23 cm.
- CA/IR/1/6/8** **Sinn Féin Labels**
 c. 1916
 File
 2 items
 Printed
 Two Sinn Féin labels. The labels were a forerunner to postage stamps of the Irish Free State and were printed by Republicans primarily for propaganda value.
 Description: Celtic Cross label. Ringed cross with shamrock leaves; in the four 'corners' and inscriptions of 'Éire' and 'Sinn Féin' (twice) on cross
 The difference between the two years being only colour. Commissioned by Arthur Griffith and designed by Lily Williams this stamp depicted the Cross of Cong with 'ÉIRE' at centre. Sinn Féin members paid a halfpenny each for the stamps and affixed them to letters as a propaganda move. The 1908 Post Office Act outlawed their use after protests by MPs in the House of Commons. They were continued however up to 1916 and beyond. The Cross of Cong design was adopted by the Irish Free State for some values of Irish definitive postage stamps- 3d, 10d and 11d - which were in use up to 1968.
 Description: Hibernia and Wolfhound Label. Hibernia (Erin) with harp, with arms of the four provinces of Ireland (at corners) and wolfhound; inscriptions 'Éire' (top panel) and 'Sinn Féin' (left and right panels).
 The labels were printed by James Walker & Co. Ltd., Dublin in 1908, and again in 1916. The 1916 version was re-drawn and thus differs from the 1908 version

CA/IR/1/6/9

A fragment of 1916 history

c. 1919

Item

32 pp

Printed

A booklet describing the attacks on civilians which took place in North King Street during the Rising. The work was written from a Sinn Féin perspective and was authored by John J. Reynolds

Physical description: 31, [1] p. map 22 cm. Extant in Gate Fold (A sheet that folds where both sides fold toward the gutter in overlapping layers) and Galley proof.

7. Pamphlets, Cartoons and Publicity Material

Level: Series

Dates of Creation: 1916-1929

Scope and Content: This sub-series consists of pamphlets on topics related to Irish political, social and cultural issues published during the revolutionary era. The collection contains pamphlets and publications relating primarily to the political tensions of this period and includes original pamphlets written by Hanna Sheehy-Skeffington, Most Rev. Edward Thomas O'Dwyer, Bishop of Limerick, William O'Brien, George Noble Plunkett, Cumann na mBan, Darrell Figgis, Frank Gallagher and Éamon de Valera. The series is divided into three sub-series broadly relating to the content and date of the publications: 1) 1916 Rising and War of Independence; 2) Elections; 3) Anti-Treaty Publicity Material. The records in each sub-series represent a particular area of activity or theme, and have been arranged accordingly.

Format: Printed and typescript

Extent: 58 items and 21 files

7.1. 1916 Rising and War of Independence

Level: Sub-series

Dates of Creation: 1916-1929

Scope and Content: A collection of pamphlets covering the national movement from c. 1916-1921. The sub-series comprises printed ephemera such as fliers, handbills and other publications.

Format: Printed and typescript

Extent: 22 items and 5 files

CA/IR/1/7/1/1 *Catholic Bulletin*

May-June 1916

Item

106 pp

Printed

A censored edition of *Catholic Bulletin*, Vol. VI, no. 5-6, May-June 1916. On pp 250-253 there is a blank space with the title 'Dublin – May 1916' over a signature, probably referring to a poem by Gobnait Ní Bhruadair which was censored. Similarly, 'Matters of the Moment' has also been left purposely blank (pp 261-3).

An annotation in pen on the front cover reads 'Specimens of censorship. No editorial. No notes on Matters of Moment. Part of Msgr. O'Riordan's Sermon, p. 267'.

CA/IR/1/7/1/2 *In Memoriam Roger Casement ... Died 3rd August 1916 / Specially written by Benmore*

c. Aug. 1916

File

2 copies: 15 pp

Printed

A pamphlet dedicated by the author to Casement's 'dearest surviving friend on earth his loving sister Mrs Newman'.

- CA/IR/1/7/1/3** *A forgotten small nationality: Ireland and the war /by F. Sheehy-Skeffington. British militarism as I have known it / by Hanna Sheehy-Skeffington*
 c. 1916
 Item
 32 pp
 Printed
 A pamphlet authored by Francis Sheehy-Skeffington (1878-1916) and Hanna Sheehy-Skeffington (1877-1946) referring to the struggle for Irish Independence and the country's role in the First World War.
 Note: 32 pp; [2] leaves of plates: portraits; 21 cm.
- CA/IR/1/7/1/4** *Speech made by his lordship the Most Rev. Dr. O'Dwyer on the occasion of the conferring of the freedom of the city of Limerick on him, on the 14th September, 1916: Full report.*
 14 Sept. 1916
 File
 5 pp
 Printed
 A report of speech by the Bishop of Limerick, a self-proclaimed nationalist and land-reformer, referring to contemporary political opinion. Alone of all the Irish Hierarchy, O'Dwyer was the only one to support the leaders of the 1916 Rising. A sentence beginning 'Ireland will never be content as a province' is underlined in the text. *With Irish Emigrants and English Mobs, Letter from the Bishop of Limerick.*
- CA/IR/1/7/1/5** *The Dawn of Irish Freedom*
 c. 1916
 Item
 1 p.
 Printed
 A pen-drawn cartoon sketch titled 'Declaration of Irish Independence New York, March 4-5th 1916'; 'Germany's struggle with England is Ireland's opportunity'.
 The cartoon depicts a troll-shaped caricature dressed in a Union-Jack flag ('John Bull') attacking a young women ('Erin'). A crowned eagle (Imperial Germany) is attacking 'John Bull' thereby rescuing 'Erin'. Annotation in right hand top corner reads: 'A.III.C & Y'.
- CA/IR/1/7/1/6** *Bishop O'Dwyer of Limerick: speech at Limerick, September 14th, 1916*
 1917
 Item
 8 pp
 Printed
 A pamphlet reporting a speech made by the Most Rev. Edward Thomas O'Dwyer, Bishop of Limerick. The speech provides his opinion on current political events. The pamphlet is titled 'No.3' in a series.
 Note: 8 p.; 18 cm.

- CA/IR/1/7/1/7** ***The Irish cause and the "Irish Convention" by Wm. O'Brien***
 1917
 Item
 16 pp
 Printed
 A pamphlet by William O'Brien (1852-1928) regarding the Irish Convention, an assembly which sat in Dublin, from July 1917 until March 1918, which sought to address the Irish Question and other constitutional problems relating to an early enactment of self-government for Ireland. Includes an 'Authorized report of speech delivered on May 21, 1917, in the House of Commons, in the debate on Mr. Lloyd George's Irish proposals'.
 Note: 15, [1] pp; 18 cm.
- CA/IR/1/7/1/8** ***Ireland's claim for exemption from war taxation***
 c. 1917
 Item
 4 pp
 Printed
 A pamphlet in the Republican interest referring to the economic aspects of Ireland's struggle for independence. Published by the 'Irish Financial Relations Committee', Mansion House, Dublin.
 Note: [4] pp; 19 cm.
- CA/IR/1/7/1/9** ***The Subject State: British Policy in Ireland: The Money Argument***
 c. 1917
 Item
 1 p.
 Printed
 A Sinn Féin leaflet criticising the British financial system in Ireland which operates as a 'form of industrial exploitation'. The handbill is numbered '59'.
- CA/IR/1/7/1/10** ***A chronicle of jails***
 1917
 Item
 130 pp
 Printed
 A book written by Darrell Figgis (1882-1925) referring to the imprisonment of Irish Republicans for political crimes and offences. Published in Dublin by The Talbot Press.
 Physical Description : 130 pp; 19 cm.
- CA/IR/1/7/1/11** ***With the Irish in Frongoch***
 1917
 Item
 211 pp
 Printed
 A book written by W. J. Brennan-Whitmore referring to the experiences of Irish Republicans imprisoned after the 1916 Rising. Published in Dublin by The Talbot Press.

Physical description: xi, 211 p., 7 leaves of plates: front., ill., ports. ; 19 cm.

CA/IR/1/7/1/12 *The Bishop of Limerick speaks: How the Irish prisoners are treated*

30 Apr. 1917

File

3 pp

Printed and typescript

A pamphlet in the Republican interest referring to those interned by British authorities in the aftermath of the 1916 Rising. Written by the Most Rev. Edward Thomas O'Dwyer (1842-1917), Bishop of Limerick. Published in Limerick, 1917. The copies are badly torn.

Note: 2 printed copies and 1 typescript copy; 1 sheet; 25 cm.

CA/IR/1/7/1/13 *Irish bishop speaks: The death of Thomas Ashe*

1917

Item

1 p.

Printed

A handbill by the Most Rev. Michael Fogarty (1859-1955), Bishop of Killaloe, protesting against the treatment of Ashe whilst on hunger strike.

Physical description: 1 leaf. 19 cm.

CA/IR/1/7/1/14 *President Wilson's address to the Senate of the United States on 22nd January 1917*

1917

Item

3 pp

Printed

A handbill using a quotation from President Wilson's address to the Senate of the United States on 22nd January 1917. The text encourages American recognition of the Irish Republic. Published by the Irish Nation League, 27 Dawson Street, Dublin

Note: 1 p.; 3 copies

CA/IR/1/7/1/15 *An article describing clashes at a Sinn Féin-organised aeridhacht held in Cullen, County Cork on 26 May 1918*

c. 1918

Item

2 pp

Typescript

The article describes a confrontation with the British military during the *aeridhacht*. It reads 'during the singing and performances not only were many police present but five aeroplanes appeared and for over an hour circled over the meeting, descending to the closest possible proximity to the crowd and drowning by their din the children's music, and that flame rockets were dropped from the planes close to the crowd, one of which set light to a thatched roof ...'. The article is signed 'W.F.P.S.' This is probably William F. P. (Frederick Paul) Stockley, a Sinn Féin politician. The article concludes by declaring that 'We are not completely emancipated from party politicians and capitalist' newspapers. And the Irish nation of the future will never be Imperialist'.

CA/IR/1/7/1/16 *Ireland's Proposal to the Nations*

May 1918

Item

3 pp

Galley proof

A proof copy of a petition (with signatures) to present Ireland's claims before an 'impartial non-British Tribunal' of nations. The accompanying letter stresses the need to present such claims immediately as 'if such reference were postponed to a date after the end of the war it would be too late to avert the dangers that are now imminent'. With a copy of names of individuals (with professions and addresses) endorsing such a presentment to an international tribunal.

CA/IR/1/7/1/17 *To the President of the United States of America*

11 June 1918

Item

12 pp

Printed

An address to Woodrow Wilson, United States President, on the issue of conscription crisis in Ireland. Signed by Laurence O'Neill, Lord Mayor of Dublin
Note: 12 pp; 33 cm.

CA/IR/1/7/1/18 *Ireland and the presidents of the United States / John X. Regan*

June 1919

Item

15 pp

Printed

A pamphlet by John X. Regan referring to the need for American support for a solution to the Irish Question. Published in Boston (Mass.) by the Advisory Committee, Irish Victory Fund. Cover title. At head of title: 'for America's honor', No. 1
Edition: 2nd ed.
Note: 14, [1] pp. (missing last page); 18 cm.

CA/IR/1/7/1/19 *Flier issued to promote the Irish Bond Certificate campaign in the United States*

c. 1919

Item

1 p

Printed

A Republican flier used to publicise the issuing of Irish Bond Certificates in the United States. A comparison is drawn between Benjamin Franklin's visit to Ireland in 1769 and Eamon de Valera's visit to the America in 1919. The flier asks 'Will America do unto Ireland in 1920 as Ireland did unto America in 1769?' Readers are asked to 'Subscribe for the bond certificates of the Republic of Ireland and mail your check today to Eamon De Valera, 411 Fifth Avenue, New York'.

CA/IR/1/7/1/20 *Two years of English atrocities in Ireland*

c. 1919

Item

64 pp

Printed

A pamphlet detailing politically-motivated crimes and offences committed by the English authorities in Ireland from 1917-18.

Note: 3 copies; 64 pp; 22 cm.

CA/IR/1/7/1/21 *Ireland's plea for freedom*

1919

Item

48 pp

Printed

A pamphlet by William Joseph Marie Alois Maloney (b. 1881), 'M.D., Late Captain of the British Army', referring to the Irish Question. Published in New York by The American Press.

Note: 48 pp; 20 cm.

CA/IR/1/7/1/22 *Archbishop Ireland, U.S.A. as statesman and theologian supports I. Revolt against tyranny. II. Government by Republic*

c. 1920

Item

3 pp

Printed

The pamphlet comprise extracts taken from a 'discourse at the Third Council of Baltimore, by Dr. John Ireland, late Archbishop of St. Paul, 10th November 1884'. Rev. Edmond O'Shea, Philadelphia, contends that the principles contained in Dr. Ireland's speech offer a 'full vindication by America's foremost Statesman and Theologian of the Irish Republic proclaimed by Padraig Pearse and the Men of Easter Week, 1916, and ratified by Plebiscite of the Irish People, December 28th, 1918'.

CA/IR/1/7/1/23 *Bound volume of Nationalist pamphlets*

1921

File

259 pp

Printed

A soft-bound volume (24 cm x 15.5 cm) containing the the following pamphlet referring to the Irish Question:

- ***Report of the Labour commission to Ireland***

A pamphlet publishing the findings of British Labour Party-sponsored commission on the Irish troubles. The chairman of the commission was Arthur Henderson, MP (1863-1935).

Physical description: iv, 119, [1] pp : illus. (incl. plan, facsimis.) ; 25 cm.

- ***The American Commission on conditions in Ireland: interim report***
A pamphlet reporting the findings of an American Commission investigating the Irish troubles. The commission held public hearings in Washington, D.C., on 19-20 November, 9-23 December 1920 and on 13,14,19 and 21 January 1921. The chairman was noted as L. Hollingsworth. Published in London by Harding and Moore in 1921. Physical description: 72 pp.
- ***Who burnt Cork City? a tale of arson, loot, and murder; the evidence of over seventy witnesses***
1921
A pamphlet published by the Irish Labour Party and Trades Union Congress in January 1921. The work drew upon eye-witness evidence assembled by Seamus Fitzgerald which argued that the fires which had devastated Cork city on the night of 11 December 1920 had been deliberately set by British forces. Members of the fire service testified that their attempts to contain the blaze were hampered by soldiers who fired on them and cut their hoses with bayonets. Physical description: 68 p. illus.

CA/IR/1/7/1/24 *Circular letter from Seosamh Mac Donnchadha (Joseph MacDonagh), Minister for Labour, Dáil Éireann*

Mar. 1921-April 1921

File

4 pp

Typescript and printed

Circular letter from Seosamh Mac Donnchadha (Joseph MacDonagh), Minister for Labour, Dáil Éireann to the Superiors of all Religious Houses in Ireland, enclosing a copy statement, written by a Belfast priest, detailing 'the Orange atrocities committed on Catholic workers and others last July and August'. MacDonagh asks the Religious Superiors to use 'their wide influence to assist in the rigid enforcement and maintenance of the Belfast Trade Boycott'. MacDonagh was elected unopposed as a Sinn Féin MP for the Tipperary North constituency at the 1918 general election. He was Director of the 'Belfast Boycott', an attempt in 1920-21 to boycott goods from Ulster that were being imported into the south of Ireland. With printed flier titled 'Black list, Belfast Economic Boycott' listing the principal firms acting as distributors for 'Belfast goods' in Dublin and in other parts of Ireland.

CA/IR/1/7/1/25 *Sinn Féin Árd-fheis Reports*

27 Oct. 1921

File

12 pp

Typescript and printed

Sinn Féin. Tuairisc na Rúnaíthe: Árd-Fheis, 1921. Includes Secretaries' report and note on the accounts of the party. Printed in Dublin by Sinn Féin. Physical description: 10 pp; tables; 26 cm; With typescript report of the Hon. Treasurer at the *Árd-Fheis*, 27 Oct. 1921. The report notes that 'in presenting the balance sheet of the most abnormal year the Sinn Féin Organisation has yet experienced, it is a matter for congratulation that thro' all the stress and pressure of the greater portion of the time covered by the present balance

sheet the Organisation continued to work steadily by keeping in touch with all its Comhairle Ceanntair ...'. Includes a table titled 'Receipts and disbursements from 1st October 1920 to 8 Oct. 1921'. Typescript signature of Siobhan Bean an Phaoraigh, Hon. Secretary.

CA/IR/1/7/1/26 *Saorstát na hEireann. Judiciary. Rules and forms*

1921

Item

40 pp

A guide to the rules and forms of judicial, parish and district courts of Saorstát na hEireann. Published by the Department of Home Affairs.

Physical description: 40 pp, [1 v.] 8vo.

CA/IR/1/7/1/27 *The story of Kevin Barry*

c. 1929

Item

4 pp

Printed

A leaflet published by Cumann na mBan, 27 Dawson Street, Dublin, referring to Kevin Barry, sentenced to death for his part in a Republican operation which resulted in the deaths of three British soldiers. The item has a photographic print of Kevin Barry on the front cover.

Note: 4 pp; 21cm.

7.2. Elections

Level: Sub-series

Dates of Creation: 1917-1920

Scope and Content: A collection of publicity material relating to primarily to Sinn Féin victories in parliamentary by-elections in 1917. The sub-series also includes election fliers from the Trade Union and Labour movement.

Format: Printed and typescript

Extent: 8 items and 1 file

CA/IR/1/7/2/1 *Hurrah! Hurrah! For Plunkett*

1917

Item

1 p.

Typescript

A poem (to the Air of 'The Boys of Wexford') advocating support for George Noble Plunkett in the forthcoming by-election. It reads: 'Roscommon's chance has come at last, to strike a manly blow, For Eire's right in freedom's fight, and thralldom overthrow'. In 1917, in Sinn Féin's first parliamentary victory, Plunkett won the seat of Roscommon North in a by-election.

CA/IR/1/7/2/2 *Printed circular letter by George Noble Plunkett stating his political standpoint in the aftermath of his victory in the North Roscommon by-election*

17 Mar. 1917

Item

1 p.

Printed

In the circular Plunkett promoted Sinn Féin's strategy and declared that 'the position of the Irish Party during Easter Week was deplorable. The Leader of the Irish Party [John Redmond] accepted the points of view of the government. He speaks like an Englishman intent on maintaining English supremacy, not as an Irishman who believes that his Nation has the rights common to all nations, and the duty to wrest her liberties from foreign control by every means in her power'.

CA/IR/1/7/2/3 *'Song of Ireland. Air – "Paddies Evermore". I want my four green fields'*

1917

Item

1 p.

Printed

The song uses the refrain 'Up Plunkett and McGuinness! For I want my *four green fields*. Joseph McGuinness contested the 1917 South Longford by-election. Joseph McGuinness was in prison at this time in Lewes, Sussex, for his part in the 1916 Rising.

CA/IR/1/7/2/4 *Father Matt Ryan / to the electors of Longford*

1917

Item

1 p.

Printed

A propaganda handbill highlighting the support of Father Matt Ryan, PP, Knockavilla, Tipperary, 'the famous "General" in the Land War Campaign', for the Sinn Féin candidate in the South Longford by-election.

CA/IR/1/7/2/5 *'Song of the ... [text obliterated]'*

1917

Item

1 p.

Printed

A propaganda handbill urging support for Joseph McGuinness. The poem reads:
'And now, says I, where's your right hand,
To strike a blow for the rebel band,
And drive John Redmond out of the land?
Now, who are you going to vote for?'
Note: Text torn at title.

CA/IR/1/7/2/6 *Put Him In To Get Him Out. Vote for McGuinness: the man in jail for Ireland*

OS

1917

Item

1 p.

Poster (50.6 cm x 38.3 cm)

An illustrated poster issued for the candidate, Joseph McGuinness, by his authorised Election Agent, P. J. Halnon, Solicitor, Longford. Printed at the Gaelic Press, 30 Upper Liffey Street, Dublin.

- CA/IR/1/7/2/7** *Most Rev. Dr. O'Dwyer, Bishop of Limerick, speaking on the 29th September 1896 on the futility of Parliamentary Agitation against Over-Taxation, ...*
 1917
 Item
 1 p.
 Printed
 A propaganda handbill in favour of Sinn Féin's W.T. Cosgrave's campaign for the Kilkenny by-election in 1917. The handbill concludes 'Cosgrave stands for the same principles which the Bishop of Limerick professed 20 years ago ...'. The handbill was printed for the candidate, William T. Cosgrave, by the Kilkenny People Printing Works, James's St., Kilkenny.
- CA/IR/1/7/2/8** *Archbishop Walsh and the Irish Party "Led to Disaster". Lamentable Position of Home Rule*
 1917
 Item
 1 p.
 Printed
 An election handbill quoting a letter from the Most Rev. William J. Archbishop of Dublin criticising the stance of the Irish Parliamentary Party. It reads: 'For years past I have never had a moment's doubt that the Irish Home Rule cause in Parliament was being led along a line that could only bring it to disaster. ...'. The handbill concludes with a call to vote for W.T. Cosgrave in the Kilkenny by-election.
- CA/IR/1/7/2/9** *Election fliers from Trade Union Labour to the Electors of the Arran Quay Ward*
 Jan. 1920
 File
 2 pp
 Printed
 The fliers claim the support of Father Lawrence and Father Albert [Bibby], Capuchin Franciscan Friary, Church Street, calling them 'distinguished representatives of the Order which in dark and evil days held aloft the lamp of learning in Ireland'. Father Lawrence wrote 'I am glad Mr. John Farren is seeking election as a member of the Dublin Corporation. ...'. The fliers were printed by Mitchell & Co., 29 Capel Street, Dublin, and published by the candidate.

7.3. Anti-Treaty Publicity Material

Level: Sub-series

Dates of Creation: 1922-1923

Scope and Content: Many of the Irish Capuchins displayed a noticeable sympathy with the Republican interest during the Civil War. The Church Street community maintained close ties with various Republicans including Frank Gallagher who carried out propaganda work on various Anti-Treaty bulletins, newsletters and publications. Gallagher worked alongside Erskine Childers (who was also on good terms with the Capuchin friars) on the Republican publicity staff. He sided with Éamon de Valera in the Treaty debates. Gallagher and Robert Brennan were significant contributors to the *Daily Bulletin* which was produced at this time (See **CA/IR/1/8/3/8**). As a consequence, most of the tracts obtained by the Capuchins adhere rigidly to the Sinn Féin version of the conflict and demonstrate an implacable hostility to the Treaty and its supporters.

Format: Printed and typescript

Extent: 28 items and 15 files

CA/IR/1/7/3/1 Republican Handbills

c. 1922-1923

File

20 pp

Printed

Six uniform handbills in the Republican interest, starting with:

When the Black and Tans were here 2 copies

The Till of the people 2 copies

The Congo Free State (condemned by all civilised peoples) branded negroes who were slaves.

The Irish Free State brands Irishmen who refuse to be slaves. 2 copies

Make the war-mongers pay for the war ... If England ordered the war don't you think England ought to pay for it? 2 copies

Merciless tigers in their dealings with unarmed Republican prisoners. Spineless worms in their dealings with English ministers. That's what O'Higgins and Mulcahy are. 2 copies.

620,283 Irish voters went to the Polls on June 16th, 1922. Not a solitary one of these 620, 283 voters wanted war. But one English voter, Winston Churchill, wanted war and he had his way. That is what is meant by "The Will of the People". 5 copies

The two policies. The policy of Sinn Fein gives you ... a fearless nation. The other policy gives you ... a craven state. 2 copies.

Do you believe that while there is a single hungry child in Ireland, the sum of £37,865 per year of the Irish Peoples' money should be expended on Tim Healy? 2 copies.

Address to the Dublin Brigade by the Officer Commanding, signed by Oscar Traynor.

CA/IR/1/7/3/2 Do the Irish people love justice?

c. 1922-1923

File

5 pp

Printed

Handbill in the Republican interest attacking the Irish Free State's alleged policy of 'iron rule'. Printed in Manchester by Whiteley & Wright. Titled 'No. 2' in a series of handbills.

Note: 5 copies; 22 cm.

CA/IR/1/7/3/3 *Not Guilty*

c. 1922-1923

File

3 pp

Printed

An Anti-Treaty handbill. The text reads: 'It has been said that the Irish people are guilty of the blood shed by the firing squads, because the executions were carried out in their name ... This is not true ... when the time comes, they will repudiate the responsibility for the blood. Guiltiness and The shame, by turning down the men who falsely used their name as a cover for these horrible deeds.

Printed in Manchester by Whiteley & Wright. Titled 'No. 1' in a series.

Note: 3 copies; 22 cm.

CA/IR/1/7/3/4 *Republican Handbills*

c. 1922

File

30 pp

Printed

Uniform handbills in the Republican interest, starting with:

The Murder Members. The following are the names of the members of the partition parliament who voted for the murder bill. Note: 2 copies; 1 leaf. 31 cm
Seven Steps towards the Republic; 1 p. 19 cm.

The new terror ... homes raided in the dead of night; women and children terrorised ... These are some fruits of the Treaty. We will break this new terror as we broke the old. Make no doubt about it. Note: 1 p. 21 cm.

Conspiracy to murder. The Provisional Government has sent an agent to the south to assassinate Eamonn de Valera. The name of the agent is known. Is this done by the will of the Irish people? Note: 1 p. 17 cm.

Violation of Padraig Pearse's Home. Mrs. Pearse's words to the Free State soldiers; Note: 1 p. 26 cm.

To the Free State Soldiers. Anti-Treaty handbill (black typescript on buff coloured paper), urging Free State soldiers to lay down their arms. Urging the soldiers of the Provisional Government, which includes Arthur Griffith, not to take up arms and/or demean soldiers of the Irish Republic during the Irish Civil War. 1 p. 26 cm.

Murdered. On the murder of Harry Boland. Note: 2 pp; 26 cm.

Provisional Government Offer Valuable Prizes for the Best Answers to the following eighteen questions. Note: 2 copies; 1 leaf; 33 cm.

The Mountjoy "Hotel". Note: 1 p. 27 cm.

Appeal to the People and Volunteers of Tirconaill. Note: 1 p.; 33 cm.

Resolutions adopted by Padraic Pearse Council A.A.R.I.R., Chicago, Illinois, published by the American Association for the Recognition of the Irish Republic. 14 Oct. 1922. Note: Printed, 4 pp.

Do you know Joe Clark? A leaflet, including the statement of Joseph Clark, on the crimes committed against him by the Free State authorities, dated 13 Nov. 1922. Note: 1 p.; 33 cm.

On the proper shoulders. At head of text: extracts from the Official Report of proceedings in the English House of Commons (Hansard, June 26th, 1922, Vol. 155, no. 84). 5 copies; [8] pp.; 22 cm.

CA/IR/1/7/3/5

The Will of the People

c. 1922

Item

1 p.

Typescript

An Anti-Treaty pamphlet by the Irish Republican Army asking 'on what authority did Michael Collins call off the Belfast boycott'. It also demands to know why Collins associated 'with the enemy General Macready and, reinforced by English guns manned by English gunners, lay siege to and destroy the Four Courts'.

CA/IR/1/7/3/6

This is Freedom – Arthur Griffith

c. 1922

Item

1 p.

Typescript

An Anti-Treaty pamphlet attacking Arthur Griffith sarcastically claiming 'This is freedom ... The Britons in Khaki yesterday raided Republican homes ... The West Britons in green to-day raid Republican homes ...'.

Note: Probably missing second page.

CA/IR/1/7/3/7

Who killed Cathal Brugha?

c. 1922

Item

1 p.

Typescript

An Anti-Treaty handbill comprising a poem with a constant refrain asking 'Who killed Cathal Brugha?' who died in fighting on O'Connell Street in July 1922.

It reads:

"Who killed Cathal Brugha?"

"I" said Mick Collins,

With a toss of his head

Tis well he is dead

I killed Cathal Brugha.

The second stanza contains a similar refrain in respect of General Richard Mulcahy.

CA/IR/1/7/3/8

Free State Soldiers!

c. 1922

Item

1 p.

Typescript

An Anti-Treaty handbill imploring Free State soldiers to 'come out from the Free State Army at first opportunity, and renew your allegiance to the Old Love'.

CA/IR/1/7/3/9

Yesterday the RIC were Irishmen who took guns and orders from England: to-day Free-State soldiers are Irishmen who take guns and orders from England

c. 1922

Item

1 p.

Printed

Corporate Author: Irish Republican Army

An Anti-Treaty handbill (black type on buff coloured paper). Text on recto reads: (on left-hand side) "Yesterday the RIC were Irishmen who took (includes image of a hand pointing to the following line in bold type in centre of handbill) "Guns and Orders from England". (On right-hand side) "To-day Free-State soldiers are Irishmen who take (includes another image of a hand pointing to the same line in bold type in centre of handbill) "Guns and Orders from England / in order to / Shoot down Republican Soldiers / Destroy Republican Printing Presses / Raid the homes of Irish Republicans / Fire on Irish Prisoners in the Jails / Fill the Jails with Irish Volunteers / Wage economic war on the Dependants / of the Irish Republicans. / You did not Join the Irish Volunteers for this. / (in larger font and bold type) Don't be any longer Blind. The Men against you are Fighting without / Pay for the Old Cause which/ will NEVER DIE".

Note: 1 p.; 19.4 x 13 cm.

CA/IR/1/7/3/10 *The duty of the hour /by Darrell Figgis*

c. 1922

Item

4 pp

Printed

Extracts from the Sinn Féin 'catechism', republished in the anti-Treaty interest. By Darrell Figgis (1882-1925).

Note: 4 pp; 23 cm.

CA/IR/1/7/3/11 *Queen Elizabeth's Alternative – Michael Collins Supplies It*

c. 1922

Item

1 p.

Printed

An Anti-Treaty leaflet, deriding Michael Collins and the Free State. It reads: "I would much rather hear Mr. Michael Collins called a traitor by Mr. De Valera than hear myself called a traitor by anyone else." Lord Birkenhead'.

Note: 23 cm x 15 cm; 9 in. x 6 in.

CA/IR/1/7/3/12 *To the Free State Soldiers*

c. 1922

File

1 p.

Typescript

An Anti-Treaty handbill (black typescript on buff coloured paper), urging Free State soldiers to lay down their arms. It reads: 'Ireland has one enemy, the infamous English enemy. She has tricked you, kindly, simple lads, as she tricked Irishmen all through the ages of war against her. ... The Irish Republic is not dead. A hundred thousand armed men are in Ireland to-day ready to give their lives that it may live. You are killing them as the R.I.C. tried to kill you'.

Note: 2 copies.

- CA/IR/1/7/3/13** *The truth about the I.R.A. in the West: Record of the campaign in the West from 28th June, 1922*
 28 June 1922
 Item
 2 pp
 Duplicate typescript
 An Anti-Treaty flyer defending Irregular Republican actions in Connacht.
 Note: 2 pp; 33 cm
- CA/IR/1/7/3/14** *An Irish priest's appeal: to the men & women of Ireland*
 3 July 1922
 Item
 3 pp
 Printed
 An address on the role of the Catholic Church in political activity in Ireland.
 Written by priest under the pseudonym of 'Colm Cille'. Subscribed and dated 'Colm Cille 3/7/'22'. Mimeographed.
 Note: [3] pp; 33 cm
- CA/IR/1/7/3/15** *Copy letter to the Commandant Kilmainham Detention Barracks from Irish Republican Prisoners*
 5 Aug. 1922
 Item
 2 pp
 Typescript
 A typescript letter from Oscar Traynor, Tom Barry, Sean Priondargas and other Republican Prisoners, referring to their demands for certain rights and privileges.
- CA/IR/1/7/3/16** *The Free State Prison System*
 Aug. 1922
 Item
 3 pp.
 Printed.
 An Anti-Treaty leaflet and off-print concerning conditions in Kilkenny Jail, the murder of Sean Edwards in Kilkenny, and the murder of Maurice Condon, an unarmed prisoner in Clonmel Town Hall.
- CA/IR/1/7/3/17** *Gentlemen, The King!*
 c. 1922
 File
 2 pp.
 Printed
 A handbill, in the Republican interest, underlining the emphasis in the articles of the Irish Free State constitution which were declared vital and unalterable by Kevin O'Higgins – 'on the authority of the King'. Published in Dublin
 Note: 2 copies; 26 cm.
- CA/IR/1/7/3/18** *In memory of Cathal Brugha and Harry Boland ...*
 c. 1922

File
2 pp
Printed
Handbill with portraits and verse acclaiming Cathal Brugha (1874-1922) and Harry Boland (1877-1922). Published in Dublin.
Note: 14 copies; 29 cm.

CA/IR/1/7/3/19 *Everything will yet work out right for Ireland: Extracts from Harry Boland's last letters ...*

c. 1922
File
2 pp
Printed
Handbill in the Republican interest eulogising Harry Boland (1887-1922).
Note: 10 copies: 1 sheet ([2] pp; 29 x 22 cm.

CA/IR/1/7/3/20 *The bishop's pastoral: a prisoner's letter to His Grace the Archbishop of Dublin / Proinnsias O'Gallchobhair has addressed the following letter to His Grace the Archbishop of Dublin ...*

12 Nov. 1922
File
50 pp
Printed, typescript and copies
Letter dated 13 Nov. 1922, signed Proinnsias O'Gallchobhair (Frank Gallagher), and addressed to the Most Rev. Edward Joseph Byrne, Archbishop of Dublin (1872-1940). The letter refers to the treatment of Republican prisoners. Published in Glasgow and printed by Kirkwood & Co.
Notes: 3 copies; 16 pp; 21 cm. With photocopy, pp [1]; 7-10; 15-16; two typescript copies.

CA/IR/1/7/3/21 *Address from the soldiers of the army of the Republic to their former comrades in the Free State Army and the Civic Guard*

23 Nov. 1922
File
16 pp
Printed
Address signed on behalf of the soldiers of the Republic, Liam Lynch, Chief of Staff, Eamon de Valera, President of the Republic. Published in Dublin by the 'Soldiers of the Republic'. 23 Nov. 1922
Note: 2 copies. [8] pp; 19 cm.

CA/IR/1/7/3/22 *By what authority? /By Proinnsias Ó Gallchobhair*

c. 1922
File
64 pp
Printed
A pamphlet in the Republican interest by Frank Gallagher who worked alongside Erskine Childers on the Republican publicity staff. During this period Gallagher and Robert Brennan were significant contributors to the *Irish Bulletin*. Gallagher served long stints in prison due to his IRA involvement and

went on many hunger strikes (the shortest lasting three days, the longest 41 days).

Note: 5 copies; 16 pp; 22 cm.

CA/IR/1/7/3/23 *Who abandoned the Republic? / By a Western Priest*

c. 1922

Item

64 pp

Printed

Pamphlet published by the Irish Nation Committee referring to the Anglo Irish Treaty of 6 Dec. 1921 and asserting that the creation of the Irish Free State marked a repudiation of Republican principles. Published in Glasgow and Printed by Kirkwood & Co. Written after 5 Mar. 1922. cf. p. 7. Titled 'No. 3' in a series. *The alternative to the "Treaty". ("Document No. 2")* is no. 6 in this series (CA/IR/1/7/3/34).

Note: 4 copies; pagination: [1-2], 3-16 pp; 18 cm.

CA/IR/1/7/3/24 *Where lies the blame?: A reprint of a letter written in reply to a constituent / by Mr. Laurence Ginnell, T.D.*

c. 1922

File

8 pp + 1 p

Printed

A pamphlet written by Laurence Ginnell (1854-1923) who opposed the Anglo-Irish Treaty that was ratified by the Dáil in January 1922. He was elected as an anti-Treaty Sinn Féin TD for the constituency of Longford-Westmeath at the 1922 general election on the eve of the Civil War. Imprint date based on p. 4. With typescript letter from Ginnell to the Most Rev. Edward Byrne, Archbishop of Dublin, referring to the 'murder gang' employed by the Free State Provisional Government. 14 Sept. 1922.

Note: [1] 2-8 pp; 18 cm; 1 p.

CA/IR/1/7/3/24 *"The Pen is mightier than the sword"*

c. 1922

File

8 pp

Printed

A pamphlet in the Republican interest referring to the issue censorship in the Civil War. Published in Glasgow by by Kirkwood & Co. Printer and place of printing is established from p. [4] and imprint date is based on text.

Note: Note: 2 copies; [4] p.; 20 cm.

CA/IR/1/7/3/25 *The Treaty and the original Document No. 2: clauses set out for comparison. Those of Document No. 2 are the original clauses, not those as revised by Mr. De Valera after the treaty had been signed*

1922

Item

8 pp

Printed

A pamphlet referring to the redraft of the Treaty by Éamon de Valera titled a 'Proposed Treaty of Association between Ireland and the British Commonwealth' or more commonly known as 'Document No. 2', presented to Dáil Éireann in January 1922. Imprint date from p. [7]. Additional text on p. [3] of printed wrapper. The text is printed side by side in columns.

Note: [1] 2-8 pp; 22 cm.

CA/IR/1/7/3/26 *Reply to the Pastoral issued by the Irish hierarchy in October 1922 / the following reply to the bishop's pastoral is written by a priest*

1922

Item

4 pp

Typescript

A pamphlet authored by a 'priest' referring to the stance taken by the Catholic Church in supporting the Free State administration, and denouncing Anti-Treaty Republicans, and refusing to administer the sacraments to irregulars. On 10 Oct. 1922, the Catholic Bishops of Ireland issued a formal Pastoral, describing the anti-treaty campaign as 'a system of murder and assassination of the National forces without any legitimate authority ...'. Published in [Glasgow: 1922].

Note: [4] pp; 26 cm.

CA/IR/1/7/3/27 *The responsibility: the following is a statement issued by the Publicity Department, I.R.A., and addressed to each Teachta Dail Éireann, on September 7th, 1922*

1922

Item

4 pp

Printed

An Anti-Treaty pamphlet published in Dublin by the Irish Nation Committee and the Irish Republican Army, Publicity Department.

Note: 4 p. 8vo.

CA/IR/1/7/3/28 *Ghosts – other ghosts or the priests and the republic*

c. 1922

Item

16 pp

Printed

A pamphlet in the Republican interest written under the pseudonym of 'Columban na Banban'. The pamphlet urges priests to adhere to the Republic and to defy their Bishop's commands: 'The Republican Police Force is not disbanded. ... Mulcahy will surrender as surely as Macready surrendered. Doubtless when all arguments are used the Bishops will remain your great stumbling block'. (p. 11).

Note: 16 p. 22 cm.

CA/IR/1/7/3/29 *The Arrest and trial of Capt. Childers*

c. 1922

Item

16 pp

Printed

A pamphlet relating to the trial and execution of Erskine Childers (1870-1922) who was convicted by a Free State military court on charges of illegally possessing a firearm and sentenced to death. While his appeal against the sentence was still pending, Childers was executed by firing squad at the Beggar's Bush Barracks in Dublin on 24 Nov. 1922. The tract includes an elegy on Erskine Childers by Padraig de Brún. Published in London by Leslie Smith & Co., printers.

Note: [1-3] 4-16 pp: portrait; 22 cm.

CA/IR/1/7/3/30 *Your king and country calls ... (signed) Michael Collins, Commander of the forces in Ireland, Richard Mulcahy, Owen O'Duffy*

c. 1922

File

2 pp

Printed

A handbill in the form of an ironic attack on the Free State leaders. This Anti-Oath flyer quotes the articles in the Free State constitution which refer to allegiance to 'the King', and refers to Kevin O'Higgins' support for them.

Note: 2 copies; 1 p.; 33 cm.

CA/IR/1/7/3/31 *'Free State Freaks'*

c. 1922

Item

7 pp

Printed

A one off Anti-Treaty publication produced on a duplicating machine with caricatures of Sir Alfred Cope, Cosgrave, Mulcahy, Walsh, Blythe, Fitzgerald, etc. The drawings are attributed to Constance de Markievicz (1868-1927).

The publication includes caricatures of:

Séan Ó Muirthile, member of the Supreme Council of the IRB (Irish Republican Brotherhood) 1916, Head and shoulders.

Desmond Fitzgerald, (1889-1947), Minister for External Affairs 1922-1927 and Minister for Propaganda outside the cabinet, August 1921. Described as 'Liar in Chief to Publicity Department. Slave-State'. Head and shoulders, full face.

Earnest Blythe: 'The importance of being Earnest ...'.

J.J. Walsh: 'The man of "letters" with the "mailed" fist;

Richard Mulcahy: 'haunted by the dreams of prisoners murdered by his troops';

W.J. Cosgrave: 'Jester in chief to the Freak State as seen in the Empire'.

Physical Description: 7 pp; 33 cm x 20 cm, 13 in x 8 in.

CA/IR/1/7/3/32 *Anti-Treaty Political Cartoons*

1922

File

3 items

Printed

Cartoons attributed to Constance de Markievicz (1868-1927).

- A figure of Hibernia with arms behind her back and chained. Michael Collins, (1890-1922), holds a gun to her head. Behind Michael Collins are a bishop and William Thomas Cosgrove, (1880-1965). In front of Hibernia and carrying a piece of paper with the words 'Propaganda D.F.', is Desmond Fitzgerald, (1889-1947). The caption reads: Carey Collins - Go down on your b----- knees without any more d-----d fuss swear allegiance to King George and his heirs. : Faker Fitzgerald - Don't listen to Devalera [sic]. I could tell you a lot about great great grandmother and Spanish gold. : The Bishop - Take any other oath that will get you out of your difficulties. : Comic Cosgrave - It was an awful joke talking about freedom, you know.
- *The branded arm of James O'Reilly Sketched from life by C de M.*
View of an arm with sleeve rolled up to expose branded marks.
According to the printed statement on the next page, Stephen Comnan aka James O'Reilly of Ballyblia, Ardee, County Louth, Ireland, was arrested on 11 September 1922 while travelling on a weekend visit to Drogheda. He was arrested on suspicion that he had taken part in a Republican demonstration in Ardee. He was then branded.
Notes: Title printed. Watermarks visible.
Physical description: 1 stencil print: roneo; 32.6 x 19.3 cm.
Extent: 2 copies.

CA/IR/1/7/3/33 *Easter Week Repeats Itself*

OS

c. 1922

Item

1 p

74 cm x 51 cm

Printed poster

An Anti-Treaty flyposter probably referring to the Free State attack on the Four Courts. It reads:

EASTER WEEK REPEATS ITSELF

THE IRA STILL DEFENDING THE REPUBLIC.

CA/IR/1/7/3/44 *Republican Cartoons*

c. July 1922

File

5 items

Prints

A series of Republican cartoons by Constance Markievicz published during the Civil War attacking various prominent Free State figures including Arthur Griffith and Michael Collins. Two of the cartoons are titled 'Midnight Assassins' and refer to supposed threats to the lives of Éamon de Valera and Erskine Childers. Another affirms that Griffith and Collins are 'marching heads up into the Empire over the bodies of their murdered Comrades' whilst another suggests a comparison between James Craig and Michael Collins in terms of their treatment of Republicans. The cartoons may have been published in the Anti-Treaty publication *The Fenian* (See **CA/IR/1/8/3/5**).

CA/IR/1/7/3/34 *The alternative to the "Treaty". ("Document No. 2")*

1923

Item

16 pp

Printed

A pamphlet referring to the redraft of the Treaty by Éamon de Valera titled a 'Proposed Treaty of Association between Ireland and the British Commonwealth' or more commonly known as 'Document No. 2', presented to Dáil Éireann in January 1922. Published in Dublin by the Irish Nation Committee [1923]. Titled 'No. 6' in a series. *Who abandoned the Republic? / By a Western Priest* is 'No. 3' in this series (CA/IR/1/7/3/23).

Note: [2], 11, [3] pp; 24 cm.

CA/IR/1/7/3/35 *The testament of the Republic / by President De Valera*

1923

Item

8 pp

Printed

A pamphlet in the Republican interest by Éamon de Valera concerning the Treaty. Published in Dublin by the Irish Nation Committee and printed by Kirkwood & Co., Glasgow. Titled 'No. 1' in a series. *Who abandoned the Republic? / By a Western Priest* is 'No. 3' in this series (CA/IR/1/7/3/23).

Note: 8 pp; 17.4 cm.

CA/IR/1/7/3/36 *Who stands for the sovereignty of the Irish people?*

1923

Item

1 p.

Printed

A Republican handbill containing extracts from a letter by Eamon De Valera read at the 'Sinn Féin meeting at the Mansion House, Dublin, July 17th, 1923'. Printed in Manchester by Whiteley and Wright. Titled 'No. 6' in a series.

Note: 28 cm.

CA/IR/1/7/3/37 *To the memory of five brave Irishmen who died for Ireland. Leo Dowling. Sylvester Heaney. Laurence Sheehy. Anthony O'Reilly. Terence Brady. (Executed in Kilmainham Jail on January 8th, 1923)*

c. 1923

Item

1 p.

Printed

A handbill praising the heroism of Republican prisoners executed by Free State authorities. Published in Glasgow, and printed by Kirkwood & Co.

Note: 23 cm.

CA/IR/1/7/3/38 *To Caithleen ni Houlihan*

1923

Item

1 p.

Printed

A Republican handbill 'To Caithleen ni Houlihan', representing Ireland, notifying 'you that by virtue of the authority vested in me by His Majesty King George V., your son was executed at dawn this morning'. The handbill is signed 'W.T. Cosgrave'. The handbill is numbered '61'.

CA/IR/1/7/3/39 British Empire Unlimited

c. 1923

Item

1 p.

Printed

A handbill in the Republican interest drawing a parallel between the executions carried out by the British government and the Irish Free State.

Note: 1 leaf; 31 cm.

CA/IR/1/7/3/40 Facsimile letter from a Irish Free State Captain, Military Barracks, Dundalk, to Colonel O'Higgins, Dublin Command

1 Feb. 1923

File

2 pp

Printed

An Anti-Treaty propaganda leaflet of a facsimile letter from a Irish Free State Captain, Military Barracks, Dundalk, to Colonel O'Higgins, Dublin Command, re accounts for whiskey which was 'purchased on the order of General Hogan, and supplied to the firing squads who carried out the executions here'.

CA/IR/1/7/3/41 Free State makes bad blunder in applying for league membership

28 Apr. 1923

Item

4 pp

Printed

A pamphlet in the Anti-Treaty interest authored by the 'Friends of Irish Freedom' and published in New York. Reprinted from *The Gaelic American*, 28 Apr. 1923.

Note: 4 pp; 27 cm.

CA/IR/1/7/3/42 Report on the treatment of wounded and sick Republican prisoners in General, Military and Isolation Hospitals, Curragh, 1923

17 Dec. 1923

Item

10 pp

Typescript

A tract published by the Dublin brigade of the IRA referring to the treatment of wounded Republican prisoners by Free State authorities.

Notes: [1 p.]; 10 pp; 26 cm.

CA/IR/1/7/3/43 Brigadier-Gen. Denis Lacy: his life and adventures

1924

Item

36 pp

Printed

A short sketch of Denis Lacy's life by Liam Healy

Summary: Dennis Lacey, (1890-1923) was an IRA officer during the War of Independence and anti-Treaty officer during the Civil War. Lacey was born in 1890 in a village called Attybrack, near Annacarty, County Tipperary. He joined the Irish Volunteers in 1913 and was sworn in to the secretive Irish Republican

Brotherhood in 1914. During the War of Independence he commanded an IRA flying column of the 3rd Tipperary Brigade. In July 1920, this guerrilla unit mounted two successful ambushes of British forces – killing six British soldiers at Thomastown near Golden, County Tipperary , and four Royal Irish Constabulary men at Lisnagaul in the Glen of Aherlow. Lacey opposed the Treaty and most of his men followed suit. He later commanded the Anti-Treaty IRA's Second Southern Division. In the ensuing conflict, he organised guerrilla activity in north Tipperary against Free State forces. He was killed in an action with Free State troops at Ballydavid, near Bansha in the Glen of Aherlow on 18 Feb. 1923.

The pamphlet was printed in Waterford by The News Printing Works.

Physical description: 36 pp. portr. 18 cm.

8. Newspapers and Bulletins

Level: Series

Dates of Creation: 1898-1926

Scope and Content: A large collection of newspapers, broadsheets and daily bulletins relating to the independence struggle. The republican newspapers, publicity material and political ephemera collected by the Irish Capuchins are particularly important as they cover a broad spectrum of nationalist political debate. A good number of the Irish Capuchins were privately sympathetic to the Republican side and maintained close contacts with many prominent Anti-Treaty figures. Many of the Republican newspapers and bulletins accumulated by the friars covered the day-to-day conduct of the Civil War and contain information not found elsewhere in the contemporary press (since the daily papers published little or nothing originating from the Anti-Treaty side). The series is divided into four sub-series broadly relating to the content and political outlook of the publications: 1) Nationalist including cultural nationalist and revivalist publications; 2) *Irish Bulletin*, the official gazette of the government of the Irish Republic during the War of Independence; 3) Republican and Anti-Treaty publications; 4) Foreign Newspapers.

Format: Newspaper and typescript

Extent: 12 items and 37 files

8.1. Nationalist

Level: Sub-series

Dates of Creation: 1898-1926

Scope and Content: A collection of broadly nationalist newspapers and broadsheets. The sub-series includes cultural, Irish language and labour publications. The sub-series also contains contemporary newspapers reporting the 1916 Rising and the major events of the War of Independence.

Format: Newspaper

Extent: 8 items and 15 files

CA/IR/1/8/1/1
OS

Fáinne an Lae

8 Jan. 1898-31 Dec. 1898

File

1 bound volume

Newspaper

A soft-bound volume containing a complete run of this weekly bi-lingual newspaper published to advance literacy in the Irish language. The file contains a complete run of issues from 8 Jan. 1898 (Vol. 1. No. 1)-31 Dec. 1898 (Vol. 2. No. 52). The editor of the newspaper was Eoin MacNeill. An advertisement published in the newspaper noted that complete volumes of *Fáinne an Lae*, bound in cloth (such as this) were available from the publisher: Bernard Doyle, 9 Upper Ormond Quay, Dublin, for 6s 6d.

Note: See *An Claidheamh Soluis* (CA/IR/1/8/1/6).

- CA/IR/1/8/1/2 OS** ***The Leader / A Review of Current Affairs, Politics, Literature, Art and Industry***
 1 Sept. 1900-20 Feb. 1904
 File
 1 bound volume
 Newspaper
 A hard-bound volume containing a complete run of this weekly publication. The series runs from 1 Sept. 1900 (Vol. V, No. 1)-20 Feb. 1904 (Vol. VII, No. 26). The founding editor of *The Leader* was the Waterford-born David Patrick Moran. He was educated in Mount Sion CBS, and later in St. Vincent's College, Castleknock. On leaving school he went to London where he gained his first journalistic appointment at the *Star* newspaper, founded by T.P. O'Connor. Moran was attracted to the Irish language movement and, through it, to Irish nationalism, during his thirteen years in London. In 1898 he returned to Dublin and joined the Gaelic League. In 1900 he founded *The Leader*, an outspoken weekly publication devoted to preserving important facets of the cultural and national heritage of the country. *The Leader* was an immediate success. *The Leader* attracted a lot of Irish advertising and Moran saw the publicising of Irish goods as one of its main roles. He advocated 'buy Irish' campaigns but sensibly warned that the Irish people would buy Irish goods only if they were 'as good and as cheap' as imports.
 An ink stamp on the inside front cover and on the fly leaf reads: 'Father Matthew Temperance Hall, Church Street, Dublin'.
 Folio, some illustrations. Bound volume with title to spine 'The Leader, Vols. 5-7'.
 Physical Condition: Some pages are soiled and frayed. The binding around the spine is torn and partially detached from the text block.
- CA/IR/1/8/1/3 OS** ***The United Irishman***
 23 Apr. 1904
 File
 3 copies; 8 pp
 Newspaper
The United Irishman was an Irish nationalist newspaper co-founded by Arthur Griffith and William Rooney. The first publication was issued on 4 Mar. 1899 it ran until 1906. It was sub-titled 'A National Weekly Review'. The file contains the issue of 23 Apr. 1904 (Vol. 11 No. 269). This edition published copy correspondence from the Capuchin Friary in Cork relating to the 'Vindication of Monsignor Persico' (pp 2-3). 3 copies.
 Note: The issues are badly torn and fragile.
- CA/IR/1/8/1/29** ***Glór na Ly / páipéar nóchda a n-ay an ví***
 Feb. 1912
 Item
 8 pp
 Newspaper
 A copy of *Glór na Ly*, an Irish language serial, dated 'Machroumha, Feaura, 1912' (Vol. I, no. 9).
- CA/IR/1/8/1/24 OS** ***An Barr Buadh***
 16 Mar. 1912-25 May 1912
 File

Bound volume; 37 cm x 25.5 cm

Newspaper

Bound volume containing the complete run of *An Barr Buadh* ('The Trumpet of Freedom'), from 16 Mar. 1912 (Vol. 1, No. 1)-25 May 1912 (Vol. 1, No. 11). In March 1912, Padraig Pearse founded this weekly Irish language political journal. Its purpose was to 'advocate the political independence of Ireland'. With only a limited circulation, *An Barr Buadh* only ran to eleven issues and had only four pages. Regular contributors included Pearse himself, Brian O'Higgins, Eamonn Ceannt, Thomas Mac Donnell, Desmond Ryan, Cathal Brugha, The O'Rahilly and Peadar Kearney. The articles focused almost exclusively on political issues and paper rarely dealt with social or economic matters. The first page of the bound volume is annotated with the manuscript signature of Tomás de Roiste, the noted Gaelic scholar.

CA/IR/1/8/1/4 *An Bhearna Bhaoil*

Dec. 1912

Item

15 pp

Newspaper

A 'national annual' with contributions from Arthur Griffith, Alderman Thomas Kelly, Seamus O'Sullivan, 'John Brennan', 'Brian Na Banban', Patsy Patrick and Alderman P. Macken. Cover contains a cartoon drawn by Grace Gifford: 'Thou are not conquered yet dear land'.

CA/IR/1/8/1/5 *Liberator and Irish Trade Unionist*

OS

23 Aug. 1913-22 Nov. 1913

File

1 bound volume + 1 printed pamphlet

Newspaper and printed

The *Liberator* was a weekly newspaper published by Bernard Doyle from offices in Parliament Street, Dublin. The paper espoused opposition to Jim Larkin, the trade union leader during the Dublin Lockout. Each edition featured elaborate and caustic cartoons and editorials invariably attacking Larkin. The file contains a complete bound run of this short-lived journal: 23 Aug. 1913 (Vol. 1. Nos. 1-14).

The file also contains *The Irish Trade Unionist and Labour Year Book, 1913*.

Edited by Bernard Doyle, 48 pp.

Note: See Pádraig Yeates, *Lockout, Dublin 1913* (Dublin: Gill & MacMillan, 2000), pp 402-403.

CA/IR/1/8/1/32 *Sinn Féin*

OS

20 Sept. 1913-21 Nov. 1914

File

3 items

Newspaper

The file contains the following editions of this nationalist newspaper edited by Arthur Griffith.

20 Sept. 1913 (Vol. 4, No. 190)

7 Nov. 1914 (Vol. 5, No. 237)

21 Nov. 1914 (Vol. 5, No. 239)

When his newspaper *The United Irishman* closed in 1906 due to a libel action, Griffith adopted the title *Sinn Féin* for the replacement paper where he continued to promote his policies until its suppression in 1914.

Note: The edges of the papers are frayed and fragile.

**CA/IR/1/8/1/6
OS**

An Claidheamh Soluis

31 Jan. 1914-4 Dec. 1920

File

51 items

Newspaper

An Claidheamh Soluis ('the sword of light') was an Irish nationalist newspaper published by Conradh na Gaeilge (the Gaelic League). It was published as a weekly bi-lingual newspaper for the advancement of the Irish language. Eoin MacNeill was its first editor. He oversaw its publication from 1899 to 1901. In 1900 the League took control of the weekly bilingual paper *Fáinne an Lae* (See **CA/IR/1/8/1/1**). This title was merged with *An Claidheamh Soluis* and the newspapers appeared as *An Claidheamh Soluis agus Fáinne an Lae*. The paper was later published under the names of *Fáinne an Lae* (1918–19; 1922–30) and *Misneach* (1919–22). The file contains the following issues of the newspaper under its various titles:

An Claidheamh Soluis

31 Jan. 1914-29 Dec. 1917

31 Jan. 1914 (pp 3-10 only)

13 Nov. 1915 (no. 920)

1 Mar. 1916 (no. 937)

29 Apr., 6, 13, 20, 27 May 1916 (no. 944)

10 May 1916 (no. 946)

24 May 1916 (no. 948)

9 Sept. 1916 (no. 959)

16 Sept. 1916 (no. 960)

23 Sept. 1916 (no. 961)

16 Dec. 1916 (no. 973)

21 July 1917 (no. 1,004)

4 Aug. 1917 (no. 1,006)

29 Sept. 1917 (no. 1,013)

20 Oct. 1917 (no. 1,017)

27 Oct. 1917 (no. 1,018)

3 Nov. 1917 (no. 1,019)

17 Oct. 1917 (no. 1,021)

24 Oct. 1917 (no. 1,022)

15 Dec. 1917 (no. 1,025)

22 Dec. 1917 (no. 1,026)

29 Dec. 1917 (no. 1,029)

Fáinne an Lae

9 Mar. 1918-20 Sept. 1919

9 Mar. 1918 (no. 1037)

13 Apr. 1918 (no. 1,042) – 4 May 1918 (no. 1,045)

18 May 1918 (no. 1,047) – 25 May 1918 (no. 1,048)

15 June 1918 (no. 1,051)

4 Jan. 1919 (no. 1,080)

23 Aug. 1919 (no. 1,113)
20 Sept. 1919 (no. 1,117)

Misneach

7 Feb. 1920-4 Dec. 1920

7 Feb. 1920 (no. 12)
29 May 1920 (no. 28)
26 June 1920. (one sheet only)
3 July 1920 (no. 33)
10 July 1920 (no. 34)
17 July 1920 (no. 35)
31 July 1920 (no. 37). Oireachtas 1920 edition.
11 Sept. 1920 (no. 43)-2 Oct. 1920 (no. 46)
16 Oct. 1920 (no. 48)-4 Dec. 1920 (no. 54)

CA/BV/1/1

Newspaper Cuttings Book

26 July 1914-30 July 1914

Bound volume

126 pp

47 cm x 32 cm

Newspaper cuttings book compiled and annotated by Fr. Stanislaus Kavanagh. Printed stamp on inside front cover: 'Franciscan Capuchin Library, Church Street, Dublin'. The pages have been numbered by Fr. Stanislaus. The cuttings include:

3-5: Reports relating to the Bachelor's Walk shootings in Dublin on 26 July 1914. Includes cuttings of photographic prints of the funerals of the three victims: 50-year-old Mary Duffy, 50-year-old Patrick Quinn and 18-year-old James Brennan.

CA/IR/1/8/1/28
OS

The Irish Volunteer

27 Feb. 1915-8 Apr. 1916

File

17 items

Newspaper

The file contains the following editions of this nationalist newspaper edited by Eoin MacNeill: 27 Feb. 1915 (Vol. 2, No. 13, new series)-8 Apr. 1916 (Vol. 2, No. 70, new series). The series is incomplete.

CA/IR/1/8/1/31
OS

Scissors and Paste

27 Feb. 1915

Item

4 pp

Newspaper

A copy of the nationalist newspaper edited by Arthur Griffith, *Scissors and Paste*, 27 Feb. 1915 (Vol. I, no. 22). Griffith actively discouraged Irishmen from fighting with the British army in the First World War, as a result of which the *Sinn Féin* newspaper was banned in December 1914; Griffith promptly replaced it with *Scissors and Paste* and later with *Nationality*, both of which continued to promote Sinn Féin policies. In *Scissors and Paste*, Griffith evaded British

censorship by sampling articles from the uncensored press and then juxtaposing them so that readers could draw their own conclusions.

CA/IR/1/8/1/27 *The Spark*

28 Mar. 1915-23 Apr. 1916

File

23 items

Newspaper

The file contains the following editions of this weekly nationalist newsprint edited by Ed. Dalton: 28 Mar. 1915 (Vol. 1, No. 8)-23 Apr. 1916 (Vol. 1, No. 64). The series is incomplete but there are multiple copies of some editions extant in the file. The cover banner of *The Spark* was drawn by Grace Gifford.

CA/IR/1/8/1/25 *Nationality*

19 June 1915-22 Apr. 1916

File

61 items

Newspaper

The file comprises the following editions of this nationalist newspaper published from offices at 12 D'Olier Street, Dublin: 12 June 1915 (Vol. 1, No. 1)-22 Apr. 1916 (Vol. 1, No. 45). The file lacks nos. 3, 14-17, 19-20. There are multiple copies of several editions. *Nationality* was closely associated with the Irish Volunteers and with some of the leading figures of the Republican movement including Sean MacDiarmada.

Note: The first edition (19 June 1915) is badly torn and requires extensive cleaning.

CA/IR/1/8/1/7 *The Irish Catholic*

OS

16 Oct. 1915-7 Nov. 1925

File

6 items

Newspaper

The file comprises the following editions of this weekly Irish Catholic publication:

16 Oct. 1915 (Vol. XXVIII, No. 42)

20 Nov. 1915 (Vol. XXVIII, No. 47)

29 Jan. 1916 (Vol. XXIX, No. 5)

1 Dec. 1923 (Vol. XXXVI, No. 48)

7 Nov. 1925 (Vol. XXXVIII, No. 14). 2 copies. This edition contains a report of a sermon in Kilkenny by Fr. Sylvester Mulligan, Provincial Minister, on the history of the Irish Capuchins.

CA/IR/1/8/1/30 *The Workers' Republic*

OS

6 Nov. 1915-1 Apr. 1916

File

3 items

Newspaper

The file comprises the following editions of this weekly socialist and nationalist newspaper founded and edited by James Connolly:

6 Nov. 1915 (Vol. 1, No. 24)

18 Dec. 1915 (Vol. 1, No. 30)

1 Apr. 1916 (Vol. 1, No. 45)

From 1915, Connolly printed the *Workers' Republic* newspaper on a Double Crown Wharfedale printer from offices at Liberty Hall.

CA/IR/1/8/1/8 *Irish Opinion / a Weekly Newspaper and Review*

17 June 1916-28 Apr. 1917

File

1 Bound volume

Newspaper

The file comprises the following issues of this nationalist political and cultural publication: 17 June 1916 (Vol. 1, No. 1) - 28 Apr. 1917 (Vol. 1, No. 46). The series is complete. The bound volume of issues is tied with chord.

Physical condition: Small amount of splitting and fraying to edges.

CA/IR/1/8/1/9 *An Gaedhal*

29 Jan. 1916

Item

20 pp

Newspaper

The Gael was described as a weekly journal of stories, sketches, news notes and songs. The file contains the issue: 29 Jan. 1916 (Vol. 1, No. 1) which provides news on the activities of local Irish Volunteer units. It was printed for the proprietor (Eamon O'Duibhir) at The Gaelic Press, 30 Upper Liffey Street, Dublin.

CA/IR/1/8/1/10 *Newspaper reports of the 1916 Rising and its aftermath*

OS

29 Apr. 1916-24 June 1916

File

11 items

Newspaper

The file includes the following editions from mainly national newspapers reporting on the Rising and on subsequent events:

Cork Examiner, 24 June 1916

Irish Weekly Independent, 29 Apr. & 6 May & 13 May 1916

Weekly Irish Times, 29 Apr. & 13 May 1916

Irish Times, 18 Apr.-1 May 1916; 12 May 1916 (p. 5 only)

Saturday Herald, 27 May 1916

Cork Examiner, 6 May 1916

Freeman's Journal, 11-13 May 1916; 2 June 1916 (13 May 1916 has pp 5-8 only).

Irish Independent, 15 May 1916

Note: Some of the issues are badly torn and are extremely fragile.

CA/BV/1/1 *Newspaper Cuttings Book*

May 1916-June 1916

Bound volume

126 pp

47 cm x 32 cm

Newspaper cuttings book compiled and annotated by Fr. Stanislaus Kavanagh. Printed stamp on inside front cover: 'Franciscan Capuchin Library, Church Street, Dublin'. The pages have been numbered by Fr. Stanislaus. The book includes on pp 71-82; 86-92; 97-100; 123-124 numerous cuttings reporting the 1916 Rising and its aftermath. Some of the reports refer to Fr. Augustine Hayden and his ministering to Con Colbert.

CA/IR/1/8/1/11 *An Iócrann: páipéar Gaedilge in aghaid gaca mú*

July 1917-July 1920

File

8 items

Newspaper

An Iócrann was established by Pádraig Ó Siochfhradha (1883-1964) and was published in Cork. It featured Irish language revivalist literature and articles on Gaelic folklore and music. The file comprises the following editions:

July 1917 (no. 16)

Mar. 1918 (no. 24). Annotation on page 8: 'Father Albert [Biddy]'.

Apr. 1919. (no. 37)

July 1919 (no. 40). 2 copies

Dec. 1919 (no. 45)

Feb. 1920 (no. 47)

July 1920 (no. 52)

CA/IR/1/8/1/12 *Nationality*

OS

25 Aug. 1917-20 Aug. 1919

File

2 items

Newspaper

Nationality was edited by Arthur Griffith from offices at 6 Harcourt Street, Dublin. The files contains the following issues (both of which are extremely fragile):

25 Aug. 1917, Vol. 1, No. 28 (new series)

20 Sept. 1919, Vol. 3, No. 32 (new series)

CA/IR/1/8/1/13 *An Stoc*

OS

Dec. 1917-May 1920

File

5 items

Newspaper

An Stoc was edited by Tomás Ó Máille (1880-1938). Ó Máille was born in Connemara and was educated in University College Manchester, in Freiburg and later in Berlin. He became professor of Irish studies at University College Galway. Amongst his published works were *The Language of the annals of Ulster* (1910); *An Gaoth Aniar* (1920); *MacDatho* (1927); *Medb Chriachna* (1934); *Diarmad Dann* (1936); *An Béal Beo* (1936). He edited *An Stoc*, which contained Irish poetry, folklore extracts and other forms of cultural revivalist and nationalist literature. *An Stoc* was published in Galway by Coláiste na h-Iolsgoile. The file contains the following issues:

Dec. 1917. Vol. 1, No. 1
 Jan. 1918. Vol. 1, No. 2
 Feb.-Mar. 1918. Vol. 1, No. 3
 Apr.-May 1918. Vol. 1, No. 4.
 Apr.-May 1920. Vol. 2, No. 10

CA/IR/1/8/1/33 *The Student / a magazine of national & university affairs*

OS

27 Nov. 1918-10 Dec. 1918

File

4 items

Newspaper

The file contains the following editions of this newspaper produced by the National Students' Club, Cork: 27 Nov. 1918; 30 Nov. 1918; 7 Dec. 1918; 10 Dec. 1918. The articles are chiefly in English, with some in Irish. The paper was printed for the proprietors by Gaelic Publishers, 96 Patrick Street, Cork. In Nov. and Dec. 1918 *The Student* was published twice weekly because of the general election cf. issue for 27 Nov. 1918. Parallel title at head: *Macléighinn*

CA/BV/1/1

Newspaper Cuttings Book

16 Dec. 1918

Bound volume

126 pp

47 cm x 32 cm

Newspaper cuttings book compiled and annotated by Fr. Stanislaus Kavanagh. Printed stamp on inside front cover: 'Franciscan Capuchin Library, Church Street, Dublin'. The pages have been numbered by Fr. Stanislaus. On page 25 there is a cutting of a report on the funeral of Richard Coleman, Irish Volunteer, in Dublin. *Irish Independent*, 16 Dec. 1918.

CA/IR/1/8/1/34 *The Republic / An Phoblacht*

OS

21 June 1919

Item

12 pp

Newspaper

A copy of *The Republic* edited by Darrell Figgis, 21 June 1919 (Vol. 1, No. 1). Figgis published this Republican newsheet from offices at 40 Lower Ormond Quay, Dublin.

CA/IR/1/8/1/14 *New Ireland (Ár n-Éire)*

OS

9 Aug. 1919-1 July 1922

File

45 items

Newspaper

The file comprises the following editions of this Irish nationalist newspaper edited by D. Gwynn and P.S. Little:

Bound editions:

27 May 1922 (new issue, vol. 1, no. 1)-24 June 1922 (new issue, vol. 1, no. 5)

Loose editions:

7 July 1917 (Vol. IV, no. 9)

9 Aug. 1919 (Vol. VIII, No. 14);

16 Aug. 1919 (Vol. VIII, No. 15);

17 June 1922 (new issue, vol. I, no. 4);

24 June 1922 (new issue, vol. I, no. 5);

1 July 1922 (new issue, vol. I, no. 6).

Note: 9 Aug. 1919 (pp 219-20 only); 17 June 1922 (pp 3-4 only).

CA/IR/1/8/1/26 *Old Ireland / A Weekly Review*

OS

29 Nov. 1919-26 Mar. 1921

File

38 items

The file comprises an incomplete of run of this weekly publication published in Dublin. With numerous single sheets or clippings from selected editions.

Physical description: [1 v.] 27 cm.

Note: 43 items in 3 folders.

CA/IR/1/8/1/15 *Young Ireland (Éire Og)*

OS

Dec. 1919-Nov. 1921

File

64 items

Newspaper

The file comprises mostly single sheets and clippings from editions of *Young Ireland (Éire Og)*. Complete editions include: 21 May 1921 (No. 17); 16 July 1921 (No. 24); 23 July 1921 (No. 26); 12 Nov. 1921 (No. 42).

Physical Condition: Paper is extremely fragmentary and brittle.

CA/IR/1/8/1/16 *Evening Telegraph*

OS

1 Nov. 1920

Item

4 pp

Newspaper

The file contains the issue: 1 Nov. 1920 (no. 11,442) referring to the execution of Kevin Barry in Mountjoy Jail. Front page reads: 'Subsequently Father Albert, OSFC, succeeded in visiting the prisoner, who again saluted when the priest left him'.

Physical Condition: Edge of the paper is slightly torn and frayed.

CA/IR/1/8/1/17 *Freeman's Journal*

OS

1 Nov. 1920

Item

8 pp

Newspaper

The file contains the issue: 1 Nov. 1920 (vol. CLIII) referring to Fr. Dominic O'Connor's role at the funeral of Terence MacSwiney, Lord Mayor of Cork.

CA/IR/1/8/1/18 *An t-Óglác*

2 Dec. 1921-29 May 1926

File
 18 items
 Newspaper
 The file comprises the following editions:
An t-Óglác the official organ of the Irish Volunteers:
 15 Mar. 1921 (vol. III, no. 1)-15 Apr. 1921 (Vol. III, no. 4);
 1 May 1921 (Vol. III, no. 6)-10 June 1921 (Vol. III, no. 12);
 24 June 1921 (Vol. III, no. 14);
 2 Dec. 1921 (vol. III, no. 37) – 9 Dec. 1921 (vol. III, no. 38);
An t-Óglác, the official organ of the army
 20 Jan. 1923 (vol. iv, no. 32, new series) – 27 Jan. 1923 (vol., iv, no. 33 new series)
An t-Óglác, the army journal
 29 May 1926 (vol. iv, no. 20).
 The concluding edition in the file contains an article titled 'Four courts and North King St. Area in 1916' by John J. Reynolds, referring to the activities of Capuchin priests from Church Street during the 1916 Rising. (pp 3-4).

CA/IR/1/8/1/35 *Freeman's Journal and Evening Telegraph*

OS
 1 Apr. 1922-10 Apr. 1922
 File
 4 items
 Typescript copy
 Handbill-style copies of the *Freeman's Journal and Evening Telegraph*, 1-10 Apr. 1922. Following an attack by armed Irregular Republicans, these pro-Treaty publications appeared as cyclostyled typescript handbills which were pasted on walls all over Dublin city. The papers mainly contained editorials referring to the attack on the newspaper premises, expressed defiance of those responsible for the assault, and assertions that the papers would appear in some form or other. Reference was also made to the need to fight 'tyranny in whatever garb it appears'. It was reported that Republicans later went about the city tearing down the editorials wherever they were posted.

CA/IR/1/8/1/19 *Sunday Independent*

OS
 7 May 1922
 Item
 2 pp
 Newspaper
 The articles refer to attempts to secure a truce between Free State and Irregular Republican units in order to 'avert a national disaster'.

CA/IR/1/8/1/36 *Evening Herald*

OS
 30 Aug. 1922
 Item
 2 pp
 Newspaper
 The newspaper contains reports of Civil War hostilities and to the messages of sympathy which are still being received following the death (22 Aug. 1922) of General Michael Collins.

CA/IR/1/8/1/20 *Kilkenny Journal*

OS

14 Oct. 1922

Item

2 pp

Newspaper

The newspaper contains many reports of Civil War hostilities in the locality.

CA/IR/1/8/1/21 *The Weekly Bulletin*

1922-1923

File

31 items

Typescript

The file comprises the following editions of this journal published by the North Eastern Boundary Bureau:

No. 6. (2 copies)	No. 21 (2 copies)
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No. 9	No. 25
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No. 10	No. 28
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No. 12	No. 30 (2 copies)
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No. 13 (3 copies)	No. 31 (3 copies)
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No. 14 (2 copies)	No. 32 (3 copies)
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No. 16 (2 copies)	
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No. 18	
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No. 19 (3 copies)	
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The North-Eastern Boundary Bureau was set up on the authority of a Minute of the Provisional Government dated 2 Oct. 1922, authorising Kevin O'Shiel, then Assistant Law Adviser, to take all necessary steps for the collection and compilation of data in connection with the Boundary Commission. O'Shiel remained Director of the Bureau until his appointment to the Irish Land Commission in Nov. 1923. From Nov. 1922 until the British Government invited a conference on the Northern question, a *Weekly Bulletin* was issued to the press, which dealt with current controversy on the boundary or partition questions. It analysed the facts or financial statements which might be relevant to this issue. In this and all other publications which were issued from the Bureau, all acrimonious arguments were omitted. The literature was specially designed to remove the Northern question as far as possible from the realm of heated controversy, and make it a matter of reasoned political argument. The *Bulletin* was greatly appreciated by the press. The material it contained was often used, as was intended, in an unacknowledged form, while some papers frequently published the *Bulletin* in full. Copies of the *Bulletin*, in addition to being sent to the press, were also sent to Consuls, agents in the northern counties, and other interested parties. The *Bulletin*, was discontinued when the Boundary Commission became a matter of public controversy. The file also includes 'North East Ulster, The Truth about the Boundary Commission. The

Treaty'. Cover letter indicates that this statement was sent to an editor by the North Eastern Boundary Bureau on 7 Nov. 1922.

Physical description: 31 items in 2 folders; 33 cm.

CA/IR/1/8/1/22 *Weekly Irish bulletin*

5 June 1922– 17 July 1922

File

15 items

Typescript and Printed

The file comprises the following editions this weekly journal published by the Publicity Department of Dáil Eireann: 5 June 1922 (Vol. 1, no. 3) – 17 July 1922 (Vol. 1, no. 9). Printed in Dublin by Wood Printing Works, Fleet Street, and The Gaelic Press, 27 North Frederick Street, Dublin. There is some duplication of editions in the file and one undated edition [c. July 1922]. Most of the journal's articles deal with cataloguing and detailing anti-Catholic riots in Belfast and in the rest of Northern Ireland.

Physical Description: Caption title; Mimeographed; 5 June 1922 (typescript) and the remainder printed; 33 cm.

CA/IR/1/8/1/23 *The Drogheda Independent*

OS

8 Aug. 1925

Item

8 pp

Newspaper

The file comprises the issue of 8 Aug. 1925 (Vol. XLII, No. 2046).

Physical condition: The paper is very torn and frayed at edges.

8.2. *Irish Bulletin*

Level: Sub-series

Dates of Creation: 1920-1921

Scope and Content: The *Irish Bulletin* was the official daily gazette of the government of the Irish Republic. The first edition of the *Bulletin* appeared on 11 Nov. 1919 shortly after the suppression of the entire Republican press. The purpose of the Bulletin was succinctly stated in the edition of 11 Nov. 1920 (Vol. 6 No. 17). 'When it became certain that the majority party in Ireland was not to be proclaimed "illegal" the *Bulletin* had of necessity to be published secretly. It was designed to circulate principally not in Ireland but among the publicists in England and on the Continent. At its inception less than fifty copies were printed. To-day it reaches almost every country in the world and is reprinted in four European languages. It is received by the press, public men, and the leading political and other organisations of many nations'. The *Bulletin* was published daily but weekly editions containing summaries of 'acts of aggression committed in Ireland by the military and police of the usurping English government' were also routinely circulated. These weekly summaries were not assigned volume or issue numbers. Daily issues consisted mainly of sometimes detailed lists of raids by British security forces and the arrests of republican suspects. Extracts from foreign publications and sometimes sympathetic English sources were also published in the *Bulletin*. Accounts of the activities of Dáil Courts were likewise included. It was produced by the publicity department during the War of Independence, and its offices were located at No. 6 Harcourt Street, Dublin. On 26 Mar. 1921, after sixteen months of publication, the offices of the *Bulletin* were raided. Later, forged issues of the journal were produced with printing machinery and paper captured in the offices. These fabricated issues were sent to all the usual addresses on the list of recipients, a copy of which had also been seized. Issues of these forged *Bulletins* were subsequently circulated for over a month. The paper's first editor was Desmond Fitzgerald, until his arrest and replacement by Robert Erskine Childers. The collection includes a chronological record of peace overtures which would lead to the Treaty negotiations. The issue of 7 Dec. 1921 (Vol. 6, No. 35) carried an 'advance copy' of the articles of agreement between Great Britain and Ireland, more commonly known as 'The Treaty'. Many of the issues of the *Irish Bulletin* are stamped 'Official Copy'.

Format: Cyclostyled typescript

Extent: 5 files

CA/IR/1/8/2/1 *Irish Bulletin*

OS

7 May 1920-31 Aug. 1920

File

26 items

Cyclostyled typescript

The file contains **volume 2** of the *Irish Bulletin*. The series is incomplete but multiple copies of some issues are extant:

7 May 1920. No. 5

28 May 1920. No. 19

1 June 1920. No. 21

2 June 1920. No. 22

4 June 1920. No. 24

14 June 1920. No. 31

7 July 1920. No. 46

8 July 1920. No. 47

22 July 1920. No. 57

23 July 1920. No. 58

26 July 1920. No. 59

4 Aug. 1920. No. 65

6 Aug. 1920. No. 67
 7 Aug. 1920. (Weekly Summary: 2 copies)
 9 Aug. 1920. No. 68
 11 Aug. 1920. No. 70
 13 Aug. 1920. No. 72
 14 Aug. 1920. (Weekly Summary: 2 copies)
 21 Aug. 1920. (Weekly Summary: 2 copies)
 25 Aug. 1920. No. 80
 28 Aug. 1920. (Weekly Summary: 2 copies)
 31 Aug. 1920. No. 84

CA/IR/1/8/2/2

OS

Irish Bulletin

1 Sept. 1920-31 Dec. 1920

File

136 items

Cyclostyled typescript

The file contains **volume 3**, 1 Sept. 1920 (No. 1)-31 Dec. 1920 (No. 83), of the *Irish Bulletin*. The series is complete with multiple copies of some issues.

CA/IR/1/8/2/3

OS

Irish Bulletin

3 Jan. 1921-31 May 1921

File

124 items

Cyclostyled typescript

The file contains **volume 4**, 3 Jan. 1921 (No. 1)-31 May 1921 (No. 100) of the *Irish Bulletin*. The series is complete with multiple copies of some issues.

CA/IR/1/8/2/4

OS

Irish Bulletin

1 June 1921-19 Oct. 1921

File

138 items

Cyclostyled typescript

The file contains **volume 5**, 1 June 1921 (No. 1)-19 Oct. 1921 (No. 100), of the *Irish Bulletin*. The series is complete with multiple copies of some issues.

CA/IR/1/8/2/5

OS

Irish Bulletin

20 Oct. 1921-12 Dec. 1921

File

48 items

Cyclostyled typescript

The file contains **volume 6**, 20 Oct. 1921 (No. 1)-12 Dec. 1921 (No. 38), of the *Irish Bulletin*. The series is complete up to issue no. 38 with multiple copies of some editions.

8.3. Republican and Anti-Treaty Publications

Level: Sub-series

Dates of Creation: 1922-1935

Scope and Content: A large collection of contemporary Republican newspapers and Anti-Treaty publications. The sub-series includes extensive files of both *Poblacht na hEireann* (*War News*) and the Republican newssheet, the *Daily Bulletin*.

Format: Newspaper and typescript

Extent: 1 item and 16 files

CA/IR/1/8/3/1 *Republic of Ireland (Poblacht na h-Eireann)*

OS

3 Jan. 1922-29 June 1922

File

38 Items

Newspaper

The file comprise the following issues of this weekly Anti-Treaty newspaper: 3 Jan. 1922 (Vol. 1, No. 1)-29 June 1922 (Vol. 1, No. 27). The series is complete with multiple copies of some issues. The issue of 15 Mar. 1922 (no. 12) is endorsed 'Fr. Stanislaus [Kavanagh] ... Dun Laoghaire'.

CA/IR/1/8/3/2 *The Plain People (Na Daoine Macánta)*

OS

9 Apr. 1922-2 July 1922

File

16 items

Newspaper.

The file comprises the following editions of this weekly Anti-Treaty newspaper: 9 Apr. 1922 (Vol. 1, No. 1)-2 July 1922 (Vol. 1, No. 13). Each edition featured political cartoons on the front page (some of which were drawn by Grace Plunkett).

CA/IR/1/8/3/3 *Nationality*

6 July 1922-5 Aug. 1922

File

16 items

Typescript

The file comprises the following editions: 6 July 1922. (no. 1) – 16 July 1922. (no. 7); 29 July (no. 11) – 5 Aug. 1922 (no. 12). These were styled the 'war news' editions. The editor of *Nationality* was Sean T. O'Kelly. The newspaper of the same name was suppressed after the 1916 Rising, but was published for a couple of years later in Belfast. These first seven issues of the weekly paper cover all the hostilities during this early Civil War period, including the shooting of Cathal Brugha. The file includes multiple copies of some editions.

Physical description: Cyclostyled type; folio.

CA/IR/1/8/3/4
OS

Poblacht na hEireann (War News)

28 June 1922-16 Mar. 1923

File

c. 300 items

Newspaper

The file comprises the following editions: 28 June 1922 (no. 1) – 16 Mar. 1923 (no. 175). The series is missing a small number of editions but there are multiple copies of many editions extant in the file. The publication began with the attack on the Republican forces in the Four Courts, as a way of conveying news of the changing situation to journalists, Republican supporters and the general public. The first (un-numbered) edition was styled as a communique from Rory O'Connor, Major General, IRA. It read: 'The boys are glorious, and will fight for their Republic to the end. How long will our misguided former comrades outside attack those who stand for Ireland alone?' Reference is made in this first communique to Fr. Albert Bibby OFM Cap. and Fr. Dominic O'Connor OFM Cap. who were ministering to the besieged Republicans. *Poblacht na hEireann (War News)* was edited mainly by Erskine Childers until his arrest (November 1922), and later by Frank Gallagher and others. The later editions convey news of day-to-day events in the Civil War from a Republican perspective. Events referred to include the deaths of Michael Collins and Arthur Griffith and the executions of Erskine Childers and other prominent Republicans.

Physical description: The first seven editions were issued in broadside format from the Four Courts and printed in central Dublin during and immediately after the siege which began the Civil War. They were evidently printed in this format to facilitate pasting on walls. Each of the first seven editions is *circa* 51 x 38 cm, printed on one side only, no. 3 on green paper and no. 6 on buff paper. The remainder of the editions are regular folio newsprints. All single sheets and printed on one side only. A copy of 5 July 1922 (no. 9) and the edition of 16 Mar. 1923 (no. 175) are in cyclostyled typescript format. The reason for the latter publication in this format is given in the opening paragraph: 'After an interruption of over a week, "An Poblacht" makes its reappearance today. On Wednesday March 7th enemy forces of the Colonial [Free State] Government raided our printing offices, seized our machinery and plant, and arrested the staff, including a girl clerk of sixteen years. The raid was designed to suppress the voice of the Irish Republic. ... It will be apparent that the production of this issue of our paper has been attended by temporary difficulties'.

Physical condition: Some crease and fold marks; some edges are slightly frayed. Note: There appears to be no record of a complete run of this publication, but it certainly did not continue beyond De Valera's 'dump arms' order of 24 May 1923.

c. 300 items in 3 folders

CA/IR/1/8/3/5

The Fenian (War Issue)

15 July 1922-17 Oct. 1922

File

56 items

Typescript

The series is incomplete but there are multiple copies of some editions extant in the file.

Individual (loose) editions:

15 July 1922 (No. 2)-21 July 1922 (No. 6).
 7 Aug. 1922 (No. 20)-14 Aug. 1922 (No. 26)
 16 Aug. 1922 (No. 28)-26 Aug. 1922 (No. 37)
 29 Aug. 1922 (No. 40)
 31 Aug. 1922 (No. 43)-1 Sept. 1922 (No. 44)
 23 Sept. 1922 (No. 63)
 26 Sept. 1922 (No. 65)-29 Sept. 1922 (No. 68).
 30 Sept. 1922 (No. 70)-7 Oct. 1922 (No. 76).
 10 Oct. 1922 (No. 78)-11 Oct. 1922 (No. 79)
 12 Oct. 1922 (No. 80)-17 Oct. 1922 (No. 84).

Bound editions:

26 July 1922-5 Aug. 1922 (Nos. 10-19).
 18 Aug. 1922-26 Aug. 1922 (Nos. 30-38).
 29 Aug. 1922-7 Sept. 1922 (Nos. 40-49).
 2 Sept. 1922-11 Sept. 1922 (Nos. 45-52).
 8 Sept. 1922-19 Sept. 1922 (Nos. 50-59).
 12 Sept. 1922-15 Sept. 1922 (Nos. 53-56).
 16 Sept.-25 Sept. 1922 (Nos. 57-64).
 20 Sept.-30 Sept. 1922 (Nos. 60-69).
 30 Sept. 1922-6 Oct. 1922 (Nos. 70-79).

The Fenian was an Anti-Treaty newspaper providing the Republican perspective on the course of Civil War hostilities. The paper warns that 'insidious attempts have been made within the last few days by the English King's Provisional Ministers to spread the rumour that a truce had been achieved. Under cover of this they hope to weaken the splendid morale of the Republican troops and then attack them when off their guard'. The editions were bound together with a note indicating that they belonged to 'Rev. Fr. Sebastian [O'Brien], Church Street'.

Note: 56 items in 6 folders.

CA/IR/1/8/3/6

Republican War Bulletin

9 Aug. 1922-27 Oct. 1922

File

20 items

Typescript

The file comprises:

9 Aug. 1922 (no. 1);
 12 Aug. 1922 (no. 3);
 15 Aug. 1922 (no. 5). 2 copies;
 22 Aug. 1922 (no. 7). 2 copies;
 1 Sept. 1922 (no. 10). 2 copies;
 5 Sept. 1922 (no. 12);
 16 Sept. 1922 (no edition number). Title page has a drawing 'With the IRA (somewhere in Ireland)' by Constance Markievicz;
 17 Sept. 1922 (no. 15). 2 copies;
 27 Sept. 1922 (no. 19);
 28 Sept. 1922 (no. 20). Title page has a drawing 'Free Staters in Action';
 1 Oct. 1922 (No. 21). Title page has a drawing 'With the Dublin Brigade, IRA' by Constance Markievicz;
 8 Oct. 1922 (no. 23). 2 copies;
 22 Oct. 1922 (No. 30);

27 Oct. 1922 (No. 33).

The issue of 8 Oct. 1922 is annotated on the reverse 'G.K. 544 N.C.R., A.F. M. Philips. It was found in an envelope with a manuscript annotation: 'Rev. Fr. Sebastian [O'Brien]'.

Note: 20 items in 2 folders.

CA/IR/1/8/3/7 *The Nation / Sovereign and Undivided*

12 Aug. 1922-19 Dec. 1922

File

25 items

Typescript

The file contains the following editions of this Anti-Treaty newsletter:

12 Aug. 1922 (No. 1)-23 Sept. 1922 (No. 6)

6 Sept. 1922 (No. 8)-4 Nov. 1922 (No. 12)

18 Nov. 1922 (No. 14)-19 Dec. 1922 (No. 19)

Multiple copies of some editions of *The Nation* are extant in the file. With two copies of *Handbills for Heretics*, an undated Anti-Treaty publication which re-used some content from *The Nation*.

CA/IR/1/8/3/19 *Poblacht na h-Eireann / Southern Edition*

OS

14 Aug. 1922-7 Jan. 1923

File

28 items

Newspaper

The file comprises the following editions of this Anti-Treaty publication:

14 Aug. 1922 (No. 3)-7 Jan. 1923 (No. 35). Issue No. 20 is missing but there are multiple copies of some editions. The issue of 25 Aug. 1922 (No. 8) refers to the death of Michael Collins at Béal na mBláth. The issue of 25 Oct. 1922 (No. 18) is described as a 'Terence MacSwiney memorial number'.

CA/IR/1/8/3/10 *Freedom*

17 Sept. 1922-Dec. 1922

File

7 items

Typescript

The file comprises the following: an undated first edition of *Freedom* containing an 'extract from a letter from Rory O'Connor' regarding the attack on the Free Courts; 17 Sept. 1922 (no edition number) with a portrait of Lawrence Ginnell by

Constance Markievicz; 24 Sept. 1922 (No. 7) with a drawing of the 'the branded arm of James O'Reilly sketched from life' by Constance Markievicz. (See also

CA/IR/1/7/3/32); 22 Oct. 1922 (No. 11). 3 copies; Dec. 1922.

CA/IR/1/8/3/8 *Daily Bulletin*

OS

27 Sept. 1922-9 Aug. 1923

File

c. 300 items

Cyclostyled typescript

This Anti-Treaty publicity news-sheet was distributed to journalists and Republican supporters. Written from the Republican perspective, it provides a daily account of the conduct of the Civil War and appeared in much the same

format and was written in the same journalistic style as the earlier *Irish Bulletin* (CA/IR/1/8/2/1-5). It was produced by Republican publicity department and was probably edited by Erskine Childers until his arrest (November 1922), and later by Frank Gallagher and others. The file comprises the following issues: 27 Sept. 1922 (No. 1)-8 Aug. 1923 (No. 267). The series is incomplete but there are multiple copies of some issues.

CA/IR/1/8/3/9 *Poblacht na hEireann (Republic of Ireland)*

30 Sept. 1922-6 Jan. 1923

File

13 items

Newspaper

The Scottish edition of this weekly Anti-Treaty newspaper. The file comprises the following editions: 30 Sept. 1922-6 Jan. 1923.

CA/IR/1/8/3/11 *Straight Talk*

8 Nov. 1922-14 Dec. 1922

File

4 items

Typescript

The file contains the following editions of this Anti-Treaty publication: 8 Nov. 1922; 22 Nov. 1922 (No. 2); 29 Nov. 1922 (No. 3); 14 Dec. 1922 (No. 5).

CA/IR/1/8/3/12 *Penny News Pamphlets for Plain People*

c. 1922

Item

1 p.

Typescript

The newsheet is titled 'No. 1', and urges the 'men of the Free State Army to read what your English Allies think of you'.

CA/IR/1/8/3/13 *Official Communiqués from Republican Ministers*

1922-1923

File

9 items

Typescript and printed

Official Communiqués from Republican Ministers including Eamon de Valera, President; Austin Stack, Minister for Finance; Padraig O'Ruiteis, Minister for Home Affairs. These typescript duplicates of communiqués were published by the publicity department of the Anti-Treaty 'Dail Eireann' Republican Government. Includes Statement on 'Why the Four Courts was Attacked'; Statements for publication regarding the trial of Capt. Erskine Childers in November 1922; Statement regarding the treatment of Joseph Clarke By Free State authorities. Clarke acted as the courier for the First Dáil, but was interned from January 1921. Released in 1923, he acted as caretaker of the Sinn Féin headquarters on Harcourt Street, and founded the Irish Book Bureau. Although the Anti-Treaty Sinn Féin rejected participation in the Dáil, they continued to contest local elections, and Clarke sat on Dublin Corporation. (13 Nov. 1922); Proclamation by Liam Lynch, Chief of Staff of the IRA, declaring allegiance to Eamon de Valera as President of the Republic and pledging 'our support in all the legitimate efforts to maintain and defend the Republic ...'. 3 copies. (28 Oct.

1922); Order from Pádraig O'Rútleis, Minister for Home Affairs, decreeing 'that until further notice the present be observed as a time of National mourning, that all sports and amusements be suspended, that all Theatres, picture houses and other places of amusement and rest be closed ...'. (13 Mar. 1923); 'Cease Fire Order' issued by Eamon de Valera on 27 April 1923: 'As evidence of our good-will, the Army Council [of the IRA] is issuing herewith an Order to all Units to suspend aggressive action – the order to take effect as soon as may be, but not later than noon Monday, April 30th'. With blank nomination form used by Republican candidates in the parliamentary elections for the Third Dáil Éireann held on 16 June 1922.

Printed by Browne & Nolan, Ltd., Printers, Dublin.

CA/IR/1/8/3/18 *Éire / The Irish Nation*

OS 17 Mar. 1923-25 Oct. 1924

File

66 items

Newspaper

The file comprises the following editions of this weekly Republican newspaper: 17 Mar. 1923 (Vol. 1, No. 9)-25 Oct. 1924 (Vol. 2, No. 41). The newspaper was published by the Irish Nation Committee, 6 Harcourt Street, Dublin. The series is incomplete but there are multiple copies of some issues.

Physical description: 81 items in 3 folders.

The final item (25 Oct. 1924) is large OS and stored in separate folder.

CA/IR/1/8/3/21 *The Workers' Republic*

OS 19 May 1923

Item

4 pp

Newspaper

The Workers' Republic, 'the official organ of the Communist Party of Ireland', 19 May 1923 (New Series, No. 86). The newspaper carries a reprint of part of James Connolly's pamphlet *Erin's Hope*.

CA/IR/1/8/3/14 *Republican Bulletin*

15 Oct. 1923-4 Dec. 1923

File

33 items

Typescript

The file contains the following editions:

16 Oct. 1923

19 Oct. 1923 (2 copies)

25 Oct. 1923. No. 275

1 Nov. 1923. No. 280 (2 copies)

5 Nov. 1923. No. 281 (2 copies)

8 Nov. 1923. No. 283 (2 copies)

9 Nov. 1923. No. 284 (2 copies)

12 Nov. 1923. No. 285 (2 copies)

13 Nov. 1923. No. 286

14 Nov. 1923. No. 287

15 Nov. 1923. No. 289 (2 copies)

19 Nov. 1923. No. 290

20 Nov. 1923. No. 291

21 Nov. 1923. No. 292

29 Nov. 1923. No. 295

4 Nov. 1923. No. 296 (2 copies)

This anti-Treaty newsletter contains many articles referring to the conditions of imprisonment of republican prisoners in Mountjoy Jail and to their decision to call a nationwide hunger strike. The file also includes various Anti-Treaty newsletters and bulletins (mostly issued by Pádraig O'Rútleis, acting president) referring to the conditions of the '424 Republican Prisoners' on hunger strike in Mountjoy Jail. These cyclostyled bulletins were issued mainly to newspapers and journalists

CA/IR/1/8/3/15 *Sinn Féin*

OS

7 Aug. 1923-13 June 1925

File

79 items

Newspaper

The file comprises the following editions of this weekly Anti-Treaty newspaper:

7 Aug. 1923 (Vol. 1, No. 1)-27 Oct. 1923 (Vol. 1, No. 27)

Multiple copies

Note: No. 15 is missing.

3 Nov. 1923 (Vol. 2, No. 2)-25 Oct. 1924 (Vol. 2, No. 53)

Multiple copies

Note: Vol. 2, No. 34 is missing.

1 Nov. 1924 (Vol. 3, No. 1)-13 June 1925 (Vol. 3, No. 33)

Multiple copies

Note: Vol. 3, No. 32 is missing.

CA/IR/1/8/3/20 *An Fhírinne: Truth / Cork Sinn Féin tri-weekly*

OS

20 Nov. 1923-11 Dec. 1923

File

3 items

Newspaper

The file comprises the following editions of this Anti-Treaty Republican publication: 20 Nov. 1923 (No. 2); 22 Nov. 1923 (No. 3); 11 Dec. 1923 (No. 10).

Issue No. 3 is ink-stamped: 'O'Dwyer, tobacconist and newsagent, 30 Oliver Plunkett Street, Cork'.

CA/IR/1/8/3/16 *Sinn Féin: Daily Sheet*

20 Nov. 1923-1 Jan. 1924

File

20 items

Newspaper

The file comprises the following editions of this daily news sheet:

6 Dec. 1923 (no. 28)-1 Jan. 1924 (no. 44). The following copies are extant in the file: Nos. 23; 24; 25; 27; 28 (2 copies); 29 (2 copies); 30 (2 copies); 31; 32; 37; 38; 40; 41 (2 copies); 42 (2 copies); 44. It was published in Dublin at Sinn Féin Headquarters, 23 Suffolk Street, Dublin.

Physical description: Printed mostly on both sides; 36 cm.

CA/IR/1/8/3/22 *Irish War News / The Irish Republic***OS**

20 Apr. 1924

Item

4 pp

Printed

A copy of *Irish War News*, 20 Apr. 1924 (Vol. I, No. 2) containing editorials and messages from Padraig J. O'Ruithleis, acting president, and Sean T. O'Kelly, staff of commandant-general Padraig Pearse, 1916.

CA/IR/1/8/3/17 *An Phoblacht / The Republic***OS**

6 Nov. 1925-8 June 1935

File

32 items

Newspaper

The file comprises the following editions of this weekly Republican newspaper:

6 Nov. 1925 (Vol. 1, No. 21)-25 Dec. 1925 (Vol. 1, No. 28);

1 Jan. 1926 (Vol. 2, No. 1)-2 Apr. 1926 (Vol. 2, No. 14);

23 Mar. 1935 (new series, Vol. X, No. 8);

20 Apr. 1935 (new series, Vol. X, No. 12)-4 May 1935 (new series, Vol. X, No. 14);

18 May 1935 (new series, Vol. X, No. 16);

8 June 1935 (new series, Vol. X, No. 19).

Multiple copies of some editions are extant.

8.4. Foreign Newspapers

Level: Sub-series

Dates of Creation: 1916-1922

Scope and Content: A collection of foreign newspapers reporting the Irish Independence struggle.

The sub-series contains Italian and American publications.

Format: Newspaper

Extent: 3 items and 1 file

CA/IR/1/8/4/1 *The New World***OS**

11 Aug. 1916

Item

6 pp

Newspaper

The New World was published in Chicago and claimed to be the 'largest Catholic newspaper in the United States'. The file contains the issue: 11 Aug. 1916 (vol. xxv, No. 6). The paper contains an article titled 'How they butchered James Connolly'. (p. 4).

CA/IR/1/8/4/2 *Corriere Mercantile*

- OS** 9-10 July 1921
Item
2 pp
Newspaper
An Italian newspaper containing an article by D. McHales, General Consular and Agent of the Irish Republic, regarding 'Black and Tan' atrocities in Ireland.
- CA/IR/1/8/4/3** *La Liguria Del Popolo*
OS 3 June 1922
Item
4 pp
Newspaper
An Italian newspaper containing an article by D. McHales, General Consular and Agent of the Irish Republic, concerning the 'atrocities' committed by Belfast Protestants upon Irish Catholics and nationalists. (p. 2).
- CA/IR/1/8/4/4** *The London Illustrated News*
OS 8 July 1922-15 July 1922
File
2 items
Newspaper
The file contains the following editions of this illustrated weekly newspaper: 8 July 1922 (No. 4,342. Vol. 161); 15 July 1922 (4,343. Vol. 161). The editions contain numerous photographic prints of the fighting in Dublin at the outbreak of the Civil War. Includes a photograph of 'Father Dominic, who was reported to have been with the Rebels in the Four Courts'.

9. Repatriation of the bodies of Fr. Albert Bibby and Fr. Dominic O'Connor

Level: Series

Dates of Creation: 1935-1981

Scope and Content: Following the deaths in exile of Fr. Albert Bibby (d. 1925) and Fr. Dominic O'Connor (d. 1935), there were numerous calls to have their bodies returned to Ireland. Prominent republican supporters in the United States and Old IRA men in Ireland frequently petitioned ecclesiastical authorities to have the bodies of the 'two patriot priests' repatriated. These calls were initially rejected and the outbreak of the Second World War prompted a postponement of the campaign. In 1954 a repatriation committee was set up by Cork No. 1 Brigade of the Old IRA in order to collect the funds necessary to defray the expenses involved in returning the remains to Ireland. Florence O'Donoghue, head of intelligence for the Cork Brigade during the War of Independence, was appointed Honorary Secretary. Cornelius Neenan was appointed the Committee's representative in the United States. Aside from the financial difficulties, the Committee also had to contend with a certain reluctance on behalf of the Church authorities in having the bodies of two priests moved in such an overtly public manner. The reburial was a departure from the normal rule of the Capuchin Order, and because they were priests, a high religious content would have to be included in any civil ceremonies connected with the repatriation. Having at length gained the approval of the government and the church, the repatriation was effected in 1958. On 13 June, the bodies of the two priests arrived at Shannon Airport to be greeted by Seán T. O'Kelly, President, Éamon de Valera, Taoiseach, Fr. Hilary McDonagh, Vicar Provincial of the Irish Capuchins, and many representatives of the Old IRA. The funeral cortege then proceeded to Cork for a requiem mass in the Capuchin Church of the Holy Trinity. Fr. Albert and Fr. Dominic were interred in Rochestown Cemetery on 14 June 1958. The sub-series consists of correspondence, newspaper clippings, printed ephemera and photographs connected with the reparation campaign and ceremony in 1958. The series also includes records relating to the unveiling of a memorial to the two priests on the grounds of the Capuchin Hostel in Raheny by veterans of Fianna Éireann in 1959.

Format: Manuscript, typescript, newspaper clippings and photographic prints

Extent: 5 items and 7 files

CA/IR/1/9/1

Correspondence concerning efforts to repatriate the bodies of Fr. Albert and Fr. Dominic

3 Dec. 1935-15 Dec. 1939

File

9 items

Manuscript and typescript

Correspondence of Fr. Edwin Fitzgibbon OFM Cap., and Fr. Colman Griffin OFM Cap., with Robert F. Mahony, president, American Association for Recognition of the Irish Republic; Fr. Brendan O'Callaghan, OFM Cap., Central Council of Irish County Associations; Eugene Twomey, Secretary, Fianna Fail, Inc., Irish Republican Party of America; Charles F. Tiernan; Joseph O'Byrne of the Fathers' Albert & Dominic Committee; and the Irish American National Alliance. The letters refer to appeals from various Irish-American Republican organisations calling for the repatriation to Ireland of the mortal remains of Fathers Albert Bibby and Dominic O'Connor

- CA/IR/1/9/2 Letter from Richard Smyth to Fr. James O'Mahony**
 1 June 1949
 Item
 2 pp
 Typescript
 Letter from Richard Smyth, 924 Summit Avenue, New York City, to Fr. James O'Mahony, Provincial Minister, regarding a proposal for the reparation of the bodies of Fr. Albert Bibby and Fr. Dominic O'Connor, the latter from a 'non-Catholic cemetery in Oregon, USA'. He affirms that 'it was impossible to make any move before this time, as one or more of the political parties in Ireland would use the occasion to forward their own political interests'.
- CA/IR/1/9/3 Newspaper clippings concerning the repatriation and reburial of the bodies of Fr. Albert Bibby and Fr. Dominic O'Connor**
 1957-1959
 File
 c. 50 items
 Newspaper clippings
 The clippings relate to the repatriation and reburial of the bodies of Fr. Albert Bibby and Fr. Dominic O'Connor in Rochestown cemetery, County Cork in 1958. Some of the clippings also refer to the unveiling of a memorial at the Capuchin Retreat House in Raheny on 14 June 1959. 'The memorial is a life-sized Calvary in re-constituted stone. It was modelled by Neff Brothers of Cork, and was donated by Mr. Eamonn Martin, former Chief of Staff of Fianna Eireann, an organisation in which the two priests were keenly interested'.
- CA/IR/1/9/4 Letters accepting invitations to the re-internment of Fr. Albert and Fr. Dominic**
 1 June 1957-12 June 1958
 File
 6 items
 Autograph typescript
 Letters from Eamonn de Valera, Sean F. Lemass, Seán T. O'Kelly, Oscar Traynor and John A. Costello concerning offers to defray the expenses involved in the repatriation and later accepting invitations to attend the Mass and re-internment of Fathers Albert and Dominic at Rochestown Cemetery, County Cork.
- CA/IR/1/9/5 Letter from Pádraig O'Caoimh to Fr. Nesson Shaw**
 17 Apr. 1958
 Item
 4 pp
 Manuscript
 Letter from Pádraig O'Caoimh, General Secretary of the GAA, to Fr. Nesson Shaw, expressing his happiness on hearing that the bodies of Fr. Albert Bibby and Fr. Dominic O'Connor will be repatriated to Ireland. He adds: 'I had the honour and pleasure of serving mass for Fr. Dominic while in Parkhurst. Up to the time of the truce he was only allowed to say it every Sunday and after that daily ... We were life long friends ... the night before he left Cork and Ireland – he came to see me in a house where I was on the run'.
 Context: In 1916 O'Caoimh joined the Irish Volunteers; three years later he gave up school teaching to become an officer with the Cork Brigade of the IRA.

In 1920 he was appointed manager of the Employment Bureau established by the First Dáil. Soon afterwards, he was captured by the British and sentenced to 15 years penal servitude. He was released in 1922. In 1929 he resigned from his position as manager of a tobacco company following his appointment as Secretary of the GAA, a position he held until 1964.

CA/IR/1/9/6

Schedule for the procession of the coffins of Fr. Albert Bibby and Fr. Dominic O'Connor

13 June 1958

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2 items

Manuscript and typescript

Schedule for the procession of the coffins of Fr. Albert Bibby and Fr. Dominic O'Connor from their arrival at Shannon Airport to their arrival at Holy Trinity Church in Cork. The timetable includes processions in Limerick City, Croom, Rathnure, Buttevant, Mallow and Cork city (from Dublin Hill to Holy Trinity Church, Father Mathew Quay). With a typescript copy of said time table on headed paper: 'Father Dominic, OFM Cap., and Father Albert, OFM Cap., Remains Repatriation Committee, Cork No. 1 Brigade', which provides a printed list of committee members of the Old IRA, Cork Brigade.

CA/IR/1/9/7

Photographic prints of the repatriation and re-internment of Fr. Albert and Fr. Dominic

June 1958

File

62 items

Photographic prints

Photographic prints (black and white) of the repatriation and reburial of the bodies of Fr. Albert Bibby and Fr. Dominic O'Connor in Rochestown, County Cork. Includes a photograph of the coffins before the High Altar in the Holy Trinity Church, Cork, where a special Solemn Mass was celebrated. Some of the photographs show An Taoiseach Eamon de Valera, President Seán T. O'Kelly and Jack Lynch attending the ceremonies. Fr. Albert and Fr. Dominic were laid to rest in a burial ceremony on 14 June 1958. The funeral was presided over by Fr. Hilary, Vicar Provincial, and the coffins were laid side by side adjacent to the grave of Fr. Augustine Hayden OFM Cap. Copyright of the prints is held by the *Irish Press*, the *Cork Examiner* and Lensmen, Press Photo Agency, 9 Westmoreland Street, Dublin.

CA/IR/1/9/8

Two patriot priests of Ireland: 1916-1925

1958

File

4 copies

Printed

A short biographical brochure of Fathers Albert and Dominic published on the occasion of the repatriation and reburial of the two priests in Ireland in 1958.

Physical description: 26 pp: ill. ; 23 cm.

- CA/IR/1/9/9** **Circular letter from Sean O’Hegarty, Chairman of the Cork Committee for the Repatriation of Fathers Albert and Dominic**
 c. 1958
 Item
 4 pp
 Printed
 O’Hegarty thanks those involved in both the United States and in Ireland for the successful ‘repatriation of the bodies of the patriot priests’.
- CA/IR/1/9/10** **Photographic print of President Seán T. O’Kelly at the Capuchin Retreat House, Raheny**
 14 June 1959
 File
 Photographic print
 22 cm x 16.5 cm; 15 cm x 10 cm
 Photographic print (black and white) of President Seán T. O’Kelly at the Capuchin Retreat House, Raheny. Typescript annotation on the reverse reads: ‘One of the first events covered by Gael-Linn’s all-Irish newsreel – directed, edited, and produced in Ireland was the blessing of the Calvary at the Capuchin Retreat House Raheny on June 14 in memory of two patriot priests, Fr. Albert Bibby and Fr. Dominic O’Connor, where Mr. O’Kelly and Mr. de Valera made their last appearance together as President and Taoiseach. The still from the ‘Amharc Éireann’ shows Mr. O’Kelly waving to the crowd as he leaves. With him are Rev. Dr. Hillary OFM Cap, (left), Rev. Dr. Coleman OFM Cap. and Rev. Fr. Theodore, OFM Cap., Superior of the Retreat House. The file includes a colour photographic print of the ‘Calvary in memory of Fr. Albert and Fr. Dominic erected by the old boys of Fianna Éireann’. Reproduction rights of Seán T. O’Kelly print: ‘With the compliments of Gael Linn. No production fee’.
- CA/IR/1/9/11** ***Souvenir of the golden jubilee of Fianna Éireann***
 1959
 Item
 32 pp
 Printed
 At head of the title: August 16, 1909 - Na Fianna Éireann - August 16, 1959. The publication includes a forward by Eamon Martin, former chief of staff, and articles by Countess de Markievicz, P.H. Pearse, J. Connolly, and Sir Roger Casement. With a tribute to the ‘Franciscan [Capuchin] Friends of the Fianna’. The book was edited by Cathal O’Shannon
 Physical description: [32] pp: ill., ports. ; 24 cm.
- CA/IR/1/9/12** **Recollections by an t-Athar Eláir**
 1981
 Item
 5 pp
 Manuscript
 Recollections by an t-Athar Eláir, OFM Cap., Biocaire Provinseach, of the re-internment of Fr. Albert Bibby and Fr. Dominic O’Connor in Rochestown,

County Cork in 1958. The notes were compiled by Fr. Nesson Shaw from an interview which took place in 1981. The manuscript is incomplete.