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## The Society for the Study of Nineteenth-Century Ireland

From time to time, this newsletter highlights the wonderful work undertaken by other societies, organizations or institutions around the world that contribute to our understanding and knowledge of the past. The research undertaken and published by these bodies is continually adding to the resources available to historians and genealogists. Indeed, in many cases, this important research helps to bridge gaps in the archival records held by repositories in Ireland.

One such organization is ‘The Society for the Study of Nineteenth-Century Ireland’ (SSNCI) with a membership open to scholars both from Ireland and overseas. SSNCI welcomes members from a wide range of disciplines: literature, history, economics, geography, sociology, anthropology, theology, women’s studies, fine arts, etc. It encourages an inter-disciplinary approach to nineteenth-century Irish studies.

The principal activities of the SSNCI are the organising of conferences and the publication of works or collections of papers on Nineteenth-Century Ireland.

The early nineteenth century, or possibly the late eighteenth century, is usually where the documentary records for those researching their family history in Ireland begin and end—depending on your research trajectory. Official census records don’t exist, land and tenancy records are patchy, court records are likewise, leaving only parish records, the earliest of which, are confined to the urban parishes in the east. The paucity of records certainly applies if

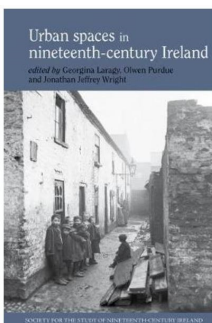
our ancestors were of little or no property. Those with property, professional classes or merchants, normally leave more records.

However, as the nineteenth century progresses, even before the Great Famine, records of several classes, which are of interest to genealogists, are being created and thankfully, we still have

most of them today with the exception of the official census records.

It is on these records that most genealogists and local historians concentrate. However, these records can usually only provide names, dates, locations and event information, basic genealogical information and most people are satisfied with that level of enquiry and that’s fine. But what is our understanding of the lives and times of our nineteenth century ancestors? Surely this is vitally important to our family history narrative?

This is where the research made available in print by SSNCI will be of interest to genealogists and local historians. Collections of essays such as ‘Urban Spaces in Nineteenth-Century Ireland’ allow us to access some of the best research undertaken on the period. This enables us to bring an interesting social narrative to our family history. Checkout [www.sscni.com](http://www.sscni.com)



### NOTICE OF THE

#### ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

The Annual General Meeting of the Genealogical Society of Ireland will be held on **Tuesday 12th March 2019** at 20.00hrs in the Dún Laoghaire Further Education Institute, Cumberland Street, Dún Laoghaire, Co. Dublin, A96 EP44.

The AGM will consider the Annual Report to be published in the March issue of this newsletter and the Annual Accounts for the period ending 31st December 2018.

The Members will also elect the Board of Directors for the coming year.

Only fully paid-up Members are eligible to vote or be proposed for any elected position. **General Secretary**

## OPEN MEETINGS

### Dún Laoghaire Further Education Institute

Cumberland Street, Dún Laoghaire

Tuesday 12 February—20.00hrs

Tuesday 12 March (AGM)—20.00hrs

### Royal Marine Hotel

Marine Road, Dún Laoghaire

Wednesday 27 February—10.30hrs

Wednesday 27 March—10.30hrs

Contribution €3.00 p.p.

(including Tea/Coffee at the Morning Meeting)

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Open Meetings

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### DATA PROTECTION

The European Union's General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR) came into force on **May 25th 2018**. The Board, under *Res: 18/05/1380*, advises Members that the Society holds the following records on its Members (1) Name; (2) Address; (3) Telephone Number; (4) Email Address and (5) the name of the Associate Member, if applicable, and that such records are **only used** for the purpose of contacting Members on Society matters and for the dispatch of the Monthly Newsletter and the Annual Journal and furthermore, that these records are **only held** by the Director of Membership Services and are **inaccessible to all other persons** and that, the Society **does not share this information** with any other individual or organisation. Records are also held for **contractual necessity** to deliver paid services.

### DLR GRANTS RECEIVED

Received from the **Dún Laoghaire Rathdown County Council Grants Scheme 2019**. Heritage Grants: €3,000 and Community Grants: €1,528. The Society is extremely grateful to the Council for this very important grant aid for its activities.

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## HOLIDAY WORLD SHOW

The Society's Director of the Outreach Programme & Education, **Eddie Gahan**, **MGSI**, and his team had a very busy time at the Holiday World Shows in **Belfast** and then in the RDS, **Dublin**. Eddie would like to thank all the Members who volunteered at the GSI Stands at these very popular events.

On Feb. 16th and 17th, Eddie and his team will be on the road again, this time to the Holiday World Show in **Limerick**. Eddie is looking for volunteers for this show.

Interested in volunteering? Contact Eddie by email on [eddie\\_gahan\\_snr@hotmail.com](mailto:eddie_gahan_snr@hotmail.com)

## GENEALOGY HELP CENTRE

Did you know that this Society operates a "Help Centre" for those researching their family history?

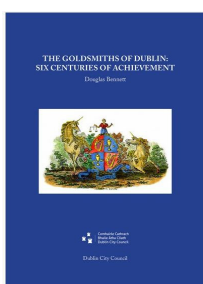
Family history need not be a lonely pilgrimage of discovery with many bumps in a very twisty road of pitfalls. Many of these research problems appear as impenetrable "brick walls" but they are rarely new problems. Many have overcome such and progressed their research with the help and advice of others.

The Society's "Help Centre" is open to the public twice weekly where you can discuss your research problems with experienced researchers who will take you through the available resources. For times and directions please see page 4 of this newsletter.

Have you visited An Daonchartlann at the DLR Loughlinstown Leisure Centre?

## The Goldsmiths of Dublin—Six Centuries of Achievement

'*The Goldsmith of Dublin: Six Centuries of Achievements*' by **Douglas Bennett** (ISBN: 978-0-9505488-6-9: h/bk : 106pp : full colour : Price €25.00: Web Price €22.50), published by Four Courts Press in conjunction with Dublin City Council, is the latest in a series of wonderfully illustrated books on aspects of the city's architectural, civic, industrial and cultural heritage.



The history of Dublin's goldsmiths is described in this important book, which charts the history of the Dublin Company of Goldsmiths from the Middle Ages to the present. It demonstrates the close link between the guild and the city and shows how the Company adapted to changing circumstances to maintain relevance in the modern era. This will be of particular interest to those with ancestors who were members of the Dublin Company of Goldsmiths which was granted a royal charter by King Charles I in 1637, the Company is the only survivor of the Dublin trade guilds. Indeed, from the earliest of the records examined by the author, it is clear the guild was open not only to persons of Anglo-Norman or English origin as there are many Gaelic surnames in evidence in the records. The author has included names of goldsmiths throughout the pages of this work, which is another bonus for those with connections to this prestigious trade in the City.

The author explores a much longer and earlier history as the Goldsmiths' guild took part in the late 15th century Corpus Christi pageant and goldsmiths are recorded in Dublin back to the late 12th century. The Company was involved in civic government and several of its members were elected as Lord Mayor of Dublin. Perhaps its greatest achievement was, through the Assay Office, guaranteeing the purity and probity of Dublin gold and silver, which is still highly-regarded today.

This author is a recognised authority on Irish gold and silver and especially, on those very skilled craftsmen (and now, including craftswomen) who wrought these precious metals into exceptional pieces of art, jewellery and beautiful high-status objects for use in civic and religious ceremonies. Not only does the depth of his knowledge come through in the pages of this lavishly illustrated work, his passion for the subject and, more importantly, his respect and admiration for the goldsmiths themselves is evident in the painstaking research undertaken over a prolonged period, sometimes in difficult circumstances. **Douglas Bennett** is a former Master & Clerk of the Company of Goldsmiths.

## FOUR COURTS PRESS

Irish History, Genealogy, Local History and much more. Checkout the catalogue and the wonderful special offers at [www.fourcourtspress.ie](http://www.fourcourtspress.ie)

## GSI JOURNAL 2019 PUBLISHED

The Society's 2019 Annual Journal is now available. It features major articles relating to some of the rarer family names in Ireland. The Newenham family had 'Aldermen, Sheriffs and Lord Mayors along with ordained members of the Church of Ireland - nigh on 400 unbroken years of residence in Ireland.' The Jennette family were among the French Huguenots who fled France and arrived in Dublin in 1680-1700 where they settled. The Prolze/Prole families trace their origins to William Peroltz (b. Cullinogue, Co Wicklow?) c1727 and his wife Mary, and include bakers in every generation. The Cromien family is traced back to a grave at Carne, Kilrush, Co. Clare.

Other families with detailed articles are those of O'Shea, Farrell/O'Farrell, Dalton, Burke and Dunne as well as references to many other family names related to those.

The Journal will be distributed free to all

members and available at €10.00 plus P&P where applicable. **Tom Conlon, MGSI**

## DONATIONS TO THE SOCIETY

This Society is funded largely by its Membership Fees and the kind donations received from Members and friends at home and overseas.



The Society is a Registered Charity in Ireland and is currently considering options for fund raising and grant applications.

The possibility of crowdfunding for specific projects is being considered. However, in the meantime it was decided to appeal to our Members and friends.

Donations can be made on-line via the Society's website or by cheque payable to the *Genealogical Society of Ireland* and sent to: **Shane O'Brien, MGSI**, Director of Finance, GSI, 135, Coolevin, Ballybrack, Co. Dublin, A96 C9F7.

The Board would like to sincerely thank the Members and friends of the Society who have already donated.

*Go Raibh Míle Maith Agaibh—Many Thanks!*

## History on Your Doorstep

'*History on your Doorstep - Six stories of Dublin history*' by Dublin City Council's Historians in Residence Maeve Casserly, Donal Fallon, Cormac Moore, Mary Muldowney, Bernard Kelly and Catherine Scuffil, Edited by Maeve Casserly and Catherine Scuffil, published by Dublin City Council.

The six stories featured in this remarkable, excellent and fascinating publication by Dublin City Council's Historians in Residence, which includes an introduction from Alderman Niall Ring, Lord Mayor of Dublin, are -

**Maeve Casserly** in 'Suffragette's City: a walking tour of the suffrage movement in Dublin City' brings the reader on a walking tour of the City featuring all the sites associated with the women movement as it was until 1918 when women, with some limitations, were able to vote in parliamentary elections for the first time.

**Donal Fallon** reminds the reader of the contribution to public housing by Herbert George Simms, Dublin's Housing Architect from 1932 until his death in 1948 in 'Tenements, suburbia and the remarkable architect Herbert Simms' - many of his houses are still in use at the present time.

**Bernard Kelly** in 'My Dear Men: The Monica Robert Collection from the First World War' reveals the work carried out by Monica Robert and her helpers who provides comforts for soldiers serving in the British Army during WW1.

By way of contrast **Cormac Moore** in '100 Years of Fairview's Edge Hardware: 1917-2017', provides a fascinating history of this business which is still currently trading.

In 'A Bumpy Ride: Dublin railway workers and the 1908 Old Age Pension', **Mary Muldowney** reveals how one railway company attempted to reduce company pensions by the amount that pensioners could claim from the state following the introduction of the Old Age Pension in 1908.

**Catherine Scuffil** in 'William Spencer, Victorian Engineer: Right man, right place, right time' recalls the Cork Street Foundry and Engineering Works of William Spence and Sons, established in 1856 and continued to trade until 1930, and provides details of some of the numerous contracts and projects the company undertook.

All in all, this is a truly fascinating and engrossing collection of articles dealing with various aspects of Dublin's history and an essential acquisition for anyone interested in the city's history. This great publication is available free of charge from Dublin City branch libraries but once they're gone, they're gone.

**James Scannell**

## AN DAONCHARTLANN

The Society's Archive and Research Centre—*An Daonchartlann*—located at the rear of the DLR Leisure Centre at Loughlinstown, Co. Dublin, has an impressive collection of books, journals, research papers, archival records, microform, CD and digital resources. Many of the overseas family history journals, for example, contain wonderful information on the Irish abroad. Access to this exceptional body of research is not readily available to the public elsewhere in this country.

The Society's original archival collections include school and other institutional registers, deeds, land records and assorted family papers. In addition, the facility offers online access to a number of the popular pay-for-view websites that have become essential for genealogical research. These records are freely available to the GSI Members and for a modest daily research fee to non-Members. New Members are always most welcome. For directions to the facility please see page 4 of this newsletter.

## IN MEMORIAM

It was great sadness that we learned of the passing on January 5th, 2019 of a long-time GSI Member, Mrs. **Gwen McCullagh** (née Murray) of Skillman, New Jersey, USA. Gwen was born in Dublin in 1938 to Rose (née Mooney) and Vincent Murray. She graduated from UCD / Mater School of Physiotherapy and from Guy's Hospital in London. In 1962 she emigrated to the US and in 1963 she married her lifelong partner, **Jack McCullagh**, also a long-time GSI Member. Gwen and Jack were regular visitors to Ireland and when here always attended the Society's Morning Meetings. The Board and Members send our deepest condolences to Jack, their son Brendan Paul and their families in the US and Ireland. **RIP**

## In Brief....

### GSI MEMBERSHIP

Join this Society on-line at [www.familyhistory.ie](http://www.familyhistory.ie) Please note that GSI Membership is open to all interested in genealogy and related subjects. Discounted membership rates available for under 25s and students at recognised genealogy courses.

### PARKING AT DFEI

Car-parking facilities at the **Dún Laoghaire Further Education Institute**. The best option is to use public transport. Dublin Bus nos. 7, 7A, 46A and 75 all serve the college or streets adjacent to the college—Lower George's Street, York Road, Clarence Street. The DART (suburban rail) services to Salthill & Monkstown. On street car-parking is usually available in the area also. Members are asked to consider 'car pooling' for each month's open meeting. For details on the Institute and its courses please checkout [www.dfei.ie](http://www.dfei.ie)

### DISCOUNTS

Exclusive discounts for the Members of the Society are available for online genealogical services and publications, including, **Findmypast**, **Forces War Records** and from **Flatcap-sandbonnets.com**. To avail of any of these Member discounts, please contact **Barry O'Connor**, FGSI, by email: [membership@familyhistory.ie](mailto:membership@familyhistory.ie)

### IDEAL GIFT IDEAS

Genealogists and local historians love books! So if you have a birthday gift to buy—think books by our Members. Much of the research for these books was undertaken at the Society's Archive & Research Centre—*An Daonchartlann*.

'*Victorian Dún Laoghaire*' by Tom Conlon—excellent local history of the town and the first to deal extensively with the poor and "the courts" where they lived. Price: €20.00

'*Labour in Kingstown, 1890-1920*' by Charlie Callan—explores a much neglected subject—the working class of Kingstown (now Dún Laoghaire and the development of organised labour and its political representation. Price: €10.00 (published privately contact: [chascallan@gmail.com](mailto:chascallan@gmail.com))

'*Twice Built—The Construction of St. Patrick's Church, Monkstown, Co. Dublin, 1861-66*' by Tom Conlon. An intriguing story of "church politics" surrounding the building of a parish church in Dublin. Price €12.00



[www.eneclann.ie](http://www.eneclann.ie)



Some of the Archival Collections in An Daonchartlann, Loughlinstown. (Photo: Tom Conlon)

## JAMES SCANNELL REPORTS...

### ASSISTANCE SOUGHT

Dr. Angela Byrne, Historian-in-Residence at EPIC, The Irish Emigration Museum in Dublin is planning an exhibition on the topic of the Irish at Sea for temporary display in March-April 2019. She is seeking information about Irish participants in the Arctic Convoys of 1941-45 and would be grateful to hear from surviving veterans or the family of deceased veterans who would be willing to share information, photographs or other memorabilia. The Arctic Convoys will be covered in an exhibition on 'The Seafaring Irish', on temporary display in Dublin in March-April 2019, before travelling to Irish embassies worldwide. The project is a collaboration between EPIC The Irish Emigration Museum and the Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade. Dr. Byrne can be contacted at [abyrne@epicchq.com](mailto:abyrne@epicchq.com).

### ENNISKERRY HIST. SOC.

Ken Finlay will speak on 'Charles Cameron - Saving the City of Dublin' at 20.30hrs on Thursday 14 February in the Powerscourt Arms & Country House Hotel, Main Street, Enniskerry, Co. Wicklow. All welcome - admission €5.00

### MOUNT MERRION HIST. SOC.

Cormac Lowth will recall 'Admiral Richard Brydges Beechey, Maritime Artist' at 20.00hrs on Thursday 7 March in the Mount Merrion Community Centre, North Avenue, Mount Merrion, Co. Dublin. All welcome - admission €4.00

### BRAY CUALANN HIST. SOC.

Brian White will recall 'The Maritime History of Bray, Co. Wicklow' at 20.00hrs on Thursday 21 February in the Royal Hotel, Main Street, Bray, Co. Wicklow. All welcome - admission €5.00

### DUN LAOGHAIRE BORO. H.S.

Catherine Scuffil will speak on 'The South Circular Road on the eve of the First World War' at 20.00hrs on 20 February in the Royal Marine Hotel, Marine Road, Dún Laoghaire, Co. Dublin. All welcome - entrance €3.00

### RATHMICHAEL HIST. SOC.

Patrick Salmon will speak about 'The Lost Village of Milltown' at 20.00hrs on Wednesday 6 March in Rathmichael National School, Stonebridge Road (Dublin Road end), Shankill, Co. Dublin. All welcome - admission €4.00

### RMS LEINSTER

Philip Lecane will present 'The Sinking of the RMS Leinster' at 20.00hrs on Thursday 21 February to the Greystones Archaeological & Historical Society in Holy Rosary Centre adjoining Holy Rosary Church, Greystones, Co. Wicklow.

James Scannell will present 'The Sinking of the RMS Leinster, 10<sup>th</sup> October 1918' at 20.00hrs on Thursday 28 February to the Rathmines, Ranelagh & Rathgar Historical Society Rathmines Town Hall, Rathmines Road, Rathmines, Dublin 6.



### KNOW YOUR SOCIETY

The Society's objective is to promote an awareness, appreciation and knowledge of our genealogical, heraldic and vexillological heritage at home and overseas amongst our diaspora.

The GSI widely acclaimed as being the most active voluntary genealogical organisation in Ireland hosting Monthly Lectures each month throughout the year and eleven Morning Open Meetings from January to November each year. These are open to the public—everyone is welcome!

We publish a Monthly Newsletter, Annual Journal, operates an Archive and Research Centre and promote genealogy, heraldry and vexillology at events around Ireland through our very active 'Outreach Programme' offering 'Free Family History Advice' to the public, active retirement groups, ladies' clubs and all sorts of community groups.

The Society has a collaborative academic research project with the Royal College of Surgeons in Ireland, RCSI. The *Irish DNA Atlas* project was co-designed by population geneticists at the RCSI and this Society coming together to collect DNA samples from individuals with four generations of ancestry linked to specific areas across the island of Ireland. This research has been funded through an Award from Science Foundation Ireland.

We have two 'specialist branches' one for heraldry and the other for vexillology (flags)—the only organisation in Ireland promoting this aspect of our cultural heritage. We maintain a very active on-line presence promoting sustainable contacts with our diaspora.

We also campaign to obtain better public access to our genealogical heritage and records held by the State or other agencies. However, as a registered charity, none of the above would be possible without the generosity of our Members who, through their Annual Subscriptions and volunteerism, provide these services throughout the year.

The Society is governed by a Board elected by the Members at the Annual General Meeting each year—all of the Society's directors and officers are volunteers.

**PLEASE help us to do more** by joining the Society—new Members always welcome or by making a donation, no matter how small, to the Society—please see page 2 of this newsletter. *Many thanks!*

### TRACING YOUR IRISH ANCESTORS

by John Grenham, MA, MAPGI, FIGRS, FGSI

The Society strongly recommends to anyone embarking on their family history quest that one essential piece of kit must be, without doubt, a copy of the latest edition of '*Tracing Your Irish Ancestors*'. Please checkout the website [www.gillmacmillan.com](http://www.gillmacmillan.com) Price €22.99 [RRP].

## Précis of the January Lecture

'*The Chief Secretary's Office Registered Papers*' by Nicola Morris MAGI. This was the first time Nicola spoke to our Society and the subject of the talk was the Chief Secretary's Office Registered Papers whose records are stored in the National Archives. The process of digitizing these papers is ongoing and only the papers from 1818 to 1830 are available online. The project is funded by a bequest from the late Professor Francis J. Crowley of the University of California.

Nicola covered the background of the Office up the dissolution in 1922. The papers take the form of letters, petitions, memorials, affidavits, accounts, recommendations, reports and returns, usually to one of three officials, namely the Lord Lieutenant, Chief Secretary or Under Secretary. Nicola spoke about the complex nature of the categorization of the papers in sub divisions which became more and more complex as the volume grew and time went by.

Nicola then read out some examples from her research which contain quite a lot of detail and flavour, as well as genealogical information for certain families. These records are not for everyone and are primarily historical in their nature. However, Nicola then showed examples of where family history can be extracted from reports relating to the 1916 uprising, specifically regarding the burial of bodies in Glasnevin Cemetery and who would pay for the interments. The subject of money or more explicitly, the justification of budgets, is usually at the heart of these reports, as the case must always be made to justify payment for a service. The same thing applies to the allocation of police and security personnel being sent to areas where conflict is anticipated, the state was expected to pay for the additional allocations of resources.

One of Nicola's favourite letters was read out regarding the petition not to release a certain Dennis Ring, a ballad singer, who was sentenced to seven years transportation for having seditious and evil songs on his person when arrested. The letter writer then goes on to implore the Secretary not to allow a payment of £5.00 for his release, stating that he was a good subject for Botany Bay and under no circumstances should he be released back into civil society. The language used in this petition illustrates the attitude towards any form of rebellion and free speech, a stark contrast to what pertains today. References to the "lower order" in society used casually by the writer, illustrates the stark division between the classes at that time.

Deportation of aliens in WWI was raised in a report where two German nuns based in Mount Annville were exempt to deportation from the island. Several other amusing tales were also told involving prisoner escape in Trim jail in 1818. The response to these petitions by the Lord Lieutenant is usually written on the reverse side of the petition. The case of the murder of a Mr. Topham or Toppen in Tipperary was then shown as the police report was in the CSORP papers and these details were compared to the newspapers reports of the time. The contrast showed that the newspapers portrayed Mr. Topham as a "pillar of society", giving a very partial view of the events, whereas the police report gave a much more graphic and detailed account of what actually happened.

All in all this was a very interesting lecture on these papers, no doubt we will be hearing more on this in due course as more of the papers are digitised and made available online. There was a Q&A session following the talk and all in all, this was a well-received talk about a most absorbing subject. Many thanks to Nicola.

Tony O'Hara, MGSJ

Checkout the Society's website [www.familyhistory.ie](http://www.familyhistory.ie)

## AN DAONCHARTLANN IN LOUGHLINSTOWN

Travel Information for visitors to the An Daonchartlann, Loughlinstown Leisure Centre, Loughlinstown Drive, Loughlinstown, Co. Dublin, A96 XP60.

**DART & DUBLIN BUS**—Dún Laoghaire DART Station—Bus 111 & 7A from Crofton Road, Bus Stop no. 2036 to Loughlinstown Park, Bus Stop no. 3222

**LUAS & DUBLIN BUS**—Bride's Glen (Green Line) - Bus 111 from outside the Luas station, Bus Stop no. 7639 to Loughlinstown Park, Bus Stop no. 3222

**DUBLIN BUS** from City Centre—O'Connell Bridge, Bus Stop no. 273 or Nassau Street, Bus Stop no. 405—Bus 7A to Loughlinstown Park, Bus stop no. 3222

**DRIVING**—From the M50 - at Junction 16 follow the signs for Loughlinstown. Straight on through Cherrywood and over the N11 flyover. **Signposted** at the second traffic lights beyond the flyover on Wyattville Road turn right into Loughlinstown Drive. Follow this twisty road for about 1km to Loughlinstown Leisure Centre (very large buildings on right). GSI is behind these buildings. **From N11 southwards** - after Cabinteely junction, and Topaz garage move to left lane and exit left to Wyattville Road. At the second traffic lights on Wyattville Road, turn right into Loughlinstown Drive and follow as above. Checkout [www.dlrleisure.ie/Loughlinstown](http://www.dlrleisure.ie/Loughlinstown)

## Mobile Phone Offer for GSI Members



The GSI arranges various discounted products for its Members. The Board has agreed to make the following available in conjunction with THREE. The two options are:

1. The price plan is NOW only €28.91 including VAT. In the plan you get the following calls, texts.

- Unlimited calls to any Irish mobile network.
- Unlimited texts to any Irish mobile network.
- Unlimited calls to Irish landlines.
- 5GB of internet data.
- 100 international mins & 100 international texts.

This plan is a 24 month contract and would come with a **FREE SMART PHONE**—Samsung Galaxy J3 2016 or a HTC Desire 530. Another option is a **SIM ONLY** offer which consists of.....

2. The price plan is NOW only €19.99 including VAT. In the plan you get the following calls, texts.

- Unlimited calls to any Irish mobile network.
- Unlimited texts to any Irish mobile network.
- Unlimited calls to Irish landlines.
- 5GB of internet data.
- 100 international mins and texts.

This plan is an 18 month contract. If you would like to avail of either of the above offers please contact **CONOR** at [Conor@threegovstaff.com](mailto:Conor@threegovstaff.com) or by phone on 01.687 6013 (**Conor Dalton**)

**Please Note:** Your current membership of the Society will be subsequently verified to THREE by the GSI Director of Membership Services in accordance with **RES: 17/04/1302**

## GSI LECTURE PROGRAMME

**Tuesday February 12th**—'How to start and administer your own Y-DNA Project' by Paddy Waldron

**Tuesday March 12th**—'Killarney—the Royal Visit of 1861 that put Killarney on the Tourist Map' by Frank Tracy

All WELCOME—Contribution €3.00

Please note the advice regarding 'Parking at DFEI' on panel to the left on page 3. We welcome your comments on the lecture programme. Please email **Tony O'Hara, MGSJ**, the Director of Lecture Programme by email at [toharads@gmail.com](mailto:toharads@gmail.com)

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The Board is limited to ten Members with a quorum of six. [Note: 'RF' signifies a 'reporting function' for a Non-Executive Officer].

## "HALL'S INDEX"

The "Gazette" is Ireland's longest running monthly genealogical newsletter and it is read by thousands each month around the world. All the past issues of this newsletter and its predecessor back to 1996 have been fully indexed by the late **Brendan Hall, MGSJ** and they are available in pdf format to read or to download free of charge on [www.familyhistory.ie](http://www.familyhistory.ie)

Although we're not members of the National Union of Journalists (NUJ), the team at the "Gazette" always endeavour to operate in accordance with the **NUJ Code of Conduct** [www.nuj.org.uk/about/nuj-code/](http://www.nuj.org.uk/about/nuj-code/) and in line with the 'National Policy Statement on Ensuring Research Integrity in Ireland' which was endorsed by the Genealogical Society of Ireland back in June 2014 soon after its launch at the Royal Irish Academy. (see the June 2014 issue at [www.familyhistory.ie](http://www.familyhistory.ie))

## GENEALOGY HELP CENTRE

An Daonchartlann, the Society's Archive and Research Centre is located at the DLR Loughlinstown, Co. Dublin. OPEN on the following days: Currently:- **Wednesdays**—10.00hrs to 16.00hrs and **Saturdays**—14.00hrs to 17.00hrs. The use of our extensive archival resources is reserved for fully paid-up GSI members, however, day research membership is available for

