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Mincéirs Archive—NUI Galway

The National University of Ireland Galway (NUIG) was established in 1845 as the Queen's College Galway, and following construction of the iconic Quadrangle building, the university opened its doors four years later to the first cohort of just sixty-eight students.

Recently NUIG announced that it has selected six projects by current and retired staff to showcase the breadth of the history of the university which, of course, celebrated its 175th anniversary in 2020. See <https://www.nuigalway.ie>

The six projects selected aim to draw on the history and heritage of NUIG and to draw on the collective memory of its retired staff, who hold so much institutional knowledge and social history of the university, and to deepen its connection to the community and its focus on working for the public good.

One of the chosen projects is the *Mincéirs Archive* – an online digital archive of the Irish Travelling Community by **Owen Patrick Ward**, the Traveller History and Culture Sub-Working Group, Mincéirs Misl'd in Education Committee, Mincéirs Whiden Society, and Kieran Hoare, NUI Galway Library

This is a digital archive of a growing collection of all types, complemented by historical documents and scholarly texts. It will illustrate NUI Galway's positive relationship with the Irish Traveller community, enhancing our university's reputation as a champion for equality, inclusion and diversity.

This wonderful initiative is of particular interest to the Genealogical Society of Ireland as it has the following objective in its *Development Plan, 2022-2027*, which was researched and presented by **Paula**

Jones, MGSI, Deputy General Secretary, and adopted by the Board of Directors in May (Res: 22/05/1669).

“Formulating and implementing strategies to promote an awareness, appreciation and knowledge of the genealogical heritage of the Traveller and Roma communities in Ireland and collaborating with these communities in the documentation of their unique genealogical heritage.”

The NUIG collection will include various items from numerous archives and the team are making a public call for donations of historical material concerning the Traveller community and its culture.

If you have material that you think would be suitable to include in this unique archive please contact the Traveller Education Officer, Owen Ward by email at owenpatrick.ward@nuigalway.ie

Maybe an updated assessment of the DNA analysis undertaken on the Traveller Community by scientists at the *Royal College of Surgeons in Ireland* (RCSI), informed by the *Irish DNA Atlas*, could be included as part of this very important and long overdue initiative.

MAJOR CONFERENCE AT NUIG

NUIG will host ‘*Irish Travellers/Mincéirs and the State, 1922-2022*’, a major in-person two-day conference to be held on 16th and 17th September 2022.

The conference is being organised in association with various Traveller activists and groups and the *Irish Centre for the History of Labour and Class (ICHLC)* at NUIG. Hopefully it will be live-streamed.

Call for participation has been extended up to 18th July 2022. Send to traveller.participation@gmail.com

For further details see: <https://www.mooreinstitute.ie>

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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.

ARCHIVE REOPENING

Gerard Corcoran, MGSI, Director of Archival Services & Education, and his archive team have assessed the volunteer levels required to reopen *An Daonchartlann* on Wednesdays and Saturdays to both Members and public. See page 4.

MEMBERSHIP OF THE SOCIETY—DID YOU KNOW?

- ✿ Did you know that Membership of this Society is open to all with an interest in family history, heraldry, vexillology (study of flags and emblems) and related subjects?
- ✿ Did you know that Membership is open to anyone living in Ireland or overseas and with Irish ancestry or with ancestors from anywhere in the world? All are most welcome.
- ✿ Did you know that Student Membership is also available at 50% off the subscription?
- ✿ Please checkout: www.familyhistory.ie ✿ Email: membership@familyhistory.ie

GSi ON YOUTUBE

The Society's lectures and some informational short videos were uploaded to our YouTube Channel.

To view the videos and hopefully, to ‘Like’ and ‘Share’ them, and to ‘Subscribe’ to our YouTube channel—please checkout:

www.YouTube.com/c/GenealogicalSocietyOfIrelandGSI

ON INSTAGRAM

The Society has been expanding its presence across all social media platforms and we're on Instagram!

Please checkout this link:

www.instagram.com/GenSocIreland

MONTHLY MEETINGS

EVENING OPEN MEETING

(via Zoom)

Tuesday 12 July —20.00hrs

Tuesday 9 August —20.00hrs

MORNING OPEN MEETING

(via Zoom)

Wednesday 27 July 2022 —11.00hrs

Wednesday 24 August 2022 —11.00hrs

Contribution €5.00 p.p.

(Donations via www.familyhistory.ie)

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BEYOND 2022

The project to recover as much of the material lost in the fire at the **Public Records Office of Ireland** in June 1922 has been rightly praised for the wonderful collaboration between various institutions, academics, innovative technologies and the Irish government. The results are spectacular and beyond what most of us thought was ever going to be possible.

As this huge story has been covered extensively elsewhere, especially on social media, here the Society would like to record its sincere gratitude to **Dr. Peter Crooks** and his dedicated team for this enormous gift to Irish historical research. Please checkout: <https://beyond2022.ie>

“ARCHIVE DROP-INS”

The weekly “*Drop-Ins*” hosted by **Eddie Gahan**, **FGSI**, Director of the Outreach Programme, are hugely popular with our Members around the world.

These informal weekly “*Drop-Ins*” are only for **fully paid up Members** and are designed to allow you to join the Zoom meeting at any time between 11.00hrs and 12.00hrs on Wednesdays.

The “*Drop-In*” on the 4th Wednesday is a publicly accessible “*Drop-In*” for Members and visitors alike. Visitors can email membership@familyhistory.ie for the link to this Zoom meeting on the 4th Wednesday.

Members receive an email from the Director of Membership Services each week with access details.

Members can send in their research query in advance to Archivist@familyhistory.ie

FINAL CALL !

The Select Committee on the Annual Journal is currently preparing the 2002 edition of the *Journal of the Genealogical Society of Ireland* for digital publication in October 2022.

The Select Committee on the Annual Journal has specially extended the deadline for submission of articles to **Sunday 14th July 2022** for the Society **MEMBERS ONLY**.

Subjects accepted include the following:

Family history including oral histories. These can be articles about family trees and research undertaken, interviews with family members on their personal experience of living history, etc.

Local history. This can be of a particular area, a cemetery, local hospital, a time period, etc.

DNA & Genealogy and Other relevant topics

We would very much appreciate it if you would consider submitting an article for the next issue which is due for publication in October 2022.

The last date for submission of articles is **14th July 2022** and they can be emailed directly to depngensec@familyhistory.ie

ARTICLE GUIDELINES

WORD COUNT: articles, excluding footnotes, should be between 1500 to 3500 words and submitted as a .docx document (Ms Word).

TEXT FONT: please use Arial or Times New Roman font for the text. Final formatting and font selection will be decided by the Editorial Board.

REFERENCES: these are to be provided as end-notes, not footnotes and listed in a bibliography style such as Irish Historical Studies, Harvard or Chicago referencing styles. Details of these referencing styles can be found online; the Irish Historical Studies referencing guide <https://www.irishhistoricalstudies.ie/site/assets/files/1/rulesforcontribs-1.pdf>.

IMAGES: images are very welcome and should be submitted as separate .jpg or .png files. Each file name must include your name so the images can be matched to the text document, e.g. JoeBloggs_Image1.jpg. Images and figures must have a caption or title along with the source details. These should be listed at the end of the article or as a separate list included with your submission. If you require advice about images and sourcing, please contact the Editor at depngensec@familyhistory.ie.

IMAGE COPYRIGHT: images must not infringe copyright of the owner. Authority to use in the Journal must be sought and/or provided by the author as appropriate, preferably before the article is submitted. Images that are available in the public domain still have citation requirements and these must also be included as well as any links to the images online. Where images are supplied without copyright agreements, these will not be included in the final article.

ABOUT YOU: please also include a short biography of yourself and an optional photo headshot which we will include at the end of the article.

Paula Jones, Deputy General Secretary

SNIPPETS : BLÚIRÍ

OpenStreetMap—A not well known function on the extremely useful OpenStreetMap allows for finding names of all boundaries, so far mapped, which include a known location on the map.

As an example go to Woodford in East Galway or put Derryrag (townland) into the search box. then select the link offered (described as suburb boundary). Then select the “Query” feature icon on the right hand side, and double click any empty space on map.

A list of all the relevant boundaries will be created to the left of the map. Click on the link of most interest to you to display the limits and see further details of that boundary.

Brian Hollinshead, MGSI

Adoption Legislation—The first of provisions in the *Birth Information and Tracing Act, 2022*, were commenced at the start of the month as the Act was signed into law by President Michael D. Higgins.

The legislation will enable adoptees to gain access to their original birth certificates and other personal information, including early life care and medical information.

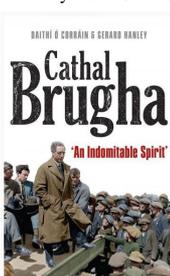
A contact register has been established and a contact tracing service will be operative from October.

The register will be operated by the **Adoption Authority of Ireland (AAI)**. For further information see <https://www.aai.gov.ie>

We'll All Stay Connected via Zoom & Teams

Cathal Brugha ‘An Indomitable Spirit’

‘*Cathal Brugha—‘An Indomitable Spirit’* by Daithí Ó Corráin and Gerard Hanley and published on July 1st 2022 by **Four Courts Press**. (ISBN: 978-1-80151-017-2 : 192pp : ill. : Price: €24.95 : Web Price €22.45).



In the first line of the *Prologue* to this very important work, the profound tragedy of the Irish Civil War is very succinctly captured—“Within seven weeks in July and August 1922, Cathal Brugha was joined in death by Harry Boland, Arthur Griffith and Michael Collins.” Comrades in arms throughout the War of Independence (1919-21), torn apart by the Anglo-Irish Treaty of December 6th 1921 and, more so, with the outbreak of hostilities in June 1922 with the shelling of the Four Courts and the start of the Civil War. It has often been said that civil wars are the bitterest, cruellest, and most unforgiving of conflicts and the Irish Civil War unfortunately met that criteria in abundance.

One hundred years ago this month on July 7th 1922 at 10.45hrs in the Mater Hospital, Cathal Brugha, just eleven days before his forty-eighth birthday, died from shock and haemorrhage caused by a single bullet in the left thigh which ruptured his femoral artery. In the days before his death the Battle of Dublin was raging with O’Connell Street in flames, the anti-treaty forces, including Brugha, were forced to flee the Granville Hotel. By all accounts, Brugha came out fighting, revolver in each hand, shouting “no surrender”. Such bravado may seem to be the stuff of films of the old “wild west”, but other reports of his state of mind, make for very interesting reading. Linda Kearns of Cumann na mBan who was with him in the Granville Hotel with the masonry collapsing and surrounded by fire, quotes him as saying “Civil War is so serious that my death may bring its seriousness home to the Irish people. I feel that if it put a stop to the Civil War, it would be a death worthwhile”. Some may rush to dismiss this as more of the Pearse-like blood sacrifice nationalism, but as Ó Corráin and Hanley reveal Cathal Brugha cannot be dismissed as simply a republican ideologue implacably opposed to the Anglo-Irish Treaty.

Based on exhaustive research, this book challenges the often simplistic and reductive depiction of Brugha by providing a nuanced and multi-layered reappraisal of this complex individual. It chronicles his public and private life and the influences that shaped him; assesses his multifaceted involvement in the Irish Revolution and his uncompromising commitment to an Irish republic; contextualizes his relationships with contemporaries such as Michael Collins, Éamon de Valera and Richard Mulcahy; explores how his premature death affected his young family and how his wife, Caitlín, upheld his political principles by standing as a Sinn Féin TD; and reflects on how Brugha’s indomitable patriotism was propagandized after his death.

This highly recommended work is a fascinating portrait of a complex, tenacious, and often misunderstood figure—a passionate and acerbic opponent of the Anglo-Irish treaty of 1921; a reluctant participant in the Irish Civil War, having tried to prevent it; and that conflict’s first high profile fatality in July 1922—exactly one hundred years ago.

Daithí Ó Corráin is assistant professor in the School of History and Geography, Dublin City University. He is co-author of ‘*The Dead of the Irish Revolution*’ (2020) and co-editor of Four Courts Press’s acclaimed ‘*Irish Revolution, 1912–23*’ series. **Gerard Hanley** holds a PhD from Dublin City University where he is a research fellow in the School of History and Geography.

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GSi BOARD NEWS

On Thursday **July 7th 2022**, the monthly meeting of the Board of Directors was held as an incorporeal meeting via Zoom. Chaired by **Paula Jones, MGSI**.

Paula Jones, MGSI, the Deputy General Secretary, provided an update on the work on the *Annual Journal 2022* and the extension of the deadline for submissions from GSI Members—see right on this page.

The Director of Archival Services & Education, **Gerard Corcoran, MGSI**, presented a draft of a plan for an expansion of the services provided at the Society’s Archive & Research Centre—*An Daonchartlann* and possible new digitisation projects.

It was also agreed to re-establish *An Daonchartlann Foundation* (Res: 13/03/986) to spearhead the Society’s efforts to locate and secure a more appropriate premises for the Society’s Archive & Research Centre. Under Res: 22/07/1680, the 2013 resolution was amended to meet current circumstances and the Directors of Finance and of Archival Services will oversee the implementation of its objectives.

Paula Jones, MGSI, advised the Board that a working group meeting on a national heraldic project will be held via Zoom to fine-tune the plans for the project. The project aims to promote our heraldic heritage which is so intrinsically intertwined with our genea-

logical heritage, history, clan/sept and regional identities.

There is no meeting scheduled for the month of August, therefore, the next Board Meeting will be held on Thursday 1st September 2022 at 11.00hrs via Zoom.

SPANISH NOBILITY & GENEALOGY

Elenco de Grandezas y Títulos Nobiliarios Españoles (Directory of Spanish Nobles & Titles of Nobility) ISBN: 978-84-948410-2-6 Price €52.00

A new format of this very informative directory with expanded entries and including full colour depictions of the Arms of the nobility of Spain. It also includes details on the titles legally recognised in Spain with short biographies on the holders of these titles. The genealogical, historical and heraldic information provided is excellent and will be of great interest to students of Spanish history. Of interest is the progress of the Irish families who settled in Spain, between the seventeenth and early nineteenth centuries, up through the ranks of Spanish nobility through marriage or service to the monarch. Although it is in Spanish, the uniformity of presentation and terminology throughout is easily accessible to anyone with even rudimentary Spanish. For further information see: www.edicioneshidalguia.es

In Brief....

GSI MEMBERSHIP

Join on-line at 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.

GSI OPEN MEETINGS

Society's Monthly Open Meetings are held via ZOOM to allow the fullest access by Members from Ireland and overseas.

Tuesday July 12th—Evening Open Meeting—20.00hrs (Zoom) - 'Researching at An Daonchartlann' - Gerard Corcoran

Wednesday July 27th—Morning Open Meeting—11.00hrs (Zoom)—Informal general discussion on family history and related matters.

Tuesday August 9th—Evening Open Meeting—20.00hrs (Zoom) - Brian Donovan of Findmypast—'The Irish in the 1921 Census of England & Wales'.

Wednesday August 24th—Morning Open Meeting—11.00hrs (Zoom)—Informal general discussion on family history and related matters.

Tuesday September 13th—Evening Open Meeting—20.00hrs (Zoom) - Gerard O'Meara 'Lorrha in the Great War'.

Wednesday September 22nd—Morning Open Meeting—11.00hrs (Zoom)—Informal general discussion on family history and related matters.

Tuesday October 11th—Evening Open Meeting—20.00hrs (Zoom) - 'National Archives of Ireland' - Zoe Reid

Wednesday October 22nd—Morning Open Meeting—11.00hrs (Zoom)—Informal general discussion on family history and related matters.

Details of the talks will be posted on the Society's website and on Social Media.

ZOOM MEETINGS

Membership Director, **Barry O'Connor**, FGSI, will email Members to log in to Zoom for the two Open Meetings.

The lectures are open to the public and the access details are available on request by email from Membership@Familyhistory.ie

Suggestions on the Monthly Lecture Programme to: DepGenSec@familyhistory.ie

Members may send their research queries in advance for the Morning Open Meeting by email to Archivist@familyhistory.ie

The Lecture Programme is recorded for the GSI YouTube Channel as a free, publicly accessible educational resource.

We endeavour to have each lecture up as soon as possible after the event.

IRISH DNA ATLAS

Checkout the short video and the lectures on the *Irish DNA Atlas* project on YouTube Channel—www.youtube.com/c/GenealogicalSocietyOfIrelandGSI



www.eneclann.ie



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

James Scannell Reports...

DUBLIN CITY LIBRARIES – BALLYMUN

James Curry will present 'The Irish Civil War Part 2: From Béal na Bláth to Arms Dump' at 18.30hrs on Wednesday 15 June. Booking required - Email: ballymunlibrary@dublincity.ie, or 01 222 8355

DUBLIN CITY LIB. - WALKINSTOWN

Cathy Scuffill will present 'The Irish Civil War Part 2: From Béal na Bláth to Arms Dump' at 18.30hrs on Wednesday 13 July. Booking required - email: walkinstownlibrary@dublincity.ie, or call 01 222 8890.

DUBLIN CITY LIB. - DONAGHMEDE

Cormac Moore will present 'The Irish Civil War Part 2: From Béal na Bláth to Arms Dump' at 18.30hrs on Thursday 14 July. Booking required - email: donaghmedelibrary@dublincity.ie, 01 222 8311.

MEATH ARCH. & HIST. SOCIETY

Frank Cogan and Tracey Holsgrove—'The 5th Meath Battalion and Cumann na mBan' at 19.30hrs on Weds. 20 July in Oldecastle Library, Co. Meath.

THE FIVE LAMPS ARTS FESTIVAL

Joe Seery will lead a '90-minute Arthur Griffith Historical Walking Tour' at 11.00hrs on Sat 23 July. Meet 14 Henrietta St., Dublin 1 - €10 booking via Eventbrite.

MEDAL SOCIETY OF IRELAND

A 'Medals, Militaria & Collectibles Fair' will take place from 11.00hrs to 15.00hrs on Saturday 06 August in the Knox Memorial Hall, Monkstown, Co. Dublin.

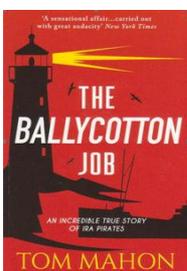
SHANKILL TIDY TOWNS WALKS 2022

Rob Goodbody will lead a 'Shankill's Railways Walk' at 19.00hrs on Weds. 13 July. Meet outside Shankill DART Station - please wear appropriate footwear and bring refreshments. Participants take part at their risk.

REVIEWS

'The Ballycotton Job – An Incredible True Story of IRA Pirates' by **Tom Mahon** and published by Mercier Press, ISBN 978-1-78117-443-2, p/b, 256pp.

This is the fascinating and engrossing story of a daring operation carried out by members of the First Cork Brigade in March 1922 when a 120



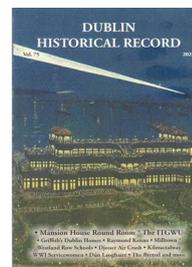
ton cargo of British arms being repatriated to Britain from Cork aboard the SS *Upnor* was hijacked by them. The First Cork Brigade was totally opposed to the Anglo-Irish Treaty and extremely short of weapons, decided to hijack the SS *Upnor* and seize her cargo of arms and ammunition while at sea. On March 29th 1922 once the SS *Upnor* left Haubowline, members of the First Cork Brigade hijacked the tug *Warrior* and set off after the SS *Upnor* which due to her slow speed was left quickly behind by her fast moving armed trawler escort. When the *Warrior* reached the SS *Upnor*, they quickly overpowered her crew and sailed her to Ballycotton from where a fleet of over 70 trucks carried away her cargo of 381 rifles, 727 service revolvers, 33 Lewis machine guns, and 6 Maxim machine guns, in addition to

thousands of rounds of service ammunition, boxes of hand grenades, and some explosives, most of which was later used by the First Cork Brigade during the Civil War.

For this excellent book Tom Mahon, who has spent years researching this operation, scouring numerous archives and libraries, and based on interviews with relatives of those who took part in this daring, recalls this incredible, daring, and brilliant operation which shocked Michael Collins and threw the British government into disarray, and tells the story of this daring operation in a very clear and manner, supported with notes, and a full biography of sources used, concluding with brief biographies of what happened afterwards to some of those involved in this operation.

Variety of content is the feature of the 'Dublin Historical Record 2022', Volume 75, annual Journal, of *The Old Dublin Society*, Editor **Dr. Séamas Ó Maitiú**.

Featuring a cover image of Kingstown Pavilion by night from an old postcard, articles in this year's journal include - 'Around the Town' by Séamas Ó Maitiú; 'Dean Walter Meyler and the Andean Schools, Cumberland Street, Westland Row 1847-1864' by Gail C. Roantree; 'The origins of Dublin's Mansion House Round Room' by Mary



Clark; 'Dublin haunts and homes of Arthur Griffith - and the admirers who bought him a house' by Colum Kenny; 'The Bretzel' by Séamas Ó Maitiú; 'Raymond Kenna haute couture designer and manufacturer' by Anne Boylan and Kieran Fagan; 'Irish Transport and General Workers' Union Membership and Finance in Dublin City and County, 1909-1930' by Francis Devine; 'The air crash nobody saw: The Djouce Mountain aircraft crash, 12 August 1946; 'Forgotten History: Irish Servicewomen in the First World War, 1917-1919' by Barbara Walsh; 'Notable houses in Eighteenth and Nineteenth Century Milltown' by Patrick Salmon; 'Some Notes on Kilmactalway, Co. Dublin' by Brian McCabe; 'Victorian Dún Laoghaire' by Tom Conlon; 'Where is Dublin?' by Tadgh Ó Rodaí.

Copies of the 2022 'Dublin Historical Record' are available from Hodges Figgis, Dawson Street, Dublin, Books Upstairs, D'Olier Street' or directly from The Old Dublin Society, by emailing: olddublinsociety@gmail.com.

James Scannell

TRACING YOUR IRISH ANCESTORS

by **John Grenham, MA, MAGI, 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 **FIFTH** edition of 'Tracing Your Irish Ancestors'. Please checkout the website www.gillmacmillan.com Price €24.99 [RRP].

PRÉCIS OF THE JUNE LECTURE

'They Remained on the Footplate: A Railway Accident at Donabate, Co. Dublin - Friday December 14th 1945' was the title of a fascinating talk by the renowned local historian and writer, **James Scannell**, to our June 14th Open Meeting. James is a regular contributor to this newsletter for many years and his articles have been published widely in local history journals and, most notably in 'The Dublin Historical Record' published by The Old Dublin Society.

As the Great Northern Railway Company (Ireland) 8-carriage 12 Noon departure from Belfast to Dublin train was approaching Donabate, Co. Dublin, 12 miles north of Dublin, just after 4 p.m. at a speed of 60 miles per hour, drawn by the Class S2 4-4-0 steam locomotive No. 190 *Lugnaquilla*, a connecting rod within the locomotive's frame underneath the boiler and firebox suddenly fractured without warning and broke into two pieces. One piece punctured the boiler which exploded and those on the locomotive footplate at that time, Driver William Bryan from Belfast, his fireman Samuel Snowden, also from Belfast, and Locomotive Inspector Robert Green from Dublin, who had joined the crew at Dundalk, were showered with burning coal and embers and a cloud of scalding steam and despite their terrible injuries and extreme pain, managed to bring the train safely to a stop in Donabate Station without the passengers sustaining any injuries and the train itself remaining on the tracks.

Several doctors who were travelling on the train and medical staff from Portrane Hospital rendered medical aid to the three injured men who refused to be removed to hospital in Dublin until they were assured that the passengers would be looked after and able to complete their journey. The three injured men were brought by a bus standing outside the station to Jervis Street Hospital in Dublin, and were treated enroute by several of the doctors who accompanied them.

Inspector Green succumbed to his injuries on Sunday December 16th and Driver Bryan on Thursday December 20th but Fireman Snowden slowly recovered from his injuries and was able to attend the inquest into the deaths of Driver Snowden and Inspector Green in the City Morgue before City Coroner Dr. MacEarlean and recall what had happened to the best of his recollection.

The inquest returned a verdict that the deaths of the two men was due to 'shock and toxæmia following scalds received when steam escaped from the G.N.R. engine due to some mechanical break down on 14th December 1945.'

What caught the public attention was the fact that despite their terrible injuries, the three men on the footplate, had made the safety of the train and its passengers their first priority ahead of themselves.

EDITOR: Please note that the August issue of 'Ireland's Genealogical Gazette' will be published during the week ending 13 August 2022, the delay of a few days will be due to holidays. Also, there is no Board Meeting scheduled for the month of August, however, the **Open Meetings** and **An Daonchartlann** will function normally.

Appointment System for An Daonchartlann

An Daonchartlann - Archive & Research Centre operates these rules when open (*temporarily closed*).

- All visits to the archive, for members and non-members, is by **appointment only**. All appointments to be made, in advance, via email to Archivist@familyhistory.ie only.
- Maximum time for each visit, is 1 hour for non-members and 2 hours for paid-up members. Maximum number of visitors per appointment is one person.
- Gloves supplied in the archive, must always be used while in the archive.
- Face mask/covering must always be worn while in the archive. You will be refused admission to the archive without a face mask/covering.
- A name and contact phone number will be required from each person visiting.
- All visitors, members and non-members must leave the archive as soon as their allocated time has finished.

Please do not visit the archive, if you are feeling unwell or have been in contact with someone, who has been confirmed as having Covid-19 or are waiting for test results.

Gerard Corcoran, MGSJ

Checkout the Society's website www.familyhistory.ie

Our Society is a Registered Charity

During the disruption caused by the Covid-19 pandemic, many charities in Ireland and overseas are finding it difficult with reduced funding streams. This Society is funded largely by its Membership Fees and the kind donations received from Members and friends at home and overseas, without which, it simply couldn't exist.

The Society is a Registered Charity in Ireland and always considers 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,

friends and social media followers around the world.

Donations can be made via the Society's website or by cheque to the *Genealogical Society of Ireland* and forwarded to the General Secretary: **11, Desmond Avenue, Dún Laoghaire, Co. Dublin, Ireland, A96 AD76.**

If you have already donated—Many Thanks!



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GENEALOGY HELP CENTRE

An Daonchartlann, the Society's Archive and Research Centre is located at the **DLR Leisure Centre, Loughlinstown, Co. Dublin**.

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The facility is normally open each Wednesday from 11.00hrs to 15.00hrs but with **prior booking** on Archivist@familyhistory.ie

