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XXVII INTERNATIONAL CONGRESS

Scotland to host Congress of Genealogical & Heraldic Sciences in August 2006

The medieval university town of St. Andrews in Scotland will be the venue for the 27th International Congress of Genealogical & Heraldic Sciences hosted by the Heraldry Society of Scotland and the Scottish Genealogy Society.

"A Most Prestigious Forum"

Held in Dublin back in 2002, this congress attracts delegates from all around the world, many of whom are internationally recognised as the very best in the fields of genealogy and heraldry. Papers are read and workshops are held on many subjects where information, learned research and expertise are shared to the enrichment of genealogy and heraldry. This congress is certainly the most prestigious international forum for genealogists and heraldic experts and indeed, with a limit of 300 delegates plus partners, places will be at a premium. A deadline of 21st July 2006 is set for registration which can be done on-line at www.congress2006.com

"Intriguing Theme Chosen"

The organisers have chosen an intriguing theme for the congress to be held in the historic University of St. Andrews between Monday August 21st and Saturday August 26th 2006. The theme "Myth and Propaganda in Heraldry and Genealogy" may well attract some interesting papers on Irish genealogy and associated heraldic happenings from some Irish delegates. What the organisers exactly mean by "myth and propaganda" is not too clear, however, papers for presentation are being sought by the organisers. According to the organisers, the theme is thought to be both engaging and broad, papers should relate directly to it, and those that do so will be given preference. Preliminary views are that presentations should run to the 20 minute model with 10 minutes for question and discussion. The use of visual material is most strongly encouraged. Equipment for slides and Power Point will be available. The time line for the submission of papers parallels that for registration with the exception that a one page



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The President, Mr. Tony McCarthy, FGSI, the Vice Presidents, Cathaoirleach & the Board of the Genealogical Society of Ireland wish all our Members and friends throughout the world a Very Happy Christmas and a Prosperous, Healthy and Peaceful New Year.

typed précis of the paper must be submitted by 21st June 2006. It is the intention of the organisers to provide a brief synopsis of each paper in three languages. Therefore, it is preferred that the précis should prepared and submitted in three languages by the author, however, those that are not will be translated by the Congress organisers as they see fit. Presumably the three languages include English, French and possibly, Spanish.

"Much More Besides Lectures"

In addition to the lectures and workshops the organizers have planned a full programme of sight-seeing, evening entertainments, a family history fair, a full day excursion to Edinburgh featuring a sitting of the Lyon Court, Parliament House, Edinburgh Castle and much more besides. Care was certainly taken to facilitate the partners of the delegates who may not necessarily share the enthusiasm of their partners for genealogy and matters heraldic. Indeed, as the international spiritual home of golf, St. Andrews is definitely on the Scottish tourism trail for all visitors.

"Heraldry – A Cultural Heritage"

Whilst, congresses and conferences devoted to the science of genealogy are held every year in many parts of the world, little attention is given

to the subject of heraldry. This may be attributed to the widely held perception that heraldry is only for the dedicated enthusiast who speaks in gobbledegook about coloured painted shields or for the descendants of the ennobled few. This is unfortunate as heraldry is all around us in the western world in kingdoms and republics alike. It is an important feature of our shared heritage encapsulating, as it does, a national, civic, religious, genealogical or cultural heritage depicted on coats-of-arms. Each shield has its unique story inextricably linked to the history of those who used the arms and their times. Though, much of heraldry in the western world has a lot in common, each of the nations and states have developed a distinctive style according to their own genius and customs. In this regard, Ireland is no exception, indeed, the Irish Gaelic world brought its own very special characteristics to heraldry - something shared with our Gaelic cousins in Scotland.

"Myth-Busters versus Propagandists"

One major difference between Irish and Scottish heraldry is the legal basis on which each is established. Scotland has its own legal framework, distinct from that operating in England and Wales. The Scottish chief herald is Lord Lyon King of Arms and his jurisdiction involves a diverse and fascinating application of heraldry. Considering the theme of the congress maybe a sound legal basis for heraldry in Ireland could easily fall somewhere between "myth" and "propaganda" as it is certainly unclear. Hopefully, this congress could provide an opportunity for the expansion of the debate on the nature and place of heraldry in republics like Ireland. However, it will be up to Irish delegates to rise to the challenge and to provide appropriately researched papers on this topic for consideration by the organisers. If nothing else, a contest between sceptic "myth busters" and alleged "propagandists" on this subject should be entertaining and no doubt, give rise to not a little controversy. Boring? Never!!

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ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP FEE

The Board of the Society at its November meeting conducted the normal annual review of the Membership Fee structure under Res: 05/11/456 the Board adopted the following Membership Packages:- Ireland:- Offering ordinary membership of the Society, Membership Card, voting rights, use of the Society's Archive, monthly newsletter by mail, biannual Journal by mail, and the right to purchase the Society's publications at Special Members' prices of up to 50% off selected publications. This also includes an optional second Membership Card for a household member, including voting rights, for an all inclusive cost of just €30.00 per annum. Overseas:- Offering the same at €40.00 per annum. The avoidance of any substantial increase in the Membership Fee was achieved by the adoption of Res: 05/11/455 which provided for the production of a biannual Journal instead of a quarterly Journal with no reduction in content or overall size of the annual volume. The savings here are entirely on postage costs as the cost of mailing the Journal overseas was becoming greater than the unit cost of the publication. This situation was unsustainable. The new Membership Packages will come into effect on January 1s 2006, however, persons with existing Membership Packages will receive their entitlements until the renewal date of their membership. The Board trusts that this measure aimed at tackling spiralling postage costs will be fully supported by the Members.

USD & UKP CURRENCY RATES

The exchange rate for persons paying by check or cash in US dollars €1.00 = US\$1.15 and similarly for those wish to pay in British pounds €1.00 = 0.65p. The Society will keep these exchange rates under constant review to ensure acceptance of payments in these currencies. These rates apply to all purchases and membership subscriptions transacted in the currencies concerned. Alternatively why not pay by Credit Card – MasterCard or VISA via the Website? www.familyhistory.ie/shop

QUERIES RECEIVED

FLEUR COLEMAN, 57 Barrier View Rd, Leigh, Warkworth, New Zealand. E-mail:- wrinkle@xtra.co.nz Wrote:- As a "colonial New Zealander" I am searching for general beginning leads on any of the following families - McCann, Quinn, Hamill, Callaghan, Brady or Coleman. Most would have emigrated to New Zealand or Australia during the 1840 period. Just knowing which part of Ireland these families hail from would be a nice start. The story has it the Hamill's came from County Antrim? Many thanks.

LOU RYAN-MURPHY, Box 1753, Lutz, FL 33548, USA, E-mail:- RootsLQQker@aol.com Wrote:- Searching for any and all information on the following persons: Patrick Ryan b: 19 July 1844 - D: 1900s New York,

USA, of Dublin, and Elizabeth (Nolan) Ryan B: 1841 - D: 1934 Queens, NY, USA also of Dublin, along with their son, James Joseph Thomas Ryan, B: 13 Dec. 1880 (Dublin, Ireland) D: (Queens, New York, USA). Patrick was my grt-grt-grandfather, Elizabeth was grt-grt-grandmother, and their son James Joseph Thomas Rvan was my great grandfather. They (all 3) emigrated to the USA from Dublin, IRE to Liverpool, England aboard the SS Etruria on 21 March 1892.

LORRAINE ALLEN HUGHES, 11995
Sutter Ave, Yucaipa, CA 92399 USA Email:- Gabtail@aol.com Wrote:- I am
searching for any information about Arthur
Allen, b. 1823 in 'City of Dublin, Ireland' per
1851 English census. His marriage cert says
his father's name was Peter and Peter was a
stone mason. Arthur became a cigar maker
and migrated to the U.S. about 1858.

GEOFF CLINTON. 2 Greenways. Abbots Langley, Herts WD5 0EU United Kingdom. Email:- geoffclinton@tiscali.co.uk Wrote:- I am trying to locate the birth place and family of an Arthur Clinton born 1792, who moved to Newcastle England circa 1810-20. His first recorded job was a groom, but that may be out of convenience, rather than calling. He married a Sarah Noble circa 1822 and had 5 children. This is all I have and realise its not much but I am facing a needle in a haystack problem. ANTOINETTE QUINN, 3 Leinster Square, Rathmines. Dublin 6, Ireland. E-mail:lennrob.@hotmail.com Wrote:- I am writing a biography of Lennox Robinson and would appreciate any assistance readers can provide by way of reminiscences, letters, photos or other memorabilia.

HOLLIS H. BOND, 2302 Randy Court, Mansfield, TX 76063 USA, E-mail:-hdbond@charter.net Wrote:- I have found this entry in a Bible: "Sweeting Bond was born to Dr. Vinyard Bond and wife, Sarah Carruthers, in Dublin, Ireland in 1750. Sarah Bond, their daughter, was born there in 1752. By 1756 the family had moved to North Carolina, USA. I would like to discover the parentages of Vinyard and his wife, Sarah. Any assistance very much appreciated.

Ms. A. LITTLEWOOD, 7, Valentia Road, Blackpool, FY2 0RN, England. Wrote:- trying to track down information on the following:-Bartholomew McCarthy and his son Bartholomew b. 1850, d. 6th March 1926; John Molloy and his daughter Jane Frances Molloy b. 1862, d. 11th November 1933. The son and daughter were married in St. Kevin's Church in Dublin on 4th August 1886. Any information on this family or connections appreciated. MELANIE HALLINAN, 7/18 Serenity Pwy, Hammond Park, WA 6164, USA E-mail:tplace@iinet.net.au Wrote:- I would like to find anything about Thomas Hallinan and his parents Michael Hallinan and Mary Malloy or his siblings. All I have is Thomas Hallinan b. circa 1821 Ennistymon, Co Clare. He married 1846 at Inagh, Co Clare to Catherine Keating (pos. Caton) b. circa 1822. They emigrated to Australia in 1851 and settled in Victoria. Their children were John b 1848 d. 1926, Bridget or Mary b 1850 then in Australia Catherine b. 1854 d. 1857 and Michael b. 20 Sep 1856. d. 1929 Kerang, Vic. Any information for my family history research would be appreciated. Id be happy to share info on descendents of the Thomas and Catherine.

FAY LANGSHAW, 2, Cliff Road, Wallasey, CH44 3DL, Great Britain. Wrote:- Seeking information on Henry Castles, a medical doctor who lived at a house called Woodbank in Distington in Cumbria. His wife was Juliette Maria Cullen (Cullin?) and they had eight children. Henry died in 1904 aged 44 years and his wife died two years earlier. They were possibly married in Dublin where Juliette's had two sisters Fanny Middleton and Jennie the wife of Judge Robert Doyle of Melrose, Dalkey Avenue, Dalkey, County Dublin. I would dearly appreciate any information on this or related families.

JUDITH WAKEFIELD, 400 Fenwick St, Hastings, New Zealand. E-mail:len_judith@hotmail.com Wrote:- Working on my family tree, we have come up against a road block. My Gt/gfather, is John Andrew Carson b 5th March 1841, Moneymore, County Londonderry, Ireland. J. A. Carson married Ruth Ann Fossey 20 Jul 1870 in Manchester Cathedral. We believe that his father was Daniel Carson, but have no knowledge of his spouse, or other children. Family legend has it that John Andrew Carson is related to Lord Edward Carson. If any one is able to assist us in discovering more about the Carsons of Moneymore, and possible linkage to Lord Carson we would be forever grateful. PAULINE RIPLEY, 19, Quarry Road, Speers

PAULINE RIPLEY, 19, Quarry Road, Speers Point, NSW 2284, Australia. E-mail:pcripley@kooee.com.au Wrote:- Seeking information on my grandfather John Farrell Roche, b. 21st September 1840 in Kingstown (now Dún Laoghaire), Co. Dublin. His father was Thomas Roche, harbour pilot / mariner. Mother Mary Farrell. Date of leaving Ireland 1867 according to his death certificate – 34 years in Australia – died in 1901. Seeking information on this family in Ireland and wishing to connect with descendants of John's siblings. Any info. much appreciated.

JOINING THE SOCIETY

The Society always welcomes new Members from Ireland and overseas. If you wish to join, it's easy - just log on to the Society's Website www.familyhistory.ie/shop or write to the Membership Officer, Mrs Hilary Byrne, MGSI, c/o 11, Desmond Avenue, Dún Laoghaire, Co. Dublin, Ireland. Membership of the Society is open to all with an interest in genealogy or heraldry. A laminated Membership Card featuring the Society's heraldic badge "the Mungovan Badge" will be forwarded to you by mail. Details of the Membership Packages are available on the Society's website.

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Articles in this latest issue of the Society's Journal include: A Galway Lawyer At The Confederation Of Kilkenny (Richard Martin Fitz Oliver Of Dun Guaire, C.1602-1648) By Adrian J. Martyn. A Third Note On Fr Cornelius Fennessy By Ignatius Fennessy OFM, Conroys In Mountrath & Mountmellick, Co. Laois At 1901 Census By Margaret Conroy, Elements Of A Dade Register By Seán MacBrádaigh, List Of Approved Retailers Of Radio Receiving Sets Part Two By Noel Vaughan, Intimidation At Parliamentary Elections: Carlow 1835 By Brendan Hall, Sister M. Bernadette De Lourdes, O.Carm. R.I.P. (1907-2005) By Michael Merrigan, The Murder Of Lieutenant W. Newcole - Tony Daly (www.coastguardsofyesteryear.org), Surnames Meates And Mates And DNA Testing By Susan C. Meates. The Editor always welcomes articles for publication. Contact Margaret Conroy, MGSI on email: mmeconroy@eircom.net

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The opening times of the Society's Archive are subject to alteration. Therefore, members and visitors are advised to phone ahead to ascertain the current opening times. Telephone +353.1. 202 0464. for information.

JAMES SCANNELL REPORTS...

HISTORY OF KERRY DIOCESE PARISHES The first history of the 53 parishes which comprise the Diocese of Kerry called 'The Diocese of Kerry formerly Arfert, by Kieran O'Shea, historian and parish priest of Knocknagoshel, was published at the end of October. The book traces the history of 53 parishes in the diocese and its official change of name from the Diocese of Ardfert in 1952. MARITIME TRAGEDY On Tuesday November 8th Arranmore islanders quietly commemorated the 70th anniversary of the worst sea disaster off the Co. Donegal coast. A wreath was cast into the sea from the Arranmore lifeboat. Parish priest Fr. Pat Ward recited prayers and gave a blessing. Two islanders living on Arranmore who were alive at the time of the tragedy, 99 year old Eddie Gallagher and 82 year old Phil Boyle shared memories of that day with neighbours and fishermen. Just one person Paddy Gallagher, survived, six of his family drowned.

DERRY WAR SERVICE On Sunday November 6th the Irish tricolour and the Union Jack flew alongside each other at the war memorial in Derry in memory of soldiers killed in the Battle of Messines in 1917. The event supported by the British Legion was attended by representatives of the Royal Naval Association, the Royal Dublin Fusiliers Association, the Irish U.N. Veterans

Association and the Irish School of Peace Studies. Also present were members of the Condrin family from Waterford whose uncle John, aged 13, died at the Messines and was the youngest Allied soldier to die in World War 1. John was killed at Mouse Trap farm outside Ypres in one of the first gas attacks of the First World War 1. This cross-community and cross-border event was organised by Mr. Glen Bar of the Irish School of Peace Studies. DUBLIN'S FISH MARKET On Monday November 7th the demolition of Dublin's Victorian Fish market commenced to make way for a €400M redevelopment of the markets area in the north west inner city. The demolition of the 19th century fish market which ceased operating last April is one of the first steps in Dublin City Council's regeneration for the area close to the LUAS (tram) line which runs between the Four Courts and Capel Street. The site of the fish market between Mary's lane and Chancery street and next door to the Victorian fruit and, will be rebuilt as a commercial and residential complex six storeys in height. Dublin City Council is committed to preserving the fruit and vegetable market, restoring many of the external Victorian features, and redeveloping it internally to increase its capacity for retail food sales. Traders who used the fish market have been relocated to a site in the Finglas industrial estate, a move necessary to comply with health and safety regulations. The demolition of the fish market is expected to be completed by mid December 2005. RAILWAY ANNIVERSARY On Sunday 13th November, the Railway Preservation Society of Ireland in association with Greystones Town Council and Iarnrod Éireann (Irish Rail) commemorated the 150th anniversary of the completion of the of the railway line from Bray to Greystones on 30th October 1855. The railway line from Dublin to Bray reached that town in July the previous year and was commemorated in Bray in September last year. The Greystones commemoration took the form of s steam train trip from Dublin to Grevstones. A commemorative plaque recalling the arrival of the railway in Greystones was unveiled in railway Grevstones station. DOUGLAS GAGEBY PAPERS On Monday November 28th the family of the late Douglas Gageby, former editor of The Irish Times donated a collection of his books to Dublin City University. The collection includes a selection from his personal library of books about Irish journalism in addition to personal editorials written by him of many years covering a variety of topics.

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IRISH CENSUS ON-LINE

Plans are now in place to have the 1901 and 1911 Census Return for Ireland (the entire island) digitised and made available on-line. The Minister for Arts, Sport & Tourism, Mr. John O'Donoghue, TD, has signed an agreement with a Canadian company, Library Archives Canada, to commence a three year project to have the census data digitised. The paper records are held in the National Archives in Dublin and are available on microfilm through LDS Family History Centres throughout the world. This is certainly a very welcome announcement by the Minister, however, it is hoped that this project will come in on time and within budget. We cannot have a repeat of the General Register Office fiasco when the computerisation of the records of Births, Marriages and Deaths routinely went way beyond stated target dates for completion. Some of the census information will be available on-line by December 2006, it has been reported. This is a positive development that will be of considerable benefit to researchers throughout the world.

DIARY DATES

Tuesday December 13th 2005

Evening Open Meeting. 20.00hrs

Dún Laoghaire College of Further Education,
Cumberland Street, Dún Laoghaire
Bus: 7, 7A, 46A, and 75.

DART Monkstown/Salthill Station.

Members' Night - Research Q & A

Tuesday January 10th 2006

Venue as above
Members' Night
Speaker: Philip Lecane
Topic: "Researching the RMS Leinster"

Wednesday Dec. 14th 2005 & Jan. 25th 2006 Morning Open Meeting 10.30hrs The Port View Hotel Marine Road, Dún Laoghaire Discussion Group on Family History

Contribution of €3.00 at each meeting Coffee/Tea served at Morning Meetings