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McCARTHY ELECTED PRESIDENT

Corkman Tony McCarthy becomes the Second President of the Society

At a specially convened meeting of the College of Fellows of the Genealogical Society of Ireland held at the Martello Tower, Seapoint, Co. Dublin, Mr. Tony McCarthy, MA, FGSI was elected President of the Genealogical Society of Ireland.

"Successor to O Conor Don"

Mr. McCarthy is only the second person to hold this prestigious position in the Society, indeed, the presidency has been vacant since the death of the Society's first President, **Denis O Conor Don** in 2000. Denis had been the President of the Society since the first AGM of the Society back in 1991. On Tony McCarthy's election as successor to O Conor Don as President, Mr. McCarthy also became a Fellow of the Genealogical Society.

"Considerable Contribution to Irish Genealogy"

Cork city based, Tony McCarthy has had a life long interest in genealogy. Having familiarised himself with the main documentary sources of information on Irish family history, he traced his own roots. He followed this up with a thesis entitled: An Approach to Irish Genealogy. For his independent research he was awarded an honours MA by the National University of Ireland. A revised version of the thesis was published as The Irish Roots Guide in 1990 by Lilliput Press. It was reprinted four times. followed by The Ancestor Album in 1994 and, with Tim Cadogan, Tracing Your Cork Ancestors in 1998. He has also written many shorter pieces on Irish genealogy, including an essay on tracing Irish roots in The Hutchinson Encyclopedia of Ireland (2000).

"Lecturer on Irish Genealogy"

He lectured on Irish genealogy in nine US cities in a tour organised by the Irish American Cultural Institute in the autumn of 1998. The following year he gave a week-long seminar to the British Isles Family History Society in Los Angeles. He has lectured at the Second, Third and Fourth Irish Genealogical Congresses and for many years gave week-long summer courses on Irish history and genealogy at the University of Limerick.

"Irish Roots Magazine"

The new President of the Genealogical Society of Ireland, Mr. Tony McCarthy, MA, FGSI, is the Deputy Principal in Christian Brothers College, Cork. With his wife Angela, he has produced the quarterly Irish Roots magazine for the past fourteen years. This publication is now widely read throughout the Irish Diaspora and stands as the most popular of all Irish genealogical periodicals. The publishers of this magazine can certainly take credit for increasing the appreciation, awareness and knowledge of Irish genealogy amongst the general public at home and amongst those with Irish roots all around the globe.

"The Presidency of the Society"

The office of the President of the Genealogical Society of Ireland is one of honour and prestige with ceremonial rather than executive functions. Unlike presidents of similar societies in North America, the President of this Society is not a member of the Board of the Society nor is there any executive duty assigned to the office. In many respects, the President of the Society, like the three Vice-Presidents, James Davidson, FGSI

(Northern Ireland), Stuart Rosenblatt, PC, MGSI (Irish Jewish Genealogical Society) and Sr. Bernadette de Lourdes Wisely, MGSI (USA), each act as our special ambassadors on various important national and regional occasions. The President and the Vice-Presidents would represent the Society at formal functions and in this respect each provides an invaluable service to the Society.

"Marking this Special Occasion"

The Society will host a celebratory event in March to mark the election of its new President, Mr. Tony McCarthy, MA, FGSI. This celebratory Open Meeting will see the President receive a newly commissioned Presidential Medallion in the presence of invited guests, members and friends of the Society. In order to properly celebrate this important occasion in the history of the Society, the Board has agreed to hold a separate Special Open Meeting in March and not to mix the celebration of the presidency with the formalities of the Annual General Meeting to be held on Tuesday March 8th Further details on the Special Open Meeting and invitations will be dispatched with the March issue of this newsletter.

All Members Please Note ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Members are advised that the AGM of the Society will take place on **Tuesday March 8th 2005** at the Dún Laoghaire College of Further Education, Cumberland Street, Dún Laoghaire, Co. Dublin at 20.00hrs.

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AN DAONCHARTLANN

As reported in the last issue of the newsletter, the Board of the Society has not permitted the opening of the Society's Archive because of the lack of telephone facilities within the Martello Tower. This decision was made simply on safety grounds as mobile (cell) phones do not work within this building due to the thickness of the defensive walls. Following repeated calls on officials at Eircom (Irish Telephone Company) to speed up the process of obtaining the landline connection, Rory Stanley, FGSI, finally received assurances that the works will be carried out on February 10th and 11th 2005. Should this be the end of our eight month long telephone saga, the Board hopes to have the facility open to Members and visitors by the end of this month. Meanwhile, the Society's Archivist, Frieda Carroll, FGSI, has, once again, urged Members to lodge copies of their own research with the Society's Archive. Frieda also requests that Members keep an eye open for Local History publications in their areas of research and to think of purchasing copies of these valuable resources for the Society's Archive. As Archivist, Frieda is compiling a "wish list" of publications on CD Rom, microfilm, microfiche and in book form with the intention of making this list available to Members wishing to purchase items on the "wish list" for the Society's Archive. Should Members have ideas on what items should be entered on Frieda's "wish list" - please drop her a line at Frieda Carroll. FGSI. Archivist, Genealogical Society of Ireland, 14, Rochestown Park, Dún Laoghaire, Co. Dublin,

BOOK REVIEWS

"The Gore-Booths of Lissadell" by Dermot James. ISBN - 0-9534293-8-5 Price €25.00 (paperback). www.woodfield-press.com Published by Woodfield Press and reviewed for "The Genie Gazette" by Sighle l'Estrange Dermot James has chronicled the Gore-Booth family of Lissadell, Co Sligo from the 4th baronet Sir Robert to the 9th baronet Sir Josslyn, who recently sold the estate that had been the home of his forebears since the beginning of the 19^{th} century. The 4^{th} baronet built the existing house in a neo classic style which was an innovation at the time. The attention paid to the detail in the construction and furnishing of the house and the development of the estate by this well-educated young nobleman was astonishing. He fathered five children, played an active part in the life of the county, travelled the continent buying art for the house and later was elected to the British House of Commons. In the 1830s he sponsored emigration schemes to promote the profitability of the estate and in the years of the Great Famine, organised soup kitchens in which all the members of the family worked and he provided seeds for his tenants. His life was marred by tragedy: he lost his first wife young man. Sir Henry, the 5th Baronet succeeded to the title at the age of 33. He had some concerns over the financial position of the estate at first as the cost of the famine had been extremely high. Famine came again in 1879 and further evictions were widespread. At this time Michael Davitt founded the Land League and as a consequence of this pressure. rents were reduced. Sir Henry was on good terms with the local Land League. Not only was Sir Henry involved in many commercial undertakings in the county but he was also an enthusiastic traveller. Besides visiting, Europe, America, Africa and the West Indies, he also voyaged extensively in the Artic returning with mementoes so beloved by the Victorian travellers including a stuffed grizzly bear. Some of his voyages were in his own ship and included exploration of untravelled water in the ice and whaling expeditions. The exposure to extreme temperatures eventually undermined his health and contributed to his death in 1900. Henry's children were Josslyn, Constance, Eva, Mabel and Mordaunt. The 6th baronet Josslyn followed in the footsteps of his father and his grandfather in developing the estate; under a government-sponsored scheme, he sold 28,000 acres to the tenants and concentrated his energies on the 4,000 remaining acres around the mansion. Intensive cropping of vegetables was undertaken and forestry was introduced. The subsequent venture of daffodil bulb production and alpine plants was a great success. Unfortunately WW One and the economic war brought this to an end. At the same time the involvement of his sister Constance in the War of Independence added greatly to his problems. He used his contacts in the British establishment to ameliorate some of Constance's problems although establishment were far from forgiving. There were eight children born to Josslyn and his wife, four sons and four daughter. His heir Michael suffered from schizophrenia, two sons were killed in WW Two and Hugh, his second son was nominated to succeed, which he did in 1944. Constance, the best known member of the family had a conventional life for a young woman of her time: attending balls at Dublin Castle and being presented at court. She persuaded the family to allow her to study art in Paris where she met Casimir Markiewicz whom she subsequently married. Her involvement in the War of Independence is comprehensively recorded. Eva, the second daughter of Henry, was in many ways the opposite of Constance; a shy retiring woman who wrote a great deal of poetry which praised by the eminent poets of the day. She too had concerns about the well being of the poor and worked for the improvement of conditions of working women in Britain with her life long friend, Esther Roper. She was extremely supportive on Constance visiting her in gaol and interceding with their brother Josslyn on her behalf. After the death of Josslyn in 1944, Angus became the 8th baronet but was

incapacitated by the same complaint as his elder brother. As a consequence on the death of his father, the responsibility for the management of the estate fell to Angus' sister, Gabrielle. The Courts became involved as Josslyn's will was not complete. A complex legal problem arose and the judiciary were involved in the administration of the estate. Revenues declined and the problems of upkeep became so large that the inevitable could not be avoided and the estate passed into other hands. The contents of the house were purchased by an Irish collector.

"The Forgotten Irish - Memorials of the Raj" compiled by Eileen Hewson and published by Kabristan Archives, 19, Foxleigh Grove, Wem, SY4 5BS, England. ISBN - 0-9548979-0-0 Price UK£18.00 (plus postage UK£1.50 for UK; UK£2.50 for Europe; Others UK£7.00 airmail) and for the EURO Zone the cost is €29.00 postage This is truly a fascinating included. publication by one of our UK members Eileen Hewson, FRGS, MGSI as it covers a subject long forgotten and sadly much overlooked by genealogists. The book contains over 1100 memorials and circa 400 biographies of Irish born individuals who served the British colonial government in India during the late 18th and throughout the 19th century and into the early years of the last century. This was a time of empire building and the jewel in the crown of Britain's empire of the day was, of course, the subcontinent of India with its teeming millions, hundreds of languages and diverse and frequently conflicting religions. The Irish entered this world of empire building, as Eileen clearly points out, to avail of the employment opportunities in the British Army, Indian Civil Service or in the service of a Christian god spreading Christianity of its many hues throughout this predominately Hindu and Muslim subcontinent. Where armies go in triumph in the days of empire, business was soon to follow as the second leg of the great and lucrative enterprise that was empire building. There was no time or space for the PC sensibilities we share today in relation to race, creed or class as each was exploited and subjected to the grand scheme by a mixture of military coercion and commercialism. Whilst the role of the British upper crust in the administration of the vast Indian subcontinent is well documented whether it be from a civil or military point of view, the role of the Irish men and women in this exercise is frequently ignored. Here Eileen has done a wonderful service not only for genealogy but for the wider disciplines of history and social history. In compiling the data for this publication Eileen has brought together memorials from Ireland and the subcontinent of persons who served in India in the period. This has been an invaluable exercise as it provides, in a single volume, a reference source that will be of immense interest to military historians, genealogists and those chronicling the years of British imperial

involvement in the affairs of the indigenous populations of the vast subcontinent. This book is by no means a nostalgic or romantic account of the British Raj but, rather a testimony to the forgotten contribution made by countless Irish men and women in this important episode of human history. Eileen is certainly to be commended for all the fine research data made available through this publication.

GSI MEMBERS' E-MAIL ADDRESSES

As part of the new Membership Packages on offer from the Society, the Board has decided to provide special e-mail addresses for Members. The e-mail address yourname@familiyhistory.ie is only available to Members for a nominal €10.00 per annum. Contact the Membership Officer, Annette McDonnell, MGSI, 4, Kippure Avenue, Green Park, Dublin 12, Ireland or contact the Hon. Secretary, Michael Merrigan, FGSI at E-mail: GSI.Secretary@familyhistory.ie or at the address below.

USD & UKP CURRENCY RATES

The exchange rate for persons paying by check or cash in US dollars €1.00 = US\$1.35 and similarly for those wish to pay by cheque in British pounds €1.00 = 0.70p. 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?

CELEBRATION IN ALBANY, New York

The following is the personal account of Mrs. Joan Merrigan, FGSI of her visit to Albany, New York to present the Genealogical Society of Ireland Medal to our Vice-President, Sr. Bernadette de Lourdes Wisely. In the afternoon of the 10th January it was with a little fear and trepidation that I embarked on a journey to the New World a journey to the great unknown for me anyway. I was reminded of our own people long ago who made this journey not knowing how things would turn out. I was the chosen ambassador from the Society, to carry a very special award to the States and present this award to my Aunt Kathleen (Sr. Bernadette de Lourdes Wisley, Carmelite Sister for the Aged and Infirm). She herself is now 97 years young. The fact that she is my Mam's sister, just made me feel so proud to undertake this assignment. My destination was to be Albany in upstate New York. The time passed so quickly on my flight from Dublin and the plane touched down safely in JFK where I was greeted by a sister from the New York residence of my Aun't Order and I stayed overnight to rest before journeying on to Albany. Lovely view of the Manhattan skyline overwhelmed. Next morning I was escorted to the Port Terminal Bus Station and continued my journey by coach. As we left the city it started to snow. This extreme weather lasted for the duration of my trip. After five hours we finally reached Albany to be greeted with four feet of snow just everywhere. The snow ploughs were out day and night. I received what could be described as a state welcome from the community in Albany. Such love, respect, gratitude and welcome I received. This event had obliviously been well "talked about". I was escorted to my personal VIP suite overlooking the snowy landscape. My Aunt was overwhelmed and so proud to introduce me to all and sundry. "This is my niece all the way from Ireland". As the Society is well aware, almost everyone had either Irish roots or a great love of our little country. I felt so proud. It was obvious, to me anyway, that just about everyone there knew the reason for my being there and such a celebration we had. The reception hall was decorated in the Irish colours, even the flowers had their little tint of green. Wheeling my Aunt in her wheelchair, we were escorted by a lone piper to the podium for the award ceremony. A very interesting talk was given by the chaplain to the sisters. He stressed the importance of acknowledging our roots, of appreciating our roots and not to loose sight of the fact that in many ways they are still influencing our lives. The presentation medal and certificate were blessed and all those who were responsible for this project. Sister Bernadette spoke a few words in thanks to the Society and the Band played on. The Americans certainly do things "big". I must mention here, that the bagpiper, Bob Tunnicliffe (e-mail: bobtunnicliffe@aol.com) had Irish connections. He immediately contacted the Society by letter seeking information on his great grandparents, John Tonycliffe & Catherine Higgins who were recorded on the 1891 Census of Coatbridge in Scotland. They had emigrated there from Ireland and then his grandfather Robert emigrated to the United States. Bob's address is Mr. Bob Tunnicliffe, P.O. Box 402, Lanesboro, MA 01237, USA - so all you Tonycliffes or Tunnicliffes or those with connections with this family, please make contact with this lovely man. Turning back to the event in Albany, we had a lovely Irish musical evening. I even sang what I called a genealogical song, "I'll Take You Home Again Kathleen" and my encore was "The Fields of Athenry". Alas, all too quickly, my time in Albany came to a close and there were sad farewells all around, I started the first leg of my journey home to Ireland via La Guardia, NYC and JFK Airport. However, the trip and the reason for it, I would not have missed. It was extremely worthwhile. To me it was genealogy, living genealogy. I felt I had really been an ambassador to the New World of the Genealogical Society of Ireland. I was so proud to be the privileged one on this occasion.

JAMES SCANNELL REPORTS....

WWW.IRISHWARMEMORIALS.IE November 2004. website www.irishwarmemorials.ie was launched with the data on it the outcome of a study of war memorials on every kind in the Republic undertaken over the previous 2 years. The period covered ranges from 1798 to 1960 and includes conflicts such as the 1798 and 1803 Rebellions, colonial wars in India, Burma and New Zealand, the Boer Wars, the First World War, the 1916 Rising, the War of Independence, the Civil War, the Second World War and United Nation services. But there are great number of memorials which have not yet been recorded. Material from other contributors is beginning to be received now and more would be welcome especially from outside Dublin. Details of how to contribute can be found on the website. Each memorial needs a 4 page form to be completed together with photographs of it, its surrounds or the building in which it is located in. The long term aim is to record all war memorials in the Republic, with full details of the names of those recorded on them as it will then be possible to identify a memorial to a relative and see photographs of it. The plan is eventually to hand the website over to the National Museum together with the paper documents on which it is based. Further information is available from Michael Pegum, Belville House, Stillorgan Road, Donnybrook, Dublin 4, Ireland

MARCONI In December 2004, Oxford University took over the stewardship of the Gugliemo Marconi collection of artefacts with the microphone used to give the first live opera recital in 1920 by Australian diva Nellie Melba will sit alongside some of the telegrams sent during the sinking of the S.S. Titanic in April 1912 as well as some of the early patents granted to Marconi. The artefacts will be housed in the university's Museum of the History of Science. The Bodleian library will also archive papers which date back to 1895. Chief Executive of the Marconi Corporation, Mike Parton is on the record as stating that he was pleased to have found what he described as a safe and lasting home for this historic collection. A permanent display of items from the collection will be arranged for Chelmsford, the original home of the Marconi and known as the birthplace of radio. **DUBLIN SOCIETY** The February - March lectures of the Dublin Society which take place at 7.30 p.m. on Wednesday nights in the Dublin City Library and Archive, 138 -144, Pearse Street, Dublin 2, are as follows -February 9th 'The History of Irish Shipping' by Dermot McNulty B.L. February 16th ' From Horse Drawn Trams to LUAS ' by James Scannell February 23rd 'Rocque's Map and Non-Conformity in Dublin ' by Dr. Kenneth Fergusson; March 2nd 'Pilgrimage to Santiago

de Compostela ' by Br. David Gibson C.F.C.: March 9th ' The Augustinians in Dublin ' by Fr. David Kelly O.S.A.: March 17th No Meeting: March 19th ' Trade Union Badges ' by Francis Devine. All welcome to attend. Admission free.

MARITIME INSTITUTE The February - March lectures of the Maritime Institute of Ireland which take place at 8 p.m. on the last Thursday of the Month in the Stella Maris Seafarers' club, 3 Beresford Place, Dublin 1, are as follows - February 24th ' Sources for the History of Dublin Port ' by Niall Dardis, Archivist, Dublin Post Company. March 31st ' The Irish Coastwatching Service, 1939-1945' by Dr. Michael O' Kennedy. All welcome.

BATTLE SITES At a recent National Roads Authority oral hearing in Galway City concerning section of the M6 Dublin to Galway route. An Taisce produced a copy of letter written by An Taoiseach, Mr. Bertie Ahern, TD to Mr. David Trimble, MP. MLA. leader of the Ulster Unionist Party in which he gave a written assurance about the historical importance of the Battle of the Boyne and Battle of Aughrim sites. When plans for the motorway plans were first proposed, Cecil Kilpatrick, BSc, archivist of the Grand Orange Order of Ireland wrote a letter to Mr, Ahern and to David Trimble warning that the M6 route would run through some of the key areas of the Battle site. A meeting was later held between Mr. Kilpatrick, the relevant county councils and their consultants in relation to the route, however, the Orange Order's concerns still remained after 2 hearings. An Taisce is opposed to the M6 routing through the Battle of Aughrim site as historians have described it as 'Ireland's Gettysburg' where up to 9000 people died in 1691.

IRISH FILM INSTITUTE The Irish Film Institute which is based in the Temple Bar area of Dublin celebrates its 60th anniversary this year and will mark the occasion with a programme of special events throughout 2005. One of the events is the screening of digitally re-mastered copy of one of Ireland's most historic films 'Irish Destiny' made in 1926. During Heritage Week in September, the Irish Film Institute will hold an archive exhibition including photographs, stills, archive documents, letters and programmes illustrating undertaking the range of activities under taken by the Institute over the last 60 years.

MARITIME HISTORY SEMINAR The Holyhead Maritime Museum with the Canoflan Ucheldre Centre will host a Maritime History and Archaeology Weekend on Friday 25th February and Saturday February 26th. The book 'S.S. Leinster' by Philip Lecane MGSI will be launched with Philip providing a lecture. Other speakers who will present lectures include Ron Mahoney on 'The Leopodville', Leigh Bishop on 'S.S. Britannic 'and Mike Walker on 'Holyhead Ships to Heysham'. Tickets are Stg£ 30 which includes luncheon on 26th February. Details from Canofan Ucheldre Centre, Millbank,

Holyhead, Isle of Anglesy LL5 1TE, Wales, or e-mail: box-office@ucheldre.org.

DIARY DATES

Tuesday February 8th 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.

Topic: "The IGP the story so far" Speaker: Eamonn Rossi, CEO, IGL

Tuesday March 8th 2005 ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Venue as above Topic: "Irish Deeds & Indentures" Speaker: **Desmond Norton**

Weds. Feb. 23rd & Mar. 23rd 2005 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

IRISH BASED MEMBERS

Renewals Now Overdue

Irish based members living in the Republic of Ireland or in Northern Ireland are reminded that their Annual Membership Subscription fell due on **January 1**st **2005**. Members may upgrade at any time on the payment of the difference between the costs of each.

New Membership Cards

All new Membership Cards issued after January 1st 2005 have the Membership Number followed by a letters indicating the type of Membership Package chosen.

a. Basic Membership (Ireland)

Offering ordinary membership of the Society, Membership Card, voting rights, use of the Society's Archive, monthly newsletter (not by mail) and the right to purchase the Society's publications at Members' prices. Cost €20.00 per annum.

e. Premier Membership (Ireland)

Offering ordinary membership of the Society, Membership Card, voting rights, use of the Society's Archive, monthly newsletter by mail, quarterly Journal by mail, and the right to purchase the Society's publications at Special Premier Members' prices of up to 50% off selected publications. Cost €30.00 per annum.

e. Household Membership (Ireland)
Offering ordinary membership of the Society
for two persons residing at the same address,
two Membership Cards, voting rights for each,
use of the Society's Archive, one copy of the
monthly newsletter by mail, one copy of
quarterly Journal by mail, and the right to
purchase the Society's publications at Special
Premier Members' prices of up to 50% off
selected publications. Cost €40.00 per annum.

OVERSEAS MEMBERSHIP

The renewal date for Overseas Members falls due on the anniversary of their joining the Society. This renewal date is contained on the Membership Cards.

New Membership Cards

All new Membership Cards have the Membership Number followed by a letter indicating the type of Membership Package chosen. The Society's Overseas Members have now a wider choice as follows:

b. Basic Membership (Overseas)

Offering ordinary membership of the Society, Membership Card, voting rights, use of the Society's Archive, monthly newsletter by mail and the right to purchase the Society's publications at Members' prices. Cost €25.00.

- d. Premier Membership (Overseas)
 Offering ordinary membership of the Society,
 Membership Card, voting rights, use of the
 Society's Archive, monthly newsletter by mail,
 quarterly Journal by mail, and the right to
 purchase the Society's publications at Special
 Premier Members' prices of up to 50% off
 selected publications. Cost €40.00 per annum.
- f. Household Membership (Overseas)
 Offering ordinary membership of the Society
 for two persons residing at the same address,
 two Membership Cards, voting rights for each,
 use of the Society's Archive, one copy of the
 monthly newsletter by mail, one copy of
 quarterly Journal by mail, and the right to
 purchase the Society's publications at Special
 Premier Members' prices of up to 50% off
 selected publications. Cost €40.00 per annum.

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JOINING THE SOCIETY

The Society always welcomes new Members from Ireland and overseas. If you wish to join, contact the Membership Officer, Mrs. Annette McDonnell, MGSI, 4, Kippure Ave., Green Park, Dublin 12, Ireland. You may also contact Annette by E-mail via the Hon. Secretary GSI.Secretary@familyhistory.ie Membership of the Society is open to all with an interest in genealogy, heraldry or Social History.