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“Cuimhnigí ar
Ár Sinnsir
Remember Our
Ancestors”

MARTELLO TOWER FUND RELAUNCHED

Planning Appeals Board uphold the Society's Plans for the Martello Tower at Seapoint

Having regard to the zoning objective for the site and the limited scale of the proposed alterations, it is considered that, the proposed development would not seriously injure the amenities of the area, would be acceptable in terms of traffic safety and convenience and would, therefore, be in accordance with the proper planning and development of the area.

So declared An Bord Pleanála (Planning Appeals Board) on August 12th 2002 in relation to an appeal lodged against the Planning Permission obtained by the Society for the restoration and refurbishment of the Martello Tower at Seapoint, Co. Dublin.

Final Hurdle

This final hurdle for the Society was the culmination of nearly two years in the planning process and represents a clear vindication of the Society's proposed use of this historic tower for its Archive. It is clear by this decision of An Bord Pleanála that the substance of the vigorous campaign waged against the Society's plans, including the lodging of the appeal and various observations, was totally rejected by An Bord Pleanála in its findings. This paves the way for work to start as soon as possible on the restoration and refurbishment of the Tower in time to mark its 200th anniversary in 2004.

Fund Raising Campaign

Responding to this very positive decision, Mr. Rory Stanley, Cathaoirleach of the Society, re-launched the campaign to raise more funds for the works at the Tower and invited Members and friends of the Society to contribute generously to the

Fund. Given the rising costs in the building industry in Ireland, the Cathaoirleach stressed the need for a speedy campaign to raise the capital to complete the works within the next few months.

Original Features Retained

The Society's plans to utilise the space as follows:- entrance by way of the first floor to the main reading room/research centre containing microfilm/microfiche readers, computers (Internet) and research stations, with a service counter, behind which, will be microform library and a new service staircase to the ground floor. The ground floor area would contain archive shelving in rows with a lower work space for restorative work on our manuscripts, bookbinding etc. This area would contain the administrative functions of receiving and cataloguing of the various collections and will be accessed by a new spiral staircase. Original features of the internal fabric of the Tower will be retained, such as the main wooden beam in the floor. This beam was put in place before the roof of the tower was added, however, it will require preservation treatment. The rest of the present wooden floor and staircase are all relatively modern additions in a bad state of repair and therefore, must be removed.

Messages of Support Received

Many messages of congratulations and encouragement are coming in and already offers of equipment for the Archive have been received. However, the timeframe for the restoration, refurbishment and final occupancy is still under consideration by the Project Team led by Liam Mac Alasdair, FGSI, in conjunction with

officials at County Hall in Dún Laoghaire Rathdown – owners of Martello Tower no. 14, who have been very supportive throughout.

Patrons Sought

For donations of €100 (US\$100) Members and friends of the Society are encouraged to participate in the project by becoming patrons of the Daonchartlann Project. Along with the names received in the previous campaign, patrons will have their own names or that of a loved one or ancestor inscribed on a commemorative scroll to be placed in the Tower. The names of each patron will be published in a commemorative booklet to accompany the official opening of the Daonchartlann (Ir. Gaelic “peoples’ archive”) in 2004 two hundred years after the Tower was originally built to repel a possible attack on Ireland by Napoleon.

Daonchartlann Fund

Donations should be forwarded to the DAONCHARTLANN FUND, c/o Michael Merrigan, Hon. Secretary, Genealogical Society of Ireland, 11, Desmond Avenue, Dún Laoghaire, Co. Dublin, Ireland. Please include details of the name to be entered on the commemorative scroll and published in the commemorative booklet.

CÉAD MÍLE Fáilte

The Board and Members of the Genealogical Society of Ireland warmly welcome the delegates and participants to Dublin City for the 25th International Congress of Genealogical and Heraldic Sciences in Dublin Castle from September 16th to 21st 2002. We wish the Congress every success.

GSI Website <http://www.gensocireland.org>

DIARY DATES

Tuesday September 10th 2002

Evening Open Meeting. 20.00hrs
Dún Laoghaire College of Further
Education

Cumberland St., Dún Laoghaire
Bus: 7, 7A, 46A, and 75.

DART Monkstown/Salthill Station.

Topic: "Civil Registration in Ireland"

Tuesday October 8th 2002

Venue as above

Speaker: Mr. James McGuire

Topic: "Dictionary of Irish Biographies"

Weds. Sept. 25th & Oct. 23rd 2002

Morning Open Meeting 10.30hrs

The Port View Hotel

Marine Road, Dún Laoghaire

Discussion Group on Family History

YOUR SEPTEMBER GENIE UPDATES

BOOK LAUNCH Susan Hood and The Woodfield Press will launch her new book on the Office of Arms at the Congress in Dublin Castle on Tuesday 17th September. "*Royal Roots – Republican Inheritance – The survival of the Office of Arms*" by Susan Hood. Published by The Woodfield Press, 17, Jamestown Square, Inchicore, Dublin 8, Ireland. ISBN 0-9534293-3-4 Price €25.00. Website www.woodfield-press.com Book reviewed in the August issue of "The Genie Gazette".

GSI EDITORIAL PANEL The Board of the Society is seeking volunteers to establish a new Editorial Panel or Group which will, from December 2002, take over the production of the Society's Quarterly Journal and the Irish Genealogical Sources series. If you feel that you would like to participate in the publications programme of your Society, please contact Rory Stanley, FGSI, Cathaoirleach GSI, 94, Cherrywood, Loughlinstown, Co. Dublin, Ireland. E-mail: rorstan@eircom.net

THE BLACKROCK SOCIETY The meeting of the Blackrock Society in the headquarters of Comhaltas Ceoltóirí Éireann, Belgrave Square, Monkstown, Co. Dublin on Tuesday September 17th will host a talk by professional genealogist and lecturer Mr. Seán Murphy, MA who will provide an introduction to the world of genealogy. All welcome – 20.00hrs.

GRAVEYARD PROJECT Volunteers are now sought to transcribe for

publication the memorial inscriptions of Carrickbrennan Cemetery, Monkstown, Co. Dublin. This cemetery was surveyed twice before, however, a comprehensive record suitable for genealogical research has not been published. Barry O'Connor, FGSI, Co-ordinator, will allocate each person a section of the cemetery to record in workbooks provided by the Society. Contact Barry at telephone (+353.1) 285 4386 E-mail: btoc@esatclear.ie The team will undertake the work together on Saturday 28th September at 10.00hrs taking a pack lunch etc. as Barry organised for the recording of the memorials at Jewish Cemetery. Other volunteers are required to input the data on to floppy discs for eventual publication.

WRITERS' WORKSHOPS Two day-long seminars incorporating workshop sessions, including "Getting Published" will be held at Airfield House, Upper Kilmacud Road, Dundrum, Dublin 14, Ireland on Saturday October 5th and Saturday November 2nd – for further details contact Nuala O'Neill – telephone (01) 298 4301 or by E-mail: nuala@airfield.ie

DLGS JOURNALS The Society has published journals for ten years now and through the pages of the Journal much valuable information and research is now available to a wider readership throughout the world. Stocks of the back issues of the Journal of Dún Laoghaire Genealogical Society are now on special offer to clear in order to free-up storage space for other publications. Originally sold for Ir£3.50 (€4.44) each – the Society's Despatch Officer, Barry O'Connor, FGSI, has now placed the entire stock of DLGS Journals for just €10.00 for each batch of five journals. Postage rates, unfortunately, cannot be reduced and remain as €2.00 for Ireland & Great Britain; €4.00 (surface) & €8.00 (airmail) for the rest of the world. Contact Barry on E-mail: btoc@esatclear.ie or by phone on (01) 285 4386. This is an ideal opportunity for libraries and societies to obtain a selection of the issues of the DLGS Journal published from 1992 to 1999.

GENEALOGY COURSES The courses in genealogy will run from September to December and from January to April at University College Dublin. These courses are in modular form with Module 1 dealing with the principles of genealogy, placenames & surnames, record repositories, location and census,

civil, valuation, church and other records, computers and the Internet and the preparation of documented pedigrees. Module 2 deals with more advanced sources, including wills, deeds, memorial inscriptions, estate papers, pre-1700 sources and introduces heraldry and other disciplines allied to genealogy. Students may opt to attend as 'interest' participants only, or alternatively they may enrol as 'credit' students who submit work for assessment and accreditation. Students who complete Modules 1 and 2 and are interested in further study have the option of enrolling for more advanced Modules in succeeding years, leading to a College Certificate in Genealogy, the only such qualification available in Ireland. For further information on enrolment, fees etc. apply to UCD Adult Education Centre, telephone (01) 716 1234 or visit the Website <http://www.ucd.ie/~adulted> General enquiries on the genealogical courses can be e-mailed to seanjmurphy@eircom.net

EXHIBITION The Letters Patent granting Arms to the Society are on display in the National Library of Ireland, Kildare Street, Dublin as part of the heraldic exhibition "*In Shield or Banner*" hosted by the Office of the Chief Herald of Ireland. This exhibition runs until November and is well worth a visit as many items on display are rarely open to the public. Checkout the Website www.nli.ie

PRESIDENT The planned meeting of the College of Fellows to elect the President of the Society due to have taken place in July has been put back indefinitely due to holidays and illness. The Fellows will have a luncheon meeting sometime before the end of the year and their decision will be known in time for the next Annual General Meeting to be held in early 2003.

ANCESTOR DETECTIVE A new series of mystery novels starring a genealogist – introducing Natasha Blake, Ancestor Detective. History, mystery, forgotten tragedies, buried crimes, secrets, scandals and the supernatural. "Pale as the Dead" by Fiona Mountain, published by Orion and now available via the Website: www.fionamountain.com Price Stg£9.99.

MEMBERSHIP RENEWALS Irish based Members are reminded that their membership is now calculated on the calendar year and therefore, all Irish based Membership Subscriptions fall due on January 1st 2003. Overseas Members still

have their membership subscriptions falling due on the anniversary of the date of joining. Overseas Members will be individually reminded by mail of when their subscription falls due. Irish based Members as asked to forward their Membership Subscription of €15.00 to the Membership Officer, Annette McDonnell, MGSI, 4, Kippure Avenue, Green Park, Dublin 12. Annette may be contacted by E-mail: Mcdonnellanette@hotmail.com

GSI PUBLICATIONS

Hereunder is the complete listing of the publications by the Genealogical Society of Ireland. Most of these will be available at the Society's stand at the Congress in Dublin Castle. The Society is now Ireland's premier publisher of genealogical material with nearly forty titles in print. These publications are also available via the Society's Website - see front page of this Newsletter.

GSI QUARTERLY JOURNAL

The Journal (ISSN 1393-936X) price €5.00 each (postage €1.27 Ireland & UK - elsewhere €2.54) Editor: Brendan Hall E-mail: jhall@indigo.ie (€25.00 - four issues by mail to Ireland & UK: €30.00 elsewhere)

DEANSGRANGE MEMORIAL INSCRIPTIONS

Memorial Inscriptions of Deansgrange Cemetery, Blackrock, Co. Dublin, Ireland Vol. 1 South West Section (ISBN 1 898471 20 07). Co-ordinator: Barry O'Connor. Price €13.00

Memorial Inscriptions of Deansgrange Cemetery, Blackrock, Co. Dublin, Ireland Vol. 2 Lower North Section (ISBN 1 898471 30 4). Co-ordinator: Barry O'Connor. Price €13.00

Memorial Inscriptions of Deansgrange Cemetery, Blackrock, Co. Dublin, Ireland Vol. 3 Upper North Section (ISBN 1 898471 55 X). Co-ordinator: Barry O'Connor. Price €13.00

Memorial Inscriptions of Deansgrange Cemetery, Blackrock, Co. Dublin, Ireland Vol. 4 South Section (ISBN 1 898471 51 7). Co-ordinator: Barry O'Connor. Price €13.00

Memorial Inscriptions of Deansgrange Cemetery, Blackrock, Co. Dublin, Ireland Vol. 5 West Section (ISBN 1 898471 22 3). Co-ordinator: Barry O'Connor. Price €13.00

IRISH GENEALOGICAL SOURCES SERIES

No. 1 - Shillelagh & Ballinacor South, Co. Wicklow 1837 - A Memorial (ISBN

1 898471 40 1). Compiled & edited by Seán Magee. Price €6.35

No. 2 - Corn Growers, Carriers & Traders, County Wicklow 1788, 1789 & 1790 (ISBN 1 898471 50 9). Compiled by George H. O'Reilly & James O. Coyle. Price €3.81

No. 3 - Newcastle, County Wicklow - School Register 1864-1947 (ISBN 1 898471 70 3). Compiled by George H. O'Reilly. Price €8.89

No. 4 - Croasdaile's History of Rosenallis, Co. Laois, Ireland (ISBN 1 898471 10 X). Edited by Michael Merrigan. Price €6.35

No. 5 - Dublin City 1901 - Census Index to the North Strand, Clonliffe Road & Summerhill District (ISBN 1 898471 75 4). Extracted and indexed by Marie Keogh. Price €6.35

No. 6 - Booterstown, Co. Dublin, Ireland - School Registers 1861-1872 & 1891-1939 (ISBN 1 898471 80 0). Compiled by Frieda Carroll. Price €8.89

No. 7 - Dublin Street Index 1798 extracted from Whitelaw's Census (ISBN 1 898471 85 1). By Seán Magee. Price €3.81

No. 8 - Weavers of Prosperous, County Kildare, Balbriggan, County Dublin and Tullamore, County Offaly in Memorials of 1826 (ISBN 1 898471 90 8). By Seán Magee. Price €3.81

No. 9 - Petitioners Against Closure of Kill O' The Grange Cemetery, Co. Dublin, 1864 (ISBN 1 898471 95 9). By Annette McDonnell. Price €8.89

No. 10 - Baldoyle, County Dublin 1901 Census Extracts (ISBN 1 898471 01 0). By Marie Keogh. Price €2.54

No. 11 - Harold (Boys) School, Glathule, County Dublin - Registers 1904 - 1948 (ISBN 1 898471 06 1) by Dr. Eithne Guilfoyle. Price €11.43

No. 12 - The Irish Independence Movement on Tyneside 1919-1921 (ISBN 1 898471 11 8). Compiled by Mary A. Barrington. Price €4.00

No. 13 - St. Patrick's School, Dalkey, County Dublin - School Registers 1894-1970 (ISBN 1 898471 16 9). By Annette McDonnell. Price €6.98

No. 14 - The People of the Rebellion - Wicklow 1798 (ISBN 1 898471 26 6). Compiled by Pat Power. Price €10.16 (OUT OF PRINT)

No. 15 - Officers & Recruits of the Louth Rifles 1854-1876 (ISBN 1 898471 31 2). Compiled by Brendan Hall. Price €10.16. (OUT OF PRINT - See No. 27)

No. 16 - Kilcoole County Wicklow, School Registers from 1861 (ISBN 1 898471 36 3). By George H. O'Reilly. Price €6.35

No. 17 - Index to the 1821 Census of Crosserlough, Co. Cavan (ISBN 1 898471 41 X). By Marie Keogh. Price €11.43

No. 18 - Dublin's Riviera in the Mid 19th Century (ISBN 1 898471 46 0). By Brendan Hall & George H. O'Reilly. Price €6.35

No. 19 - Castlecomer, Co. Kilkenny 1901 Census (ISBN 1 898471 61 4) Compiled by Tom Delaney. Price €11.43

No. 20 - Directory of Merchants & Traders of Dublin in 1798 (ISBN 1 898471 56 8). By Sheila Martin. Price €8.89

No. 21 - The Louth Rifles 1877-1908 (ISBN 1 898471 71 1). By Brendan Hall & Donal Hall. Price €8.89

No. 22 - 1901 Census Index for Blackrock Urban District Area, Co. Dublin (ISBN 1 898471 76 2). By Marie Keogh. Price €7.62

No. 23 & 24 - Name Index to Tombstone Inscriptions of County Louth, Ireland Vol. 1 & 2 (ISBN 1 898471 81 9 & ISBN 1 898471 86 X) sold together. By Brendan Hall. Price €17.78

No. 25 - History of the Royal Hibernian Military School, Dublin (ISBN 1 898471 91 6). Edited by George H. O'Reilly. Price €10.16

No. 26 - Families of Newlands, Co. Dublin - A Genealogical Study (ISBN 1 898471 96 7). By Eamonn Dowling. Price €5.08

No. 27 - Officers & Recruits of the Louth Rifles 1854-1876 SECOND EDITION (ISBN 1 898471 02 9). Compiled by Brendan Hall. Price €10.16

No. 28 - Howth, Sutton, Kilbarrack & Baldoyle County Dublin 1901 Census Index (ISBN 1 898471 07 X). Compiled by Marie Keogh. Price €6.00

No. 29 - The Bradys of Cavan in history and genealogy (ISBN 1 898471 12 6) By Seán MacBradaigh, BA. Price €12.00

Other Publications

Weavers & Related Trades, Dublin 1826 - A Genealogical Source (ISBN 1 898471 15 0). By Seán Magee. Price €6.35

Memorial Inscriptions of Dún Laoghaire Rathdown, Co. Dublin, Ireland - Vol. 1 (ISBN 1898471 66 5). Price €6.35

QUERIES

JUDY BEGGS, 50, Sampson Crescent, Bomaderry, NSW 2541, Australia – E-mail judyabeggs@aol.com Write: Seeking info. on my g-g-g-grandfather Edward **Honner**, an apothecary of 21, Clare Street, Dublin. Married Esther **Clark**, date unknown, born in Dublin. Had a son Edward Honner b. c. 1834 Dublin. Family to Australia c. 1834/39. He was at the Old Sydney Hospital in March 1839 & died in 1853 aged 43yrs. so born 1810. Found Edward Honner, an apothecary in Dublin in a Dublin Directory for 1820 could this be his father? **NOTE**: mistake in last month's issue "Honner" incorrectly printed as "Horner" – apologies to Judy.

ROB TALBOT, 11, Lilly Lane, Birkdale, 4159, Queensland, Australia. E-mail: fiandrob@imprimus.com.au Write: I am trying to get information on Samuel Talbot, 2nd son of James Talbot of Berkhamstead who was the 2nd son of Richard Talbot of Malahide, Co. Dublin. I believe his son was William Henry Talbot who was born in 1800. Any info. on this family or connections much appreciated.

LYNETTE MENDES, 10, Telopea Ave, Strathfield South, NSW, 2136, Australia. E-mail: lynmendes@optushome.com.au Write: I am research my great grandfather, Peter Daniel **Waters**, who was in the Irish Fusiliers Regiment as a Sergeant Major posted to Fort St. George, Madras, India between 1860 and 1862. He also served at Wellington, Nilgiris, India. Any information much appreciated.

JENNY DRISCOLL, Stone Farm, Sinfin Moor, Sinfin, Derby, DE24 9HW, England. E-mail: jenny.l.driscoll@ntlworld.com Write: Seeking information on my great grandfather whose surname was **Levoir**. He was in the British navy for many years and when he retired he lived in Kingstown (now Dún Laoghaire) where he was a volunteer for the lifeboat service and possibly, the coastguard service. The time period would be between 1885 and 1897. Any info. much appreciated.

JUDITH HOLLAND, Unit 15, Coronation Towers, 24, Dunmore Terrace, Auchenflower, Queensland, 4066, Australia. Write: I am working on my husband's family tree and have found that a son born to Dr. John Henry **O'Neill** and Mary Gregg in Manorhamilton, Co. Leitrim became a Physician. In the 1900 Trade Directory his details are given as

William **O'Neill**, MD, CM, MRCP, London LM, Rotunda Hospital, Dublin and Physician. He was born circa 1832 and remained unmarried. At the time of the entry in the above directory he was apparently living and working in Lincoln, England. Any info. on this family, the Rotunda Hospital and what the letters CM and LM refer to would be much appreciated.

MRS. J. PAWLAK (née Tate), 4, Newham House, Truro, Cornwall, TR1 2SR, Great Britain. Write: Seeking information on a Mr. A. J. **Tate**, born in Dublin, year unknown. Died in Grantham, England in 1915. Occupation: Headmaster of Cathedral Grammar School. Based at Newham House in Truro approximately 1905. He was an "exhibitioner" and "gold medalist" in Trinity College. Any information on this man, his family or connections much appreciated.

LYNDALL SALES, 8, Gundawarra Street, Lilli Pilli, 2229, Sydney, NSW, Australia. Write: Seeking information on my ancestor **Mary O'Dwyer** or **Dwyer** who was born possibly in Cork or Youghal in 1826. Her parents were **Jeremiah O'Dwyer** and **Mary McCarthy**. Her father served as a lieutenant in the British Army and was a carpenter by trade. She came out to Australia either with her parents or her brother, James or her sister Margaret Teresa. She married **Peter Loftus**, a sailor, in St Francis Church, Melbourne on July 25th 1855. They had a child, **Jeremiah**, who was born May 15th 1956 in Emerald Hill, Melbourne. She died on October 9th 1868 at her brother's place in Sydney and her death certificate says that she was 14 years in the Australian colonies. Any information on the family, connections or records much appreciated.

BADEN PHIBBS, 17, Warwick Street, Richard, Nelson, New Zealand. E-mail: baden@ts.co.nz Write: Seeking information on the ancestors of my grandfather **John Thomas (Jack) Phibbs** born in the parish of Blackditches, Blessington, Co. Wicklow on May 22nd 1864. Subsequently moved to New Zealand to engage in gold mining at the Lyell and Waimangaroa mines. Any information on this family or connections most welcome.

EDITOR'S NOTE Queries are accepted for publication only when a mailing address is also included. This is to ensure that those wishing to contact the person placing the query will be able to do

so without difficulty. E-mail addresses frequently change and therefore, rendering the query and contact information utterly useless for other readers.

YOUR SEPTEMBER GENIE REVIEWS

"Irish Genealogical Sources No. 29 – The Bradys of Cavan in history and genealogy" by **Seán MacBrádaigh**, BA, (ISBN 1 898471 12 6) Price €12.00. This 172 page book is a gem for the one name study enthusiast as it chronicles the Brady name from its earliest manuscript sources through to the late 19th and, in some cases, 20th century. Listings, historical events, poems in both Irish and English and extracts from a number of sources make this, the Society's first ONE NAME STUDY publication an invaluable resource for anyone with Brady connections. **Seán MacBrádaigh** has set a standard for future Irish One Name Study publications in that, this book is a testament to many years of dedicated and scholarly research. This book provides the reader, whether connected to the Brady name or not, with references to valuable source material covering many centuries. The Brady name is almost synonymous with County Cavan and in his examination of the remnants of the 1821 Census of Ireland for that county, **Mr. MacBrádaigh**, has extracted each person of the name and listed each by Townland. This will enable the researcher to pin point, with some accuracy, their own particular Brady family from amongst many hundreds. It seems that the Brady Episcopal connection with the Catholic Church has continued down to the present day with Archbishop of Armagh and Primate of All-Ireland, **Dr. Seán Brady**, being but one of several bishops of the name down through the centuries detailed in this book. The annalistic timeline with references provided from 1256 through to 1888 for persons of the name opens up many little used source material for the genealogist. His use of the Irish language names employed gives the reader an idea of how Irish surnames evolved. **Seán MacBrádaigh** is to be congratulated on the publication of this excellent One Name Study. This book throws down the gauntlet to others in Ireland to produce One Name Studies or Clan / Sept histories to a similar high standard of research rather than producing needless additions to the plethora of books on Irish surnames aimed at the tourism market.