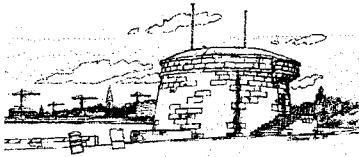


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WELSH DELEGATION VISITS MARTELLO TOWER

Y Ddraig Goch flies over An Daonchcartlann to Welcome Visitors from Wales

As the date for the Official Opening draws near the Society was proud to host yet another visit from our Celtic cousins to the Martello Tower at Seapoint with "Y Ddraig Goch" (the Red Dragon) flying over the Tower in welcome to our guests.

"Ynys Mon Delegation"

This Welsh delegation was led by Mr. Elfyn Roberts and Ms. Jackie Lewis of Menter Mon in Anglesey, North Wales. Menter Mon is an enterprise development agency that assists community based businesses and draws down funds from the Welsh Assembly and the British government at Westminster. This agency has been responsible for a number of spectacular local initiatives on the island of Anglesey (Ynys Mon).

"A Joint Publishing Venture"

Preliminary discussions on the possibility of a joint venture between this Society and Menter Mon were held earlier in the year in Llangefni, the island's capital. Following this meeting both sides committed themselves to study all the options available and to bring forward proposals for consideration. Officers from this Society and Menter Mon met last month for a very successful working lunch to explore all the possibilities afforded by cooperating with each other including the availability of funding sources in Ireland, United Kingdom and Europe. The Society hopes to benefit greatly from Menter Mon's experience and track record of sourcing funds for various heritage projects around Anglesey. Encouraged by the very positive and proactive approach by Menter Mon, the Society's Cathaoirleach, Rory Stanley, FGSI, praised the

professionalism of the Menter team and looked forward to the detailed planning of the joint venture.

"Expert Advice Obtained"

The working lunch attended by the Society's Cathaoirleach, Hon. Secretary and Web Design & Development Officer also included experts on local history, maritime history, accountants and community development officers. Each participant in this extremely focussed discussion offered not only words of encouragement but solid professional advice on all aspects of the proposed joint venture. The businesslike atmosphere surrounding these discussions contrasted greatly with the more process building approach adopted by some inter-regional initiatives involving Wales and the east coast of Ireland.

"Y Gymraeg & An Ghaeilge"

The importance of both of our ancient Celtic languages as marks of our nationhood, culture and heritage was stressed many times during these discussions by officers from both sides of the Irish Sea. Though, the similarities between Welsh (Cymraeg) and Irish (Gaeilge) are masked by the separate development of each language over the past two millennia, this was not seen as an obstacle but rather as an opportunity to reveal and make accessible this shared Celtic linguistic heritage.

"A Key to the Past"

The delegates considered many aspects of the heritage of Wales and Ireland to find a universal key to unlock the wonders of this rich resource to meet the needs of the various sectors in education, tourism, genealogy and the general public. Both

nations have a widely scattered Diaspora throughout the world for which, the motherland in both cases has a deeply felt significance. The importance of place, parish or home village in the culture of both peoples remains very strong and, in many cases, it transcends generations reaching the four corners of the globe. Whether it's the Welsh in Patagonia (Argentina) or the Irish in Newfoundland (Canada) the placenames of the old country are fondly remembered in new lands, on homes and farms and, sometimes, in personal names. As genealogists, we are keenly aware of the connection between placenames and local, maritime and family history. Therefore, the suggestion that "placenames" be the key to the proposed joint venture was unanimously agreed at the working lunch last month.

"Visiting the Martello Tower"

The visit on Monday June 28th by the Welsh delegation to the Society's new headquarters also included Mr. John Cave of the Holyhead Maritime Museum and the Gwynedd Family History Society and his colleague from the Museum, Mr. Richard Burnell. The historic significance of the Martello Tower was a very fitting venue for the development of new cooperative links with Wales under the auspices of the European Union. This tower was built two hundred years at a time when many Welshmen in the British army and many Irishmen in both the British and French armies lost their lives fighting in a war that engulfed the entire continent of Europe in the late 18th and early 19th centuries. Now we remember the past and plan our future together.

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ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP FEE

Irish based Members living in either the Republic or Northern Ireland are reminded that their Annual Membership Fee fell due on January 1st 2004. The Annual Membership Fee for Irish based Members (ROI & NI) is just €20.00. For Overseas Members the Fee of €25.00 is due on the anniversary date of joining. Membership renewals may be made via the Website by Credit Card (VISA or MasterCard) or by Cheque / Check

DIARY DATES

Tuesday July 13th 2004

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.

Speaker: **Mr. Rory Stanley, FGSI**
Topic: "Countdown to the Official Opening"

Tuesday August 10th 2004

Venue as above
Speaker: **Mr. James Scannell**
Topic: "Capt. Harman Goertz"

Weds. July 28th & Aug. 25th

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*

US & UK CURRENCY

The exchange rate for check or cash in US dollars €1.00 = US\$1.25 and for British pounds €1.00 = 0.70p. 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?

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SOCIETY'S LIVERY FLAG

Why not order a Genealogical Society of Ireland Livery Flag to grace your next family gathering. Measuring (3ft x 5ft) at just €90.00 each including delivery. Made by the Dublin flag makers **Timothy O'Regan**, as a GSI Member, this GSI Livery Flag contains the "Mungovan Badge" featured on your Membership Card. Contact the Hon. Secretary.

BOOK REVIEWS

"BYRNE's Dictionary of Irish Local History" ISBN 1 85635 423 7 written by **Joseph Byrne** and published by **Mercier Press**, Douglas Village, Cork. Website: www.mercierpress.ie Price: €20.00 paperback. This is yet another fine work from Mercier and one that will be welcomed by genealogists, local and social historians at home and abroad. This publication brings together range of disciplines enabling the reader to access information on many aspects of Irish life up to the beginning of the 20th century. Local terminology, often a complete mystery to most and a barrier to a true understanding of place, time and event, is explained in an authoritative and yet very readable manner. Whether the term is in Irish, Norman French, Latin or obscure English legalese, this publication unlocks fascinating facts relating to land tenure, social customs, warfare, industry and politics. Words no longer in common use like "skillet" (a large cooking pot), "houbote" (tenant's right to procure timber without payment for the purpose of house building or repair), "deodand" (a thing to be given to God i.e. a horse), "manchet" (the finest white wheaten bread) and "garderobe" (a toilet usually overhanging a castle wall) are all fully explained. Whilst, these are examples of the more unusual words and terms explained in Joseph Byrne's expertly researched work, the seemingly more obvious words, names and terms also make for very interesting reading. References abound in this publication so enabling the researcher to delve further into each topic with relative ease. There is certainly much here for the genealogist as historic events, various organisations and terms for social and family relationships are covered and cross-referenced. For those interested in the development of Irish placenames this book has much to offer in brining the terminology of land measure, tenure, distribution and use to a general readership. The meanings of many of these words and terms would be difficult to find elsewhere and yet, a true appreciation of the life and times of our ancestors depends much on our understanding of the day-to-day words and terms in use for land tenure at each stage of our nation's history. This is central to the understanding of the position of each family in their communities as so much of Ireland's turbulent past centred on the issue of the ownership of land. The extensive bibliography provided is an excellent resource in itself and again, it facilitates and encourages

further research. Without a doubt this book should be on the shelves of every genealogist or local historian with an interest in Ireland. It's a very important resource, indeed. For further information on this valuable publication contact: **Laura Kennedy**, Mercier Press, Douglas Village, Cork, Ireland. E-mail: pr@mercierpress.ie

"The Sutton Companion to Heraldry" ISBN 0 7509 3475 1 written by **Stephen Friar** and published by **Sutton Publishing Ltd.**, Phoenix Mill, Thrupp, Stroud, Gloucestershire, GL5 2BU, England. Price €23.00 paperback. With so few authoritative works on the subject of heraldry being published this book is certainly a very welcome addition to the existing slim corpus of heraldic publications. It is very well illustrated and written in an accessible style which sometimes eludes those writing on this subject. Heraldry compliments the study of genealogy and therefore, it is not surprising that much cross-interest amongst researchers exists. Friar takes us through the development of heraldry in Great Britain, mostly England, and explains the sometimes difficult and obscure terminology as the story unfolds. This publication is particularly rich with photographs to illustrate the use of heraldry in various types of architecture. Indeed, this aspect brings home to the reader the everyday nature of heraldry visible on our churches, schools, civic buildings and ancestral seats of the great and lesser lords of the land. Funerary decorative heraldry is explored with lavish photographic details to enhance the reader's knowledge and appreciation of heraldry as an art form in its own right. Colour plates abound which capture the exquisite beauty of heraldic devices whether depicted as Coats-of-Arms or Heraldic Banners. The combination of a glossary and the index is very user friendly and indeed allows the reader to access a broad understanding of the subject without learning a new language. The black and white drawings of arms, heraldic beasts, crests and mantels all explained in plain language makes this publication a handbook or textbook on the subject. The reader is escorted effortlessly through the web of heraldic terminology in what is essentially a very enjoyable, well researched and beautifully presented work. Inasmuch as, this book primarily deals with English heraldry with some references to Scotland, its publication again highlights the dearth of such works on Irish heraldry. Leaving aside the legislative mess in which Irish heraldry currently languishes, Stephen Friar's publication lays down the gauntlet to the authorities on Irish heraldry to produce a work of quality on the subject from an Irish perspective. This is way overdue as it would help to allay the sometimes negative attitude to heraldry in the Republic. As Friar shows heraldry in everyday use in England, unbeknown to many heraldry is as widely used in Ireland by some of the nation's most quintessentially Irish and Gaelic of institutions – the GAA – Gaelic Athletic Association.

“County Longford – Residents Prior to the Famine” ISBN 0 9742673 0 9 written and researched by Guy A. Rymza and published by Dome Shadow Press, 51905, Courtland East, South Bend, Indiana 46637, USA. Price US\$49.95 (plus US\$29.95 p+p). Once again our American cousins have made a valuable contribution to Irish genealogy by researching and publishing an important census substitute this time on County Longford. The author has compiled a listing of over 12,600 male and female tithe payers, consisting of landlords, immediate lessors and tenants in over 930 townlands in the county. The “townland” is the smallest of Ireland’s districts and there are approximately 60,000 throughout the island of Ireland. This 439 page book has 30 maps and 2 historical document images. He provides a very useful explanation of the Tithe Applotment Survey for the period 1823-1838 giving the historical background to this widely hated form of religious taxation raised to support the ministers of the Protestant (Anglican) Church in Ireland. The author provides a full index to the surnames arranged alphabetically with the forenames, townland and civil parish. He then lists each of the townlands alphabetically with each person named in the order found on the original Tithe Applotment Books. This is a very useful tool as it provides information based on a given neighbourhood which may well contain many strands of an extended family and possibly related families. The maps provided allow this information to be viewed in relation to farms or properties crossing townland boundaries or indeed, family members living in adjacent townlands. Getting maps of the townlands for any county in Ireland is certainly a bonus as frequently genealogical works based on counties give only the baronies, civil parishes and civil registration districts. Whilst over 12,600 people are listed in this publication, the population of the county prior to the famine was in the region of 115,000 in 1841 and after the famine it had fallen by 29% with over 14,000 people dying between 1845 and 1850. Many listed in this publication perished through starvation and disease during this catastrophic period in Irish history. With these figures it’s hard to believe that the current population of the county is just over 30,000. This county, like others, was ravaged by emigration right up to the later part of the twentieth century. Most of movement out of this county was to go overseas and therefore, the county has a very widespread and numerous Diaspora. This book is certainly a must for all those with ancestors hailing from County Longford. But it is not just the genealogist that will find this work invaluable but it is arranged in a manner that will greatly assist the local or social historian. It is to all intents and purposes a snapshot of Longford life in the period before the Great Famine and the mass emigration out of the country. This work is a wonderful example of what sheer dedication and modern technology can produce

as this resource is being made available in print, on CD Rom and downloaded via the Internet. This is a wonderfully promising initiative and hopefully, it will provide a much need impetus to Irish genealogists to follow suit by making more sources widely accessible in this format. The author is to be congratulated on this magnum opus on County Longford.

JULY GENIE UPDATES

INTERNATIONAL GENEALOGICAL FESTIVAL

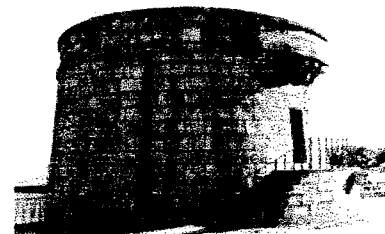
The staff at the Sligo Heritage & Genealogy Centre will be hosting a major genealogical festival from September 30th to October 3rd 2004. The festival is divided into two strands aimed at the genealogist and those with a wider interest in Irish culture and heritage. Further information: contact Gerard Creamer, Festival Coordinator, Aras Reddan, Temple Street, Sligo, Ireland. E-mail: heritagessligo@eircom.net

HERITAGE PLAN The new Heritage Plan for the County of Dún Laoghaire Rathdown was published last month and is now available from the County Hall, Marine Road, Dún Laoghaire, Co. Dublin. The Society congratulates the County Heritage Officer, Mr. Timothy Carey, on the formulation and adoption of this important initiative. The plan is published separately in English and in Irish and indeed, marks a milestone in the development of heritage policy in the county that first advocated the concept of “county heritage plans” following the enactment of the Heritage Act, 1995. For further information see the website www.dlrcoo.ie/heritage

BELFAST FAIR The first annual **Belfast City Local & Family History Fair** will take place on Saturday 7th and Sunday 8th August 2004 at the Central Hall, Belfast Institute, College Square East, Belfast. This event is being organised by the Ulster Historical Foundation, Balmoral Buildings, 12, College Square East, Belfast, BT1 6DD, Northern Ireland. E-mail enquiry@uhf.org.uk or visit the website www.ancestryireland.com

NEW PUBLICATIONS The following two publications from the Ulster Historical Foundation (address above) are very welcome additions to the available published sources for the study of Irish genealogy and history. **“Researching Armagh Ancestors”** ISBN 1 901905 89 5 by Ian Maxwell is a practical guide for the family and local historian with an interest in the smallest county of the nine counties of Province of Ulster. This publication lists circa 1400 townlands in the county and gives “unofficial” or “lost” names for some. Soft cover, 180 pages Price €14.00 (UK£9.99). **“History of the Irish Parliament 1692-1800”** is a finely produced six volume box set at the usual price of UK£450.00 (Special Offer UK£350.00). Volumes cover the statutes relating to the constitution, education, local government, law and order, parliament, religion, manufacturing, employment, the perennial land question, constituency histories and biographies.

AN DAONCHARTLANN



The Society’s Board of Directors under the chairmanship of Rory Stanley, FGSI had its first ordinary board meeting at the Martello Tower on Thursday July 1st 2004. This was a significant occasion in the history of the Society as many of us had waited seven years for this day since the County Council allocated the Martello Tower to the Society. Up till then, the board met at Park House in Dún Laoghaire and previously at the Rochestown Lodge Hotel. The detailed planning for the official opening on Wednesday September 15th is underway in earnest with the County’s first citizen, **Cllr. Niamh Bhreathnach**, Cathaoirleach of Dún Laoghaire Rathdown County Council, due to perform the ceremony. This is a very special occasion for the Society and the County as this development adds another important asset to our portfolio of heritage buildings restored and reused in an appropriate and fitting manner. In the meantime, **Barry O’Connor**, FGSI has been very busy designing and crafting the work stations and the service desk on the first floor and the shelving on the ground floor. The archival storage area is now almost ready to receive the Society’s Archive and volunteers will be required, once again, to sort and shelve the collections. The fitting out of the research area with new computer equipment is due to commence under the direction of **Liam Mac Alasdair**, FGSI, this will provide a state-of-the-art research facility for our members. Whilst, we’re on target to meet our deadline of the official opening, as always, our Members and friends of the Society are invited to help with this project. One way of helping is to become a sponsor. Each sponsor will be named in the *Commemorative Book* to be published for the official ceremonial opening in September the two hundredth anniversary of the building of the Martello Tower. Patrons may have either their own name or that of a loved-one entered in this *Commemorative Book* and on a scroll that will be permanent memorial in the Tower. For just €100.00 (US\$117.00) per name, this is a special and worthy manner in which to remember an ancestor, to honour a friend or loved-one or to memorialise your family ties with Ireland. Donations should be sent to the Hon. Secretary at the address below with details of the name or names to be entered on the scroll and published in the commemorative book to mark the official opening of *“An Daonchartlann”* on Wednesday September 15th 2004 – definitely a date for your diary!!!

QUERIES RECEIVED

DONALD JOE LEE, 1020 Clinton St., Carrollton, Texas 75007, USA. E-mail: donjoy.1@juno.com Wrote:- my ancestors for three generations lived in Southeastern North Carolina or Northeastern South Carolina, USA. My father is Jesse Thomas Lee and my grandfather is Samuel James Lee. My great grandfather is Joseph Lee believed to have been born in 1810 but nothing is known about his birthplace or ancestors. Was he from England or Ireland? A family legend is that Joseph was an Irish horse thief who stowed away on a ship bound for America and jumped ship in South Carolina. Another legend is he was a descendant of the Lees from Shropshire, England who migrated to American in the 1600's. Through records believed to be correct, the following is known: Joseph Lee married Priscilla Smith 1/6/1862 in Conway or All Saints Parish, South Carolina. In 1870 census, he was 60 years old and lived in the Dogwood Neck Township, Horry County, South Carolina with wife Priscilla and 4 children including my grandfather Samuel. In 1902 he lived with son Samuel in Shallotte Township, Brunswick County, North Carolina. No other records have been found. Any suggestions or connections most welcome.

CHERYL BATEMAN, 1315 Warhop Lane, Molino, Florida 32577, USA E-mail: joyofbateman@frontiernet.net Wrote:- Seeking info on John Willson b. circa 1794 in Tyrone County, Ireland he married Mary Boylan b. circa 1804 place unknown. (also John had a sister Rebecca b. circa 1794 that married a Thomas Willson b. circa 1794 Ireland they both died in Plattsburgh, Clinton Co., N.Y.) They moved to Beekmantown, Clinton County, New York and then lived in Plattsburgh, Clinton Co., New York. These are the children born to John and Mary Boylan Willson/ Wilson: James Wilson b. 1828 Plattsburgh, Clinton Co., NY: John Jr. Wilson b. 1832: William Wilson b. 1835: Thomas Wilson b. 1834: Arthur Wilson b. circa 1824: Mary Ann Wilson b. circa 1841: Elizabeth Rebecka Wilson b. circa 1835. More about James Wilson b. Dec. 13, 1828 Beekmantown, Clinton Co., N.Y. d. Nov. 25, 1920 Marshalltown, IA he married Matilda Jane McKee b. Sept. 14, 1833 Minerva, Essex Co., N.Y. d. Sept. 23, 1904 New Hampton, Chickasaw Co., IA. They are both buried at Graceland Cemetery in New Hampton, Iowa Their children are: Catherine J. Wilson b. circa 1853 Jefferson Co., WI.: John T. Wilson b. Circa 1855 Jefferson Co., WI.: Mary R. Wilson b. 1856 Jefferson Co., WI.: Samuel W. Wilson b. Mar. 4, 1859 Jefferson Co., WI.: Emmaline Wilson b. 1860 Jefferson Co., WI.: Francis Eliza Wilson b. 1868 Jefferson Co., WI.: Matilda R. Wilson b. 1869 Polk, Bremer Co., IA.: William James Wilson b. 1868 Polk, Bremer Co., IA.: Robert T.

Wilson b. 1870 Polk, Bremer Co., IA.(twin): Louisa Wilson b. 1870 Polk, Bremer Co., IA (twin): Agnes C. Wilson b. 1882 Bremer Co., IA. died May 15, 1971. More about Samuel W. Wilson b. Mar. 4, 1859 d. Aug. 28, 1942 Barnes Co., North Dakota resident of Robinson Co., North Dakota buried Hillside Cemetery, in Valley City, North Dakota. Married First: Ada Smith b. Feb. 1870 Bremer Co., Iowa d. Mar. 9, 1894 New Hampton, Iowa son of this marriage Henry James Wilson b. Mar. 8, 1894. Married Second: Myra Denoyelles b. bet. 1870/1870 possibly Howard or Bremer Co., Iowa daughter of this marriage Mary Wilson b. 1896: More about Emmaline Wilson she married William Smith: More about Francis Wilson married James B. Rogers b. bet. 1859/1860 Penn.: More about Matilda Wilson married N.B. Ager: More about Robert T. Wilson died Jan 1, 1887 New Hampton, Iowa buried Nashua, Iowa: More about William James Wilson married Lillie Myrtle Edgar b. 1875 Chickasaw Co. Iowa: More about Agnes Wilson married Fred Bearman b. 1881 Iowa. Parents of Matilda J. McKee b. Sept. 14, 1833 Essex Co., N.Y. John McKee b. 1799 Ireland died after 1880 Bradford, Chickasaw Co., IA buried Greenwood Cemetery, Nashua, IA. married Catharine J. b. 1801 Ireland died after 1880 Bradford, Chickasaw Co., Iowa buried Greenwood Cemetery, Nashua, Iowa. Children: 1. Matilda Jane McKee b. Sept. 1833: 2. John Thomas McKee b. Jun 1837 Point Rush, Franklin Co., NY died Oct. 10, 1917 Bradford, Chickasaw Co., IA. buried Greenwood Cemetery, Nashua, IA married Emma Harsh b. Feb. 1842 Ohio died 1906: 3. Robert Samuel McKee b. Aug. 1847 Canada died Jan 21, 1924 Iowa married Alma E. McKenzie b. Aug. 1859 Maine: 4. Alexander McKee b. 1844/1845 Canada: 5. Catharine b. 1838 N.Y.: 6. Elvira or Ella F. McKee b. 1826 Ireland: 7. James McKee b. 1828 Nova Scotia married Augusta Unk. b. 1837/1838 N.Y. I would love to chat with descendants of these families and exchange family info please contact me. I do have census records, obits, cemetery info, and John Willson/ Wilson's will info and Thomas Willson's will info that states he married Rebecca Willson/ Wilson sister of John Willson/ Wilson.

DONNA L. ANDERSON, P.O. Box 218, Peach Springs, Arizona USA. E-mail: anderson@tabletoptelephone.com Wrote:- I am trying to find birth records for my great grandfather: Hugh McCullough born about 1810-1820. His civil war record enlistment mentions that he was from County Derry, Ireland also would like to find out who his parent's were. Any connections or information much appreciated.

GRACE FLENTHOPE, 13207 Keystone Drive, Sun City West, Arizona 85375, USA. E-mail: gracieflen@yahoo.com Wrote:- I have an ancestor, Barnabus Prunty, born ca 1718 in County Down Ireland. Possibly his wife's name was Mary. The family came to the United States and settled in Harrison County,

Virginia. John Prunty was the first settler to live where the town of Pruntytown, Virginia, now stands. In 1845 it was renamed "Pruntytown" in his honour. Their children: Thomas, born 1738. James, born 1743. Bragan, born 1745. William, born 1749. Robert, born 1750. John, born ca 1752. All were born in Ireland except there is a possibility that John was born in Virginia. I would like to hear from someone interested in prunty's.

PATRICIA WHEELER, 10, St John's Lane, Heathwood, Hartley Longfield Kent, DA3 8ET England E-mail: pfwheeler@tiscali.co.uk Wrote:- My father, Francis Patrick Larrigan, was born on 12th August 1899-1901 in Co Dublin. His mother (Anne?) died when, or soon after he was born, he had no siblings. His religion was R/C. He came to England and married my mother in 1930, in Medway Kent, England and the marriage certificate states his father as John Larrigan, deceased. My father died in Gillingham Kent in 1972. I have been to Dublin and searched all the Civil Records at Joyce House Dublin for births, marriages, (John & Anne Larrigan), and deaths. - Nothing found. The only part I didn't search was the late entries at the back of the record books. As my Grandmother died when my father was born I suppose it is possible that registering his birth could have been done at a later date. As far as I know he had no siblings. As the censuses for 1901 & 1911 are not indexed and I do not know where in Co. Dublin to look, I have been unable to search those records. I have contacted the Heritage Centres in Dublin but nothing came to light. As my father's family were R/C I am sure Church records might reveal something, however again I am flummoxed as I do not know where to look in Co. Dublin. Any suggestions very much appreciated.

VINCENT TUOMALA, 8101 Niessen Way, Fair Oaks, California, 95628, USA. E-mail: vtuomala@yahoo.com Wrote:- Seeking information on my maternal line. Thomas., Great Great Grandfather, James F. O'Brien DOB-1839 Ireland DOD-1914 Ohio son of Thomas & Margaret (Quinn) O'Brien. Married Mary (Mangan) O'Brien DOB-1835 in America. DOD-1909. I know they are from County Cork Ireland and any further information or connections much appreciated.

JULIE BURNS, 20, Crystal Street, Mount Isa, Queensland, 4825, Australia. E-mail: J7339@bigpond.com.au Wrote: I am seeking information on the marriage of Adam Dinsmore / Dunsmore and Elizabeth Jackson in Templemore, Co. Donegal. Some records suggest from 1748 to 1758. Adam is said to have been born circa 1730 and Elizabeth circa 1733 - both in Templemore. Any information or connections to these families most appreciated.

EDITOR'S NOTE Only queries with full mailing addresses will be published. An E-mail address alone is insufficient. **MM**