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Examples of Local History Items

**Chart:** Kinsale Harbour c.1680. Location: Closed Access. Must be requested.

**Lithograph:** *The Cove of Corke from Above Queenstown*. Location: Closed Access. Must be requested.

**Map:** 1st ed. Ordnance Survey Map of Kinsale. Location: Range 29.
**Newspaper:** Corke Journal. 1769-1772. **Location:** Closed Access. Must be requested.  
It was first printed and published by Eugene Swiney, firstly in Paul Street and afterwards from the Old Assembly Room at The Peacock in Cross Street. The Cross Street of that time is today's Liberty Street. The first issue of the Corke Journal appeared on Friday 7 December 1753. For further information: JCHAS Vol. 62 (1957). See also: Newspapers – The Corke Journal.

**Botanical History:** K'Eogh, John. *Botanologia Universalis Hibernica*. Corke: Printed and sold by George Harrison at the corner of Meeting house Lane, 1735. **B.80 KEOG** **Location:** Closed Access. Must be requested.  
John K'Eogh's *Botanologia Universalis Hibernica* is listed in the Queen's College Cork catalogue of 1860. John K'Eogh (c.1681–1754) was a clergyman and naturalist, and was born in Strokestown and educated by his father prior to attending Trinity in 1705. He was chaplain to the 4th Baron Kingston at Mitchelstown Castle. The *Botanologia* is an alphabetical list of plants growing in Ireland, with their names given in English, Latin, and Irish. It describes the plants' medicinal properties and was based mainly on the plants grown in Kingston's garden. The work is of historical value as evidence of the plants which were cultivated at that time, which include orange and lemon trees grown in what was a very early greenhouse. The *Botanologia* remained for many years as one of the standard reference works on the flora of this island. K'Eogh also wrote *Zoologia Medicinalis Hibernica* (Dublin, 1739); and *A Vindication of the Antiquities of Ireland* (Dublin, 1748). Further information relating to various plants may also be found in a herbal. An example of this is *Salmon's English Herbal*. *Salmon's English Herbal* gives a detailed entry on "Bears Breech."


For further information: Bill Power, From the Danes to Dairygold: A history of Mitchelstown.

Salmon, William. *Botanologia, The English Herbal, or, History of Plants: containing I. their names, Greek, Latine, English, II. their species, or various kinds, III. their descriptions, IV. their places of growth, V. their times of flowering and seeding, VI. their qualities or properties, VII. their specifications, VIII. their preparations, Galenick and chymick, IX. their virtues and uses, X. a complete florilegium of all the choice flowers cultivated by our florists, interspersed through the whole work, in their proper places, where you have their culture, choice, increase and way of management, as well for profit as delection: adorned with exquisite icons or figures, of the most considerable species, representing to the life, the true forms of those several plants: the whole in alphabetical order*. London: Printed by I. Dawks for H. Rhodes, at the Star, the corner of Bride-Lane, in Fleet-Street, and J. Taylor, at the Ship, in Pater-noster-Row, M.DCC.X [1710]. **OPB f580 SALM** **Location:** Closed Access. Must be requested.


Local History: *Pietas Corcagiensis* or, A view of the Green-coat Hospital and other charitable foundations in the parish of St. Mary Shandon, Corke: shewing the several steps that have been taken in erecting and supporting those charities. Cork: Publish’d by order of the trustees (and sold for the use) of that hospital: Printed by Samuel Terry, 1721. MP 199 Location: Range 19

*Pietas Corcagiensis* publicises and celebrates the success of Henry Maule’s ventures. Henry Maule was a Church of Ireland bishop and educational reformer. He was active in the diocese of Cloyne and rector of St Mary’s Shandon in the north city of Cork. He presided over the establishment of almshouses and a charity school complete with a library. There was a focus on training the young and apprenticing them to local tradespeople. *Pietas Corcagiensis* is an excellent resource for researching the different trades in Cork.

For further information: U.335: *Green Coat School Minute Book* Location: Strong Room. Must be requested.

**Material on a Topic: The Big House**
Bateman, John. *The Great Landowners of Great Britain and Ireland*. TR 333.3 BATE
Location: Range 7.

BENC Location: Closed Access. Must be requested.

Blake, Tarquin. *Abandoned Mansions of Ireland*. Cork: Collins, 2010. MP 728.8
BLAK Location: Closed Access. Must be requested.


*Burke’s Peerage and Baronetage*. London: Burke’s Peerage, 1975. TR 929.72
BURK Location: Range 9.


Simington, Robert C. *Books of Survey and Distribution: Being Abstracts of Various Surveys*


Material on a Topic: Travel
Useful Collections
- O'Sullivan: Railways
- Glucksman: Exploration & Discovery
- de Courcy Ireland: Naval matters

The Hakluyt Society Travelogues (many in series, with many volumes in each). For descriptions of each volume, go to http://www.hakluyt.com/hak-soc-bibliography.htm. CALL NUMBER Location: Range X.

18th Century (Ireland)
Beaufort, Daniel Augustus. Memoir of a Map of Ireland: Illustrating the Topography of That Kingdom, and Containing A Short Account of Its Present State, Civil and Ecclesiastical; With A Complete Index to the Map. Dublin: Printed and sold by William Slater and William Allen, Dame-street, 1792. T.3.8 Location: Closed Access. Must be requested.

Scalé, Bernard. An Hibernian Atlas, or, General Description of the Kingdom of Ireland, Divided Into Provinces ... [cartographic material] and beautifully engraved on 78 copper plates, by Messrs. Ellis and Palmer. London: Published as the Act directs 12th May, 1798. by Robert Laurie & Jas. Whittle, [1798]. HI 15 SCAL Location: Closed Access. Must be requested.


A Tour through Ireland: In Several Entertaining Letters, Wherein the present state of that kingdom is considered, and the most noted cities, towns, seats, rivers, buildings, &c. are described; interspersed with observations on the manners, customs, antiquities, curiosities and natural history of that country; to which is prefixed, a description of the road from London to Holy-head / by two English gentlemen. Dublin: Printed for Peter Wilson, 1748. HI 110 CHET Location: Closed Access. Must be requested.

19th Century (Ireland)

Bennett, William. Narrative of a Recent Journey of Six Weeks in Ireland: In Connexion with the
Subject of Supplying Small Seed to Some of the Remoter Districts. London: Charles Gilpin, 1847. HI115 BENN Location: Closed Access. Must be requested. The author was a Quaker who visited Ireland after the famine.


Deighan, Paul. A Complete Treatise on the Geography of Ireland: On a New Plan, Never Before Attempted by Any Writer Adapted to the Merchant, the Gentleman, the Politician, the Antiquarian, the Naturalist, the Scholar and the Artist... Dublin: Paul Deighan, [1810]. OPB 914.15 DEIG Location: Closed Access. Must be requested.

Dodd, J.S. The Traveller's Directory through Ireland: Being a Topographical Description ... of All the roads ... several cities, towns ... And an epitome of the ecclesiastical, civil, military and natural history of Ireland, from the earliest accounts to the present years; compiled from the most authentic authorities. Dublin: printed by J. Stockdale, 1801. HIS DODD Location: Closed Access. Must be requested.


Guy's South of Ireland Pictorial Guide: Describing and Illustrating its Picturesque and Beautiful Scenery, Natural History, Antiquities, etc. Cork: Guy, London, Simpkin, Marshall, Hamilton, Kent, [1890?] MP 72 Location: Range 19


Nicholson, A. *Ireland's Welcome to the Stranger or Excursions through Ireland in 1844 and 1845 for the Purpose of Personally Investigating the Condition of the Poor*. London: Charles Gilpin, 5 Bishopsgate St. Without, 1847. **ILS 941.5081 NICH** Location: Closed Access. Must be requested.


*The Post Chaise Companion, or Traveller's Directory through Ireland: Containing a new & accurate description of the direct and principal cross roads, with particulars of the noblemen and gentlemen's seats, cities, towns ... forming an historical & descriptive account of the kingdom; to which is added, A travelling dictionary, or Alphabetical tables, shewing the distances of all the principal cities, boroughs, market & sea port towns in Ireland from each other*. Dublin: Printed & published by J. & J.H. Fleming, 1803. **HI 10 WILS** Location: Closed Access. Must be requested.  
**Dublin: J. Fleming, [1804]**. **OPB 914.15 POST** Location: Closed Access. Must be requested.

*The Scenery and Antiquities of Ireland*. Illustrated from drawings by W. H. Bartlett; the literary portion of the work by N. P. Willis; and J Stirling Coyne. London: G. Virtue, [1842]. **OPB 914.15 WILL v.1 & v.2** Location: Closed Access. Must be requested.

*The Scientific Tourist through Ireland, in which The Traveller is Directed to the Principal Objects of Antiquity, Art, Science & the Picturesque / by an Irish gentleman, aided with the communications of friends*. London: Printed for J. Booth, [1818]. **HI WALF 115** Location: Closed Access. Must be requested.

*Slater's National Commercial Directory of Ireland*. Manchester, Slater, 1846. **HI 155 SLAT** Location: Closed Access. Must be requested.

Sleater, Matthew. *Introductory Essay to a New System of Civil and Ecclesiastical Topography, and Itinerary of Counties of Ireland ... Also, tables of direct and cross roads--table of 2436 parishes*. Dublin: Printed by J. Barlow, 1806. **HI 10 SLEA** Location: Closed Access. Must be requested.

*A Tour in Ireland in 1813 & 1814: With an Appendix Written in 1816, on Another Visit to That Island* / By an Englishman. Dublin: M. Gough, [1817?]. HI 115 GOUG Location: Closed Access. Must be requested.


Hutton, Arthur Wollaston, ed. *Arthur Young's Tour in Ireland (1776-1779).* Bielenberg 914.15 YOUNG v.1 (v.2 is on Q+3) Location: Range 20

Further examples see Munster Printing Historical Location: Ranges 19 – 20

**Dictionaries & Gazetteers**

Carlisle, Nicholas. *A Topographical Dictionary of Ireland: Exhibiting the Names of the Several Cities, Towns, Parishes, and Villages ... Collected from the most authentic documents, and arranged in alphabetical order.* London: Printed for W. Miller, by W. Savage, 1810. OPB f 914.15 CARL Location: Closed Access. Must be requested.

Goblet, YM. *A Topographical Index of the Parishes and Townlands of Ireland in Sir William Petty's Mss. Barony Maps (c.1655-9) / (Bibliothèque nationale de Paris, fonds anglais, nos. 1 & 2) and Hiberniae delineatio (c. 1672).* Dublin: Stationery Office, 1932. TR 914.15 GOBL Location: Range 8; T GOBL Location: Range 22.


This contains a description of each civil parish and most towns as well as a very useful depiction of
Ireland before the Famine. It was first published in 1837. Spelling used is historical.


The Parliamentary Gazetteer of Ireland: Adapted to the New Poor-Law, Franchise, Municipal and Ecclesiastical Arrangements, and Compiled with a special reference to the lines of railroad and canal communication as existing in 1843-44; illustrated by a series of maps, and other plates; and presenting the results, in detail, of the census of 1841, compared with that of 1831.

Dublin: A. Fullarton, 1843-44. OPB 914.15 PARL v.1 – 10 Location: Closed Access. Must be requested.

Dublin: A. Fullarton, 1846. Bielenberg 914.15 PARL v.1 – 36 Location: Range 20


Other gazetteers: Subject Search: Ireland – Gazetteers