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INTRODUCTION

**BL/EP/G** are the estate papers generated by the Grehan family of Clonmeen, Banteer Co. Cork. They were deposited in the Boole Library, University College Cork in 1983 by Mr. Peter A. Grehan.

The Grehans, originally prosperous Dublin wine merchants, first acquired land in Cork through a legacy of the lands of Clonmeen left by one John Roche about 1830 (see BL/EP/G/101 ff.). Stephen Grehan ([1776] - 1871), the main beneficiary of Roche’s will, then set about acquiring more land in the area and also in County Tipperary. This work was carried on by Stephen’s son George ([1813] -1885) who in about 1860 moved from his Dublin home 19 Rutland Square, to take up permanent residence at Clonmeen, where his son Stephen (1859 - 1937) was raised.

When the Grehan’s first moved to their property in Co. Cork they lived in a small Georgian house now known today as Clonmeen Lodge. In 1893, Stephen Grehan who had married Esther Chichester in 1883 built the present day Clonmeen House. Architects plans and elevations showing all the features necessary for the residence of a nineteenth century gentleman survive (see BL/EP/G/373 ff.). Surviving also are earlier designs by the architect G. C. Ashlin, of the Dublin firm Ashlin and Coleman, which were rejected. Large tracts of land were sold off by Stephen Grehan through the auspices of the Land Commission throughout the late nineteenth and early twentieth century (see BL/EP/G/274 ff.) but Clonmeen remained as a working farm until the death of Major Stephen Grehan in 1972, after which the property was sold.

After the sale of Clonmeen estate, the surviving records which form the Grehan Estate Collection today, were removed by Mr. Peter A. Grehan to his residence in Co. Kerry after a short period of storage at Inch, Co. Tipperary. It was from Kerry that they were later transferred to the Boole Library. An initial boxing and cleaning of the material was then carried out by Library staff who took care to ensure that any original order still apparent in the records was preserved. In 1995 an archivist was then commissioned to draw up a descriptive list for the collection and formalize storage arrangements.

Due in part to the removal of the records from their site of origin, some original order had been lost. However in many cases, especially relating to legal and administrative records, files were still homogenous and in order. Where this occurred no attempt was made to impose a new order or to split up file series. This lead in the case of Major Grehan’s administrative and personal filing systems to the placing of personal material with administrative records and vice versa, but it was felt more important to preserve Major Grehan’s original system and reflect his own perspective, than to remove certain records to place like with like.

In the case of personal records (Section C) there were some obvious series e.g. Esther Chichester’s letters to her future husband which were jumbled up but formed coherent series, but in many cases here it was necessary for the archivist to impose order. During the listing use was made of the headings and sub level headings detailed by White et al in the article ‘The Arrangement of Estate Records’ JSA, vol. 13 (1992), pp1-8. The collection was divided into four main sections A, B, C, D each containing records of similar origin and content.
Section A, Legal Records was further sub divided by records relating to land title, with a large section containing pre Grehan titles, (BL/EP/G/ 1ff), wills and marriage settlements relating to lands at Clonmeen, and records of trusts administered by members of the Grehan family and finally legal case papers. Sub section 4 here, ‘Trusts administered by members of the Grehan Family’, revealed a closely knit network of families of similar social class and religious background supporting one another. It also stands testament to the high regard the Grehan’s were held in by their peers in that they were consistently chosen to safeguard the future inheritances of others (see BL/EP/G/148 ff).

Section B, Estate Administration, contains records of the working of Clonmeen home farm and the letting and sale of tenancies as well as records of employment on the estate and within the main house. It is unfortunate that records such as Butlers or Housekeepers accounts do not survive nor records relating to the gardens. This section mainly reflects the subdivision of the estate into many small holdings and the eventual break up of the estate through sales to the Land Commission. Wages paid to servants and labourers are recorded in sub section 5 Employee Records. Reflected here also is the changing nature of such employment in the twentieth century with the introduction of employers tax (see BL/EP/G/319 ff).

Copious correspondence relating to the administration of the estate survives. In the early years of Grehan ownership agents were employed to administer the estate especially the outlining holdings in Kildorrery and Inchigeela, Co. Cork. From the early 1900’s however after the death of the agent John Therry and the sale of some of the holdings, the Grehan’s administered the estate themselves. Records were kept of bills received and monies paid out. Letterbooks dealing specifically with this area were kept by Stephen Grehan and are described under the level heading 11. They are however quite difficult to read and some virtually illegible. Throughout this section and indeed throughout the collection as a whole, the presence of the Grehan family solicitors, Roche and Sons of St. Stephen’s Green, Dublin is felt. Besides performing purely legal functions Roche and Sons advised on money management and oversaw all transactions with the Land Commission acting in many instances as an Land agent for the Grehans.

Sub section C ‘Family and Personal Papers’ then contains those records generated by members of the Grehan family which relate to their day to day lifestyle. Letters, diaries etc. are all grouped under the name of their originator and cross referenced where necessary. Letters are generally listed under the name of their recipient. Descriptions in this section begin with the records of George Grehan ([1813] - 1885). Both he and his father Stephen ([1776] - 1871) were prosperous wine merchants and members of Dublin’s Catholic social elite. Stephen Grehan was appointed the first Catholic Director of the Bank of Ireland (see BL/EP/G/ 1293), and while at school in France witnessed the beginning of the French Revolution (see BL/EP/G/651) His son George was a member of the St. Stephen’s Green Club and graduated with a B.A. from Trinity College in 1835 (see BL/EP/G/654). George, a widower, moved with his son Stephen (1859 - 1937) to take up residence at Clonmeen around the 1860’s where they were joined for a time by his father Stephen (see BL/EP/G/1291). The family seems to have been readily accepted in the area and soon became well known in local social circles, mixing other prominent local families such as the Longfields and the Leaders. Records, mainly letters, also survive relating to George’s brother Peter ([1812] - 1877) and his wife Maraquita (d. 1899). Peter, the elder son, remained on in the family residence in Rutland Square which his wife continued to occupy until her death when it was then leased out and eventually
sold (see BL/EP/G/410 ff.). Similarly to most members of their class the Grehan sons completed their education with a ‘Grand Tour’ of Europe. Stephen Grehan’s letters home from his tour describing his route and itinerary are preserved within the collection (BL/EP/G/595 ff.). Stephen, although born in Dublin, was the first member of the family to live out his life at Clonmeen and it was there that in 1883 he brought his wife Esther Chichester.

The Chichesters, who had an estate at Runnamoat Co. Roscommon, were members of a very old English landed family and would have had relatives amongst the English aristocracy. Stephen’s diaries record tersely his first meeting with Esther and their subsequent courtship (see BL/EP/G/737), but it is Esther’s letters to her fiancé which evoke most readily the tone of their relationship. It would seem there was some opposition initially from Esther’s father the formidable Col. Charles Raleigh Chichester, but he was won over and the match made. Stephen’s marriage then introduced the family into a somewhat wider social scene and he was a frequent visitor to the Chichesters’ English seat, Burton Constable in Hull. Clonmeen also became a favorite visiting spot for members of the Chichester family long after Esther’s death. As befitted his position in the county Stephen Grehan was in 1879 appointed a Commissioner of the Peace and in 1888 was appointed a Deputy Lieutenant for Cork. He was also a long standing member of the county Grand Jury (see BL/EP/G/800 ff.).

Chief amongst Stephen and his families leisure pursuits was a love of hunting and he and his son Major Stephen A. Grehan, were prominent members of the Duhallow Hunt Club, some records relating to which survive (see BL/EP/G/802 ff.).

Stephen had also four daughters May (Mary), Magda, Kathleen and Aileen. A son, George, died as an infant. The four girls were educated in England at Roehampton Convent, and enjoyed their father’s pursuits of hunting and fishing. Their presence in the collection is reflected more through the very fine collection of nineteenth and twentieth century photographs and through references by other family members rather than by their own writings. All four married conventionally members of their own social group, the families of their husbands all being related to the Grehans through distant ties. Aileen and Kathleen married two cousins, members of the Ryan family of Inch, Co. Tipperary.

The bulk of the nineteenth century material in the collection was generated by Major Stephen (Stevie) A. Grehan (1895 - 1972). Major Grehan went directly from school in England to the Royal Military Academy, Woolwich, and signed up as a cadet just at the outset of World War I. A diligent letter writer over 200 of his letters home written while on active service in Europe, Salonica and Mesopotamia (1914-1922) are contained within the collection. These together, with his diaries, evoke the world of a British Army officer, proud to be part of the British Empire. Contemporary attitudes towards current affairs and international events are all reflected in the letters and diaries, as well a contemporary British attitudes towards those colonized which may now grate harshly, but were entirely reflective of their times (see BL/EP/G/1166a). Major Grehan was not given to introspection in his diaries or letters and there is little philosophical musing on the nature of or need for war. Rather he writes an enthusiastic account of soldiers doing their duty cheerfully, secure in the knowledge that they are on the side of right (see BL/EP/G/995;1002;1023 ff.).

Major Grehan resigned his commission in 1937, shortly after the death of his father and returned to Clonmeen to live and work the farm there. His later diaries contain accounts
of visitors to Clonmeen, visits made references to farm work harvesting the purchase of new machinery etc. He maintained his links with the British Army through organizations such as the British Legion, of which he was the North Cork representative. The section dealing with this work, much of which involved investigating hardship cases, is described in 10.4, but the material itself will remain closed to researchers for 30 years from this year (1996) to avoid any embarrassment to the families of those who contacted Major Grehan and the British Legion. An interesting aspect of social history which this section reflects, is the amount of support given by organizations such as the British Legion to ex-servicemen and their families in the Republic for so many years after Independence. Material relating to Major Grehan’s wife Cecily Gaisford St. Lawrence and their two children Peter and Denis Grehan is quite sparse in the collection with little of their personal records being preserved here.

Sub section D then deals with material generated by relatives of the Grehan’s which was for various reasons transferred to Clonmeen House and became integrated with the family collection there. As mentioned above members of the Chichester family were frequent visitors to Clonmeen, one of the most regular visitors being Esther’s sister Christine. A fascinating woman Christine Chichester was a gifted amateur photographer and many of her photographs are preserved here. Very much a free spirit she traveled continuously throughout Ireland and Britain, Europe and often much farther afield (see BL/EP/G/1506; 1507). Christine also acted as her family’s unofficial historian, gathering information, personal reminiscences and memorabilia about the Chichester Constable family, some of which is now preserved here (see BL/EP/G/1449 ff.) All photographs in this section are in monotone or black and white.

Records generated by the Murphy, Nugent and Johnson families (all interrelated) would have come into the possession of the Grehan family when in 1939 Major S.A. Grehan inherited the Murphy home at Osberstown, Co. Kildare (see BL/EP/G/1315). Although he chose to sell Osberstown and remain at Clonmeen, some furniture was transferred to Cork and most likely also the papers and memorabilia now preserved here. BL/EP/G/1540 is a unique and poignant document, a history of her family by Mary Frances Murphy with some later additions spanning the period 1879-1912. She writes of her childhood in Dublin and her upbringing by her grandfather, William Murphy of Mount Merrion, who having quarreled with her father over money cut him off completely. Her parents were then forced to move to the continent where they seem to have spent their lives keeping always one step ahead of their creditors. William Murphy together with several members of his family died of cholera in 1849. Mary Frances’ father died in 1853 after which she discovered the strain of her life had forced her mother into a sanatorium in Strasbourg. The history ends with Mary Frances’s account of bringing her mother home and caring for her.

Other items in the Johnson section reflect the careers of Col. William Johnson and General Christopher Johnson who made their names fighting for various armies in Europe throughout the eighteenth century (see BL/EP/G/ 1547;1548).

Only photographs relating to the Chichester family are described within this listing. Due to the large number of Grehan family photographs, which are uniformly monotone or black and white with no colour prints, it was deemed more appropriate to list them separately, while cross referencing with the main list. Names of townlands and family names are spelt as in the original items, and this has resulted in some variance between entries. All townlands mentioned are situated in Co. Cork unless otherwise stated.
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Boole Library Archivist
August 1997
Abbreviations used within text:

a.r.p. : acres, roods and perches
Bde : Brigade
B.E.F. : British Expeditionary Force
Bty : Battery
c. : circa
Co. : County
D.H.C : Duhallow Hunt Club
D.L. : Deputy Lieutenant
f : folio
ff. : following
J.P. : Justice of the Peace
Mss : Manuscripts
N.W.F.P. : North West Frontier Province
O.S. : Ordnance Survey
p.a. : per annum
pp : Pages
R.A. : Royal Artillery
R.A.F. : Royal Air Force
U.D.C. : Urban District Council
vs. : versus
w/e : week ending
A. Legal Records

1 Deeds of Title (Pre Grehan Ownership)

See Also 1.1 Relating to the O'Callaghan Family

/99
/100 1 18 Oct. 1722 Copy of lease dated 13 December 1702, relating to
lands of Clonmeen, Co. Cork. Lord Kingston to
Cornelius Callaghan for a term of 999 years at an annual rent
of £200 payable in moeities on the 1 May and 1 November.

4pp

2 8 August 1727- Two copies of the will of Robert Callaghan (son of
[1744] Cornelius above) of Clonmeen, leaving to his
eldest son Cornelius, the lands of Clonmeen and to his
second son Robert, the estate and lands at Barry, Barony of Duhallow, Co.
Cork. The will gives leave to lease the land during his sons minorities. Also
extract of same from the Court of Perogative. Also extract from the will of
Margaret Callaghan (Robert’s wife) leaving all her goods to her son
Robert.

4 items

3 1 March 1737 Articles of Agreement between Mary Callaghan of
Clonmeen (widow) and John Keffals Crodie in which
he leases the lands of Gouganes, Gortiurugh and
Parknofalugh, Co. Cork for 1 year at a rent of £2.4.0 and “a fat hogg or 15/ in
lieu thereof” He also receives the right to cut 6 houses of turf.

4pp

4 14 October 1737 Two copies (poor condition) of the will of Cornelius
Callaghan of Bantyre (Banteer, Co. Cork)
detailing succession to the lands of Clonmeen.

2 items
2pp+20pp
5 27 August 1741 Copy of Affirmation of Rights and Inheritance of Robert O’Callaghan (minor) and his mother Mary O’Callaghan (Guardian). Details ownership of the Clonmeen Estate p.27. Also copy of decree given by the Lord Chancellor to Mary Callaghan confirming the right of her son Robert to inherit and appointing her his guardian (21 March 1737). Also statement regarding the setting of rents on Clonmeen between Cornelius and Robert O’Callaghan.

3 items

6 15 March 1750 Receipt acknowledging payment of the marriage portion due from Joanna Callaghan to her husband Thomas Knolles, namely £1,000 plus stated lands, paid by Robert Callaghan. Witnessed by Walter Bowler and William Mayfur and signed by Thomas Knolles. Annotation from the office of the Deputy Registrar affirms a memorial of the deed was registered on 4 June 1756, and affirms the validity of the deed to be used in the case Cragg vs. O’Callaghan (see / 35 ff. below).

3pp

7 16 September 1752 Assignment of Mortgage to George Foot, Killvealation Co. Cork. Robert O’Callaghan by deed of mortgage 14 April 1774, made over to Mary Daunt the lands of Curraghraure (Curraghrour), Clonmeen. In 1750 she married Denis Callaghan of Glin, Co. Cork from whom George Foot purchased the mortgage for £303.3.8.

1ff

8 14 September 1754 Lease of part of the lands of Clonmeen to Andrew Callaghan of Gurteenardagh Co. Cork, from Robert O’Callaghan and Thomas O’Callaghan of Mohereen for a term of 21 years at a rent of £130 to be paid half yearly at the feasts of St. Michael and The Annunciation of the Blessed Virgin Mary. Also 400 kishes of good turf or £10 in lieu, and every Christmas Eve 1 fat hog or 1 guinea in lieu.

3ff

9 22 September 1755 Lease of lands of Coolroebeg, Clonmeen. Robert O’Callaghan to Daniel Sheehan of Coolroebeg, for a term of 19 years. Rent of £19 to be paid half yearly at the Feast of St. Michael and The Annunciation of the Blessed Virgin Mary, also 1 fat hog due yearly.

2ff
10 27 October 1756 Lease of 43 acres of lands of Loughleigh, Clonmeen by Robert O’Callaghan to Denis Lyon for a term of 31 years at an annual rent of £23, to be paid half yearly on the 29 September and the 25 March. Lyons is also receives entitlement to quarry limestone.

11 4 June 1757 Lease of part of the lands of Clonmeen by Robert O’Callaghan to James Kingston for a term of 199 years at a yearly rent of £4.10.6. Also £1 extra for rent of the village pond. Deed includes pen and ink boundary map of the area by Richard Baker.

12 1757 Lease of 3a 1r 20p, lands at Clonmeen, by Robert O’Callaghan to Denis Lyons, Merchant, Cork for a term of 31 years, at an annual rent of £3.4.3½ to be paid half yearly on the 29 September and 25 March. Deed features an ink map of the plot by Richard Baker.

13 13 July 1758 Lease of lands at Clonmeen by Robert O’Callaghan to Samuel Holmes for a term of 31 years beginning March 1759, at a rent of £41.10.0 to be paid half yearly on the Feasts of St. Michael and the Annunciation of the Blessed Virgin Mary. Witnessed by Bartholomew Gibbings and John Staunton and with the personal seals of O’Callaghan and Holmes impressed.

14 18 Dec. 1758 - Two copies of a Mortgage for £200 on the lands of Clonmeen, taken out by Robert O’Callaghan from Richard Benson. Also Declaration of Trust by Benson to William Austin and an Assignment of Mortgage from William Austin to Thomas Pratt (25 August 1759) (See also /16 below).

15 10 August 1759 Lease of lands of Drumcummer, Co. Cork by Robert O’Callaghan to Timothy Lehane for a term of 31 years, at a yearly rent of £93.29.25 and 2 fat pigs or /15 contd...
/15 contd....

£2.6.0 in lieu, and 2 dozen fat Turkey’s or £1.4.0 in lieu and 2 dozen fat ducks or /12 in lieu and 2 dozen fat chickens or /12 in lieu.


17  22 October 1767  Release in favour of Robert O’Callaghan, of a sum of £600 owed and paid to Henry Daunt.

18  27 April 1773  Lease of Gouganes, Parkmore and Gurtavenra, Clonmeen Co. Cork, by Robert O’Callaghan to William Garratt for a yearly rent of £70.

19  10 May 1775  Deed of Sale. Samuel Holmes to Robert Atkins of the leasehold on the lands of Clonmeen. Robert O’Callaghan by lease of 10 July 1758 demised the lands onto Holmes for a term of 31 years at a rental of £41.10.0 This was transferred to Atkins in consideration of £50.

20  27 February 1776  Group of documents (including Mortgage and draft) relating to Mortgage of £800 taken out by Robert O’Callaghan from Mrs. Ann Busteed using the lands of Clonmeen as security. Details title of O’Callaghan to the land from a Bargain and Grant of John, Lord Kingston (3 December 1702 ) to Cornelius Callaghan for 999 years at £200 per annum(see /1 above). Sum to be repaid with interest on 27 February 1777.

21  10 January 1778  Two copies of the will of Robert O’Callaghan in which he leaves his wife Ann (nee Brady) £2000 and the lands of Clonmeen and Banagh (lands of Barry),Co.Cork /44ff to his nephew Crosbie Morgell. Michael McCarthy of Tuckey’s Quay, Cork executors. Morgell

See Also
Barry),Co.Cork /44ff
Tuckey’s Quay, Cork
executors.
Morgell

(2) Contains an Order from the Court of Perogative appointing administrator as the trustee stepped down.
22 20 March 1778  Deed binding Ann O’Callaghan to cause £2500 to be paid to Crosbie Morgell of Rathkeale, Co. Limerick on the day of her death. 1pp

23 28 May 1780 Order from the Court of Perogative granting the right to Crosbie Morgell, chief creditor, to dispose of the assets at Ann O’Callaghan, deceased. Also details of goods sold totalling £202.10.4½. 4pp

24 8 December 1781 Copy of court order from the Court of Chancery authorising the seizure of lands belonging to Michael McCarthy and Jane Connor who absconded after receiving a writ to appear in court. Additional note declares they have no land to seize. 2pp

25 4 July 1783 - Attested extracts relating to Clonmeen from the marriage settlement of Cornelius O’Callaghan to Miss Welstead, 4 July 1783, prepared by Richard Daunt, Public Notary. The extract details that rents should be given by Richard Foot and Thomas Holmes to O’Callaghan. (See /27 below) 1pp

26 29 January 1791 Assignment of Mortgage. Mrs. Ann Busteed to John Roche of 5 parts of the 6 parts of the lands of Clonmeen. Also draft outlining the claims of Mrs. Busteed on the lands of Clonmeen and Barry granted to her by Robert O’Callaghan, 27 February 1776, and a draft request for a copy of the Memorial Deed of Assignment and Release relating to the Mortgage. 3 items

27 14 May 1791 Deed “Further assignments of the Granters Interest in Clonmeen” between Richard Foot and Thomas Holmes (1st part), Cornelius O’Callaghan (2nd part) and Crosbie Morgell (3rd part). Refers to deed 4 July 1783 between Cornelius O’Callaghan and Frances Welstead, where he made over lands at Clonmeen to Foot and Holmes as part of his marriage settlement. This deed confirms unto Crosbie Morgell title to the lands at Clonmeen in consideration of £3412.10.0 1ff
28 1 May 1802 Assignment of lease from the Rev. Mr. Kingston to Mr. George Bolster of an earlier lease, 4 June 1757, between Robert O’Callaghan and James Kingston relating to the pound at Clonmeen. Bolster to pay £85. 2ff

29 9 July 1835 Lease of part of the lands of Gurranauarig, Co. Cork by Elizabeth, Hannah, Margaret, Sarah and Catherine Smith to Denis O’Callaghan and Bartholomew Purton (their trustees) for a term of 6 months at a rent of £72.10.0 to be paid on the 9 January. 1ff

30 April 1836 Award in the boundary dispute between Timothy Callaghan (1st part) ; John O’Brien senior and John O’Brien junior (2nd part) concerning the farms of Shronbehy and Duinche, Co. Cork. The boundary declared by the court is denoted by a yellow line on an affixed map and the court ruled the costs were to be divided equally. (The boundary concerned is that between Clonmeen and Banteer). 2pp

31 [ ] Copy of a Search in the Recognizance Office detailing deeds relating to the lands of Clonmeen. Also search detailing leases, settlements etc. relating to the O’Callaghan family and the lands of Clonmeen. 2 items

32 [ ] Notes of eighteenth century indentures, leases and settlements relating to lands held by Robert Callaghan. 1p

33 [ ] Draft Bill in the case of O’Callaghan vs. Power. Details Robert O’Callaghan’s (a minor) claim to the lands at Clonmeen, namely a lease 3 December 1702 from Lord Kingston (see/1, /20 above), and the marriage settlement of 2 November 1706 between Robert and Mary O’Callaghan. Details sub lettings to tenants and accusations against Francis Power, O’Callaghan’s Trustee. 18pp
[17] Memorandum of Search tracing titles to lands at Clonmeen 1709 - 1776. Also incomplete Counsel’s Opinion in the legal wranglings following the death of Robert O’Callaghan in 1727, and the death of his son Cornelius, a minor, in 1731.

2 items

### 1.1.2 Case of Craggs Vs O’Callaghan

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<td>Copy decree on rehearing of Craggs vs. O’Callaghan.</td>
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<td>8 January 1755</td>
<td>Copy Chancery schedule of sums due to Margaret O’Callaghan Cragg from the personal estate of Robert O’Callaghan. She is demanding her legacy of £600 together with 7% interest, on same.</td>
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<td>31 October 1760</td>
<td>‘Copy First Answer’. Answer of Margaret Craggs (now a widow) to the Bill of Complaint of Robert O’Callaghan.</td>
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<td>14 January 1762</td>
<td>Deed of Assignment from Margaret Craggs to her son John, in which she passes on her interest in 1/6 th of the lands of Clonmeen.</td>
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20 October 1764  Copy of the answer of Robert O'Callaghan to the Bill of Complaint issued by the Craggs, as received in the Rolls Office, 14 November 1766.  16pp

1 March 1767  Copy of the Plaintiffs Bill, Cragg vs. O'Callaghan, from the Court of Exchequer.  11pp

8 December 1767  Brief on behalf of Robert O'Callaghan (Defendant), for a hearing against the Craggs (Plaintiffs) in the Court of Exchequer.  5pp

Brief on behalf of the Defendant detailing Margaret Craggs claim to benefit from the lands of Clonmeen.  9pp

Rough search in the case of Callaghan vs. Cragg, detailing relevant deeds relating to the lands of Clonmeen, Rossheene, Gortmore and Druncuman, Co. Cork. Also draft document regarding settlements under O'Callaghan’s will and witness notes on the case. Also fair copy of defendants answers and schedule. Also negative search from the Chief Examining Officer regarding depositions in the case Cragg vs. O'Callaghan.  4 items

19 June 1780 - Ladd vs McCarthy. Case refers to the will of Robert O’Callaghan under which lands were given to Michael McCarthy and James Connor. William Ladd then took up the case of Ann O’Callaghan to the lands. (1) [Brief] containing on Attestation that Ann O’Callaghan was of “low Extraction and for many years lived with the said Robert O’Callaghan in the light of a housekeeper”. It further asserts she was never married and is also a Papist, so the benefit of the £2000 left to her should go to a Protestant Supplicant. Ann died intestate and Crosbie Morgell claimed her goods and chattels (19 June 1780). Also

(2)  2 March 1792  Renunciation of all claims by William Ladd
(3)  15 March 1792  Copy affidavit of service to supeona to the defendant
(4)  27 November 1781  Certificate of Parliamentary appearance. Mr. Deane to appear for the Defendant, McCarthy
(5)  3 December 1781  Order for the above case to be heard 20 December 1781
(6)  27 November 1782  Affidavit of Service of Conditional Decree upon McCarthy  6 items
### 1.2 Deeds relating to Crosbie Morgell

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<td>Counsell's Opinion for Crosbie Morgell in case of Robert O'Callaghan vs Margaret Craggs, Cornelius Callaghan, Thomas and Melia Morgell (Crosbie's parents see / 140). Also defendant's brief in the Court of Exchequer on a Hearing of Dismiss, Philip Brady and other Minors by Elinor Brady Plaintiffs, Crosbie Morgell, Defendant. Robert O'Callaghan died March 1778 leaving a widow Ann (née Brady) a Catholic. He fixed upon his nephew Crosbie Morgell land it is contested was intended to go to his wife. Also Deed from the Court of Perogative for Causes Ecclesiastical, appointing Crosbie Morgell administrator of the goods of Ann O'Callaghan deceased (17 August 1780).</td>
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<td>23 Nov 1782</td>
<td>Conditional Dismiss in case of Brady vs. Morgell, 14 Dec 1782. Also Certification of enrolment of Dismiss with affidavits of service.</td>
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<td>Copy of Absolute Dismiss in case of Brady vs. Morgell, 14 Dec 1789. Also certification of enrolment of Dismiss.</td>
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<td>27 Sept 1784</td>
<td>Lease of lands of Loughleigh and Weaversland, in the parish of Clonmeen, by Crosbie Morgell to Nathaniel Warner for a term of 99 years to begin from March 1784. Yearly rent £60.</td>
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<td>27 Sept 1784</td>
<td>Lease of lands of Coolroebeg, Clonmeen. Crosbie Morgell to James Scanlan for a term of 61 years at an annual rent of £40 “together with a fatt Hogg” or £1.10.00 in lieu. Half yearly payments of rent to be made on the 24th September and the 25th May. Mss note “Produced the 18th day of November 1832 W. Busteed D.&amp;G. Reace”. Fragile condition</td>
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<td>[Draft Deed] between Richard Foot, Millford, Co. Cork and Thomas Holmes (1st part), Cornelius O'Callaghan administrator for John Cragg deceased and Leslie Craggs deceased with Crosbie Morgell (2nd part) and John Roche</td>
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of Dublin (3rd part). O’Callaghan had assigned to Foot and Holmes a 1/6th part of Clonmeen, which they are now selling and assigning to Morgell. Added note states that Mr. Franklin as agent for Foot, Holmes and O’Callaghan could not consent to the execution of the deed as it extends to the assignment of several estates belonging to Mr. O’Callaghan in Cork City which are not yet settled. Also Draft Bill of Revision in Partition case of Thomas and Joan Knowles (nee O’Callaghan) for 1/6th of Clonmeen (19 November 1770).

2 items

53  23 October 1793  Petition by Cornelius Sheehan addressed to “Honourable master” detailing his dispute over landholdings with a fellow tenant, Darby Collins. He asserts he is the tenant of the disputed part of Clonmeen farm which Collins possesses and lets for 2 guineas a year. After Mr. Morgell’s surveyor confirmed it was part of his tenancy, he and Mr. Morgell visited Mr. Gallowey in Mallow about the matter which he wishes the recipient to address.

1p

54  [ ]  Opinion detailing the rights of Cornelius Sheehan and other tenants to quarry limestone on foot of a lease, 27th September 1784, from Crosbie Morgell.

2pp

55  []  Rental list of Clonmeen, Co. Cork of lands purchased from Crosbie Morgell and held under a 999 year lease from Lord Kingston at an annual rent of £98.1.7. Details Tenants names, land held, terms of lease, date of expiry, yearly rent and observations. Part of the rental is missing. Also complete rent roll for Clonmeen Estate of Crosbie Morgell detailing: Townland, Tenants Names: Tenure: Yearly rent and observations. Total rent = £674.1.10.

2 items

1.3  Relating to Edward and James Peed

See Also / 99

56  2 November 1774  Conveyance of lands of Ardcahan, Clonmeen, by Edward Peed to James Peed. The lands are held, under terms of a 999 year lease, from Sir Joseph Hoare.

2pp
February 1779  Exemplification of Property. James Peed as administrator for his father Edward Peed (deceased) Plaintiff vs. Sir Joseph Hoare and others. Concerns a lease of Ardcahan for a term of 999 years from Sir Joseph Hoare to Edward Peed (see /56 above) at an annual rent of £50 for the first four years and rising to £52 thereafter. That lease having been stolen at Bandonbridge, Co. Cork in July 1766, James Peed must now re-establish his rights. 3 skins

24 February 1786  Deed of Assignment of the lands of Gortnahoughty (Rathlahiff) by James Bernard to James Peed for consideration of £428.11.5. 1 skin

19 October 1786  Deed of Mortgage between William Barry and others to Wade Foott, concerning the lands of Dirilea, Dirigortnaclogh and Gortnahoughty, Co. Cork. Also refers to [assignment] 10 January 1781 of the lands of South Rathleigh, Kilbarry and Coonecronagh, Co. Cork to James Peed for £191.0.8 and 28 October 1780 the lands Drownelicty to James Peed for £176.6.0, which now in consideration of £343.11.5, are assigned to Wade Foott. 2 skins

28 September 1787  Lease of the lands of Ardcahan by James Peed to Darby Crowly for a term of 31 years at an annual rent of £66, payable half yearly on the 29 September and the 25 March. Iff

1 October 1788  Conveyance of lands of Droumanalick by William Barry to James Peed for a consideration of £250. 1 skin

31 October 1788  Conveyance of lands of Gortnehoughty by James Barry to James Peed for consideration of £200 on a lease of 20 December 1775 (2 copies present) from James Bernard of Castle Bernard after the discharge of a Indenture of Mortgage by Wade Foott. Also the Assignment from Bernard to Barry, 19 December 1775, and a reconvegance of those lands and also Killbarry, Codnearaogh and parts of South Raleigh by David Mellefont to William Barry in consideration of £206.0.9 dated 19 December 1775. Also 12 January 1775 on assignment of Decree of the lands of Gortnehoughty to William Barry as first Protestant discoverer by the Court of Exchange. 6 items

11
63 25 July 1789 Deed of Sale of the lands of South Rathleigh, Co. Cork to William Honner, who bought them at public auction after William Barry defaulted on a mortgage of £300 with James Peed.

1ff

64 10 October 1789 Lease of lands of Farrihy by James Peed to Henry White of New Ross, Co. Tipperary by which White surrenders to Peed his lease dated 12 February 1771.

1ff

65 3 May 1791 Deed of Assignment by James Peed of lands of South Rathleigh, Clonmeen to William Honner of Dublin for a term of three lives.

1ff

1.4 Deeds relating to John Roche

See Also /25, /26, /52, /98, /100, /101

66 28 September 1786 - 27 November 1790 Attested copy of a Surrender of lands of Ardcahan by Darby Crowley (tenant) to John Roche of Dublin, the new owner of John Reed’s property. Also Deed of sale of lands of Clonmeen, Crosbie Morgell to John Roche for £1000, the balance due on a debt of £8200.

2 items

67 19 March 1791 Release of interest in 1/6th lands of Clonmeen by John Heard, executor of Beckford Heard, to John Roche. By a Mortgage of the 18 May 1761 between Margaret Craggs and Beckford Heard, she assigned over the land in question which John Heard now releases for consideration of £150.

4pp

68 4 February 1794 Discharge by Arthur Jones O’Connor to John Roche of a legacy of £50 from £61 left him by Robert O’Callaghan in consideration of which he discharges all claims on Roche who had purchased the lands, adding a mss note to effect.

2pp
69  9 March 1799  Lease of part of the lands of Ardcahan by John Roche to Edward Peed, on foot of the Release by Darby Crowley of his lease, (28 December 1798), of those lands which are now demised to Peed, along with those held by James Bernard, and also the Inch lands at an annual rent of £6 to be paid half yearly on the 24 September and 25 March. Lease also contains provisions for coppicing woodland. Also incomplete document discussing Crowley’s original lease (28 January 1787).

2 items

70  26 July 1800  Lease of part of the lands of Ardcahan by John Roche to Edward Peed at an annual rent of £32 to be paid half yearly on the 25 March and 29 September.

2pp

80  24 July 1811 - 21 June 1821  (1) Renewal of a lease dated 1759, on the lands of South Rathleigh between George Sullivan and John Roche, Kilcrea, Co. Cork who will take up the lease of the late Patrick Elmsly for £2.10.3, paying Sullivan arrears due for the term of the life of Princess Charlotte. (2) Added indenture 1 December 1820 due to the death of Princess Charlotte nominating instead the life of George, Duke of Leinster. (3) 21 June 1821 renewal and insertion of the lives of Arthur, Marquis of Downshend and Henry, Marquis of Waterford.

2ff

81  26 March 1814 - 2 May 1839  (1) Letter to John Roche from William Galway, Mallow, introducing Roche’s tenant Mr. Foott, who holds the lands of Glauntanatraha, Clonmeen and is proposing to purchase the property (640a 1r 12p). (2) Letter from John Galway [Grehan’s Agent] to Stephen Grehan discussing Mr. Foott’s offer of purchase of the farm at Glauntanathane and damage caused to his property by the rivers Blackwater and Glyn.

2 items

82  23 Dec. 1816  Declaration by Timothy O’Sullivan proposing to pay John Roche of Dublin the yearly rent of 40 gunieas for the lands of Ardcahan now in posession of the Mahoneys and Whites, for a term of 3 lives or 41 years.

1p

83  14 January 1819  Lease of part of the lands of Ardcahan let by John Roche to Edward Peed for a term of 61 years at a yearly rent of £103 to be paid in 2 half yearly instalments on the 25 March and the 29 September.

1ff
4 January 1822  Valuation of John Roches’ landed property in Co. Cork to assist in the execution of its sale as directed in his will of 4 January 1822. The total value (including lands of Clonmeen) is given as £28,789.14.2. with an annual yield of £1461.5.1

1p

16 March 1825  Lease of part of the lands of Ardcahan let by John Roche to Darby Deasy and John Deasy for a term of 31 years, at an annual rent of £30 to be paid in two bi-annually instalments on the 29 September and the 25 March.

1ff

16 March 1825  Lease of part of the lands of Ardcahan by John Roche to Richard Sullivan for a term of 31 years at an annual rent of £66 to be paid in two bi-annual instalments on the 29 September and the 25 March.

1ff

16 March 1825  Lease of part of the lands of Rathleigh, Co. Cork by John Roche to John Callaghan of Ballychoneen, Co. Cork, at an annual rent of £103 to be paid bi-annually on the 25 March and the 29 September. Deed includes a colour pen and ink map of the area with details of houses, other buildings and a river. Fleur de lys north indicator.

1ff

1.4.1  Case of Creagh vs Dondon and Roche

11 March 1815 - 24 August 1829  (1) Copy Decree from the Lord Chancellor awarding costs to the Defendants in the case of Luke Ahern and Hannah Margaret Ahern (nee Creagh), Plaintiffs vs. Elinor Pottor (nee Dondon) executor of James Dondon and John Roche and Executors and heirs of John Creagh (11 March 1815) (2) A letter [to Roche] from Mr. Ahern, 43 Lower Gardiner Street, Dublin inquiring about details of payments made to Miss Hannah Creagh on foot of the amount deposited with her. Features mss. Notes referring to amounts and dates.

2 items
1.5 Other deeds relating to lands at Clonmeen

89 29 September 1731  Articles of Agreement between Sir Richard Meade and Murtough O’Bryan of Cork, relating to the letting to O’Bryan of 2 ploughlands at Farrihy in the Barony of Fermoy, for a term of 31 years, at a rental of £165 the first year, £170 for the following 7 years and £175 for the remainder. Rent to be paid bi-annually on the 1 November and the 1 May.

1p

90 19 October 1754  Bargain and Sale by Prudence Fowler widow, of Cork, to Denis O’Leary, Millstreet, Co. Cork and William Masters, Inchyneale, Co. Cork on payment of arrears of £40 and £10. A further deed is on the reverse whereby D. O’Leary assigns his interest in the land to Masters.

1ff

91 12 February 1771  Lease of the lands of Farrihey and Tankerstown, Co. Cork by the Right Hon. John Lord Clanwilliam to Henry White, New Ross, Co. Tipperary, for a term of 3 lives, at an annual rent of £426 to be abated by £20 in 1779. Payment is bi-annually on 1 November and the 1 May.

1ff

1.6 Kingston Mortgage

92 1745  Acknowledgement by Mr. Power of the payment of interest on Lord Kingston’s Mortgage as allowed to him from November 1726 to November 1745. Details dates of payments and amounts of interest on foot of the mortgage taken out on the lands of Clonmeen.

4pp

2 Grehan Deeds of Titles
2.1 *Records of Sale and Purchase*

93 6 August 1851 Costs of the Conveyance of South Rathleigh, Co. Cork, part of the estate of Christopher Hume Lawlor, assignee of Edward Sullivan, sold in the Incumbered Estates Court for a sum of £12.8.6 to Stephen Grehan.

2pp

94 22 February 1855 Two copies of the Rental and Particulars of Sale of part of the estate of the Earl of Kingston, to be sold by Public Auction in the Court of the Commissioners for Sale of Incumbered Estates (includes lands of Clonmeen). Features coloured O.S 9” maps of the properties in question and details Townland, Tenants Names, Area Rent, Legal Title.

128pp

95(1) 1857 Two copies of the Rental and Particulars of Sale of Coolroemore, Clonmeen to be sold by Public Auction in the court of the Commissioners for Sale of Encumbered Estates in Ireland. The lands concerned are held under a lease dated 26 September 1784, from Crosbie Morgell of Rathkeale, Co. Limerick to Richard O’Dell of Copsfield, Co. Cork for a 99 year term. Details Townland: Tenant: Area: Gale Days: Legal Title and O.S. maps of the lands.

2 items
2 x 12pp

95 (2) 1867 Printed Rental of the estate of Richard Topham, Trustee of Thomas K. Sullivan, to be sold at the Landed Estates court, 25 June 1867. Stephen Grehan is named as tenant of lot 2, lands at Gurtnahoucty, Co. Cork.

9pp

95 (3) 17 June 1874 Consolidated Final Notice to Tenants and adjoining land owners and occupiers, issued by the Landed Estate Court in the matter of the estate of Ann, Dowager Countess of Kingston. Requires relevant parties to state any legal claims, leases etc., on the lands now being sold. Details Townlands, Tenants, Gale Days, Rent, Area, Lease. Copy sent to S. Grehan as Proprieter of the lands of Glasvanta adjoining Old Castletown, Clonmely, Mallow. Contains O.S. 6” map of area.

39pp

95 (4) 1883 Two copies of printed Rentals of the estate of John Fitzgerald, Tankardstown, Barony of Fermoy, to be sold at Mitchelstown on the 11th October.

2 items
21 July 1893  Consolidated Final Notice to Tenants and adjoining Owners and Occupiers of the Estate of Sir Joseph W. O’Bryen Hoare. The Land Judges of the High Court of Justice have ordered a sale of lands which include part of Ardcahan, Clonmeen, measuring 823 a lr 1p to take place on 2 November 1893. Schedule attached details the lands concerned with a O.S. map of the area.

8 March 1894 Printed Conveyance from the Chancery Division, High Court of Justice in Ireland, for parts of the lands of Ardcahan purchased by Stephen Grehan for £725 from the sale of the Estate of Sir Joseph W. O’Bryen Hoare. Covering letter from Roche & Sons, St. Stephen’s Green, Dublin - Grehan’s solicitors.

2.2 Deeds relating to Title

1709 - 1849 Bundle of legal documents relating to land holdings mainly in the lands of Gortnohoughty, Muskerry, Co. Cork. Includes deeds relating to ejectment cases brought by John Roche against Richard Longfield O’Connor (1813 - 1816), with an earlier deed relating to leasing of Gortnohoughty Carbey to Denis O’Leary of £71.13.10 on lands of Gortnahoughty; Lease relating to lands of Ardcahan (1800); Also copy of Consideration by Stephen Grehan to Thomas Garde Browne to purchase a lease of the farm at Rathleigh as soon as Grehan will be in a legal position to do so (31 March 1849) Also an earlier deed, Article of sale of the lands of Rathleigh, William Barry and John Barry to James Peed (31 October 1788).

1747 - 1856 File of legal documents, mostly title deeds and leases relating to lands eventually owned by the Grehan’s in Co. Cork. Includes leases from Crosbie Morgell and Robert O’Callaghan relating to the lands of Inchidaly, (17 September 1755); Shannow, (27 September 1784); Curraghrour West, (27 September 1784); Coolroemore, (26 September 1784); Glountanethinagh, (25 March 1786); Inchidaly, (27 September 1784): /99 Contd...

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Clonmeen, (4 June 1757).
Also Mortgage, James Peed to John Roche, in which Peed conveys to Roche parts of the town and lands of Farrahy, Tankardstown, Farranshanoak, Barony of Fermoy: Town and lands of South Rathleigh, Dorminaileach, Barony of Mus Kerry and Town and lands of Ballingarry, Balyainisane, Closes of, Barony of Kinalea Co. Cork (16 July 1794).

Also Assignment of contingent life estate in leasehold lands in Co. Cork settled on George Grehan and his issue. John Grehan, Clongoweswood, Kildare, who under the will of his father Stephen, was left a heir to lands at Clonmeen (135 19a 2r 22p of farm - 256 1a of Mountain) gives up his claim in favour of his siblings George, Peter, Mary Anne, Francis and Margaret as he is to become a clergyman (25 September 1850).

Also leases issued by George Grehan concerning the lands of Gauganes, Co. Cork (29 January 1848); Demesne and castle lands of Clonmeen,(29 May 1848); Inchidaly, Co. Cork (4 February 1848); Coolroebeg, Co. Cork (7 December 1855) Dunich, (1 February 1848) and (29 April 1848). Leases by Stephen Grehan of parts of lands of Ardcahan, featuring a beautiful pen and ink map of the property by Klein (24 & 26 September 1856). Also a Conveyance by which Edmond Carroll transfers tenant rights for the lands of Coolroemore from Maurice Barry to George Grehan in consideration of £110 (31 July 1883).

File of legal documents relating to title and administration of lands at Clonmeen owned by the Grehan family. Includes lease of parts of Clonmeen by Robert O'Callaghan to Samuel Holmes for a term of 31 years at an annual rent of £41.10.0 to be paid in two instalments on the feasts of St. Michael the Archangel and the Annunciation of the Blessed Virgin Mary (13 July 1758); Also Declarations by the tenants in the townlands of East and West Curragh, Barony of Dunhallow that they have been put out of holdings by Pat Shine, Bailiff, acting on behalf of their landlord Mr. Grehan and acknowledging they were allowed reoccupy their houses acting as caretakers and not tenants. This situation to continue as long as Mr. Grehan wishes (31 March 1847). Also receipts and details of expenses for masonry and carpentry work on Grehan Cottages (1842 - 1845).

3 Wills, Settlements and Associated Documents
3.1 Grehan Family Wills

3.1.1 Estate of John Roche (Husband of Mary Grehan)

101  11 March 1815 - 25 August 1827  Document relating to the Probate of the last Will and Testament of John Roche. Stamp Office forms detailing legacy’s and duty payable on these. The main beneficiary is his brother George Roche, who receives £8000 (duty payable £100). Stephen Grehan is appointed Executor. Also letter to Stephen Grehan from his uncle, John Roche, valuing Grehan’s share at only £2000 “You may be most sincerely assured that you should have been among my very first objects if I thought you wanted it but thank God you do not” Legacies are also left to Thady Grehan ( £2000 ) and Andrew Grehan ( £1000 ) from a total estate valued at £141,000

102  6 February 1826  Letter in French to Stephen Grehan as executor of the late John Roche, from Margaret Grehan [née Butler] concerning a legacy of 7,500 francs.

103  11 May 1829  Indenture transferring 12 shares in the Royal Insurance Co. of Ireland, part of the Estate of the late John Roche, to Stephen Grehan. Authorised by Stephen Grehan and Anne Seagrave (née Grehan).

104  21 June 1831  Reconveyance of Mortgage. George Grehan, Anne Seagrove and Stephen Grehan as executors of the late John Roche, to James Richard Larive releasing the interest on a mortgage of £500 entered into on the 16 February 1786 by Henry Larive and Crosbie Morgell [ purchased by John Roche]

105  28 February 1837  Deed of Agreement and Mutual Release between Stephen Grehan and his sister Mrs. Anne Seagrove, Harcourt St., Dublin, executor of the will of John Roche. Details all claims and payments made on the estate by Stephen Grehan and states £160,268.4.7 is to be divided between Grehan and Seagrove as joint residuary legatees for such time as certain lands remain unsold. Includes details of Clonmeen rents.
3.1.2  Mary Grehan

See Also /101, /593

106 21 - 25 August 1827  (1) Stamp Office legacy form relating to the estate of Mary Grehan (died 1814) of 9 Lower Ormond Quay. Stephen Grehan is appointed executor of the estate worth £11,046.3.1. (2) Letter from the Stamp Office requesting payment of duty within 14 days.

               2 items

3.1.3  Stephen Grehan

107 22 April - 16 September 1872  Inland Revenue forms detailing duties payable on legacies left by Stephen Grehan to his daughter Mrs. Mary Ann Baldwin (£10 due on legacy of £1000) and Mrs. Margaret Connell (£10 due on £1000). A sum of £2.2.0 is due on legacies of £21 to Mrs. Breen, Mrs. Murray and Mrs. Byrne, and £12.19.10 duty is payable on the succession rights of his son Peter.

               6 items

108  [  ]  Letter to Vesey Daly, Solicitor from [  ] regarding the division of his father’s estate, by which in agreement with his brother [George/Peter] he took over Bodkins mortgage for £3000, £3000 and £2000. Inquires if he needs to send on the assignment of the mortgage.

               4pp

3.1.4  Peter Grehan

See Also /649 ff

109 1741 - 1879  Mixed file relating to properties held by Peter Grehan, now under the executorship of his brother George. Includes 24 April 1741 Counsels Opinion relating to Robert Callaghan’s claims to the lands of Clonmeen. Also accounts of moneys paid, due under the will of Peter Grehan with a covering letter from Roche & Sons, Solicitors, 4 St. Stephens Green North, (12 November 1879). Also a list of Deeds and Documents belonging to Stephen Grehan (Peter’s father), and correspondence with Roche & Sons and the Church Temporalities Commission.

               c. 30 items
110  8 June 1877 - 4 January 1878  Cheque book counterfoils of expenses relating to the administration of Peter Grehan’s will and estate.  

111  11 September 1877  Letter to George Grehan from S. Langton, Sea View House, Folkestone, Kent thanking him for the copy of Peter’s will. He would have requested this from his sister if “dear Maraquita had been in her natural state of health”. He has decided to follow Dr. Kelly’s instructions and so will not be coming to Dublin. He offers to assist in any legal proceedings and inquires what effect the breaking of the sad news had on his sister. Sympathises with George on the death of his brother “a good and earnest Catholic”

112  20 September 1877  Copy of the Opinion of Pierce White A.C. in the case of the Will of Peter Grehan, deceased. He foresees no difficulties in its enaction.

113  1 October 1877  Letter to George Grehan from J Langton, Folkstone discussing those parts of Peter’s will which relates to Peter’s wife Maraquita and which were passed onto him by Mrs. Patrick Grehan. He hopes to be in Dublin soon “dependent of course on the state of Maraquita’s health”, and thanks George for all his trouble and handling of affairs “which certainly I now see are very complicated”.

114  October - November 1877  File relating to monies due the estate of Peter Grehan. Includes letters from Vesey Daly, Solicitor, to George Grehan discussing interest payments due the estate, and receipts for monies received.

115  1877  Large file labelled “Mr Grehan deceased vouchers in support of Account 3”. Includes bills and receipts relating to Peter Grehan’s funeral, October 1877; legacy receipts from the Inland Revenue for bequests of £500 for masses to

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be said in Gardiner Street, Dublin; £500 for masses to be said at Marlboro Street, Dublin; £500 for same at Francis Street, Dublin; £1000 to Cardinal Cullen for good works, £300 to his brother George and £100 each to his sisters Maryann Baldwin and Margaret Connell. Also Solicitors costs for Probate totalling £46.5.3 and tradesmen’s bills.

116 1877 - 1878 File of cashiered cheques and receipts drawn on the account of Peter Grehan. Also applications to purchase Tithe Rent Charges for (1) Mealithe, Diocese of Cashel £247.2.6 (2) Templeontragh, Diocese of Cashel £228.15.0 dated 27 October 1878 presented by George Grehan.

67 items

117 1877 - 1881 File of legal documents, mostly financial records relating to the estate of Peter Grehan. Includes records of £3000 stock sold, valuation of £1103 for furniture at 19 Rutland Square and details of bills and receipts and monies due Mrs. Maraquita Grehan. Also costs from Vesey Daly, Solicitor.

42 items

118 14 September 1878 Inland Revenue form for Succession Tax on property inherited by George Grehan from his brother Peter.

3pp

119 23 December 1878 Letter from Roche and Sons to George Grehan discussing the handling of his deceased brothers affairs and detailing rental arrears due. Also draft response from Grehan discussing issues raised and declining to take any more responsibility for the administration of the estate.

2 items

120 [7 December 1879] Draft Agreement between George Grehan his son Stephen Grehan, and a third party regarding succession rights to lands in Tipperary to which Peter Grehan (who died without issue) had succession rights.

15 pp

3.1.5 George Grehan

See Also 593 ff
9 November 1886  Declaration by George Ryan and Major Edward Whyte, appointed trustees of the will of George Grehan September 1884, as to the investments representing the net residuary estate of George Grehan.  

4 ff

2 February 1887  Letter to Stephen Grehan from Roche & Sons, Solicitors, discussing Inland Revenue duty claims on the estate of his father, George, and advising him how to proceed.  

2 pp


2 pp

6 May 1891 - 2 May 1940  ‘Account of the Trustees of the will of George Grehan and a settlement of 6 January 1883’. Details securities subject to the trusts of the will of George Grehan at the time of his son Stephen’s death (1937). Covering letter from Roche & Sons (12 May 1940). Also Records of transfers of Government Stock transferred by George to Stephen Grehan (5 February 1900 - 16 May 1903).  

7 items

3.1.6  Stephen Grehan  
See Also /656

30 July 1931  Copy will of Stephen Grehan with a codicil. The main beneficiary is his son, Stephen Arthur Grehan, who inherits Clonmeen and its contents.  

3 pp

18 August 1944  Costs from Roche & Sons, Solicitors regarding the probate of the Will of Stephen Grehan and an investigation of the Trusts he held. Total costs £261.17.3.  

50 pp

3.1.7  Major Stephen A. Grehan  
See Also
Deed of Probate (including copy of Will) for the estate of Major S.A. Grehan (d. 3 Feb. 1972). Will instructs that all his property be sold after the death of his wife Cecily, and that subsequent funds be divided between his two sons.

3.1.8 George Ryan, Inch House, Co. Tipperary

Copy of will (with codicil) of George Ryan in which he leaves his estate to his brother-in-law George Grehan and Captain William Whyte R.N., to hold in trust for his eldest son George Edward Whyte. Codicil of 8 January 1875 details provisions for his marriage settlements.

3.1.9 Captain George T. Whyte

File relating to the estate of Captain George Whyte over which Stephen Grehan J.P., was given power of attorney. Includes letters from French and French, Solicitors and Thomas Crozier and Son, Solicitors, regarding administration of the estate.

3.2 Other Wills relating to lands at Clonmeen

Bolster Family

Copy Probate of the last Will and Testament of Thomas Bolster of Lombardstown, in which he states that the lands of Clonmeen he holds by lease from George Grehan are to be held in Trust for his sons Humphrey and Thomas (see /134 below).

Copy Probate of the last Will and Testament of Humphrey Bolster, in which he bequeaths his lands of
Clonmeen to his wife Ellen, to be passed on to his sons Thomas and Richard and their heirs.

134 7 October 1867  Affidavit by Richard Bolster verifying the will of George Bolster made in September 1836, also copy of will.

2 items

3.3 *Marriage Settlements*

3.3.1 *Grehan Family*

135 15 February 1836 - 7 June 1892  Settlement on the Intermarriage of Henry Baldwin and Miss Mary Anne Grehan (daughter of Stephen Grehan). A sum of £10,000 was invested by Stephen Grehan in the purchase of stock and transferred to the accounts specified in the Settlement. An attached note states a claim for duty relating to the trust funds, upon the death of the survivor of Henry and Mary Anne Baldwin, had been made at the legacy and succession Duty Office, Custom House, Dublin in 1892.

2 items

1 p 3 ff

136 30 April 1844  Settlement on the Intermarriage of Francis John Connell, Cara, Co. Galway with Miss Margaret Grehan (daughter of Stephen Grehan). Additional note states the sum of £10,000 as agreed in the settlement was invested in the couple’s name by Stephen Grehan.

7 ff

137 15 August 1845  Assignment relating to the Marriage Settlement between Peter Grehan and Mary Frances (Mariquita) Langton. The deed is between Mary Frances Langton (1st part), Mary Langton (2nd part), John Burke (3rd part) and John Lewis O’Ferrall (5th part) and concerns a property, No 14, South Parade, Bath, which Mary Frances assigns to Mary Langton in return for £3000 and shares in the estate of Jeremiah Ryan.

4 skins

138 June - November 1856  Costs of drawing up the Marriage Settlement between George Grehan and Miss O’Reilly. Total costs being £54.12.3.

3 pp
Copy of costs incurred in the drawing up of the Marriage Settlement between Stephen Grehan and Miss Esther Chichester of Runnamoat, Co. Roscommon, presented by E. G. Stapelton, Solicitors for Miss Chichester. Total costs amounted to £64.18.3.

3.3.2 Other Settlements relating to lands of Clonmeen

Marriage Settlement between Thomas Morgell and Melian Callaghan (daughter of Robert Callaghan, Clonmeen, Co. Cork) in which she is allotted £1356.13.8 as a marriage portion.

Abstract of the wedding settlement of Major Robert Blount and Miss Mary Jane Whyte, detailing the trust funds and property under the trusteeship of Stephen Grehan D.L.

Cover letter from Thomas Cronin & Sons, Solicitors, Lower Dominick Street, Dublin, for an abstract of the settlement executed on the marriage of Clair Blount.
4 Trusts administered by members of the Grehan family.

4.1 Grehan Trusts

4.1.2 George Grehan

143 3 July 1851  Sellers receipt recording the purchase by George Grehan for £570 of the estate of Edward Sullivan and John Linehan, to be put in trust for Stephen Grehan.  

1p

144 8-19 April 1936  Letters from Sister M. Alexia, Sisters of Charity, St. Vincent’s Convent, St. Mary’s Road, Cork, concerning the mistaken annual payment made since 1885 of 10 guineas under the will of George Grehan to their Magdalen laundry. They have recently had to provide for the Government details of all bequest and legacy’s and so discovered the money was actually meant for the Sisters of Charity, Hospital for Incurables. Mr. Roche, the solicitor, confused the two. Includes letter thanking Stephen Grehan for his generosity in allowing them keep the money (19 April 1936).

5 items

4.1.3 Stephen Grehan

145 1917 - 1945  File relating to bequests to Stephen Arthur Grehan. Includes statement as to the division of funds representing proceeds from the real estate of Robert Irwin (1917); Details legacies left to him under his Grandfather’s will and his Father’s marriage settlement. Also Death Certificate for Stephen Grehan, 4 August, 1937.

9 items

146 1933 -1935  File marked ‘S.G. 1935 (sales etc.). Details documentation relating to the transference of lands and properties at Clonmeen from Stephen Grehan to his son Stephen A. Grehan. Includes documents relating to the sale of lands to the Irish Land Commission (27 May 1934).

46 items

147 21 March 1936  Deed whereby Stephen A. Grehan grants his father,
Stephen Grehan, a life estate in the furniture at Clonmeen which was mentioned in a deed of sale to Stephen A. Grehan, 21 March, 1936. Covering letter from Roche & Sons Solicitors.

2 items

4.2 Others

4.2.1 Baldwin Trust

See Also
/ 135
/ 162 148 1879 - 1880 File relating to the estate of Mary Anne Baldwin, widow (née Grehan) of which George Grehan is executor. Includes Probate of her will (20 October 1879) and details of her assets for the Executor prepared by Roche & Sons.

7 items

149 24 November 1879 Copy letter from Roche & Sons, Solicitors Dublin, to George Grehan discussing the dispersal of the Baldwin Estate. Details all interest and dividends received by Grehan from the trust fund.

4pp

150 1879 - 1886 File of legal documents relating to George Grehan’s administration of the estate of his sister Mary Baldwin. Includes Order by Margaret Gallwey (née Grehan) directing George to pay her son Henry £316.5.7, her share in Mary Anne’s estate (27 February 1880); letters from Vesey Daly, Solicitor, discussing the Probate of the Baldwin Estate (8 September - 9 October 1879); Release allowing for the division of her assets amongst her heirs (25 February 1880); Also Income Tax Returns for George Grehan 1855 -1886, and an Indenture from the Court of Perogative giving power to the executor of the estate of John Craggs to dispose of unadministered assets (12 May 1791).

7 items

151 1836 - 1879 File relating to the administration of the Estate and Trusts of Mary Anne Baldwin by George Grehan. Includes receipts for purchase of stocks (1876); Inland Revenue Receipt and Discharge Forms for Mary Anne Baldwin on moneys left to her by her mother-in-law Ann Baldwin (1859); Copy of Draft Power of Attorney Hugh Henry Mitchell to William L. Loundes.

50 items
152 1879 File relating to the Estate of Henry Baldwin and his wife Mary Anne. Includes Registers of Judgement in the case of Vincent Henry Eyres vs. Robert Bodkin (1872); Miscellaneous costs for George Grehan as executor relating to trusts of the Baldwin’s marriage settlement and costs of probate.

10 items

153 26 February 1880 Particulars of interest due on shares owned by Mary Anne Baldwin, now part of the Baldwin Trust.

1p

4.2.2 Dolphin Trust

154 13 November 1877 Letter to George Grehan from Kevin Dolphin [his nephew] detailing the banking arrangements necessary for Grehan’s administration of the Dolphin estate.

4pp

4.2.3 French Trust

See Also /1341

155 1925 - Jan. 1946 Very large file relating to the administration of the Hon. John French’s settlement of 22 November 1876, to which, in 1925, Stephen A. Grehan was appointed trustee. The original trustees were Stephen Grehan and Charles French. After French’s death H. M. Lyons took over his position. Includes correspondence (and legal documents) between Grehan, C. H. French, Croom House, Co. Limerick and his relative H. M. Lyons; Roche & Sons Solicitors and Barclays Bank, regarding the administration of the trust and the allocation of moneys. The trust was to exist until the death of Mrs Constance Elinor French, after which the money concerned was to be divided amongst her heirs.

C.600 items

156 1926 - 1931 Correspondence and documentation relating to the John French [Lord de Freyne] Trust, and the management of Mrs. Constance French’s inheritance under same by Stephen Grehan and Henry N. Lyons. Includes Details of stock transfers, inheritance tax and succession dues. Also letter to Grehan from Henry Lyons declaring “we seem to have chosen the two worst possible trust investments for these trusts”. (15 March 1931)

38 items
4.2.4 Gallwey Trust

157 July - November 1879 Receipts with covering letters for sums ranging between £5 and £25 given by George Grehan to his sister Lucy Gallwey, as advances from her late mother’s legacy. The receipts are signed by her son, Henry Gallwey, 9 Snooden Villas, Bickerton Row, Highgate, London.

8 items

158 27 October 1884 Letter from John Gallwey, 33 St. Mary’s Road, Hornsey, to his uncle, George Grehan, acknowledging receipt of the draft for £54.17.10, the balance due to him under his Grandmother’s will.

2 pp

4.2.5 Hogans | Cogans | Trust

159 7 September 1927 Envelope marked ‘Hogans Trusts’ containing a letter to Stephen Grehan from A. O’Horgan & Son, Solicitors Dublin, regarding the redemption of £450 of War Bonds for investment in the names of the trustees of the Cogan Trust. Encloses a list of Trust Investments.

2pp

4.2.6 Irwin Trust

160 June - October 1917 File of documents relating to the trusts established by the will of Robert Irwin (died 10 July 1876). Includes pedigree prepared by Roche & Son detailing the relationship of Robert Irwin to the children of Mary Chichester, (a descendent of whom was Stephen A. Grehan). Also details of stocks held under the trusts and the divisions of these to the heirs (S.A.G. received £1052.15.6), queries and Counsels Opinions regarding the legacy and details of the proceeds from the sale of real estate. Also Bill of Costs from Roche & Son May - August 1917.

25 items
Correspondence regarding the purchase of 3 Canadian Pacific Railway New Common Shares for the account of Cyril J. Irwin, from funds registered in the names of S.A. Grehan and Valentine Irwin, Trustees. Includes letters from Lloyds Bank (8 June - 6 September 1929) and Valentine Irwin, 71 Merrion Road, Dublin (29 May, 12 June 1929) discussing the sale of stock. Irwin also comments on the nuisance involved in being a Trustee.

5 items

**4.2.7 Kiely Trust**

File marked ‘Kiely’s Trusts’, containing correspondence and documentation relating to investments and transference of stocks in the estate of Ellen Kiely, Coolroe, Co. Cork, for which Stephen Grehan was a trustee. Includes notice from the Inland Revenue regarding the Estate and a dispute over the Will (December 1870).

c.40 items

**4.2.8 Lawless Trust**

Letter to George Grehan from E.J. Lawless in Barbados, discussing his entitlements under his wife’s [Miss Baldwin] Marriage Settlement. He received £66.16.0 into his bank account but was told that Grehan intended to deduct the £100 already advanced by Mrs. Baldwin from any future settlement. He objects strongly to this and hopes matters will be resolved soon “as I find this is a very dear place” and he has had very heavy expenses. He describes a visit by the Royal Children to which his wife did not go as she is in mourning for her mother “but I was obliged to put in an appearance much to my disgust”.

3pp

**4.2.9 Lynch Trust**

Grant of Administration of the Goods and soforth of Nicholas Lynch Esquire, Barna, Co. Galway, (deceased), to George Grehan Esquire, who is also made Guardian of Margaret Mary Lynch.

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4.2.10 Murphy Trust

See Also /1540 ff

164 22 September 1882  Copy of Disclaimer regarding the Murphy Trusts, of which Stephen Grehan is a Trustee. Deed refers to the Marriage Settlement of Margaret Mary Murphy (née O’Connell) and John Murphy in which sums of £10,000, £4,000, £6,000 and £3,500 were invested by the Trustees - Malachi Strong Hussey and Peter Grehan (4 September 1867). Peter Grehan died in 1877 and in 1881 Stephen Grehan was appointed Trustee, a position he now resigns from.  

4pp

165 26 -28 October 1882  Correspondence between Stephen Grehan, Roche and Sons and the Bank of Ireland regarding an erroneous transfer of stock. Stock held in trust as part of the Marriage Settlement of Mr. & Mrs. John Murphy (see above) was erroneously transferred into the name of Mr. William Henry Forge Cogan and Peter Grehan the old Trustees instead of to an account for Mr. Cogan and Mr. Matthew Jones Corbaellis, the new Trustees.  

3 items

166 14-18 January 1905  Deed of Release and Indemnity between John Murphy (1st part), Margaret Mary Murphy (2nd part), Elias Benedict Corbaly (3rd part) and Stephen Grehan (4th part). Refers to a 1867 Confirmation of the lands of Paddenstown by John Murphy on Malachi Strong Hussey and Peter Grehan to be held in trust for his fiancée Margaret Mary Connell (see /164). Those lands were bought by the Land Commission for a sum at £5081.19.11 and Grehan and Strong-Hussey release their interest as executors. Also covering letter from Roche and Sons.  

2 items

167 April - May 1919  Case of M.M. Murphy, deceased (died 20 September 1918). Executors accounts in respect of the sale of Wexford lands and the income from lands at Osberstown, Co. Kildare. Also payments made to Miss [Eileen] Murphy, prepared by Roche & Sons.  

2 items

168 23 Nov - 15 Mar. 1927  Details of £30,000 in securities held by Stephen Grehan and Elise B. Cordally as Trustees of John F. Murphy, prepared by Roche and Sons. Also letter from Roche & Sons discussing the trust (9 March 1927) and a notice from Imperial Chemical Industries Limited alerting shareholders of a exchange of allotment letters for share certificates.  

4 items
169  6 -17 Apr. 1931  Copy of Will & codicil of Miss Eveleen Murphy, Osberstown, Sallins, Co. Kildare naming Stephen Grehan Trustee and Executor. Covering letter to Grehan from Roche & Sons explaining the terms of his appointment (1 April 1931). Also letter to Stephen Grehan from his cousin John Francis Murphy thanking him for his letter and sympathy on Eveleen’s death (17 April 1931).

3 items

170  1936 - 1937  File “Osberstown Papers for Reference and Trustee’s Agreement with caretaker”. Includes Bills, e.g. Gallaher & Son Iron Works bill for £1 for “Opening locks on bookcases, trunks, chest of drawers, gladstone bags etc. etc. as per your instructions” (24 August 1937). Also Agreement between Major Grehan and P. Bermingham who is to receive 30/ p.w. to act as caretaker (28 July 1937). Also Correspondence with Roche & Sons regarding the auction of furniture and its removal (30 July - 8 September 1937). Rate Moiety receipts for Osberstown 1936 - 1937.

75 items


200 items

172  5 July 1937  Covering letter from William Roche, Roche & Sons enclosing a copy of the Will of John Francis Murphy, Osberstown, 10 June 1932 and its first codicil 25 August 1933 ,appointing Stephen Grehan trustee and Stephen A. Grehan the main beneficiary. The letters discuss the estate and S.A. Grehan’s interest in it.

3pp

173  16 July 1937 - 5 Aug. 1938  File “Osberstown letters with Roche”. Contains records of correspondence between Roche & Sons and S.A. Grehan regarding the sale of the Osberstown estate after the death of John F. Murphy (3 July 1937), and also concerning the administration of the will and payments of settlement tax and other duties.

63 items

174  30 Apr - 2 May 1936  Account of Executors and Trustees of the Estate of John Francis Murphy prepared by William Roche, with covering letter to Major S.A. Grehan discussing same.

2 items
4.2.11 Ryan Trust

175  1737 - 1821  Group of deeds relating to the Ryan Family of Inch, Co. Tipperary and concerning the lands of Inch, Coolquile, Rossmore, Rossmill, Gortkelly and Mohereagh Co. Tipperary.

(1) Copy Articles on the Intermarriage of Daniel Ryan and Elizabeth McCarthy 2 February 1737;
(2) Attested copy of Recovery submitted by Daniel Ryan of lands in Co. Tipperary (1738);
(3) Copy will of Daniel Ryan (27 August 1757);
(4) Copy articles of Intermarriage of John Ryan (Eldest son of Daniel above) with Mary Kenny (5 June 1765);
(5) Copy Will of John Ryan (21 May 1773);
(6) Copy Deed of Annuity from George Ryan to Denis Ryan (brother of John, deceased) in which George gives up his claim to Denis (4 August 1780)
(7) Copy Exemplification of Recovery suffered by Daniel Ryan (son of George above) to lands in Co. Tipperary (1818);
(8) Copy lease of Tipperary lands by Daniel Ryan to John Carroll and Arthur Lourdan (June 1818);
(9) Copy of Marriage Settlement between John Ryan and Ann Elizabeth (8 January 1821);
(10) Deed of Release of Annuity of £50 p.a. charged on the lands of Coolkilla, Co. Tipperary, Emer Ryan to Daniel Ryan (20 November 1821);
(11) 29 October 1778 Chancery order for George Ryan to appear and debate claims with his brother.

11 items

176  2 August 1764  Lease of the lands of Moher, Co. Tipperary by Daniel Ryan of Inch to William Glison of Moher at an annual rent of £2, to be paid in half yearly instalments on the 6 May and 4 November each year.

1p

177  1 Feb1820  Bundle of deeds tied together.

(1) Lease of part of 1 May 1856 Coolhill, Co. Tipperary by Daniel Ryan of Inch to Philip Hayes for 1 life or 31 years at an annual rent of £52.16.0 payable half yearly on 1 May and 1 November(1 February 1820)
(2) Two copies of a lease of part of Coolhill by Daniel Ryan to Thomas McGrath for a term of 1 life or 31 years, at an annual rent of £19.4.0 payable half yearly on the 1 May and 1 November (1 February 1829). One copy contains a note of Surrender to S. Grehan 14 March 1822
(3) Two copies of lease of part of the lands of Coolhill by Daniel Ryan to John McGrath for a term of 1 life or 31 years at an annual rent of

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£19.4.0 payable half yearly 1 November and 1 May (1 February 1820)
Reverse contains a Deed of Mortgage, July 1820, to Martin Bourke of £7,
also Deed of Release and Surrender 14 March 1822 to Stephen Grehan (the
assignee of Daniel Ryan).

(4) Two copies of lease of part of Coolhill by Daniel Ryan to Laurence
Purcell for a term of 1 life or 31 years at an annual rent of £21.4.0 payable
half yearly on the 1 May and 1 November (1 February 1820)

(5) Two copies of lease of part of Coolhill by Daniel Ryan to Thomas and
Davis Ryan for a term of 1 life or 31 years at an annual rent of
£63.12.00 payable half yearly on the 1 May and the 1 November (1
February 1820) One copy is in very poor condition.

(6) Lease of part of Coolhill by Daniel Ryan to Thomas Ryan for a term of
1 life or 31 years at an annual rent of £21.4.0 payable half yearly on the 1
May and 1 November. Added note states £47.14.7 was due 1 November
1849 (1 February 1820).

(7) Notice from the court of Chancery that Peter Barlow and the Rev.
William Barlow have filed a on the 1 May 1856 demanding that named
individuals of the Grehan family produce title to lands in Tipperary called
Curraghranogh.

11 items

178 16 Aug 1821 - Bundle of legal documents relating to the Ryan family
15 May 1822 of Inch, Co. Tipperary, mostly searches.

(1) 5 Exchequer searches for Recognizes against John
Ryan, George Ryan and Daniel Ryan 1700 - 1821. None found (16 Aug.
1821).

(2) Exchequer search for Recognizes against John Ryan 1700 - 1783 several
found (16 Aug. 1821).

(3) Exchequer search for Recognizes against Daniel Ryan. None found (16
Aug. 1821).

(4) 5 Chancery searches against Daniel Ryan, George Ryan, Denis Ryan and
John Ryan 1700 - 1821 made at the request of Usher Bere (20 Aug. 1821).

(5) Copy of Chancery order 20 June 1783 McCarthy vs. Mathu to appoint a
receiver.

(6) 5 negative searches from the Kings Bench against Daniel Ryan, John
Ryan, George Ryan 1720 - 1821. Also search for any judgements (23 Aug.
1821).

(7) 4 negative Exchequer searches against Daniel Ryan, (24 August 1821)

(8) 5 Negative searches from the Court of Common Pleas against Daniel
Ryan, George Ryan, Denis Ryan and John Ryan 1720 - 1821 (22 Aug.
1821) and 2 searches showing judgements against Daniel Ryan.

(9) 7 Exchequer searches for Bonds to the Crown by Daniel Ryan, George
Ryan, Denis Ryan and George Ryan (16 Aug. 1821).

(10) 7 Copies of Judgements made against Daniel Ryan and John Ryan in the
Courts of the Kings Bench; common place and Exchange (8 Nov. 1821 - 15
May 1822).

42 items

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180 1926 - 1934 File of correspondence regarding payments of rent on lands in Tipperary part of the estate of John Ryan, payable under terms of a Fee Farm Grant dated 24 April 1868. Includes Letters from R. O’Shea, Ryan’s Agent, detailing payments of rent and sums forwarded to Stephen Grehan (May - June 1934); Letters from Roche & Sons to Stephen Grehan discussing legal wranglings over rents and interest due.

15 items

181 15 Sept. 1964- 3 Nov. 1966 File of documents and correspondence relating to the administration of the estate at Inch, Co. Tipperary, after the death of Mrs. Kathleen Ryan (née Grehan), J.W. wrote to S.A. Grehan requesting assistance in sorting out the estates tangled finances (4 Oct. 1966). Includes correspondence with John P. Carrigan & Son, Solicitors, Thurles, Co. Tipperary, regarding probate and other administrative details. The Executors of Mrs. Ryan’s will are her brother S.A. Grehan and son Arthur George Ryan. Also copy of the will of Captain R.C.F. Ryan (2 Nov. 1961).

23 items

4.2.12 Whyte

182 13 June 1919 Typescript notes on the Settlement, Will and Codicil of George Thomas Whyte deceased, prepared by Thomas Crozier & Son, Solicitors, 14 Ely Place, Dublin.

2pp

183 5 Nov. 1919- 4 May 1926 Correspondence between Stephen Grehan and his daughter, Mrs. Magda Whyte, concerning the Will and Probate of her late husband, Captain George Whyte. Also letters from Thomas Crozier & Son, Solicitors, explaining Mrs. Whyte has an income for life from Trust Funds representing the sale of the Loughbrickland Estate and any personal estate of her husband.

5 items
5 Legal Case Papers

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5.1 Lord Lismore Case

184 Oct. 1797 Letter from William Galway to John Roche, William St., Dublin, containing a copy of Mr. Swaynes statement regarding Lords Lismore’s claim to rents from Clonmeen. Also Statement by David Power outlining Lord Lismore’s claims to receive rents from lands at Clonmeen. Also scrap of paper detailing rents due.

3 items

185 9 May 1854 - 11 Feb. 1856 Correspondence between George Grehan, his father Stephen Grehan and Mr. Edwin Taylor, regarding a dispute with Lord Lismore over who is liable for the Quit Rent at Clonmeen.

5 items

185a 17 - 23 June 1856 Letter from Edward Reeves, Dublin to George Grehan enclosing a letter confirming the order of Messr. Wall and Lynch absolving Grehan of any liability to pay Quit Rent. Also copy of Order.

3 items

5.2 Unassociated Legal Case Papers

186 22 April 1824 Statement by Michael Barry detailing the particulars of a leasing arrangement with Mr. Timothy O’Leary, who disputes Barry’s version.

1p

187 24 Nov. 1832 Letter to the representatives of B. Burns & Sons from Robert Webb, Castletownroche, enclosing an abstract from the Applotment Book of the holdings of Tankardstown and Ballyshannock, Co. Cork of which Mr. Adams is tenant.

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<td>Sworn statement by Honora O’Leary of Coolmountain, Co. Cork, attesting to the validity of an Indenture dated 26 May 1841, between herself and Stephen Grehan. Further statement by Timothy Mullins, Bandon Road, Cork, confirming the contents of the deed and affirming Honora O’Leary was fully competent to sign the deed by which she gave up interest in her estate. Also declaration of Mullins’ authority to take affidavits for her Majesty’s Court of Common Pleas.</td>
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<td>Documents relating to a claim for £50 damages taken by John Hartnett, Clonmeen, against Stephen Grehan, whom he alleges “took and converted to his own use a grey mare the property of the Plaintiff”. Also copy of Order dismissing the case and details of the costs of Proceedings which Grehan was to pay.</td>
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(3) His marriage settlement with Esther Chichester (1882).  
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| 202 | 1893-1926  | File of costs from Roche & Sons, and also Henry Harte Barry and Son, Kanturk for Jan 1894 - June 1907. |
|     |            | 10 items    |
| 203 | 11 June 1920 | Letter from Roche & Sons detailing Grehan’s account in connection with the sale of a farm at Duinch and for investments in a Trust Fund. |
|     |            | 2 pp        |
| 204 | 16 May 1929-14 Aug. 1930 | Costs from Roche & Sons to Stephen Grehan to Aug. 1930 of £22.8.6, exclusive of costs in connection with sales under Land Commission. |
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B. Estate Administration

1 Rentals

1.1 Pre - Grehan Ownership

205 26 Jan 1791 "Rentall of the lands of Clonmeen, Co. Cork the estate of Crosbie Morgell bought by John Roche". Records details under headings of - Townland; Tenants; Tenure; Area; Yearly Rent and Observations. 2pp

206 1799-1813 Receipts for Head Rents of Gortnahaughty, Clonmeen, Co. Cork, signed by Mr. Madress, relating to leases from John Roche and James Peed. 11 items

207 1816 Rental sheet of lands of Ardcahan, Clonmeen, Co. Cork, recording details under headings of - Tenants; Agreement; Amount Owed; Paid and Arrears. 2 ff

1.2 Grehan Estate Rental Ledgers (Cork)

208 29 Sept 1842-29 Sept 1847 Rental ledger with unused alphabetical index at front. Records details under headings of - Tenants Name; Townland; Bi-yearly payments; Arrears and Observations. Refers to townlands of Inchidaly; Coolroemore; Shanore; Gouganes; Demense and Castle Lands; Doonish; Clonmeen; Loughleigh, Co. Cork. Some tenants e.g. Timothy Kelleher pay through labour. 39 ff
209 1853-1872 Rental ledger with alphabetical index to tenants names at front. Records details under - Tenants names; Dates of rent payment; Arrears. Includes copious enclosures, notes regarding rents paid, receipts for Grand Jury Cess payments, Poor Rate demands and rent receipts. Also filed under “Barret” is a newsclipping from the Cork Examiner regarding a deputation from the Evicted Tenants Association who planned to go to Clonmeen in protest about the “grabbing” of Barret’s farm (23 March 1894). Also on p.133 it records the sale of the rent account for 19 Rutland Square, Dublin (1 June 1903).

153 ff

210 1854-1907 Rental ledger with alphabetical index to tenants names at front. Records details under - Tenants name; Townland; Rents due; and Arrears. Includes jotted calculations of amounts due, letters from tenants and receipts.

103 ff

211 1899-1908 Rental ledger with unused alphabetical index at front. Records details under - Tenants names; Yearly rents paid and Arrears. Includes notes of calculation, receipts for rent payments, receipts for rates paid. Also documents relating to an order granted to Eliza O’Neill fixing her farm rent at £55.13.0 p.a. (1901), including a copy Memorandum of Agreement between O’Neill and Stephen Grehan.

16 ff

30 enclosures

1.3 Grehan Estate Rental Sheets (Cork)

212 29 Sept 1874 Rental Sheet for lands belonging to George Grehan at Kildorrery, Co. Cork. Records details under Tenants name; Arrears: Rent due; Rent Received; Arrears Received and Poor Rate. From 41 tenants a sum of £527.13.5 was collected.

2pp
213  1885-1899  File marked “Rentals 1882-1885”. Rental sheets for Clonmeen and Tipperary estates with some covering letters from John Therry, Grehan’s agent.  
c. 45 items

214  1892-1895  File marked “Rentals 1892-1898” containing details of rents received from the Tipperary and Cork estates.  
c. 34 items

215  1896-1900  File marked “Rentals 1897/8”. Rental sheets for Cork and Tipperary estates. Includes letter from Johanna Burke, Seskin Upper Church, Thurles, informing Stephen Grehan of the building of a new school on her property which adjoins his and requesting his help in raising funds for its construction (23 Nov 1900).  
35 items

216  29 Sept 1904 Rental Sheet for the townlands of Ballyshonoch,  
1 ff

217  1905-1921 File of Rental Sheets relating to Grehan estates at Kildorrery, Mitchelstown, Co. Cork and in Co. Tipperary. Includes details of expenditure incurred and schedules of payments by tenants under the Irish Land Commission Land Purchase Acts. For the half year ending March 1908 the lands at Kildorrery brought in £470.2.10 in rent, those in Tipperary £104.2.9.  
c. 50 items

218  [1907] Rental sheets detailing rents due and arrears for 55 tenants on the Cork estates. Arrears due range from 15 shillings owed by Mrs. Kate O’Brien, to £93 owed by Daniel Callaghan.  
2 ff

219  [ ] Rental of the lands of Tankardstown, Co. Cork as Instructions for John Thomas Sherlock “to receive the arrears of rent for and on behalf of Messrs George and Hugh Adams” Mr. Grehan’s rent is recorded as £374.15.15.  
2 pp
Document detailing leases affecting the rents at Ardcahan, Co. Cork.  

1.4 Correspondence

3 July 1851  
Letter to Stephen Grehan at 19, Rutland Square, Dublin from Alexander Sherlock [Land Agent] apologising for being unable to forward the revenue from Grehan’s estate as two more tenants refused to pay “& thus has become the order of the day a matter of every day occurrences now all over this unfortunate country”.

21 April 1852  
Letter to Peter Grehan from John Molloy, Ballycahill, Thurles, Co. Tipperary enclosing a letter of credit for £50 for the Coolhill rent and discussing how best to draw up Stapleton’s lease so as to protect Grehan’s interest. Comments on how good the weather is for farming and that crops are flourishing but “the population is getting thinner everyday”.

Nov 1921- July 1926  
File of correspondence and related documents between Stephen Grehan and Edmund A. Rice of Richard Rice and Son, Solicitors, Fermoy, regarding John Therry (deceased) Grehan’s agent, and the collection of rents from Grehan’s estate. Rice outlines matters as Therry left them and then his own activities. Includes letter from Rice accepting the position of agent (27 Jan 1922), one advising on sale of timber “You will have to give the sale to Messrs Boland & Buckley etc. Auctioneers, Mitcheltown, these are the controlling parties in the I.R.A. and no other Auctioneer would get a show where they are concerned” (18 Feb 1922). Also Haughty letter of resignation which declares “Your letter of the 13 inst has taken me completely by surprise. If you consider that I have earned the miserable commission of 5 per cent easily, I am willing to refund same forthwith”. Also some letters from tenants and Rentals for Clonmeen for terms ending 25 March 1895, 1 Nov 1895, 25 May 1896 and 25 March 1906.
1.5 **Tipperary Estate Rentals and Correspondence**

224 1880-1913 File of Rental Sheets and half yearly Income and Expenditure assessments for the Grehan estate in Tipperary and Kildorrery, Co. Cork, eg. from 1 May - 1 Nov 1911 the Tipperary lands accrued £155.7.7 in rent.  

24 items

225 1883-1907 Rental Sheets for tenants of Stephen Grehan’s Tipperary and Kildorrery estates. Also Schedules of expenditure relating to estate administration with correspondence regarding alleged misappropriation of rent (1883).  

25 items

226 1905 Rental Sheets for Tipperary Estate for half year ending 1 May 1905 totalling £245.12.11.  

1 ff

227 1905-1906 File of Rental Sheets for Tipperary Estate for half year ending 1 Nov 1905, totalling £372.13.10. Also Petition by tenants to purchase their holdings and 4 Jan 1906 a letter from William Corcoran to Stephen Grehan reiterating the tenants offer.  

4 items

2 **Leases and Tenancy Agreements**

228 12 Dec 1840 Lease of lands of Coolroebeg, Clonmeen, Co. Cork by Peter Grehan to John Scanlon of Coolroebeg at an annual rent of £5, payable in half yearly instalments on the 25 March and 29 September.  

1 ff
12 Mar 1853  File of documents mainly declarations by tenants of George Grehan that they have surrendered their holdings to him, but were immediately put into occupation again as caretakers “at a certain salary” - 23 April 1842 Tenants of Gouganes; 26 Mar 1845 Tenants of West Curragh, Inchidaly, Coolroebeg, Duinich; 22 April, 28 April, 15 May 1847 Tenants of West and East Curragh; 12 Mar 1853 Tenants of the South side of Killarney Junction Currahour. Also lease of lands of Gouganes to Daniel, Cornelius and Michael Sheehan (23 April 1842); Printed Ejectment by Stephen Grehan with John Thrustoul as Casual Ejector (1841); Copy of Bargain & Sale by Lord Kingston to Cornelius Callaghan of Clonmeen, 3 Dec 1702.

16 items

25 Jan 1845  Lease of lands by Stephen Grehan and Richard Browne for a term of 87 years, to the Commissioners of Education for the building of Ballingeary National School. Lease features a rough map of the school grounds. 4pp

10 March 1848  Lease of part of the lands of Gouganes and West Curraghrour. George Grehan to Darby Sheehan for a term of 21 years, at an annual rent of £19.9.0 to be paid twice yearly on the 25 March and the 29 September. 2pp

1848  Unsigned lease of part of the lands of Gouganes by George Grehan to Timothy Collins for a term of 21 years. No rent stated. 2pp

20 Mar 1848  Lease of part of the lands of Curraghrour by George Grehan to Mrs. Ellen Neil of Gortmore for a term of 21 years at an annual rent of £40.7.10½ payable half yearly on 25 March and the 29 September. 2pp

10 Nov 1852  Assignment of part of the lands of Duinch, Co. Cork by Jeffery O’Brien to George Grehan from a lease dated 1848 lease. 2pp

30 Jan 1856  Lease of lands of Rathleigh, Co. Cork. Stephen Grehan to H.T.G. Browne, for a term of 57 years at an annual rent of £103.14.6 per annum. 1ff
236 24 Sept 1856  Lease of part of Ardcahan, East Carbery, Co. Cork. Stephen Grehan to Timothy and Cornelius Crowley for a term of 31 years, at an annual rent of £43.3.0. Lease features a fine coloured map of the area by Heinrich A. Klein, 21 South Mall, Cork at a scale of 12” to the mile.

237 24 Sept 1856  Lease of part of Ardcahan, Co. Cork. Stephen Grehan to John White for a term of 31 years, at an annual rent of £9.4.0 payable bi-yearly on the 25 March and 29 September. Lease features a very fine ink and wash map by Heinrich A. Klein.

238 27 Sept 1856  Lease of part of Ardcahan. Stephen Grehan to Timothy Crowley for a term of 31 years at an annual rent of £15.12.10, payable in two instalments on the 25 March and 29 September. Also features a colour pen and ink map of the area to a scale of 12 inches by [Heinrich Klein].

239a 24 Mar 1857  Lease of part of the lands of Ardcahan. Mrs. Jane Fitzmaurice to John Mahony for a term of 21 years at an annual rent of £34 payable in two instalments on the 25 March and 29 September.

239b 27 April 1858  Lease of part of the lands of Ardcahan. Stephen Grehan to Mr. Michael Hourihan, for a term of 29 years at an annual rent of £15.12.10, payable half yearly on the 25 March and 29 September. Includes pen and wash map of the area by Heinrick Klein (26 April 1858) to a scale of 12 inches.

240 15 Aug 1859  Copy of Fee Farm Grant of lands of South Rathleigh, Co. Cork. William Richard Meade to the Rev. Henry Swanzy, Stephen Grehan, Luther Barrett and John E. Barrett at an annual rent of £37.7.3½ payable in half yearly instalments on the 1 May and 1 November.

241 11-12 Dec 1863  Declaration by William Callaghan and Edmund Callaghan, that they gave up possession of their houses to John Connors, the bailiff for their landlord George Grehan, and have been put back into possession as caretakers.
Draft lease for part of lands at Ballyshonane, Co. Cork. George Grehan to Mary Hannon for the life of the Prince of Wales or 22 years, at an annual rent of £58.12.8. Also adapted as a draft lease between Grehan and Michael Magner for lands of Glasvaunta for a term of 31 years at an annual rent of £36.10.5.

Counterpart of lease of parts of the lands of Gouganes and Curroughmore West. George Grehan to John Sheehan for a term of 21 years at an annual rent of £26.2.2 to be paid half yearly on the 25 March and 29 September.

Agreement between George Grehan and Herbert Murray acting for the Constabulary Force of Ireland for Grehan to lease a house in Banteer for use as a barracks from the 7 July 1871 for £18.

Assignment of lease whereby James Cahill and Ellen Cahill surrender to George Grehan lands of Clonmeen held under a 31 year lease between Grehan and Cornelius Sheehan. In consideration of which Grehan will forgo a year’s rent and take all cattle and chattels which shall be valued and secured to Ellen Cahill and a £40 annuity on the death of her brother James. Also Copy of the last will of Cornelius Sheehan leaving his lands at Clonmeen to his daughter Mary, and £10 together with some household items to Ellen Cahill (24 April 1855) Also last testament of Ellen Cahill leaving all her interests from her late sister Catherine to their brother (15 Jan 1869). Also last will and testament of James Cahill, Clonmeen leaving to his sister all goods etc, left by their late sister Catherine.

Letter to George Grehan from Michael Magner, Springvale Cottage, Kildorrey, explaining how relations stand between him and his wife “She is as bold daring and defiant as ever, without the least sign of sorrow or regret, in fact I do not think myself safe in the house with her temper is so violent”. Moves on to discuss the terms of his Springvale tenancy, disputing his status as a yearly tenant. In view of the notice to quit served on him he wishes for a new lease with the same terms and conditions as that given to him by Lord Kingston.

Letter to George Grehan from Michael Magner, Springvale Cottage, Kildorrey, requesting a new lease to be drawn up as he has lost his.
247 26 Jan 1874  Lease of part of the lands of Glasvaunta, Co. Cork. George Grehan to Michael Magner for a term of 31 years at an annual rent of £36.10.5 payable half yearly on the 25 March and 29 September, mss. notes on rents due and received.

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248 5 Aug 1874  Convenance and Demise by George Grehan to John Therry of lands of Springvale, Co. Cork and part of the lands of Glasvaunta, Co. Cork for his natural life.

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249 11 Nov 1878-  Lease of lands of Gouganes, Co Cork. George Grehan to Miss Eliza Barret for a term of 21 years at an annual rent of £60.15.0 to be paid half yearly on the 25 March and the 29 September. Also later correspondence (1) letter from Grehan detailing the terms of the lease for the case of Grehan vs Barrett (12 Aug 1883) (2) letter from Stephen Grehan to Mr O’Connor informing him at his fathers request that Pat Carty resides in Duinch townland (27 July [ ] ) (3) Jotted notes regarding rents due and received.

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250 23 Dec 1878  Agreement between George Grehan and Ellen Duggan, widow, of Inchidaly, that she becomes a weekly tenant paying 9d per week.

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251 1886-1920  File of agreements between Stephen Grehan and (1) Tenants regarding rights to woodland, quarries etc. eg an agreement with W. Swanwich giving him the right to kill rabbits on the Clonmeen estate in return for consideration of £90 (30 Jan 1920). Also an agreement with the British Petroleum Company allowing them to graze their horse on Grehan’s land for £1 per horse. (2) Employees and terms of contracts including housing etc. eg. Agreement with Peter Healy regarding his employment as a herd from 25 March 1915 to 25 March 1916 with payment of 9 shillings a week, the use of the herds house and haggard, grass for a cow and ¼ acre of potato ground tilled and mowed regarding (1917). (3) Lettings. Include correspondence with Kanturk UDC allocation of land to be used as tillage ground for poor labourers

7 items

252 14 Dec 1891  Proposal by Denis Creedon of Fermoy to become a weekly tenant of Stephen Grehan and rent the house and yard known as the Church House (formerly Parochial School) in Clonmeen North, for 4 shillings a week.
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<td>Mss. declaration by David O’Sullivan, Banteer, that he is acting as caretaker for Mr Grehan in the house recently given up to him by the police at Inchidaly.</td>
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<td>1 Dec 1923-14 Feb 1925</td>
<td>Mss. Memorandum of Agreement between Thomas Mannix of Clonmeen South and Stephen Grehan allotting Mannix the grazing of the wood adjoining his farm for 11 months, for consideration of £2. Also receipt for 10 shillings from Stephen Grehan as “amount paid by me to Mr Ferguson for advise re Barrat” signed J Mannix for 1 Mannix.</td>
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<td>255</td>
<td>1925</td>
<td>Copy of /254 above. Also letter from Thomas Mannix to Stephen Grehan declaring “I agree to give up the woods in the interest of peace” and requesting that the original agreement be shown to his solicitor.</td>
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### 2.1 Associated Correspondence

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<td>256</td>
<td>20 Jan 1872</td>
<td>Letter to George Grehan from his agent, John Therry, Springvale Co. Cork, informing Grehan of a request by a tenant to take over the cropping of anothers property.</td>
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### 2.2 Records of Tenants

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<td>June 1810</td>
<td>Details of Tenants names on the lands of Ardcahan, Fanlobbus, East Carbery, Co. Cork and the value of the holdings.</td>
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258 1854 Document “No. of acres belonging to each of the Ardcahan Tenants respectively”. Details Tenants’ name, area held, and comments. 2pp

259 1879-1888 Notebook recording (as per Griffin’s valuation) the names of tenants in the Electoral Division of Clonmeen, along with details of the land held, the immediate lessor, valuation and Poor Rate Valuation. 42pp

260 [ ] Typescript list of tenants in the Townlands of Inchidaly, Clonmeen North, Barony of Dunhallow; Gouganes Barony of Dunhallow; Curraghour East and West Barony of Dunhallow. Names correspond to a rough trace map of their holdings. 2pp

2.3 Leases relating to Tipperary Estate

261 1864 Draft lease of part of the lands of Seskin and Knochnameela, Co. Tipperary. Peter Grehan of Kingstown, Co. Dublin to David and William Burke, Seskin, Co. Tipperary for the term of the lives of William Burke (aged 7), Edward Burke (aged 9) and Andrew Buckley (aged 7). With a minimum term of 31 years. An annual rent of £76 is to be paid half yearly on the 1 May and 1 November each year. 11pp

3 Disputes with Tenants and Evictions

262 15 Feb 1844 Receipt of £120 paid by George Grehan on foot of ejectment proceedings brought against John Laughton for non-payment of rent on lands of Loughleigh, Co. Cork. 1p
1856-1883  File of legal documents relating to a dispute between Stephen Grehan and his tenant Edward O’Connor. Includes lease of parts of Ardcahan by Grehan to Garrett Connor for a term of 31 years at an annual rent of £4.14.2 (26 April 1856) featuring a map of the property. Also letter from O’Connor to George Grehan enclosing a deed and enquiring about the case Barrat vs McCarthy. Also Draft case for Roche & Sons, Solicitors.

3 items

July 1858  Deed of [Attornment] by Timothy and Margaret Noonan, Glasvaunta to George Grehan regarding lands at Glasvaunta which they lease for an annual rent of £30.2.0 under an original lease from Caroline, Countess of Kingston to James Noonan for a term of 3 lives (29 Aug 1799).

3pp

29 April-10 May 1868  Letters to George Grehan concerning a dispute over ownership of bog land with Dr. P.H. Foott, Gortmore, Mallow. (1) 29 April 1868. From P.Shine, Clonmeen [Grehan’s Agent] reporting he met Dr. Foott at the bog and demanded 3 acres from him. Dr Foott disputed his right to 3 offering 2 acres instead. (2) 30 April 1868. From Dr Foott discussing Shine’s unreasonable requests regarding the bog, a matter Dr Foott had believed settled. (3) 10 May 1868. From Shine reporting he delivered the letter to old Mr Foott and Johnny Sheehan. He details work in progress on the farm, they are liming a field and have the sheep washed and 2 firkins of butter sent to Cork.

3 items

9 June 1879  Letter to George Grehan from Edward O’Connor and Son, Solicitors, Mallow, Co. Cork, advising him he may “Keep and dispose of the crops” relating to the dispute with his tenant Mahony.

2pp

18 Feb 1881  Stamped receipt signed by James Beirne for £47.10.0 paid by John [Thurston] being due to Pat Beirne (James deceased brother) on account of Clonfield farm.

1p

4-5 July 1904  Letters to Stephen Grehan from Roche & Sons, Solicitors, regarding the effects the sale of the Kingston estate might have on his sporting rights.

2 items
269 30 Nov 1913-
16 Jan 1915 Correspondence file concerning a dispute between Bessie Therry and Stephen Grehan over land she holds from him. “Do you now intend to so force me a rent of £99 for this place can you possibly consider such a thing fair for a farm that cannot keep property more than 20 cows. There is no doubt that I was grossly wronged in the statements made about this place to the land Commission Court” (10 April 1915). She several times alleges that her brother John, Grehan’s Agent, colluded with Grehan against her (18 Jan 1915, 19 May 1915) while stressing the trouble and distress the whole matter has brought on her. Includes copies of official notices of hearing of the dispute by the Court of the Land Commission. detailing the property involved and its value. Also A letter from Bessie’s brother, John Therry, who states “I think my sister is not acting well and is most unreasonable, of course you are to serve notice on a tenant and have a rent fixed” (17 May 1914).

c.34 items

270 1892 - 1921 Correspondence relating to the eviction by Stephen Grehan of a tenant, Barrett, who had not paid several years rent. Includes an impassioned letter from the evicted man’s brother Michael E. Barrett in Brisbane, Australia, who declares “seeing & feeling the insults of my brother to you and your father God have mercy on his soul was most painful to think”, he adds further “His talk and career around land-leaguing, boasting & blundering was never tolerated by any member of the family neither was it his early teaching from respectable parents”. (6 Oct. 1892). He requests that Grehan as “a Gentleman and a Catholic” to make a settlement for the sake of his sister. Also copy letters from Stephen Grehan to Charles O’Sullivan, Solicitor, regarding the dispute and arbitration.

22 items

271 17-21 April 1923 Correspondence with ‘The Evicted Tenants and Land Settlement Association’ at 104 Middle Abbey Street, Dublin. (1) To Stephen Grehan from John Collins, Runaire of the Association, declaring it has come to his attention that Grehan has “more land in your possession than is sufficient for you requirements” and inquiring if he wishes to sell some for redistribution to local landless men (17 April 1923). (2) Letter to Grehan from the Association testily replying if he had informed them of his willingness to sell they would have given him the information he wanted adding “we see nothing in our letter to suggest we will not pay cash or that we need help from [anybody]” (21 April 1923). (3) Copy reply from Grehan stating his lands have been much reduced over the last three years and he feels it would be inadvisable to sell any more (2 May 1923). Also Note by Grehan recording that it transpired that Collins was a false name “& the whole thing was a ‘plant’.

4 items
272  1967-1970  File of correspondence and newscutting relating to
disputes by Major Grehan involving local
landowners  whom he feels are infringing on his Blackwater
fishing  rights. He also objects to plans to build a `large canvas camp’ at
Ballymaquirke, the planned activities of which include canoeing,
which he  feels will detrimentally affect the fish. Includes letter to
Grehan from [ ], Ballymagooly House, Mallow discussing the rise of
pollution in the river and  discussing preventive strategies “It is a never ending
struggle to stop the  Blackwater becoming another Rhine” (23 July 1969).
Also a rough map on  the back of a calendar of Blackwater fishing runs.

17 items

273  [ ]  Incomplete letter discussing points of law in the case
of a ejectment and counselling thoroughness.

2 pp
4 Land Sales

4.1 Land Commission Sales

274 21 Oct 1878-25 March 1911  File of correspondence and documentation relating to dealings between the Grehans and the Land Commission. Includes leases by George Grehan (1) to John O’Brien part of the lands of Donincheoin, Co Cork, for a term of 21 years. (2) with Timothy O’Callaghan regarding part of the lands of Inchidaly Co Cork. Also cover letter to Stephen Grehan from John Drinan of a notice of offer under Section 2 (4) of the Evicted Tenants (Ireland) Act 1907. They offer £1,056 for lands in the townland of Gougane (8 Dec 1908). Also blank copies of the Land Commission “C” Schedule of Tenancies referring to original applications of Originating Requests. Also letter from Roche & Sons to Stephen Grehan discussing sales to Mahony and Barett (12 Dec 1908); Murphy and Barrett (14 Dec 1908); and advising on leases which have run their course (27 March 1911). Also letter to Stephen Grehan from JJ Lehane, Solicitor, Kanturk, informing Grehan that his client John O’Brien of Duinch, claims the timber in Duinch as his exclusive property, and warns any interference with same will involve prosecution (25 Nov 1911).

9 items

275 13-16 Oct 1882  Order by the Land Commission merging, by the request of George Grehan, the Annual Rent Charge in lieu of titles for his lands in the parish of Clonmeen and their purchases for £1327.17.0. Also covering letter.

2 items

276 1901-1907  File relating to the sale of lands by Stephen Grehan through the Irish Land Commission to tenants in Inchigeela, Dunmanway and Ballingeary, Co. Cork. Includes correspondence with Roche & Sons regarding implications of the Irish Land Act of 1903. Also letter to Stephen Grehan from Arthur Moore, Aherlow Castle, Bansha, Co Tipperary advising him on the sales “Be careful & slow” (26 Sept [19 - ]). Also Documents relating to the sale of her tenancy by Mary Anne Magner, Springvale, Kildorrey petition 1894). Also behalf of the

22 items
1904-1926 File of queries relating to sales under the auspices of the Irish Land Commission. Includes details of tenants payments and amounts owing, with correspondence regarding this with Roche & Sons. 71 items

June 1907- Dec 1908 File relating to the purchase of lands in Grehan’s Tipperary Estate, and Coolroemore and other properties in Co. Cork by individual tenants under the auspices of the Irish Land Commission. Mainly letters from Roche & Sons discussing procedures for the sale and reporting on progress. There are some references to the Tipperary estate. Includes letters and receipts from Albert W. Barnard, Macroom who was engaged to survey the townlands involved - Currarour West and East, Dunich, Inchidaly, Clonmeen North and South and Gouganes (1905). Also a letter from the District Surveyors Office in Thurles presenting a bill for the mapping and surveying of the Tipperary Estate. 21 items

June 1908- Dec 1909 File relating to agreements to purchase holdings by tenants on the Coolroemore Estate under the Land Act 1903, through the Irish Land Commission. Includes Draft and Preliminary Agreements, with details of Coolroemore rentals. Letter from M. Coughlan (Agent) reporting to Stephen Grehan on amounts owed by the tenants and progress as regards the agreements. Also letters from Roche & Sons regarding the sales, with some references to the Tipperary Estate (Sept - Oct 1908). Also a letter from Albert Bernard, Surveyor and Valuer, Macroom, who was engaged to value the property (15 Oct 1908). 22 items

1908-1926 File relating to Purchase Agreements by tenants under the auspices of the Irish Land Commission. Contains schedules of interest in lieu of rent collectible by the Commission detailing Tenant; Townland; Purchase Money; Interest Paid. Includes A statement of tenants who have completed the Tenancy Agreement and those who haven’t prepared, by Roche & Sons. 23 items

1908-1926 File relating to Land Sales under the auspices of the Irish Land Commission. Mainly statements of interest due in lieu of rent from holdings in Ardcahan, Dromollig, Kildorrery, Coolroemore and Clonmeen. Also letters from the office of the Inspector of Taxes regarding arrears of tax on rents (1908) and details of Income Tax paid on the Tipperary Estate (1913).
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<td>Copies of the Irish Land Commission Form F “Agreement between Vendor and Tenant for a sale of a holding” between Stephen Grehan and (1) William Connell of Coolroemore for £36 (2) Mary Reardon of Coolroebeg £313 (3) Julia Sheehan of Clonmeen South £859 (4) R Murphy of Coolroemore (incomplete) (5) Denis Bowler of Coolroemore £10.</td>
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<td>1 Nov 1913-May 1916</td>
<td>File relating to payments of interest on lands sold by Stephen Grehan to his tenants under the auspices of the Irish Land Commission. Mainly statements prepared by Roche &amp; Sons detailing returns of interest and amounts outstanding concerning both the Cork and Tipperary estates.</td>
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<td>Jan 1916-Aug 1919</td>
<td>File Land Commission Rentals. Mainly statements of particulars of Interest in lieu of Rent collectible by the Irish Land Commission under Sec. 35(2) of Land Law Ireland Act 1896 in respect of the estate of S. Grehan in Co Tipperary and Co. Cork. Details Tenant; Townland; Period; Purchase Money; Interest Paid and Unpaid. Includes 17 Jan. 1919 letter to Stephen Grehan from Roche &amp; Sons regarding the payment of interest and collection of arrears due through the Land Commission.</td>
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<td>20 Feb 1919</td>
<td>Statement regarding the allocation of funds and bonus by the Court of the Irish Land Commission prepared by Roche &amp; Sons for Stephen Grehan, it shows a balance of £303.13.5 due to Grehan.</td>
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<td>1931</td>
<td>Printed listing of the lands comprising Stephen Grehan’s estate in Tipperary North which became vested in the Land Commission on the 1 May 1931. Details - Tenants name and address; Townland; Ref No; Area; Particulars of Tenancy; Rent; Purchase annuity for the townlands of Coolkil, Moher, Knocknaborsha, Knockane and Rossoulty.</td>
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<td>Correspondence and documentation (mostly from Roche &amp; Sons) regarding the setting of prices with the Land Commission.</td>
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<td>1908-1935</td>
<td>File of correspondence and documentation relating to purchases by the Land Commission of Grehan’s Tipperary Estate. Includes correspondence with Roche &amp; Sons clarifying details of ownership for the Land Commission and detailing tenants who wish to sell (Sept 1923). Also copies of Income Tax Schedules for 1 Jan 1927 and a Balance Sheet for 1912 - 1913 detailing estate income and expenditure. Also letters from Roche and Sons regarding Grehan’s evicted tenant - Barrett, see also /270 (1905). Also Letters from Fr. Morrissey, Mallow negotiating with Grehan on behalf of tenants who have agreed to purchase holdings but are withholding rent for an abatement in ground rates. (Apr. - June 1921)</td>
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<td>16 Jan 1934- Oct. 1935</td>
<td>File Land Commission Offer. Includes letter from Roche and Sons regarding Grehan’s entitlements to rent, and offers to purchase by the Land Commission</td>
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<td>See Also /286 (13 April 1934, 30 October 1935). Also Correspondence with the Land Commission regarding items in certain leases (28 Oct. 1935, 27 May 1934) and a copy of the Proposal for Sale from S. A. Grehan to the Land Commission. Also includes a terse letter from Major Stephen A. Grehan to his father, berating him for his carelessness in handling the Land Commission offers “as you are selling what really belongs to me &amp; my heirs, you have no right to accept any offer without appeal that falls [ ] short of this valuation” (1 Jan 1935).</td>
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<td>9-21 Sept.1936</td>
<td>Correspondence between Stephen Grehan and the Land Commission regarding the Commission intention to vest shooting rights on the allottees.</td>
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<td>(1) letter from the Land Commission to Roche &amp; Sons explaining their position (9 Sept. 1936).</td>
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<td>(2) From the L.C. Cork Branch Inspector to Stephen Grehan expressing his disappointment over the Commission’s stance regarding the sporting rights “I fear that what has occurred is that the question of Reservation of Sporting Rights did not arise in time” (21 Sept. 1936). Also Notice of Open Season for game 1936 - 1937.</td>
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Statements from the Court of the Irish Land Commission as to the Tenants Rent, Purchase money, Arrears and annuities payable by tenants on the Estate of Stephen Grehan D.L., Also blank Land Commission schedules for detailing rents due and paid.

7 items

Document ‘Instructions in connection with requisitions of Estates Commissioners on inspection of estates’. Details applicants to whom money will be allocated and any inconsistencies in land titles. Also sheet detailing applications made to the Commissioners with a corresponding map of the tenants holdings.

3 items

4.2 Other Sales

Schedule detailing lands through which the Killarney Junction Railway line will run. It will affect lands owned by George Grehan in Curraghrour East and West, Gougane, Clonmeen South and Duninch, Co. Cork.

1 roll

Bill of Sale by way of Mortgage between James Scanlon (1st part) George Grehan (2nd part) and John James Therry (3rd part). Scannell, Grehan’s tenant, mortgages the lands of Coolroebeg for a loan of £31.5.0.

2 ff

Correspondence between Roche & Sons, Stephen Grehan and the solicitor for Dunmanway Urban District Council, Mr Powell, regarding compensation for Lands of Ardcahan compulsorily acquired by the UDC.

10 items

Documents and correspondence relating to the purchase by Denis Callaghan, Banteer House, Banteer of the holding he rented from Stephen Grehan. Includes Letter to Grehan from Canon Morrissey writing on Callaghan’s behalf and urging him to forgive the arrears due (7 June 1911).
297 1920 File relating to the sale by Stephen Grehan of Duinch farm and the subsequent boundary dispute with the Parish Priest involving the curates house. Includes Memorandum on Costs of Sale - £153.5.6 (11 June 1920) and two O.S. 6 inch maps with the land outlined.

21 items

298 26 May 1922 Mss. agreements between Stephen Grehan and John O’Brien, Dunich, Banteer for O’Brien to purchase the house known as Dunich Dispensary for £1.

1p

299 25-26 Sept 1956 Letter from Dermot O’Meara, Solicitor, Mallow to Major Grehan explaining James G. Skinner & Son, Solicitors, Mitchelstown have contacted him on behalf of Mr Denis Carroll who wishes to buy a plot of 4.054 acres now in Grehan’s possession. Also O.S. 25” map of the area with the field in question outlined. Mss. note by Grehan who is unsure if he in fact owns the property concerned.

3 items

299a 23 Jan 1951 File relating to the sale by major Grehan of lands of Ballyshannock, Kildorrery to Garret Walsh of Ballyshannock. Includes correspondence with David J. O’Meara & Sons Solicitors.

7 items

300 9-12 Oct 1959 Letter to Major Grehan from Dermot O’Meara, Solicitor, requesting the Rate Demand Notice for Grehan’s lands at Therryscreens Covert in order to proceed with the sale of same to Mr William Roche of Tankardstown, Kildorney. Mss. note by Grehan stating he sent off the notice (12 Oct 1959).

1p

301 3 April 1969 Draft conveyance, with ms. annotations, in which Major Stephen Grehan signs over his interest in the property rented from him for the Teacher’s residence in Curraghour East. Covering letter from David J. O’Meara, Solicitor, requesting his signature on the deed. Mss. notes by Grehan explaining his objections to the deed as it stands.

2 items
5 Employee Records

5.1 Wages Account Books

302 18 Jan 1841- [Oct 1841] Workman’s Account Book. Records in columnar format Name; Weekly Duties; Wages per day/week; Cash on account; Observations. Provides a record of days and hours worked. Volume in poor condition. 40 pp

303 6 May 1843- 19 July 1893 Volume recording labourers wages and also payments for services and goods eg “May 6 Paid Owen Connell the amount of his half years wages ending the 1st of May 1843 £7.1.0.” 58 pp

304 5 Mar- 23 June 1849 “Jeremiah Sheehans Draining Account Book”. Volume records the name, dates worked and cash paid to groups of men involved in road draining works. [Famine Relief]. 25 ff

305 15 Jan 1855- 2 July 1855 Workman’s account book. Columnar format recording names, daily employment (mostly labouring) and wages paid. 25 ff

306 10 Sept 1884- 1956 Account book recording details (1) of the employment of Dairy Servants under headings Name, Wages due, when due, Amount, Date Paid, Amount Paid. (2) From 1886, House Servants under headings name, when due, amount, when paid. Also details cessation of employment. Includes loose enclosures notes on payments and insurance stamps due. Also a letter from Margaret Starr, 6 Mitchell Street, Clonmel, Co Tipperary addressed to “Dear Madam” sending seasons greetings. Adds she is very happy at her new work “I could not have met nicer people to serve my time to, they are very homely and thoughtful” (18 Dec 1945). Also Silver lists 28 Aug [ ], 7 June 1895. c100 pp (9 enclosures)
307 1893-1917 Notebook detailing items given to workmen at Christmas and other occasions. Over Christmas 1893 10 double and 18 single blankets were given away. Expenses in 1887 included for the labourers Sport “sheep for dinner 60 lb £1.12.0, porter 17/6”. Total £16.17.10 Christmas charity 1887 cost £10.18.0. Includes loose enclosures detailing similar items and receipts. eg. M Thompson, 22 Patrick St. Cork, Dolls and fancy goods £1.9.0 (9 Dec 1911).

65 pp (77 enclosures)

308 21 May 1917- 9 July 1921 Volume of Workman’s Accounts. Weekly record detailing the name of the employee; duties during the week, number of days worked, wages per day, total and observations for an average of 24 employees - herds, labourers, dairy servants, gardeners and stable herds.

c.400 pp

309 Nov 1917-1921 Notebook recording employees days worked and expenses (petrol, paraffin) Nov 1917 - Jan 1919. Also jotted calculations and costings.

6pp

310 28 Nov 1932- 28 March 1935 Volume of workmans accounts. Weekly record detailing daily duties under headings - Wages per day; Total: Total less insurance; Stamps. Averages 15 outdoor employees (labourers and dairy servants) until 1935 when it drops to 8.

c. 300pp

311 July 1939-1971 Ledger “House wages” recording payments to house servants, recorded under names of individuals. Also records dates of employment and contains enclosures regarding social insurance payments for women employed in domestic service, with notes explaining why employment ended.

48pp

312 30 Sept 1944- 18 June 1949 Weekly wages book recording payments to an average of 9 men (mostly labourers) under headings - Name, Days worked, Wages, Tax, Insurance.

200pp
313 9 July 1949- 12 April 1952  Time and wages book for farm, garden and stable workers. Details; name, hours worked, gross wages, loans, insurance, deductions, net wages for between 9 to 11 employees. Some loose calculations.  54 ff

314 3 May 1952- 9 May 1959  Time and wages book for farm, garden and stable workers. Details Name, Hours worked, Wages earned, Advance, National Insurance, Tax deducted, Balance Due, for 9 employees.  108 ff

315 16 May 1954- 19 Oct 1968  PAYE and wages book for farm workers recording name, hours worked and in what area, with details of wages, tax, national insurance paid for a maximum of 9 employees.  c. 180pp

316 1959-1971  Ledger with alphabetical index at front, recording details of payments, including wages, relating to Clonmeen farm. Also enclosures relating to bills eg. Estimate from M. Foley & Sons Banteer for works on house and yard £254 (16 Nov 1971).  c. 140 pp

317 [196- ]  Notebook containing rough records of payments made to household help.  5pp

318 24 Mar 1972- 19 April 1974  Cash book recording transactions, mostly wage cheques, made by the executor of S.A. Grehan, prepared by Myles C. Ronan, Certified Accountant, 30 - 31 Cook St. Cork. Also receipt slips for deposits to the Bank of Ireland, Mallow to cover the expenditure.  26pp
5.2 Employee Insurance & Tax

319 1906-1935 File of Employees Insurance Policies taken out by Stephen Grehan with - The Ocean Accident & Guarantee Corporation (Employers Insurance Policy on Domestic Servants 29 July 1912); The Patriotic Assurance Company, Employers Liability and Fire Insurance (1934); Commercial Union Assurance Co. Ltd., Indemnity Policy for Outdoor Servants (1912). Includes a copy of the valuation by Messrs Marsh and Co. of the contents of Clonmeen House (total £3,572.3.2) (1934) and a Fire Insurance Policy for the house with the North British and Mercantile Co. for a sum of £22,795.11.6. Also Premium receipts and other documentation.

45 items


5 items

5.3 Government Directives to Employers


16pp

322 1951-1971 Documents relating to the Agricultural Wages Board. Includes booklet containing a summary of legislation relating to minimum rates of pay and holiday entitlements; a letter from Dermot O’Meara, Solicitor, Mallow detailing holiday entitlements under the Agricultural Worker Bill 1950 (16 April 1951) and a letter from the Secretary of the Agricultural Wages Board given calculating regarding holiday entitlements Major Grehan had enquired about. Also mss calculations of holidays and payments due. Also Memorandum issued by the agricultural Wage Board, detailing minimum values of pay and holiday entitlements.

10 items
5.4 Related Correspondence

323 29 Jan-3 Feb 1910  Michael Buckley. Documents relating to Michael Buckley, deceased, an employee of Stephen Grehan. Includes formal receipts of goods of Michael Buckley, Clonmeen, Banteer received by J. O’Meara, Solicitor, Mallow from S. Grehan and a receipt for payment to Buckley’s estate of £4 wages owed.

6 items

324 1931 Notes referring to the employment of Conny Connell as a Keeper. Details wage - 23/ [a week] rising to 25/ after 6 months. He also would receive milk daily and rooms in a house. His duties would be to take care of the poultry, guard against trespassers and to help at the hay and corn when requested. (Connell was hired to replace a man named Nagle, 2 Aug 1931).

2pp

325 May 1932 Correspondence file relating to the application by Lawrence Meagher to work as a gardener at Clonmeen. Includes letter to Stephen Grehan from Hogg and Robertson, Bulb Merchants, Mary Street, Dublin explaining they do not have anyone suitable on their books to apply for the position of gardener, but they advertised the position and enclose the responses. Lawrence Meagher’s application states he can no longer stay in his position at Stream Hill, Doneraile, Co. Cork as his employer can no longer afford a gardener (2 May 1932). Encloses references from Major CP Coole, Bearforest, Mallow (6 Nov 1920) and Patrick O’Connor, Fortlands, Charleville (15 July 1926). Also letter from Meagher to Grehan responding that in view of the increased cost of living caused by the budget he feels 27/ p.w. pay is reasonable (14 May 1932); Note by Grehan stating he engaged Meagher at 25/ pw, with 2 tones of coal annually and 2 pints of milk daily and free vegetables.

5 items

326 19-21 March 1969 Draft and copy letter from Major S.A. Grehan to Mr Dan Murphy, Gortmore, Co. Cork who complains Grehan did not pay him the full agricultural wage for his work in September/October 1968. Grehan details wages paid and disputes Murphy’s claim. In a letter of 21 March 1969, he informs Murphy he has passed the matter on to his Solicitors, Henry Harte Barry & Sons, Kanturk.

5 items
## 6 Stock Records for Clonmeen Farm

### 6.1 Cattle and Dairy Records

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<td>26 June 1892-18 Aug 1894</td>
<td>Daily record of milk yield with weekly totals. Records cream and butter production and the distribution of same to the house and to employees. Includes enclosures relating to milk and cream usage and distribution.</td>
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<td>328</td>
<td>July 1909-Jan 1926</td>
<td>Volume of milk records, detailing in a columnar format the morning and evening milk yield of each cow from the herd with a weekly total.</td>
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<td>329</td>
<td>27 Dec 1914-17 Mar 1917</td>
<td>Volume containing a daily record of milk yield, totalled weekly. Also records the amount of butter and cream produced, the amount of milk sold, and the amounts of milk and cream sent to the house and also given to employees.</td>
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<td>330</td>
<td>1922-1930</td>
<td>Booklets of Dept. of Agriculture and Technical Instruction for Ireland. Milk records, recording for a six month period, the name of each cow, markings, age, calves, weight, no. of weeks in milk. Total yield, total butter fat yield and intermarket milk yields. Includes 1924 correspondence with Daniel Ryan, the recorder.</td>
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<td>332</td>
<td>11 Aug 1937</td>
<td>Letter from Healy’s Limited, Manufacturing Stationers, 26 to 28 Dame Street, Dublin enclosing for Major Grehan a specimen sample of their record books.</td>
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May 1956- Oct 1971 Dairy Register recording daily the number of cows milked, the daily yield, milk sold on, butter and cheese made, amount to house and cash sales with monthly totals. 48pp

May 1956- April 1960 Dairy Register recording the daily number of cows milked (with monthly totals), the yield, amount sold, amount made into butter/cheese, amount to house and cash sales. 48pp

Jan 1959- April 1968 Letts Cellar Book adapted to record monthly milk output. 22pp

May 1964 - April 1968 Dairy Register recording the daily number of cows milked (with monthly totals), milk yield, amount sold, amount made into butter/cheese, amount to house and cash sales. 48pp

May 1968- Oct 1971 Dairy Register recording the daily number of cows milked (with monthly totals), milk yield, amount sold, amount made into butter/cheese, amount to house and cash sales. 42pp

2 Mar 1966- 19 Sept 1969 Department of Agriculture milk records containing enclosures regarding the milk yield of the Grehan herd. 22 items

Oct 1968- Nov 1971 Monthly record cards recording the amount of milk delivered to the North Cork Co-operative Creamery by Major S.A. Grehan together with statements of account. 34 items

6.1.1 Herd Books

19 Feb 1946- 17 June 1970 Record books issued by the Department of Agriculture recording the registration of cattle, together with details of progeny and milk yields. Some books contain receipt slips recording dates of artificial insemination. 14 items
342 1947-1950  Coates Herd Book. Two booklets of entry forms for male and female cattle to be included in Coates herd Book, also 1 booklet of forms for the registration of births for the herd book. All partially used.
3 items

343 1947-1949  Private herd register book, containing details regarding the pedigree of some of Grehan’s cattle. Includes enclosures of letters and circulars regarding the registration of cattle.
11 items

344 1954-1971  File relating to artificial insemination and calving records, listing dates and costs, mss. notes also.
20 items

26pp

346 29 Sept 1972  Signed declaration issued by Ballyclough Cattle Breeding Station, Mallow, that 57 cattle belonging to Major S. A. Grehan were dressed under the Worble Fly Eradication Scheme.
1p

347 [ ] Folder of sample cattle record farms supplied by Robert Dinwiddie & Co Ltd., Agricultural Prints and Publishers, Dunfries, Scotland. Also a printed booklet ‘Table of Rates and Prices of Cattle’ issued by Gavin Low, Auctioneer, Dublin.
21 items

6.2 Crop Records

348 1945-1969  Army issue ledger marked ‘Crops’ containing details of crop yields (wheat, oats, barley, hay, potatoes). Contains an enclosure of a receipt from D.C. Daly & Co. Ltd, Millers, Kanturk.
36pp

349 1945-1971  Volume containing lists of dates relating to the hay, barley and cereal crops at Clonmeen. Also details dates for the cutting of silage with later records of the turning on and off of heaters, chimney sweepings and cattle tests.
12pp

6 items


29 items

352 15 July 1968-May 1972 File Sugar Beet this years correspondence containing letters and circulars from Comhlacht Siucra Eireann Teo, Dublin regarding payment for sugar beet (1969); receipts for the purchase of the beet (10 April 1969, 17 June 1964) and invoices for fertilisers supplied (1969-1970). Also copies of contracts to supply sugar beet.

32 items


9 items

6.3 Timber Records

354 23 Jan 1889 Notebook, partially used to record tree plantings and numbers at Clonmeen eg. “Larch 20 S. Fir 20”.

10pp
File relating to the acquisition under the Forestry Act of permits to fell trees. Includes felling permits 1930, 1931, 1932, 1934 and 1935 with government information circulars. Also a notebook labelled “Timber and land sold in Curragh East & West & Gouganes 1923”, detailing prices. Also two letters from William Riordan, Gouganes, Banteer to Stephen Grehan. (1) requesting a months grace [on rent] as he has to take his wife to Cork for an operation. He promises to pay up all that’s owed once he sells his 40 Turkeys (21 Oct 1924). (2) Vigorously denying he took any sand from Grehan’s property for himself. He transported some on behalf of another, who told him he had permission to do so, and recalls several incidents of fire and theft when he was foremost in looking out for Grehan’s interests. He explains he is late in his payments concerning the wood as his wife is very ill, and he himself has been laid up with a poisoned foot (26 February 1925).

10 items

Notebook labelled ‘Timber’. Records plantings, felling and sales of trees detailing any money received.

28pp

6.4 Eggs

Egg laying. File contains a typescript copy of an egg laying order of merit detailing; Order of merit, Breed, Name and Addresses of owner; Total eggs laid from 16 October to 31 December 1927; Value of eggs. A Grehan entry came 17th in one breed. Also prospectus for Thirteenth Irish Egg Laying Competition 1924 - 1926; Cards detailing records of pullets for inclusion in competition 1926 - 1927; and letters relating to prizes one by Grehan hens.

12 items

6.5 Horse breeding

Notebook, mostly unused, labelled ‘Osberstown Stud 1909’. Containing rough accounts. Also notes extra days worked by farm and house employees with extra wages due.
358 26 April 1920  Horse breeding license for the stallion ‘Clonmeen’ issued by the Department of Agriculture and Technical Instruction, to the horse’s owner, Stephen Grehan.

7  Game & Fishing Records

7.1  Shoot Records

359 1870 - 1879  Notebook, originally used by Stephen Grehan for writing exercises while he lived at 19 Rutland Square, Dublin, adapted for use as a record of game shot 1872 - 1879.

360 1876 - 1892  Notebook recording details of game shot by Stephen Grehan on various shoots. Also records all game shot in Clonmeen 1891 - 1892 which included 3,657 rabbits.

361 Aug 1894- March 1912  Game book. Volume records daily lists of rabbits and game shot at Clonmeen and the distribution of same to the house, as gifts, or food for the ferrets. eg. “15 June 1903, 7 rabbits killed, 5 to house 2 to ferrets”. Also notes details of any hampers of game presents with intermittent monthly totting up. Enclosures include receipts signed by David MacKenzie, Head Keeper 1914/1915 and also some egg accounts.

362 [189-]  Unused printed Game Book designed for recording weekly shoots.

363 [ ]  Blank printed tally cards for shoots at Clonmeen.
7.1.2  Pheasant Stocking

364  31 Jan 1938  Letter to Major Grehan from George O’Connell Honorary Secretary, Munster Game Protection and Re-stocking Association explaining they cannot spare him any cock pheasant but gives the name of a farm that should. Encloses the Association’s brochure.

3 items

7.1.3  Rabbits

365  4 Dec 1934  Mss. Agreement between Stephen Grehan and William Murphy in which he lets to Murphy the killing of rabbits on Clonmeen Estate for £8.5.0, with the conditions there is to be no trapping overground and no game or foxes are to be killed.

1p

7.1.4  Shooting Permits

366  1 Oct 1936  Authorisation from the Gardaí permitting Stephen Grehan to “kill or take game and birds” on his lands at Clonmeen for the period Oct 1936 - 31 Jan 1937.

1p

367  1937 - 1951  ‘Permits Shooting’. File containg material relating to sporting rights. Includes lease of Sporting Rights, Minister for Lands to Major S.A. Grehan (6 Sept 1943), with a copy of an agreement (13 Jan 1943) selling land for £1100, but retaining sporting rights. Also receipts from the Dept. for Lands for payment of £1 for the sporting rent in Banteer 1949, 1950, 1951. Also receipts for Turks Blood drink “most intoxicating”. Ingredients include a bottle of Burgundy, 1 glass maraschlum, 1 glass liquor Brandy.

10 items
7.1.5  Fishing Records

368  1938 - 1959   Fishing Letters. File includes copy. Agreement for letting of salmon fishing on the Blackwater (2 Feb 1940) with William J Lenahan and to Martin K. McGrath (1943). Includes copy letter from S. A. Grehan to J. Lucey, Kanturk discussing Major McCarthy’s claim to fish the right bank of the Glen River (19 Jan 1953). Also correspondence mostly from Gregg Jermyn & Sons, Solicitors, 67 South Mall, Cork, relating to a dispute between Grehan and the Corporation over fishing rights (May 1924 - March 1926). Also advertising brochures and details of rates relating to The Lower Blackwater Fishery between Fermoy and Ballyduff, Co. Cork for the 1966 season.

21 items

369  1938 - 1950   File of documents relating to the valuation of rates for fisheries in Clonmeen North. Includes requests by the Valuation Dept., Ely Place, Dublin for information regarding Clonmeen North (7 Oct 1938) and requesting details of receipts and expenditure in connection with the Fishery (5 Nov 1947). Also letter to Major Grehan from a friend, advising on withholding payment of rates and enclosing a newsclipping announcing procedures for Decisions on Appeals (Jan 1950).

5 items

7.1.6  Blackwater Fisheries

370  1898   Printed Booklet “Report on the Blackwater (County Cork) Salmon Fisheries to the Conservators of Blackwater Fishery District” by Henry Fennel. Printed by E. Lynch, Spa Walk, Mallow.

11pp

371  1898   Booklet “Reply to Mr. Fennel’s Report on the Blackwater Fisheries” by R. Foley. printed by J. Browne, Lismore.

10pp
7.1.7 Expenses

372 Feb 1896 - Dec 1911
Account book recording expenses associated with pheasant rearing and rabbit hunting. Records costs of foodstuff from Spratt's Patent and also bread for ferrets. Also records sales of rabbits, costs of hens for hatching pheasants and the price of eggs.

8 Residences and Building Works

8.1 Building of Clonmeen House

See Also /496

373 1891 - 1893
File of plans, estimates and other documentation relating to the building of "New House Clonmeen" the Grehan’s principle residence after 1893. Includes A set of detailed plans for the house and fittings drawn up by Ashlin & Coleman, Architects, 7 Dawson Street, Dublin (29 items). A notebook recording Sundry Expenses eg. “10 October 1893” 2 small mahogany taps /10”. Files relating to (1) Tenders and estimates, also an agreement between Stephen Grehan and Denis Creedon, Builder, Fermoy to build the house for £5,939 (Sept 1891). Also details of the work done and any extras (2) File of costs for house fittings including Denis Creedon’s Tender for Drains £85.7.2 (1892). Includes G. C. Ashlins Specifications (1891).

374 [1893]
Coloured plan of the 1st and 2nd floor of a proposed design for Clonmeen House.

375 Nov 1892- 2 Feb 1894
Estimates and tenders for building and electrical works at Clonmeen House. Includes details of costings for a staircase lantern and revisions of same. Also Detailed ink and wash sketches of proposed features by G.C. Ashlin, Architect (1892), and a series of letters from Ashlin to Stephen Grehan discussing costings and estimates submitted by Denis Creedon, Builder.

C.200pp
C.150 items
15 items
Notebook labelled “Sundry Expenses connected with New House Clonmeen 1893 “, containing arecord of furnishing bought for individual rooms together with price and date of purchase e.g. “Bedroom No. 5 (Dressing) Auxiliary Wardrobe Gents 7.15.0.”

8.2 Other Buildings works and Maintenance

377 13 Dec. 1879 Receipted Bill for George Grehan from P. J. Sheehan, Hardware and Iron Stores, Mallow for £3.11.3.

1p

378 1880 Bill for George Grehan from McKenzie & Sons, Agricultural House, Camden Quay, Cork for £3.18.3 for gate and pipe fittings.

1p

379 Nov. 1899 Covering letter to Stephen Grehan from Winch and Sons, Ipswich, enclosing plans for the concrete walling of his saddle boiler and greenhouse, and discussing estimates.

3 items


2pp

381 6 June 1905 Estimate for £31 worth of “Painting & Colouring to be done at Clonmeen, Banteer” sent in by Bible Bros. Ltd., Popes Quay, Cork. Also receipted bill for the work enclosing an invoice of materials used, £41.15.4.

3 items

382 27 Nov. 1906 - 4 Feb. 1916 Received bill for work to the value of £50.6.3 undertaken by Denis Creedon, Builder, Fermoy. Also Letters to S. Grehan from Denis Creedon, Builder and Contractor, regarding his estimates for the proposed conversion of a house. Encloses a tracings showing his suggestions for the work, with the lowest estimate being £350.

5 items
4 Feb. 1916 Letter to S. Grehan from Denis Creedon, Builder and Contractor, regarding his estimate for the works proposed[conversion of a cottage]. Encloses a tracing of his suggestions. Also specification from John Sisk and Son for same.

3 items

1920 File marked “Healys House” containing correspondence and documentation, mainly from C. Albert and Co., Manufacturers of Portable Buildings of Every Description, London. Stephen Grehan ordered from Albert and Co. a bungalow to be transported in lots by rail. He is insistent that the building should not cost more than £200.

21 items

4 Nov 1931 Advertising letter with application form sent to Stephen Grehan by Atco Mowers Ltd., inquiring if he wishes to have his Atco overhauled.

4 items

18 Feb 1937 Letter to Stephen Grehan from Joseph Lucas Limited, North Circular Road, Dublin regarding the dynamo brushes Grehan referred to and acknowledging it is difficult to obtain suitable parts.

1 p

20-22 March 1937 Letter to Stephen Grehan from Brooks Thomas and Co. Dublin informing him they do not stock the revolving shutter he needs, and that they have passed his enquiry on to Messrs. M. Costello, Harold’s Cross Bridge, Dublin, who specialise in that type of work. Also a letter from M. Costello enclosing a quotation for overhauling a wooden revolving shutter £3.10.0.

2 items

1937 - 1938 File relating to the installation of Electric Light at Clonmeen. Includes Estimates and Specifications from F.C. Porte & Co, Electrical Engineers and Contractors, Cork (1937); M. F. Kent, Clonmel (Oct 1937) and S. E. Crofts & Co. (Nov 1937). Also letters from Porte regarding the work and money due. Also advertising brochures and booklets.

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<td>24 April 1951-27 Nov 1951</td>
<td>Quotation, with covering letter, for Major Grehan, from W.J. Thompson, Electrician, Mallow, quoting £277.10.6 for the wiring of several workers houses and farm buildings for electricity. Also a bill for work done £198.17.8 (Aug 1951), and letters concerning the ordering of electrical items and repairs. (25 Sept - 27 Nov 1951)</td>
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### 8.3 Insurance Records

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<td>insuring a sum of £3,940 (23 Nov 1886); A policy with Munster Plate Glass Insurance Co., Popes Quay,</td>
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<td>Cork for the windows in the Dining Room, Drawing Room, Study and Billiard Room at Clonmeen for a</td>
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<td>Aug 1896 - Aug 1900</td>
<td>Policy from The Engine, Boiler and Employees Liability Insurance Company, Manchester, insuring</td>
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<td>Stephen Grehan’s boiler at Clonmeen for £500 with associated documentation.</td>
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395  30 Nov-1 Dec 1906  Correspondence between the Patriotic Assurance Co. Ltd., 9 College Green Dublin, and Henry Harte Barry and Son, Solicitors, Kanturk, regarding the renewal of Stephen Grehans Fire Policy. Harte Barry is handling the transaction on Grehan’s behalf.

8 items

8.4 **Valuations and Inventories**

396  22 Apr 1913  Two bound copies of an “Inventory and Valuation of the contents of Clonmeen House the property of Stephen Grehan, Esq. D.L., S.P. Taken for the purposes of Insurance by Gillows Valuers, 181 Oxford Street London”. A detailed room by room valuation is given totalling £7,297.1.0.

2 items

397  Sept 1919 - 1926  Inventories of silver tableware, utensils and ornaments at Clonmeen in 1919 and 1926. Also a notebook labelled ‘1919 - 1926 Plate Book’, the pages from which are cut out.

12 items

398  1925  Hardback Army issue book, labelled ‘Silver List’. Items are recorded alphabetically eg. ‘A’ includes, pair of silver circular ash trays. Notes dates for [use, cleaning]. Includes letter from The Goldsmiths and Silversmiths Company, London listing goods despatched to Captain S. A. Grehan at Eltham and goods remaining in their strong room. Also Receipt from Thomas Goods & Co., China and Glass Merchants for items worth £25.10.3 minus £16.10.0 ‘By allowance on wedding presents returned’ (Oct 1925).

10 items

399  Mar 1929 - Oct 1930  Notebook labelled ‘Furniture a/c book’ detailing items under the headings, Date: items: Purchase where + price eg. “28 Mar 1921 Mahogany Wardrobe Furlongs (Sale) £6:5:0 (delivery 5/-)”.

14pp

400  1934 - 1935  Copybook labelled ‘China & linen’ recording sheets, pillow cases etc. in Stephen Grehan’s possession.

14pp
October 1934  Two bound copies of a valuation of the contents of Clonmeen House, Banteer, Co. Cork by W. Marsh & Co., 70 South Mall, Cork. The valuation details the contents of each room giving worth eg. “Drawing Room £212.13.6” and an overall total of £2,111.10.0.

1937/38  Printed hardback notebook “The Army and Navy Celler Register for Wines Spirits etc.” giving a net worth of cellar contents. Records cellar contents with details of new purchases, items drunk and spoilage. A mss. note states the account was made in connection with charges for probate on 25 June 1937.

Oct 1937 - Apr 1943  File relating to the valuation of the Estate of Stephen Grehan, deceased. Includes A valuation of securities held by Cusack and Hinton, Dublin Stock Exchange (4 June 1937), together with government forms assessing the total value of the estate for taxes due, with correspondence from Roche and Sons.

c. 50 items

March 1916  Small notebook listing items in the Pantry Plate Safe, including 3 dish covers, 1 Tea Erne (sic), 1 Wine cooler; in boxes and in the Dining Room, Drawing Room, Smoking Room and Billiard Room.

13pp

[n. d.]  Notebook labelled ‘list of Silver and Silver Plate, Clonmeen’. The pages are given headings of silver utensils but no entries were made.

2pp

8.5  Household Expenditure

June 1886-Sept. 1898  Household accounts[kept by Esther Grehan] recording kitchen expenses and sundry items, children’s clothing, laundry and schoolroom expenses. Also records costs involved in jam making and preserving. Included also are recipes and jottings regarding the prices of goods and lists of clothing needed.

c.220pp
407 1 Jan 1930 - 31 Dec 1931        Ledger containing monthly sundry expenses under various headings including wages, laundry, fishmonger, butcher, self, cross referenced with notations eg. “Hunting tips, Car, Mallow with Marjory”. Gives monthly totals eg. Jan 1930 £6.16.9. Averages have been worked out and note made if spending increases or decreases. 9pp

408 1936        Notebook recording household and garden expenditure. Also notes on items in storage, some of which were sold and prices. 22pp

409 1937 - 1957        Ledger with alphabetical index reading household and personal expenditures, kept by Major Stephen Grehan. c. 80pp

8.6 No. 19 Rutland Square

410 12 July 1771        Copy lease of a house, yard and coachhouse in Palace Row (Rutland Square now Parnell Square), Dublin for 999 years from 1 May 1771 by Mr Thomas Sharwood to Thomas Kelly Esq. in consideration of £800 at an annual rent of £75. 5pp

411 16 Nov 1881        Letter from Roche & Sons to [George] Grehan, stating he is the absolute owner of 19 Rutland Square and has full power of sale. The letter traces the buildings ownership and encloses a copy of / 410 above. 2pp

412 11 January 1883        Letter to Roche & Sons from Charles [Gerty], south Circular Road, Dublin informing them he is willing to sell any interest he might have in 19 Rutland Square, and inquiring what might be offered him. Also letter from Roche & Sons to George Grehan regarding the value of the house and contents and the insurance policies on same.
File marked “Re sale of 19 Rutland Square Dublin 1903”, including material relating to the sale and earlier documents. Includes correspondence between Roche & Sons and Charles Hoey the tenant. In a letter to Roche & Sons Hoey declares “the people residing in No. 20 are more annoying as neighbours than we could have anticipated .... the whole district is going down very fast” adding “I should prefer to take the house at a reduced rent than taking it over altogether”, (28 April 1903). He writes again “I really am not anxious to make an offer for the house that is to take over your lease” (1 May 1903).

Document marked “William Grehan, 19 Palace Row, Consistorial Court of Cloyne”, which details a lease dated 9 March 1799, released 1819, and sent on to Roche and Sons in 1837.

Financial Records

Farm Income and Expenditure Records

Farm Account Book recording Income and Expenditure on a monthly basis. Income is derived mostly from sales of crops and animals and the main expenditure is on labour, feeding stuff, Rates and Tithes.

Rough cash book recording money received eg. Rents - sales, with at the rear a list of expenses including sums lent and holidays undertaken. Several enclosures include receipts for home-made medicines for sick calves, notes on bills received and paid. Also a newsclipping ‘Local Questions in Parliament’ which reports on the applications for reinstatement to a holding made to the Estates Commission by John Fitzgerald, an evicted tenant on the Grehan Estate.

c. 300 pp
417 Jan 1905 - Dec 1924 Cash book recording monthly farm Income and Expenditure.
c. 410pp

418 1 Jan 1909 - 1 Jan 1912 Cash book recording monthly Income and Expenditure for Clonmeen Estate. The main source of income appears to be milk sales and wages account for most of the expenditure.
c. 250pp

419 1 Jan 1912 - Ledger recording money received and paid out daily on Clonmeen Estate. eg. July 3rd 1915 includes
“Received Milk sold for week 4/10
Received Butter 2/10
Paid labourers wages 6.9.6
Paid Insurance Stamp 12/6”
c. 400pp

420 March 1922 Ledger recording monthly Income and Expenditure for Clonmeen Estate. The main source of income is from milk and butter sales, while wages account for the most expenditure.
180pp

421 23 May 1924 Volume containing a record of income from stocks, rents etc. kept by Stephen Grehan.
134pp

422 1 Apr. 1925 - 29 May 1962 Volume recording expenses relating to travel and the transportation of goods on the Great Southern Railway e.g. 18 May 1927 Capt. Grehan and dog 12/10,
112pp

423 1935 - 1936 Volume recording weekly particulars of Income and Expenditure with end of year analysis. e.g. w/e 20 July 1935 Income £8.19.0, Expenditure £2.5.22. Includes File of bills and receipts with rate moneys demands, relating to the estate. Also adjusted valuation of Livestock and Produce for the year ended 31 Dec. 1931.
c. 147 items
424  May 1935 -
     1 Feb. 1936
Partially used book of rent receipt slips, mainly used
for receipts of grazing charges of 6/4 per week
paid by Peter Healy.
    7pp

425  4 June 1937 -
     16 June 1962
Volume containing a rough record of Income and
Expenditure. The income recorded is mainly from
cattle sales and dividends. Expenditure includes
foodstuffs, donations to charity, laundry and house wages.
    94pp

426  1938 - 1946
Account books recording purchases made by Major
Stephen Grehan mainly from Lombardstown Co-op
Dairy and Agricultural Society Limited. One book
was used to record production and sale of butter.
    3 items

427  Jan 1941 -
     Feb. 1946
Notebook recording the state of Major Grehan’s
account with Jack Dwyer, Blacksmith, with Dwyer’s
signature confirming payments.
    14pp

427a  1945 - 1952
Partially used receipt book, with details of the moneys
received on the counterfoil e.g. “3 Aug. 1945 Sale of
Bullocks £233.33.11”, “5 June 1951 H Kelleher £6.00
rent due”.
    13pp

428  1946 - 1969
Ledger with alphabetical index at front recording
accounts receipted and paid under headings such as
“wages-credits to farm for non-farm work”, “Bank
Charges”, “Stationary” “Rail Expenses”. Expenses over a number of years
are entered under the appropriate headings. Includes Notes on farm
production (1958).
    c.150pp

429  [1951]
Army issue notebook labelled “Sack a/c with K.B.
Williams”. Records notes on agricultural practise and
animal breeding, also small sums of money paid out.
The back of the notebook contains a list of repairs and improvements to be
tackled.
    36pp
1957 - 1965 Army issue cash book and ledger used to record farm expenses and receipts, including money spent on telephone calls and stamps. Also record of sales of potatoes and milk. There is a rough mss. index at the front of the notebook.

Mss. calculations by Major Stephen A. Grehan of yearly expenditure at Clonmeen, giving a yearly income of £235 with expenditure of £3580. He concludes “must spend £1,000 p. year less”.

9.2 Farm Valuations

1852 Copy of Griffith’s Primary valuation of the Barony of Duhallow in the Union of Kanturk (Part 1), which includes the valuation for the parish of Clonmeen detailing George Grehan’s holdings.

1919 - 1930 File relating to farm valuations containing yearly valuations of livestock, roots, grain and implements e.g. in Jan 1930 150 tons of manure made up £18.15.0 of a total farm valuation of £1,742.5.0. Included with the 1926 valuation are receipts for payments of that years moiety of Poor Rates, and the 1925 valuation contains a note of all dairy produce consumed by the house and steward along with general bills.

9.3 Rates

File of official demands for rate moieties with returns, sent to Stephen Grehan for payments on his lands in the Rural District of Kanturk, Co. Cork.

See Also
/ 464
435 1921 - 1933  Correspondence relating to a rate revision on land leased by Grehan to the Civil Guards and attempts to establish liability for the rates (1924). Also correspondence between Grehan and OPW regarding their wish to renovate the barrack (1922). Letter giving the RIC notice to quit the premises (21 Dec 1921).

30 items

436 1921 - 1936  File relating to rate valuations and payments on Grehan lands. Includes correspondence regarding rate revisions and requests to the Land Commission for receipts of rates on lands sold to them (1936).

140 items

437 1927  File of Poor Rate demand notices and receipts for lands owned by the Grehan family in Co. Cork. Also letters from the Rates Office regarding changes in the valuation of certain houses.

57 items

438 1928  File of Poor Rate demand notices and receipts for lands owned by the Grehans in Co. Cork. Also letter from the Inspector of Taxes querying details given regarding tenants who purchased their holdings through the Land Commission (19 Sept 1928).

33 items

439 1928 - 1932  File of Poor Rate demand notices and receipts for lands owned by the Grehans in Co. Cork.

65 items

440 1930 - 1931  File of Poor Rate notices. Includes a letter from the Office of Inspector of Taxes to Stephen Grehan stating that his total tax liability for 1931/32 should have been Schedule A £92:14:9, Schedule B £66:19:8 and that a refund is due him (23 Sept 1932).

56 items

441 1932  File of Poor Rate demand notices, receipts and correspondence relating to lands in Co. Cork owned by Stephen Grehan.

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<td>Notebook labelled ‘Rates Clonmeen’, recording rate payments on the different properties in the Clonmeen Estate with a summary of rates paid. Features an index at front.</td>
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### 9.4 Tithes

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<td>Orders from the Irish Church Temporalities Commission merging Rent charges in lieu of Tithes for George Grehan on lands in the Benefices of Inchigeela; The Vicars Choral, Fanlobbus; Kilnamarkery; Farrhy; Clonmeen; Nathlash and Cloyne Co. Cork.</td>
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<td>8 Apr 1879</td>
<td>Orders from the Irish Church Temporalities Commission merging Rent charges in lieu of Tithes for George Grehan (1) Lands of Knocknabasha, Moher, Seskin, Gleninchnavera, Gortleelly, in the Benefice of Templeoutragh Co. Tipperary and (2) Lands of Killinleigh and Coolhill, Benefice of Mealiffe Co. Tipperary.</td>
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9.5 *Income Tax*


101 items


105 items


9 items

451 1920 - 1922 Copy of Income Tax, Schedule B, filled out by Stephen Grehan for 1920 and 1922. The form details the value of all livestock, farm machinery etc. Features copious mss. calculations by Grehan as to farm receipts and costs.

10 items

452 1921 Copy of Income Tax, Schedule B for income from the home farm at Clonmeen. Also details of farm receipts for 1921.

2 items

453 1921 -1932 File relating to Supertax charges and payments made by Stephen Grehan. Includes demand notices, official returns and correspondence quering the returns. In 1926 Stephen Grehan was charged £341.10.0 Supertax and in 1932 £46.8.0. Includes correspondence between Grehan and the Income Tax Department of the National Bank Limited, Dublin detailing income that is liable for tax (1925 - 1926), and regarding dealings with the land commission and income therein (1925). Also file of dividends statements and accounts of income (1921 - 1922).

c.150 items
454 1923 File containing a copy of Stephen Grehan’s Income Tax, Schedule B, detailing the value of lands, livestock, buildings and tools on lands in Gouganes, Co. Cork. Also numerous mss. calculations of values and expenditure. 10pp

455 1924 - 1935 File SG’s Income Tax, containing dividend slips for (1909 - 1922) shares including dividends from the Central Argentine Railway Ltd., the Canadian Pacific Railway and the London and South Western Railway Co. (1909 - 1922), and a relating to income tax payments for 1935, including correspondence with the Income Tax Dept. of the National Bank Limited, 34 College Green, Dublin. 166 items

456 13 March 1929 Letter to Stephen Grehan from the Income Tax Dept. of the National Bank Limited, Dublin, informing him they have credited his account in Kanturk with £114.9.7 income tax recovered on his behalf. 1p

457 1936 - 1940 File of correspondence relating to income and payment of tax. Includes a large group of letters from Roche & Sons, Solicitors (1936 - 1938) concerned with financial matters and the probate of the will of Stephen Grehan (13 Sept 1937) and the distribution of his assets. Also Letter to Major Grehan from the Imperial Policy Group, 13 Old Quay Street, London. Describing themselves as an “unofficial parliamentary body”, which studies foreign affairs they state they wish to issue a monthly memorandum of information from reports they receive and inquiring if he wishes to subscribe. 140 items

458 1968 Mss notes on ‘Tax chit’s sent’. 1p

9.6 Bills

459 Oct 1 1886 Itemized bill for £32.3.6 sent to Stephen Grehan from Turlock Brothers, Gunsmiths, Parliament St., Dublin.
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<td>File of bills and receipts. Includes a bill of £6.15.6 from Alfred Deady Motor Garage, Banteer for petrol and motor hire (1 Sept 1922); Also a letter to Stephen Grehan from The Greenmount Oil Co. Ltd., Dublin explaining they cannot forward his order of 1 keg Gremount oil as the Great Southern and Western Railway are refusing to accept goods for delivery in Co. Cork “owing to the unsettled conditions prevailing” (17 July 1922).</td>
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<td>File of bills and receipts marked ‘Farm’. Includes Bills from the Dairy Supply Company Ltd., Cork (Oct /Nov 1923); receipts for insurance policies taken out by Stephen Grehan with the Patriotic Assurance Co. Ltd. for sums ranging between £100 and £3905 (23 June - 29 Sept 1923); Poor Rate receipts for 1923.</td>
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<td>File of bills and receipts addressed to Stephen Grehan. Includes Bill for £1.5.6 from Robinson &amp; Steele, Military Tailors, 11 Dawson St., Dublin for the cleaning and repair of a black evening jacket (31 Dec 1931); a bill for 1/6 for darkening a pair of brown shoes from Peal &amp; Co., Oxford St., London; and a bill of £1.5.6 from L.L. William &amp; Son, Naturalists, Furriers and Taxidermists, 2 Dame St., Dublin for mounting a badger (26 April 1933).</td>
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<td>File of bills and receipts addressed to Stephen Grehan. Includes £1 donation to the Irish Distressed Ladies Fund (24 Oct 1934); £20 to the Duhallow Hunt Club (22 June 1934); £1.5:0 payments for Fishery Rate (19 April 1934); £5.1.0 to Williams and Son, Naturalists, Furriers and Taxidermists, Dublin (20 Sept 1934) and 12 guineas subscription to the Kildare St. Club.</td>
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<td>1934 - 1935</td>
<td>File of bills and receipts addresses to Stephen Grehan. Includes a monthly statement of account at £8.7.10 from W.S. Thompson &amp; Son, Grange, Mallow (Nov 1934); 2 guineas subscription to the Royal Irish Automobile Club (26 March 1935); demands with receipts for the Fishery Rate for £1.5.0 (Aug. 1934 - Apr 1935); Also a bill of £2.5.0 from T.W. Murray and Co. Ltd., Gun Rifle and Cartridge Specialists, Cork. Includes irate letter from P. Healy, who was leasing grazing land for a pony, complaining about a rise in rent “I don’t intend to pay a shilling a week as the bargain was 6d per week for a pony.” (19)</td>
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<td>470</td>
<td>1935</td>
<td>File of bills and receipts addressed to Stephen Grehan. Includes a bill of £1.4.0 from M. Ryan, MacCurtain St., Cork for two card tables (20 Jan 1935), and an order to Glastonbury for dark blue slippers (15 Nov 1935).</td>
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471  1936 - 1937  File of bills and receipts sent to Stephen Grehan. Includes a letter from Sr. M. Alexia of the Magdalen Asylum (St. Vincent’s Convent, Cork) thanking him for his donation adding “I always look upon you as a personal friend even though we never met”. Also Costs from Roche and Sons incurred in the administration of the Kiely Trusts (see /161 ff)

131 items

472  1937  File Papers dealing with SG, containing bills owed by Stephen Grehan at the time of his death to be checked and paid by his son Major Stephen A. Grehan. Includes Earlier correspondence with the Land Commission relating to the Tipperary Estate (1920s) and correspondence with the Dept. of Lands Forestry Division (1936), and details of letters of condolence and wreaths sent on the death of Stephen Grehan.

79 items

473  1937 - 1938  File Receipts House 1937 - 1938 containing bills outstanding at the time of the death of Stephen Grehan. Includes a bill of £37.16.0 from Marsh & Sons, Auctioneers, Cork for an Inventory and Valuation of the furniture at Clonmeen, and a bill of 9/10 for the insertion in [ ] of Stephen Grehan’s death notice and an advertisement for the sale of an Armstrong Siddely Saloon Car (June 1937). Also correspondence re Trusts.

210 items


7 items

475  1939 - 1940  File of bills and receipts sent to Major Stephen Grehan. Includes a bill of £9.5.10 for goods purchased from the Lombardstown Co-Operative Dairy and Agricultural Society Ltd., (1 Sept 1939) and a covering letter for a cheque of £3 a prize won at the North Cork Annual Agricultural Show (Sept 1939).

121 items

477 March 1956 - Dec 1958
File of bills and receipts addressed to Major Grehan. Includes vets bills and an account with Denis Murphy, Banteer, Blacksmith. 201 items

478 1957 - 1966
File of receipted bills addressed to Major Grehan, mainly purchases for the farm with some personal purchases. 87 items

479 1958 - 1960
File of bills and receipts addressed to Major Stephen Grehan. Includes a receipt for £1 paid to the Dept. of Lands, Forestry Division rent of sporting rights (12 Jan 1960) and £29.19.3 paid to Mallow Urban Gas Works (23 July 1959). 86 items

480 Jan 1970 - Jan 1972
File of bills and receipts addressed to Major Grehan. Includes several bills from John Lucey, Butcher, Main Street, Mallow. c.100 items

481 Nov 1970-Feb 1972
File of bills and receipts addressed to Major Grehan. Includes bills from the Munster Agricultural Society (Nov 1970, Jan 1972) 7 items

482 1972 - 1975
Folder containing bills and receipts addressed to Mrs Cecily Grehan for general goods and services. 161 items

9.7 Cars

483 Dec 1934-Nov. 1935
Insurance Policy from Lloyds of London for a 13.9 hp Morris Cowley valued £150 and a 16 hp Armstrong Siddely 5 seater saloon valued £135, with associated correspondence. 3 items

3 items

484 [1937] Letter from the Irish Press to Major Grehan urging him to consider advertising the sale of his Armstrong Siddely Saloon in their paper. Enclosed is a self addressed envelope for the Irish Press.

2 items

485 March - May File containing documents relating to a car journey to Newry, and its importation into the Republic. Includes Pass issued to Major S. A. Grehan for the “Temporary exportation and re-importation of the motor vehicle owned and registered in the State and described within”; Details of approved roads for traffic between the Republic and Northern Ireland; a map with details of route supplied by the Royal Irish Automobile Club.

8 items

10 Files relating to Estate Administration kept by Major Stephen A. Grehan

See Also /1246 ff

486 [ ] Alphabetical index dividers for Major Stephen A. Grehan’s estate files. Details the title of each file alphabetically for C to Z e.g. “D D1 Dinner Clon 1948 D2 DHC O’Meara presentation 1958”

21 items

487 14 April 1938 B1 Billiard Table File contains an advertising brochure with sample billiard cloths, from Burroughes and Watts, Soho Square, London. Also covering letter from the Estate Management and Supply Association, Dublin, enclosing and commenting on an estimate from Burroughes and Watts to refurbish a billiard table.

5 items
B2 The ‘Barberini Bees’ Typescript page containing a description by Christine Chichester of the bees on the bronze column supporting the baldichino over the central altar in St. Peter’s Rome.  

B3 Five printed book ownership labels depicting the crest of Francis J Connell.  

B5 World Books Society. Order forms, receipts and other documentation relating to Major Stephen Grehan and his sister Mrs D J Ryan’s, membership, and the purchase of books from the society. Includes a letter from the Society to Major Grehan regretting they cannot forward on his copy of The Razor’s Edge by Somerset Maugham as it is banned in Ireland.  

B6 Bridge. Three copies of typescript notes on bridge techniques.  


C1 Clonmeen Meaghers Notes. File of newspaper clippings of a series of articles by James Meagher on the history of the Clonmeen area titled ‘The O’Callaghan of Clonmeen. Several references are made to the Grehan family in the course of the series.  

C2 Concert 1939 letters relating to preparations for a concert by W F Watt, Tenor to be held at Clonmeen House in aid of the Dunhallow Hunt Funds. Includes a list of those attending and also a letter to Major Grehan from Tommy Gallwey, Tramore, Co. Waterford, who is organising the event declaring “Concerts in private houses we generally finish up without any National Anthem, but if you like to have ‘God Save the King’ it will give us pleasure to sing it.” (10 February 1939)
495 16 - 24 June  C3 Customs. Contains letters from the Customs and Excise Export Seizures Section. 10 Parnell Square, Dublin, regarding the seizure of two shirts sent by Major Grehan to his uncle C R Chichester, St. Peter’s, Jersey, without a licence. Also copy letter from Grehan to the Export Seizures Section enclosing an export license and apologising for the misunderstanding.

3 items.

496 [1891] - 1969  C4 Clonmeen House Plans and Repairs. File includes tracing plans of proposed designs for the building of the new Clonmeen House (see also /1373 ff) 1891, and also colour plans and elevations of proposed conditions to Clonmeen House prepared by Denis Creedon, Fermoy (2 May 1908), along with an estimates of £285 for the work. Also later bill for works done by Kieran Foley & Sons, Banteer for £350 (18 July 1969).

6 items

497 [ ]  C5 Clonmeen Drainage. Rough ink plan detailing positions of drains for Clonmeen House and yard.

1 item

498 1949  C6 Clonmeen Photographs and “Christine’s Mouse Hunt”. Typescript tongue in cheek account by Christine Chichester detailing her “stake out” and capture of a mouse (26 October 1949). Also a 6cm x 6 1/4 cm colour shot of the outside of Clonmeen house taken from the driveway.

2 items

499 March 1966  C8 Copper ‘Sabona ‘ Bracelet. Advertising card and brochure for the Sabona Copper Bracelet which is advertised as a cure for rheumatism. MSS note to say begin wearing bracelet. March 1966 by [ ].

2 items

500 29 Jan. - 2 Feb.  C.9 Connell Bridget. Correspondence relating to efforts by Major Grehan to get his employee, Bridget O'Connell, who was diagnosed with throat cancer, transferred from the North Infirmary Cork, to a Dublin Hospital where she could receive radiation treatment. Includes Copy letter from Grehan to
Dr. Cagney, 13 St. Patrick’s Place, Cork, requesting his help in getting Mrs O’Connell the best treatment in Dublin “As she has worked for me here for many years and her husband’s family have been with us for several generations. I am very anxious to do all I can to help her.” (31 Jan 1946) Also A telegram from the North Infirmary informing Major Grehan of Mrs O’Connell’s death (2 Feb. 1946).

| 501 | 1946 - 1960 | C.10 County Club - Papers | Documentation relating to Major Grehan’s membership of the Cork Country Club, circulars, rulebooks and circularised accounts. Includes Draft letter by Grehan resigning his membership due to the inordinate increase in subscription rates. This is written on the reverse of a letter from Roche and Sons regarding Grehan’s administration of his late sister May Irwin’s estate (18 Dec 1959). |
| 502 | 27 Jan. 1939 | C.11 Coats - Cleaning Pink Coats | A letter to Major Grehan from Dickie, Longwater Lodge, Eversely, Hants., detailing the best way to clean a scarlet hunting coat. Adds how much he enjoyed his visit to Clonmeen “really I think the best holiday I ever had.” |
| 503 | Sept. 1947 | C.12 Census notes re. Return | List of five servants in residence at Clonmeen on the date of census, Sept. 1947, along with their date of births. |
| 504 | Jan. 1948 - 5 Nov. 1952 | C.13 C. R. Chichester Silver | Correspondence between Major Stephen A. Grehan and some of his cousins - Arthur Chichester, 3 Queensborough Terrace, London, Di Walton, Shirley, Tramore Co. Waterford; Mimosa W. 17 Lottesmore Gardens, London, W8; his uncle Charles Chichester, Woodville, St. Peter’s, Jersey, and a relative by marriage, Mr. Buonaparte Wyse, regarding items of silverware belonging to the Chichester family which were given to Stephen Grehan for safekeeping and are now being reclaimed. |
C.14 C M Chichester

Items which belonged to Christine Chichester

2. Notes on Chichester family paintings hanging at Clonmeen
4. List of important dates in the life of Col. Sir Charles Chichester.

4 items.

C.15 CMC will and Chichester Papers

Documents relating to and including a copy of the last will of Christine Chichester (d. 18 May 1951). Also correspondence relating to various legacies and to arrangements for her funeral and internment in a vault in Westland Row Church. Letters from Leo, Bishop of Northampton regarding a legacy of £8000 she left towards the building of Libburn Church. Includes a letter from Sr. Teresa, Gallen Priory, FARBane, Offaly to Sister Augustine explaining that any legacy she might receive would belong to the Priory “you know that from your vow of poverty”. However the Reverend Mother will allow her to use the £100 willed to her by Christine Chichester to travel to Lourdes. She adds “I was shocked to learn from your letter that you often stay away from the Prayers of Rule without permission.” (12 April 1951) Also a list of pictures and other items given by Christine Chichester to Stephen Grehan in Clonmeen (1946) and a newscutting and a note on how her father Col. C. R. Chichester introduced concrete to Ireland.

25 items.

D.1 Dinner Clon 1948 Notes on prices of food “Eats £14.9.6” and drink, 11 claret, sherry, gin, squash and whiskey, for an evening at Clonmeen. Total price including the hire of extra staff equalled £52.11.2. Also note from ‘K’ [King Williams] The Red House, Mallow, giving ingredients for cider cup.

4pp

D.2 D.H.C. O’Meara Presentation 1958 File relating to subscription lodgements for the above presentation. Also a receipted invoice from Egan & Sons, Patrick Street, Cork, for a silver model of a fox with subscribers names engraved on the base, £87, and also a 7 piece cut glass sherry set £8 (in Oct. 1958).
| 509 | 2 Aug. 1938-14 Aug. 1941 | E.1 Electric Light File relating to the installation of electric light at Clonmeen. Includes A letter to Mrs Cecily Grehan from the ESB District Engineer, explaining it is not economically viable for them to run a line to Clonmeen House (10 July 1941). Letters from F. C. Porte and Co., Electrical Engineers, Cork regarding the provision of generators at Clonmeen (2 Aug. 1938 - 14 Aug. 1941). |
| 511 | 1935 | F1 Report on [ ] Debacle 1935 File contains (1) A copy of a report by Major Grehan, commanding 3rd Light Battery Royal Artillery, of an operation carried out on 29 Sept. 1935 together with a précis sent to New Bde. on his return to camp and accounts obtained from the survivors of his F.O.O. party. Details step by step the encounter by his men who were on a wire laying mission, with the enemy force. (2) Typescript lecture ‘Artillery in Mountain Warfare in the N.V.F.P.’ discussing tactics, weapons and strategy. |
| 512 | July 1949 | G.1 Grooms File contains 20 letters of application for a position of Groom at Clonmeen, advertised in the Cork Examiner and the Irish Independent. Includes Draft of advertisement and a copy reference for his groom W. Murphy. |
| 513 | 1938 - 1940 | H1 Horses and Hallmark note (silver and gold) File contains (1) Letters from the Dept. Of Agriculture regarding a diagnosis of worms in Grehan’s horses (March - June 1938) and a recommendation for appropriate treatment from the Country Gentleman’s Association (13 April 1938). (2) Letters to Major Grehan regarding the siring of a foal on his mare Killeen by Buchan Hill at a stud in Trim (1939, 1940) (3) Documents relating to the mare Glide, including a pedigree and an advertising brochure for Bectango who sired her foal at Bolomore Stud, Banteer (1940). (4) Booklet ‘What is a Hall Mark?’ produced by the Assay Office, |
Birmingham, describing the types used on gold and silver and how to decipher them.


3 items

515 Feb. 1959 - May 1969
H 4. House Repair (1) Notes on repairs needed in the scullery together with an estimate of £64.2.6 from William O’Keefe, Building Contractor for the work (February 1959).
(2) A letter to Major Grehan from D. O’Connaill, Inspector of Tax, informing him he will not be able to offset the £352 he spent on repairs, against his return. (1 May 1969). Features a copy of Grehan’s letter on the reverse of the official reply.

6pp

516 1936 - 1958
I.1 ‘Insurance House RE 36F0608 File relating to Fire Insurance to a value of £1,789.1.6 taken out by Major S. A. Grehan on Clonmeen House (1936). Also Endorsement acknowledging the change to gas to incandescent electric light (March 1934), and premium receipts (1944 - 1958).

8 items

517 1956-1971
I.2 House N.B. M.1, 4965863 Main Policy Correspondence and documentation relating to fire insurance to the value of £21,163 taken out on Clonmeen house (1958) rising to £50,000 (1971).

34 items

518 1944-1957
I.3 Insurance Policy House N.B.M. I. 4952167 Receipts for payments of premiums to the North British and Mercantile Insurance Company Ltd. for a fire policy worth £2581 on Clonmeen House.

4 items

519 1936 - 1958
I.4 Insurance House Royal Exchange 36F0607 Fire Policy insuring Clonmeen House for £6000 (1936) later changed to £8,000 (1957) and receipts for premium payments.
1941 - 1967

**L.5 Insurance Motor National Employees Insurance**

Correspondence and documentation relating to Major Grehan’s Careful Drivers Policy, (1949).

*Includes correspondence relating to a claim made in November 1956 involving an accident where Mrs. Cecily Grehan ran into a cow.*

35 items

[ ] 1949

**L.7 India notes on going out.** Typescript with Mss. additions on travelling to India. Gives tips on baggage handling and embarkation for members of the military.

“One can not get laundry done on a Trooper. Uniform is always worn except for sports as Deck Tennis when Flannel trousers allowed.” Also notes on servants’ wages taken from the Cavalry Brigade Orders - Guide for Officers (No. 13 1931).

4pp

1940

**L.1 Lawn.** Contains a booklet “Northern Command Sports Board Instructions,” detailing the layout and a management of sports grounds. Some mss. annotations and some pages are missing.

26pp

Dec 1942 - Dec 1964

**L.3 Lloys Bank slips.** Bank statements regarding debit and credit transactions in Major S. Grehan’s account with Lloyds Bank, Kings Branch, 6 Pall Mall, London.

55 items

1925

**M.1 Marriage Settlement.** Particulars of Stocks settled by Stephen Grehan on the marriage of his son Stephen A. Grehan and Cecily Gaisford - St. Lawrence, giving an annual income of £600. Also Copy details of investment classes in the marriage settlement of 15 May 1925 prepared by SS & E Reeves & Sons (22 March 1925).

4pp

July 1968

**M.2 Mining Rights.** Newsclippings of government notices of intentions to grant prospecting licenses in Counties Limerick, Tipperary, Cork and Kerry, including lands at Clonmeen (21 July 1968). Also letter from Henry Harte Barry, Solicitor, to Stephen Grehan referring to the newsclipping and explaining Grehan would be powerless to stop prospecting on his land. “The
Minister has full powers and the citizen none at all, such is our present democracy.” (31 July 1968).

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<td>P. 4 Property Statement of Ownership 1900 Covering letter to Stephen Grehan from Roche &amp; Sons, Solicitors discussing the settlement of his estate on his son Stephen A. Grehan. Encloses a statement of the position of different properties owned by Grehan with regard to various settlements. (12 March 1900).</td>
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<td>P. 5 Photos Clan &amp; Family (1) 3 Black and white, head and torso shots of an aged looking Stephen Grehan posed against a stone wall with 3 small shots of same. (2) Black and white shot of Major Stephen and Cecily Grehan standing with their two sons on the lawn at Clonmeen. All dressed casually. (3) Black and white shot of Stephen and Cecily Grehan standing with their two sons on the lawn at Clonmeen. All dressed casually. (4) Black and white shot Cecily Grehan with [her son] and two dogs sitting in long grass.</td>
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(5) Faded full length shot of [Peter/Denis] Grehan as a young adult striding down Patrick Street, Cork with passers-by in the background. /531 contd...

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(6) Black and white shot of Cecily Grehan surrounded by 5 dogs and holding 3 black labrador puppies in the grounds at Clonmeen.

(7) Black and white shot of Cecily Grehan wearing jodhpurs and a headscarf, holding onto the dogs in front of Clonmeen House.

(8) Black and white shot of a horse and foal standing in a field by woodland. A man is obscured by the horses’ head.

(9) Black and white side view of two horses ‘Sparkle’ and ‘Your Sunshine’.

13 items

532 1945 - 1960  P. 6 Photos  (1) Mounted wedding photograph of Ruth and Alan Morris with a covering letter from Ruth Morris, 62 Hartorp Road, Leicester (22 Sept. 1960)  (2) Large posed black and white shot of a group of soldiers and officers, roughly half of which are women. Major Stephen Grehan is also included in the group. Also several less formal shots of subgroups from the main photograph and a shot of a [training school]. Also one shot featuring 6 female sergeants with their names inscribed by the sender. (1945).

9 items

533 March 1936  P. 7 Peshawar - P. V. H. & Calling League. Membership list of the Peshawar Calling League 1935 - 1936, Major and Mrs S A Grehan are listed as residing at 8 Willcocks Road. Also Master’s report from Peshawar Vale Hunt, Season 1935 - 1935.

2 items

534 21 March 1946  P. 8 Parking Regulations Cork Newscutting ‘Driving and Parking Regulations’ detailing where vehicles may and may not park on city streets in Cork.

1p


2 items

536  P. 10 Post war accounts Income Tax and repayment slips Repayment slip issued to Major S. A. Grehan by H M
Inspector of Taxes relating to tax paid in Britain (5 June 1959) and a letter from the manager of the National Bank Ltd, Tax Dept discussing Grehan’s position as regards income tax.

537 1944  R. I. Ryan letters re Gerdies death
Typescript copies of letters sent to Mrs Aileen Ryan (née Grehan) informing her of the death in action on the 17th October 1944 of her son Gerard Ryan (21 Oct. 1944) and from fellow soldiers and relatives offering their condolences. Also letter from Aileen Ryan to her brother Major Stephen Grehan requesting him to write to Flights Tailors, Regent St, London regarding the retrieval of some clothes her late husband left there and also requesting help in gathering up her late sons’ belongings (3 Dec 1944). Copy letter from Grehan to Flights Tailors (7 Dec 1944).

4 items

538 26 July 1945  R. 2 Remington Typewriter
Contains letters to Major Grehan from J. Bullen of the Remington Typewriter Co. Ltd, regarding Grehan’s sale to them of a Remington Portable and repairs he wishes to have made to another machine.

2 items

539 1953 - 1954  R. 3 RDS Contains two booklets outlining existing and proposed new Bye laws for the Royal Dublin Society (1954) and a circular advising of a special meeting to consider the new bye laws. Also receipt for 10/10 paid by Major Grehan, Life Composition fee.

5 items

540 1945  R. 4 RIAC Material relating to Major Grehan’s membership at the Royal Irish Automobile Club.

5 items

541 1946 - 20 Oct. 1949  R. 5 Contains material relating to Major Grehan’s continuing association with the British Army after his retirement and his efforts to assist men who requested his help when enlisting. Also includes correspondence with the Soldiers, Sailors and Airmen’s Help Society regarding financial assistance to travel to Belfast for men wishing to enlist. Includes receipts for monies advanced by Grehan and also a note from the mother of one boy requesting Major Grehan not to assist his application “as I am his mother and need his help at home.”

24 items

Items (2) - (9) (22) - (25)

2pp

543  1966 - [1970]  S 1 Stories  Contains typescripts of stories and anecdotes (after dinner speeches) Includes (1) How the animals entered heaven, a folk tale from the South of France (2) Three anecdotes involving Ian Paisley and leaders of the Protestant Church and a Rabbi, told from a Catholic perspective. (3) ‘Order of Service’ a parody of a psalm mocking Harold Wilson in favour of Ted Heath. Also a postcard from CWL Woollard, Ballynacary, Co. Westmeath with verses celebrating a 50th wedding anniversary (1966) and a covering letter from Lt. Col. Peter Gugan, Newmarket, (12 March 1970) enclosing a typescript extract from a letter Major Stephen Grehan sent to Gugan’s mother from the Khara Forest in India describing a journey from Rookee to Khara and the life in the summer jungle. (17 May 1935) 

12 items

544  13 - 24 November 1936  T. 1 Telephone proposals. Letters to Stephen Grehan from J. Huband, Dept. Of Posts and Telegraphs, regarding the rental of an exchange line to his residence at Clonmeen for £9.5.0 p.a. He also advises that Banteer Exchange operates only between 8 am and 8 p.m. on weekdays, and 9 am to 10.30 am on Sundays and Bank holidays. 

3 items

545  Feb. 1948  T. 2 Transport Rail and Road. Advertising card for Coras Iompar Eireann goods delivery service with advertising flyer offering Motor Horse Boxes for hire. 

2 items

546  1939 - 1947  W 1 Water Analysis  Contains results of analysis undertaken by D O’Sullivan, Public Analyst, Cork, on samples of well water at Clonmeen. Generally concludes that the water is suitable for drinking, but a result dated 1 June
1943 shows contamination with sewage water.

6 items

547  1938 - 1969  W. 3 Wireless Licenses. Yearly renewals of wireless license for Clonmeen. Also a typescript letter from Jim Meagher, Cobh to Major and Mrs Grehan enclosing notes (from Burkes Peerage) on Grehan family history. Some mss. annotations.

39 items

548  [ ]  W. 4 Writing efforts. MSS with 2 incomplete typescript copies, of a short story [by Major Grehan] ‘A Christmas Eve Tiger’, The story is set in a British Army Camp in Gogra, India where a group set out on a tiger hunt. The narrative is related using a lot of Indian army jargon. Also 2 typescript copies of a story entitled ‘A Black Night in a Machchan,’ which the narrator tells of a solitary tiger stakeout which led to a dangerous encounter with a herd of wild elephants. Also two further, diary type accounts, of (1) a trip made while on 4 days leave in India, near Uri (2) A fishing expedition.

7 items

11  Correspondence relating to Estate Management

11.1 Letterbooks of Stephen Grehan

549  5 April 1887  Damp press letterbook containing copies of outgoing 16 April 1891  copies of outgoing letters, sent by Stephen Grehan relating to the administration of his estate e.g. tenancy agreements, repairs etc. Includes Letters to Roche and Sons, Solicitors, regarding his own dealings and has activities as a Trustee for several families (see /148 ff). Volume features an alphabetical index at front. N.B. the first half of the volume is largely illegible.

304pp

550  14 May 1891  Damp press letterbook containing copies of outgoing letters relating to the administration of the Grehan Estate. Volume features an alphabetical index, but
the copy letters are not always legible.

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### 11.2 Major Stephen A Grehan’s correspondence with the Agricultural Correspondence College

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<td>Receipt sent by the Agricultural Correspondence College to Major Stephen A. Grehan acknowledging payment of £14 fee. Also advertising booklet for the college and notes on dates of lectures and assignments.</td>
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<td>File of indexed letters and assignments completed by Major S A Grehan from the Agricultural Correspondence College. The notes deal with such topics as ‘Livestock - foods and feeding,’ ‘manures and manuring.’</td>
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<td>1943</td>
<td>File of typescript lectures together with corrected assignments completed by Major S A Grehan. They include discussions on farm buildings and crop rotation,</td>
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and also external parasites in animals.

564 25 Feb. - 2 Oct.  1944  File relating to Major Stephen A. Grehan’s studies with the Agricultural Correspondence College. Includes a letter to Grehan stating Agricultural Science has now been added to the timetable. Also Corrected exercises completed by Major Grehan for his correspondence course.

5 items

11.3 Correspondence with the Dept. Of Agriculture

565 1917 - 1920  File containing documents relating to estate management circulated by the Dept. Of Agriculture. Includes Printed order of minimum rates of wages for Agricultural Workers (1917) and blank application forms for exemption from minimum wage; Specimen agreements for conacre leases and grazing agreements, copies of the Government of Ireland Act (1920).

53 items

11.4 Correspondence relating to Sinn Fein Arbitration Courts

566 Oct. - Nov. 1921  Copy of correspondence relating to the case of Stephen Grehan vs Michael Barrett of Ballymaquik brought before the Sinn Fein Arbitration Court. The dispute is over rent due (Barrett is Grehan’s tenant) and a right of way. Includes note by Grehan stating he agreed to the arbitration ‘under compulsion’, and an undated letter stating Barrett is still causing trouble and if he does not stop “we will push him out as quickly as we put him in ”, the note is signed I.R.I. Also Documents relating to the removal of Barrett as a tenant (1924) and rates due on his holding before its sale.

11 items

11.5 General Correspondence

567 2 Sept.  1971  Two letters from Townsend Flahavan, Seed Merchants, Kilmacthomas, Co. Waterford, to Major
Grehan advising on crop acreage and land
refertilization.

568  1931  File of correspondence with associated documentation
relating to a court cases taken by Major Grehan against
a gardener accused of stealing poultry and foul.

                                           2 items
                                           17 items
                                           CLOSED.

569  24 March 1936  Letter to Stephen Grehan from T. Ludgate, Ballyclough,
Mallow, thanking him for the cheque which he did not
expect and declaring that under the present
government, farming is but slavery.

                                           1p

570  21 Feb. 1947  Pre-printed carbon order books from the Estate
Management and Supply Association, 101 Grattan
Street, Dublin, recording orders placed by Major
Grehan.

                                           2 items

571  26 - 27 July 1967  Correspondence between Major Grehan and Lucey and
O’Connell Limited, Cork, regarding spare parts for
Grehan’s Vulcan compound ram.

                                           5 items

572  [ ]  Letter to Stephen Grehan from his employee, J Curran,
informing him that the tank for the tractors arrived and
complaining of the bad rain which has left the oats in a terrible
state.

                                           2pp

573  [ ]  Circular giving advice on the care of early spring grass.

                                           1p
12 Estate Maps

574  
Portion of O.S. 6” map (1904) with areas in Clonmeen delineated in colour. Marked ‘Barratt Boundary’.

575  
Pen and ink map of the lands of Farrahy detailing the boundary with Tankardstown, Barony of Fermoy. The North indicator is held by a cherub.

576  
Pen and ink map of Ballyshonock townland, part of the lands of Farrahy, Barony of Fermoy. The North indicator is held by a cherub.

577  
O.S. 6” map ‘The Estate of the Earl of Limerick’ delineating property to be sold through the Landed Estates Courts namely the townlands of Knockardshariv, Castlemagner, Coola West, Leen, Kippagh North, Lisduggan South, Lisduggan North, Twogneeve, and Kippagh South, Co. Cork.

578  
Group of OS 1” quarter sheets (1) Sheet 175 Mallow, (2) Sheet 176 Fermoy, (3) Sheet 165 Mitchelstown, (4) Sheet 166 Clonmel, (5) Sheet 177 Lismore.

579  
24 July 1779 “Survey of the lands of Clonmeen & Barrigh [Barry] County of Cork” by Thomas Magrath. Parchment map showing lands of Clonmeen, the property of Crosbie Morgell Esq., totalling 3739a 1r 27p. The relevant townlands are outlined in coloured ink.

1ff
| 580 | May 1855 | Map of the Townland of Seskin containing as per references 687a 3r 4½ p plantation measure”. Pen and ink map by John Burke for Peter Grehan, detailing tenancies and land use and also details of land allotments to proprietors to whom the Commissioners of Mealiff made allotments, and also the encroachments of Knocknamena Commons. Notes on reverse refer to the case Barlow and another vs. Grehan and others 30 November to 11 December 1855. |
| 581 | January 1857 | Coloured pen and ink survey map of the townlands of Seskin, Curraghnamogh and Thurfibogh, Barony of Kilnemanagh, Co. Tipperary by John Burke, detailing property holdings including holdings belonging to Peter Grehan in Seskin and Clanfinchina. A reference section details particulars of holdings. Notes on reverse refer to a court case between Grehan and his tenant Barlow 2-7 March 1857. |
| 583 | 1904 | OS 25” Sheet 31.16 Cork (Duhallow), marked Mt. Hillary |
| 584 | [1904] | OS 25” Sheet 31.7 Cork (Duhallow), marked “Clonmeen North and Gouganes”. Features numerical jottings. |
| 585 | [1904] | OS 25” Sheet 31.11 Cork (Duhallow), marked “Clonmeen South” |
13 Sale of Estate

586  10 Nov 1971  Mss. notes from John O’Connell, Auctioneer, Mallow regarding an auction at Clonmeen of farm stock and machinery which raised £1675.0.30.

3 items

587  July 1975  Auction catalogue with colour photographs of Clonmeen House and 210 acres adjoining, prepared by Keane, Mahony Smith, Dawson St, Dublin and Aston Deller and Morgan, 13 South Mall, Cork, joint agents for the sale. The auction was scheduled for 22 July 1975.

8pp

14 Miscellaneous

590  [  ]  Mss. extract from the 11th and 12th of George III (1771) directing Catholic (“persons professing the popish religion”) landholders to reclaim bog land which they may lease up to 50 acres of for reclamation of a nominal rent for terms up to 61 years.

1p

591  [  ]  Bundle of printed notepaper for Clonmeen house and Estate to be used as covering letters for payments of bills “Sirs, I beg to enclose cheque value £ amount of your account.

35 items

592  [  ]  Copybook with alphabetical index labelled ‘Estate and Household address book’. Lists the names and addresses of people and firms who offer goods or services relating to estate management under alphabetical order e.g. A - Aga Advisor P. O’Leary, Old Court, Kanturk, Accounts T O’Halloran, Rosebank, Douglas Road, Cork. Includes some bills.

34pp
C Family and Personal Papers

1 George Grehan ([1813] - 31 Dec. 1885)

1.1 Letters from family members

1.1.1 From his wife Mary Grehan (née O’Reilly d. 1859)

See Also /106, /121

| 593 | Letter from Mrs. Mary Grehan, at Wogans Shop to her husband George, discussing family news mainly health matters. Her cheek is very swollen and she has decided to have it lanced [Frank] is very ill in bed while John has another blister on. Nurse’s face, she declares is the size of three faces and Mary was obliged to bring Mr. Keenan to see her, but she gave such impudence that he stated “he would part her if she did so again”. Baky threw up a streak of blood, but she counsels him not to be frightened as Mr. Keenan said it might have been from his head. Closes explaining she is greatly hurried and will write a longer letter tomorrow. |

4pp

| 594 | 1858 Letter to George at Clonmeen, from his wife Marie (Mary) at 7 Rutland Square Dublin. She comments he will be surprised at hearing from her so soon, but that there was an incident that day when their child’s nurse came down to her at a quarter to two, and reported that the child was not washed or dressed, as the nurses tender had refused to do so. On her mother’s advise she sacked the nurse tender giving her wages due of £3.30.0 with a extra /10 as notice. She adds the child’s mouth is very sore but his eyes are improving. His parents’ visited along with Mrs. Bennet and mentions more visitors expected. |

8pp & envelope

See Also /656 ff

1.1.2 From his son Stephen

July 1877 - 30 October 1878
A series of letters home from Stephen Grehan on a European Tour, describing places visited and detailing routes.

595  10 July 1877  From Stephen at the Hotel de Hollande Cologne, explaining he was agitated unnecessarily about the large partmadeau as he has everything he brought from Clonmeen bar his dress suit and 2 shirts which he decided were unnecessary. He discusses his clothing needs, concluding 2 suits and 2 top coats will suffice for a couple of months. His companion, Edward [Butler], didn’t even bring that much. They plan to hold out 10 days and then get their laundry done in Switzerland. Their hotel is very nice but he was shocked at some of the prices. They are able to converse well finding German “a very easy language” and he declares the Cathedral exceeded everything he had seen previously. Adds he is keeping a journal.

6pp

596  18 July 1877  From Stephen at the Hotel Schrerber, Top of Rigi, Switzerland, describing his journey so far. He found Lucerne to be “an awfully jolly place” but was surprised there were no letters waiting for him there. They travelled from Frankfurt to Baden Baden and on to Lucerne on roads that were at the same points perpendicular. The hotel at Lucerne is very good although expensive, however “The view from here is really worth coming all the way from Cork to see”. He declares he will find the lakes at Killarney poor by comparison. Inquires after events at home and requests Lizzie [Lawless] to write.

6pp

597  24 July 1877  Writing from the Hotel Victoria, Interlaken, Stephen describes his journey by steamer to Flüelen and then on to Andermatt. It rained at Andesmatt but he and Edward enjoyed the company of six ladies. The Table d’hôte at the Bell he pronounces the best they had in Switzerland. He describes an inspiring trip to see the Rhours Glacier and a horse ride though the area, and reports he is enjoying that part of their trip the best as the guide is a character and great fun. The heat however is awful and they are having problems carrying their luggage and now use only one bag and one portmaneau between them, having sent the rest forward to Geneva. Last Saturday they found they were not within two days ride at a Roman Catholic Church and he wishes to avoid a repeat. Complains that there was no letter waiting for him at Interlaken and inquires after Rover.

6pp & envelope

598  4 Aug 1877  From Stephen at Germatt confirming he received a letter at Visp but found nothing in Geneva and commenting how late they are at home making the
hay. When he passed through Belgium the corn had been cut. He describes the current leg of their journey where after leaving Geneva they stopped for 3 hours at Lausanne and then moved on to Vevey, Susten and Visp. The last part of the journey he found very disagreeable “I could hardly imagine that five horses could go so slowly”. He describes their visits to view the Matterhorn where he was very amused when a local tried to charge them for trespassing while out sightseeing. The local headman intervened and sent the “rascal” on his way. Asks about news from home and requests that his gun be given a good oiling.

599 11 Aug 1877 From Stephen writing from the Grand Hotel Royal Bruschetti, Milan. He received his letter and discusses progress with the horses at home. Describes a journey from Germatt, through Brieg and Diligence where in parts the road was cut out of the rock. They moved on to Varese “a splendid Hotel, but a horrid dull place”, and he comments about Milan “I never saw such a place for fruit”. They plan that afternoon to visit the La Scala Theatre and hope to tour down to Naples, Pompeii and Herculaneum. He strongly encourages his father to come out and join them, adding he hopes Uncle Peter’s stay in the country will do him good.

8pp

600 14 Aug 1877 Writing from the Grand Hotel Victorica, Venice, Stephen encloses also a letter to (his cousin) Lizzie. (1) To his father he reports how they arrived after a “a fearfully dusty journey from Milan” and describes visiting the Doges Palace, St. Marks, the Bridge of Sighs and other famous landmarks. They travel by gondola as it is now too hot to walk and he adds his neck is gone stiff from too much sightseeing. They plan that night to attend ‘Sonnambula’ at the opera. Closes giving instructions to write to him next at the Hotel Trois Rois, Bâle and jokes they will enter Paris with 4 umbrellas and 6 sticks. (2) Writing to Lizzie he says he was surprised to receive her letter after missing so many and gives instructions as to where she should send on her letters. Describing his trip he says his Italian has been highly complimented and he has been struck by the lack of horses in Venice “such a thing as a horse was never seen here” adding, “It is a cautious to hear the boatmen jawing”. He speaks enthusiastically about the works of art he has seen. Closes resolving to ask his father to hire a butler.

2 items
601 19 Aug 1877 From Stephen at Zurich. He received his father’s letter explaining he would not be travelling to Paris, but still holds out hope he may come. Commenting on the terrible weather at home in Ireland he says “Cara

/ 601 contd......

Whyte writes almost worse accounts than you do” he contrasts this with the excellent weather they have had on their tour. He is on the way to Strasbourg and Balle, but will be attending horse races in Zurich first. However he doesn’t think it will be an exciting meet as first prize is only 5 francs. He is quite pleased with his handling of his money and finds they can get by on 10 francs a day. Referring to news from home he advises that Rover be trained as a retriever and mentions that Uncle Peter should improve at Clonmeen.

6 pp & envelope

602 30 Oct 1878 From Stephen at the Continental Hotel, Paris, responding to news from home and advising about the building. He also counsels his father to bring a pair of strong cobs. He hopes to meet his father in London from where they can all travel home together. Remarks on the suddenness at the Cardinal’s death.

3pp & envelope

See Also

/644(2)ff 1.1.3 From his sister in law Mary Frances (Maraquita) Grehan, and her companion Mrs. Frances Grehan.

603 22 May 1877 From Maraquita discussing family and general news. She met Margaret Connell “she looks aged” adding “she has evidently suffered bodily much”. She encourages George to come to Dublin to ensure no mistakes are made during the building at the stables in his absence. Asks after relatives and passes on news.

3pp

604 4 Sept 1877 Emotional letter from Maraquita sent shortly after the death of her husband Peter on the 28 August 1877, in which she expresses her gratitude to
George for his help “How can I thank you for your extreme kindness to my own darling husband”. She is devastated by the death and full of despair.

605 7 Sept. 1877 From Mrs. Frances Grehan at Kilbarrack informing George about Maraquita’s state of health. She took a bad turn, Dr. Kelly was sent for. She has since improved but is “flighty and fanciful”. Frances warns “we must be prepared for an emergency” and requests a renewal of the authority she was given to act on Maraquita’s behalf under Dr. Kelly’s instructions.

606 12 Sept. 1877 From Frances, St. Lawrence’s Cottage, Sutton to George discussing arrangements made with Father Callan. She informs him she told Maraquita about her son’s [Frances’] misfortune and she took the news better than expected, and requested to be told about any disaster or death. Enclosed a letter from Fr. Callan thanking Grehan for his letter and assuring him his instructions will be followed without delay (9 September 1877).

607 14 Sept. 1877 From Frances in Sutton informing George that Maraquita has improved but will not be returning to Rutland Square for the winter. She took the shock well [terms of the will], knows a large sum went to charity and that she is well provided for.

608 15 Sept. 1877 From Maraquita requesting him or Stephen to write and relating her own activities. She [and Frances] spent three days in Dublin to see after the autumn arrangements and met with Peter (Dolphin) and his two daughters. Amongst other news she remarks there is a great deal of disturbance next door at number 19 as Lord Butler is getting married and the authorities are laying gas pipes. Enclosures(1) Letter to George from Maraquita, St. Finbarr’s Terrace, declaring she has written to Lizzie about her travels and he can read that letter as she does not care to write the same news continually. She is getting some sea air while waiting for the cottage to be ready but is now trying to bear her disappointments “more patiently than in olden times when your example and later darling Pierres often has a lesson for me”. (2) Letter from Thomas Kennedy to Mrs. (Frances) Grehan stating he approves of her actions and agrees she has to attend to her duty. He hopes to be in Howth on the 20th and will see her then.
Letter to Monica from Maraquita at Sallans, Co. Dublin. She thanks her warmly for her letter and reminds her of the regard Peter had for her. Adds she finds the mountain air very refreshing and describes the weather. Closes with family news.

An emotional letter from Maraquita to George Grehan. Fanny (Frances Grehan) has told her how kind he has been and she refers to the responsibility placed on him “T.G. you have such a comfort in dear Stephen!”. She adds “Poor dear Peter loved you much more than you ever suspected!”. Speaks of Peter’s personal effects which she wishes to have and her desire to see George.

Letter from Maraquita to George enclosing a letter from Lizzie. She is sorry he will not be coming sooner but hopes to see him Sunday adding “I will not upset you again dear George the first time was so trying!”. She speaks of her “darling Pierre” and the agony of loss she feels. Also inquires if he has any dairy girl he could spare as a housemaid who would be “clean, obedient and satisfied not to go out ...... this is a fishing village and not a nice place for girls to walk alone”. There is a note on the back from Frances detailing her expected time of arrival in Cork and adding “Mrs. Grehan is better but still very fidgety”. Enclosed is a letter from Lizzie Lawlor, 25 Heuston Road, to her Aunt Maraquita expressing sympathy on her bereavement and hoping she is gaining benefit from the beautiful air at Baldoyle.

From Frances Grehan reporting how pleased Maraquita was to get Stephen’s letter and gift and describing their return to Dublin. Maraquita was much affected when she entered No. 19 Rutland Square, but did not cry, and is sleeping in the old nursery “where she has no painful associations”, and is not able for visits. She adds the £50 given is now exhausted. Also a letter from Maraquita thanking Stephen for the partridge.

Letter from Maraquita to George “I found this sheet of paper and it tempted me to talk to you”. She requests him to write with news of his Stephen’s doings and asks them to pray for her cousin Sebastian d’Curcanza who died in Paris. Closes in a chatty manner requesting news of other family members.
613 18 Dec. 1877  From Frances Grehan requesting money and
well
enclosing an income tax form. Maraquita is
legal
and Dr. Kelly considers her able to sign any
property.
now is the
stating there
She speaks of their plans for a quiet Christmas and reiterates
time for Maraquita to sign anything which is needed. Closes
are always rooms ready for him and Stephen.

614 18 Dec. 1877  Letter from Maraquita to George thanking him for
answering her last letter “so simply and so kindly”
and declaring she prays deeply for them all.
Mentions Mrs. Catherine Scully who is presenting her second
daughter, Kathleen, that winter paid her a visit. She mentions also that
she has a
new companion “a reduced lady”.
Enclosed a letter for Stephen Grehan, thanking him for his “chirpy” letter
and commenting his style is improving. She makes playful remarks about
his shooting ability and mentions an invalided young lady house guest. She
requests him to pass on her regards to Mr. Cronin and Fr. Morrissey.
“The
dear good Pere who attended your dear uncle”.

615 15 Jan 1878  Letters from Frances Grehan at 19 Rutland Square
(1) acknowledging his two cheques for £50 and
£17.18.11 sent to cover bills. She is delighted that
he is to visit soon. Although Maraquita is improving they cannot trust that
it will be permanent and her attacks usually come on in the Spring. Adds
Mrs. Power Lalor lunched with Maraquita recently and found her very
well and sensible.

616 22 Jan 1878  From Maraquita to George describing the lovely
week she spent at Sutton, after which she feels
much  better. She inquires if P. Whyte has moved
to Kingstorm and again requests George to visit as she would like to chat
about many things. Her brother and his family may also visit soon.
617  23 Jan 1878  From Frances Grehan to George informing him she told Mr. Langton (Maraquita’s brother) that Dr. Kelly has pronounced her fit to sign legal documents. Maraquita has not yet asked her details about her late husband’s will but she wishes to offer financial help to some people and understands she is borrowing from George. Discusses Maraquita’s state of mind which is calm but apt to change.

618  27 Feb. 1878  Letter from Frances at Sutton requesting money from George if he approves of Maraquita’s apprenticing a servant, William’s son. They would need £10 up front and then £10 a year. With reference to Maraquita, she says people are remarking on her change of spirits and how much happier she is, but cautions “at the same time the Spring is always very trying”. Enclosed is a letter from Maraquita to George, expressing her delight to hear from him and Stephen and chatting about visitors and relatives.

619  2 Mar 1878  From Frances at Rutland Square thanking George for his cheque and bemoaning the expense of keeping up a house in Rutland Square and at Sutton. Maraquita is well and has been for some time. Her brother, Mr. Langton, is eager for her to see a specialist and determine if she is well enough to transact business. She enquires if George would like to meet up with Dr. Banks and mentions some forthcoming weddings in the Whyte and Barnewell families.

620  30 Apr. 1878  Letter from Maraquita at Rutland Square declaring how looking forward she is to Stephen’s visit, and giving news of Willie and Letitia Whyte and Miss Gould. Details news of relatives and their health. Enclosed letter from Maraquita to George grumbling mildly about not having heard from him or Stephen, and informing him that William has found a respectable master carpenter to apprentice his son to. Mentions family news and “dear Mariannes alarming state of health”. Adding there is great excitement about the new Pope. An enclosed note states “The happy
[Stephen and Esther Grehan] arrived all secure and jokingly, requests his permission for them to spend the weekend.

621 Easter Monday 1878  Letter from Frances to George requesting more money than usual, as the giving up of the Sutton house entailed a great deal of expense and she wants £10 to give to William. Maraquita is keeping well and Dr. Kelly is hopeful she will get over the season without a attack.

622 5 June 1878 Letter from Maraquita at Martello Lodge, Ballyhack Co. Dublin. Her eldest aunt, Mother Mary Helena Ryan, died and she requests George to pray for her. She inquires if Lizzie will be passing through Dublin and visit. Fanny has been invited away for a few days and she is encouraging her to go, as Dr. Kelly has no objections.

623 8 Aug. 1878 Letter from Maraquita at Baileyview House, Howth to George jokingly enquiring has the heat laid him up, as she has not heard from him for so long. After thanking him for the £10 for Marianne she gives news about herself and the Scully family. Of where she is staying she declares “This is not a disagreeable nor a pretty place”. She finds August is a sad month for her, but finds comfort in prayer [August 17 was her wedding anniversary].

624 20 Aug. 1878 From Maraquita to George expressing her delight at his visit. “I really longed to see one of the old familiar faces again” and she was glad to hear he got home safely. Mentions visitors including Mrs F. who brought her a present of a travelling hand bag useful “now I have learned to do without ladies maids”. She inquires after his crops which she hopes the hot weather has not damaged, and instructs him to take medicine for digestion. She gives news of people he met on his visit and states she is giving singing lessons, having herself studied with the great Signor Guileni in Florence.

625 29 August 1878 From Frances at Kilbarrack Lodge, Baldoyle responding to George’s letter announcing [his father’s death]. She feels Maraquita should not be told as she “is now on
the turning point of a most satisfactory recovery - any shock of this form at present would endanger both [ ] and life”.

626 17 Sept. 1878 Letter from Maraquita, Martello Lodge, Ballyhack to George Grehan remarking on the pleasure Stephen’s account of their tour to Glengarriff gave her. The Sisters of Charity are to hold a bazaar at Ballyhack, to which she plans to send a large cake and encloses some circulars for. Chats about relatives.

627 24 Sept. 1878 Letter from Maraquita at Rutland Square describing a visit by Eliza and explaining one of her menservants, William, is to go into service with the Whytes as she cannot afford to keep two men, stating “They will value him”. Chats about visitors and relatives “Francis G’s stump has quite healed and he is preparing to get a new wooden leg and is very well and cheerful”.

628 25 Sept. 1878 Letter from Frances Grehan at Rutland Square informing George that Mr. Whyte agreed to take the house from 15 December to 31 May for £140 and has engaged William and his brother. Adds Maraquita is very pleased with the arrangements.

629 25 Dec. 1878 See Also / 622 From Maraquita, 1 Shangaugh Terrace, Ballyhack, assuring George that he and Stephen were not forgotten at Christmas but the post delayed her letter. Her aunt Margaret Ryan, she informs him, is dying at Blackrock. She is happy in the house and have many visitors, adding “there are several nice Catholic families here, Lady Kane, Mrs. Atley and the Donaldsons”.

630 [ ] From Maraquita, 1 Shangaugh Terrace, Ballyhack, remarking upon Stephen’s amusing letter and declaring she hopes to visit Clonmeen when the weather settles. Discusses news about friends and relatives.
Letter from Maraquita, Martello Lodge, grieving to hear that Charles Grehan is so ill. She hears there is little hope for him. Fanny is quite calm but is not advised to go and see him.  

Note from Maraquita detailing the news of Charles Grehan’s death.  

Letter from Maraquita enclosing a receipt for £25 and thanking George heartfully for his advise about William’s son and other issues. Discusses general family news and the papal election, “Helena Beausall is going to make a French Vicomte happy i.e. if she does not again change her mind at the last moment”. She encourages him to subscribe to the Tatler and Graphic as they are very interesting. The last two issues of Graphic contained beautiful pictures of the Pope. Closes exhorting him not to fast on a forthcoming feast day.  

Letter from Maraquita who is on a holiday and enjoying herself greatly. She inquires if he still has a small farm to let at Clonmeen. “Now I should not be justified in refusing a country residence ever so small as Tipperary is out of the question”. Chats about general news.  

Letter from Maraquita discussing the recent death of Clare O’F. of Granite Hall and the deep loss felt by John O’F. She discusses recent visitors to Granite Hall and mentions her aunt, Helen Ryan, is still alive. Discusses the comings and goings of mutual friends and adds how much she longs to visit Clonmeen.  

Partially printed letter to George Grehan from the OPW, acknowledging receipt of £240 as his
contribution to the proposed road from Eastmere to Bearleys, Barony of Duhallow, Co. Cork. Stamped.

1p

637 17 May 1867 Indecipherable note from [   ] Forth to George Grehan in Dublin.

1p

638 5 Sept. 1877 Letter from a George Grehan (a chandler) to a priest of St. Nicholas Church, Dublin appealing for assistance. He is “in distress from want of employment” and is hounded by debts incurred by his father. He calls down the blessings of God on the priest so that he may help him. A note as reverse by (George Grehan /John Behan) explains they have no knowledge of the writer.

4 pp & envelope

639 5 Nov. 1842 Letter to George Grehan from John Galway [ land agent ], Mallow, detailing a land valuation and the profits concerning a transaction they were engaged in, commenting “The present should serve to balance accounts and complete our divorce”.

2pp

1.2 Personal Finances

See Also / 644

640 3 May 1864 Deed of Release from the Paymaster of Civil Services on payment of sums borrowed under the Land Improvement Act (£1300) by George Grehan.

3pp

641 18 July 1871 Cheque made out by George Grehan for £30 in favour of William Keane. Endorsed in favour of Julia [   ].

1p
12-13 Nov. 1877 Receipts for sums paid into George Grehan’s account with the Bank of Ireland, Dublin. (1) £38.9.9 (12 Nov.) (2) £6.0.0 (13 Nov.)

2 items

11-29 Dec. 1884 Two letters to George Grehan from O’Donnell and Fitzgerald, Government Stock and Shareholders, Fire and Life Assurance Office, 17 Andrew Street, Dublin, regarding the purchase of 5 shares in the National Bank for £123.11.3. Also purchase receipt.

3 items

1.3 Diary and Account Books

644a 1857 Copy of Punches Pocket Book, with ‘Almanack and useful information’. Contains, after notes of accounts relating to Mr. Reber, Physician and Connell’s, a record of a tour through Europe e.g. 28 “went to Florence”, 1 July “returned to Leghorn from Florence”. He proceeded though Italy and on to Genoa, Lausanne, Baden Badan, Frankfurt, Cologne, Aix la Chapelle, Paris, Bruges, Naples and back to Paris. On p. 135 is a rough pencil sketch of a peasant. Part 2 of the volume contains printed humorous short stories and lampoons e.g. ‘Love in a Lawyers hands’. Features rough doodles on the inside cover.

192pp

644b 1865 - 1878 ‘Brownes Office Diary for 1865’. Contains intermittent records of expenditure, e.g. 4 January “Advanced Mr. Aherne Painter 1.0.0.” On the 4 February “Paid for Books for Master Stephen 0.8.0”. Under the heading for 15 June there is a later note “Sept. 1877 George Grehan Esq. has this day handed me the original; deed of marriage settlement of the late Peter Grehan Esq. dated 15 August 1845. Vesey Daly, 12 Dame Street. Several entries dated throughout 1877 and 1878 follow relating to payments made to Mrs. Patrick Grehan for the upkeep of Mrs. Maraquita Grehan (see /603ff) and expenses incurred in the administration of his late brother’s estate.

105pp

644c 1876 ‘TJ&J Smiths Commercial Scribbling Diary No.8. Contains intermittent records of expenditure - 11 January “Paid Archdeacon his 11 February “Paid Mr. May Music teacher for 4 lessons 1.1.0. Quarter salary

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due for [ ] the h of this month 2.10.0. Enclosed are jotted calculations and some letters relating to finances, including 19 August 1876, a letter from JC O’Callaghan discussing the amount due on his lease with Grehan.

100pp

1.4 Awards and Decorations

645 7 July 1835 B.A. awarded to George Grehan from Trinity College, Dublin.

1 ff

646 20 April 1846 Commission of the Peace awarded to George Grehan.

1 ff

1.5 Memorials and Obituary

647 6 Jan 1886 Envelope labelled “In memory of George Grehan”, containing a covering letter from Edward O’Callaghan, Banteer House, enclosing a poem ‘In memory of George Grehan esq. ‘Clonmeen’.
“He’s gone from our sight
Through the darksome night
To seek a eternal ray
He breathed adieu to the chosen few
Who soothed his parting clay”.

3pp

648 1886 Three bundles of memorial cards for George Grehan, who died 31 Dec. 1885 aged 72.

15 items
2 Peter ([1812] - 1877) and Mary Frances (Maraquita) Grehan (d.1899)

See Also /603ff

2.1 Letters

2.1.1 Letters from Maraquita Grehan to her husband Peter

649  [1876/1877]  From Maraquita at Kilbarrack Lodge, Baldoyle to ‘Pierre’ at Clonmeen, thanking him for his letter and expressing delight that he and George are together. She complains of the dreadful wet weather but adds Fanny (Frances Grehan) is spoiling her by taking such good care of her. Passes on general news about relatives and visitors.

4pp

650  [1877]  From Maraquita expressing her joy at receiving his letter and complaining how lonely she is without him. “I long to see you again, when will you come to me again”. Relates how kind all her friends are being to her and passes on Fanny’s thanks for the flannel which she had made into 3 petticoats for the sick poor. Notes Stephen has gone to Milan (see / 599 ff.).

3pp

2.1.2 Relating to Peter Grehan’s erection of a memorial to his father, Stephen  (d. 7 April 1871).

651  13 Feb. -  Letters concerning the erection of a memorial to the late Stephen Grehan in the Cathedral, Marlborough Street, Dublin. (1) From Thomas Farrell, 106 Glouster Street, to Peter Grehan outlining his proposal for a “mural monument” for the sum they agreed (13 Feb. 1874) (2) Covering letter from George Grehan returning Farrell’s letter above to his brother Peter. He confirms he will pay half the costs but adds if
Margaret Connell (their sister) wishes to contribute £100 he has no objection (22 Feb. 1874) received towards the memorial.

(3) A receipt signed by Thomas Farrell for £50 towards the memorial.

4 items

2.2 Finances

652 16 May 1877 Copy receipts signed by Peter Grehan for £50.6.7 and £39.10.0, instalments of the principal of the mortgage to Grehan on lands in Co. Galway by H. Dolphin, Esquire.

2 items

2.3 Journal of Mary Frances (Maraquita) Grehan

653 1846 Journal begun by Maraquita in August 1846 at the end of a visit to Milan, describing in flowing prose the beautiful scenery of Lombardy. On the 25th she took leave of “La bella Italia loved country, favoured child of nature”. She moves on to describe a journey to Paris “gay metropolis” in January where she visited her cousin Sidnie d’Aconza and his wife Fanny Monat. Writes on leaving “Adieu is always a hard word to say! all my friends called to take leave of me”.

300pp

2.4 Memorial Cards for Peter Grehan

654 1877 Two memorial cards for Peter Grehan who died on the 28 August 1877.

2 items
3  Margaret Grehan

Memorial card for Margaret Grehan, who died 26 September 1868 aged 75.

1p

4  Stephen Grehan (1859 - 1937)

See Also / 595 ff

4.1  Correspondence

4.1.1  With his wife, Esther Chichester

22 April 1882  From Esther Chichester at Old Court, Doneraile to her future husband Stephen Grehan, expressing her delight at his letter “I was feeling so dismal and frightened that your father might prevent you having anything more to say to me”. She is impatient to see him and vows she will not enjoy herself till he arrives adding. “There, you did not think I could be so silly did you”.

4 pp & envelope

23 Sept 1882  From Esther at Old Court, Doneraile discussing travel arrangements for Stephen’s visit on Monday. She has just returned from devotions and high mass at the convent where “I tried hard to be good and not think of you but it was no use”. Passes on regards from her sister Christine, and requests another photograph of him. She and Christine are ready to go to Clonmeen whenever he decides.

4pp

[8] October 1882  Letter from Esther at Old Court, Doneraile telling Stephen she arrived safely and explaining she missed that evenings post. Chides him gently for not having written yesterday “I suppose you were rather busy”. Adds she is very excited at the thought of seeing him on Friday.

4pp

8 Oct. 1882  From Esther discussing her activities and also Stephen’s falling out with her aunt “Irish people are
really unbelievably huffy”. She suggests her aunt may not be “quite easy in her mind”. She had dinner the previous night with Colonel Irvine and Miss Flintley, where her escort, the regiment’s doctor, smelt strongly of tobacco. She chats about general news. Mrs. Barry congratulated her [on her engagement] and she is going to an afternoon dance at the barracks on Monday. On Thursday they will go to the Irwin’s to see Ballyvonare and then onto Mooresfort by train. Requests more photos of him adding her engagement ring is much admired. Closes in a teasing tone.

9 Oct. 1882 From Esther at Old Court teasing Stephen about his missing her. Mrs. Morrough has said they must visit the Franks and she inquires what he wishes to do, “of course by Thursday it will be a long time since I have seen my own old fellow but I don’t want him to go where he does not like”. Closes declaring she is limp for writing letters for three hours.

10 Oct. 1882 From Esther at Old Court consoling Stephen over the quarrel with her aunt, “it is not your fault if she misunderstood you”. Describes the Barracks dance where she had a good time. “I had some capital partners but all the same I could not help wishing that you were there”. Mentions her father is uneasy at not having heard from the Grehans.

11 Oct. 1882 From Esther at Old Court returning the watch chains Stephen sent, after choosing her favourite “I have always wanted a watch chain and you are a dear old fellow to have sent me one”. She is very impatient to see him again and writes at her distress when the housemaid threw out the rosebud he had given her, which she was holding on to as a keepsake.

12 Oct. 1882 From Esther at Old Court discussing Stephen’s reluctance to come to a party and enclosing a letter sent to him by his Aunt Maraquita. She understands his unwillingness to attend the party agreeing it is unpleasant to be “trolled out”. She has also resolved not to go, and has asked Christine to take up the partners she promised dances with at the barracks. Closes urging him to make sure his father feels better before he comes on Saturday. Enclosed letter (8 October 1882) from Maraquita Grehan congratulating Stephen on his engagement and teasing him on getting caught. She knew Esther’s mother and sister, and also her father Colonel
Chichester, whom she respected and whose brother was a particular friend of her brother Henry. Inquires after his father.

18 Oct. 1882 From Esther at Old Court reassuring Stephen that he need not feel uneasy at not hearing from her father, Colonel Chichester, who is at present travelling to Rome. She feels sure he will write once he reaches Rome. Mentions she has heard from the curate in Doneraile that the farmers there signed a petition to prevent hunting on their land. She speaks of their forthcoming wedding commenting on Harry’s letter, “it really ought to be preserved as a specimen of congratulating epistle”. She plans to spend her day working on her curtain border and thinking of him, “It is such a relief Stephen, if I get a little frightened because it seems dark leaving the old life that I know - to feel that you are worth it”.

20 Oct. 1882 From Esther at Old Court thanking Stephen for the violets and the little bottle he sent and discussing marriage plans. She assumes he could not work out the address from the postcard her father sent, but adds it is better to wait to write until he returns. She wishes they could marry quietly without all the fuss and assures him she will not be discussing their plans with others. She explains that when her father said he did not feel the engagement was settled and questioned Stephen’s ability to support her she became afraid, but Stephen put her at ease. Closes remarking on a visit to the Barrack to see Mrs. Hamilton and Mrs. Hendly and teases, her Aunt from London has heard such good things about him she is afraid of his perfections.

20 Oct. 1882 From Esther at Old Court, thanking Stephen for the photographs, although she feels the shading is a little too dark. Apologies for the swiftness of her letter and teases him sentimentally about the content of his.

22 Oct. 1882 From Esther at Old Court discussing plans for Stephen to visit. Mr. Morrough will be delighted to stable his horse if his wishes to come for the
Esther herself is caught between missing him and delight that she will see him soon. Teases she is not impressed by his claims of hard work as she has heard a man with nothing to do is always in a hurry. She advises him to bring his tennis shoes as the Hamiltons will be coming to lunch and play. Afterwards they can chat in the evening “two straight back opposite each other will do as well as a sofa with a barricade”.

668 26 Oct. 1882 From Esther at Old Court telling Stephen she unpacked her first wedding gift but won’t describe it as he can see it when he arrives. She misses him greatly and states because of this her card game is suffering. Describes how she dreamt of their wedding where a large crowd insisted he go and attend to some business after the ceremony.

669 27 Oct. 1882 From Esther at Old Court discussing a list of roses she wants and the coldness of the weather. She teases him about his lack of insight into women, joking if she had accepted a previous suitor “you might have escaped your present fate”. Discusses wedding presents they have received and mentions she read and enjoyed Middlemarch.

670 28 Oct. 1882 From Esther at Old Court thanking Stephen for the violets and music scores he sent. She wishes she could play well as it would make the evenings less dull for him. She was pleased to read he finds Clonmeen a little dull without her. Lady Doneraile questioned her closely about her plans for Clonmeen to which she replied, there would be time for that when she lived there. Her own plan is to make Stephen’s home as happy as she can. Mentions the need for some cupboards for her paints and workboxes, adding documents should be put up in the den.

671 29 Oct. 1882 From Esther at Old Court informing Stephen that she received a letter from her father who will be in Ireland on the 10th, but will be busy travelling as he has rents to collect. She presumes he will call to Cork first. She hopes the improvement in the weather has cheered Stephen, bad weather also depresses her “what a lovely pair we shall be on a wet day”. She has received more letters of congratulations, some very complimentary about him. Teases he does not know the life she will lead him of “The Taming of the Shrew”.

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672  29 Oct. 1882  Esther at Old Court to Stephen. She guesses he went hunting yesterday, as he would find it difficult to resist on such a fine day. She plans to show him their presents when he arrives and also a painting by her which she teases he is expected to find pretty. Inquires if he has bought a drawing horse yet as in future they could drive to hunts. Closes remarking she has been rereading his letters “very pleasant Sunday literature”, and that she will be playing bezique that night and so will be unable to stay up and stare into the fire.

673  30 Oct. 1882  From Esther at Old Court, Doneraile explaining her father’s itinerary. She also mentions an office desk they might purchase and speaks in sentimental tones about how much she misses him, and how Mrs. Morrough can annoy her mind by talking about Clonmeen. Closes with a series of Kisses “I don’t give them on paper - it does not make me hot”.

674  31 Oct. 1882  From Esther at Old Court thanking Stephen for his letter and discussing arrangements for her trip to Tipperary. She has decided not to go to Cork and will get her teeth looked at in London, so he will have to go on his own. She is leaving for Tipperary the next day where her address will be c/o A. Moore M.P., Mooresfort, Tipperary, where she plans to stay for a fortnight. She wonders what Stephen is doing and confesses she longs to see him so much it hurts. She has been getting nervous again and nearly broke a candlestick after starting at nothing. Closes saying she is expecting a long letter to make up for his last short one.

675  1 Nov. 1882  Incomplete letter from Esther at Old Court detailing her father’s address and describing much she enjoys his letters and picturing him writing to her. She refutes any charge of silliness “do you think that I shall ever get tired of hearing that I have won such a love as yours”. He had told her that perhaps her nature might be cold “it was so frightening to think the power might be there but that you could not touch it ..... it was only an icy barrier and it won’t be there for you again darling”. Adds she is now embarrassed at what she has written.

676  2 Nov. 1882  From Esther at Mooresfort describing her stay to Stephen. Her nephew and his nurse are the only
guests besides herself along with Mrs. Moore and her children “jolly little monkeys”. She has to stay at least a week but plans to return to Old Court where she can see him next Saturday and from where they may be able to travel together. Her father plans to stay in Dublin until the wedding and wishes to see as much of her as he can. She teases him regarding to name of his new horse ‘Patience’, “you are not overburdened with that virtue”.

6 pp & envelope

677 3 Nov. 1882 From Esther at Mooresfort explaining to Stephen that she received a long letter from her father and does not expect him over before the end of the month. Her father also directed Stephen to begin drawing up the necessary papers. She knows he doesn’t want to marry before Christmas so there is no rush. She advises him on his new grate, stating the most economical is the claw combustion. The wet weather has her depressed and she has chilblains on her feet which are driving her distracted.

5pp

678 6 Nov. 1882 From Esther at Mooresfort, she expects Stephen to arrive on Friday but not before as he must have his pheasant shoot. Apologises for missing the post.

3pp

679 7 Nov. 1882 From Esther at Mooresfort assuring Stephen she is over the upset caused by her father’s letter. Muses on the little time they will have together before the wedding and discusses her plans to go to London. Adds it is as well he isn’t coming soon as there was a row amongst the servants and “the footman and housemaid are to be packed off”.

4 pp & envelope

680 9 Nov. 1882 From Esther at Old Court expressing how disappointed she was not to receive a letter from him “but did not like to say anything about it for fear you should feel bound to write when it bored you”. Congratulates him on distinguishing himself at a recent shoot and says how proud of him she is. She hopes “that the Morroughs will go to Cork on Saturday and leave you to my tender mercies for the whole day”.

4 pp & envelope
12 Nov. 1882 From Esther at Old Court informing Stephen she met Miss Barry who met him at Buttervant, looking very cold. The next two meets are at the Franks place and Dromore and Esther will not be able to go as she does not have a chaperone, ‘isn’t it a nuisance when I will be a qualified chaperone in two months’. She received a letter from Josie White and remarks Mrs Croker of Bybloxe “has at last succeeded in congratulating me”. Declares how much she misses him.

4 pp & envelope

14 Nov. 1882 From Esther at Old Court writing hastily as she is about to leave for lunch. She explains she will not be able to get to any of the meets unless they are within walking distance as Mrs. Morrough will not go. Adds Mrs. Morrough as expected gave her a gold bracelet.

3pp & envelope

15 Nov. 1882 From Esther at Old Court explaining she wishes Stephen was going with her to Dublin, but she is unsure if it would be proper for them to do so. Mentions Miss Coltsmore and Miss Sampson have arrived to stay with Mrs. Russell. She hopes the Barrys will offer to drive her to the meet where she could see Stephen “got up in your hunting war paint”. She has been offered the use of a wedding veil which will cover her from head to foot and teases that he will have to peek underneath to see if he has the right person. Adds Mrs. Morrough will be walking with her to the convent that morning but that she would much rather go on her own.

5 pp & envelope

16 Nov. 1882 From Esther at Old Court informing Stephen that she has heard from Miss White and they will travel over to London together. She hopes he can defer going to Dublin until after she comes back on December 8, so that they can spend some time together. Chats about general news and visitors adding she is apprehensive as she forgot to wear her ring yesterday.

7 pp & envelope

17 Nov. 1882 From Esther at Old Court discussing her trip to London. She is pleased to have Josie White as a travelling companion as she doesn’t like to travel by herself at night. She has heard they will have not trouble in getting a dispensation to marry before the Epiphany, but wonders would Stephen prefer to stay with his father for New Year. Her own father she
adds has no sentimental attachments to any part of the year. She makes plans for his next visit requesting him to bring lots of music and complains she is being teased for her mooning over him.

686 17 Nov. 1882 From Esther at Old Court explaining she received a note from his sister Constance inquiring about the Grehan crest and motto. She has had a dismal afternoon as rain meant she could not go outside, and has been working like a “galley slave” at her new border. She is looking forward to seeing him and gives Constance’s address at Lough Evrett, Loughglynn, Co. Roscommon.

4pp & envelope

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687 18 Nov. 1882 From Esther at Oldcourt expressing her delight with Stephen’s plans as they will have more time together. She mentions she does not know what his standard of a good figure is, but that Miss Coltsman’s (who just arrived) does not come up to hers although “she is pretty she has such colouring”.

Gives general news, the cart from the station just passed the window and she can see two parcels for her. She has a cold and Mrs. Morrough is insisting on her coddling herself.

7 pp & envelope

688 27 Nov. 1882 From Esther in London, apologising for having missed the post, as she was shopping with her Aunt. She spent /10 on cabs “that’s awful extravagance for me”. She is eagerly anticipating their wedding and has chosen a dress of white satin and brocade. She picked out lace as he instructed her to but was not sure how much to spend “I am in the dark as to what you can afford”. The lace she saw was £70 and £40 which she feels is far too much to spend. “I prize a loving word of yours more than any present you can give me”.

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689 30 Nov. 1882 From Esther writing from 58 Brompton Square, London, discussing the qualities of old lace. Girls don’t wear it, but married women do and she feels it will give her a “cachet of matronliness” which his wife should have. She
is delighted that he will purchase some of her choosing but promises not to be extravagant. Adds she has £1000 worth of securities invested in her own name, and some small sums invested and that she will soon have 200 more to invest.

690 1 Dec. 1882 From Esther at 58 Brompton Square, describing her despair when as the post was late and she thought she wouldn’t receive a letter from him. She has been to get her ears pierced and almost fainted, “it is quite a sacrifice of principle all for your sake - you thought earrings would suit me”. She moves on to discuss financial matters, she believes herself free to do as she wishes with her assets so he can invest them as he sees fit adding, it is best to get everything settled properly so that when they are married it will not come between them. She feels “married people should be one as far as their different natures will allow”. Mocks that it is rare to hear herself talking sense. Inquires when the doctors predict his father will be able to travel.

8 pp & envelope

691 2 Dec. 1882 From Esther at 58 Brompton Square, detailing plans for her return to Ireland and their meeting. She is worried about his health “the poor little kitten is anxious” and enquires does he enjoy her letters, adding how nice it is to know he is thinking of her. She went to see ‘Much Ado About Nothing’ and urges him to read it. She has heard Cis won’t be coming to their wedding and hopes she changes her mind. Requests him to pass on her news to her (brother) Raleigh whom she is glad Stephen met.

7 pp & envelope

692 3 Dec. 1882 From Esther at 58 Brompton Square, to Stephen passing on her news. She is writing in the drawing room after dinner tired from playing “dumbercanbo”. She lost her purse with £1 in it from her muff at the Oratory and wrote to Scotland Yard but does not expect to get it back. General Herbert is going to bring them the next day to see the Queen pass on her way to open the Law Courts. Mentions Captain Vaughan told her how Sir C. Wolesly came to town last season to look for a heiress and was introduced to two such, the Miss Murphy’s “vulgar but pretty”. He felt in love, but had the reputation of a fortune hunter and was rejected. He is
now distraught and Esther remarks she is interested to see any
developments. Closes telling Stephen how much she is looking
forward to seeing him.

693  7 Dec. 1882  From Esther at 58 Brompton Square, giving general
news. She received a letter from her Aunt
marked “private” which gave her a start, but the
matter concerned someone else. She instructs him to send a cheque for £70 to
her sister Constance, who will pay Haywood’s for the lace, adding her
departure is delayed, waiting her purchases to arrive and by the threat
of snow. Writes of how she enjoys reading his letters in the evenings
while her Aunt Amy plays music. She is sharing a room with her Aunt and
they chat so much ‘I get no beauty sleep’. Instructs him not to meet her off
the boat as she will be looking ‘as yellow as a guinea’. She plans to spend
the evening at benediction and confession at the Oratory

To Stephen Grehan from his wife Esther, post marriage

694  13 Jan 1883  Letter from Esther Grehan to her husband Stephen
describing her arrival at Mooresfort, “great
disappointment your not with me”. She plans to
return early on Monday with her Aunt Amy. She has only coughed once
since her arrival but promises to see a doctor if it persists.

695  19 Jan 1883  From Esther Grehan at the Hotel du Nord, Paris,
affectionately expressing her anxiety at having
heard no word from Stephen in Dublin. She was
seasick but is now feeling well “I have scarcely coughed at all”.

696  22 Jan 1883  From Esther at the Hotel du Nord, Paris to Stephen
describing her health and how much she misses
him. Remarks it is curious that she received neither
of his telegrams. She feels much better and has recovered her
appetite. She hopes to dine out at a cafe as it is so dull in the hotel by
herself. She misses him greatly and looks forward to his arrival.

697  23 Jan 1883  From Esther at the Hotel du Nord to Stephen
commenting another day is nearly over and she is a
day nearer to seeing him. Remarks how much she
enjoys his letters. She went to a cafe for lunch and walked to the Rue de
Brisole. John invited her out to dine that evening but she feels it is too cold
and that she would not enjoy it without Stephen being there. Declares that
when he arrives they must do like the French and have separate beds,
"you
are
and I could never fit into mine". She is feeling much better but things
very quiet. Mentions plans for visiting.

698  24 Jan 1883  From Esther at the Hotel du Nord, much relieved
after receiving letter from Stephen "it was very
wrong of you not to telegraph when you promised".
However she has resolved not to be anxious as it makes her ill. Her
appetite is back and she had a very good chicken and champagne.
lunch at 1.30 and will dine again at 6. Explains she stays in her room
as she doesn’t feel up to being with the Murphys yet. Although she went
out for half an hours walk with John and feels the better of it. She is
determined to be quite strong on his return and details how much she
misses him, and how eager she is for his return.

699  28 Sept. 1885  From Esther Grehan at the Hotel Buol, Davos,
Switzerland, to her husband Stephen acknowledging
his telegram and detailing her news. She has not
put Elizabeth next door as her coughing might keep her awake. Since she
been taking the quinine she has felt much better and the giddiness is gone.
She plans to order handkerchiefs as it is much cheaper to get them
embroidered there than in Ireland. Comments on the great excitement
over the elections and the Conservative successes. There is to be a
fancy
dress ball at the Belveder on the 15th but she has resolved to go only if
he
is there to take her. Requests him to bring some game with him. Adds
she has no news as she doesn’t care to do things without him. Requests that he telegraph when he reaches Rutland Square so that she will know all is well, and adds she hopes his talks with the tenants work out.

700 24 Nov. 1885 From Esther at the Hotel Buol, complaining she misses Stephen deeply and has lost her appetite “my room seems so dull and lonely without you”. Adds she lent 12 of the “first plates” [photographic] in return for 12 of “Pagels make”. Bemoans the fact he had to return home to help his father. Mentions she proposes to buy skates from Mrs. Dwyer for £1.19.0. if he has no objection

701 25 Nov. 1885 From Esther at the Hotel Buol exclaiming, “two letters today from my darling” and expressing how much she misses him. Discusses domestic matters and her health. Her legs are weak and she has been getting dizzy spells. Requests that he bring out quinine to her. Gives news of the children’s activities and assures him is not forgotten by them. In an intimate tone she again stresses how much she misses him. Closes “bye bye little man”.

702 27 Nov. 1885 From Esther, Hotel Buol, Davos, expressing her deep disappointment at hearing that Stephen will be delayed in joining her and declaring she cannot enjoy herself without him. She instructs him to purchase skates for when he does come out. Her health is improving and she describes the children’s’ dancing class. Encloses (a negative) to have a print made, adding the one of Mrs. Madden was underexposed.

703 29 Nov. 1885 From Esther, Hotel Buol, good humouredly chastising Stephen for complaining that her letters were too short. She deliberately includes all the days trivia “I went out for church and wore my mackintosh”, adding “it is dull my dear boy, unutterably dull”. Details her finances and instructs him to buy envelopes, a tea cloth, green chartreuse and curaco. Bemoans the lack of Guinness porter.
From Esther, Hotel Buol, responding to Stephen’s letter detailing his father’s health. Mentions she is thinking of sending Elizabeth [the maid] home, 3rd class, and that the baby gained ½ lb. Promises to send on a report after the doctor examines her legs. She is eating and sleeping well, but misses him deeply and is very lonely.

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From other family members

4.1.2 From Maraquita Grehan

Letter to Stephen Grehan from his Aunt Maraquita, 19 Rutland Square, Dublin thanking him for the partridge he sent and his amusing account of a trip to the Opera in Cork. Gives news of relatives and mutual friends, remarking on the “charming weather”.

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Letter to Stephen Grehan from Maraquita at Ballyhack, sending her best wishes for a Happy New Year and wishing him long life to see his grandchildren. She thanks him for the presents he sent and remarks on visitors who called.

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Letter to Stephen Grehan from Maraquita, Ramsgate, Kent, thanking him for the photograph of his “dear little girls”. Chats about short trips she made and visitors who called. Inquires if he had a good view of the Queens procession. She passes on good wishes to his wife Esther and requests news of family and acquaintances.

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4.1.3 From Lizzie Lawless

From Lizzie Lawless (Stephen’s cousin) 23 Haberstock Hill, London, reporting on the state of their Aunt Maraquita’s health. She encloses a letter to Stephen from Maraquita “to show how well she is, the only thing is that she is not always so”. Discusses the doctors report, and mentions her dog who is suffering from rheumatism.
From Lizzie Lawless updating Stephen on Maraquita’s health. There is no change “her mind is just as bad as ever’. She details who have and have not visited, remarking Christmas was very dull. The new fashion for Christmas cards that season was “to send your visiting card with good wishes inside it”. Comments Maraquita wears out the priests attending her.

From Lizzie Lawless reporting the stronger Maraquita gets the more she resists her food. “She has been out of her mind since the 1st of October of course”, adding, “she cannot be got off her knees as the Blessed Sacraments is under her flesh. She does not know anyone more than the first minute”. Maraquita’s health took a bad turn but her senses returned in time for a priest to administer last rites.

4.1.4 Relating to Charles Raleigh Chichester

25 March 1897 From C.R. Chichester in [ ] bringing Stephen up to date on events. He has been on a bush shoot with “a party of fools” which he went on against his better judgement it being 100° in the shade. “However I took my boy with me to carry my gun I carried a sunshade”. Nevertheless he was ill from the sun, the plans to be in Ireland in August and tells Stephen to inform Esther, “it is a lucky thing that we have not yet arrived to that period when women will sit in parliament and husbands nurse the baby”. He chides her humorously for saying it will take him only 6 months to get his law degree. He requests Grehan to write to Mr. Thomas Mayne, Parliament of Dublin, to inquire if he received Charles order of November 4th as he has not replied to it. He hopes to get in some rifle shooting but “it much depends on the stake of the Governors liver”. (A note added on the 31st states the Governors liver is in a “dreadful state”). Encloses a Bill of Exchange.

18-27 Dec. 1922 Letter to Stephen Grehan from O’Keeffe and Lynch, Solicitors enclosing a Rental Account from the estate of Patrick Balfe, deceased with a cheque for £1.19.2. Also receipt from The National Bank, Kanturk acknowledging the lodgement of £1.9.3 by Grehan to the account of C.R. Chichester, Woodville, St. Peters, Jersey.
**4.1.5 From Magda Grehan**

712 23 July 1897

Telegram from Magda and her mother Esther to Stephen Grehan “First Jubilee Telegram sent from Shelbourne”.

**4.1.6 From Kathleen Grehan**

713 17 June [1917]

From Kathleen Ryan (née Grehan), St. Leonard’s, Church Square, St. Kilda, detailing her travel plans to her father Stephen. She hopes to meet her husband Dick, the following week but cautions their plans are always subject to instantaneous changes. They may leave their son Ritchie for a while to follow on with his nurse when they have secured rooms. If her father got away before the big raid, promises to ring when she meets Dick, so he won’t have to wait for the mail.

714 2 July 1917

Letter card from Kathleen at the S.A. Hotel, Adelaide, to her father, explaining she has been halted on her way to see Dick and hopes to meet up with him in 10 days time. Complains she was given very little information on which to make such an expensive trip, and is unsure whether to bring Ritchie any further. Adds the Governor’s Private Secretary has been very helpful to them.

715 19 Oct 1918

From Kathleen Ryan, in Elizabeth Bay, Sydney, explaining Dick (her husband) will take the letter with him “how little we dreamt of not going home together”. It is especially trying as she is expecting “a much waited for addition to the family”. She had a small operation, the anaesthetic from which made her ill. “I went through a lot and have not been at all well so far”, but muses if she had been feeling well she would probably have taken the risk of going home and being torpedoed. Gives general news of their activities commenting, she finds it maddening being stuck in Australia.
because of the war and remarks on how lucky Magda and George are together. Closes hoping they will soon be all together.
London and our men had lost them in the clouds, but they found them again and then the firing started and I ran home”. A few days afterwards she heard the firing of the large guns on the coast of Flanders, and has heard them often since. She is glad that Stevie (Major S.A. Grehan) is safe in Egypt commenting, “I am often pleased to think that ones dear old people did not live to see those times”.

4.1.9 General Letters

718 12 Oct 1882 Letter to Stephen Grehan, from Kitt Mooney, Osberstown, Naas reporting on farm work in had “all continue will & at present satisfactory”.

719 11 Feb. 1890 From William Sheppart, Churchtown, Dundrum, Dublin, clarifying mistakes in the order of trees he sent to Clonmeen and questioning if Grehan’s gardener read the labels correctly. He suggests damage by rabbits was the main course of the failure of the trees to thrive. Adds he wasted 3 days as the ground was not ready for planting and feels the least Grehan could do is to pay his expenses down to check for rabbit damage.

720 24 Jan 1901 Postcard in French from Isidoro Sebella and Co., Trevisio detailing travel arrangements and the cost for a journey from Milan to Paris.

721 14 Mar 1914 From [ ] Monkhouse, R.A. Mess, Woolwich informing Stephen Grehan that the adjutant at the academy stated that “young Grehan was a jolly good lad and very smart as his drill as well as his work and sparks”. The writer cautions Grehan not to tell his son Stevie.

722 21 Nov. 1916 Letter from Godfrey Pike, Ringacoltig, Rushbrooke, Co. Cork, passing on news of Stephen’s son Stevie. He saw him several times in October when he looked thin but well, adding the front they were on, is a very quiet one
“unless the Bulgars withdraw, I think our activities will be confined to demonstrations”. However he is not optimistic about leave being granted as they are left very short of troops due to illness. Stevie was he says, quite happy but fed up with the war and was shooting a lot of partridges. Closes with good wishes for Grehan’s shoot at French Park and again reassures him that Stevie could not be on a quieter front.

31 Jan 1917
Letter from William Keating, Principal Chaplain, British Salonika Force, refuting Grehan’s claim that there are no chaplains in the 26th division.

He asserts that there are 3, but as they have to cater to the Divisional Troops also they are spread over a very large area. However he will bring Grehan’s complaint to the attention of the Chaplain and hopes that in future his son (Stevie) will be well looked after. He has seen the appeal to the Irish Hierarchy (which Grehan signed) calling for more chaplains and hopes it will bear fruit. They are at present 19 men short of the war office allowance for chaplains while in France the figure is 87.

23 Jan 1922
Letter from Denis Lyons, Croom House, Co. Limerick thanking Stephen Grehan for the pleasant visit and complimenting him on arranging such a cheery wedding. Promises to have everything ready for Magda’s arrival. Mentions he has had a letter from his son who has just started school and delights in it. Closes “in great haste on a hunting morning”.

25 July 1925
From Barbara Wright, International Palace, Carlton Hotel, Auvergne enclosing photographs taken in Paris which she had promised to send on to Stephen Grehan. Discusses her holiday plans, at present due to bad weather “we live at the movies all day long”. Closes inviting him to meet in Paris Winter. Enclosed two black and white photographs.

[19 ]
From John Olivant, Elliols, Nuthurst, Horsham, Sussex replying to Grehan’s letter and giving news of himself. He is kept busy “trying to avoid soldering and to start me farm”, which he has been hindered by a lack of
capital. At present he is on half pay and hoping to retire. Mentions he was judging recently at Aldershot which he enjoyed, but he heard little news of any mutual friend. He describes a fortnight in August he spent “missing grouse”, but adds he is mainly occupied by “prosaic” affairs.

727 Postcard from L. Beamish, Ashgrove, Queenstown, (Cobh Co. Cork) describing a mixture of oats, peas and spring vetches to be used as a fertiliser.

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4.2 Diaries

The diaries kept by Stephen Grehan preserved here evolved a very distinct style and format. There is little or no personal information, but rather a terse record of events without commentary. Pre 1900 diaries record a busy round of visits and visitors, interspersed with travel and hunt meets. Post 1900 (after the death of his wife Esther) the diaries became more a record of hunting and race meets, a record of the hire of servants and their handing in of notice, daily notes on the weather and a record of important dates around the farm such as sowing and harvesting. The diary for 1877 features a series of entries by Stephen’s cousin Lizzie Lawless, pretending to be Stephen while he was away on a European Tour. On his return he comments “all that has been written for the last month is the most utter nonsense I ever saw”.

728 1870 ‘Carrolls Scribbling Diary’ kept by Stephen Grehan junior, “19 Rutland Square North”. Intermittent entries record note worthy events and daily activities. 3 January “Went to drive in the park at half past 12 and came back at 2 o’clock”. 11 January ‘Went to the pantomime with the Gallways and Papa’. 6 June ‘Came to the county’. The volume is in poor condition, with pages loose and torn.

29pp

729 1874 ‘Small Scribbling Diary with Almanack’ kept by Stephen Grehan. The entries (some of which are in French) record routine activities in an erratic hand e.g. 15 January “H.O.B went away. Took a ride on Dolly. Had schoolmaster for first time after Christmas. Went to shoot for a while. Got nothing”. The most enthusiastic entries describing hunting and fishing which were the dominant activities undertaken.

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<td>1875</td>
<td>Diary as above, the main bulk of the entries relate to his shooting and fishing activities. 22 January “Frost last night. Went on mountain. Shot 3 cock, 3 snipe missed a lot of snipe. Gave pup a walk about before going”.</td>
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<td>1876</td>
<td>T. J. &amp; J. Smiths Small Scribbling Diary, containing entries of daily activities which in January still included piano lessons. Most detailed entries are reserved for accounts of hunts. 17 November “Hounds at Liscarrol. Found at Cloneis and had a nice ring about 2 miles very fast back to Cloneis. Whips horse broke its back. Tullylease blank. Four at Kilbareher (Freemount) ran by Kilbarry without calling on to Aughrim and back to Cloneis. Nearly five miles 26 minutes”. The writing is in difficult.</td>
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<td>1877</td>
<td>Diary as above with daily entries recording activities and visitors, mainly details of hunts etc. Some personal entries. From the 8 June to the 2 July entries are written by his cousin Lizzie Lawless e.g. 8 June “A very happy day Lizzie came, how sorry I shall be when she goes away”, 15 June “Came home nearly fainted at the station when Lizzie did not meet me. Thought she was at the house, drove frantically home got a great shock when found she had driven to Mallow when she came felt much better, eat and slept well as per usual”. Lizzie then gives up her pretence of writing as Stephen and records her own activities. This ceases when Stephen returns home from his European Tour and writes “all that has been written for the last month is the most utter nonsense I ever saw”. Notes on expenditure at rear.</td>
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<td>1878</td>
<td>Renshaw’s Diary with Almanack. Contains daily entries some gaps, the earliest weeks in German; concerning hunting and shoots also first steps into the social circuit. 17 January ‘Dined and slept at Longueville’. Some personal entries 29 March ‘Should have gone to Buttermant Ball but richly deserved to lose what I did by my laziness in not doing so’. 20 July ‘Lizzie and husband left by 10.45’. In October he visits Paris. Notes at rear on fish catches.</td>
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734 1879  
T. J. & J. Smiths Small Scribbling Diary, containing daily entries by Stephen Grehan and some jottings in French. The terse entries record hunt shoots and social events. 10 January “Went to Cork for Coal Fund Ball, very good”.

110pp

735 1880  
Diary as above containing daily entries which reflect his increasing involvement in the running of Clonmeen Estate. 15 January “Engaged Con the Cooper as caretaker at Coolroe Wood at 4/ a week”; Involvement in local government, 11 March “Attended Grand Jury”. 16 March “Grand Jury discharged very stupid work is awfully glad its over.” Also records the first meeting with his future wife, 4 August. “At Frenchpark, Miss E. Chichester came”.

110pp

736 1881  
Diary as above containing terse daily entries recording hunts, shoots and other activities. 12 January “Had rhubarb for first time” (no comment on whether or not he enjoyed it). Features notes and jottings in French at “good restaurant in Paris Margery Boulevard Bonne Nouvelle”, and at rear notes including “Cure for diahorrea in Calves”.

110pp

737 1882  
Diary as above with terse daily entries of routine activities. Mentions Esther Chichester again, 19 September (at Rathmoyle) “Something occurred”. 26 September (After a visit to Old Court, Doneraile). “Esther and Christine are back to Clonmeen”, 3 Oct. “Esther & I rode after breakfast to see trees blown down at Fermoyle”. Feature notes at front of barometer readings and addresses, and at rear notes include a recipe “mush for working horses”.

108pp

738 1883  
Francis Guys Scribbling Diary. There are large gaps in the terse series of entries. 8 January “married”. On 21 February “arrived in Venice from Florence”. Latter half contains more of the usual entries, with slightly less hunting featured. Contains at rear a list of silver dated 15 June 1883.

106pp
739 1884  Purcell & Co. Commercial Scribbling Diary containing daily entries following the usual format. Many relate to estate management e.g. 7 February, “Healy caught Mary Riordan breaking branches near school house”. Also records noteworthy events - 6 May “Miss Grehan born at 2.20 p.m. all well”. Some pages are loose. 106pp

740 1885  Diary as above containing terse daily entries with a list of address’s at front. Opens with usual round of hunts and records noteworthy events - 15 April “Prince and Princess went to Cork. Splendid reception. I came home by 12.20 train. Lord Spencer came by same train from Dublin. He was well received at Mallow”. 13 July “Miss Magda Grehan born this morning at 1.30 am”. 21 July “Esther had chicken and claret for dinner. First solid food”. 90pp

741 1887  Small Scribbling Diary with Almanack containing terse daily entries by Stephen Grehan recording activities, visits and visitors. Opens with notes on hunts and farm management. Includes 4 February “Miss Kathleen Grehan born at 10.00 p.m. weighed 6 ¾ lbs”. He attended Ascot 2-10 June, followed by a gap in entries. 105pp

742 1888  Guys Diary, containing daily entries opening with hunting in Galway in January. Entries include- 4 May “Attended meeting re factory (milk) at Mallow”. 6 May “Fished all day Esther hooked one. I did nothing”. Social events included 18 July ‘Militia dance in Mallow, Capital’. 4 August “Whole family of Grehans” and five servants went to Tramore via Mallow, Lismore and Waterford started at 12.20p.m. and arrived at 7.35 p.m. “Awful hard days work, glad its over”. Notes at front recording charities subscribed to and at rear record of rabbits killed and sold. 130pp

743 1889  Diary as above, daily entries recording round of hunts, shoots and social and other events. 2 March “Attended Petty Sessions Esther and Cis”. 30 March “Great function - opening of Banteer and Newmarket railway came to Banteer all the Newmarket Court House Party. Lady Mary opening
line, driving home the last ball with silver hammer. Then we went to
Newmarket and had a large lunch”. 3 June 1889 “Coach party to
Killarney Mr. and Mrs. Walks, Lt. and Mrs. Hans White, Christine
Chichester, Miss Carbery, Miss Williamson, A. Webb, Col. Clifford”. Features rabbit account at rear.

130pp

744 1890  Diary as above containing terse daily entries
recording activities, visits and visitors. Some
personal entries e.g. 22 February “I sprained my
thigh and had a horrid painful ride home”. 14 April “Miss Eileen
Christine Mary Grehan was born at 5.30 am”, followed by 24 April
“Esther sat up in bed” and 27 April “Esther got up and lay on a
sofa in her room”. Features rabbit account at rear.

126pp

745 1891  Diary as above, containing terse daily entries
recording activities, visits and visitors. Longest
entries are reserved for descriptions of hunts.
Includes 24 November “Foundations of new house marked out”. Features
notes of front as to hospitals due donations under his father’s will, and at
rear a rabbit account.

129pp

746 1892  T.J. & J. Smiths Small Scribbling Diary, containing
brief daily entries recording hunts, shoots,
visits, visitors and general activities. Notes on 2
January, after a dance “rather a head, drink must have been bad last
night”. On the 7 July he attended the Cork Agricultural Show “very good
New buildings very successful”. Features rabbit account at rear.

127pp

747 1893  Letts No. 33 Rough diary with daily entries of
recording hunts, shoots, visit, visitors and occasions
of note. The year begins, 1 January “At
Mooresfort for Sir C. Clifford’s 80th birthday today”. On 6 January an
occurred “Arthur Allyott shot himself in left wrist. I took him
and wired for Dr. Hobart who took off the hand”. He also
interest in politics - 1 April “Went to Cork Anti Home Rule Meeting”
followed by 8 April “Went to Dublin by 12.30 for Unionist meeting to
hear Balfour. Great meeting Leinster Hall about 7000 people. Most
enthusiastic.” However some activities were not as pleasing 22 May
“Banteer Sports. Beastly nuisance”.

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<td>Letts No. 33 Rough Diary containing terse daily entries by covering the usual topics, with the most detailed entries describing hunting activities.</td>
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<td>1896</td>
<td>Diary as above containing usual terse entries, with several references to his wife’s health e.g. 18 April “I took Esther to 19 Lower Mount Street, a private hospital for treatment by Dr Malcom” Mentions estate duties, 29 May “I collected rents at Coolroemore fair day about £50”. On the 19 June he took part in the Queenstown (Cobh Co. Cork) Regatta “I sailed on board Satanita. Most splendid sail I ever had in my life. We won by 2 minutes”.</td>
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<td>1897</td>
<td>Diary as above, with usual brief entries, some large gaps in sequence. Some references to religious attendance e.g. 16 April Good Friday “After lunch the children and I walked to Church and did stations”. The family took a foreign holiday that year, staying at Bâle and Davros in November, Klosters in December and returning to Davros for Christmas. Rabbit account at rear.</td>
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<td>1898</td>
<td>Diary as above with brief daily entries. The year opens with the family still in Klosters, January 20 “Had a cricket match on skates on the lake”. In April they travelled to Geneva, on to Lyon, Toulouse and Lourdes. After touring through Bordeaux they returned to Cork via London on the 13th May. Rabbit account at rear.</td>
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| 1899 | Diary as above with daily entries of events and activities. 13 January “After lunch May and Magda and Amy Chichester and I went to a children’s
party (!) given by Mrs Gus (Longfield) at Mallow. They enjoyed it muchly. I did my duty like a man”. They went abroad on the 23 March arriving at Biarritz on the 28 April and Lourdes on the 24 May “very crowded and impressive” returning home on the 12 June. Notes 22 September “Took Stevie (Stephen A. Grehan) his first coach drive”. There are references throughout to Esther’s poor health. Rabbit account at rear with receipts from John Lowry Fish Game and Poultry Salesman, Manchester.


755 1901 Diary as above with usual brief daily entries. Rabbit account at rear and interleaving blotting paper has been reused for letters.

756 1902 Diary as above with usual brief daily entries. On the 19 July “The four girls arrived from school - May for good grown up!! How old I feel quite decrepit”.

757 1903 Diary as above with brief daily entries recording activities and events. 25 February “Ash Wed. pottered about and starved”. 19 August “May, Magda and I and Louisa maid went to Moores Hotel Cork for ball at assembly rooms. Magda’s first dance. She enjoyed it, I was much bored”. Rabbit and game account at rear.

758 1904 Diary as above with brief daily entries recording activities and events. In March they set out for Naples, moving onto Athens, Constantinople and then arriving at Jerusalem via Beyrout and Jaffa. On the 29 March, they visited the Jordan “filthy river” and on 3 April, Easter Sunday, “We were
lucky enough to hear 2 masses in the Holy Sepulchre itself. About 7 am
then we had to literally fight our way out”. They left Jerusalem on the 28
April, reaching Naples on the 19. They visited Tripoli on the 28 and
Tunis on the 2 May “French time is kept which is confusing as it is 1 ½
hours behind meridian time absurd”. The return journey brought them
through Genoa on the 7 May, arriving back in Ireland on the 23. Rabbit
account at rear, blotting paper reused.

759 1905 Diary as above, daily entries recording events and
activities including race meets with an increasing
number at shoots. On 30 August “Sun Solar Eclipse
12.30 to 1.20”. Christmas was never his favourite time of year, 25
December “Beastly day in my opinion worst of whole year”. Mss. notes
regarding rabbits and statements from John Lowry, Fish, Game and
Rabbit Salesman, Manchester.

108pp

760 1906 Diary as above, brief daily entries detailing the
weather, shoots and hunts, visitors to Clonmeen and
noteworthy events especially race meets. Hunting
still plays a major role in his activities, 13 January “Hounds had an
extraordinary hunt from Ross Mill 15 miles ending at Bruree having
been to Croom”. In May he was in London, 2 May “Took Stevie to Zoo in
morning and to Hippodrome with Miss Werner in afternoon. He
enjoyed it hugely. Thought he would burst”. He travelled on to
Munich where, 17 May “Had tea at a disreputable pub where people ate
raw sardines and drank beer out of mugs that held half a gallon. I tried
to get halfway through”. Enclosed are receipts from John
Lowry, Manchester and W. Tansley, Birmingham for rabbits sold on
Grehan’s behalf.

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761 1907 Diary as above, daily entries detailing weather,
shoots/hunts and race meets attended, visitors to
Clonmeen and noteworthy events. He is still active
on the local social circuit, 19 January “May and I lunched at Longueville
and played in bridge tournament”. 31 January “Lady Bandon, Lady
Barrymore came to dine”. He records staff changes 16 March “I
discharged Mrs. Campbell, cook for gross impertinence”. He makes a rare
reference to rents 8 July “Collected rents at Coolroemore - very fair
collection about average”. Entries referring to bridge are now beginning
to take over from hunting. Contains invoices from M. Tasley Ltd,
Birmingham and John Lowry, Manchester for fish and rabbits sold on Grehan’s behalf. Blotting paper reused for letters.

1908 Diary as above, daily entries detailing the weather, shoots/hunts, racing and visitors. In February he set sail on a cruise to Barbados, 20 February (at sea)
“Cold disagreeable day. Very few at meals. Passengers seem a stupid lot. Band very poor. Piano and fiddle only”. 27 February “Knock out Bridge tournament after dinner I was knocked out first round thank goodness”. They cruised to Grenada, St. Vincent, St. Lucia, Dominica, Antigua and back to Barbados, “Never saw so many children in all my life like ants”. They reached New York on the 23 March and returned via Panama canal and Trinidad reaching England on the 3 May. Notes on the 24 September the Coolroebeg tenants came and signed purchase agreements.

1909 Diary as above, daily entries detailing weather, shoots, hunts, race meetings attended, visitors and general activity at Clonmeen. On 20 March he attended the army Point to Point “NEVER AGAIN”. While on 30 March, “Poor Andy Harrington got his arm caught in a chaff cutter and could not be extracted for about 30 minutes when he found his hand cut off above his wrists”. Then at Christmas 25 December, “Had Christmas tree, tea and cakes for children at labourers and their mothers. Kathleen did father Christmas with marked success”. Enclosures include 31 August 1909, a note from his gardener “Sir take a months notice from me William Ennis Gardener”. Also invoices from John Lowry for rabbits sold on Grehan’s behalf. Blotting paper reused.

1910 Diary as above, daily entries detailing weather, shoots and hunts, race meetings attended, visitors and general activity at Clonmeen. The year opened on a low note, 21 January “Poor Buckley (Butler) was found dead in bath very sad he had been here since December 31 1896”. On the 7 March he is in Lisbon “abominable streets and not much to see”. He sailed on to Madeira where they could not enter their hotel due to typhoid scare.
March he was at St. Vincent “Horrid looking parched up place”. 20 March at Rio de Janeiro, 25 March Monte Video, 30 March “about Buenos Aires - very bored’. 5 April, Santiago, and 30 April “at sea, book dinner, man with a padlock on his foot. Locke on the human understanding”. the 28 June, back in Ireland “Met George Ryan at Messrs Roches’ and talked over the wedding settlement between Kathleen and Dick Ryan”. 18 August “Kathleen was married to Dick Ryan … about 83 sat down to breakfast here done by Benoist, Piccadilly. He sent a Head Waiter and 2 chefs and I provided 3 from Cork, Longueville footman, Newbury Butler ...... and all went quick and well”. Enclosed are receipts from William Entwhistle Son Manchester, John Lowry Manchester and W. Mitchell & Son Manchester, for sales of rabbits on Grehan’s behalf.

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47 items

765 1911 Diary as above, daily entries by following usual format. Noteworthy events include 27 May “Attended Kanturk petty sessions, biked there” and 22 June “Coronation we went to Wellington Club drove in taxi through park about 11.30. Procession passed (about) very fine. Had good view”. 8 July “King and Queen arrived. The girls and I saw procession from Kildare St. club and lunched there”. Once again he shows his dislike of Christmas, 25 December “Most beastly day of whole year once one passes childhood”. Enclosed are receipts and invoices from game salesmen in Manchester and notes on rabbits sent. Blotting paper reused.

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66 items

766 1912 Diary as above, daily entries following usual formats with references to his horse breeding and racing activities. 11 April “Curragh races my horse ‘Clonmeen’, 3 years won the Regulation Flat 100 easily”. Enclosed are notes regarding rabbits killed and receipts from W. Mitchell & Son Manchester, and H. Stuart & Co., Cork, for rabbits and salmon sold.

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35 enclosures

767 1913 Diary as above, brief daily entries covering usual topics. On the 17 January he attended with his daughter May the Limerick Hunt Ball “It was very
amusing”. On the 4 April he crossed to Calais “Heaps of people ill” and travelled to Chingue La Prairie-Claras where Aileen was staying. Christmas Day was “Fine day but as dull as usual”. Enclosed are receipts for sales of pheasant, wild duck and salmon from the Baltimore stores Cork and W. Mitchell & Son, Manchester.

105pp
18 enclosures

768 1914 Diary as above, brief daily entries covering usual topics. Many references to war and his son Stephen. 22 January “Had wire from Stevie saying he had got into Woolwich .... and “very pleased I think it does him much credit”. 3 August “Germany declared war on Russia”, 4 August “England declared war on Germany”. 5 August “Stevie got his recall to Woolwich .... Frances Webb hastily married to Major Farquer in case of him going to war”. 3 September “Biked to Banteer for papers first list of casualties dreadful”. There was other important news at home, 8 March “Hounds cease hunting owing to outbreak of foot and mouth disease” and some good news - July 2 “2 news chaps on success of ‘Duhallow’ which won at the Phoenix Park races”. Enclosed are calculations of rabbits wholesalers receipts. Blotting paper reused.

105pp
50 items

769 1915 Diary as above, with brief daily entries covering usual topics with references to the war. On 30 March “Magda was thrown from her horse while riding near Clonmeen and remained unconscious for 15 days”. She contracted pleurisy mid April. On 4 August “Heard that Charlie Longfield has been wounded at Dardanelles. Don’t know how bad, also that Max Pike is missing”. On 12 December “letter from Stevie saying he was to sail from Marseille on 9 for Salonika’ (see / 967 ff). Enclosed are receipts from wholesalers for game. Blotting paper reused.

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14 items

770 1916 Diary as above, daily entries covering usual topics and also events in Ireland. 24 April “After races news come that no trains would run, as Sinn Fein had risen in Dublin and broken up line, wires etc”. 27 April “Official wire from Dublin not very reassuring, several public buildings and Stephen’s Green in hands of rebels”. 30 April “Police handed me a wire saying rebels had unconditionally surrendered in Dublin and laid down arms”. 4 May “Dublin news scantly but good, 3
leaders shot Pearse, McDonagh and Clark”. On the 8 November his daughter Magda married George White “Church very pretty indeed and a crowd there. Tine photographed us at door and also the happy pair on leaving”. Enclosed are receipts from Wholesalers in Cork and Manchester. Blotting paper reused.

771 1917 Diary as above, daily entries very terse covering usual topics. In January he found he could not hunt as much as usual due to ill health. On the 8 March, his horse ‘Clonmeen’ won the Dutton Plate, Downpatrick. Notes 19 October “Attended meeting opening of Banteer creamery”. Enclosed are receipts from a Manchester wholesaler for sale of rabbits.

772 1918 T.J. & J. Smiths diary, daily entries covering usual topics, also notes dates of letters received from Stevie. The New Year sees him shooting at Frenchpark. Then 6 January “George Whyte left, Magda in despair”. On 9 February “Heard a man had been arrested who had robbed Newmarket station last night. Thought to be the Banteer robber”. There are entries referring to new innovations on the estate, 22 March “Threshing mill came from Portarlington bought from M. Dunne at Ballybrass / 50”. Later 23 March “Maddening that tractor is idle”. Politics get a mention 3 May “Unionist Alliance meeting all 11 adjourned”, and there is good news 13 June “Wire from Stevie coming home tomorrow houray after nearly 3 years away”.

773 1919 Letts No. 33 Rough Diary, containing brief daily entries covering usual topics and noteworthy events - 1 January “Cecil Constable reached home after 4 years imprisonment in Germany”. 24 March “Grand Jury dinner first since 1914”. Then on 23 May “Kathleen had a son (no. 2) at Ivanhoe about 10.00 am all well”. There was also bad news, 9 June “George Whyte died about 11.45 was conscious in morning ..... Magda very broken poor child. Dreadful for her”. And on the 18 June “Stevie recalled!! D--n the Hun”. On the 11 December he attended the O’Connor Don’s wedding “very boring”. Some enclosures from game wholesalers.
1920 Diary as above, daily entries covering usual topics, however the number of hunts attended is decreasing. On 20 January “Stevie wired appointed A.D.C. General Haldene for Mespot”. On the 13 April the Punchestown meet was disrupted by a general strike “most beastly day Everyone running away who could by motor”. He also records local and national disturbances, 10 July “Mails robbed at Banteer this morning and Recorders car stolen”.

18 July while in Cork “Heard in train of murder of Col. Smyth in club last night, lot of firing in town after dinner”. 12 September Clonmeen raided. “When May went to 9.30 mass about 20 masked men came and held up Broy, Louisa and Attwell (outside) went through Pantry etc.” 13 December “Heard of dreadful incendiary fires in Cork, Grants and Munster Arcade. Cash’s and half Winthrop street burned down. Including McVie who had 2 silver cruets and bottom part of Sheffield plate dish of mine”. He later comments “Most and rotten winter up to now. No guns allowed. Have not fired a shot since last season”.

1921 Diary as above, daily entries covering usual topics, and with references to local agitation. 6 February “Heard Lyre church was ‘held up’ but no arms found”, 22 April “Military surrounded Clonmeen and arrested Paddy and Mark [young] Harrington”. 3 May “Paddy and Mark Harrington released and arrived home 10.30 p.m. all well, very glad”. Clonmeen itself also saw activity, 9 May “about 10.30 p.m. two men came and took away my telephone. They were quite civil and apologetic”. Includes receipt for commandeering of phone by the 5th battalion. On the 4 June “party of machine gunners mounted, called 11 to inspect names on door!” 21 June “Castle Bandon burned Bandon kidnapped”. 6 December “Peace Treaty signed at 3 a.m. English and Irish Plenipotentiaries in London”. And 16 December note from W.L. Dromagh, Banteer inviting Stephen Grehan to go shooting “first shooting invitation received since March 1920”. Records also dates of correspondence with his son Stevie.

1922 Diary as above, daily entries covering usual topics but also many reference to continuing unrest. Includes 18 January “Aileen’s wedding day”, “Aileen looked so pretty in her Grandmother Grehan’s veil and lace of her mother” an without drawbacks 25 January “I miss Aileen very much, we were pals”. Events were still unsettled, 22 January “in afternoon 4 Ruffians, Clancy’s and 2 Connells shot all over the place” and 1 February “some
more  Ruffians shot Gouganes farm and my new grass field - Bolshevists”. On the 21 May “Jerry Sheahan produced wire from his son that an agreement had been reached between Mr. De Valera and Mr. Collins. Almost too good to be true”. Locally on 3 August “Some armed men in Mr. Leaders motor car came for horses and saddles. Coleman talked them out of the old Greybeard and gave them an old saddle and bridle and girths. I wish I had heard the conversation” (Includes note from headquarters 4 Batt, Cork No. 4 Brigade acknowledging commandeering). On the 8 August “Father O’Sullivan brought news from Cork that Free State troops had landed and were marching in Cork. The citizens were parading streets proclaiming Cork as Free state”. On the 23 August “Coleman brought news that Michael Collins was shot dead at his home at Clonakilty - hope it is not true”. On the 30th September a threatening note is enclosed ‘STEVEN YOU BLOODY OLD BIG BULLDOG IF YOU HAVE THOSE DARNED OLD BASTERS [sic] LEADERS HERE ANOTHER SATURDAY NIGHT YOUR HOUSE WILL GO UP IN FLAMES SO MIND THAT’. Grehan also details days without post, newspapers and other services. 19 October “27th day no trains, no papers, no post. Railway strike in Dublin drat’em”. He closes the diary “Goodbye 1922 delighted you are over”. Blotting paper re-used.

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777 1923 Diary as above, containing brief daily entries of activities and important events. 25 January, after resumption of the train service, “I to Cork first time since August 25 1922”. Things are not all going well though 9 January “John Healy, footman gave 1 months notice today ass”. He returns to his routine attending race meets and hunting and on 23 November “as we were unloading ourselves at club Cyril and May [May Grehan] drove up and called me to Power Hotel where they announced they were ENGAGED. Fancy May at her age”. May married on 18 December “about 60 to reception - done by Thompson who also did cake both good”. Christmas Day is again “a most boring day”. Includes newsclippings (1) an article on Grehan’s horse Clonmeen (2) Newsphoto of a Duhallow Hunt meet at Longueville including Stephen Grehan mounted on his horse. Receipts for sale of rabbits from Baltimore stores.

778 1924 Diary as above, daily entries with recording weather, shoots/hunts, racemeetings visitors and general happenings. Includes newsclipping of Stephen Grehan’s horse ‘Chokelet’ winning the Garradice Plate at Phoenix Park.
779 1925 Diary as above, daily entries recording weather, shoots/hunts, racemeetings visitors and general happenings. 30 January “Cecily St. Lawrence arrived at 2.40 Stevie met her”, 10 February “Stevie got engaged to Cecily St. Lawrence”. He was very busy socially with guests until March - 14 March contd...

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“Feels a bit lonely after such a long run of houseparty since before Christmas but a certain amount of relief all the same”. On the 8 August he attended the Phoenix Park Racing Fair “a dull show”. 19 December “Poor old Curran died this morning after being in my service as steward for 38 years and 11 months. Only taken ill yesterday. I shall miss him much”.

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780 1926 T.J. & J. Smiths diary, daily entries recording weather, shoots/hunts, racemeetings attended, visits and visitors along with general happenings at Clonmeen. Several entries reflect the trouble with early cars. 2 January “Magda and I to Cork by road. Had a puncture near Cork and could not find jackhandle”. A typical entry would be that for 5 April “farmed up to lunch. Mallow races. We went in Joss’s [Ryan] car. Large crowd and fairly good racing. Tea at Longueville. Slight mist on way home”. Christmas Day he found less boring than last year “but horrible all the same”.

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781 1927 Charles Letts Self Opening Diary. Daily entries with usual format and content. The year did not start off too well - 8 January 2 “gave Mrs. O’Connor cook one months notice for gross rudeness” and 21 January “Soloman - Aileen’s spaniel died”. 9 March “Bonnie had a relapse and died about 2.30. She was a nice companion - but useless retriever being too wild”. 19 June “Telegram announcing Joss Ryan’s Death poor little Aileen - all alone - its too sad”. On the 15 September “Elections I drove to schoolhouse in ponytrap and recorded my vote. Not many there and no excitements”. Some events can still stun him however, 20 October “ Amy French who announced her ENGAGEMENT to Percy MacDermot who she had only known 8 days”.

105pp

782 1928 Diary as above, brief daily entries following usual format and content. Cars feature prominently in the entries. 2 January, in Cork, “then went to a show of Ford cars, a fine show, interesting”. 8 February “Car not pulling at all well”. 10 February “Coming home had much trouble in starting
engine. Had to get Streamhill [    ] to crash her”. Notes 17 February
“Foot and mouth disease in Wexford”. On the 30 October “Tommy’s wedding,
Dick Ryan acted as bestman owing to Bishop objecting to Bishop objecting to a Protestant”.
Includes newsclipping of a group including Stephen Grehan pictured at
the Mallow Races, 21 August 1928.

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783 1929 Diary as above, daily entries following usual format.
He still attends most Irish race meets but is playing more bridge rather than shooting etc. - 12
January “Aileen and I to Bridge at Fairy Hill on the dull side”. He buys a new
car 19 March “my new Citroën six cylcinder saloon arrived about 5.30”. In
June he made a trip to London, 13 June “Stevie and Cecily and Dorothy St.
Lawrence dined with me at Princes (no one there) and went to Gaiety - Love Lies - excellent”.

105pp

784 1930 Diary as above, daily entries following usual format.
He continues his round of visits, 11 March “after lunch Aileen and I motored to St. Annes and Blarney to tea
with Fanny Gallway and Jeanette and Bernard O’ Neil Power”. Refers also to farm work - 23 September “Wet most of day thresher broke down”, and continuing problems with cars - 11 October “Motored to Cork coming home crashed into a electric standard in Warrens Place. Damaged radiator and my nose”. Even racing could not cheer him, 22 October, at the Another beastly day. Did not enjoy a moment of it”.

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785 1931 Diary as above, daily entries following usual format.
6 February “we went to Longueville for Bridge. Quite good games”. Notes events at Clonmeen ,9 April
“phone Dr. Cronin who came at 11 o’clock and took sample of Hannah’s (housemaid) blood - which I took to Cork”. 14 May “After lunch I drove Louisa (housekeeper) to Killarney as a treat after Spring cleaning”. Includes calculations of wages due to labourers at Clonmeen, and a note from Longueville House, Mallow detailing wages given to labourers there (19 October 1931). Also newsclickings - 2 clippings of a photograph of Aileen (Mrs. D.G.J. Ryan), with 2 Salmon, 25½ and 21 lbs, killed at Clonmeen, a photograph of a mangel-wurzel pulled on Grehan’s estate that had grown through a horseshoe. Also a report of an illegal fine imposed by the Turf Club on a farmer.

105pp

786 1932 Diary as above, brief daily entries following usual format. Records distances of car journeys, 22 January
“we went to Croom for Hunt Dance left Clonmeen 3.25 a.m. arrived in Croom 4.40 a.m.”. Then on 26 February “Stevie and Cecily left. He for India she to see him off -..... I wonder whether I shall ever see dear old Stevie again. His Batts is due home in 1936”. Good news on the 23 May “My horse Master Aldborough won race Phoenix 1¼ mile £75. He is leased to Hunter”.

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<td>Stevie arrived from India. He is still a keen racegoer, 23 May “Mallow races set out before lunch. Took Coleman to races. Small crowd. Fair racing. Tea at Longueville and brought seakale plants from there”. Social events weren’t always enjoyable e.g. 20 July. “Stevie and I to Cork shopping and lunch and bridge at Talingale. Poor fun - in fact boring”. Then on 21 July “drove before and after lunch May and Cyril and K. came from Inch. Magda came from Loughbrickland so all family was together. First time for 24 years (K.’s wedding)”. Includes newsclippings of the Royal Yacht Britannia and notes on game shoots in Ireland for the 1933-34 season.</td>
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<td>“all alone here family mostly in Switzerland” and 5 January “Mick Grady and Denis Coleman discharged from work on reduction of Hounds”. On 26 January “sold Fordson tractor and plough to Pat O’Neil. £55 less £1 luck”. His health is deteriorating 21 February “think I have gout in the 2 fingers which were not hurt in Cork”. He still records work on the farm, 11 March “began threshing oats. Thresher broke down only works half a day”. In August he went to Ballycotton Co. Cork. 1 August “sunbathed K. &amp; G. inspected lighthouse watched boats came in”.</td>
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1936 Diary as above, with daily entries. Notes 20 January “King George V died 11.55 p.m.”. Makes reference to land sales - 4 February “Land Commission took over. Richie [Ryan] acted for me and gave them a sod of earth. I don’t altogether approve of some of the new occupiers, on the whole fairly satisfactory”.

Notes on the 19 May “flying show Mallow. Aileen and I took Mrs. Meagher and Maggie Harrington. Good show saw lots of pals”. He is still a keen racegoer - 27 May “Limerick Junction. Good crowd and racing”.

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1937 Diary as above, daily entries up until the 20 May, following usual style. On the 13 Jan. There is a reference to his change in lifestyle “Never stirred out all day - place all flooded. Thank goodness I no longer farm.”

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4.3 Personal Finances

4.3.1 Pass Books

Pass book for Stephen Grehan in account with F. Harold Clarke, 9 Hume Street Dublin, detailing credit and debit transactions. Entries relate to the entrance of horses at racemeets and payments to Jockey’s. Notes prize money won and subscriptions paid to the Turf Club etc.

c.108pp

4.3.2 Cheque Books

File of cashiered cheques drawn on Stephen Grehan’s account at the National Bank Limited, Kanturk.

c. 200 items

Counterfoil of large desk cheque book, detailing amounts drawn and their purpose.

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4.3.4 Correspondence


795  22 May 1920  Letter to Stephen Grehan from the National Bank, Kanturk detailing lodgement of a cheque for £145.17.3 in response to his query.

4.4 Education

796  5 May/13 July 1871  Copybook containing writing exercises by Stephen Grehan. They consist of short stories, ‘The vision of the snow white Bird’, ‘The widow and her son’ and ‘The Voyage’. Sometimes several versions of the same story.

797  1872 - 1874  Hardback exercise book “Stephen Grehans copybook containing Dictation, French, Geography and Greek.” He writes of his daily activities and then translates these essays. Also contains writing exercises (bible stories and other stories e.g. calvary charge at Balaclava) and translations into Italian, French and Greek by Stephen Grehan.

4.5 Public Service

798(a)  1888  Printed “Schedule of Applications for Presentments of summer assizes Co. Cork”, detailing applications for cases to be heard with mss. annotations throughout. Also notes at rear relating to compulsory land purchase for a light railway.

798(b)  3 Sept. 1907  Cover letter from Timothy Guiney, Clerk, Kanturk Rural District Council, enclosing a council resolution removing Grehan from his position on the Rural District Council due to his non attendance for 6 months.
Material relating to the National Relief Fund - voluntary hospitals grant includes Minutes of the Committee to advise on the allocation of funds to Ireland from the National Relief Fund for the war, details of voluntary hospitals (11 Jan 1920). A list of voluntary hospitals recording the average number of beds 1915 - 1919. A statement showing the allocation of funds and a draft report on the Committee’s recommendations.

4.6 Awards

Commission of the Peace issued to Stephen Grehan.

Commission as Deputy Lieutenant for Co. Cork issued to Stephen Grehan.

4.7 Involvement with the Duhallow Hunt Club

Correspondence

Letters to Stephen Grehan from William Barry, Castle Cor (21 May 1889), JR Newman, Dromane (24 May 1889) and C. Arthur Webb (24 May 1889) concerning hunt finances, namely how much they can afford to pay for a hunt servant and also for Barry’s boarding of the hounds. Includes calculations of subscriptions.

Correspondence relating to complaints about the Duhallow Hunt by Mr. John Linehan, Pallas, Rusheen. Includes (1) 5 December 1889 letter from Linehan to William Barry enclosing a copy of a letter of the same date to Stephen Grehan, stating as he has had no reply to his letter of the 26 November he will take “energetic action all round” and bring his case before the next meeting of the Board of Guardians. To Barry he complains of Grehan’s attitude and threatens that the stoppage [of hunting on his lands] he began will spread to the lands of farmers who are friends of his. “There cannot be two sides to your programme hunting over my grounds and at the same time having in your company a gentleman who has offended me.”

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11 Jan 1891  Letter to Stephen Grehan from the Manager, Provincial Bank of Ireland, Mallow advising on lodgements for the Duhallow Hunt Club.

9 -26 Oct. 1891 Copy letters sent to Mr. Jeremiah Healy regarding damage done to his gorse brake by the Duhallow Hunt and offering him £6.6.0 in consideration of its use. Also letter to Grehan from Healy’s solicitor demanding £8.2.6 being 1 year and 3 month’s rent due by the Duhallow Hunt Club for the preservation and caretaking of a fox covert. Includes receipt for said sum paid by S. Grehan 26 October 1891.


20 Jan 1893 Letter to Stephen Grehan from [ ] Hare, Marino, Queenstown, (Cobh Co. Cork) discussing the difficulties the Duhallow Hunt Club is having in getting permission from Mr. Sheehy to use his close, and discussing how best to proceed.

25 May 1893 Letter to Stephen Grehan from William Lenihan who asserts he agreed to let the Duhallow Hunt Club use his fox covert at Knockbarry in consideration of £7. He has to take only received a cheque for £6.12.0 he would like the matter dealt with.

31 May 1893 Postcard to Stephen Grehan from [ ] Bellevue, Mallow discussing matters relating to Duhallow Hunt Club finances.

22 Aug. 1893 Copy letter from J. Henich, Honourary Secretary, Muskerry Hunt to the Secretary of the Duhallow Hunt
inquiring on what grounds do they claim the right to hunt Cloyne Cover, a traditional hunting spot for the Muskerry Hounds. He requests the Duhallow Hunt Club to state its position on the matter.

25 Jan/7 Feb. 1896 Letter to Grehan from Colonel R.H. Longfield, Waterloo, Mallow, Co. Cork discussing the decision by E.W. Beecher to resign from the Duhallow Hunt Club because of the actions of 1 or 2 members he refuses to name.

Longfield asserts he should name the men he is referring to and allow them to defend themselves. Comments ruefully that the matter will be let slide and “it often happens that returned Irish emigrants from America are a bad lot”. Encloses copies of letters sent by Beecher to Hans White, Duhallow Hunt Club (1) Claiming he was made a member without his knowledge or consent and wishes to resign, asserting that members are more interesting in “the disseminating of private scandal than fox hunting”. There is an addendum by Hans White, Honoury Secretary of Duhallow Hunt Club, advising acceptance of the resignation. (25 January 1896) (2) From Beecher declaring that as he heard some members of the Duhallow Hunt Club were distressed by his remarks he wishes to make it clear that he only referring to 1 or 2 members. (2 February 1896)

3 items

23 Dec. 1904 Letter from [ ], Hon. Sec. Duhallow Hunt Club, enclosing a copy of a letter from Nigel Barry, Avondhu, Mallow resigning his position within the Club as “the number of vulpricides in the county makes it impossible to show good sport”.

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7 - 21 April 1909 Letters to Stephen Grehan from R.F. Williamson, Carrokeal, Mallow discussing the leasing of kennels at Bellevue for the Duhallow hounds and the terms of the lease. Also discusses the interim housing of the hounds.

5 items

4.7.2 Duhallow Hunt Club Committee Minutes

February 1896 Copy of Minutes of a Committee Meeting of the Duhallow Hunt Club concerning the decision to hold
hunt races and the appointment of a Committee (including Stephen Grehan) to oversee matters. Records the handing over by Grehan of £6.15.2 balance from the previous years racing and a £5 donation.

4.7.3 Subscription lists for the Duhallow Hunt Club and Races

815 1887 - 1921 Printed statements of account with subscription reminders for the Duhallow Hunt circulated by successive Honoury Secretaries (Stephen Grehan was acting Honoury Secretary 1890). Also mss. accounts relating to the 1888 fencing fund.

24 items

816 15 March 1890 Circulars requesting subscriptions to the Duhallow Hunt races signed by Hans Fell White, Bellevue, Mallow and Stephen Grehan.

1p

817 1895 - 1896 Printed Balance Sheets for Duhallow Point to Point races, and a programme of events for April 1895.

9 items

818 1906 - 1907 Printed subscription lists for the Duhallow Hunt Races. (Stephen Grehan subscribed £1).

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819 [ ] Printed subscription list for ‘Barry Testimonial’. (Stephen Grehan gave £5).

4.7.4 Programmes

820 1877 - 1897 Programmes for the Duhallow Hunt Sportman’s Races. (1) 9 April 1877 (2) 11 April 1892 at Mount Nagle Course, Mallow (S. Grehan as steward) (3) 1 April 1897 at Liscarroll (S. Grehan, steward)

3 items
Printed list of prize puppies at the Duhallow Puppy Show 1888, with a list of lady subscribes to the Duhallow Hunt Puppy Show 1888 - 1892. (Mrs. Stephen Grehan subscribed £3.10.0).

Programmes for the Duhallow Hunt Point to Point Races, Liscarroll and Buttevant to Mallow. (Stephen Grehan as steward)

Newsclippings of a report of a meeting of the Duhallow Hunt Club with the Duhallow landowners association at which the landowners demanded representation on the Club Committee.

Subscription circular for the Newmarket Harrier Club, noting a subscription of £1 by Stephen Grehan.

Newsclippings reporting the “Marriage of Stephen Grehan, Esq., Clonmeen and High Sheriff of the county of Cork in Dublin”. Remarks on the friendly relations between Grehan and his tenants who illuminated their houses in celebration. The report omits to mention the brides name. Attached is a note detailing seating at the wedding breakfast.

Notebook labelled “Jerusalem March 1904 to May 1904’. Terse record by Stephen Grehan of a trip he made to Jerusalem accompanied by his daughters May and Magda and a maid, Louisa Luck. Records sights and impressions - 24 March at Constantinople where the tour guide “was a perfect fraud and charged double prices I’m sure but we saw a good deal all the same”. He carefully notes all expenses on the trip beginning 12 March, “three first single Banteer to London £9.18.0 one second return £4.1.0”. They travelled to Jerusalem (which he gives no description of), on to Jericho and Bethlehem where May fell ill “no fun travelling with invalids”. On to Rhodes, Smyina, Constantinople “Magda and I lunched at embassy and shopped very stupid day”, Pompeii, Naples, Malta, Tunis, Genoa, Venice, Lucerne and
London. Total cost £461.12.4. Also a letter of safe passage for Stephen Grehan his daughters Mary and Magda and a maid servant Louisa Luck to travel abroad signed by the Marquess of Lansdowne, Principal Secretary of State for the Foreign Office. It is stamped with Islamic and French visas, and by the Turkish consul in London for passage to Constantinople.

827 Nov. 1912/Jan 1915 Shooting cards tallying game killed (1) at Kilronan Castle, November-December 1912 and January 1913. (2) at Virginia and Headfert 12-18 November 1914 (where the total bag was 3109 animals and birds), 10-15 December and 6-9 January 1915.

827a Visiting card for Mr. Stephen Grehan, Windham Club and Clonmeen.

5 Esther Chichester Grehan

See Also /656 ff.

5.1 Letters

5.1.1 To her Sister Amy (Dame Josephine A. Chichester) Staubrook Abbey, Worcester

828 13 Oct. 1893 From Esther to Amy describing the sudden death of her infant son George. “Darling little lad, he has the better part, and my only consolation is that I have helped to provide another angel for heaven”. Adds “Stephen is awfully cut up but resigned to the will of God.”

829 [1893] Incomplete and torn letter in which she bemoans the loss of her baby, but explains she has some comfort as “I feel that there is a little messenger up there who will carry out the 4th Commandment perfectly and take any message”. Moves on to mention the forthcoming marriage of [a relative] to a Protestant. Declares she writes little and “I don’t care for society it generally bores me to extinction”, adding she does her best to disguise this. She has just returned from the Punchestown races which she did not really enjoy. Closes speaking again of her dead child and with family news.
11 July 1899 From Esther to Amy discussing her favourite prayers which remind her of Amy and also the state of her health “I look so well and fat but if I have anything to do I collapse helplessly. The humiliation is no doubt good for me”. Encloses a letter from Charlie [their brother] she wishes returned.

14 March 1900 Incomplete letter from Esther at the Norfolk Hotel, Harrington Road, South Kensington, to Amy discussing her health. She comments wryly “today I am 40, so I am going down the hill “ and claims “you nuns who are always busy preparing for death will be glad when he sees fit to call you”. Remarks also that she realises that on her death she will not be much missed.

25 March 1900 From Esther in Naples, on board the Orient Line Steamer Oratoria, describing their travels. They attended mass in Naples cathedral “we were packed like sardines - the stench, the want of air really made me faint”. She has remained on board while Stephen went to see Pompeii with some friends. She was concerned at missing mass but a priest on board reassured her. Closes discussing mutual friends and a letter of introduction the Lady Abbess gave her to a Benedictine. There is a appended note stating the letter was to a priest in Ceylon and when they landed there they could not find a Catholic church but Stephen “then remembered this letter and sent it to Father Gutton who arrived in time to administer extreme unction”.

3 May 1900 Letter to Amy from Stephen Grehan in Naples apologising for the lack of letters “I find it awfully hard to write - too many thoughts to put in words”. He mulls over how much good the voyage seemed to be doing Esther and what good care her maid Louisa took of her. He describes her final attack from which she recovered somewhat but remained dazed and began to sink two days later. She died at 12.45 on the Wednesday. He describes her as a
saint for the way in which she bore her trials without complaint. She was the figurehead at home and will leave a large void. He is distracted trying to arrange for her body to be brought home and has been hampered by bureaucracy, but he feels he cannot leave her alone so far away. He is due to arrive in London on the 11th or 12th.

5.1.2 Letters to Esther Chichester

836 14 Jan. 1870 Letter from Esther’s aunt Jane E. Corballis, Rosemount, thanking her for the nicely painted present. Mentions Esther’s sister Constance, who arrived at Rosemount in good spirits and has gone shopping to Dublin with Jenny. Adds she hopes Esther’s father’s cold, which prevented his visit, is better. A later note [by Christine Chichester] states the writer’s maiden name was Jane Martyn of Tillyra Castle, Co. Galway.

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836a August 1893 Letter from Miss Roberts, Oswaldtuisle, addressed to ‘Dear Friend’ [Esther Grehan] applying for the position of nurse she saw advertised in the Catholic Times. At present she is living at a butcher’s shop and minds 4 children. Her doctor however feels this is too much for her so “I thought I might as well apply for this as go to a Register (sic) office and have my name put down and happen have to wait for months before I get started”. She closes requesting details of what train station she should go to if accepted. Letter annotated “curious letter from a nurse”.

4pp

5.2 Diaries

Series of diaries kept by Esther Chichester Grehan. Esther’s diaries resemble those of her husband Stephen in that they’re more a record of events rather than personal reflection. She records more fully than Stephen visitors to Clonmeen and details of servants tenure. There is also more mention of the children, especially as babies. She also keeps a record of her health, good days, bad days etc., as well as mentioning daily activities, which include entertaining, fishing and hunting.

837 31 July 1888-29 Nov. 1889 Notebook containing daily diary entries by Esther Chichester Grehan recording briefly the day’s events and reminding herself of tasks. She notes trips taken, dates of hunts and shoots. Entries are terse. August 16 1888
‘Papa and Tine arrived at Sweetbrim Park Tramore’. 11 November 1888
‘Found things alright at home’. She also refers to household tasks. 13
November 1888 ‘Busy in house all day changing furniture and putting away
new lot of letter paper from stores. Willie Leader came over to tea’.

838 1893 Letts Rough Diary containing intermittent entries by
Esther recording social events, visits and visitors and
daily activity. 20 January “Major McCarthy O’Leary,
Colonel and Lady Mary Aldworth came to dine and sleep”. 9 February
“Major Blount and Mary and I lunched at Newmarket Lady Doneraile was
staying there. In the evening Mr. & Mrs. J. Harold Barry drove over
dined and slept”. She also refers to the move to the new house at
Clonmeen. 31 May “Mantel pieces (3 in old house) taken down to be transferred
to new”; and servant problems 31 August “Found Julia had not been
doing the schoolroom as usual whilst I was away. Reprimanded her severely she
wanted to leave at once - but I told her she must wait her month”.

839 1894 T.J. & J. Smiths Small Scribbling Diary with daily
entries following usual format by Esther. She is still
having domestic problems. 26 January “I gave
the cook notice - she is too bad a cook for anything”. There are also references
health - 12 April “Saw Dr. Boyd after lunch says I am not suffering from
asthma, the throat is causing all the mischief”. Esther did not always share
her husband’s passion for racing. 25 April “Stephen made me go to
Punchestown, bad day but not as bad as yesterday”. Also mentions
unusual acquaintances, 8 October “Stephen and I branched off at Croom and
went to Rockbarten and then to Fermoy. Miss de Salis the only visitor there.
She I was told has £2,000 a year. She is not so nice looking and is living by
herself”.

840 1895 Diary as above, with daily entries by Esther. Again she
makes several references to her health; 1 January “Took
the children to Kathleen Longfields birthday party - I
had a slight touch of low fever that night - took 9 [of quinine] and got into a
perspiration” 16 March “Very bad night last night. Coughed from 3.30 till
9 a.m. Then got up cough nearly ceased.” She also records a constant flow
of visitors and social events. 29 January “The Longfields went to Cork. After
lunch the gentlemen went out to ferret. I went also. Luckily, the sport was
bad and I came home before 4pm. Barely time to change when Miss MacEwan
and her sister came to tea by appointment.” 13 February “went to Fermoy
for the Beecher dance at Castle Hyde ...... Floor A1 Supper good. I danced
very thing but 2 dances - did not leave till 5 am.” Problems with employees
again surfaced - 4 April “Mademoiselle Leboul the governess was sent away
- supposed to go by ten o’clock but refused to go and tried to bully us into
giving her more money than was due. Stephen had to send for the police and she left by the next train.” On the 27 December she records the birth of her son Stephen “After breakfast which I took in my bed room the labour pains came on very fast. The nurse made an examination and would not let me go down to the study. The doctor was telegraphed for at 10 am...... Baby was born at 11.20 a.m. after 20 minutes.”

841 1896 Diary as above with daily entries by Esther following usual format and content. The beginning of the year features constant references to her new-born son, 11 January “Baby weighed gained 1oz since last week. My milk is beginning to go. I am very much afraid I shall not have enough for baby.” Her own health is also giving cause for concern, 31 January “My nights are now always very much disturbed by coughing and I sleep late and don’t get up.” She also records daily activities 26 December “Charles MacDermot left by 12.32 train. Stephen and Magda went to hunt at Castle Cor and drove in the brake with the governess and May. I walked out in the morning and found that the gardener had gone away from his work”.

842 1897 Diary as above with daily entries by Esther following her usual style and content. Mentions a ball at Mallow 13 January “Took the children to a dance at Mallow. May was dressed in my fancy dress bought at Constantinople. She is 5ft 3 without her shoes so she looked awfully tall. Magda was got up as little Bo Peep, Kathleen at Titania Queen of the Fairies.” Again her health is causing concern - 27 February “Had a rather bad night, coughed an hour and a half so did not go to the hunt.”

843 1898 Diary as above, with daily entries by Esther following her usual style and content. The first few months of the year she is on the continent and suffering from ill health. 4 April “We found the Hotel Beaux very cheap and the cooking excellent. We arrived at Geneva just in time for dinner nominally at 6.30 but practically at 7p.m. The dinner was inferior. They gave us a room on the 4th floor, though there were very few in the hotel.” In April “asthma worse than ever last night.” There is a list at the rear of clothes taken by May to a convent at Amiens.

5.3 Obituary
18 April 1900

Issue of the Cork Examiner, featuring on the front page the death notice of Esther Grehan who died on the 11 April 1900 in Colombo, Sri Lanka, while on a cruise with her husband.

6pp

5.4 Personal Memorabilia

1875 Notebook containing notes on a retreat attended by Esther Chichester Grehan at School at Roehampton convent, with a list of nuns who were at Roehampton 1872 - 1875, giving the date of their arrival. 2 June 1875 “Mother Therr called Mary French and I into her room and said that henceforth as we are so inseparable she will take us together if we want to ask her anything privetely we must write” and October 1875 “Went to an awfully long sermon today on heaven (not a bad place to go if there was not a chance of seeing Christine there).” Includes notes on school happenings, books read, masses attended, prayers and dates of confession and communion attended and letters sent. Declaration on inside cover “Strictly private. He that readeth this shall surely die after it. Words taken from the book of Esther 2nd chap 1st - 3rd verses.”

c. 25pp

[1877] Hardback copybook “Rhetoric Book Esther Chichester 1st class.” Contains notes on the general principles of rhetoric. Includes prayer card for Pope Pius IX (1877).

51pp

[ ] Hardback copy book containing 6 chapters of a story entitled ‘Bertrand or the lost child’ Bertrand is the son of a powerful count who is kidnapped during a blaze in his father’s castle. A substitute is put in Bertrand’s place while he is spirited away to live with a peasant family in France. The story is incomplete. Enclosed a pencil sketch for a vine boundary decoration.

18pp

1895 - 1897 Small notebook labelled ‘Garden Book 1895’ containing notes on plants and equipment bought in 1895, 1896,1897. At rear calculations of post sent out and the cost of same. £1.1.9½

12pp
848a  13 July - 13 Sept. 1897 Notebooks containing accounts of household expenses kept by Esther Grehan while staying with her family at the Villa St. Helene, [Linnze]. Separate accounts are maintained for laundry, grocery and butchers accounts. They are marked at intervals “Paye Comptant”.

7 items

849  1900 Schedule for Orient Line sailings by Royal Mail Steam Ships to London and Australia. Sailings from Gibraltar, Marseille, Naples, Suez and Port Said are underlined, for a voyage [London to Sydney] going through Colombo in Ceylon (Sri Lanka).

2pp

850  1900 Printed passenger list, including Mr and Mrs S. Grehan, for the Orient line Royal Mail Steamer ‘Octona’, departing London 16 March and Marseille the 23 March 1900.

6pp

6 Mary (May) Grehan (Irwin)

851  21 March 1919 Letter to Mary Grehan from her cousin Mary French, Nurses Home, London Hospital, thanking her for the shamrock sent over and discussing May’s forthcoming visit. Both she and Aunt Constance [French née Chichester] are very much looking forward to having Kathleen and her family visit. Of Constance she says “I have never seen her quite so excited about anything before.” She mentions staff changes at the London Hospital where they are low on nurses and deaths or high. She moves on to discuss family news, being especially surprised that Ethel Lyons is to become a nun. In a note added after the visit she comments that Richie (Ryan) is very like Stevie.

4pp

See also 7 Magda Grehan (Whyte)

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7.1 Letters from Stephen A. Grehan

852  3 Feb. 1924  From Stephen at Clonmeen to his sister Magda ("Slug"), Loughbrickland, Co. Down, humorously describing events at home, including a trip to Cork.

“We had a very good dinner at the club and the Opera was very good indeed."

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for Cork.” Chats about mutual friends and relates how after going to dinner with Olive [Carroll Leahy] he found Tommy Gallwey there “Jolly sporting wasn’t it? She had Milly Jones staying there as ‘chaperone’ I laffed like the devil.” Relates how the Lysaghts fired “a gem of a French Governess.” (Magda is looking to employ one). He heard that Harry L. “Used to go into the schoolroom and interfere with her work with the children (Himself suggests that he made love to her and that the fact of her giving notice on the account is rather a credit.)” Describes a recent days hunt with lots of news about the participants and their neighbours. Closes teasing about her inability to judge petrol consumption in her car.

2pp

853  [1925]  From Stevie at Howth Castle, Co. Dublin describing his visit with Cecily to announce their engagement. Cecily was able to convince “Ma” that she was in earnest and understood what she was doing while he had a a “business talk” with her father, “he was very nice and reasonable though I think he was a little shocked at my lack of knowledge of my own fiancée.” Describes meeting the rest of her family adding his father will join them for the weekend, and all are set for an early wedding.

4pp

854  [1925]  From Stevie at Woolwich, excitedly requesting news from Magda of Cecily who is staying with her “you must write me a full and legible description of her.” He cautions Magda to keep things quiet for Cecily as she gets no peace at Howth. Adds “I would give a lot to hear all your discussions and gossip talk.”

3pp

855  [1925]  From Stevie to Magda expressing his relief and delight at all she has done for Cecily “I knew that you would do what is right and tell her all she should know. Mugger, you must realise by now, that I love her with every ounce of my strength and that I therefore I fully appreciate what you have done for her.”
He will be having a talk with their father over the weekend but is one step ahead having been given *Married Love* by General Haldene while serving in Mesopotamia. He assures Magda that there is no need to worry on his account regarding wedding finances. He can approach their father if necessary but states “I can assure you he is making a far greater sacrifice than you or anyone of us would expect.” He is especially happy that Cecily realises his commitment to making his job a success and supports him fully.

856  9 April 1925  From Stevie, R. A. Mess, Woolwich apologising to Magda for not writing, and describing his and Cecily’s search for a house to rent. Since Cecily has been in town he has devoted all his spare time to her. “I think she is wonderful and we have had a wonderful time together.” He thanks Magda profusely for all she has done for them. They viewed a house in Eltham, belonging to Captain Napier who is going abroad. “I roared with laughter at the idea of C. going over a house looking or trying to look so wise.” Mentions again how pleased he is that Cecily takes an interest in his job. He responds to Magda’s query about a gynaecological problem of Cecily’s explaining Cecily visited a specialist “I was very relieved as I didn’t want any more frights”. Discusses wedding arrangements and presents received.

857  27 Feb. 1926  Telegram from Stevie to Magda announcing the birth of his eldest son “Peter arrived 4.17 am both doing splendidly, Stevie.”

858  1 March 1926  Letter from Stevie giving news of Cecily and their new-born son Peter. Jokes Bruno is once again his dog as Cecily now has Peter “It’s wonderful seeing her so happy. She said yesterday that she was ready to go through it all again tomorrow if necessary.” He also confides “I am so relieved as I was a little afraid that I might fade entirely out of the picture when Peter had arrived but I haven’t.”

859  16 Feb. 1932  Letter from Stevie thanking Magda for her much appreciated offer of assistance in putting up Cecily and their two sons while he is away in India (see below), and assuring her “and then it will be on a strictly business footing, we intend to pay all your out of pocket expenses.” Details his travel plans and a shoot at Ballyvinityer, Mallow with “Furbur and Harold Barry” and other family activities.
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860 25 Feb. 1932 Letter from Stevie to Magda discussing “your suggestions for our sordid payments!!”. (see above). He feels she has overcalculated the expense they would cause. He kept detailed accounts while they lived in Woolwich and based on that he offers £30 per month “Naturally I don’t want to haggle but equally do not want to do either you or ourselves down”. Requests her to look over her figures again.

861 29 Feb. 1932 Letter from Stevie, Naval and Military Club, to Magda, London, discussing financial arrangements regarding Cecil and their children lodging with her. Again offers £30 per month, adding “if you find you want a shade more, well, we won’t grouse as you must not be [ ] down in any account.” Jokes any rebate will also be received without a grouse. Details plans for embarking to India. Also jotted notes on expenses regarding food for 4 people.

862 16 Jan 1936 Letter from Stevie to Magda describing his and Cecil’s daily activities on her visit in India. They have have been playing golf and tennis and also bridge and roulette, and have attended several cocktail parties (3 on one night). He jokingly accuses her and their sister Kathleen as being “public enemies nos. 2 & 1” for their lack of letters. He informs her no young man seems to be attracted by Clare [Gaisford St. Lawrence] “she is a damned site too standoffish for modern condition!” and he feels Joan MacDonnell is more likely to pick up a man “Well, old Mag, I’ve given you a bit of gossip to cheer you up”. Closes requesting news of Bunty [Whyte, his niece].

863 25 March [1936] Letter from Stevie in India, informing Magda that Cecil has left for Bombay. Remarks ruefully that she will miss the Puidi horseshow, but she wanted to be home for the children’s Easter holidays. Gives news of his post which was inspected twice recently, and he is hopeful of a good report. Closes with his address from May onwards, Kaladagh (Hazara), Murree Hills.

864 31 March [1936] From Stevie, Peshawer, India, thanking Magda for her unexpected letter and giving news of Cecil’s trip to Bombay and Agra “even Clare was mildly enthused she says!” However the trip was marred by Rs 130. Being stolen from Cecil in Agra. Describes his successes at the Puidi horse show which he found dull without Cecil. Mentions Peter [F ] who is staying with him for 3 days while sitting a promotion examination in Peshawer.
12 May 1936 From Stevie, Kalabagh, Murree Hills to Magda, worriedly discussing Cecily’s bout of pneumonia “it is dreadfully hard lines for her a terrible time when she started the holidays off so happily.” Their son Denny (Denis) also had a mild dose but is now recovered. He hopes when Cecily feels better she will visit Magda to recuperate and get away from the tensions of Howth. He finds it very frustrating not being able to see Cecily but has not enough leave for a boat journey or the price of the air fare. He also recently suffered a bout of sandfly fever, “So, altogether, life is pretty damnable at the moment.”

4pp & envelope

1 Sept. 1936 Typescript letter from Stevie, Kalabagh, Murree Hills, describing recent events including their ‘Guli’ Sports, an inter-battery competition, which he was involved in organising. He is feeling a bit ill, a combination of an anti-typhoid shot and the wedding of the head doctor in the Province to the sister of the Peshawar Brigadier “it was rather amusing seeing people that one knew so well in rough Khad Kit turned out today in their very best go to meeting dresses.” Adds he found a chap going home to Dublin who will take Cecily’s trunk of winter clothes over with him.

2pp

16 Sept. 1936 Letter from Stevie in Abbottabad, commenting on the long gossip Magda, Cecily, Gunny [O’Brien] and Anne must have had at Loughbrickland and detailing the battery’s move of camps. They marched to Kalabagh downhill “you are walking into the toes of your boots the whole time which is most painful.” He has been playing bridge and tennis a lot in the evenings. Details his plans to rejoin the Battery at Hassan Abdul, and to go ahead to clear up office work, pack his belongings and sell off the contents of the bungalow. He has arranged the sale of most of the furniture but is worried that not all the buyers will turn up in time. Closes jokingly remarking “I hope you appreciated the honour of having my family with you all this time”.

2pp

11-15 April Typescript letter “Fathepur Diary” from Stevie to Magda recording daily a shooting holiday he took in India. Sat 11th, describes an uneventful train journey to Lahore with Peter [Gowan/Gyan] joining the group at Nowhera. At Lahore they boarded the Calcutta train “It was a pretty crowded train so Peter went first (on his warrant) and I stayed in my lowly second (Majors aren’t allowed a warrant!). Mon. 13th, He, Peter and 4 troops reconnoitred the area, finding few game tracks in the thick jungle. However he did find some fairly fresh panther tracks, and a three day old tiger track. They returned after the afternoon sortie for “a darned good dinner and then an early bed as usual.” He feels the troops in particular are really enjoying themselves, but more for the
freedom to be able to do as they pleased rather than for the hunting.

**Tue. 14th.** They found water holes and a herd of cheetah within shooting range but their permit wasn’t valid until the 16th. They returned to hear a tiger had been prowling within 200 years of the bungalow.

**Wed. 15th.** They located the trails of 3 tigers and 1 panther and Grehan decided to have a local Shikari “I find that everything Shikaris, Katras, Coolies etc. are all very much more expensive here than I have struck before.”

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23 - 29 April Typescript letter continuing ‘the Fathepur Diary’. Thurs. 23rd: Describes a night time tiger stake out, in which Grehan hid in a tree charpoy with a goat tied below. The tiger did not show “and I spent a very quiet and restful night stretched out fast asleep most of the time.” He resolves to stay up two more nights before giving up.

Fri. 24th. Reports that again he had a peaceful night in the tree, but 3 tigers were spotted by the troops in the jungle, and he will concentrate on them.

Sat. 25th “We didn’t get our Tiger yesterday but had as interesting an afternoon as I have ever spent and I think the troops have got something to talk about for some time to come.” Relates how he and Peter happened accidentally upon the tigers. They circled the animals and the beaters tried to flush them out, but they could only see the 2 younger beasts “We were within not less than 5 feet by now and I could see enough of him to decide that he was too small to shoot.”

Sun 26. Some troops returned after spotting a panther which they failed to shoot and ran into a tiger on the way. Grehan re-commenced his stake out for the panther who returned but spotted him and stalked away “Curse the cunning devil”. He tried again a second night “It was terribly interesting to see the brute stalking a goat, moving ever so slowly over ground that was quite covered by inches of crisp dry leaves without making the least suspicion of a sound.” He lined up and shot the panther taking care not to spoil the skin “Loud cheers (From me!) - my first panther! and loud bleats from the goat.”

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30 April - 5 May Concluding part of Fathepur Diary. Thurs. 30th. He declares this letter will be his last effort at typewriting in the jungle and that he has nothing to report. An opportunity with a herd of cheetah was
spoilt by his coolie “They are fools, these jungli wallahs, if they can possibly misunderstand you they will.” He spotted a large saribher at 50 yards, but as they didn’t need the meat he let it go. He also had a close shave with a krita “the most poisonous snake in the country.”, his coolie killed it with stones. They plan to march to Haldwani in the morning from where Peter will go on to Naini Tal, and he and the troops will head for Peshawar. He and the troops enjoyed the trip immensely. Adds Peter’s wife Winne is thinking of coming out, commenting Peter “is now an extremely nice lad in every way; very keen on this life, and, I should say very keen on his job.” He is glad Peter came as “I should have been rather bored with only the troops to talk to.”

Sunday, 3 May. Describes the deplorable overcrowding on the Lahore train, and how he made the Inspector take down the ‘Ladies Only’ sign from an empty carriage.” He was met with the Colonels car at Peshawer and “I lost no time in getting into a long deep bath which was a grand luxury after our tubs in the jungle.” His bungalow was deserted but still standing “not like the last time I came back to it after the Loe Agra show.”

7.2 From Cecily Grehan (née Gaisford St. Lawrence).

871 6 April 1925 Letter from Cecily, 9 Chesham Place, London, describing her visit to a consultant which Magda had urged her to make. Things went well and she thanks Magda for her advice. Moves on to discuss her wedding plans. The wedding is to be at the London Oratory, Kensington with Fr. Edward Perarria (Stephen’s old Headmaster) officiating. She has decided on 4 flower girls (including Bunty Whyte) and 4 bridesmaids. Discusses details of the dresses, sizes and prices. They plan to rent a house in Belgrave Square for the day of the reception. Relates how she and Stevie went to view Major Napier’s house which they are planning to rent “it is quite hideous from the outside but charming inside and we both quite lost her hearts to it.” Jokes how she tried to appear learned “and enquire as to drain kitchen range etc.!!!”. They hope to employ a cook-general and a house parlourmaid along with Stevie’s batsman. Closes with hopes to visit Loughbrickland, but adds she has a lot to do at Howth.

872 16 March [1926] From Cecily glowingly describing her new born son, “Peter is the most adorable little scrap you ever saw.” Apologises for brevity as she is only allowed write for a short time. The baby is big and healthy and she jokes how funny Stevie looks when he holds him “the cares of the world on his face.” She urges
Magda to come and visit soon. Mentions, visitors she has had and that Stevie
is to compete in a point to point.

873 16 Feb. 1932  From Cecily thanking Magda for her prompt offer to
have the boys and their governess at Loughbrickland
while Stevie and Cecily will be in India. She explains
how her father-in-law Stephen refused to have a governess “(whom he would
probably only see about twice a week)” in the house, adding “We were both
heartbroken. It seemed so completely heartless of Bo to treat Stevies’ children
like this when he has a large empty house.” Stevie had it out with his father
stating their options now were either to depend on the St. Lawrence’s at
Howth or rent a small house near Mallow, which his father balked at. Stevie
also threatened to refuse to visit Clonmeen on any future leaves. Cecily
herself feels she can never think of Bo as she used again “but I will do my
best not to show it.” She details her plans for the next few months
after which she hopes to go to Magda at Loughbrickland and insists on paying
expenses. It will be a great comfort to her while in India to know the children
will be so well looked after. Moves on to discuss local news and her plan to
accompany Stevie to London to see him off “How I hate this India business - it
seems such a bad time to go out there now with so much unrest. Closes
commenting on how Peter and Denny were so taken with Bunty, adding
Magda’s decision to send her to the convent in Scotland sounded the most
reasonable choice.

7.3 Other Letters From Family and Friends

874 30 Sept. 1922  Typescript letter from her sister May at Clonmeen,
listing events at home. She has heard “that those vile postmen will resume work on Monday.” Things
have been very quiet with the Leaders and Gus Longfield the only visitors to
Clonmeen since the trains stopped. She has got used to there being no post,
and see a positive side to this “no vile disappointments at not getting a letter
that has not come and no rushing to write for post and its so cheap too. I shall
write fewer letters than I used to.” However it does mean she can’t get results
of egglaying competitions or order a new coat. They also long for news of
Stevie at Woolwich. She bemoans the lack of visitors, and how boring bridge
becomes with no change of partners. Their father is very depressed and was
not helped when the oats were left out in the field too long and got soaked.
The rain also stopped him playing croquet which he loves “What men loose by
not knitting and sewing.” Resumes after an exciting interruption “out comes
Bray with a silver tray we could not make out what it was and he said POST
Sir”. Comments on letters received from Magda and Hilda [French]. Comments also on the expense of hiring a car to Cork as the trains still haven’t resumed service. Discusses Magda’s comments about her hens “of course I am always most interested to hear all about your hens. Aren’t you in mine?”

Letter from [Dorothy] Gaisford St. Lawrence, Howth Castle, expressing surprise that Cecily is off to see Magda again, and her concern that Cecily is wearing herself out and is in need of a tonic. Moves on to discuss “what I really want to write to you about which I am quite sure you will take in good part or I would not do it.”- the fact that Stevie’s father is not contributing to their wedding expenses.

She feels with the re-entailment of the property at Clonmeen, Stevie should ask for a small sum along with his £600 p.a. allowance. Requests Magda not to mention she wrote, but to press an old friend of the family into mentioning the matter to her father. Closes discussing Cecily’s bridesmaid arrangements and thanking Magda for all her help.

Letter from Aileen, at Clonmeen to her sister Magda bringing her up to date with tensions at home. The “Pugs” (Stevie and family) have left and she found it very upsetting to say goodbye “I do wish thing were less difficult.” Stevie told their father that if he went on grousing at and abusing Aileen she would have to leave. “I had no idea that Pug had ever realised how desperate I feel at times.” She knows their father is often lonely but believes this is his own fault. Chats generally for a while and then discusses Stevie’s worries over finances and how frugal his housekeeping in Woolwich seemed to be. She feels her offer of money for expenses to Magda should suffice as long as she does things “less lavishly than you are in the habit of doing other guests.” She is very depressed over financial matters, stating their father does not even know if he is paying interest daily, weekly or monthly to the bank, and still talks of visiting Punchestown “spending money which he hasn’t got.” She closes describing visitors and a paper chase held while Stevie and family were around “Denny was too small to come and Peter not allowed, too exciting.”

Letter from Caroline [ ], Scotby House, Scotby, Carlisle, exclaiming how nice it was to hear Magda’s voice “what a splendid thing it is having clear telephones.” She thanks Magda for her offer to have her stay and details her itinerary. Chats about family members who have gone to Carlisle races, and remarks on their very ‘horsey’ establishment.
Letter from her father Stephen at Clonmeen informing Magda the Land Commission have taken over and the new owners are in possession “It was all done in one day T. G. & I was not pestered as I feared I would be.” He was not informed until the new owners were in possession who got what and invites her to come see as he could not explain the changes without a map. Discusses his horses and which will be fit to hunt that year, also some friends who have gone on a cruise “Fancy crossing the Bay twice in 21 days in this weather”.

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**8 Kathleen Grehan (Ryan)**

**See Also**

8.1 Letter from

Letter from Kathleen, Queens Hotel, Southsea to her ‘Dearest family’ bringing them up to date on her journey from Australia. She is eager to come to Ireland but must stay in bed for a few days due to a gastric upset. Her journey was comfortable. Apart from 40 officers from the German East [African Army] “not very interesting and pretty rowdy lot”, and took in total 3 weeks, and she describes the route. At times “it was a bit racking though as we had many life boat drills and passed a mine.” She hopes they won’t be disappointed if she doesn’t make it to Clonmeen “before the event” and invites them all to come to Inch, describing her excitement at the prospect of seeing them all again.

8.2 Memorabilia

Menu card in French from the wedding of Kathleen Grehan and Dick Ryan.

Receipted bill totalling £88.2.0 sent to S. Grehan by Benoist Ltd, 36 Piccadilly London for the wedding dinner of his daughter Kathleen. (The cake cost £10.10.0 and 100 meals with the hire of a head waiter for 3 days £52.10).
9  Aileen Grehan (Ryan)

9.1 Letters to

882  10 Sept. 1933  Letter to Aileen Ryan at Clonmeen from her brother Stevie, Kahul N.W.F.P, India enclosing photographs from a trip he took and describing general activities. Explain the ground is now dry enough for polo again but the long grass slows down the ball. Also mentions an accident in which a shell hit a tree in front of the gun wounding several men. He is to play later in a tennis match “against some wog club” the Hazana club, adding the ‘war’ is likely to “die a natural death for the want of an enemy.”

/ 882 cont........ Encloses annotated black and white shots, 11cm x 6.7 cm
(1) The waterfall at the top a Mouella Mallah. Typical kashmiri wood and stone seasonal dwelling in foreground.
(2) Full length shot of Mouella Mallah Waterfall.
(3) Group shot on a mountain side of coolies with Pei Magabal and the Raja.
(4) Group of native riflemen, the raja and two younger men including Pir Maghal Sahib.
(5) Rajah Afzal Khan, his brother and two small sons standing in front of a high stone wall, wearing a mixture of western and native dress.
(6) Bear strapped to a pole, surrounded by native men and some dogs.
(7) Three storey house with verandah and balcony, set against a jungle background (House where Grehan stayed with Raja Mohamed Afzal Khan, the Jagisdon of Mombla).
(8) Stephen A Grehan hatless wearing khaki “on a pony, with a mountainous background.”

4pp 8 photographs

883  25 June 1937  Letter to Mrs. A. Ryan, Clonmeen from Greenes Library, 16 Clare Street, Dublin, requesting more information regarding the volumes she offered for sale and giving details regarding the forwarding of books she requested.

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9.2 Memorabilia from India

884  6 Oct. 1923  Ink and pencil cartoon by Joss Ryan, showing his win at the Naini Tal horse show and his failure at polo. Also sketches of the nurse leaving and the baby keeping him awake.
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<td>Christmas greeting cards sent to Clonmeen from Aileen, Joss and family, Naini Tal.</td>
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<td>22 April 1924</td>
<td>Ink and pencil sketch by Joss Ryan (Major Denis George Jocelyn Ryan) of a small boy (with cake) being blessed by a large monk “whiskers [Gerald Ryan] is blessed by Father Amedeus”.</td>
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<td>9 March 1924</td>
<td>Rough ink sketch by Joss Ryan labelled “Moving your family from Naini Tal to Ramikhet isn’t quite as easy as it sounds”. It depicts bearers carrying luggage, Aileen, Nurse and Whiskers sedan style.</td>
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<td>June 1925</td>
<td>Theatre programme for the Chalet Theatre, Naini Tal, featuring Major Ryan in the role of Mr. Washington Potts in a farce titled ‘Trying it on’.</td>
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<td>889</td>
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<td>Ink cartoons by Joss Ryan “Peter his mug” featuring a baby drinking out of a tankard.</td>
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<td>30 Dec. 1926</td>
<td>Programme for a gymkhana at [Naini Tal], with mss. notes on events entered.</td>
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<td>Menu, featuring “Potage Irlandais”, for the St. Patrick’s Day dinner held at the I. D. Gymkhana Club, New Delhi, with admission ticket.</td>
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| 892 | 20 April 1928 | Note from [Joss Ryan], Royal Military Academy Woolwich, with a ink cartoon titled “Ballyheen April
1928” showing the collapse of a viewing platform, to great consternation. The note explains the sketch records the report sent by his special Dunhallow Hunt Club correspondent and instructs it be forwarded “to S. G. Of Clonmeen who is somewhat implicated.”


894  [ ] Printed verses giving clues for a Government House Treasure Hunt e.g. “Next look out for Floribunda, Fraxinus and in a flash, note that her portentous title, merely signifies an Ash”.

895  [ ] Typewritten guest list on notepaper of the Private Secretary to the Governor Central Provinces, detailing dinner guests of Mr & Mrs C.J. Irwin (arranged in order of precedence). Mss. annotation detail rank and position.

896  [ ] Mss. comic poem beginning “Said the [ Mc Ewan, In my youth I resembled Don Juan, But I’m now eighty eight, so it’s needless to state, that your out look Is rather a Blue-an”. Note at end “you can dine out on this”.

897  [ ] Typescript copy of a letter from an Indian to the Executive Engineer Camel Division “Honoured and Illustrious Sir” requesting a position in his office as “I am what dog says to rat in tight corner for domestic troubles come in plural and sometimes triplicate causing slight earthquakes in Heavenly Household when there is shortage of coin.” Added to this the problem of his wife bringing “annual incremental successions” means he must seek a job “carrying more lucre.” He counsels in a p.s. “In reply put on service stamp and save pocket.”
9.2.1 Memorabilia from The Gloom Club, Naini Tal

898  Sept. 1922 -  Menus from functions at the Gloom Club Naini Tal, 
      Includes menu for farewell dinner for General Sir 
      Havelock and Lady Hudson 6 Oct. 1923.
      5 items

899  16 - 17 Sept. 1923  Invitation from the Master Mourner, Gloom Club, to 
      Major and Mrs Ryan to attend a function at the Club 
      “This wake we propose to turn into a nautch, at 9.30 
      your presence we crave. We’re so “stand” it can never become a debauch, 
      so ‘gloomy’ so ‘sad’ and so ‘grave’. Also menu for the night and an invitation 
      from the Yuvaraj of Vizinana to Major and Mrs Ryan to dinner on Thursday 
      20th.
      4 items

900  8 Sept. 1925  Invitation in verse for Major and Mrs Ryan to attend 
      The Gloom Club RSVP The Gloom Club Naini Tal.
      2 items

10 Stephen A. Grehan

10.1 Education

10.1.1 Letters home from St. Anthony’s Eastbourne

901  12 May -  Group of letters sent home weekly by Stephen A. 
      9 July 1906  Grehan to his father, discussing school news (mostly 
See Also /127, / 712, 
 / 854, / 1274 cricket results) and informing him of weekly test 
          results and enclosing report cards. The letters are all brief and written in a 
          childish style. The letters are addressed care of various European 
          Hotels.
          7 items & envelopes

10.1.2 Letters home from the Oratory School, Edgbaston

See Also /527

902  26 Sept. 1909  Letter from Stevie at The Oratory to his sister 
      Aileen giving news of school doings. Comments he 
      prefers the Oratory to Pattens “we are much freer and 
      not so boxed up.” He details his day beginning when he rises at 7, through
lessons from 9 to 12, after which they are free until 2.15 with prep at 7.10 and bed after prayers at 8.45. He finds the masters decent and will be learning German and boxing. His museum is going strong and he is still drawing.

903 3 Feb. 1910 Letter from Stevie at the Oratory School to his father giving news of his recent ill health. He is feeling better but still has a slight temperature and so is being kept in bed, he adds he hopes his father will have a “decent hunt” at Newmarket. Chats about school news, Da Sonza sneaks up every day and gives him some paper, and John came that day to play games with him. Closes inquiring after family members and if his father is going on holiday that year.

2pp

904 24 Sept. 1912 Postcard from Stevie giving details of his election as school captain, he got 46 votes and O’Connor 21 Requests some racquet balls.

1p

10.1.3 Report Cards

905 1907 - 1909 Report cards and circulars from Stephen A. Grehan’s (Stevie) schooldays at St. Anthony’s School, Eastbourne.

5 items

906 1909 - 1913 File of printed exam class lists and reports on Stevie’s progress at the Oratory School, Edgbaston. Includes 1910 Certificate on passing the Oxford Preliminary Local Examination as an Overage Candidate in 7 subjects. Also 1911 Certificate for Oxford Local Exam as a Junior Candidate.

62 items

10.1.4 School Bills
907 1909 - 1914 File of receipted bills for Stephen A. Grehan’s schooling at the Oratory. Also circulars detailing term fees, book fee etc. E.g. Michaelmas Term 1909 fee: £32.16.6. Also bills for related items e.g. 1 lb. Best Plain Chocolate 3/9.

70 items

10.1.5 Memorabilia

908 1909 - 1913 File of memorabilia from St. Anthony’s and the Oratory School. Includes Letter from John Norris to Stephen Grehan confirming the school has sufficient cricket and sports grounds and detailing the boys meals - “porridge or bacon, bread and butter for breakfast, dinner as much meat as they like and sweet, tea, bread butter and jam.” Also Copy of The Antonian Tell Tale Magazine [1909], of which St. Grehan is Natural history Editor and as Captain of the 1st XI is mentioned throughout.

8 items

10.1.6 Royal Military Academy, Woolwich

909(1) 24 Jan 1914 Letter to Stephen A Grehan from his headmaster ‘EP’ at the Oratory School congratulating him on his examination results and his acceptance into the army. “You can enjoy to the full the very pleasurable feeling that your success has been thoroughly deserved.” Adds “I am confident that you will lead a clean, useful straightforward and manly life, which will always be a credit to your family.”

1p


6 items

909 Feb. - Dec. 1914 File of bills for Gentlemen Cadet S A Grehan, incurred at the Royal Military Academy. Details amounts debited and credited by the Academy for messing, Tailors Bills, Bootmakers bills set against the 3/ a day pay. Sum due for Feb. - June 1914 was £55.15.8.

14 items

10.2 Diaries
Daily diaries kept by Stephen A. Grehan. The earliest volume contains records of his military service with very brief entries detailing daily duties, sports and social activities. Also notes troop and camp movements but with little or no personal comment. The diaries from the 1930’s continue in the same vein until his move back to Clonmeen in 1937, when he records details of visitors, visits, farm work carried out and hunts and shoots attended. The latter diaries also contain notes of daily weather conditions and records of farm workers. All the entries are terse with no musings or personal reflections. It is noticeable in the 1950’s and 60’s how restricted his social round becomes and the falling off of visitors from England.

18 Sept. 1915 - Army and Navy Perpetual Diary, containing daily entries by Stephen A. Grehan recording events while on tour in France and Salonika. 19 Sept. 1915 “Arrived Harve 5am breakfast on board - started disembarking about 7am - moved to No.5 Rest camp at 9.15 am. Had a good sleep in the afternoon & left camp 8 p.m. with Bd. HQ’s.” Records duties - 21 Sept. 1915 “In morning arranged billets and catered for mess etc. In afternoon laid out telephone wires from Bty to mess & BHQ’s.”

/ 910 contd.…….

Notes also any action -23 October “About 11pm I had to get out of bed to fire 6 rounds at Germans in retaliation beastly cold,”10 November “Rained hard all day most of the horses are up to their knees in mud.”

c.270pp

17 Oct. 1916 - Army issue notebook used as a diary with brief daily entries recording duties and events e.g. 17 Oct. 1916 “Prossy went to O.P. in morning & I relieved him after lunch.” 26 Oct. 1916 “Got a dose of fever last night so went to early feeling better this morning but kept quiet all day.” The heavy rain made camp conditions difficult, causing sandbag walls in dugouts to collapse, 30 Oct. “so I had to clear out of that & spent the remainder of the night on a box in the office.” There was also time for social activity 11 Nov. 1916 “Two officers of the Rifles promised to come to dinner & old Gozza made a great show but the stinkers never turned up.” He also records military engagements and some accidents- 27 Nov. 1916 “Late D/117 just behind us blew up a gin in a dump of ammunition. Hell of an explosion - we could see bits of red hot iron going up all over the place (I heard afterwards that they could find no trace at all of the 6 men in the detachment & 4 others were wounded.).” 23 Dec. 1916 “Saw an excellent fight in the air - our bloke fairly well charged the Bosh & after his second M.G. attack, the Bosh came crashing down.” Also list at rear of letters sent and received.

911 94pp
1 April 1917 - Army issue notebook used as a diary with brief daily entries recording often mundane activities e.g. 18 April “Rode up to Bty & spent a couple of hours at O.P. saw Maj. About a few things after lunch then rode back to W.L. Got rather cold towards evening.” In July they were moved to the African front - 15 July “Felt real desert sand for the 1st time & saw the Suez canal.” Details at rear letters sent and received. c.90pp

20 Nov. 1917 - Army issue notebook used as a diary with brief daily entries. The weather features prominently e.g. 10 Dec. 1917 “Rained like blazes last night all blankets & clothes wet through devilish cold driving rain.” 25 Dec. 1917 “Got flooded out during night & woke up to find blankets wet through ...... Lunched alone off bully & biscuits.” He also saw action against the Turks - 26 Dec. “Heard that Turk was going to attack tomorrow...... dinner at 9 p.m. Maj. Stevenson came in afterwards - Opened some champagne that had rolled up in the mess cart.” 28 Dec. “Saw large body of Turks near Rafat & got c/coy on to them - they had a great shoot ... at 14.30 hrs & from then till dusk there was a continual series of topping targets of retreating Turks.” 65pp

19 March 1918 - Diary containing brief daily entries recording activities. 9 June 1918 Details leave spent in Cairo - 27 March “Went to G.S.C. immediately after lunch & played 5 sets of tennis with Thurbon, Winter & Wadsworth. Played a shade better than last time. Had tea at G.S.C. & then after a bit of shopping went to Shepheards where Rose joined us & we attended dinner together then took a box at the “Barnstomers” not too bad - back in camp at 11.30.” Later that month they re-embarked for Marseilles on a hazardous voyage 3 May “Convoy was about 5 ships today - very strict orders re lights. Everyone stood too till we were through the mine field”. 8 May “Ships whistle blew the alarm & while I was collecting reports for boat stations we felt a depth charge going off, about 1 min afterwards a destroyer & a sloop dashed to one spot & started circling round as fast as they could. Then we gradually saw a pool of oil forming surrounded by a lot of black stuff & then when we passed close to it got a tremendous wiff of oil & beizol, the ship’s captain shouted down from the bridge that they had sunk the submarine. Not a very spectacular show.” 68pp

11 Feb. - 28 Dec. 1920 Diary containing brief daily entries beginning on the 11 Feb. When he leaves Banteer en route for London to Marseilles and arrives at Port Said 20 February, and eventually at Delhi 8 March, where he records who he met before leaving on the 14th for Amarah. While travelling again on the 27th March he stopped at Begubah and describes the Syrian refugee camp “the remnants of the whole nation.” Mon. 17 May he is “Busy fixing Shah’s garden party.”
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<td>Pocket ‘Army Sports Diary’ with extremely brief and intermittent entries e.g. total entry for 7 March is “RJL arrived.” Used mainly for recording appointments and noting events. Notes at rear on racing events attended and bets made.</td>
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<td>1925</td>
<td>‘Services Sports Diary’ containing terse daily entries recording activities - Jan.” Motored E.O’B. C.B. for dance Dick Farmers took us - got back 4.30 p.m.”</td>
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<td>1926</td>
<td>‘Services Sports Diary’ containing terse daily entries recording activities. On the 27 Feb. “C started 10 to 12 after moving beds etc., moved her 12.30 phoned for Doctor &amp; fetched Mai am. Peter arrived 4.17 am both splendid - a very trying night.” 5 March “Peter Arthur christened at Eltham by Abbot White.”</td>
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<td>1928</td>
<td>‘Services Sport Diary’ containing terse daily entries recording activities e.g. 18 April “Played golf &amp; shop. C. Went to town to Dentist.”</td>
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<td>1929</td>
<td>‘Services Sports Diary’ containing terse daily entries recording activities social events and sports. Little mention of work (“shop”).</td>
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<td>1930</td>
<td>‘Royal Artillery Pocket Book and Diary’ containing brief daily entries of activities 22 April “Shop &amp; tennis with C before lunch &amp; then golf after lunch.”</td>
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<td>1931</td>
<td>‘Services Sports Diary’ containing brief daily entries recording activities. Again entries mainly relate to social and sporting activities with few reference to his work.</td>
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| 1932 - 1936 | ‘Walker year by year’ 5 year diary containing very terse
daily entries covering Major Grehan’s later military career and overseas postings in India. Entries for subsequent years are listed under 1 date e.g. April 27 (1932) “All p.m. in my room, a good sleep after lunch till tea. Munshi massy was [ ] during the morning & took a gold watch & a cigarette case. My room was also entered but I lost nothing.” (1933) “Musketing all a.m. Bty sports after tea - Frank came back from Abboltabad polo. Temperature up to 90º, 6º higher than previous best.” (1934) Dublin to see Roche & Russel of Nat. Bank. C Marjory & Mar out all day. I had children after lunch & tea in school room & then worked in dairy office.” (1935) Army [ ] came 11 & saw all officers. Failce want me to stay with 4 M.B. at Loe Ague inspections. (1936) “Agu & Grant saw a large panther but didn’t shoot - the fools! Later they missed a chatal. Peter & Townsend missed three pigs but eventually got a chatal. Pete tried [ ] a panther while I waited nearby.

c.330pp

924 1937 ‘Collins Indian Gentlemans Diary’ with brief daily entries recording events. The opening months find Major Grehan on duty at Dandil Camp, Khaisna, India. / 924 contd...

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1 Jan “Bty staying camp cleaning up guns & equipment.” However in May he requested leave to stay with his father who was ill and 4 June “All family present from 2.00 p.m. Fr. O. Arrived 2.25. The end came finally 2.34 p.m. RIP Notes at rear concerning shopping lists, details of shoots, addresses and accounts.

c.370pp

925 1938 ‘Collins Handy Diary’, containing brief daily entries recording activities at Clonmeen, visits, visitors and sporting events, 25 Jan “Shot at Longueville saw very few cock & [ ] got 4 pheasants and 9 cock.” 26 Dec. “Both children rode in [ ] C & I to KB Williams party - pretty dreadful.”

c.365pp

926 1939 ‘Collins Handy Diary’ containing brief daily entries describing activities, 24 January “Letters and farmed all day. Sold a heifer to Patsy Harrington.” 3 September “Returned to England & reported for Duty.” Notes at rear of addresses and details of military kit.

360pp
1940 ‘Collins Handy Diary’ containing brief daily entries describing activities. He is again on active service 2 Jan “Good days work in office & back 6 p.m. River almost froze over. V. Cold & freezing all day.” 17 May “Rumours that Germans had broken through in a 60 mile front - up to Rheims! If so very bad indeed!.” 18 June “big air raid during night - 3 houses down - I slept peacefully.” List of addresses at rear.

360pp

1941 ‘Collins Ruby Diary’, containing brief daily entries by Major Grehan still on active service. Notes at rear of addresses and bridge scores.

95pp

1942 Collins Ruby Diary’ containing brief daily entries by Major Grehan, still on active service. “Long day at office & was not away till after 7:30!!” (4 February). Features addresses at rear and some accounts detailing his years pay at the front.

90pp

1943 Collins Compact Diary containing brief daily entries by Major Grehan still on active duty. “On day duty & so at office till 8pm not home till 8.30”. Also notes activities while on leave e.g. 19 April, “farmed & fished”. 106pp

1944 Small pocket diary containing terse daily entries recording activities and participation in sports, especially tennis and golf. Features notes at rear of salary received and at front of Christmas cards sent.

103pp

1944 Calendar in notelet form detailing appointments with reminders on reverse. “Move horses from Castle” (14 June). “Wrote to Peter” August), and “News of poor Gerard killed on 17th in Holland (2 November - see /1317, /1328 )

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<td>1945</td>
<td>Pocket diary with brief daily entries recording activities. “Office am out pm” (15 January). “Crossed to Eire” (10 April).</td>
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<td>934</td>
<td>1946</td>
<td>Collins Octavio Diary containing brief daily entries recording activities, with hunting featuring prominently. “All hunted at Ballygibben - a rotten day as absolutely no scent though we found two foxes” (2 January). There is a record of fish caught at the rear.</td>
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<td>1946-1950</td>
<td>Walker Year by Year 5 Year Diary. Entries are recorded sequentially under the date heading. Brief entries record daily activities, weather, work done on the farm, visits made and visitors.</td>
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<td>1947</td>
<td>Collins Octavio Diary with brief daily entries describing activities, farmwork, visits made and visitors to Clonmeen. “Exercised horses all morning - p.m. went to Hunt Committee meeting and shopped in Mallow seeing ‘all the Quality’ including [Dady], Ellen Barry &amp; husband, Molly Barry etc.” (31 January).</td>
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<td>1948</td>
<td>Collins Three Day Royal Diary, brief daily entries recording general activities. Listed at the rear are note of salmon caught.</td>
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939  1949  Browns Small Scribbling Diary, containing brief daily entries recording activities and appointments.

940  1950  T.J. & J. Smiths Datada Diary, containing brief daily entries recording family activities and visitors to Clonmeen. “Took D to Sarsfield for shooting in the p.m., took C to Hunt meeting, not back until 6.45pm. D & B got 9 snipe a poor bag” (10 January). “Fished a bit twice & got a 2lb trout on a golden sprat in Castle Hole - v. good condition jar it tomorrow. Dined at Waterloo” (18 February). Also, “Our Silver Wedding Anniversary!! & no one remembered” (16 May)

941  1951-1954  Walker Year by Year diary with daily entries for 4 years. Brief entries record mainly farm work done and weather conditions.


943  1952  Datada Diary with brief daily entries recording activities, social events and farm work.


945  1954  T.J. & J. Smith’s Datada diary. Brief daily entries detailing activities and visitors. “PP & S returned to Dublin after lunch. C & I lunched at Waterloo” (3 January). Details of staff changes are also included in his
wife Cecily’s hand and there are notes at rear on fishing. The writing is quite difficult to read.

Country Gentleman’s Association Estate Book and Diary with brief daily entries recording weather, activities at Clonmeen, farm work, visits and visitors. Also accounts at rear.

1955

C.G.A. Estate book and diary. brief daily entries record activities at Clonmeen, farm work, visits and visitors. “Fine bright a.m. & p.m.. Church Holiday. No farm work. Left Phyllis at station after mass to catch 9.36 to Dublin. C & I to Miller’s cocktail party at Byblox Josh skipped dinner & went off to a drama” (6 January). Features at rear an account of milk sales, garden receipts, car mileage, phone calls made, rent received, fishing and shoeing of horses.

108pp

C.G.A. Estate Book and diary, brief daily entries recording activities at Clonmeen, visitors and farm work. “Peter turned up about 6.30 for night & said Duncan nearly died on Monday & was rushed to hospital in Dublin to be put in an Oxygen tent for 24 hrs ‘croup’ due to a heavy cold”. (10 January). Also notes [paying] guests with accounts at rear.

104pp

C.G.A. pocket diary, brief daily entries recording activities at Clonmeen with a noticiple decline in the amount of hunting undertaken.

100pp

C.G.A. pocket diary, brief daily entries recording activities at Clonmeen with notes on his wife Cecily’s illness at the beginning of the year. Also notes employees work dates.

80pp
1960 C.G.A. pocket diary, brief daily entries recording activities at Clonmeen with a noticeable decrease in the number of visitors. Also notes on health. “Got x-rayed for T.B.” (8 April), and “Telephone in.” (22 April).

91pp

1961 The Farmers and Beet Growers Pocket Diary, with brief daily entries recording activities and farm work at Clonmeen with also notes on his and Cecily’s health, “C down to tea first time down after 15 days” (8 February).

93pp

1962 Collins Compact Diary with brief daily entries recording activities and farm work at Clonmeen with notes on health and [T.B.] treatments, list at rear of calvings, fish caught and straw sales.

109pp

1962 C.G.A. Diary with brief daily entries recording activities at Clonmeen and noting weather. “v. cold & showery Crushing oats. Self to Cork for treatments & shopping - met Pat Leahy at Miss Lanes’s Dinny away.”

84pp

1963 C.G.A. Diary with brief daily entries recording activities at Clonmeen, weather conditions and days worked by labourers.

60pp

1964 C.G.A. Desk Diary with brief daily entries recording activities at Clonmeen, weather conditions, farm work done and days worked by labours. Features laundry account at rear.

105pp
1965  C.G.A. Desk Diary with daily entries recording activities at Clonmeen, weather conditions and farm work.  

104pp

1966  C.G.A. Diary, daily entries recording activities, outings, weather conditions visitors and farm work. 29 Jan. “v. warm & misty all a.m. Cool & fine p.m. M drains after foraging -  C & I lunched at Mallow Castle.”

102pp

1967  Small diary, daily entries recording activities, farm work, health treatments and visitors. Also notes on the distances from Clonmeen to places such as Inch, Co. Tipperary, Glengariff, Co. Cork and Kenmare, Co. Kerry. Notes at rear of bills and share investments and cattle calving.

130pp

1967  C.G.A. Desk Diary, daily entries recording activities and visitors at Clonmeen, also health record. “T.B. test check - all ok” (22 September). Notes at rear on visits by vet.

105pp

1968  C.G.A. Diary, brief daily entries recording activities at Clonmeen and visitors, farm work, weather conditions and family health. “Pretty cold after a very showery night & snow back high - M cleaning up Tractor etc. - J. on manure lower yard - C & I Mallow shopping & she to see Peggy in op theatre!!(9 January). Also notes in December “Duncan shot 2 rooks & a pigeon (first bag! aged 13).

8pp

1969  C.G.A. Desk Diary recording activities at Clonmeen, visits and visitors, farm work, weather conditions and workmen’s absentee days. “D’s engagement appeared in Times” (16 April)

80pp

1970  C.G.A. Diary, brief daily entries recording mainly the weather, visitors to Clonmeen, farm work and family health. 15 January “Fine & reasonably mild. M & PS on spuds & nearly finished, C out twice & improving but still weak”. 24 August “Aileen left after breakfast for Coolavin. M & PM on
hedging - D fished after lunch saw me in [Poulouse] After tea all went to a
drink party at Annesley. a v.g. party. dinner at home
about 9.15pm to bed 10.20.”

964  1971   C.G.A. diary, brief daily entries recording
weather conditions, visitors & visits, hunt
fixtures and farm work -8 January “very mild but a
thoroughly damp day with several heavy showers Did all N.I.T. stamps
for men & gave them out p.m. with Sandra and Carole”

80pp

965  1971   Small pocket diary with brief entries noting
activities and events - “C & S to Cork stay
night” (7 January). “Cork Butter Show” (25 February)

112pp

966  1 Jan - 16 Feb 1972   C.G.A. Diary, brief daily entries recording
weather, activities and visitors. “Cold & heavy
showers. Quiet & peaceful day C J at Banteer
ploughing match not back yet. C. re-dressed my bed - not going too
well” (12 January). Entries by Major Grehan cease on the 1 February,
and those from 1 - 16 February relating to work on the house are by his
wife Cecily.

6pp

10.3  Letters

10.3.1  Letters home to his father and other family members during
military service.

See Also
/910 ff

967  2 May 1915   Postcard from Stephen A. Grehan with a pre-
printed message confirming he is well and will write.

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968  5 May 1915   From Stephen A. Grehan (Stevie) 9th Brigade
Meerut Division B.E.F. western front. He has just
arrived in Meerut. “we are right in the thick of it here
but there is not much actually doing at present, but we will probably see some
excellent fun before the end.” The sound of the shells ‘whooshing’
over head makes him laff ( sic ), he declares and moves
on to describe the use of the 9.2 gun
in action. Notes that there is a great deal of mud about.
8 May 1915 Writing from the “Snipers House”, a forward observation station “There are only parts of the walls left”, describing recent events the German shelling has been brisk but badly aimed at present. “The Germans are now cheering like mad & the British answering them back!”.

Stretched out before him is a mass of trenches, with 500 yards away a German notice board on which they put messages for the French and Russians. He concludes that the Germans are “a cheery lot, but their poisonous gas is the limit”

11 May 1915 From Stevie reporting recent events. Things have gone quiet after a good deal of shelling (most of which he slept through) and he comments on the flatness of the countryside, which is bordered by dykes full of frogs. Adds there is no word on his leave application and also that he met a V.O. who inquired if he was any relation to the owner of the horse ‘Clonmeen’. Notes they only fired 20 rounds that day.

16 May 1915 From Stevie, complaining of lack of sleep due to the guns “beastly din”. He is presently in a trench being shelled by German ‘pip squeaks’ (German field gun). He has no word about leave and comments how sorry he was to hear that Lord de Freyne and G. French were killed. “it is very hard lines!” After popping his head up to reconintre he reports the Germans have gone out of range.

17 May 1915 From Stevie excitedly reporting he is to leave for London the next day and wondering if his father would be able to meet him there and jokingly requests salmon for the mess. There have been heavy bombardments and he hears the Germans are worn out adding, “It is very hard lines being taken away just when a big movement is on, however we are extremely lucky & have seen very much more actual fighting than any other [] tourists.”
From Stevie, R.A. Mess No 1 Camp, Boylen Park, enclosing a notebook in which he has been keeping a war diary (see 910ff) and describing his situations. With regard to rations there is “fresh meat every second day with eggs and milk to supplement the bully beef and bread”. Lately he took over the duties of a subaltern and was given a section to look after. “I didn’t actually learn very much gunnery but I got invaluable experience”. Excitedly describes witnessing the fighting for the Aubers Ridge {May 9, Western Front, disastrous British offensive} “On the 9th alone there were over 4000 casualties & we never moved an inch!” Declares what was needed in France was more big guns and a proper supply of high explosive shells. He feels the attacks failed because the bombardments were too weak, and the infantry was stopped by machine gun fire. Although a lot of the officers were bundles of nerves “Personally I thoroughly enjoyed myself out there but was jolly glad I wasn’t in the infantry.”

Hurried note from Stevie detailing his new postal address: A/114 Bde R.F.A. 36th Division, B.E.F. France, and working out a code by which he can detail his position to his father. “I think it would be as well if you always took the first letter of every word in my letters in case I want to say where I am”. Also mentions he will be sending home items he doesn’t need (e.g. cricket bag) and requests magazines and novels.

From Stevie giving an update on troop movements. At present they are billeted 30 miles behind the firing line [in France], a position they reached after marching 30 miles from the rail head. During which march they lost only 1 horse and no men. He himself was sent ahead to arrange the Battery billets without an interpreter, but still managed to secure good rooms. He is in charge of the canteen, “a slow job”, but adds “so far we have fed like Dukes! The men are simply priceless buying things for themselves”. Explains he will not in future be able to write much about battery activities.

From Stevie to his sister Magda (‘Mumper’) describing his situation and camp life. He also requests a cookery book for the cook in the
officer’s mess, and a dozen mouth organs and whistles for the men, along with woodbine cigarettes. He informs her of the code he is using to reveal his location. She is to look at the first letter after every dash. He describes the location of the horse lines and his work as camp censor. “Our men are the limit the way they write so many letters I should think I had to censor about 130 today!” He is billeted in a very comfortable farmhouse and “The men have been given sheds & barns to sleep in but the majority prefer to sleep in the fields.... All the men are awfully pleased to be here & think that France is a wonderful place.”

977 28 September 1915 Letter from Stevie to his father requesting some supplies and describing his current position. “some place bivouwacked in a swamp wood”. It is cold and wet but he thinks their battery will see action in a few days, adding there is no R.C. Chaplin in the vicinity (see /723). He requests “tinned tongue, cakes, jam, biscuits, tinned fruit “ and “perhaps the cook could make a plain chocolate cake”. He also requests his father to ask anyone he knows sending out comfort supplies to send them to his battery, and to order a pair of strong Norwegian boots for him.

978 11 October 1915 Postcard from Stevie thanking his father for the daily Irish Times which keeps him up to date. He is still in the same place but the weather has improved.

979 12 October 1915 From Stevie discussing camp arrangements. The battery has not yet moved and he feels the next position they go to will be their winter quarters. He is trying to find a structure for the mess as “dugouts may be very nice in Summer, but when it is wet they are beastly.” Everyone, he states, is very bored. He hopes to meet George Whyte who is stationed in the area.

980 13 October 1915 Postcard from Stevie thanking his father for the letters. He has no news and the battery has not moved.
981  15 October 1915  From Stevie thanking his father for the parcels sent and updating him on activities. They are set to move on the following day “and the battery will come into action”. He describes a very successful concert they held and a football match against ‘B’ battery which was interrupted by overhead planes. Mentions his French is improving greatly.

2pp & envelope

982  20 October 1915  Letter from Stevie, apologising for not writing and promising a longer letter, explaining they are busy establishing a new position. Adds the Norwegian boots arrived safely.

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983  20 October 1915  From Stevie describing events since moving from the rest camp at Fonilloy and their taking over an old French position, complete with dugouts and gun pits. Midway through setting up camp at 10 pm they realised the water cart hadn’t arrived and all they had to drink was the port his father had sent out. While inspecting the trenches they were shelled and sniped at. “Their snipers are rather good shots & you can’t have your periscope up for more than about 20 seconds at a time as they soon smack it.” Their main O.P. consists of a house roof, and a room with a table and a half dozen comfortable armchairs. They are with 400 or 500x of the German trenches. He also describes his daily routine, and thanks his father for the men’s cigarettes. Lady Bandon also sent him 30 pairs of mittens and 30 scarves.

5pp & envelope

984  24 October 1915  From Stevie thanking his father for the magazines and parcel sent, “our cook made an excellent sweet out of the damsons and some custard; our chief difficulty is to devise puddings”; and describing recent events. There is a rumour that the Brigade is to leave the 26th Division, and join the 5th, taking over part of the line. His new address will be A/114 Bde RFA, B.E.F. The weather is cold but dry and they have done little firing except when requested by the infantry. “I must say the infantry are rather a nuisance as they call you up at all hours of the night to say they are being shelled at......and then you have to go & loose off a few rounds to keep them quiet.”

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985  29 October 1915  From Stevie thanking his father for the letter and cigarettes and bringing him up to date on recent
events. It is cold and wet and conditions are very muddy. “the wretched horses are well over their fetlocks in mud.” He thinks they will be moving soon and will face a 60 mile march.

He finds tents to be cold and damp to live in and he is engaged in trying to make a fire place for the mess. Adds one of their saddlers was a bootmaker and he will re-size the boots sent for him.

5 November 1915 From Stevie to his sister Magda, (“Maggit”) explaining about the slow post and thanking her for the socks she sent. He sends teasing thanks also to his other sisters. Mentions his groom managed to find a real horse rug for “Rabbit” who is now feeling very pleased with himself. Closes as he is being called for dinner.

6 November 1915 Note from Stevie declaring “we are still in the same old mud hole”. They have not yet moved position and he adds his boots are still too big in the foot.

10 November 1915 From Stevie confirming he is to be sent to Serbia. Conditions are bad with the horses up to their knees in mud and he is dreading trying to move the guns and wagons from the mud during the night. His boots however are now a great success and he is being asked repeatedly for the name of the supplier.

12 November 1915 Brief note from Stevie informing his father that he is to entrain on Monday, and expects to be on the train for 1½ hours.

14 November 1915 From Stevie thanking his father for the jam and cake sent, but explaining that he would prefer tinned fruit, as he receives a jam ration. They have had no fresh meat over the last few days as the A.S.C. has gone on in advance. Adds the lines were so muddy the horses had to be removed for fear of losing them.
991 18 November 1915  From Stevie informing his father of the battery’s move of 15 miles to a new village, 10 miles from where they are to entrain. Adds there is no need to send him a leather waistcoat as he bought one himself.

2pp & envelope

992 24 November 1915  From Stevie describing events since his last letter. He and Hagges had taken a trip into Amiens where they amused themselves in a restaurant by drawing customers. One man was so flattered by his portrait he insisted on buying them dinner and champagne. Two days later they broke camp and entrained. “I managed to get a share in a glass of soda-water”. Arriving at Marseille they found the cobbled streets very slippery for the horses. They are likely to stay for a fortnight which pleases him. “Marseilles is an awfully pretty place & one can generally get away for dinner or a theatre”. Mentions he met George Whyte.

6pp & envelope

993 1 December 1915  From Stevie thanking his father for the letters sent and describing an incident in a restaurant where he and 4 others met up with an English family en route for Hong Kong. They formed a group and took a box at the Revue. “great sport”. After getting back at 2am he then took the horses out at 6am.

2pp & envelope

994 7 December 1915  From Stevie discussing his mail and embarkation plans. He comments on how the Irish Times invariably arrives 3 or 4 issues at a time. Explains he is due to embark on the 9th with 80 men on the H.T. “Karoa”. Mentions lunch with “Copper top’s” father, Sir Charles Bayley, who was on his way home to Edinburgh.

2pp & envelope

995 9-19 December 1915  From Stevie describing his voyage from Marseille. They embarked on the “Karoa” a 7000 ton vessel, with 300 horses and 600 men. He adds the ship is very comfortable and the food good. He is sharing a 3 berth cabin with another subaltern from his Brigade. On board also are Gunners, The Lothian & Border Horse, a R.A.M.C. detachment and a S.A.A. section. They were following a French boat from Toulon which he comments,
went extremely slowly. Boat parades began on the 11th, and all men and officers were instructed to wear a life belt all day. After passing Elba and Corsica he comments, “I don’t wonder that poor old Nap didn’t appreciate Elba”. They pass the time playing bridge. “There is nothing else to do bar cards”, and on the 13th they passed Malta. After a bout of rough weather they reached Salonika (Salonica) harbour where 6 large hospital boats, 8 transports and aeroplane ships were anchored. On the 18th he was upset to find pneumonia had broken out amongst the calvary horse, which had to be landed. On the 19th the men disembarked and marched off to a camp 3 miles inland. He cautions he can give no details as to their exact location except that it is wet and muddy. His only fear is that the “enemy won’t attack our position and so escape the thorough ‘smashing’ that they would get!”

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996 20 December 1915 From Stevie wishing all his family a happy Christmas and describing his current situation. As the horses have not yet arrived the battery is doing nothing. Mentions he met Godfrey Pike who is in the 26th Div. ASC., but that Charlie Longfield had already left.

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997 27 Dec. 1915 From Stevie describing his Christmas. The men were given a whole holiday and made him and Alban take the first drink out of the barrel of beer that had been procured. The men were also given oranges, tangerines, chocolate and a packet of cigarettes each, a large parcel of which arrived courtesy of the Daily Chronicle. They played football in the afternoon and the following day, he took the men to the front where they are presently encamped just behind the trenches, digging a position for the battery. There are a good many natives about whom he chases away “as I expect there are a good many spies among them!” Adds their position is quite sheltered, rocky but with good water.

4pp

998 30 December 1915 From Stevie detailing letters received and describing how 4 German aeroplanes flew overhead, reconntered his battery’s position and bombed a base hospital. The days are very hot and the nights freezing, but he has a charcoal burner in the tent. They have no bread, butter or fresh meat and are also falling short of “bully”.

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5 January 1916 From Stevie inquiring which of his letters had been received (he details dates on which he wrote). There are rumours circulating that the mail boat was sunk “I hope that it is not true as the thought of a big mail to come is keeping us all alive”. He describes taking a walk into the plain in front of their lines where he raised over 100 snipe, and bought a woodcock from a small boy for a drachma (10d).

7 Jan 1916 Letter from Stevie thanking his father for the letters and parcels received. The cigarettes were especially welcome as the men got none since they left France. He comments on news from home and jokes he hopes an American buyer of ‘Lady Aldborough’ is not a German agent looking for Irish mares. Their position was bombed earlier by German planes but in 29 at staff damage was done. At a practice shoot his 54 did very well while the other did badly.

14 January 1916 Letter from Stevie declaring “we are still waiting for someone to come and attack us”. The weather is freezing and in lieu of news he describes his daily routine. He rises at 7.30am and starts the men on the gun pits at 7.45. Breakfast is at 9.00, after which he inspects positions at 10.00. Lunch is at 12.00 and the men parade about 1.00. The rest of the afternoon is spent on inspections. At 4.30 the men finish and the officers have tea. He does office work between tea and dinner, after which they generally play cards. While on full rations they have bacon, eggs and coffee for breakfast, bully beef curry and sago pudding for lunch and dinner consists of soup, roast beef, potatoes and vegetables, milk pudding, savoury bread and jam.

15 January 1916 From Stevie explaining his section is to be relieved and will return to the main battery position. The Bulgers have been shelling heavily but “today they behaved like gentlemen & left us severely alone & annoyed other people instead”. He had “great fun” when he spotted an enemy working party digging trenches. “I gave them some bits of steel & lead just to cheer them up”. The news he hears from Romania is excellent and
he hopes “the Bosh” (Boche/Bosche) “are taking a knock there”. Complains of poor mail service.

1003 19 January 1916  From Stevie, detailing what post has gotten through to him and commenting on home news and how much he enjoys the Irish Times. The horses turned up safely, and he hopes the dugouts will be ready before the snow hits. Mentions the joy with which a cake and plum pudding sent to Alban were met with.

2pp & envelope

1004 28 January 1916  From Stevie advising his father in future to send one big parcel to him c/o Military Forwarding Officer, instead of several small ones, and so save on postage. Comments how reliable delivery of the Irish Times is, and how his horse, Joseph, jumped short of a stream landing them both in the mud.

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1005 7 February 1916  From Stevie detailing letters received. He has no news, and was unable to get to a sports day because a General who never came was due to turn up for an inspection. The general feeling is, he states, that the Turks and Bulgars will attack once the railway is relieved, but that transport problems and the strong British defensive position will defeat them.

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1006 12 February 1916  From Stevie, detailing letters received, answering queries and commenting on news from home. They are still in tents which are prone to flood and collapse in the rain, and that the whole of the 26th Division has now arrived. Mentions he knows of no incoming letters being censored.

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1007 20 February 1916  From Stevie describing his surroundings. The battery is dug in 8000 yards west of Langaza, with the wagon line at the village of Lembit. (At this point he instructs his father to destroy the letter once read, and not to circulate it.) A French commandant he showed around their position declared it to be the line’s ‘Position d’Honoure’.

4pp & envelope
26 February 1916 From Stevie to his sister Magda (‘Mumper’) explaining he has been too busy recently to write and detailing his activities. On Saturday he escorted French officers around the camp, on Sunday he was at the Bde. office making out zones of fire. On Monday he and Alban made tables and cupboards out of ration boxes, on Tuesday the corp. commander inspected and on Wednesday he was out fixing points for the battery map. Thursday and Friday he spent making out a new map. Requests her to send out 1 dozen clean white handkerchiefs. Also an invoice for same, 5/ from the Army and Navy stores.

28th February 1916 From Stevie describing recent events. He managed to hear Mass last week and comments on how absurd it is not to have a priest attached to the Divisional Artillery. Mentions a sports held by the 78th Fusillers he attended with Alban, and comments on how well his new mare is working out.

1 March 1916 Note from Stevie explaining he sent off film to Seaman & Sons to be developed, with instructions that it be sent on to Clonmeen. He cautions “don’t let any of the Hags [his sisters] send copies to any paper”. Adds he hopes the pictures “won’t get ‘torped ’on the way”.

9 March 1916 From Stevie thanking his father for the 1000 cigarettes, which the men were delighted with, and complaining how dull things are without anything to read. Describes registering batteries on the plain, their range being 6000x. It is raining again and he has 3 buckets on the go in the office dugout.

17 March 1916 From Stevie discussing current rumours that they will not after all be attacked, but will instead be sent to France or Alexandria. Lists for his father’s interest the names of officers in the Brigade. Remarks there is to be an Irish dance in Salonica that night, but he will be unable to attend it.
2pp & envelope

1013  27 March 1916  From Stevie to his father with a paragraph written in Morse Code for his sister Hag IV [Aileen] to decipher. That morning 4 or 5 Taubs bombed the area and blew up a French ammunition dump, the blast from which shook his dugout. His battery is to be taken out of action for a week. Requests copies of the Irish Field to be sent on as he enjoys the articles.

2pp & envelope

1014  3 April 1916  From Stevie detailing mail received, including a billing mix up with the Army & Navy Stores. Describes a day out in Salonica, where he found the shops expensive. He had tea at the celebrated ‘Flocas’ “which is in reality a very dirty big tea room enamoured of naval and military officers both French and English - rather amusing really.”

5pp & envelope

1015  12 April 1916  From Stevie recounting recent events. The battery was inoculated for cholera as all troops will be before the 23rd when the Serbs are due to arrive. Mentions he met an officer named Mulligan who knows the Frenchs and MacDermots in Roscommon very well. Requests some riding clothes and also a book on veterinary notes and horse mastership. Adds they are being issued with ‘Drill’ clothing which means they are likely to be staying put.

1p & envelope

1016  21 April 1916  From Stevie recounting recent events. He spent Holy Thursday with a mountain battery learning their drill and Good Friday was a troop holiday. “It is rather fun having the whole Bde together now, as before, when we were all in action, we were all separated.” He plans to go into Salonica to get some tennis equipment, and requests his golf clubs to be sent out as he hopes to set up a rough course.

2pp & envelope

1017  30 April 1916  Letter from Stevie thanking his family for their letters and the Irish Field. The latest rumour circulating is “that we are going to stay in this blessed hole for an unlimited period and garrison it!!” If they are to stay he will start a vegetable garden “ & turn into a
blessed farmer straight away”. He comments “You seem to be having a great deal more excitement in Ireland than we are having here” (Easter 1916 rebellion in Dublin). He urges the hanging of the Rebellion’s ringleaders, not come down hard enough.

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1018  6 May 1916  From Stevie detailing recent events and supplies sent out to him, including a cake from Selfridges from an unknown friend. It was badly needed as “about 6 days ago when we had wine for tea & had no cake”. They have been out on manoeuvres with the infantry and witnessed heavy firing by a [Zeppelin] during the night. “it was quite a fine sight & we could see the whole show while in bed”. His battery was involved in action with the infantry for a few days. Comments on how hot it is.

4pp & envelope

1019  25 May 1916  From Stevie discussing his recent illness. The battery had moved out and he was detailed to remain and mind the office and way lines. Shortly after he became ill and was in bed for 2 days (he suspects bad water was the cause). He enclosed some film to be developed and lists the subjects of each shot, mainly the battery at work and the landscape, with instructions regarding the size of prints.

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1020  2 June 1916  From Stevie complaining he does not have much news. They heard rumours of a big battle in the North Sea “but I suspect it is all rot” [Battle of Jutland]. He has been annoyed by orders to move camp as they have just got the dugouts and horse lines arranged satisfactorily. He thinks his division is to take over a new part of the line. Promises to send off a group Bty photo as soon as he gets some brown paper.

2pp & envelope

1021  3 June 1916  Letter from Stevie explaining he has been ill with malaria “Our men started going down like flies on the 28th of last month - we now have 46 on the sick list”. He congratulates his father on his horse Lady Aldsworth’s win adds he has been working on the mess account which comes to 6.60
drachmas per day per man and 1.80 drachmas per day per man for drinks and smokes. Details average food served.

1022 11 June 1916 From Stevie delightedly announcing that mountain battery training is now over. He found the 2.75 gun not very reliable and slow. The weather is boiling hot and the horses have to be exercised at 5am to save them from heat-stroke. Acknowledges letters and books received and mentions officer changes.

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1023 20 June 1916 From Stevie describing a letter he received from Fred Pitel who was on board the Hercules during the Battle of Jutland and declared himself fed up “at the Boshes getting away when they ought to have been wiped out”. He details letters received and answers queries regarding his health and his horse. They have moved to a new camp and lost one horse through sunstroke, adding the chocolate sent to him all melted.

2pp & envelope

1024 4 July 1916 From Stevie to ‘F.d. by’[his sister] thanking her for the cake sent over. He complains of the violent dust storms but adds that at least it is cool when the wind blows. He and some others have been passing the time knocking about golf balls, being careful not to lose any.

1p & envelope

1025 5 July 1916 From Stevie to F.d. By [his sister] announcing that he and some others have bought a gramophone, and that the cricket and golf balls arrived and he is eagerly awaiting the golf clubs. He is doing only store and office work until his health is fully recovered. Adds he wishes they were in France “instead of being kept here doing nothing & getting toasted alive”

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1026 9 July 1916 Telegram from Stevie to his father (“Mrs. Grehan”) confirming the safe arrival of the golf and cricket equipment.

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1027 12 July 1916 From Stevie explaining he has had no word on leave and complaining about the hot weather and the wind storms. “One wouldn’t mind the wind but it is mostly a beastly hot wind which raises clouds of sand” He comments on the infrequency of the mails.

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1028 23 July 1916 Telegram from Stevie advising of his change of address from the A/114 to the A/117. Comments the potatoes sent were very good.

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1029 5 August 1916 From Stevie thanking his father and Magda for the books sent out and requesting any pairs of winter pyjamas he left at Clonmeen along with his hunting sandwich box and any flash going spare. They have moved camp and he can no longer get into Salonica to buy stores. Adds they are experimenting with fishing a nearby lake.

2pp & envelope

1030 12 August 1916 From Stevie discussing his finances. His bank, Cox & Co., have been in touch and he finds he can easily live on his pay and so does not need the £200 a year allowance his father gives him. He instructs his father to stop the allowance and encloses a cheque for the last £200 adding “it must be terribly expensive at home with such hags etc.!! In any case I have no use at all for the money at present”.

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1031 12 Aug 1916 From Stevie describing the heat and mentioning he received a letter from Tommy in hospital. He also encloses shots of himself and the horses and gives news of Alban’s return from Salonica. A fishing expedition on the lake on Saturday had to be cancelled due to a squall. Adds “I suppose it is public property that 5 or 6,000 Italians landed here the other day”.

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1032 26th August 1916 From Stevie detailing officers of his battery who met with misfortune. White Alban was taken to hospital, he is not sure why, Coppertop (Bayley) was invalided home with dysentery and Wrinch was hit by a shell. He is performing his usual duties, mapping and inspecting, but misses the long rides he used to take while on battery reconnaissance.
From Stevie at the General Hospital explaining he again fell prey to malaria and was sent by ambulance and train to Salonica. He gets attacks on every 3rd day but is well in the intervening days. He is enjoying the rest but doesn’t feel he will be kept in too long. (See 1035 below)

From Stevie still in hospital discussing his health. He is allowed up out of bed for short periods but doesn’t expect to be discharged for another week. He played his first game of bridge in a long while as his friends in the battery prefer poker and 21. It has been a fortnight since he received any post and is looking forward to the letters waiting for him at the battery.

Letter from Stevie informing his father he is due to leave hospital in 3 days time. It is still very hot and he is not looking forward to leaving the cool marquees for the open. Mentions he was saddened to hear of Tim O’Brien’s (Gunners) death.

Message from the war office to S. Grehan informing him that Lieutenant S.A.J. Grehan was admitted on the 30 August to No. 28 General Hospital, Salonica with Malaria.

From Stevie recounting recent events. The weather has cooled but it is expected to get hot again. His groom, Piercy, had to be hospitalised after being thrown from Yellow Mare and the new groom, unused to the horses’ habits let one loose without the other. This resulted, much to Grehan’s annoyance, in Yellow Mare injuring herself, while struggling to break loose. He does not have much hope of getting a good replacement charger, and would not have time to train one if he did. Requests some tea be sent out.

Letter from Stevie acknowledging mail received and explaining he has no chance of leave. His health has been good. “I fill myself up with Guinness every day!” Chats about general happenings and teases his sister.
Magda about her diary. His friend Bayley [Coppertop] never made it home on sick leave but got struck in Malta. Remarks the weather has turned quite cold.

3pp & envelope

1039 11 October 1916 From Stevie acknowledging receipt of letters sent. “Please tell Maggit she wrote a very DULL letter indeed - she merely mentioned casually that she was engaged & then enquired about the weather”. Adds he was shooting and got some partridges. There was a lot of firing during the night, “The show was a fine sight from down here (at wagon line about 3 miles back) as you could see the outlines of the hills & all the flashes of the various batteries & guns as they fired”. Mentions they got 50 new records for their gramophone.

2pp & envelope

1040 16 October 1916 Letter from Stevie congratulating his sister Magda (Maggit) on her forthcoming wedding. “I shall have to let off some more rounds at the Bulgars at the same hour as you are getting married”. Mentions he had been out shooting and got 9 1/2 brace of parties, but at present he is with the battery and this curtails opportunities for sport.

2pp

1041 19 October 1916 From Stevie recounting recent activities and enclosing 9 small (4cm x 6cm) annotated monochrome photographs. Things are very dull with him. He was cleaning barbed wire and hoped to get to shoot some partridge but there were none about.
(1) Shot of 3 men in desert uniform, squatting in some scrub. “Our BSM with megaphone - and two signallers”
(2) Front head and shoulders shot of soldier. “Hagges in his tin helmet!”
(3) Shot from rear of 3 men firing a large artillery gun. “Gun while firing note recoil”.
(4) Shot of 6 soldiers around a gunner’s position in some scrubland, no annotation.
(5) Shot of soldier sitting in front of a small tent. “Seville”.
(6) Shot of 4 soldiers reloading a heavy gun, partly obscured by dust. “N.B. Gun at end of its recoil & no 5 setting fuses. White stuff is dust”.
(7) Soldier in fatigues without helmet, outside a tent structure. “Seville outside his ‘bivvie’”.

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(8) Soldier bending over a bucket and wiping his face. “Hagges washing”.
(9) Peasant woman behind two large oxen. “Threshing oats. The old girl & her kid are standing on a wooden sleigh to weigh it down while the oxen pull them round & round over the oats!”

10 items & envelope

1042  21 October 1916 From Stevie to his sister ‘I.D. By’ giving general news of doings and reporting that it is raining non-stop and they are finding it difficult to get any material to waterproof the mess with.

2pp

1043  30 October 1916 From Stevie describing the battery’s new position. Though an improvement on the old, he is unsure how long they will stay there. Blizzards are expected soon, and he has ordered a primus store from Harrods. He hasn’t had much time for game shooting, “but I spent odd moments knocking a golf ball about”. Mentions he writes while on look out sheltering from the rain under some corrugated iron. His servant, he remarks is late up with his lunch.

4pp

1044  16 November 1916 From Stevie describing the incessant rain which has their wagon line almost swamped out. His kit is fairly dry thanks to his tent but he gets soaked everytime he goes out. “it rains a jolly side harder here than it ever does in an ordinary civilized country”. He has heard the splendid news regarding 5000 prisoners in France and hopes the Somme push will “damp the Germans ardour”. He is trying with difficulty to scrounge turkeys for the battery Christmas dinner.

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1045  18 November 1916 From Stevie detailing the contents of his post bag and thanking his father for the excellent parcel. “cakes travel splendidly as long as they are in tins”. It has been raining heavily, and while he has a tent, those in the battery position have been washed out in the dugouts. The horses, he reports, are fine. Snow has appeared on the Serbian and Bulgarian mountains around them.
1046 2 December 1916  From Stevie acknowledging receipt of mail and describing recent events. “we have been having a nice little stunt here”. The previous 6 days they spent in the open without being allowed show any light “with only 2 blankets & a waterproof sheet & a change of socks each”. He was busy doing reconnaissance work and moving guns “but of course I can’t give any details”. Rations were scarce and conditions poor. They were fired on the 26 November and on the 27 raided a fortified village, the manoeuvres for which he describes in detail. “a bty below us had a bit of bad luck as they blew up a gun & a large dump of ammunition & could find no trace of any of the unfortunate men who were on the gun! From where we were it was a wonderful sight”. Later the Bulgars, confused by the bombardment fired on their own forces. “By jove we did laff”, closes with a request for a rosary as he has lost his.

1047 5 December 1916  From Stevie sending Christmas greetings to his family and promising to have photos taken of himself as soon as the rain stops. He has no hope of leave and adds coming wet and muddy from riding reminds him of coming home after hunting.

1048 9 December 1916  From Stevie discussing the good report in the B.N. of the action. He found the article very interesting to read as he is so familiar with the territory. Comments on news of heavy rains at home and compares it to the storms & mud where he is. Luckily his “ripping waterproof” keeps him protected.

1049 14 December 1916  From Stevie requesting strong envelopes and a pencil and describing current conditions. The weather is fine and he remarks on the beauty of the snow on the mountain. Their position is being shelled but they have not been hit. “It is rather sport watching their shells burst & betting as to whether they will be “duds” or not!” He is busy organising the wagon line Christmas sports. Adds his kittens are doing fine.
1050 16 December 1916   From Stevie thanking his father for letters received
along with wedding cake and some tea, which he
feels he won’t need too much of as he has only
condensed milk. Requests strong envelopes instead. Comments “I am
afraid nothing much will come of these German peace proposals, though I
suspect everyone actually fighting has had enough of war”. Adds their
position is quite rowdy with shelling.

2pp

1051 20 December 1916   From Stevie acknowledging letters and presents
received, and assuring his family that he has
plenty of warm winter clothes. He requests books
be sent out instead of clothes. Mentions he hasn’t seen a priest in a long
while although he has looked hard. In preparation for Christmas lunch he
has gathered 40 chickens, 2 turkeys and a goose. He will be on the wagon line
that day and is organising the sports.

4pp

1052 22 December 1916   From Stevie reporting things are quiet but that a
rumour reached them that a mail boat was sunk
outside Salonica. “They oughtn’t to be allowed to
sink mails especially near Christmas time!”. Complains it has been
raining steadily and that there is little shelter. Mentions the Irish Times
and Irish Field are rotten papers. “they never get any further than the
Meath & the Word Union which I am sure interests nobody”.

2pp & envelope

1053 31 December 1916   From Stevie recounting recent events. Cold winds
are blowing from the North, but he has added a
strip of leather to his waistcoat to make “a topping
leather coat”. They marched off on Wednesday to join the new battery
(A/117) and on Thursday he rode down to the wagon line to check on and
hand over supplies. His horse could barely move against the gale and he
had to walk every 5 minutes to keep warm. On Friday he finished
checking the wagon line and yesterday (Saturday) he took over his two
guns. “I am now completely on my own, with my two little guns.......it is
so nice having a little command on ones own”. Details the officers in the
battery and describes his dugout which he has divided into a mess and
office/map room.

2pp

1054 24 January 1917   From Stevie at a signalling school at [ ]
for a fortnights course. The weather is very cold
“Also we are living in tents which is rotten after a nice warm dugout”. The battery has three officers absent and he hasn’t heard who the new captain to replace Hagges is going to be. He is 10 miles away from the wagon line near a large aerodrome, and he compares the aeroplanes to crows because of their numbers. Remarks he finds it strange not to have anyone shooting at him.

2pp & envelope

1055 1 February 1917 From Stevie commenting on the days post and describing his current activities. He is still on the signalling course and the rain and snow have not let up. “one can’t take much interest in doing anything when one is wet through!” He wasn’t able to get to Mass at Christmas and hasn’t seen a priest in weeks, but hopes to get Mass when he returns to the main position. Requests that a small automatic cigarette lighter be sent out as there is a regulation against the sending of matches which has resulted in shortages.

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1056 9 February 1917 From Stevie reporting his course is finished and he has returned to the battery. The weather is still very cold and sleeting. The mess, built of sandbags and corrugated iron, is freezing and they have no firewood.

2pp

1057 14 February 1917 From Stevie thanking his father for the food parcels sent over. They arrived at a good time as he will be going forward and will have to make his own mess arrangements. Mentions he saw the tractor type his father proposed to buy in the Irish Times and requests to be told how it performs. Adds America seems very unsure of what to do regarding the war.

2pp

1058 26 February 1917 From Stevie thanking his father for writing regarding the need for Mass (see / 1060 ). The Padre from the IVth Inf Bdg called in to say the senior chaplain had received a letter complaining that he (Stevie) had not seen a priest for a long time and a Mass was said yesterday behind the front trenches. “It did seen funny serving Mass in the open right up in the front line”. He met a fellow Roman Catholic officer at the Mass, he had not seen in ages. Reports there were two air raids on the day he wrote and the day before the Bulgars bombed a village.
1059 24 February 1917  From Stevie to his sister Magda discussing current news. He has been shooting a good deal in the bitter cold, and the cheap watch he bought to replace his which is being repaired broke, and he must send to Salonica for a new one. He passes on thanks to his sister Aileen for the Irish Lifes and complains he has nothing to write about. “Every day is almost exactly the same as the preceding one”.

1060 2 March 1917  From Stevie acknowledging receipt of letters and a scapular from his cousin Margery. Also clarifies for his father (see / 723, / 977) that he said there was no chaplain for the XXVI divisional artillery. There are 16 Roman Catholics in his battery which he feels is average, but the R.A. units are very widely separated. The priest he met recently can only hope to see half the men each week and walks about 15 miles every day. In contrast, he asserts, the Divisional Artillery alone have 6 Church of England chaplains who don’t serve the infantry. Mentions a blizzard hit yesterday which resulted in ‘Johnny Bulgar’ holding off fire for the day, and a priest who was lost in the blizzard stumbled into Grehan’s mess half frozen. Remarks his leather coat is the only thing which keeps out the cold.

1061 6 March 1917  From Stevie declaring he has nothing to write about. The snow is gone, and as he writes he can hear someone trying to shoot wild geese, hoping for a change of diet. He wishes he could go on a shoot but he isn’t likely to get the time. “I make up for it by sitting up in the O.P. and sniping Johnny Bulgar at intervals”. Notes Easons (Irish newsagents) wrap their newspapers and magazines very badly and that they often tear. He thanks his father for the woodbine cigarettes which he gave to the drivers on the wagon line. They were very grateful as they hadn’t been able to get any for over a week.

1062 23 March 1917  From Stevie thanking his family for letters, on excellent selection of books, cake and chocolate. Rations are he declares A1, and he managed to get 70 eggs at 2d each. The news of the advance in France cheered him.
Mentions Hagges, their captain has moved to a new battery, meanwhile they are busy digging a new position while there is a lull in the fighting.

1063 8 April 1917  From Stevie thanking his father for the excellent service watch, and Aileen for her parcel of books. Describes a heavy bombardment the previous night, and being in the middle of a barrage while riding down from the gun position. “Rabbit & I both agreed the road was unhealthy we made off across country & had quite a nice little hunt on our own for 10 mins or so”. His wagon line is however quite safe.

1064 16 April 1917  From Stevie thanking his father for the newspapers and letters. “I seem to have let myself fairly well in for it over the Padres & the Patton boys!!” He is to receive a temporary captaincy soon, and will be in charge of the wagon line. (180 horses 170 odd men). White Alban will take over his old duties.

1065 22 April 1917  Thanks for the letter with family news. He has been too busy to read the Irish Times but must do so soon as Sgt. Kelly takes it after him for the racing news. Relates how a saddler, Foley, requested his discharge as his term was up. When informed he wasn’t likely to get it he replied “I know Sir, but you see I am Irish ‘Sinn Feiner’ so there will be no difficulty”. He requests cake, jam, anchovies and herring roes and some tins of Blanco saddle soap to be sent out. Adds he is quite busy but thinks things will soon ease up.

1066 25 April 1917  Postcard from Stevie explaining he has no time to write. Note by his father “battle going on”.

1067 29 April 1917  To his sister [Magda] thanking her for her letters and recounting events since Monday 23rd when while he was watering Rabbit a 4.2 shell burst 10 yards away. That afternoon he helped in the observation of a bombardment. “it really was a very high class show & a most wonderful
sight from the O.P.”. The ‘show’ proper commenced about 9.30pm on Tuesday and he was kept busy supplying ammunition all through Wednesday. On Thursday he rode to the battery for news and heard some thrilling stories about a most exciting time. Only 1 man in the battery was wounded. On Friday there was another air raid, which didn’t do much damage, and the Bulgar counter attacked. “I also hear this morning that one of the 114 Bd caught a Bulgar attack at dusk in the open & had the time of their lives”. Mentions the important news that his cat Grubby had “6 fat kittens”. Closes inquiring about rabbits at home, which he sketches.

1068 10 May 1917 From Stevie reporting that he is very busy supplying ammunition as every available NCO and men was taken from the wagon line down to the guns. Relates how that afternoon one of their planes was forced to land close to the wagon line, hit a rock and flipped over. Requests that his brown leather field boots and his slide rule be sent out.

1069 13 May 1917 From Stevie recounting his recent activities. He took the previous afternoon off and sat in his deck chair reading while his groom successfully scrounged 5 dozen eggs, 3 chickens and fresh vegetables. He had a visitor, Lubboch, at 7am that morning. “we keep strange hours in this part of the world”. Pike his main source of carbide has trekked off. Inquires if there is an old plain hunting snaffle bit available to be sent out.

1070 19 May 1917 From Stevie recounting recent events. Fr. Hartly came and said Mass at the wagon line, and Stevie’s promotion came through. He had Green and Jones from the other wagon line over for dinner and Horton produced an excellent meal. While out walking with Chaytor they contemplated a swim in the lake but he was very wary in case “Johnny Bulgar” would shoot. He had dinner with Green in his shack which is built out of two aeroplane wings. “a most superior show”.

1071 23 May 1917 From Stevie commenting on recent events and noting the mail has been very scrappy with 5 cases for the mess from Fortnum & Masons gone missing. He is very busy at the wagon line, as due to the lack of fighting
“the gilded staff” are inspecting. The horses look well even though they are on a strange diet “3 parts maize, 1 part grain, 1 part locust, beans and some hay and straw”. Mentions he reads in the papers a lot of discussion on the Irish question and presumes there is a lot of excitement at home.

1072 26 May 1917  To his sister [Magda] giving news as requested, of Ward-Price who slept peacefully down a trench for one battle. Adds his kittens are growing and sleeping in his bed. He sent Horton, his servant, into Salonica to put away all his winter clothes and hopes to get in soon himself. “I haven’t slept in a proper bed since we left Marseille in 1915!!” He expects the battery to move quite soon.

2pp & envelope

1073 29 May 1917  To his sister ‘I.D. By’, thanking her for the excellent fountain pen, and chatting about general news. White Alban is staying for 3 days as a lone subaltern, he always stays at the wagon line when there is no fighting, while the battery is to be sent out of the lines for rest. The weather is bad, with the rain washing away a water trough he had made and a small dam across the stream which formed a bathing pool. Thunder frightened the horses which stampeded.

2pp & envelope

1074 31 May 1917  From Stevie congratulating his father on his leg cure and discussing general news. He also confirms he will get Captain’s pay. As he is now so near to Fr. Huntley he can get Mass twice a week, but they are likely to move soon and he is too far away from the A/116 to visit the gunner Mary Lucy wrote about. He has heard nothing about leave, but feels the best time to go would be when it gets hot and malaria reappears. Grubby the cat has moved off with her kittens.

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2pp & envelope

1075 11 June 1917  From Stevie recounting recent activities. They were on the move the previous week, slowed only by a heavy thunderstorm, (he details procedures for packing and moving). He and Alban went to Salonica, where they got excellent meals in the French Military Club. They also attended the local theatre which was packed with French, Russian, Italian, Serb and Greek troops.
1076 17 June 1917 To his sister [Magda] explaining his battery is still close to Salonica, but he expects to move soon, “but still do not know to what part of the Globe!”

He rode back to their original camp to find “instead of one single mud track & a few little dugouts which marked our wagon line there is now a tophole steamrolled road, and enormous dump & a perfect town of tin huts!”

2pp

1077 20 June 1917 From Stevie reporting that they are still in the same place and that everyone is bored stiff. They had a Sports Day for the Bde. which everyone enjoyed, especially the mule race as the mules constantly headed off the track back to their own lines. He made a shopping trip to Salonica where he had a “tophole bath” and met many acquaintances.

2pp

1078 26 June 1917 From Stevie thanking his father for the 1000 woodbine which he will distribute. They are likely to move soon, which he is looking forward to as the temperature is now 100º in the shade and no work can be done between 10.30am and 5.00pm. He experimented trying to ride a mule over jumps. “he jumped quite well but had an unpleasant trick of giving an enormous back as soon as he had landed disconcerting.”

See Also /1188

2pp

1079 4-9 July 1917 From Stevie on board the ‘Manitou’ to his sister ‘I.D. By’ detailing events from Saturday 30th when they began packing for the move. (He made a travelling box for the cats out of a bully beef tin) “It was a rather pretty sight leaving ‘Nica - it looks top-hole from the bay & all the Greek Islands were gorgeous”. Writing on the 7th he states the heat is unbearable around the horse deck and worse on the mule deck below. They passed the day with drills and inspections, docking at Alexandria on the 8th and got a train to their new camp which they reached the following day. “You hop out of the carriage onto nothing but desert sand”. He hopes to get to Cairo soon to get some kit.

8pp
1080  11 July 1917  From Stevie detailing his new address, A/117 Bde R.F.A. B.E.F, and describing his activities. They have been busy checking stores and erecting shelters for the men. Although the sun is hotter than Salonica there is always a breeze. He hopes to get 4 days leave which he will spend in Cairo, shopping and viewing the pyramids, and also at the races in Alexandria. He finds the everlasting sand extraordinary and boiling hot underfoot. Comments there is no dusk, “the sun suddenly disappears & it gets pitch dark in about 10 mins”. He also finds it unusual to see trains with lights and dining carriages.

2pp

1081  15 July 1917  From Stevie at the Savoy Hotel, Alexandria describing his trip out along the Nile. “The view was rather disappointing as it is exactly the same all the way”. He went to a “topping club” to which all officers are members, and had his photograph taken. He lunched one day with Ridsdale and Evens and proceeded to the Sporting Club which was crowded with officers and civilians. There were 7 races with “topping little arab ponies”, and he came out even on his bets remarking, “I believe it is all settled beforehand who is to win each race”. Adds they went to a rotten music hall.

4pp

1082  23 July 1917  From Stevie acknowledging receipt of a registered letter which he was surprised to receive and confirming he signed all the forms and has returned them. The other items he requested arrived and he describes the photographs of himself he had taken in Alexandria and sent home. The temperature is now between 102°-106°.

4pp

1083  4 August 1917  From Stevie, commenting on his big mail, a fortnight’s worth of the Irish Times. He thinks they may be about to move camp but he has heard nothing definite. Describes watching a liner passing by the previous night through the Suez Canal. “I looked up & saw this enormous boat seemingly ploughing its way through the sand”.

4pp

1084  22 August 1917  From Stevie discussing general news. He had a letter from Tommy [Gallwey] who is in hospital wounded. Alban has returned from Salonica with hunting guns “so we will have some sport now”. They have been fishing on the lake without much success. Mentions 5 or 6000 Italians landed, and enclosed photographs of himself and some others.
28 August 1917  
From Stevie describing how he much enjoyed his recent leave, “you can’t imagine how topping it was to be off duty for a whole week & to live exactly like a Christian again”. He thanks Aileen for the books she sent, he feels *Life of Gladstone* and *Soul of Serbia* are a bit strenuous for the heat but he will read *Riddle of the Sands* again. They have moved camp about 7 miles up to a fig grove, but unfortunately during the move he lost Grubby and two kittens and could only find 1 kitten to bring.

19 September 1917  
From Stevie discussing recent activities. He took a trip to Port Said to buy beer for the men, and also went into the desert to test a new type of [fuse]. Port Said he remarks is a very interesting place, “very dirty in parts but with a couple of very nice cool streets with good shops”. He found the native shops most interesting but was afraid of buying anything in case he got “horribly had”

3 October 1917  
From Stevie just returned after 3 days reconnaissance and commenting on his mail. Mentions it didn’t matter that a book sent out was sunk, as he had read it already. For a short period he was doing the duties of a Major “drew Mjs pay & all!!”, which was hard work as he was involved in the move up country. A night manoeuvre with the artillery meant that the horses were pulling heavy guns for 23 hours without water, but they didn’t show any ill effects. He describes the reconnaissance mission but concludes “we were too near Johnny Turk”.

20 October 1917  
From Stevie in Shepheard’s Hotel, Cairo describing a recent reconnaissance mission. He got within 600 yards of John Turk, whose sniping, he says, is not very accurate unlike his gunning. Adds finding your way around the terrain is very difficult day or night as there are no outstanding landmarks for miles. He is presently on 6 days leave in Cairo where he met an officer who knew his father from the Kildare St. Club. He is getting a pair of breeches made and hopes to play some tennis.

3 November 1917  
From Stevie declaring he has been fighting since he returned from leave and they “have fairly well got the Turk on the run”. They were holding a
line of outposts and then moved on for several days hard fighting, taking a lot of prisoners and guns. They held the Turk for a number of days before a “topping show” in which they changed position 4 times.

4pp & envelope

1090  13 November 1917  From Stevie detailing events since his return from Cairo at the beginning of the month. After catching up with his Battery on the 28th October they “dropped into action”, and marched all night on the 30th. Firing began at dawn the next day at Beersheba. On the 1 November he walked over some of the Turkish trenches. They moved off on the 2nd and on the 3rd shelling began from the Turks but it caused little damage. Comments water was in short supply. They moved off on the 6th, “we rushed BG’s into action & started killing Turk”, but still had problems with their water supply. Sherrian was captured and they moved to their present camp on the 10th, and on the 12th he rode out all day to retrieve empty ammo cases and other material lying about. He has heard rumours about areas that have fallen and he only gets letters occasionally. Adds he is very busy checking stores and has not had time to settle up mess and canteen bills.

12pp

1091  29 November 1917  From Stevie reporting they are on the move again, and have done 5 days strenuous trekking since he last wrote. They are near to Jerusalem and other well known places. Comments he was able to get 1200 oranges for the men for a sovereign. He expects they will see action that night.

3pp

1092  7-8 December 1917  From Stevie complaining he is soaked and has only 1 change of clothes. He has been wishing he was a Franciscan monk as they are close to a beautiful monastery, “the monks are still living in it and are dry, fat & well fed”. He can hear the bells ringing for vespers through the shelling. They got the order to pull wagon was lost over the edge They got to the battery is making a stand but he mountainous making it difficult to fighting and he caught a and the camels are falling feel it won’t last long. The country is very transport guns. On the 8th they were engaged in heavy glimpse of Jerusalem from the O.P. It is bitterly cold in the mud.

6pp
From Stevie declaring, “This really is the most unpleasant Xmas day I ever hope to spend”. His bivouac collapsed during a rain storm in the night, drenching him. No presents made it through, and so they have no festive food, just bully beef and biscuits. He attended Mass at the nearby monastery (see /1082) and was grateful to be out of the wind and rain for a while. Added to everything else the mess cart sent off to buy food hadn’t turned up. He resumes writing on the 29th and reports the weather got so appalling on the 28th that he headed off to a neighbouring village to look for a house and found two other officers doing the same, “after a hunt around we decided to risk the fleas”. On the 26th they were told that a Turkish attack was imminent and over dinner “we toasted our counter attack in champagne”. The Turks began shelling the village at 4am, and at dawn launched a very heavy attack to try and take Jerusalem until 8pm. “It was a most interesting day & I had about 3 real tophole targets such as one dreams about but seldom gets”. His servant brought all his meals up to the O.P. He did no firing on the 28th as the Turk was out of range, “but I had such a view of a battle that one might never see again”. At 2.30pm the infantry started to attack Beitumia village. “The village turks poured out & the guns that were forward & could reach them had the shoot of their lives”. By 4pm Beitumia was taken. As he writes he is waiting to move the battery forward.

From Stevie explaining in a cheery tone that his leave has been denied. He will get a few days local leave during which he plans to go to Alexandria to purchase some types of kit he needs.

From Stevie describing local weather conditions, it has cleared up after 6 consecutive days of rain. As there is no sign of leave he requests his father to forward the uniform kit that arrived from Salonica on to Cox’s Shipping Agency at Alexandria, where he will collect it. They are to move camp but only a few miles. Sends thanks for the welcome magazines and the photograph of Magda’s family.

From Steve reporting Herbert, his Captain, has been ordered to Palashe so he had to return to the battery at Les Deux, Acren. Since then he has been busy checking
equipment. Once the paperwork is in order there will be little to do until demobilise is ordered.

2pp

1097 24 February 1918 From Stevie explaining he has no chance of even local leave, as the battery is on the move again. He complains this happens every time they get comfortable and that their rock garden was just beginning to take shape. Mentions taking photographs of a Bedouin ploughing with a rough bit of iron 3 or 4 inches long, tied to a bit of wood and pulled by two oxen. The seed is scattered first and then ploughed in. Discusses recent activities and post received.

1098 28 February 1918 From Stevie writing as a bomb burst overhead. He has the order “to report to IV Corps HQ at DUREN” which he presumes is situate in “Hunland”. He expects to hold his current rank, but finds the prospect leaving the division a big wrench. Comments on news from Aileen’s letter and is doubtful whether he will be able to meet up with Kathleen in London. [This letter has possibly been misdated by S.A.G. and should read 28 Feb 1919].

8pp

1099 23 March 1918 From Stevie declaring he is working hard on a training course and describing a recent day visit to Cairo, where he plans to go and visit the races over the weekend. He is delighted with his fellows on the course as they are all keen on tennis or golf.

3pp

1100 31 March 1918 From Stevie giving a day by day account of his activities since he last wrote. He has been playing “topping” tennis aided by the purchase of a good racquet and shoes. He attended a ‘barnstormers’ concert, and the 60th division concert while good was “not as cheery as our lot”. He received confession from a French priest but had to say it in French. On Friday a ‘Hampser’ desert wind storm blew up and spoiled the tennis. He describes a visit to the Gezira S.C. race course, “a most beautiful place”, where horse sales are conducted similarly as in Ireland. He was struck also by the mixture of peoples attending the event, “officers in khaki, English ladies & civilians, Jews & Jewess with [useful] noses, Eypies with their red Tarbouche (all the exact same shade of red) looking rather funny with ordinary civvy clothes, Turkish ladies with white veils covering the face from the eyes down .... & all the other niggers of varying colours down to
the jet black Sudanese in his new frock coat several sizes too large”.
They went for tea after the races to ‘Goppies’- “the place in Cairo”.

1101 7 March 1918  From Stevie at the Turf Club, Cairo complaining
he has no news and would like to hear more of
what is happening elsewhere. He is still on the course and
has been playing tennis and cricket daily, but tore his hands as they were soft
and not used to sports. He has had no answer to his application for leave and
thinks he will have to travel up the line and request it in person.

4pp

1102 10 March 1918  From Stevie at the Grand Continental Hotel, Cairo
wondering where his Battery got to as he has had
no word from them or post sent up in a while. He
received an offer of a “soft base job” and was asked to come as an
instructor on gunner officers courses, but refused as he doesn’t wish to
leave the Battery and feels it will get too hot for him to bear in Cairo.
Adds he is in the hotel fixing up a farewell dinner.

4pp & envelope

1103 22 April 1918  From Stevie describing events since he last wrote
including a cricket game against the Imperial
Camel Corps. “It was topping to play real cricket
again on a good ground”. En route to Alexandria for the races he was
ordered to rejoin his battery, “we are standing by now, you can guess where
for!!” Mentions the large mail he received including a bill which he is querying
and returning, and requests more news of people’s opinions on Home Rule and
conscription in Ireland.

12pp

1104 25 April 1918  From Stevie returning the “formidable document”.
He has no news of leave and describes a jumping
school he rigged up and enjoyed immensely.

2pp

1105 18 May 1918  Note from Stevie to say he is sending home his camera
and films “as there are very strict orders out here about
them”, and also some papers and receipts he would like
kept carefully.

2pp
1106 18 May 1918 From Stevie detailing events since receiving the order to disembark on the 11th, when they reached Marseilles. The Battery marched off to a rest camp but as ships adjutant he had to make sure the ship was emptied and mucked out. When he finally set out the guide led them the wrong way and motor lorries had to be sent out for them. He lunched at the Yacht Club where he felt the standard of food had dropped, “no milk & only saccharine water for sugar!”. On the 14th he supervised the loading of baggage and horses on the train. There were 12 officers to 3 compartments and as the Colonel and Major had to have one to themselves, that meant 5 others to each compartment for 3 days. Although the couplings of the train came loose the second day the train did not derail and arrived safely at the destination.

1107 26 May 1918 From Stevie discussing general news. He is on the move again, but received his mail and bemoans the fact his prints got ‘torped’. Things are quiet as “The Hun has not visited us the last few days”. Adds he hopes the kit he sent back to Clonmeen won’t be torped. He finds the papers are full of interesting news from Ireland which he discusses with Dr. McCarthy. Mentions having Mass in an unusual church, “a hundred times more decrepit and dirty than Banteer”. As the Major is away he is in charge of the Battery for a week. Requests news from home, “German intrigues etc.” in Ireland.

1108 26 June 1918 From Stevie, Windham Club, St James Sq., London describing people he met on the crossing and in London. He feels Aunt Constance has changed a great deal but is in very good form as is Aunt Tine (Christine Chichester), and he went to a show with them. As everything shuts at 10.30 they went for a while after the show to the Piccadilly Hotel.

1109 1 July 1918 To his sister Aileen requesting news from home. The previous night he heard “Bosh planes” overhead but was able to sleep through them. Adds his billet is clean but that the electricity gets turned off each time a German plane comes over.

1110 4 July 1918 From Stevie reporting they has not yet moved. He requests his father to put some money into his London account with Cox, as his tailors bills cannot be paid otherwise. He will pay back the £48 needed as soon as his pay is readjusted. Adds also that he has sent an armchair and table home.
Closes, “Nothing to say at present - I suppose the Hun will attack some day!!”

1111  14 July 1918  Hurried note from Stevie explaining he is very busy at the wagon line, adding he has the use of part of a house for his billet. The horses have also been accommodated and it is raining heavily.

1112  23 July 1918  Brief letter from Stevie detailing recent events. It is still raining and the battery staged a raid the previous night, but he was not involved. He is due the next day to ride in the corps horse show jumping competition but has not been able to practice.

1113  30 July 1918  From Stevie explaining conditions for leave applications and describing the recent horse show. “it was just like a pukka show at home!” However the rain made the going difficult. He inquires how to make “scrambled eggs, buttered eggs, omelettes, pastry and any other small things that Hall could make”(Hall is acting as his housekeeper).

1114  8 August 1918  From Stevie declaring “as a result of the various Hun retirements which you have seen in the papers, we shall be extraordinarily busy for the next few days”. Warns he will be unable to write for a few days.

1115  14 August 1918  From Stevie, back at the wagon line, reporting that he is due to go up to the trenches again soon. Remarks the Major was down to judge some harness competitions and was very satisfied. Remarks he is feeding the horses a mixture of boiled oats and hayseed to fatten them up. The news is good and he hopes to get leave in November. He has also sent away for a gramophone.

1116  8 September 1918  From Stevie recounting recent action. Things have been hectic as they were only relieved that day from acting as the advance guard Brigade. It
is cold and wet, but the Bosh is not putting up much resistance and have organised themselves skilfully, “The Bosh uses his guns very well in this show”. Adds shell craters make walking very difficult. The arrival of his chocolate cake has been the highlight of things. Details some items including a primus stove he needs and cautions his father not to send large food parcels as he cannot carry them.

1117 12 September 1918 From Stevie announcing “Bit of a war on again”; this time rain is making things more difficult. His O.P. was fired upon but little damage was done. He is now next in line for leave in the Battery but is unsure when it might be. Requests some undervests and 2 pairs of pants. Adds he is in charge of the Battery for the next three weeks until the Major returns.

1118 14 September 1918 Letter from Stevie to his sister Magda explaining that he has been very busy since the Major went on leave. He sends birthday greetings to his niece Bunty Whyte and promises to bring her home a big Bosh soldier. The previous night he saw two Hun planes shot down. “they looked top hole as the various coloured rockets that they evidently carry kept going off at intervals”. The news reaching him of the Americans in the South is good and he declares, “it is about time that we really gave the Hun a good hiding, to see the villages we pass through, not one stone left on another almost, makes you feel inclined to get your own back when we get into Hunland”.

1119 15 September 1918 From Stevie to his sister [Kathleen] declaring he is bored stiff being situated at the guns and lying in a dugout. That morning he had his first hot bath since the action started. He details the torturous route his mail must take and why it is so slow. He requests her to send out prints of film he took, adding that at present they are not allowed a camera. He has heard from Hagges who is still in Salonica and is now a Major.

1120 19 September 1918 From Stevie recounting recent action. He has been very busy, writing out the details of their creeping barrage which took 5 & ½ hours, and has had no time for a wash in 3 days. The barrage began two days ago and they have been busy firing the
whole time, and guesses his father will know more about papers than he does. The “Hun” has been dosing them unpleasant at the time but with no ill effects as far as I am concerned.

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1121 22 September 1918 From Stevie thanking his father for letters received and also for the watch sent which he badly needed, “you see everything is worked to a timetable and watches have to be synchronised to within two seconds & a faulty timing may even mean a battery shooting into its own infantry”. It’s been raining heavily and they are billeted in various shell holes, still in action and likely to remain so, “as Brother Bosh is fairly busy the whole time”. He adds, “this has been the most strenuous time we have ever had”.

2pp

1122 7 October 1918 Note from Stevie requesting his father to order a bottle of Sandford eye wash for him and send it to his new address: IV a Army Arty School B.E.F..

1p

1123 11 October 1918 From Stevie acknowledging receipt of the leather waistcoat, fleece lining and underclothes sent out. He may however have to return some as he cannot carry more than 1 change of clothing while moving. Details items he sent to Clonmeen from Alexandria which still haven’t arrived.

2pp

1124 17 October 1918 From Stevie discussing recent events. [at artillery school] The weather is very bad and rains continually. “I am afraid it will greatly hinder our advance against the Hun”, however he is confident the Germans will be defeated soon.

2pp

1125 19 October 1918 From Stevie commiserating with his father on his recent ill health. Mentions he feels there is little chance of any leave for a few months yet, and requests his woolly sleeping helmet to be sent out. In response to a letter from his father he states he agrees with the sale of the Duinch farm but adds, “I am afraid I know very little about land or anything concerned with prices”.


27 October 1918  From Stevie reporting he is well again but will be sleeping in the sick hut as there is a fire there and conditions are very cold. The battery is gone north and it will be difficult to find as no one knows where they are. Requests that cigarettes be sent in tins as the packets get damp.

30 October 1918  From Stevie informing his father he is returning to the Battery and will be unable to receive any more post. Adds he is feeling quite strong again but requests some quinine.

31 October 1918  From Stevie, Officers Rest House, Etaples, en route to his battery. He details his journey, and his efforts to get to Hilda French’s house at Camiers only to find she was in hospital with ‘flu, and when he went to visit he wasn’t allowed in to see her. He describes the Officers Club as “first rate - 2 billiard tables & every convenience - Base wallahs must have a topping time”.

3 November 1918  From Stevie describing his new situation. He is attached to Div. H.Q. on a staff course to understudy the Brigade Major. That will last a month and then he is to be sent to D/117, a howitzer Battery, in the 117 Brigade. Once the course is finished he will be eligible for a staff appointment if he wants one. Adds he was sorry to leave his old battery.

4 November 1918  From Stevie announcing his appointment to command the D/117 has been put in orders and his is now an Acting Major, which he finds comic. He has been warned though that by the time his course will be over so will the “show”. He is in an excellent billet in a chateau, “we are more comfortable than I have ever been since the beginning of the war”. Details staff changes and confirms he is not expecting leave soon.

8 November 1918  From Stevie joking about his misunderstanding regarding his father’s illness. He himself is very well and is taking care of himself, “as I know full well the effect of Hun
gas!” General feeling is that an armistice will happen soon, but he doesn’t expect to get home for Christmas as there will be garrisoning to do. Refugees have been passing from Tournai, “They seem to be awfully bucked with life & I expect are not sorry to get clear of the Hun”.

1132 17 November 1918  From Stevie in Belgium, to Mr. Webb enclosing his subscription to the [Duhallow Hunt] and describing his situation and his hopes for leave. He is at Frasues, 10 miles east of Tournai, with orders to go to the Rhine line. He comments, “The Hun has been very thorough in his destruction of road crossings”. The inhabitants he declares are delighted to see the troops and are different than the French, “who were always out to make as much money as they could out of us”.

1133 23 November 1918  From Stevie thanking his father for his letters and the “topping good biscuits”. Due to problems with supplies his corps is now to go to a small farm outside Brussels instead of to the Rhine, and they will stay there until demobilization. He went to Brussels to see the triumphant entry of the King, and was welcomed warmly by the populace. He comments on the comical manner of some of the Boy Scout uniforms. The King he describes as “a splendid looking fellow”, but the “Yank Infantry”, with its “rotten old horses” failed to impress him. Neither, he feels, did the French horses come up to the British standard. He describes the paperwork now ahead of him and gives a list of foods he would like sent out, (a cake, jam, anchovies, sardines).

1134 1 December 1918  From Stevie acknowledging receipt of the welcome butter & honey sent out. There is no news from his front and he hopes they will be moved to better winter quarters. Remarks he has been playing football which left him very stiff. Requests chamois gloves and a glass eye bath to be sent out.

1135 9 December 1918  From Stevie describing recent events. On Saturday they marched over to the Lenzt-Tournai road where the division was inspected by the King, and since they have been playing inter Battery football. There has been no word of Christmas leave and he comments, “I suppose they are all too busy with election work & demobilization to think about such
small matters as men’s leave!” Inquires if his father would try sending a pheasant over as he is unable to buy any food from the inhabitants.

Letter (with two carbon copies for circulation to family members) detailing his return to his Battery after leave. He had an enjoyable time with his relatives in London marred only by his forgetting his saddle on leaving. “I cannot get over forgetting that & can’t make out how I did it.” At Calais he found he could not get a civilian train up the railway had been devastated by the Hun. He caught the leave train at Fointinette and passed through countryside bereft of people and animals. He stayed overnight at Tournai, and noted that prices were falling there. He got a lift from a lorry to Sinze and then to lorry dropped him to the Battery. Leave has been stopped with demobilization now the priority with the going to RA HQ to do the Bde Major’s job while Major Day is on leave.

Letter from Stevie with carbon copy recounting recent events. He is to take over Major Day’s position while he is on leave, and remarks how much smaller the RA mess is now and they can barely get a 4 for Bridge “which is the most important thing now”. He is in charge of Sports, Education and ‘G’ matters which are not very onerous. H.Q. is at Lessines, a large village chiefly inhabited by “a very tough looking crowd”. Sends thanks for the socks and woodbines sent.

From Stevie detailing the necessary procedure to enable him to buy his army horse. The horses are being sent to England, but first are being marched to Calais with no stables. “It will be a good trunk that pulls through”. Adds the cold weather has made the ground too hard for riding”.

From Stevie describing activities and thanking his father for the eggs which arrived safely and which are much bigger than the scarce local ones. He is now to take over all the R.A. work until Major Day returns as the Staff Captain is being
demobilised. He remarks on the fairness of the new pay regulations and also that he has been recommended for Horse Gunners, but adds he is keeping his eyes open as there are a lot of jobs going. He refused a transfer to the post-bellum army in Palestine “not relishing the idea of Bivouacs & sandstorms again so soon after our show”.

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1140 21 Feb 1919 From Steve discussing developments. Things are unsettled as reinforcements have been taken away to the Rhine and there are no orders for the division as a whole. He has heard rumours that they will be demobilised in England. He has a septic toe which is annoying as “I can’t walk up to the Club after dinner & so have nothing to do in the evenings”. Adds they are down to 128 horses & he expects to lose another 20 soon.

2pp

1141 6 March 1919 From Stevie, very upset about the “horrid news” his father wrote of his horse Rabbit, which he had hoped to purchase from the Army. He resolves to find out who buys him and so keep track. Details his future movements, he is to finish with the 117 Battery and go to Duren (near Cologne). He will go by train but his groom will have to travel by road with the two horses, a 4 day trek. “He will have to scrounge grub & forage for himself & the trunks as he goes along which I reckon he will be able to do alright”.

4pp

1142 9 March 1919 From Stevie at Duren describing his journey since he left the 117th (pauses to complain about his pen) “This pen is perfectly poisonous, it must be a Hun nib.” He stayed overnight in a hotel in Brussels where they had a “moderately nasty dinner for about 120 francs.”, and attended the Opera where there was “a most un-operatic looking conductor. He had no fat bullneck, no specs, very short carefully brushed hair.” Later he attended a dance with other officers. The next day he took the train to Duren, and describes his first impressions as being good “the town seems much better built and the streets wider & cleaner than in France or Belgium.” He finds the inhabitants seem cleaner and more stylish. “I have not yet seen a fat housewife or pukka Hunnish looking face!”

16pp
1143  11 March 1919  From Stevie to his sister “I. D. By.” Continuing his news since Duren. He has been posted to the 74th brigade while in Cologne, and has been put in charge of C Bty. “They seem to be a fairly good crowd” His new address is C/74th Bde RF A BEF, and the battery is in the village of Junkersdorf outside Cologne.  

2pp

1144  12 March 1919  From Stevie to his father detailing his new posting. Comments on his fellow officers “all very junior apparently”. The horses he remarks are in poor shape due to the lack of replacements, but he feels there will be good fun in the games and sports line, the battery has a polo pit rigged up and there is a lot of football played. Unfortunately he will be unable to get much local leave until he gets more organised. Practically no one has been demobilized from the battery “& naturally they are a bit fed up”

4pp

1145  18 March 1919  From Stevie describing his new situation. He has had no mail since leaving the 117 Bde, but his horses arrived after 6 days on the road with the groom. They averaged 40 miles a day. The officers in his new post seem nice but he notices the men are very discontented as there has been no demobilization in the brigade due to lack of reinforcements. Adds his own leave prospects are poor, and there are no facilities for sport in the area. At Mass on Sunday the priest read out the notices in German, stumping him, and he doesn’t see much opportunity to learn the language.  

8pp

1146  22 July 1919  From Stevie R.A. HQ Northern Division A.O.R. discussing recent activities, mostly tennis and cricket matches he organized. He is busy reclassifying horses and has sold 200 so far to Germans. He is concerned about his future and states if the battery is broken up he can apply to be posted home for “Staff Appointment or Regimental Duty”. Encloses film to be processed.  

4pp

1147  25 July 1919  From Stevie thanking his father for the letters and butter and discussing general news. He describes Miss Brent, a pretty 19 year old V.A.D. in the Red
Cross at Boulogne, and states he is detailed to be the best man at her wedding. The London Division beat his team recently in cricket, but he played also for the ‘Weavers’ against X corps troops and won. Mentions officers he met while visiting the Lancashire Div. H.Q. Requests his brown leather cricket bag and a pair of boot bags be sent over.

1148  [July 1919]  From Stevie, chatting about daily news. He attended the Can. Div. Races “an excellent show”, at which he recognized Mr. Findlay riding, bet on him and lost! Adds Mrs. Findlay is also in Cologne, and that he met Killeen who is going home for his sister’s wedding.

1149  6 August 1919  From Stevie discussing general news. He is disappointed that he cannot attend a 2 day cricket match in Calais, as the Bty has to practice for a big review. He did attend the Cavalry Division horse show recently where the Major General won the open championships for heavy weight chargers. Afterwards there was a torchlight tattoo, with sandwiches and drinks to follow, which he attended with the Findlays and Mrs. Connal.

1150  26-28 August 1919  From Stevie describing a visit to Bonn to judge a horse show, which he enjoyed. He met Tommy Leahy who he is take over as adj. of his first Battalion at the show. He also visited the Model Farm at Dikopsh where he was very impressed with the electrical machinery.

1151  28 Sept. 1919  From Stevie discussing plans to meet up with “the aged one”[ May Grehan ] at Pelham Street, London. He cannot get leave until the General returns, and perhaps not even then. He request his gray tweed lounge suit tie and hat be sent to Pelham Street where [ ] can bring it to him at Ostend. Mentions he has got a 13 month old gray deerhound “Ranter” who is great friends with the General’s pup and a baby goat.

1152  12 Oct. 1919  From Stevie declaring he is very busy with demobilization and getting the equipment sorted
before all the men are gone. He has arranged to get sent home as soon as the D.A. is broken up. Adds he feels there is no coordination between those in charge of demobilization and the disposal of equipment.

2pp

1153 3 Nov. 1919 From Stevie announcing the railway strike has interrupted all mails and that leave and demobilization have stopped. Jokes it is back luck “on the ancient hag having trekked over to London.” He has been riding with his dog but it hasn’t managed to kill any hares yet. They hope to collect a scratch pack and organize regular hunts.

2pp

1154 17 - 20 Jan 1920 From Stevie at Clonmel to his father detailing how he was ordered to go on a gunnery course at Woolwich but was then ordered to report at the Naval and Military Club. 20th Jan, detailing his plans to cross over to London and he requests his father to send a dinner jacket in need of new buttons to Hawkes & Co., Saville Row, where he will pick it up. Adds he is hoping to get in a round of golf tomorrow.

4pp

1155 20 Jan 1920 From Stevie, The Connaught Hotel, Mayfair, reporting that he had a good crossing and met the old butler from Longueville on the boat. He is to be sent to Mesopotamia and will meet up with General Haldene in Marseilles, and has been warned by John Ollivant that the General is a terror to get on with. They will sail for Bombay on the S.S. Deventia on the 14 February. Mentions general activities and his plans to return to Clonmeen soon.

6pp

1156 4 March 1920 From Stevie in Delhi detailing his journey since the 1st March when they dropped anchor in Bombay Bay and did some sight seeing. On the 2nd he describes how a huge group of natives turned up to greet the Aga Khan, and how the gangway broke under the weight of all the officials. Remarks on the prohibitive exchange rates in Bombay where the pound is worth only 7 rupees where previously it was worth 15. Bombay was much as he imagined it, “more solid looking than Cairo”, but very dusty. The country between Bombay and Delhi is “perfectly appalling - exactly the same for mile after mile.” On arrival at Delhi they met Sir J. Munroe and an officer named Muir who has been quartered at Clonmel. Delhi he finds to be much cooler than Bombay and “most beautifully kept.” New Delhi is due to be completed in 5 years and will he feels make up for the lack of shops in Delhi.
Sir J Munroe he describes as a cheery soul “very much of the old school I should say.” He has heard no word about duties in Mespot (Mesopotamia) but has heard Churchill intends holding it with the RAF.

Letter from Stevie en route to Baghdad describing the journey. The Chief [General Haldene] landed to great excitement at Basra, and they are currently traveling through “the narrows” on the River Tigris between Quzuah and Amarah. Discusses home news from the letters he received mentions it takes 24 days for a letter to get to him. The weather is good with bright sunshine and a temperature of 70º.

From Stevie, GHQ, Mespot detailing events since his arrival there. On the 25th General Steward showed him around the base and offices, all of which are 10 minutes away from his house. He is busy sorting out rations, native servants and furniture for the house, however the Chief wants to look around Baghdad for a better one. On the 26th he says he was rushing around getting the house and mess in order. He finds Baghdad “an extraordinarily interesting old place but extremely dirty- no attempt, on the part of the natives at sanitation”. There is only one straight street built by the Germans & the Turks during the war “New Street”. Their house is typical of the town, and is built of brick “which is really a cess pool.” It is two stories high with roof. “There are of course no bathrooms or W.C.’s”. The front is on New Street and he is having it completely overhauled and adaptations made. The house backs onto the river. It was in a filthy state and the house is filthy and will not return until Easter Sunday.

From Stevie, General Headquarters Mesopotamian Expeditionary Force responding to letters received, discussing his duties as Aide de Camp to the Commander in Chief. Describes a visit to Baluba refugee camp “The people we saw were all either children, women or old men - all the young men having being massacred by the Turks.”

From Stevie, GHQ, MEF, to his sister [ ] responding to letters received and detailing his activities. Mentions a golf game with the Commander in Chief “he is very bad indeed.”
1161 10 April 1920 From Stevie, GHQ, MEF, responding to news from home. On Thursday Major Leith Ross beat him at golf and he dined with the Hunts in the small house they have. There is a central restaurant for married people “a great place for gossip I should say”. He mentions. Prof. Breasted is coming to dinner.

2pp

1162 11 April 1920 From Stevie, GHQ, MEF to his sister Magda describing his activities. He has been very busy with only 1 afternoon and evening to himself while the Chief was at Keruid. He has been playing golf with Major Leith Rees and dined with the Hunts. He now arranges the Chief’s dinner parties and complains they take up a lot of time. Interesting guests they have had include Professor Breasted from Chicago who is studying “cuneiform writings & things like that”, also Armitage Smith who is the financial advisor to the Persian Government. Adds he hopes to be up in the hills by the time the hot weather comes.

4pp

1163 27 April 1920 From Stevie, GHQ, MEF, discussing his activities. The Shah of Persia is to come on a visit and also Vice Air Marshal Salmon on a mission from Winston Churchill, after which they will head to Teheran. He had to organize transport for Capt. Pearson and Lieutenant Burg to go to Babylon as well as hire a guide and organize a group, and was then unable to go himself. The trip however turned out to be full of accidents and breakdowns. “I don’t think many of them will want to see Babylon again in a hurry.” Requests Baily’s Corhills or Blackwoods magazines instead of the Irish Times.

4pp

1164 2 May 1920 From Stevie, GHQ, MEF, to his father describing events since he last wrote. As well as playing golf he attended a large dinner given by Chief Commissioner A.T. Wilson for Civil Servants to meet him “an appalling function” before they returned to Mosul. They left for Zakhos on Thursday and after a very rough journey pinched the car. Zakho he adds “Kurdistan is infinitely preferable to flat Mespot.”

6pp
1165 7 - 22 May 1920 From Stevie describing in detail his journey from Baghdad, and responding to letters received from home. He explains to his sisters that it would be cheaper to buy Persian carpets in Selfridges than where he is. Details the trip day by day since leaving Baghdad. They arrived in Auritu on Sunday the 6th and went on by car to Paitak and Kerind. The scenery on the way to the Pass of Kermashah he declares was one of the most beautiful sights of the trip. At Kermashah they stayed with Col. And Mrs. [Laker]. He took a stroll around the bazaar and found it to be “very dirty indeed and uninteresting”. Later they set out for Tak-i Bistan 8 miles away where he saw the names of British tourists carved in the rock. They drove on over the Asadabad pass, staying at Hamadan with Mr. and Mrs. Wright where they played tennis.

20pp

1166 19 May 1920 From Stevie GHQ, MEF, responding to letters received and news from home. He discusses his duties explaining “My present job is to run a large garden party for the Chief. I expect to have about 300 British & 200 Arabs.” The party is to be held in honour of the Shah’s visit, encloses printed order of procession Baghdad West Station to Residence of the Imperial Majesty the Shah.

3 items

1166a 2 - 5 July 1920 From Stevie expressing delight to hear of “Littles” (Aileen Grehan) engagement to Joss (Ryan), who is in the Indian Army. He remarks the Indian Army is “rather unsettled now that they are giving commissions to Natives & also the political situation seems by no means secure. Fancy having a nigger subaltern in your mess, or, worse still, being commanded by a nigger.” From what he read in the Irish Times he comments “it would be very unpleasant to be soldiering in Ireland.” He describes their camp which is 5100 feet up with a constant cool breeze, and adds since they have settled down life is boring. He passes the day riding and playing tennis. The mess is run by a committee with bachelors on one end of a hall and married folk at the other. Adds a note on the 5th explaining mails will be irregular as the railways are cut on the Euphrates. He has been on a fishing trip but with little result.

8pp

1167 27 July 1920 From Stevie, GHQ, MEF, discussing his activities and recent events. He responds to a query from Axtel. “I didn’t ask her who she was before she was married, nor why she married twice, nor who her uncle’s aunt was, nor even why she next time & will explain that a very ancient one wishes to know.”

4pp
1168 1-9 August 1920 From Stevie, GHQ, MEF, describing his recent activities and responding to letters from home. He discusses the problems facing the British in Mesopotamia “The trouble is that we are too economical & are trying to make a country which is centuries behind any Europe country, pay its way before the people have been educated & civilized & the resources developed.” Added note 9th August explaining that he has to go to hospital after Sandfly Fever. “It is very unpleasant while you have it but leaves no bad effects”.

2 items

1169 29 August 1920 From Stevie, GHQ, MEF discussing his situation and duties, and also commenting on the horrible event that was Col. Smythes shooting party. The situation around them is very complicated and changes hourly. “It is disgusting being tied down here in a footling job like mine when Chayler & his battery are having gorgeous shoots.” Mentions he plays tennis every evening and had the previous night the first dinner party since the “scrapping” started.

4pp

1170 19 September 1920 From Stevie commenting on the content of his mail bag and replies to questions from home. The War Office suddenly wired that all wives and families of soldiers are to leave the country forthwith for India. He comments this caused consternation all round, and that the families should never have been allowed out before the conflict was settled. It is quite expensive to travel to India and once there accommodation is hard to find. Mentions playing a cricket match “on a pitch that was positively dangerous”.

8pp

1171 10 October 1920 From Stevie, GHQ, MEF, responding to letters from home and describing his situation. “There is nothing really to say about the fighting as you get all the reports in the papers”. Adds that the newspaper reports are accurate “but the letters & criticisms & leading articles are usually too absurd for words.”

7pp

1172 11 October From Stevie, Taiping General Hospital, describing his recent bout of illness, “On arrival I was treated for Malaria, then Pengue then Para Typhoid. Finally towards the end of the first spasm the M.O. discovered that what was really the matter was Malta Fever.”

3pp
31 October 1920 From Stevie remarking on how unpleasant things around Mallow and discussing the political situation in Mesopotamia. He refutes The Mirror’s report that General Ironside was to take over the M.E.F. Sir Percy Cox has been implementing his reforms and the country is to be run by the Arabs, but each department will have British advisors to “keep them from making a mess of things.” He feels British troops will be needed to keep order for 4 or 5 years, adding he personally doesn’t want to spend too long there. Mentions he is progressing with his Hindustani. He also inquires about some items in his bank book which are confusing him and outlines the new rates of pay now in force. Details for his sister all those whom he dined with and adds he cannot find anything at the Bazaars for presents which are not Japanese or cannot be bought cheaper at Harrods.

8 Nov. 1920 From Stevie GHQ, MEF, discussing current activities and responding to letters from home. He keeps abreast of developments in Ireland and comments “I heard that the Lord Mayor died the other day! I expect there will be a great fuss about now however “enough said” I suppose?”

20 Nov. 1920 From Stevie, GHQ, MEF, thanking his father for the letters sent and bills paid. Discusses general news, remarking on Findlay’s luck in securing his new job and but questioning how long he will be able to stand the climate. He mentions the labour wage question must be very trying “I am afraid that with the mixture of wages prices & unrest you must be having a very unpleasant time of it.” Adds he accompanied the Chief on a shoot at Digalah and got 7 brace of black partridge.

8 Dec. 1920 From Stevie to his father commenting on mail received, and the loss of a mail plane as well as his father’s funny account of his ill health and the food allowed him.

14 Dec. 1920 From Stevie, GHQ, MEF, discussing his activities and responding to letters from home. He accompanied the Chief on a recent shooting expedition “The Chief shot very well at which I was very pleased as feared, from the last day that he was useless.”
23 Dec. 1920 Comments on news from home, especially the recent sale of a horse. Requests his father to give Coleman £2 or £3 as a present in thanks for all the trouble he took over the horse. Remarks he received his back pay and forwarded it to Cox’s, and is watching the exchange rate carefully. He is very busy reading for his Hindustani exam and organising Christmas dinner and a special shoot, but is not very hopeful regarding the exam.

1 Jan 1921 From Stevie to his father thanking him for the raincoat which arrived which will come in very useful. He has nothing much to do until the ground dries adding no plane with the post can land.

12 Jan 1921 From Stevie thanking his father for the letters received and explaining that he was turned away after the first paper of his Hindustani exams. Although a bit shocked by the standard expected he has resolved to try again. Refers to news from home commenting “No I haven’t gambled since the two nights I had in Sarrmil last Summer “This mess is too beastly sedate and I hardly ever dine out”

26 Jan. 1921 From Stevie, GHQ, MEF, responding to letters from home and describing his recent activities including a trip to Teheran “on paper as ‘Kings Messenger’ but in reality to buy carpets for Chief & incidentally self”. Referring to the political climate in the region he comments “If the Boles threatened enough the Persian should get absolute ‘wind up’ as the saying is & should be selling carpets at very much reduced prices.”

13 Feb. 1921 From Stevie, GHQ, MEF, responding to letters from home and describing a trip to Teheran halted due to impassable banks of snow.
1183 13 March 1921 From Stevie describing his travels from the 13th when his car got stuck fording a flooded river settled down for the night in the most filthy little hovel you ever saw from which I had, first of all, to clear out the goats. The car remained stuck the following day and he had to arrange an alternative lift in a wheeled cart. Describes the painfully slow pace of the cart and their food stops. He met a couple of Russians “hairy old gentlemen”. 10 miles from Kasvin he hailed a lift from a MT officer only to find that the roads were closed and exclaims “why didn’t I stay in comfort in Teheran”? Details the onset of a blizzard over the following days. On the 25th he left Kasvin traveling in an open wagon “The horses were rotten and the driver worse”. He was forced to abandon the vehicle tortuously long journey (during which he bought some carpets) he arrived in Baghdad the evening of the 1st April.

14pp & envelope

1184 22 May 1921 From Stevie writing on board a boat en route for Basrah. Responds to letters from home and comments he is a week behind with his Irish Times. Refers to recent sporting activities and an unusually heavy fall of rain. Gen. Cory and his ADC arrived and headed off to with the Chief to see Baghdad, a trip Stevie was glad to get out of. Mentions he brought down a case of champagne for the general’s farewell dinner.

6pp

1185 12 June 1921 From Stevie, GHQ, MEF complaining of a dull week. However, he has been playing some tennis and golf. Mentions the Chief is writing a book about his experiences in Mesopot, but Grehan doubts if it will get published “They don’t seem to want the public to know anything true about this country.” Responds to a letter just received from his sister Aileen.

4pp

1186 3 July 1921 From Stevie, GHQ, MEF, responding to letters from home and commenting on his recent activities. He has been organizing cricket matches but not always successfully “I had got up an away team to play the RAF at cricket but on Tuesday when we all went over there, they had forgotten the date & none of them were ready.”

252
1187 17 July 1921

From Stevie declaring “The time for leaving this beastly country seems to be nearer March next year than anything”. Comments also on how the news from Reuters over the last few days sounds hopeful for Ireland, and that his father must be looking forward to a settlement “it must be a great strain living at home now”, and there is no cooling breeze so they have had to give up polo. Details of recent activities including a dance at which everyone was wet with sweat, Chief with 40 or 50 British soldiers and 30 odd Arab army officers “It was a horrid show, my French got more & more mixed up with Hindustani as I got hotter and hotter”. The Arabs though enjoyed time they had been treated as equals by the British, officers in the Arab Army”.

8pp

1188 25-7 July 1921

From Stevie, explaining that he will send a letter by air mail to Cairo and then one by usual means later. The temperature dropped to 119 and a wind rose but they have not yet resumed playing polo. The Chief has written to suggest he accompany the Prince of Wales staff to Japan and Grehan is keen to join him. An added note congratulates his father on Norago’s victory.

2 items

1189 7 August 1921

From Stevie, GHQ, MEF, responding to letters from home and also informing his father he is again suffering from malaria. Enclosed 2 black and white photographs 4” x 3” of rugs purchased.

10pp

1190 26 Aug. 1921

From Stevie in hospital describing his stay. Three days ago he had a bout of malaria which set back his recovery. To counteract the depressive effects of jaundice, he has been stuffed full of food and drink “a brandy and milk at 11am, a bottle of champagne (1906 and very flat) at dinner, & a stiff brandy after dinner”. Adds he is putting 6 hours work a day at his Hindustani. Responds to letters from home commenting they must be extremely relieved at the Armistice. He also mentions his prospects for promotion and that carpet merchants regularly come to the hospital.

/1190 contd...

10pp & envelope
8 Sept. 1921  From Stevie at Basrah, detailing mail received and commenting on his sister’s ill health “your weekend parties of average age of 71 should soon liven her up”. He describes events since his discharge from hospital a week ago, and declares delightedly that he is practically certain that the Chief and himself will get away by November. He discusses his plans for visits on his return, adding “I do hope things will be a bit more settled by then”. Teases his sister [Aileen] on the outfit he will wear if he returns in time for her wedding.

26 Sept. 1921  From Stevie stating that if the Chief agrees to stay on another year (which he feels is unlikely), he will ask to be relieved. He hopes to get home by May 1922 but not before. He mentions recent events including Army vs. Air Force cricket matches. He has been working hard at Hindustani and hasn’t played tennis for about 2 months but has kept up polo for the sake of the exercise. He is pessimistic about passing the exam as he can’t get sufficient conversation practice. The weather, he remarks, is cool at 108º

29 Sept. 1921  From Stevie responding to news from home and discussing prices at the recent horse show. As he feels he has no hope of leave during the year, he advises that his horse at Clonmeen be sold before prices sink too low. Details his plans for the coming week which include his Hindustani exams. The Chief has refused the request to stay another year but Stevie is afraid he might yet change his mind given the improbability of his getting another job.

16 October 1921  From Stevie, GHQ, MEF announcing “Getting an O.B.E. (which by the way, comes before a M.C.) sounds rather silly but is the fate of an A.D.C. who is with a C. in C. on a show, to get something out of it.” Gives news of recent activities.

20 October 1921  Typescript letter from Stevie responding to news from home and discussing his current activities. Their trip to Najet is off because the King is going and it would be awkward if they met. However they have had a successful trip to Samarrah “we lunched like Christians in a fairly decent house but the poor old Sheikh had never eaten with knives and forks
before and made very poor practice.” They also went to Ramadle to give a gold watch and addresses to Ali Suleima head of the Delaim tribe, where a feast was laid on. “I counted 8 circular dishes of at least 5 feet in diameter, these were piled up like pyramids with rice and meat (of sorts),” surrounding each of these were at least 40 small dishes of all sorts of condiments. Remarks he has requested that his OBE be sent direct to Clonmeen and not be formally presented.

11pp

1196 26 Nov. 1921 From Stevie commenting he is bored and has no news due to the incessant rain. He was wondering what to send home for Christmas but has decided to hold on until he can secure a good silk carpet. He heard Col. Bobby Williams wrote to Pa Hunt to tell Stevie if he doesn’t come soon he and WNC will have drunk all his father’s port “That must have been the weekend of eligible young men that you had for Little which tick-holded her fancy so much ! ”

2pp

1197 8 Dec. 1921 From Stevie, GHQ, MEF, remarking on news from home. He has heard the Irish question is settled “I can’t say how bucked I am and I expect you are all very relieved too.” Wonders how the Free State will affect Clonmeen. Mentions he sees Fred Hunt occasionally but has not been able to go shooting with him.

2pp

1198 13 - 18 Dec. 1921 From Stevie, GHQ, MEF, acknowledging letters received. He hopes to get leave next April and has been reading Fly Fishing and Spinning by Fred G. Shaw in preparation. He sees from Reuters that DeValera is likely to be ousted adding “have you heard the three eras of Ireland? The heathen era, the Christian era and the ‘deval’ era. He! He! Ho! Ho! Nunc! Nunc!” Comments on recent activities and news from home. He has been reading reports of the Olympia motor show and is leaning towards a two seater Overland or a Singer 10 h/p.

4pp

1199 25 Dec. 1921 From Stevie explaining he has been forced indoors by heavy rain. He refers to mail received and comments on life at home “everything is just as simple & as easy as before the war!”, while bemoaning his absence over the last few years. He is very keen to receive letters discussing the settlement as “ it is version of events from the papers.”
From Stevie, GHQ, MEF, detailing the contents of his mail bag. He got a very amusing letter from Father ‘O’ and one from General Ollivant who said he would “simply love to come over to Ireland if they had given up kidnapping Generals on fishing expeditions.” Jokingly congratulates ‘Ainche’ [Aileen] the heiress on her windfall “Lend me a fiver will you”, and teases that she will now get airs. They are set to sail from Bombay on April the 15th and he has decided to transfer from Gunners to Horse to increase his chances of promotion. Reassures his father he won’t take delivery of a car until it is absolutely safe to own one in Ireland. Details his week’s activities.

10.3.2 Associated Material

See Also
/1329

Photograph adapted as a postcard showing a Black and White overview of the OTC Camp Tidworth, Pennings, Andover, with neatly laid out rows of tents. Message on reverse to Miss Aileen Grehan from Stevie describing his day and mentioning H Montgomery who was captain of the [Rupton] Shooting Eight.

Series of black and white photographs taken by Stephen A Grehan while in Salonica.
(1) Shot of veiled [schoolgirls] on a street in Salonica.
(2) Two women in native dress on a street in Salonica.
(3) A farmer ploughing a rough field with two oxen and a wooden plough.
(4) Three British soldiers beside a large gun.
(5) View over the rooftops of Salonica.
(6) Shot of houses in Salonica.

Series of black and white photographs taken by Stephen A Grehan while on duty in Mesopotamia. Some are annotated.
(1) View of main road through Kulten Alpi.
(2) Shot of Grehan’s driver standing next to the Vauxhall car he drove to Teheran with (see /1175).
(3) Shot of ruined Minaret, Erbyl.
(4) Moseil, view from the river bank across the river to the town.
(5) Erbyl, between the Zarib and Kinhuk.
(6) Shot of bridge repairs over the Lesser Zarib at Kaltun Alp.
(7) Ruined fort at Tel Afar.
(8) Shot of women washing amongst ruins with Tel Afar in distance.
(9) “Surdash in Kurdistan” Mountain view.
(10) British officer alighting from a ferry boat “Crossing the Greater Zorb.”
(11) Surdash. Shot of mountain in background.

11 items

1204 1917 - 1918 Series of ink and pencil drawings by P.G. Ledwith, Sergeant 117 Field Bde., R.A., of the British Palestine Campaign 1917 - 1918, sent to Major Stephen A. Grehan in [1961].

(1) Large sketch of the Nablus Road area, detailing positions on the part of the front held by 74th (Yeo) Division, April 1918.

(2) Pencil sketch of the 74th (Yeo) Division attack on the defenses near Ain Sinia, March 1918. (There are several character sketches of faces on reverse).

(3) Sketch of the native settlement at Bab - E1 - Wad January 1918.

(4) Detail of man and tent at Dudular, Salonica June 1917, where the 117 Brigade assembled to join the 60th Division to embark for Alexandria. (See/1079 ff)

(5) Ink and wash sketch “Officer lines HQ 117th FA BOE “Deir El Belah”

(6) Cartoon strip by Ledwith “Winston has gone to Mespot” caricaturing Winston Churchill

6 items

1205 1 Sept. 1945 - 9 Feb. 1948 Notebook “A/c Aug. 1945 Major Grehan Monday morning.” Details weekly purchases mainly cigarettes and papers with amounts due. 18pp

1206 May 1920 - Notebook labeled “G.O.C in Chiefs Petty Cash
8 Mar 1922 a/c” Contains balanced accounts of daily expenses e.g. May 11 - Bridge 4 Rs 8 As, May 10 Toothpaste 2Rs 8As. Notes at rear of military names and addresses and appointments.

1207 [1922] Army issue notebook labeled “Guest and Dining Out Book.” Contains details of monies due and paid for dining and also a list of baggage.

10.3.3 Other Correspondence

1208 1921 Letter to “Hon Mr & Mrs Grahan”, from Kate Morrissey, Doneraile, Co. Cork, requesting them to “kindly forgive my great cheek in writing to you.” She makes herself known as the widow of Canon Morrissey’s nephew “with eleven children helpless orphaned & penniless.” Although she has 5 children of age to work “I have no earthly means of getting them positions even as shop assistance I have no friends been poor they don’t want to know me.” Requests help adding “You as charitable Gentry & always noted for your great Kindness”.

1208a 5 Jan 1948 - 4 Aug. 1950 File of letters (some copy replies) to Major Grehan from [an ex-tenant], now residing in the Iveragh Hostel, Dublin, requesting money but adding “I am very sorry for doing so. I am pressed and in a fix to pay up.” (5 Jan 1948) 7 items

CLOSED


3pp
4 May 1934  Letter to Stephen A Grehan from Norah H Lecky, 77 Southside London SW1, thanking his for his kind letters comforting her on the death of her dear friend Edward Butler [Abbot of Downside Abbey and close friend of SG]. As she did not know Stephen too well she describes herself “I am what is still termed young though not very young”, and requests a photograph of him. She speaks of caring for Ned during his last illness “I kept that long night of lonely vigil - I just moved him a little and put myself beside him.” Mentions she is hoping to visit Glengarriff and wonders if they could meet. She confesses her age is 40 adding “for a woman to acknowledge her age is a penance indeed.” Encloses a small black and white snapshot of herself (5cm x 3.7cm)

26 Dec. 1946  Letter to Stephen A Grehan from his Aunt Christine Chichester (see /1432) in Bray, thanking him for his generous Christmas present and discussing his dispute with his solicitor William Roche “I have often though you would be better without him.” She feels Roche is slow in conducting business and is very expensive. She also refers to Roche’s handling of Stevies father’s business affairs. “I always think he might have prevented your father getting into such a mess as he looked after his money.” Closes thanking him for seeing to a cupboard of hers. She would now like it to be sent to Worcester “so make a note of it”.

2 Feb. 1953  Typescript letter to Stephen A. Grehan requesting him to act on behalf of the I.N.H.S. Committee of the Turf Club at a number of upcoming Point to Point meets. Enclosed is a list of meets.

3 July 1964  Letter to Stephen A Grehan from [Sr. Marie Gallwey], Carmelite Monastery, Delgary thanking him for “your most handsome gift to our building fund .... and Gold bless you for your generosity.” Reminds him she hears news of him from time to time from her Uncle Tom [Gallwey] who visits Clonmeen regularly “I often pray he’ll catch a salmon!”

8 Nov. 1964  Letter from Muriel Chayter, Lowood House, Leyburn, Yorkshire, thanking Stephen and Cecily for their kind letters on the death of her brother Frank, whom she adds always held them in high regard. Reminisces about Frank’s life and friends. Also draft letter of condolence from Stephen A Grehan referring to Frank as “my greatest & oldest friend.”
1215 Two letters to Stephen A. Grehan from a friend in London. 

(1) Thanks Stephen for his letter but warns him against a mutual friend who is prone to go into trances and stare into space. He warns this person has a set against Stephen’s wife Cecily “he is going to get at her through someone in Mallow.” He warns about this person’s persuasive powers which are akin to hypnotism. Closes with good wishes for the New Year.

(2) Declaring “I still look back with astonishment as to the way you & your wife conducted yourselves.” Adds it is not his custom to tell others how to behave themselves but quotes beatitudes relating to the meek and righteous which he feels they would do well to listen to.

Also Mss. note by S.A.G. stating he made no reply but warned Denny (Denis Grehan) in case he would meet up with the writer and also Dorothy (Gaisford St. Lawrence)

10.4 British Legion

1216 After retiring from the Army, Major Stephen A. Grehan became very involved with charity work through the British Legion. He acted as their representative in the Mallow area and as such investigated requests for financial and other help from families of ex-servicemen. He was also actively involved in raising finance to help interested men enlist in the British Army and aided their travel to Belfast to do so. Because of the sensitive nature of this material (pleas for assistance, details of poverty, report on false claims etc.) it has been decided that this material shall remain closed for a fixed period of 30 years starting from 1996 to ensure that no embarrassment is caused to the people mentioned in the files, or to their families. Over 200 files exist spanning the years, testifying to Major Grehan’s work on behalf of the British Legion.

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10.5 Personal Finances
10.5.1 General Account Books

1217  1920 - 1922  Notebook kept by Stephen A. Grehan detailing monthly Income and Expenditure under headings in and out e.g. 15 April 1920 “Harrods 1000 cartridges tennis racquet.” At rear are details of queries regarding his accounts and answers. Also details of goods purchased while in Mesopotamia.

36pp

1218  Oct. 1926 - May 1937  Passbook for the Army and Navy Co-operative Society Ltd., 105 Victoria Street, SW1. Details all credit and debit transactions. Enclosed covering letter for a cheque of £23, in part balance of his account on its closure (22 May 1937).

18pp

1219  1932 - 1935  Cash book with index, recording monthly expenses incurred while on service with the army, and income received. Two enclosures (1) Copy letter from Stephen A. Grehan to the Agent, The Imperial Bank of India regarding payments to and from his account (3 March 1935) (2) Note regarding payments to be made to servants.

60pp

10.5.2 Bank books and Statements of Account


52pp

1221  1925 - 1931  Bank books containing statements of account from Lloyds Bank, Pall Mall, for the joint account of S.A.J. Grehan and Mrs C. Grehan (1) June 1925 - April 1926 (2) July 1931 - April 1933.

2 items


3 items

43pp


50pp

(1) 2 June 1937 - 21 Feb. 1938  (2) Feb. 1938 - Aug. 1945

6 items


49pp


17pp

1228  Nov. 1966 - 3 Oct. 1968  File of bank statements detailing all transactions in Major Grehan’s account with the National Bank Limited, Kanturk.

25pp

10.5.3 Stock and Share Holdings

See Also
/1267
/1285
1229 1940 - 1969  “Justso” Investment Register, with alphabetical Index, used to record details of share transactions, namely date of purchase and sale and dividends. Includes letters and circulars relation to share portfolio.

   c.100pp, 36 enclosures


   8 items


   8 items

1232 Oct. 1968 - April 1969  Schedule from Spencer Thornton & Co., detailing investments and returns on Major S A Grehan’s and his wife Cecily’s marriage settlement portfolio. Includes some correspondence discussing same. In a letter to Grehan his portfolio is valued at £22,493 with an income of £837 giving a yield of 3.7%. Mrs Grehan’s portfolio is worth £9102 yielding £399 or 4.38% (10 April 1969).

   12 items

1233 2 - 13 April 1971  Covering letter from Spencer Thornton & Co, enclosing valuations of Major Grehan’s portfolio with suggestions resales. Also particulars of the joint portfolio between Major and Mrs. Grehan.

   3 items

1234 1971  File containing circulars and letters advertising share options. Also Mss notes of financial matters relating to the administration of Clonmeen farm.

   16 items
10.5.4 Cheques

1235 13 Jan 1942 - 21 July 1944  Counterfoil of large chequebook drawn on
       Stephen Grehan’s account at the National Bank, Kanturk branch.
       97pp

1236 21 July 1944 - 29 Nov. 1947  Counterfoil of large chequebook drawn on
       Stephen A. Grehan’s account at the National
       Bank, Kanturk branch.
       62pp

1237 12 Jan 1948 - 2 June 1955  Counterfoil of large cheque book drawn
       on Grehan’s account.
       62pp

1238 Sept 1955 - Nov. 1955  Counterfoil of large cheque book drawn on
       Grehan’s account.
       62pp

1239 Sept. 1957 - March 1962  File of cashiered cheques drawn on Grehan’s
       account with the National Bank, Kanturk.
       c.100 items

1240 12 Oct. 1960 - 20 Feb. 1962  File of cashiered cheques drawn on Grehan’s
       account with the National Bank, Kanturk.  Also
       deposit and credit transfer receipt slips.
       c.130 items

1241 8 Nov. 1961 - 9 Nov. 1964  File of cashiered cheques drawn on Grehan’s
       account with the Kanturk Branch of the National
       Bank Limited.  Also credit transfer receipt slips.
       c.160 items

1242 May 1962 - 16 July 1965  File of cashiered cheques drawn on Grehan’s
       account with the Kanturk Branch of The National
       Bank Limited.  Also credit transfer and deposit
       receipt slips.
       c.141 items

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1243 23 Dec. 1965 - 16 April 1970  File of cashiered cheques drawn on Grehan’s account with the Kanturk Branch of The National Bank Limited. Also credit transfer and deposit receipt slips.  c.200 items

1244 5 March 1964 - 2 Jan 1967  File of cashiered cheques drawn on Grehan’s account with the Kanturk Branch of The National Bank Limited. Also credit transfer and deposit receipt slips.  c.220 items

1245 25 May - 16 Dec. 1966  File of cashiered cheques drawn on Grehan’s account with The National Bank Limited, Kanturk Branch. Also credit transfer and lodgment receipt slips.  55 items

10.6 Personal Files

Major Grehan kept two filing systems in operation. One to store material relating to the administration of Clonmeen House and Estate, (see /486ff) and the other to store letters etc. of a more personal nature. However, there is some overlap between the two systems and both contain material which could easily be housed in the other. Both systems contain files divided alphabetically, by file title.

1246 [ ]  Alphabetical Index divider Cards G - Z listing files held e.g. 0 1. Obituary Notice, 2. Oil Stores  19 items

1247 Dec. 1923 - 1 Aug. 1945  A1 - Army Certificates File containing records of Major S. A. Grehan’s promotions, awards while serving in the British Army.

(1) Equitation Certificate from the Equitation School (Dec. 1923)
(2) Letter from the War Office informing Grehan his name is on the selected Major’s list (15 June 1937)
(3) Printed acknowledgment that Major S. A. J. Grehan, OBE, Royal Artillery, was while serving in the North-West Frontier of India (Mohmed Operation) in 1935, mentioned in Dispatches 28 Nov. 1935 and 26 July 1937

(4) Letter from the War Office on the occasion of Grehan’s release from active military duty, expressing the thanks of the Army Council for his service.

5 items

1248 24 Nov. 1927 - 6 Dec. 1945  
A2 Army Particulars of Service  
Contains records of Major S. A. J. Grehan’s service dates, details of stations and records of promotion (Army form B199A). Also letters detailing the official result of his Major’s exam 73.6% (24 Nov. 1927); giving approval for him to attend the Royal Military Academy, Woolwich as an officer of a company of Gentlemen Cadets (5 Dec. 1927); confirming his appointment as G.S. 02 Preston sub District (6 Dec. 1944). Also Typescript outlining important dates in the history of the 3rd light battery R.A. Also Record of Service Book.

8 items

1249 8 Dec. 1949 - 19 April 1952  
A3 Artillery Material relating to the Royal Artillery Association Benevolent Fund, and Grehan’s subscription for same and his appeal for assistance for medical treatment on behalf of a former soldier.

5 items

1250 4 April 1939 - 6 August 1968  
A4 Arthritis Correspondence file relating to Grehan’s diagnosis as suffering from arthritis and subsequent treatment.

9 items

1251 1939 - 1944  
A5 Army Pay queries. Correspondence between Grehan and the Army authorities regarding pay queries, and also with The National Bank Limited regarding income tax for non UK residents.

5 items

1252 13 July 1937 - 6 Oct. 1939  

22 items
1253 13 June - 14 Aug. 1945  
A7 Army Release ‘45 Documents relating to Major S A Grehan’s release from the Army 14 August 1945. Includes booklet issued by the War Office “What to do on leaving the service and how to do it”. Also documentation relating to income tax and some uniform insignia.  
17 items

1254 24 July 1945 - Sept. 1971  
A9 Army Reserve ‘45 pay - etc. Documentation relating to Major Grehan’s retirement pay and pension payments from his military service. Includes counterfoil receipts for pension payments.  
c.70 items

1255 5 Sept. 1945 - 3 June 1964  
A10 Army SSAF Association. File relating to Major Grehan’s involvement with the Soldier’s Sailor’s and Airmen’s Families Association, and assistance he gave to families of local ex-servicemen on behalf of the SSAF.  
*Restricted access  
19 items

1256 23 April 1942 - 24 Sept. 1971  
17 items

A13 Army Forces Help Society. File relating to Major Grehan’s activities on behalf of The Help Society & Lord Roberts Workshops (formerly Soldiers, Sailors & Airmen Help Society). The documents relate to Major Grehan’s efforts to investigate and verify claims on the Society for Assistance. Includes Original and copy letters of application with copy official replies and Grehan’s report.  
*Restricted access.  
66 items

A14 Army Land Trust Cottages. Letters to Major Grehan from The Irish Sailors & Soldiers Land Trust, 51 Upper Mount Street, Dublin, regarding his recommendations for applicants eligible to buy a house under the grant scheme.  
9 items

1260  See Also /1198

1961 - 1971  B1 British Legion  Contains literature relating to The Royal British Legion Ireland (Southern) area. Includes Booklets detailing the regulations of the National Executive Council relating to benevolent work. A circular reporting a change of address in Dublin due to an arson attack (1971). Also Illuminated certificate awarded to Major S A Grehan by the British Legion “in appreciation of his many years of loyal and outstanding work for British Ex-Servicemen in this area” (Feb. 1964)

5 items


7 items


4 items


3 items

1264  4 Feb. 1944  C4 Cecily - Appendix 1944. Contains a letter to Major Grehan from Dr. W. O. Welply, Clancool, Bandon, Co. Cork detailing the treatment he prescribed for Mrs. Grehan and explaining the causes of appendicitis. He also answers Stephen’s queries re the surgical procedure and assures him the scar will fade and Mrs Grehan will be restored to full health.
1265 19 June 1939 - C5 Chichester Constable Contains documents relating to Chichester Constable family history.
See Also 26 Sept. 1951
/1432 ff (1) Notes on a portrait of Hon. Thomas Clifford, painted at Liege in 1789, and given to Stephen A Grehan by his aunt Christine Chichester.
(2) Newsclipping from the Daily Telegraph “Dead Major traced by Cruxifix” relating how Major Neil Chichester-Constable who when mortally wounded at Dunkirk, entrusted his papers and a silver cruxifix to a German soldier. (26 Sept. 1951).
(3) Notes referring to the Life of Colonel Sir Charles Chichester d. 1847.
(4) Letter from [Christine Chichester] in Quebec, investigating Col. Sir Charles Chichester’s career in Canada, requesting some notes relating to family history be sent to her. Details her arrangements regarding the transfer of the memorial tablet to Col. Sir Charles.

4 items

See Also 10 May 1954
/1358 ff

2 items

1267 1916 - C8 Christmas File containing present lists detailing recipients and cost (1946 - 1970) also records of cards sent and received. Includes Sketches drawn in 1916/1917/1918 by P. G. Ledwith of scenes of Salonica and Palestine during his time there with the British Army, send as Christmas cards in later years (1949, 1951, 1962) 11 items Also letters sending Christmas greetings from (1) Fr. Daniel Murphy PP, Banteer (23 Dec. 1953) and SHH Heaver, Blackheath, London (3 Jan 1971).
See Also 3 Jan 1971
/1204

24 items


1p

1269 9 Feb. 1961 - C14 Correspondence file with associated documentation regarding the handling of Major Grehan’s
See Also 11 Oct. 1971
share portfolio by Spencer Thornton & Co., Stockbrokers, London. 65 items

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<td><strong>C15 Cecily Health.</strong> File containing mss. notes in the form of a diary recording Cecily Grehan’s state of health (1963 - 1966) “30 Jan - sick 2.00, Dr. Moloney came 3, injections to bed by 3.20 - another injection, sleeping quietly.” Visits to Doctors are also recorded and all illnesses since a series of blackouts beginning Jan 1965. The notes are the reverse of general business letters sent to Major Grehan. 14 items</td>
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1971 | **D2 Decimal System.** Circulars and pamphlets explaining the currency transition to the decimal system (15 Feb 1971) and explaining the new system. 7 items |

1895 - 1971 | **D3 Dunhallow Hunt Club a/c & rules** Documentation relating to the D.H.C. Includes circular statements of accounts (1937 - 1971); subscription receipts for Major and Mrs Grehan (1937 - 1971); Correspondence between Major Grehan and the Bank of Ireland, Mallow Branch, regarding overdraft facilities and a loan for the club (22 May 1953, Apr. - July 1956); memorabilia such as rule books (1930, 1955) circulars and programmes. Also Programme for Dunhallow Hunt Point to Point 18 April 1895. 89 items |

23 July 1945 - 11 March 1950 | **D5 Denis Accident etc.** Bills from Dr. P. Kiely, 20 St. Patrick’s Hill, Cork and T.J. Vaughan, West End, Mallow, regarding treatment for Denis Grehan after a riding accident in April 1945. Also Copy letters from Major Grehan querying the bills, and a note of total expenses. = £235 Also a copy declaration of health by Dr. Kiely 2 August 1945. 6 items |

25 Oct. 1645 - 26 April 1946 | **D6 Denis Enlistment.** Correspondence between Major Grehan and the Regimental Headquarters, Irish Guards, Ashley Gardens, London, also Dr. P. Kiely, St. Patrick’s Hill Cork, regarding the discharge of Grehan’s son Denis from the Irish Guards due to a medical assessment as C2v, due to a fractured skull sustained at a fall while riding in a point to point race. He subsequently re-enlisted. (See /1273 above).  

D8 Denis General File. Includes documents relating to DS Grehan’s application to join the Irish Guards (31 May 1946 and 22 Sept. 1946); Soldiers Service and pay book containing reference to medical discharge. 16 Oct. 1945. Also Invoice from Chris O Mahony, Automobile Engineers, 39 - 40 Parnell Place Cork for £2.18.7, repairs to car for D. Grehan (11 June 1946); letter from the Manager, Lloyds Bank acknowledging the opening of an account for D S Grehan (27 May 1946).

D9 Denis handing on Capital. Correspondence between Major Grehan, Cyril Gaisford St Lawrence & E Woodhall & Yardley Stockbrokers London and Lloyds Bank, regarding the coming of age of Denis Grehan and the transfer to him of trust capital worth £200 pa.

E1 Electorate. Major Grehan’s voting card for the 1945 Irish Presidential Election.

E2 Eyes Contains documentation relating to eye tests and also opinions on a cataract.

F1 Fishery. File containing documents and correspondence relating to Major S. A Grehan’s association with (a) Backwater Hatchery Committee (b) Owners and leasees River Blackwater Angling Association (c) Fishery Board Conservators of Fisheries. Includes letter to Major Grehan from L. Longfield, Waterloo, Mallow, impressing on Grehan the urgency which he must take up Longfield’s power of attorney for the vote at the forthcoming
meeting of the Fishery Board to stamp out the corruption

(6 Jan 1939).

28 items

**1281** 1938 - 1971  
F3 Fishery Rate. Correspondence and documentation relating to fishery rate payments (April 1964 - May 1971); Receipts for subscriptions to the Blackwater Hatchery Committee (1954 - 1971). Also Salmon Fishing License for 1938.

32 items

**1282** 2 July 1939 - 22 April 1961  
F4 Fishing Repairs banks. Correspondence between Major Grehan and the Irish Land Commission regarding repairs they undertook to carry out on the banks of the River Blackwater. Also Correspondence regarding Grehan’s collection of subscriptions towards the building of a watchers hut to help stamp out netting. (Oct. 1947).

5 items

**1283** 8 Oct. 1944 - 4 Nov. 1969  
F6 Fishing Salmon Disease. File containing press clippings reporting on water pollution and salmon disease and also correspondence relating to the Blackwater Hatchery Committee.

31 items

**1284** 31 March 1949 - 26 Jan 1953  
F7 Fishing Rights. Includes correspondence between Major Grehan and Henry Harte Barry, Solicitors, Kanturk regarding fishing rights at Inchidaly. There is confusion as to who has the rights over a particular stretch of the Glen river (21 April 1949 - 26 Jan 1953). Also Correspondence regarding a dispute between Major Grehan and other local fishermen over allegation over fishing and attempts to buy out rights (31 Mar - 14 April 1949).

15 items

**1285** 23 Jan 1957 - 6 April 1966  
F10 Correspondence between Major Grehan and various friends and guests who were planning to spend a fishing holiday at Clonmeen. Some canceled due to large fish kills from disease in the area. Also Notes on monies received from accommodating such holidays.
| 1286 | 10 - 28 July 1958 | F11 Fishery Joint Standing Committee | Copy circulars from members of the Joint Standing Committee of Boards of Fishery Conservators with associated documents. |
| 1287 | 2 March 1962 - 19 Aug. 1963 | F12 | correspondence with Wright, Pim & Wallis (later Wilkinson & Falkner) Stockbrokers, 31 Dame Street, Dublin regarding the handling and sale of shares. |
| 1288 | 31 Aug. 1936 - 9 Sept. 1965 | G2 Gun License | File containing gun licenses and letters regarding same from the Kanturk and Banteer Gardaí. Also letter from T W Murray & Co, 67 Patrick St, Cork regarding repairs to a gun. |
| 1290 | 16 Feb. - 11 July 1944 | G4 Glynn Trust | Letters to Major Grehan from Roche & Sons regarding the wills of the late Mrs Murphy and her son (16 Feb. 1944) under which Major Grehan is a legatee and Miss Glynn (deceased) a beneficiary. Major Grehan received £500 under the terms of the will (11 July 1944). |
| 1291 | 2 April 1871 - 10 Sept. 1946 | G5 Grehan Pedigree and Census | Return 1871 contains documentation relating to Grehan genealogy. (a) Census return 2 April 1871, signed at Clonmeen by Stephen Grehan aged 95, listing himself, his son George (both widowers) and grandson Stephen aged 12 and four servants. (b) Copy letter from William Roche & Sons to Joseph Hone, Ballurny |
House, Enniskerry, Co. Wicklow, detailing for him the requested Grehan genealogy and advising him to contact Major Grehan
(c) Pedigree of Grehan of Clonmeen (taken from Burkes Landed Gentry)
(d) Extract from “The Bank of Ireland 1793/1946” by E G Hall which mentions Stephen Grehan, the first Catholic Director of the bank (see also /1293)
(e) Remembrance card for George Grehan who died 31 Dec. 1885 aged 72, with a letter from the sacristan of Dublin Pro Cathedral to Major Grehan, confirming his grandfather’s burial there (24 Oct. 1945).

6 items

1292 10 Dec. 1881 - G6 Grehan photos. Contains photographs
of members of the Grehan family (a) Head and shoulders portrait of Stephen and Esther Grehan
taken by the Lafayette Studio, Dublin.
(b) 3 head and shoulder profile shots, with slightly different poses of
Stephen Grehan 14cm x 10cm
(c) 2 head and shoulder portraits of Esther Grehan, with the pose slightly altered. 14cm x 10cm
Also Letters to Major Grehan from [his cousin] Arthur Chichester,
38 Steeles Road, London discussing family matters including the
Also letters from Stephen A Grehan as a young boy to his sister
May, describing his holiday in Tramore (15 July 1905) and to his
father describing events at St. Anthony’s School Eastbourne (23 March
1907). See also /901.
Also material relating to the Clifford/Chichester family namely copy
letters from Charlie Clifford in Sydney to his father and brother telling
them of the death of his wife May after 10 months of marriage (10 Dec.
1881, 16 Dec. 1881)
Also Newsclippings of obituaries of Caroline, Madam MacDermot
(née Whyte of Loughbrickland, died 10 Nov. 1969) and Mrs. Esther Grehan (d. April 1900). Also a newsclipping “Three Sincere Friends” with the photographs
of the cousins Lieutenant S. A. Grehan, Lieutenant T. H. E. Gallwey and
Lieutenant R. Ryan (1915).

15 items

1293 1925 - 1946 Grehan Governor B of I 1932/4G7 File contains
correspondence between Thomas M. Sadleir,
Newcastlelyons, Co. Dublin [C] Gaisford St. Lawrence,
Howth Castle, Major Stephen A Grehan and Roche and Sons, Solicitors. Sadlier
was commissioned by the Bank of Ireland to procure a portrait of its first
Catholic director, Stephen Grehan. However the bank is not satisfied that the
portrait he found is Stephen Grehan and requests

See Also /857

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confirmation from family. A Grehan, doubting the print is letter from Cecily happily about her forthcoming enough for him.” Adds how suppose we were a bit swift.” Woolwich to ‘A & V’ getting promoted. Replying to better than he what is Road, Eltham to [__] giving said I had about as easy a time as However she wishes gave him unnecessary distress for eyes and praises Stevie’s

Includes a letter from William Roche to Stephen Stephen Grehan (27 Nov. 1946 - 13 Jan 1946). Also A Gaisford St. Lawrence to May Grehan, speaking marriage to Stevie, “I’m afraid I’m not nearly good the engagement came as a surprise to her family. “I (3 May 1925) 18 March 1925, from Stevie, R A Mess, describing his good fortune in meeting Cecily and a query re wedding presents he states they would know useful. 25 March 1926, from Cecily, 8 Elderslie news of the birth of her son, Peter, “the Doctor is possible with a first baby. I was only 4½ hrs bad.” Stevie had left the house for the birth “it only no good.” She delightfully describes the baby’s hair, attention to her. (See also /857, 1369 ff).

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1294 1801 - 1956  G8 Grehan - Old Deed 1801, Solicitors Bill 1885, Freemans J of 1871, Eviction at Ballingeary 1906. File contains (1) Sundry costs for legal work presented to Mr. Peter Grehan £2.5.6 (4 April 1855) (2) Bond and warrant for £300 given by Denis O Meagher to John Roche and Stephen Grehan (9 April 1801) (3) Newsclipping from the Kerryman “Eviction Story of Ballingeary”, reporting the erection of a plaque commemorating the eviction of Diarmuid O’Mahoney by his landlord Mr. Grehan (1 Sept. 1950) (4) Two pages from the Freemans Journal, containing the obituary of Stephen Grehan who died aged 95 at 19 Rutland Square (8 April 1871)

4 items

1295 22 Sept. 1948 - 3 April 1905  H1 Hoover. Contains guarantees and service record slips for Hoover machinery purchased.

20 items

1296 8 June 1964  H2 Heaters (oil stoves) & Hall stoves. Correspondence with Rober Scott & Co. Ltd. Iron and Hardware merchants, Cork regarding the purchase of heating stoves. Also advertising brochures for same.

8 items

1297 14 - 15 Nov. 1966  H3 Heirlooms. Correspondence between Major Grehan and his solicitor, Robert Johnson, regarding the designation of certain items of jewelry as heirlooms. This designation was to end once they were given to Major Grehan’s eldest son Peter, which he now wishes to do. Requests advise on procedure.
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<td>I5 Insurance C’s bike. Insurance policy for a pedal bicycle belonging to Mrs. Cecily Grehan, value £8, with renewal receipts 1943, 1944.</td>
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<td>I6 Insurance C’s Jewelry &amp; S.L. Documents, including a policy with the Railway, Passengers Assurance Co. (29 Dec. 1937) and Lloyds of London (May 1938) with details of jewellery insured. Also receipts for premium renewal and clause changes. Also correspondence with Garrard &amp; Co. Jewellers, London and Roche and Sons, regarding plans to reset some of the jewellery. Due to its status as heirlooms now work can be undertaken which might devalue the pieces (4 Oct. 1937 - 17 March 1938).</td>
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<td>I8 Investments List of. Contains details of Stock held by Major Grehan in various companies with covering letters from Roche &amp; Sons, Solicitors.</td>
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1304  1944 - I10 Income Tax - Regulations and Queries.  
26 May 1959 Contains a letter to Major Grehan from the 
Income Tax Dept., of the National Bank advising 
him on his tax liability and repayments due out of the farm loss (26 May 
2 items

1305  1941 I12 Insurance - Life 1941 Contains scrap of 
paper with notes on an insurance policy deposited 
with Lloyds Bank 29 Nov. 1941. Also 10 year educational 
Policy for £60, redeemed 22 March 1944 with associated documents. 
4 items

1306  16 March 1931 - I13 Income Tax P &D Contains correspondence 
17 June 1937 between Major S. A. Grehan, Roche & Sons, and 
Lloyds Bank Limited, concerning efforts by 
Grehan to avoid Income Tax and Supertax by covenancing sums of money 
to his children in 1931 and 1937. Includes A letter from Grehan’s 
[brother-in-law] describing a method used by a friend to avoid tax by 
placing the money in the care of the children’s executors. 
8 items

Tax Dept. of The National Bank, to Major Stephen A. 
Grehan, advising him on the tax status of stocks, the 
income from which under a Gaisford Trust transferred to Mrs. Cecily Grehan. 
Also Printed extracts discussing the law as regards surtax. 
2 items

1308  2 Nov. 1948 - I17 Fishery. Letters from the Income Tax Dept., 
14 May 1949 The National Bank, College Green Dublin, to Major 
Stephen A Grehan, regarding the assessment of his 
fisheries by the Inspector of Taxes. 
7 items

1309  29 Mar 1949 - K1 Henry Kenny Correspondence relating to 
See Also Oct. 1952 a dispute between Stephen A. Grehan and his 
/s1314 solicitors William Roche, and Grehan’s subsequent 
/s1329 transfer of his business to Harry Kenny of Kenny and Stephenson, Solicitors. 
Also Correspondence with Kenny regarding difficulties with the Land
Commission (29 Mar 1949); particulars of documents returned by Roche and Sons.

**1311** 25 Jan 1936 - 12 Aug. 1938

**L1 Land Commission** Correspondence between Stephen A Grehan and Roche and Sons, regarding the sale of c. 400 acres to the Forestry Division, Department of Lands. Also statement as to the allocation of lands from Stephen Grehan’s estate, by the Land Commission. Folder cover lists other documents in file since removed.

15 items

**1312** Dec. 1959 - 5 Mar 1963

**L2 Limerick Junction Race Co, Ltd.** Correspondence file relating to Major Grehan’s ownership of 500 shares in the above, and various takeover bids in which shareholders were approached to sell their holdings until he finally decided to sell, March 1963. Also circulars relating to share holdings.

8 items

**1313** 22 - 23 April 1959

**M1 Marriage Settlement - Disentailing Deed 1925.** Contains letter from Stockbrokers Woodhall Yardley & Co., suggesting the re-investment of certain stocks held for Cecily Grehan’s trust.

2pp

**1314** 16 Aug. 1946 - 26 April 1963

**M2 Marriage Settlement Statement of Funds** File includes correspondence with Lloyds Bank regarding income from Stephen and Cecily Grehan’s trusts (July - August 1946); with Roche and Sons and others regarding the appointment of 2 new trustees to the marriage settlement in place of Captain Charles Moore, C.C. Riddell and the recently deceased Frederick Pitel (Feb. 1961). Includes letter from R W Roche Johnson discussing the matter and referring to the falling out between Major Grehan and his firm (20 Feb. 1961, see also /1291,/1309). The new trustees are T. H. E. Gallwey, P Riddell and A Moore.

20 items

**1315** Nov. 1939

**M3 Murphy Estate - Securities** Contains a covering letter from Roche & Sons to S A Grehan enclosing a copy of the receipt for securities transferred to him in respect of the Residency Estate of John F Murphy,
and detailing funds passing to him under the terms of his Grandfather’s will, and father’s marriage settlement.

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<td>17 June 1948 - N1 National Bank, Kanturk. Overdraft. Contains letters to Major Grehan from the Manager, the National Bank, Kanturk, regarding his overdraft, the limit of which he regularly oversteps. Includes letter informing account holders about the merger of the Bank to form the Bank of Ireland (15 March 1972).</td>
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<td>1927-1944 O1 Obituary Notices. Remembrance Prayer Cards for (1) Molly Ryan (daughter of Aileen Grehan Ryan and Major D. G. J. Ryan) died 31 October 1933 aged 8 (2) Denis George Jocelyn Ryan (Major 6th Gurkha Rifles) husband of Aileen Grehan Ryan, died 18 July 1927 aged 42 (3) Gerard Valentine Ryan, (Lieutenant Rifle Brigade) son of Major D. G. J. And Mrs. Aileen Ryan, died 17 October 1944 Aged 21 (see/1309) (4) Julian Charles Gaisford St. Lawrence died 7 November 1932 aged 71 [father of Cecily Grehan].</td>
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<td>1923 - 1961 P1 Prescription Own. Various medical, including opticians, prescriptions for Major Grehan. Many are annotated with the illness they were to treat e.g. “Cough 13 Feb. 1953”</td>
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<td>15 - 22 July 1943 P3 Peter - Oxford. Correspondence between Major S. A. Grehan and the Dean of Christ Church, Oxford regarding the proposed application by Peter Grehan (Major Grehan’s son) to enter Christ Church on a RAF short course.</td>
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8 Sept. 1939  
**P4 Power of Attorney Cecily 1947.** Covering letter from William C. Roche, Solicitor, enclosing a Power of Attorney for Cecily Grehan to act on her husband’s behalf in any legal matter.

1943 - 1945  
**P5 Post War Credits.** Brief note of post war credits paid into Major Grehan’s account with the National Bank Dublin 1943 - 1945.

24 March 1926 - 6 Nov. 1926  
**P6 Peter General including Birth Certificate**  
Contains birth certificate for Peter Arthur Grehan, born 27 February 1926, at 8 Elderslie Road, Lewisham London.

13 Jan - 27 March 1947  
**P8 Peter - Transfer of Capital 1947**  
Correspondence between Major S. A. Grehan; Roche & Sons; E. Woodall & Yardley, Stockbrokers and Lloyds Bank regarding the transfer of securities by Major Grehan into his son’s name to reduce income tax.

1950 - 1955  
**P10 P.G.’s, Fred Pitel (investments) See W2**  
Contains mss notes on P. G. [Paying Guests] on fishing holidays at Clonmeen in 1950 - 1955. Also letters inquiring about shooting and fishing holidays with draft replies (31 March 1953, 1 April 1954, 8 April 1954).

13 Dec. 1952  
**P11 War Pensioners Welfare Society**  
Letter from the War Pensioners Advisory Committee (Irish Republic) requesting Major S A Grehan to act as a voluntary worker to help disabled pensioners claim their rights and also to visit them periodically. Mss. annotation ‘replied yes’.

18 April 1944 - 2 Nov. 1971  
**R1 Rent Pulvertafts.** Contains letters to Major S. A. Grehan from Richard Rice & Son, Solicitors, Fermoy, detailing half yearly rents due by Pulvertafts and enclosing cheques for same (includes all rates...
Also Cash account prepared by David J O’Meara & Son, Solicitors, Fermoy
detailing rent paid by Pulverstaft (2 Nov. 1971).

1328 29 October -  R2 Ryan QV Letters.  Contains family letters
30 Nov. 1944 concerning the death in action of Lieutenant
Gerard V. Ryan, 17 October 1944 (see /1317).
Includes Several letters from Aileen Grehan Ryan to her brother Stephen A.
Grehan, describing her grief and shock at her son’s death “I simply can’t believe
it is true, so quick so soon” (31 Oct. 1944); “It still seems utterly impossible to
believe .... To bring children into the world, love them, watch over them, pray for
them and then to have them snatched away before they ever lived.” (14 Nov.
1944). Also letters from Magda Grehan Whyte, with whom Aileen is staying,
keeping Stephen and Cecily informed of how Aileen is
coping “I do not know
how she will live through all this, life seems so
absolutely pointless now.” (29
Oct. 1944)

13 items

1329 11 Jan 1943 -  R3 Roches a/c  Contains copy letters from Major
See Also 11 May 1949 Stephen A. Grehan to Roche and Sons, regarding
the necessary papers (16
/1314 letters he wrote them were never acknowledged nor
/1329 the queries answered. Also Reply from William C Roche stating he feels it is
broke their association ,11 Oct. 1948). A formal letter from Major S A Grehan
of land to the Minister of
/1330 the late Stephen Grehan. (6
11 May 1949. Also Costs from Roche and Sons for sales
Lands (29 Jan 1943); and for winding up the estate of
the late Stephen Grehan. (6
Feb. 1943)

15 items

1330 27 May 1935  R4 Racing Colours 1935 Contains a letter to S. Grehan
from R. Tyson, Military Outfitter, Hosier and Hatter,
Grafton Street, Dublin, regretting he has not in stock the
colours Grehan requested but enclosing  the scraps of ribbon (maroon and light
brown) which the nearest in colour he could get.

1p

1331 16 Dec. 1948 -  R5 Richie Ryan  Contains two bitter letters from
1 Jan 1949 Richie Ryan to his uncle, Major S. A. Grehan (16 Dec.
Grehan (23 Dec. 1948) all discussing tensions between Ryan and his parents over
1948, 1 Jan 1949) and a copy letter to Ryan from Major
his marriage to a Protestant. Grehan writes to try and conciliate.

3 items

1332 27 May 1945 -  R6 Red X  Correspondence between Major S A
19 Feb. 1948 Grehan and the Joint committee, Order of St.
John, British Red Cross Society Ex-Services War

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Department and Emergency Help Scheme, regarding the allocation of money and goods to ex-servicemen in need in Co. Cork. Includes letters containing details of service, injuries and current circumstances of ex-service men investigated by Major Grehan.

45 items
Restricted access

1333 4 Feb. 1924 - R7 Rent Garda barracks arrears
9 July 1956 Correspondence (including Memorandum of Agreement 16 January 1934) between Stephen Grehan and the Commissioners of Public Works, regarding the latter’s rental of an old RIC barracks on Grehan’s land for use as a Garda barrack.

28 items

1334 27 Jan. 1961 R8 Roger Mortimer etc. Foster Cox Letter from Foster Cox, of Mortimer, Woodall Yardley & Co. Stockbrokers, London informing Major Grehan of the death of Roger Mortimer. Cox is trying to establish for whom Mortimer acted as a trustee and inquires if he acted as such for Mrs. C Grehan. Mss. annotation by Major Grehan. (See also /1327)

1p


7 items

1336 May 1959 - S4 Shanahan’s Correspondence relating to 24 Jan 1967 Shanahan’s Stamp Actions Ltd., and Major S. A. Grehan’s investment of £300 and £200 (Feb. & May 1959) in a syndicate to buy stamps for profit; also the subsequent winding up of the company (June 1959) and Major Grehan’s efforts to recoup his investment (24 Jan 1967).

17 items

1337 Nov. 1970 S5 Simonds Toby’s death Contains letters from Mrs. D A. Simonds (Bunty Whyte) Clonlost, Killiney, Co. Dublin to her uncle Major S. A. Grehan on the death of her husband, Toby, with copy letters of condolence from Major Grehan.

4 items
Access Restricted

1338 30 July 1945 - T1 Trustee Business G. St. L. Contains documents relating to Major S A Grehan’s role as a trustee for
the Gaisford St. Lawrence family trust. Includes letter to Grehan from his brother-in-law, Thomas J. Gaisford St Lawrence requesting him to become a trustee in place of Marjory Guinness as “when you can get sensible male relations its is no use burdening female relations” (16 Oct. 1945). Also documents detailing trust investments and securities held (in Sept 1948).

17 items

1339  3 Nov. 1947 - 30 May 1948  
T2 Trustee Business John French  
Contains a letter from Thorpe Rowland & Stephens Solicitors, Mournemouth inquiring about stock held under the Charles French Trust with copy reply from Major S. A. Grehan detailing stocks and Trustees of the Hon John French and the Hon Charles French family trusts (3 - 8 Nov 1947). Also Deeds of Release, releasing trusteeship for the Hon John French Trust 7 April, 14 May and 30 May 1948. (See/1321).

5 items

1340  20 July - 24 Nov. 1968  
T3 Typewriter  
Material relating to typewriter warranty’s and repairs.

5 items

1341  23 Sept. 1919 - 16 May 1962  
T4 Trustee - Charles French  
Contains copious correspondence and documentation relating to the Charles French Trust. Includes Deed Poll of Hon. Charles French establishing a trust of £15,000 for his children (22 Sept. 1919). Also letters to Major S A Grehan from Henry M Lyons, Bletchley, Bucks (fellow trustee) (1) 1 Jan 1946 regarding the whereabouts of Eva French (2) 30 March 1946 announcing his intention to resign as trustee. Also Correspondence concerning the administration of the stock holdings of the trust, and re-assessment following the death in July 1960 of one of the main beneficiaries Ethel French. Also Release ending the trust (16 May 1962).

c.150 items

1342  22 Oct. 1957 - 4 Dec. 1959  
T5 TB Letters etc.  
File containing letters from Dr. J. Vincent Carroll, Mallow Co. Cork, charting the progress of treatment for TB administered to Major S A Grehan following the initial diagnosis 19 March 1957 up until 1959 when he report “Appearances are consistent with current INACTIVITY of disease” (6 May) and by 2 September he pronounces Grehan clear. Also some drafts of letters sent by Major Grehan.

14 items

1343  Nov. 1959 - Jan 1972  
T6 Telephone  
File containing quarterly statements of trunk calls and telegrams
April 1960 - Sept. 1971. Also receipts for payments and routine circulars.

**1344** 1946  U1 United Services Catholic Association  
Contains two circulars for above group (1) Membership circular (2) Annual report  
1946 - 1947.

49 items

**1345** [1940s] - Nov. 1970  V1 Vauxhall Car. File of documents including insurance policies. Also blank petrol ration card and car registration book.

c.52 items

**1346** 4 July 1949  W2 “E Woodhall & Yardley”  
Contains letter from Foster Cox of the above firm thanking Major Grehan on his letter of condolence on the death of Philip Pitel of that firm, and assuring him his business will be always looked after to the highest standard. (See also 1315)

1p


51 items

**10.7 Awards and Decorations**

**1348** 17 Nov. 1914  Warrant of Commission for 2nd Lieutenant Stephen A. Grehan, Royal Horse, Royal Field Artillery.

1ff

**1349** 7 Feb. 1921  Declaration of His Majesty’s “high appreciation of the Services Rendered” in Mesopotamia and declaring that Lt. S. A. J. Grehan M.C, R.A. was mentioned in Dispatches for Distinguished & Gallant Services in the field.

1350 1920  Covering letter from the Registrar and Secretary, Central Chancery of the Orders of Knighthood,
St. James Palace, for the Insignia of an Officer of the British Empire, and also the warrant of S A Grehan’s appointment as such by George V.

10.8 Personal Memorabilia

1351  [1925] Envelope marked ‘Presents’ containing notes of items received and thank you cards sent on R A Mess Woolwich headed paper [wedding presents]. Senders of gifts include Mr. & Mrs. Longfield, Longueville House, Mallow; Sir Richard and Lady Musgrave, Tourin, Cappoquin, Co. Waterford; Mr. & Mrs. Cyril Irwin, Nagpur, India; The Officers 44th Field Bty R.A; Mr. & Mrs. W N Barry, Castle Cor, Kanturk, Co. Cork; Lord and Lady Kenmare, 4 Seymour St. London W1.

7 items

1352  1931 -1932 Shot gun license for Major S A Grehan, 63, The Common, Woolwich, with authorisation issued by the Dept. of Justice to bring the gun into Ireland. Also note of shooting season date.

4 items


2pp

1354  1939 Rule books for the County of Cork Club and the Mallow Lawn Tennis and Croquet Club.

2 items

1355  1946 - 47 S A Grehan’s membership cards for the Royal Irish Automobile Club, Dawson Street, Dublin, and the Automobile Association.

3 items

1356  [ ] Hard back notebook labeled ‘Baggage’ containing notes on 38 items of luggage (golf bag, cricket bag, Deck chairs) and a copy of a customs declaration of goods worth £25.43.

10pp

1356a  [ ] Visiting cards for Capt. S.A. Grehan, Royal Horse Artillery, Naval and Military Club, 94, Piccadilly.
**10.9 Obituary**

1357 1972 Copy of The Oratory School Magazine, issue no. 132, featuring on p118 an obituary of Major Stephen A Grehan M.C, O.B.E. (died 3 February 1972) outlining his distinguished military career. 130pp

**11 Cecily Grehan**

**11.1 Correspondence**

11.1.1 From her husband Major S.A .Grehan

1358 11 May 1945 Incomplete from Major S. A. Grehan statement at Langston Hall describing a recent phone call he had with their son Peter whom he found “full of cheer.” Remarks how strange it will be not to see him for a year but adds that they can relax as all the U-boats have been surrendered. As for himself he has received no orders, and is sitting tight hoping to be home soon. 2pp

1359 12 May 1945 From Major Stephen Grehan explaining he has not yet received any orders and passing on general news. He got Peter’s address and will send it on, remarking he had a good time celebrating VE day, and will enjoy Canada more as the training will not be so intense. Details letters sent and preferable methods of postage, adding he is thinking of her and Denis. 2pp
11.1.2 Relating to her son Peter A. Grehan

1360 July 1945 Letter from the Dept. of Posts and Telegraphs to Mrs. C. Grehan detailing the methods and rates of postage to Canada, and returning an airgraph she sent as that service is now discontinued.

See Also 1369ff

11.1.3 Others

1361 18 April 1951 Estimate from William Jackson, China & Glass Repairs of £7.9.0. for the repair of china dishes.

1.2 Diaries

1362a Dec. 1929 - Small appointment diary containing brief reminders of appointments and visitors e.g. 28 Jan, 1930 “Leave for Woolwich Waterford - Fishguard.” 15 June “Tea 4.30 tennis Boswell” No personal comments or musings.

Dec. 1930

1 Dec. 1930 - Small appointment diary containing brief reminders of appointments and visitors with no personal comment. Notes at rear concerning bridge and books The Shadow on the Earth by Owen Dudley and 500 Household hints by 500 Housewives.

Dec. 1931

1363 1942 ‘Walkers Desk Calendar’, notelets with with on reverse reminders of appointments, farm work and social occasions e.g. 3 June “Wrote for anthracite from Dept. of Supplies. Horses moved. 30 June “Tennis here 2 Williams, Adelaide, Murial & Doris Field and 2 H. Harte Barry”

11.3 Personal Finances
1364 1923 - 1938 Documentation relating to a policy with The Scottish Widow’s Life Assurance Society, Includes (1) General Prospectus for 1923 (2) Letters to Miss Cecily M Gaisford St. Lawrence regarding her policy and acknowledging endorsement re her marriage (27 Oct. 1925).

1365 1925 - 1932 Small leather file kept by Cecily Grehan containing material relating to her personal finances and other matters filed alphabetically

AB - Contains correspondence relating to income received under the Gaisford St. Lawrence family trusts (24 March 1930 - 25 March 1931. Also letter from Cecily as a young child to her father thanking him for his “nice litter” (10 April 1911) (5 items)

BC - Contains correspondence and associated documentation between Cecily Grehan, members of the Gaisford St. Lawrence family and H.E. Guinness regarding investments in her marriage settlement (13 Jan 1930 - 14 April 1931) (5 items)

EF - Contains typescript copies of a letter featuring blank spaces to be filled in with car’s names “Dear old ....... The other morning I awoke to find a dear little ....... dancing in my room.” Bean - Sunbeam - Rover. Also rough notes on Howth Castle headed notepaper regarding order numbers for sheet music. (4 items)

FG - File of correspondence regarding the hiring by Cecily Grehan of a nurse (K. Nisbet, £16 per month) to attend her during her pregnancy and birth of her baby (20 Dec. 1926 - 7 March 1927). Also A letter to Cecily from [ ] Doneford, West Grimstead, Harsham advising on retirement homes for elderly and infirm servants (23 Sept. 1929); and a letter from an occupant of St. Mary’s Convent for Incurables, Store, Staff. attesting to its comfort. (15 Items)

LM - Contains an advertising card for the Cambridge House Nursing Home Ltd, London; and a letter from Agnes Worrall, Villa Retalo, St. Antonio, Malta giving a glowing reference for her ex-governess Miss Price (4 Nov. [19]). Also notes by Cecily on subjects to be taught by the governess, English grammar, History, French and Latin. Also correspondence relating to the hiring of Miss Price (18 Nov. 1931 - 22 Feb. 1932). 12 items

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VW - Contains notes of monies spent and received.
Also Notebook detailing wedding presents received divided by those from the grooms side and the brides. Also list “linen I thought Cecily would require”. Also Copy of humourous poem. “The Perfect Pest” “She merely sent a wire to say that she was coming down to stay” and ‘The Perfect Guest’ “She answered by return of post, the invitation of her host.” 3 items

29 items

1366  27 Feb. 1919 - 18 July 1925  Bank account book for Miss Cecily M. Gaisford St Lawrence, in account with the Bank of Ireland. 44pp

1367  June - Sept. 1927  Correspondence with Cecily Grehan, Kilgour Spence Place, Edinburgh, regarding the sale to her of £500 Bergen Steamship Company Mortgage Debenture Stock by Guinness Mahon & Co, 20 Bishopsgate, London. 9 items

1368  21 Dec. 1972  Chequebook issued to C M Grehan by Barclays Bank, Whitehall. 1 item

12 Peter A. Grehan
See Also  12.1 Letters from family members
/1304

1369  9 June 1937  From his mother Cecily, to Peter at school warmly congratulating him on getting a star in history and on the school Wellburg Park, Herts, winning a recent match. She also inquires how he would like to spend the holiday. She moves on to describe his grandfather’s funeral. The coffin, surrounded by wreaths, was carried onto a farm car and the pony trap also laden with wreaths followed. All the labourers who used to work for him turned out. “He was a very great gentleman in Co. Cork & very beloved.” She discusses what the death means to their family, explaining his father will stay on in the army till he is a Colonel & by this means be earning about 8 years more of pay & a very much larger pension”. (Explains for him what a pension is). Adds they do not mean at present to sell Clonmeen, and that a relative would live there if they do not. Signs off “By by old chappie & lots of hugs Mum.”

1370  19 May 1945  [Photostat] of a letter to Peter Grehan, Royal Air Force, Ottawa, Canada from his mother eagerly requesting news of his trip and his impressions of Canada. She is anxious that he might not have brought enough money with him and urges him not to go short. Writes about family news including his brother Denis’s improving health.

12.2 Letters home while with the R.A.F. in Canada

1371  10 May 1945  Two letters from Peter at Heaton Park, Manchester to his father at Longton Hall, Preston
(1) Informing him he is to leave soon for Canada and detailing his address there. Also explains he has no cash in hand and requests £2 or £3 to reimburse a friend who will loan him that amount.
(2) Note confirming he was lent £3 and detailing the address for his father to send a cheque to.

1372  10 May 1945  From Peter at Heaton Park to his mother thanking
her for her letters and expressing relief that
Denis’s accident did not prove too serious. He also
describes the wonderful time he had in Manchester on VE day, where
people were dancing in the streets. He is due to leave soon for Ottawa
and details his address there.

5pp

1373 25 May 1945 Cablegram from Peter to his father at Longton
Hall, Preston, assuring him he is well and hoping
they are all safe.

1p & envelope

1374 [May] 1945 From Peter, en route to Canada, to his brother
Denis at Clonmeen, inquiring about his health and
describing the boat trip he is on. He is quite
excited about the trip and describes conditions on board as being
good except for the hammocks. “I find that sleeping in them is a
very overrated pastime.” Adds he has written to their mother telling
her about VE day in Manchester and describes a subsequent rousing
celebratory night out. He wonders what VE day was like in Cork
having heard it was quite exciting in Dublin. Closes wishing Denis a
speedy recovery from his recent riding accident. (See /1255).

4pp & envelope

1375 25 May 1945 From Peter, RCAF Ottawa, to his mother
explaining it will take about 14 days for his
letters to reach home. His journey over went
very well and he is at present at Monkton, New Brunswick where
“the ballroom is supposed to be the best in Canada” and there are
even roller skating facilities. Comments that the area he passed through
had few houses but beautiful scenery.

2pp

1376 27 May 1945 From Peter, writing to his father while sunbathing
with 20 others. He bemoans the poor postal
system and his having to write so many letters,
“This letter business is getting me down. I know what to
say almost by
many people.” Mentions
the camp he’s in. The
locals who were put out by earlier

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antics of members of the RAF with local girls. Adds the most amusing thing he has done so far is to go and watch an auction. He also went to a dance and was horrified to learn that if you ask a girl to dance she remains your partner for the entire evening.

1377 3 June 1945 From Peter to his parents hoping to find them both at Clonmeen. He has no news for them as “apart from indulging in orgies there is really very little to do.” Again bemoans Canadian dancing customs and complains about the cinemas “One has to behave like at a high class play in England.” Mentions he is looking forward to a trip to Winnipeg where there is little of the antagonism displayed towards the RAF in Monkton.

1378 12 June 1945 From Peter to his parents reassuring them that he would cable in case of any emergency. He is now at Portage La Prairie, Manitoba, Winnipeg at Air Navigation school, and describes a wonderful 3 day trip across Canada to get there. The scenery was stunning “but I just can’t see how anybody would like to live there.” He dislikes the large spaces of up to 50 miles between houses and found the flat prairie appalling dreary. Tongue in cheek, he describes a day out in Montreal where he and some others visited a burlesque “We tried to date the leading lady after she had just done a striptease (that will give you an idea of the type of show) but she wasn’t having any.” Remarks there is little amusement in the camp and “at the end of the course we all expect to be physical & mental wrecks.”

1379 18 June 1945 From Peter to his parents thanking them for their airgraph and urging them to use the airletter service. Jokes that since his father is bored from lack of tennis, there could well be a fishless Blackwater next year. Complains he has no news, he is working all the time and finds it interesting and is confident of passing. However he urges them not to expect him to get a commission as only a small percentage will be awarded one. He looking forward to an imminent 48 hour pass with which he plans to go to Winnipeg.
1380 23 June 1945  From Peter to his parents remarking on the huge postbag he received and requesting his father to write with bigger handwriting the next time. Describes a recent visit to Winnipeg, where he and his friends were shocked by the $2 minimum bet rule at the races. They also attended a dance at which a carload of M.P.’s arrived and picked up a soldier who had outstayed his leave. Adds he spent $15 on the trip.

2pp

1381 2 July 1945  From Peter to his parents explaining he has no news, but is due for 48 hours leave the next day. He describing the surrounding countryside which has not yet dried out from the spring floods, adding the weather has been terrible. He is still finding the work interesting and mentions a theatrical company came to give a variety show. “It was pretty ghastly looked at item by item, but as a whole it left a very good impression.”

2pp

1382 11 July 1945  From Peter to his parents, thanking them for their letters and explaining he hasn’t written recently as he has been very busy with exams. Describes a recent trip to Winnipeg with a friend, Duncan Davidson. They billeted with a family called Jackson and he comments on the “amazing atmosphere of good neighbourliness that exists all through their street.” The Jacksons also took them on an enjoyable tour of the area.

2pp

1383 20 July 1945  From Peter to his parents, bemoaning the lack of letters from Eire and remarking on the excessive rain. He has sent on a food parcel (tea and raisins) to Clonmeen. Describes his recent leave when he went to see ‘A tree grows in Brooklyn’ at the cinema. On the second day he and some friends went sunbathing in the park, a very popular pastime in Canada. Adds he has more exams coming up and will have to work hard. Inquires if the hay is in at Clonmeen. “great triumph if it is.”

2pp

1384 29 July 1945  From Peter to his parents thanking them for their letters and explaining he will not write
Chats generally, commenting on the surprising sale of a horse at home, and informing them he passed his second lot of exams quite well. Describes his latest leave, during which he went to see the RAF sports, a film and a dance. He and a friend also visited Winnipeg amusement beach on the shore of the lake commenting “As an amusement park it was a dismal failure,” but they went with “two very nice girls” and had a good time.

1385 15 August 1945 Two part letter from Peter to his parents, expressing his delight and the general excitement over the cease-fire. He celebrated in Portage La Prairie as he was unable to get to Winnipeg “by getting very merry indeed on 10 pints of beer.” Comments on Attlee’s excellent speech, adding when the first false announcement came through the cadets paraded around booing the officers and serenading the WAAFS. He thinks they will be returning soon to England but has heard no firm news. Continues the letter describing the days spent in Winnipeg, where he won the mile race at the sports. He stayed on with the Jacksons without his friend Dave who “has found a girl he has fallen in love with (or thinks he has) and he was staying with her.” He found himself getting tired of “undiluted Jackson” and went to the fair with Susan. The following day was ‘Air Force Day’ so they went to the local airfield where he came 4th in the mile race.

1386 27 August 1945 From Peter in Winnipeg to his parents informing them training has been stopped and they will be back in England in October, also details rates of pay. Remarks those who had almost completed the course are very disappointed. He and some others are planning to go to Niagara Falls and New York to see a bit of the country before they leave, although he doesn’t have enough money to go too far. Comment VJ day passed off unmemorably in Portage. Cautions his parents not to write again until he reaches England.

1387 10 Sept. 1945 From Peter, Monkton New Brunswick, to his parents announcing he will be in England in about 10 days time but has received no further details. Remarks he will have to wear his “civvies” as it is unlikely he could get away with wearing his uniform in Eire. He cheerfully admits he is broke and that most of the money went on drink “I never realised how many people I knew in Winnipeg until it came to saying goodbye.”
He also went to see Niagara Falls and hitched down into the U.S. to Buffalo where he found it possible to live on $1 a day.

1388 24 Sept. 1945 From Peter, Gerrands Cross Bucks, to his parents explaining he feels bad about his decision to attend his friends Richard’s passing out parade as it means he will have only 6 days to spend at Clonmeen. He hopes they aren’t too upset. His immediate plans are to travel up to London with Pat and rejoin her at Oxford. On Wednesday he will go to Aldershot for the festivities, returning to London on Thursday from where he will catch the Irish Mail. Apologies again for using up so much of his leave. Adds they had a good crossing from Halifax to Southampton where they stayed for a few days.

13 Denis S. Grehan

13.1 Notebook

1389 Sept. 1945 - Notebook labeled “D S Grehan in a/c with SAG & Co.” Records Denis Grehan’s income and expenditure. (His main outlay is on cigarettes).

See Also June 1946 / 1273ff

8pp
14 Grehan Family Memorabilia

14.1 The Family Journal

The ‘Family Journal’ was a manuscript, newspaper style journal featuring accounts of visits, outings and important occasions circulated amongst the Grehan, Chichester and French cousins. Members of these families would submit articles and notes to the editor [May] Grehan, who would bind up and decorate the copy which would then be sent out to various family members in turn. Certain features such as a social column, emulated the newspapers of the day.

1390 October 1902

Issue of The Family Journal, containing newspaper style accounts of activities by members of the Grehan, Chichester and French families. Feature a section ‘Interesting Items’, reporting “HRH Duke of Connaught was seen in his motor with Gen. Wavell & another ADC passing through Banteer on his way to Killarney” and “Mr Grehan has just returned from shooting in NE England.” Also features ‘Sporting News’; an account of the departure of the French family from Clonmeen on the 23; letters by fictitious characters named Madge and Mariana describing outings; ‘Roehampton Notes’ - accounts of events at school, especially with the school orchestra; “A visit to Aherlow” by C.C., amongst other articles.

The final page details the order in which the Journal is to be circulated before being returned to Clonmeen, and a call for contributions to the November issue to be sent to Miss H. French, Mertweld House, Bath.

1391 December 1902

Christmas issue of The Family Journal featuring a beautiful red and black ink ‘Art Deco’ style cover by Sr. L.M.C. Follows the established format, opening with “Interesting Items”, “Miss Chichester & Miss Amy Chichester are spending Xmas & the New Year in Ireland with their nephews & nieces at Clonmeen.” “Mr & Miss Grehan are going to a dance at Mallow on New Years night.” Articles include ‘A Charity Ball at Kensington for the C.O.S. Whitechapel pensioners’, discussing the anxieties of ticket selling; ‘The Rock of Cashel’, a long account of a visit with Countess Moore, ending with the hope that the Irish language revival will again see Irish culture to the fore in Europe. An Editor’s note here state Irish is being taught to good classes at her nightschool. Features 2 8.5 cm x 8.5 cm black and white shots of the Rock; ‘A Ride in a Motor’, an account of a drive through London marred by breakdowns; ‘Clonmeen notes’, detailing hunt meets and shoots; ‘The Tea’, an account of an event in the barn at Clonmeen where workmen’s wives and children came for a
‘tea-feast’, and where one woman believed the devil was in the

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gramophone. Also features two 8 cm x 10.5 cm black and white photographs of Miss Christine Chichester taken by Miss May Grehan outside the palace of the Alahambra, Granada. Ends with a plea for contributions and circulation details.

29 pp

1392 February 1903 5th issue of The Family Journal, with similar contents to other issues. Opens with ‘Interesting items’, “A Nigger Minstrel concert took place in Ruad on the 18th & 19th inst. Among the audience we noted the Honble. C. French accompanied by his daughters.” Notes also that Miss Christine Chichester holidaying at Biarritz has been “smitten by the fascination of golf.” Articles include a long letter to the editor by Tony detailing happenings at Roehampton and a drill display at Mile End; A report by Christine Chichester of a great fire at the Palace Hotel, Biarritz, featuring a black and white photograph of the hotel, 8 x 8 cm. She was worried that the blaze might spread to her own hotel so on retiring she “collected my valuables carefully & I did not put my fringe in curl papers”; An essay on the distribution of prizes at Roehampton featuring an engraving of the convent; “A Grant Holiday at Roehampton”, description of a holiday to mark to occasion of the 25th anniversary of Pope Leo XIII’s consecration. The girls were allowed to lie in until 7.15 am as opposed to the usual time of 6.15 am. Also features a 11cm x 15.5 cm black and white photograph of the Grehans boating in a lake with Clonmeen House in the background.

21 pp

1393 May 1903 8th issue of The Family Journal following the established format. Interesting Items “Mr & Miss Grehan are going up to Co. Roscomon on 23rd inst. to stop at French Park with Lord & Lady du Freyne.” Articles include “A visit to China” by Sr. Magdalina A. Chichester OSB reporting the observations of Sister Berkely in the aftermath of the recent Boxer uprising, where several religious properties were saved from the insurgents through divine intercession from St. Michael and the Blessed Virgin. “The Boxers were heard to say that they could not take the Cathedral at Peking because there was a lady in white standing on top of it with fire coming from her eyes.”; Also article by Tony “The delights or otherwise of the Times Competition”; and an article by May Grehan on Angling and the Boyle Races. Closes with a plea for more contributions.

19 pp
June 1903  
Issue No 9 of The Family Journal, following the usual format. Opens with ‘Interesting Items’.
“Miss Grehan & her brother have been staying with Mrs. Gallwey in Tramore, enjoying the sea air.” Articles include a brief description of the River Shannon at Athlone by May Grehan “The hay making has begun all over the S. of Ireland the weather we are thankful to say seems propitious”; A report on a tour of Corsica by Christine Chichester in which she describes the landscape and how one evening they dined with the Prefect M. Cassagneau “We discoursed freely on politics & principally on the enormity of the French Government.”
Adding “There is a perfect reign of terror in France, the officers who go to Mass, are watched & a black letter put against their name.” Features two black and white 8.5 cm x 8.4 cm photographs of (1) Soldiers on guard at Sartaye (2) Soldiers guarding an alley at Sarteye with a group of peasants in the foreground.” Also featured is a black and white 7.2 cm x 10 cm photograph of the lower lake at Clonmeen with Magda, Stevie and May Grehan standing beside it.

26pp

Sept. 1903  
Issue No. 11 of The Family Journal. Usual format opens with ‘Interesting Items’ - “Among others, the following are expected at Clonmeen next week, the 3rd inst. September Miss Constance & Amy Chichester, Miss Christine Chichester, Miss Ethel May French and Miss Whyte with one of her brothers.” Articles include an account of a visit to the Moore family, Aherlow Castle, Bansha; a continuation of Christine Chichester’s travels in Corsica where they visited the ransacked Capuchin monastery from which the monks had been expelled only two days previously; ‘Bridge as played with a novice, by Kathleen Grehan ; Clonmeen News “Rain! Rain! Rain!; Pencil sketches by M.E.G. “saying good-bye from the Attic Window and Kathleen & Aileen & pussie going back to school.”
Also a plea for contributions as the August issue was forfeited due to lack of material.

26pp

14.2 Visitors Book

26 Jan. 1887 - 28 July 1919  
Visitors book for Clonmeen house containing signatures of guests with the dates of their visit.
14.3 Menu Cards

1397  1905 - 1919  Menu cards from the County Club, Cork (1) 18 March 1905  (2) 19 March 1906 (St. Patrick’s Day special) (3) 29 March 1919 (Farewell dinner to Mr. Budd).

1398  16 July 1914  Menu card for a dinner held at the Imperial Hotel, Cork given by Sir James Lawrence Cotter, High Sheriff of County Cork, for members of the Grand Jury, Summer Assizes.

1399  7 Nov. 1928  Handwritten menu card featuring Consommé Royale and pate de foie gras en aspic.

1400  31 May 1932  Menu card for a Windham Club dinner. Features Pamplemousse William Tell and Poularde a l’Edward VII.

14.4 Newsclippings

1401  1915 - 1922  File of newspapers and clippings mainly from The Times reporting on war news. Includes The Times Recruiting Supplement (3 Nov. 1915) containing a call to arms by the King; Copy of Berliner Tageblatt containing German war reports (15 April 1915). Also pages from The Irish Times, discussing Anglo Irish Negotiations (12 Jan 1922). Also Newsclipping of a photograph titled “Charges stand at ease”, showing two troopers at Lower Weldon, Northamptonshire and a horse who has been taught to stand with one leg crossed over the other.

1402  1926  Newspapers in an envelope marked ‘Strike Newspapers 1925’. Contains Fifth Strike Issue of the Daily Telegraph, featuring articles on
the general strike and other news (11 May 1926); The British Gazette, featuring several articles on Union actions “Strike weapon aimed at

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daily life of the community (8 May 1926); Evening News, broadsheet noting the winding down of the strike (15 May 1926); Daily Express (11 May 1926) and The British Gazette (13 May 1926) announcing the end of the strike.

6 items

14.5 General Memorabilia

1403 1819 - 1863 Ledger (covers and some pages missing), containing balance sheets of accounts of various individuals and companies. Debit and credit transactions are recorded under the person’s name and are balanced regularly. Accounts exist for members of the Grehan family e.g. Stephen Grehan (Folio no. 335, balance £58,491.14.5), Minor Peter Grehan (Folio no. 333, balance £1076.12.6); relatives of the Grehan’s e.g. John Segrave (Folio no. 327), Alexander Sherlock (Folio no. 329) and Mary Dolphin (Folio no. 332). Accounts also exist for members of other prominent families e.g. Thomas Coppinger (Folio no. 328) and companies such as The National Insurance Co. (Folio no. 344) and William Twiney Martyn & Co. of London (Folio no. 322). Featured also are are integrated Profit and Loss accounts and Commission Accounts.

c.100pp

1404 1871 Bundle of recipes in an envelope marked “Recipes Whiteleas Feb. 11 1871”. Includes items such as Bengal Chutnee; Potato sandwiches (a dish involving cold meat, minced, seasoned, reheated and fried between mashed potato); Salad Dressing; Lavender Drops (ingredients include whiskey); Ginger Cordial (featuring 1 quart “best whiskey”; along with tips on pressing mushrooms. Also newsclipping of a feature on tips for July dinners and directions on notepaper of Robert Gratton, Nassau Street, Dublin, for washing flannel and woolen web.

14 items

1405 May 1871 Relic card “Souvenir des Peres de la Compagnie de Jesus, mis a mort a Paris 24 + 26 Mai 1871”

1p

1406 24 March 1874 Declaration signed by the Clergymen of the Parish of Clonmeen, protesting against “any addition to
the number of Public houses in this Parish.”

1407 1902 - 1957 Indexed notebook recording the weights of participants on certain days hunting, with some notes on clothes worn at the time. Entries are indexed by name, “1948 July 28 B.S. 10st 6lbs”, “4.10.06 Lord Bandon 11.12½”.

c.70pp


2pp

1409 [ ] Bill of /18 from Spiers & Pond’s Criterion, Grand Hall Table D’Hote.

1p

1410 [ ] Prayer card, featuring ‘The Kings Peace’ a prayer by Brian O’Higgens. Note on reverse wishing Mr. Grehan, Mrs. Ryan & family and the [Lochan] family seasons greetings from M. O’Sullivan.

1p

1411 [ ] Two unused postcards featuring a view in black and white of the front of Clonmeen House.

2 items

15 Printed Material

15.1 School Books

1413  

188pp

c.624pp

1414  
Sandon, Frank: *Wrightman’s Arithmetical Tables*  
Wrightman & Co. Ltd, London

64pp

1415  
Booklet *New Model Arithmetical Table Book*  
Browne & Nolan Ltd. Ireland

32pp

15.2 Religious Works

1416  
1795  

467pp

1417  
1795  
*Latin Missal of Clement VIII and Urban VIII*  
Patrick Wogan, Dublin  
Inscribed in tooling on the cover J.M.J. p 217 features a pressed flower.

600pp

1418  
1842  
*Miniature edition of the New Testament*  
Oxford University Press  
Inscribed ‘Geo Grehan 1846’

500pp


15.3 General Works

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1441  [ ]  Guide and General handbook to Cities and Towns of Continental Europe Accompanying the special edition of Bradshaws Continental Railway. Includes 30 maps. c.450pp

1442  [ ]  The Life of a Soldier W Lowes for William Sams, London 150pp

1443  [1920]  Stannus, Mrs Graydon Old Irish Glass Connoisseur Series of books for Collectors, London 115pp

1444  [ ]  Traite Theorique et Pratique du Baccorat, Paris 70pp

15.4 Maps

1445 1845  Ordnance Survey linen backed map, detailing Townlands of Co. Cork, with an index to same, Scale 1” = 3 miles. Highlighted details of townlands. 1ff

1446 1932 - [1934]  Coloured linen backed sheet nos. 38 H/13, 38 H/16 issued by the Map Record and Issue Office Calcutta, of the North West Frontier Province. Scale 1” to 1 mile. 2 items
1447 [ ] Printed scale seating plan of The All England Lawn Tennis Ground, Wimbledon by C. Stanley Peach FRIBA, 60 Warwick Square, London

1448 [ ] Plan for Clonmeen National School, detailing entrance gates and boundary walls, townland of Conoughmore.
D Records of Related Families

1 Chichester Constable

1.1 Christine Chichester

1.1.1 Correspondence

1449  23 Sept. 1882  Letter from Raleigh Chichester, Grand Hotel Barrillon Cetle to his sister Teena (Christine) describing his travels. He arrived yesterday and is to meet their father that evening at Palomos. He chastises his family for not writing, teasing “I am keeping a bit of diary which I may show if you are a good writer.” The castle at Carcassonnes which he details the history of, was the most interesting place he saw in France. He also describes the changes in temperature he experienced on his travels and mentions the mania the French have for fishing. He hopes to go to Trieste as Blanche Pigott and the Burtons are there. He also met the O’Connor Don and Madame in Paris where he danced from 8.30 to midnight with some girls at the hotel. Closes requesting her to circulate the letter and demanding letters from his sisters.

4pp

1450  9 Oct. 1937 - File of correspondence, with some notes, Oct. 1938 regarding the shipping to Clonmeen Co. Cork, of pictures and other items from the Chichester residence at 4, Thurloe Court, Chelsea, London

14 items

1451  2 Feb. 1942  Letter to Christine Chichester from her niece Violet [Chichester] urging her to be brave even though she is worried. She discusses the doctors diagnosis for “Pa” [Christine’s brother] who has a malignant growth but is too weak for an operation. Adds Raleigh [Chichester] got 48 hours leave and it gave great comfort to “Pa” to see him, adding “He has never wanted to live since Cecil went.” (See /1456 below)
7 Dec. 1947 Letter to Christine Chichester from her brother Charles Chichester, Woodville, Jersey declaring the letter she sent was “not nice” and warning her of Mrs. D’s gossip. He discusses the unpaid debts [of a family member] which he is refusing to pay. The party concerned is now in a boarding house. He also details how Mrs. D., his housekeeper, refused to contribute to household expenses and sponged off him.

18 Dec. 1947 From Charles Chichester, Woodville to Christine Chichester chastising her for leading him to believe she knew the D’s well and so encouraging him to offer them board. “You had misjudged them after only one meeting and I had to bear the result of that misjudgment.” Expresses amazement at her reaction to his letter. Moves on to urge her to visit Clonmeen for Christmas as she always enjoys herself there.

[ ] Part of letter to [Christine Chichester] from her sister, May Clifford, inquiring after various friends and family members. She cautions that Amy should not allow cold baths in winter and that bathwater should always be tepid. Adds she hopes her letters do the rounds as she finds it hard to write to everyone. Additional note contains rough jottings on the life of May Clifford.

19 May 1914 Letter to Christine Chichester from her Aunt Constance [Mary Charlotte Constantia Chichester] describing details of family history from the time they lived in France at Fontainebleu. Christine’s mother stayed with them at Boulogne when her husband left for Greece, and Constance was herself born there. The family returned to Fontainebleu where Raleigh [Christine’s father Charles Raleigh Chichester] joined them after the Crimean War. Adds he had joined the army when he was 16. Mentions she was not acquainted with Miss Dullow but remembers Barbara de Courzan (née Heave) well. Moves on to inquire about other family members, including the Grehans.
29 March 1929 - File of letters labeled ‘Interesting letters from Cecil Chichester Constable to Christine Chichester re the Constable & Chichester family’.

29 March 1929 Letter from Cecil Chichester Constable, 139, Warwick St. London to his aunt, Christine Chichester, detailing accounts of priests harbour as chaplains from 1630 onwards at Tuxall and Standon and explaining he can find no early references to priests at Burton Constable itself. Details later 18th century chaplains at Burton Constable and discusses the harbouring of priests in the area from Reformation through Penal times.

9 Dec. 1930 From Cecil Chichester Constable to Christine Chichester detailing the descendants of Sir William Dormer, K.B. M.P. who died 1575, paintings of his daughters are hung at Burton Constable.

15 April 1933 From Cecil Chichester-Constable, Wood Hall, Skirlaugh, East Yorkshire to Christine Chichester informing her he has heard from Sr. Anne of Jesus, Carmelite Convent of Notre Dame, Glasgow who thanked him for identifying Sr. Mary of the Angels as Mary Chichester.

2 July 1934 From Cecil Chichester Constable, Morton, Skirlaugh, East Yorkshire to Christine Chichester informing her he has left the novitiate. His experience there was one of great happiness “and I do think some of it is due to your: for I owe you much in my spiritual life”, but he realised that he was not called to religious orders.
16 March 1935  
From Cecil Chichester Constable c/o Comdr. Ryan, Inch, Thurles, to Christine Chichester explaining he thinks she should represent their family [at a ceremony] in Rome and wishes to contribute towards expenses. He also thanks her for the cuttings and confirms they are descended from Sr. Margaret through both the Chichester and Constable line and through her, her great grandson Henry II of England (1100-1138). Also confirms descent from Arundel, one of the Howard Martyrs. The letter features a note stating that Cecil was killed at Dunkirk (sic) and was buried in France, and that he was the 2nd son of Raleigh Chichester-Constable.

4pp

7 May 1940  
Letter to Christine Chichester from her sister Josephine Amy Chichester, who in accordance with the wishes of their brother Raleigh, details a communique from the Commander in Chief, British Expeditionary Forces 26 April 1940 sent to Major Cecil H.J. Chichester Constable congratulating him on his “sustained courage, as well as for the manner in which you kept your head in a very difficult situation.” Raleigh is at present in France “comfortably installed in a chateau with the Head Quarters staff.” She adds what a knave Mussolini is “no protest from the Catholic Italy against the spoliation of Poland & now a threatening attitude to side with Germany & Russia, enemies of Christianity.”

2pp

27 Nov. 1941  
Letter to Christine Chichester from her brother Raleigh [W.G.R.] Chichester-Constable, Woodhall, discussing some points of family history she raised. He also thanks her for requesting he be made an associate of Mellory as “prayers will be most welcome.” He is weary of the world “& I fear to think what it will be like when this war is over. I fear the lower classes will cause much trouble.” Mentions certain farms are in a bad state of cultivation adding “I shall be the sufferer.” He also feels the potato crop will be a failure and hopes that Irish store cattle will be allowed in to keep prices reasonable.

2pp

30 March 1945  
Letter to Christine Chichester from her cousin Rosalie Chichester, Arlington Court, Barnstaff, explaining she is unable to answer Christine’s questions about their family history and so has asked Ellice Hicks-Beach (Deane House, Basingstoke, Hants) to write to her. Muses that as she is now 80 and in poor health she is unlikely to visit Ireland again. Thanks her for writing and passes on good wishes for a Happy Easter (see /1461 below).

2pp
3 June 1945  Letter to Christine Chichester from Ellice Hicks Beach, Dean House, Basingstoke, thanking Christine for her offer of a photograph of the print of Mary MacDonald Chichester but explaining she already has one. She would like though, a copy of the photograph of Lady Charles Chichester and her two sons and encloses a photograph of the miniature of her great grandfather (not in collection), adding she is most interested in family history.

2pp

19 July 1945  Letter to Christine Chichester from Ellice Hicks Beach, Basingstoke, discussing photographs of Chichester family portraits. She thanks Christine for the charming photograph of Lady Charles Chichester with her sons, and discusses also 16th century Chichester genealogy.

4pp

24 July 1945  Letter to Christine Chichester from her cousin, Rosalie Chichester discussing the dearth of ancestral portraits. Ellice Hicks Beach’s mother once told her they were removed from the old house when it closed and were lost. She also mentions her poor health “I have been ill for over 5 years & fear I may never get better.” Also explains that Ellice is a cousin to both of them. She recalls the happy days she spent in Ireland before the war with her mother’s nephew, Lord Wicklow. Adds her mother died 30 years ago, and her father died when she was 15.

4pp

18 Aug. 1945  From Ellice Hicks Beach to Christine Chichester thanking her for the copies of the interesting letters “what a nice appreciation of our great grandmother and of Lady Clifford.” Comments also on the MacDonnell family property “I had no idea the wretched Butcher Duke of Cumberland had everything burnt down.”

2pp

28 Aug. 1945  From Ellice Hicks Beach to Christine Chichester enclosing a photograph of the miniature of her great grandmother, Christine’s Aunt (there is a note to say this relationship is impossible). Comments that she does not feel Rosalie’s health is up to her assisting with their researches [Rosalie Chichester, Arlington Court]. Discusses the family of Rob Chichester of [Hull], and ‘Aunt Elizabeth’ who became a nun in the 1600’s. Mentions /1464 contd...
also regret was expressed when Aunt Catherine became a nun, and that she looks sad in her photograph. She muses that a strain of melancholy runs through the family.

1.1.3 Material gathered by Christine Chichester for her family researches

1.1.3.1 Relating to Colonel Sir Charles Chichester, K.C.T., K.S.F.

See Also

K.C.I. (b. 16 March 1795 d. 4 April 1847)

1465 2 March 1836 Copy of a letter from Col. Sir Charles Chichester at Vittoria to his eldest son Charles Raleigh Chichester, declaring he is happy to hear the boy is interested in reading “it will make you acquainted with the lives of all the great soldiers & sailors who have ever lived.” Adds that one day maybe his son’s life will be written about but counsels he will first need to learn French & Spanish & German in order to write to all the foreign Generals and Admirals he will meet. Inquires if he is teaching Arthur (his second son Hugh Arthur) all the geography he was taught and if he can find where his father is on the map of Spain. Additional note by Christine Chichester stating Charles Raleigh Chichester was S.A. Grehan’s grandfather.

1466 File of material “Extracts of Diary of Sir. C. Chichester in Canada & other papers relating to him by C. Chichester.”

(1) Copy extracts from Col. Sir Charles diary while in Canada 1843-1847 describing his journey from the West Indies to Halifax “An uglier more uninteresting spot owns not the sway of Queen Victoria.” And his arrival in Quebec July [1843]. A note states the extract was copied by M.A. Roberts July 1934, and compared by D. G. Godfrey July 1934

(2) Extracts from the diary of Lady Chichester (Mary Barbara) widow of Sir Charles, relating to his death 6 April 1847.
(3) Typescript copies of the memorial inscription for Sir Charles at St. Michael’s Cathedral Toronto, with extracts from reference works and histories which refer to him, along with mss. notes on genealogy.  
5pp

(4) Typescript list of important date in the life of Sir Charles e.g. 16 March 1795 Barn at Calverleigh Court, Tiverton, Devonshire”, compiled by Cecil Chichester-Constable.  
6pp

(5) 20 July 1939 Letter from the Deputy Minister, Public Archives of Canada to Miss C. Chichester in Quebec, detailing particulars relating to the military service of her grandfather Col. Sir Charles, and quoting obituary references from contemporary sources.  
2pp

(6) 11 Aug. 1939 Letter from the Officer in Charge, North Lancaster Regimental Museum, to S. A. Grehan, expressing his delight that the memorial tablet to Col. Sir Charles has been shipped over from Toronto and his hope that he would go to their chapel. Added notes state the table was installed in the church at Burton Constable.  
1p

(7) 9 Oct. 1819 Ink and wash sketch of the position of the Allied Army on the 3rd and 5th of May 1811 by Charles Chichester, Lieutenant 14th Regiment.  
1ff

(8) Copies by C. Pettigrew of sketches in col. Sir Charles’ scrapbook made at the P.R.O. July 1934  
(a) St. John’s Barracks Canada East  
(b) New Barracks Toronto from the East.  
2 items

(9) Copy of will of Sir Charles, leaving the bulk of his estate to his wife, Mary Barbara, (4 April 1847).  
2pp
(10) 21 Jan. 1813  Copy of a letter from Charles Chichester in Malta to his uncle, Sir Thomas Constable, inquiring about family members and discussing his military career. He received his Lieutenantship and thanks his uncle for the exertions taken on his behalf. Mentions he feels his father should purchase a small company and stop the interest on his (Charles’) allowance. Requests his uncle’s advice in the matter, adding “I would not distress him in the smallest degree for the world.” Muses he could sell the company later and use the money to advance himself in the army. Hugh Clifford and Talbot who are in Spain and intent on coming to Sicily. He adds he has heard from his old friends George Fitzherbert for his lack of letters.

(11) 28 April 1812  Copy of a letter from H. [Honoria] Chichester, Calverleigh Court, to her brother in law, Sir Thomas Clifford expressing thanks for his news of Charles, although she is worried to hear he is skipping breakfasts. She details the procedure by which they pass on to Charles the interest due him, Charles draws on Mr. Walkenson at Malta and a Mr. Page recoups it in London. She agrees the way he proposed would be better. Passes on greetings to family members and thanks him for all his trouble on Charles behalf. Note at end states the writer is Honoria Chichester née Ffrench, a niece to Nano Nagle.

(12) 29 June [1835]  Letter from Sir Charles in Exeter to his father Charles at Calverleigh, explaining he will not be returning home as he has been appointed a Brigadier General in the expedition due to sail for the north of Spain. Such an opportunity is rare and he declares “I thought I should be deficient in spirit & energy if I did not at once embrace it.” He believes he is the first Catholic to take such a command over English troops since the reformation. Adds the experience will make him an amusing companion on those cold winter mornings as they sit by the fire.

(13) Postcard of St. Michael’s Cathedral, Toronto where the memorial tablet to Col. Sir Charles was erected.
(14) 4 April 1936  Newsclipping “A British Soldier’s Monument”
describing the tablet to Col. Sir Charles in St. Michael’s Church.

1p

(15) Mss. notes on important during the life and career of Sir Charles.

7pp

1467 Typescript notes with Mss. additions headed
‘Information regarding The late Brigadier-
General Sir Charles Chichester who died in
Toronto on April 4th 1847”.

6 items

1.1.3.2 Relating to Walter George Raleigh Chichester Constable

1468 8 July 1927 Christies Catalogue for the sale of Early British
Portraits, the property of several people including
Lieut. Col. Raleigh Chichester Constable.
Annotated with some passages cut out.

14pp

1469 19 July 1927 Incomplete Christies catalogue for the sale of
Old English Furniture, Objects of Art and
Porcelain, the property of Lt. Col. Raleigh
Chichester-Constable.  Mss notes of prices reached.

6pp

1470 22 Aug. 1934 Two copies of a typescript letter sent by Lt. Col.
W.G.R. Chichester-Constable to his family
describing the visit of Queen Elizabeth and
Princess Elizabeth to Burton Constable on the 22 of August.  He describes
greeting the Royal party “The Queen, Princess and ladies were shown up
by your mother to the French wing to titivate.”  After a lunch which
included salmon and lamb, the tour began.  He noticed the Queen but not
the Princess Royal smokes.  The group was very interested in the
architecture.  “The fact that the staircase was without supports caused
much interest.”  The Queen was especially struck by the Chinese room,
declaring it one of the best examples she had seen.  Dean Flanagan, the
private chaplain, conducted the tour in the chapel where they viewed the
two late 14th century vestments.  The Queen was surprised to learn that a

/ 1470 contd...
companion portrait of Louis XVIII disembarking at Calais by Bird was supposed to be at Windsor Castle as she had not seen it. She speculated that the cash starved Prince Regent (George IV) might have sold it. He comments “The Queen liked the Gold Room, and so did the Princess Royal whose naive excitement throughout was very delightful and charming.” He was very impressed by the Royal party “Cecil, who is susceptible, says the Princess Royal is the most lovable person he has ever met. “She is neither shy nor aloof, but natural, vivacious and charming. The Queen is a remarkable, handsome and charming woman, very keen of intellect, and, with all her informality, every moment truly a Queen.”

Also 30 August 1934 A letter to Christine from Cecil Chichester enclosing photographs of the Royal visit and discussing same. He feels the photographs shown how tall the Queen and Princess are but not how handsome and charming. He feels he cannot add anything to his father’s account of the visit as he was not at lunch, but details the seating order. He lunched in the Housekeeper’s room with the Chief Constable of the East Riding and the Queen’s Private Detective. “Two very interesting & charming men.” He joined the tour “answering special questions put by Princess (bless her!), ladies, Queen, Marshead, Borenius”. Tea was informal and he sat between the Chief Constable and the Rural Dean of Marton and said “nought & nary a word.” Everything went smoothly. Switches to mention Miss Pilles picture is the same Roomy copy as Christine’s own, and that he met Stevie and Cecily Grehan recently “I am very fond of Stevie, fine fellow.”

Also Speech for a tour of Burton Constable Hall, detailing it’s architectural history, furnishings and family history.

1471 25 May 1941
Typescript copy of a letter from Col. Duncan Dunn to W.G.R. Chichester Constable expressing his deepest sympathy on the death of his son Cecil.

“Men of such ideals and determination as Chich are all too rare; and the influence he and such as he had on the men fighting this war is incalculable.” Describes incidents showing Cecil’s bravery of spirit and courage, of such high ideals, “with a stomach to fight as loss to us all!”

3pp

1472 1942
June 1942
Page from St. Peter’s Net (Catholic pamphlet) mentioning Col. Raleigh Chichester Constable under a list of deceased benefactors. Also newsclipping ‘Recent Wills’ which mentions Lieut. Col. George Raleigh Chichester-Constable who left £55,169.

1.1.3.3 Relating to the Grehan Family

Folder marked ‘Old Papers of family interest’ [collected by Christine Chichester] Includes
A printed copy of the obituary of Mr Stephen Grehan, who died 7 April 1871 aged 95; Set of black and white photographs “Esther’s grave, Colombo Ceylon April 1900” showing a newly filled in grave, garlanded with flowers in a very sandy churchyard; Notes detailing the relationship of Nano Nagle to Charles Chichester’
Diary of a coaching trip through Cork and Kerry, June 1884.
The jocular account details members of the party, servants and horses. The trip began from Clonmeen and “As we passed thro’ Banteer (2 miles) the populace turned out to bid us God speed & marvelled at our pluck no doubt.” The trip through Killarney, Kenmare, Glengarriff, Bantry, Macroom and Clonmeen was 168 miles. Also Deed between George Grehan and Ellen Cahill re leasing part of Clonmeen (1872), several poems and ballads and a pamphlet ‘Rules of the Hunting Field’. Also letters from William Roche to Stephen Grehan discussing family legacies and detailing heirs to the estate of George Grehan and his sister Margaret Joyce. Also Letter of condolence from Francis Connell to his brother in law George Grehan on the death of his wife Mary, and a letter from Mary to George with an address at 44 Fitzwilliam Place.

1.1.3.4 Relating to other family members

File of material relating to the death of Christine’s father Lt. Col. Charles Raleigh Chichester. Includes letter to Christine from her father at 43 Pelham St., London, reporting that his doctor feels he may be well enough to return to Runnamoat at the end of the month. Inquires testily as to when she will be in Runnamoat and gives news of her Aunt Constance (6 May 1891). Added notes states he died on the 17th. Also Newclippings referring to the death and letters of condolence to Christine from M. J.
D’Arcy, Roehampton (20 May, 26 July 1891).


21 items

1477 1921-1922 File of documents relating to the will of Constance Chichester. Includes Copy of the will of Mary Charlotte Constantia Chichester of Headlands, Dalmery Rd, Southbourne on Sea, Hampshire daughter of Col. Sir Charles Chichester and his wife Mary Barbara, appointing Stephen Grehan and her nephew Hon. Charles French to be executors. The bulk of the estate goes to Hon. Constance Elinor French (Christine’s sister) the wife of the said Charles French. Also correspondence regarding probate and the will (2 Jan. 1922) and disputes over its contents between Charles R. Chichester and his sister Constance French. Includes letters from Charles Chichester to Stephen Grehan discussing the dispute, bemoaning the idleness of his children and discussing farm work mainly the use of tractors for ploughing.

21 items

1478 [ ] Child’s handwriting practice exercise, addressed 8 Rue Louxmbourg and featuring two ink and wash drawings of a cat and dog. Note added “Probably done by May or Constance Chichester when in Paris & their father at Crimea.”

2pp

1479 [ ] Cameo silhouette picture of Lady Charles Chichester, nee Mary Barbara Clifford who died 1876. Also envelope.

2 items

1480 [ ] Detailed pencil sketches (1) of a well dressed and angry man frightening a pig with a stick (2) Detailed and shaded sketch of an idyllic rural landscape overlooking a wide river. Additional note “Found in
scrapbook belonging to Mary Barbara Chichester.”

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corrections. 3 items

**1487** [ ] Rough family tree of John Chichester who died in 1783. 1p

**1488** [ ] Newsclipping of an article “A Valiant Woman” detailing the life of Mrs. Dorothy Lawson, daughter of Sir Henry Constable, and who was a pious Catholic in the early 17th century. Note by Christine Chichester “Above not very correct.” 1p

1.1.4 Relating to the Clifford and MacDonald families

1.1.4.1 Clifford Family

**1489** 4 Nov. 1932 Letter from R. Cecil Wilton, Hon. Sec. Of The Catholic Record Society to Christine Chichester discussing the marriage of Miss Astor and Thomas Clifford in 1762, which was undertaken against the wishes of Clifford’s aunt The Duchess of Norfolk. 2pp

**1490** 6 May 1934 Detailed notes by Christine Chichester listing persons depicted in a Clifford family portrait c. 1789. Also note to say the painting was sent to Clonmeen where it hangs in the drawing room. 2pp

**1491** 8 July 1943 Clipping of an obituary from The Times for Lord Clifford of Chudleigh. Also 2 clippings of reviews of *Clifford of the Cabal* by Cyril Hughes Hartman Heineman. 3 items
1.1.4.2 MacDonald Family

1492 Dec. 1926 - Oct. 1948
Copy of a Descent of Major MacDonald of Terndrisch, father of Mary MacDonald Chichester of Arlington, who fought for Bonnie Prince Charlie and was tried in 1746 and executed. Note states the original Descent is held at Calverleigh and a copy at Burton Constable. Additions were made in 1948. Also two black and white photographs of Major MacDonald’s sword. (See also below)

26pp
+2 items

1493 1929
Mss. extract from a letter by Mrs. Howard of Corby Castle, discussing the history of the sword left by Major MacDonald’s family (see above) at Warwick hall when he was imprisoned. The sword is now in Mrs. Howard’s custody. Notes Dame Mary Lucy Chichester, St. Mary’s Abbey, Staubrook, Worcester has a negative of the sword.

1p

1494 22 Aug. 1947
Newclipping from The Times ‘Pibrock Competition in a Thunderstorm’, a report of the Highland Gathering at Glenfinnon to commemorate the raising of Prince Charles Edward’s standard there in 1745.

1p

1495 13 Aug. [ ]
Incomplete letter to Christine Chichester from [ ] Ormond Road, Richmond, Surrey mentioning the recent publication by W. Augustus Muir, with whom the writer is in correspondence, regarding MacDonald and Chichester family history. Mentions also a book by Rev. Charles MacDonald c. 1889 which discusses Major MacDonald’s military career.

2pp

1496 [ ]
Copy of inscription on a tablet at Burton Constable Roman Catholic Church to the memory of Mary Chichester of Arlington, Devon, daughter of Major MacDonald.
1497 [ ] Booklet produced by the Catholic Truth Society
The Priest Heroes “of the 45”. By Rev. B.W. Kelly. Additional notes by Christine Chichester
relating to Mary MacDonald Chichester who married Sir Thomas Clifford.

1498 [ ] Incomplete essay on the life and career of
Captain Scott of the 1st Regiment of Foot,
who was taken prisoner by the gallant Major
Donald MacDonald at the ‘45. Major MacDonald fired the first shot
for Princes Charles in the rising.

1.1.5 Other Related Families

1498a [1837] Mss. extract from the 8th Anne, Chapter 3
Section 3q, confirming his estate on Oliver
Martyn of Tullicu, Co. Galway for his loyalty
during the rebellion.

1499 31 Aug. 1850 Copy of warrant appointing Henry Baldwin QC,
one of her Majesty’s Commissioners for the Relief
of Insolvent Debtors in Ireland.

1500 22 Aug. 1928 - 7 June 1942 Letter to Christine Chichester from her cousin R.J.
Corbollis, declaring his 98 year old eyes weren’t
up to reading her letter and clarifying the
Chichester relationship with the Stockporte family. Also notes on reverse
by Christine Chichester detailing her family relationship with Richard
Carbollis, and notes on the Corbollis Cross which features a large
diamond which she presented to May Veronica French on the occasion
of her profession 8 Feb. 1940.

1501 17 Sept. 1939 Mss. extract, copied by Christine Chichester
from Historical & Picturesque Guide to the
River Blackwater by J. R. O’Flanagan (1844)
relating to property belonging to the Nagle family.

1502 [ ] Copy of an article on Wardour Castle, Wiltshire from The Antiquary No. 23 1873 with additional notes by Lord Arundell of Wardour. Also Mss. detailing the relationship between the Arundells and the Chichester-Constable/Clifford family; an obituary notice for Lord Arundell (1 April 1939); two black and white shots of the ruins of Wardour Castle with Lord Arundell in the foreground with notes on the reverse by Christine Chichester his second cousin.

6 items

1503 [ ] Copy of the inscription on the tomb of Sir Thomas Hugo Clifford Constable who died 25 Feb. 1823.

1504 [ ] Scrap of parchment, part of a receipt for £1.1.10 from Capt. Walter Yelverton, half a years rent due for part of Bannery, signed by J. O. S. Walker.

1.1.6 Personal Memorabilia

1506 March 1901 - Nov. 1906 Autograph book belonging to Christine Chichester in which she collected not only autographs of friends and relatives, but also memorabilia of visits (letter heads, photographs, menus, etc.) featuring some beautiful watercolours, including a view from the British Embassy, Constantinople. Also Memorabilia from several foreign trips including Rome (March 1901), Constantinople (April 1901), Madrid (December 1901), Corsica (April 1903), Bangkok (October 1903). Black and white photographs of houses she visited including - Burton Constable Hull [1901], Rudding Park, Knaresborough (1902); Clonmeen, Banteer; Aqualate, Newport Shropshire, Carrig Rhu, Queenstown (1903); French Park Co. Roscommon (1903). Inscriptions are in English, Irish, Latin, Arabic and French and take the form of poems, couplets, proverbs as well as autographs. Includes A photograph of Cardinal Merry du Val with his parents, Rome (1906).

104pp
1507 1907-April 1926  Autograph book belonging to Christine Chichester in which she collected autographs and memorabilia of foreign trips and visits to houses, including a trip to Rome (1907), visits to Oxon Heath, Tonbridge; Woodcote, Warwick and to Bouscar the home of the Erskines. Includes a pencil sketch of ‘Padneski’ sketched at Monaco March 1911, and a sketch by Majorie Gordon Cumming of herself and Christine Chichester motoring across France in 1921.

21pp

1508 1943-1948  File of letters relating to the will and estate of Christine Chichester and her pre death arrangements. Includes Notes regarding pre-addressed envelopes she left to have her death notice circulated in. Also letter addressed to Christine Chichester from the South Presentation Convent, Cork agreeing to her requests regarding production of her death notice (16 Dec. 1945). Also letters from the Bishop of Northampton, regarding bequests made by Christine to the Church of Woburn Sands, Buckinghamshire (1943 -1948).

31 items

1509 7 Aug. 1945 - 7 Oct. 1948  Envelope addressed to Major Arthur Edward R. Chichester, The Grange, Worcester by Christine Chichester marked “To be sent after my death”. Also note by Christine written at Clonmeen to Arthur stating she is enclosing the family papers which she has gathered. A section relating to the disposal of her photographs and albums is scored out. (7 Aug. 1945) A later note explains she since gave her photograph albums to the Lady Abbess of Planbrook, as her sisters who are nuns there would appreciate them more (17 Oct. 1948).

2pp

1510 9 Aug. 1945  Letter from Christine Chichester to Major S. A. Grehan, asking him to forward the enclosed will which would not interest him, to Major Arthur E.R. Chichester, The Grange, Claines, Worcester on her death, along with the photograph albums in the little cupboard in the billiards room. There is an extra sheet with the Major’s address and a note “not to be forwarded.”

2pp
1.2 Chichester Family Photographs

1511 [ ] Faded monotone albumen print of Col. C.R. Chichester (1830-1890), standing posed jauntily leaning against a false stile in the uniform of a Captain/Major. Studio shot taken by W Tindall, Pembroke Dock.

10.5cm x 6.3cm

1512 [ ] [Carbon print] monotone studio full length portrait of Mary Chichester (née Balfe, d.1871 aged 35), wife of Col. C.R. Chichester, posed standing against a chair holding a book.

9.5cm x 6.5cm

1513 [ ] Faded matte collodian monotone print of a portrait of Col. C.R. Chichester, standing in full uniform (21cm x 16cm). Also albumen print monotone studio shot of Major Henry Chichester (brother of Col. C.R. Chichester, b. 1846), taken by Southwell Brothers, Photographers Royal, 16 & 22 Baker Street, London, showing him seated by a bookcase in day clothes (6.2cm x 10.4cm).

2 items

1514 [ ] Two copies of an albumen print monotone of a head shot of Mary Chichester (d. 1881), eldest daughter of Col. C.R. Chichester, wife of C.W. Clifford.

6.2cm x 10.4cm


9.6cm x 6.2cm

1516 [ ] Albumen print monotone, head and body profile of Mary Chichester, taken by L Werner, 15 Leinster Street, Dublin.

10.4cm x 6.3cm

1517 [ ] Faded albumen monotone, studio posed print of a head and shoulders close-up profile of Constance Chichester, daughter of Col. C.R. Chichester
showing an intricate hairstyle, taken by Alexander Bassano, 22 Piccadilly, London.

1518  July 1867  Faded albumen monotone print of Constance Chichester posed pensively standing at a mirror with her long hair loose down her back. Taken by S. Webb, Commercial Row, Pembroke Dock.

6.2cm x 10.4cm

1519  [ ]  Faded albumen monotone print of Capt. H.A. Chichester (b. 1833) standing in full dress uniform, taken in the studio by G & R Lewis, 135 Regent Street, London.

6.2cm x 10.4cm

1520  1866  [Carbon print] monotone shot of Lady Blount, standing against a chair wearing outdoor clothes, taken by Disderi, 8 Boulevard des Itales, Paris.

10cm x 6.2cm


10.5cm x 6.1cm

1522  1869  Albumen monotone head and shoulders profile of Nicholas O Connor, attaché, later British ambassador to St. Petersburg and Constantinople. Taken by M. Graf, 165 Friedialien Street, Berlin.

9.5cm x 5.6cm

1523  June 1882  Albumen monotone of a head shot of a youthful Mary Amy Chichester (later a Benedictine nun) taken by Sidney Smith, Waterloo Street, Weston sur Mare.

10.2cm x 6.4cm

1524  June 1882  [Albumen] monotone of Mary Agnes Chichester (d. 1944) as a young girl, standing holding a small posy against the back of a chair.

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16.5cm x 10.5cm


24cm x 17.5cm

1534 Matte collodian studio shot of Mary Gordon Cumming, standing turned towards the camera wearing outdoor clothes trimmed with fur. Taken by H. Walter Bennet, Hyde Park Corner, London.

18cm x 11cm

1535 [c1911] Photographs of coming out balls held at Burton Constable Hall. (1) Black and white group shot of guests in full evening dress grouped informally in a large room at Burton Constable for the coming of age of M Chichester Constable. The Chichester Constable family are at the centre of the group.

22.5cm x 27.5cm

(2) Group shot of coming of age ball of Raleigh Chichester Constable, more formally shot and in a different room to (1) above. Musicians can be seen in the background and the family with Raleigh slightly forward are grouped in the centre.

22.5cm x 27.2cm

1536 Two black and white postcard views of Burton Constable (1) Side view of Hall taken from the driveway. (2) View over the lake and woodlands.

8.5 cm x 14cm

1537 Glossy black and white shot of 6 members of a shooting party with guns and dogs, posed in front of Scargill Lodge, property of Col. R Chichester-Constable. Stephen Grehan is seated on the left.

10cm x 15cm
1.2.1 Photographs of family portraits and miniatures

1538 Set of matte black and white photographs of portraits of members of the Chichester Constable family, contained in a brown envelope annotated “Photos of miniatures of portraits of Chichesters at Arlington Court, a descendant of same Chichester at the Grange, Clarins Worcester (not Arthur nephew) C. Chichester”.

(1) Photograph of an oval miniature, head and torso of a young woman in 18th century dress, inscribed “Agnes second wife of Colonel John Palmer Chichester and daughter of James Hamilton of Bangour” 8.7cm x 7.2 cm

(2) Photograph of an oval miniature, head and torso portrait of a man wearing 18th century dress and a wig. “John Chichester of Arlington Court 1707 - 1783”. 10.6cm x 8.2cm

(3) Photograph of a head and torso portrait of a young woman with long black curls and wearing a fur trimmed wrap “Mary Ann Sophia daughter of John Palmer Chichester of Arlington and wife of Thomas Fitzherbert of Swinnerton “. 11.4cm x 10.1 cm

(4) Photograph of the head and torso of a dark haired young woman “Mrs. Cleveland daughter of John Palmer Chichester by his second wife 1795 - 1883 “. 12.6cm x 10.1 cm

(5) Photograph of a round miniature of a young woman posed windswept in 18th century outdoor clothing “Elizabeth daughter of John Courtenay of Molland first wife of John Chichester of Arlington” 11cm x 11cm
2. The Murphy and Nugent and Johnston families

2.1 Family History of Frances Ellen Murphy

Commonplace notebook used to record the poignant and often emotive history of the Murphy/Nugent family, written by Miss Frances Ellen Murphy. Amongst the enclosures are newsclippings, obituaries, rough family trees, photographs and other memorabilia relating to the Murphy’s and their relatives (Grehans, Johnsons, Seagraves and Connells) The history, the beginning of which is missing, opens with the writer regretting her lack of knowledge regarding her family history. “I wish to write down these recollections that those that come after me may be a degree better off in this respect. I will write nothing I do not believe to be true but a great deal that is true I will not write as some things had best be forgotten”. The account begins with the career of her grandfather William Murphy [b. 1771, d. 1849] “who made the fortune as the saying goes”. She recalls the part her grandfather played with Lord Edward Fitzgerald in 1798, and his wisdom in counseling not to proceed without French officers. By 1815 with the bulk of his fortune made, William Murphy, she states, was one of the principal leaders of the Catholic and Liberal Party in Dublin. He invested in land in Ladymore [Sullimore], County Kildare, and Kilbrew, County Meath. She describes the purchase and expansion of the family home at Mount Merrion, and her grandfather’s strictness with his sons in relation to money matters. He had ten children of whom three, Mary, Fanny and Eliza, died. His eldest daughter, Catherine, was his favourite and she married, to please her father, John Johnson of Warrenstown, County Meath. She died without having had any children in 1842. She writes her Aunt Maria died in 1849, the day after her grandfather’s decease. Her uncle William married in 1840 Margaret O Connor and died in 1843, leaving two daughters Louisa, who married firstly Mr. Michael D’Arcy and secondly Mr. Cheavers, and her sister Emily who never married. Her uncle Charles died of cholera in 1849, while her Aunt Margaret outlived all the others and died at Baymount Clonfert in 1865. Her own father, William John Murphy, married in 1828, Frances Catherine Johnson, a cousin of Mr. Johnson of Warrenscourt. Her mother’s father, Christopher Johnson, had been a General in the Austrian army and Governor of Gantz, and had married Dame Margaret [Frances] the widow of Sir James Nugent of Donore (See /1547ff ). Her uncle William “conformed” and turned Protestant, and became a Colonel in the British Army. She, Frances Ellen, was born in Paris in 1829. After her family’s return from Paris, her father, whom she proudly states “was
never led astray by the fashion of excess of drinking” fell out with her grandfather. Her brother William was born in Temple Street on the 5 May 1835. Shortly afterwards her sister May [Mary] died, and their father fell into debt and was forced to leave the country. Her mother followed, leaving the children with their grandfather William Murphy. The writer was happy in her grandfather’s care “it never occurred to me that there was anything unusual in my circumstances”. She saw her father again in 1841, but in 1842 her parents moved to Strasbourgh and ceased to sent letters home. She describes her education and music studies in London until she came home to live in Mount Merrion in 1849. That year her sister May died as cholera decimated their family. Her grandfather, who had never allowed his errant son’s name to be mentioned died in September 1849, closely followed by his daughter Maria. After her grandfather’s death Frances thoughts turned to her parents who still had made no contact. In 1851 contact was made with them at Boulogne, where her mother was ill. Her father died in 1853 and Frances resolved, against strong family opposition, to seek out her mother and bring her home. She was dissuaded by her relatives until eventually “It was William’s place to tell me the bitter truth. My dear mother’s mind had given away under the strains heaped upon her”. She was in an asylum near Strasbourgh. Frances muses on the life her parents had, constantly running from debt and burdened by shame. She feels they deserve no dishonour since “I believe Mr. Grehan [Stephen Grehan, d. 1871, whose granddaughter Margaret Mary Frances Connell married in 1867 the writer’s bother John Christopher] began his career by paying his father’s debts & everyone knows what a successful & honoured man he was”. She traveled to Strasbourgh, and brought her mother back to Ireland, to a small house in Sandymount, Dublin. The story ends describing her love for and care of her mother and the marriages of her brother William, 2 August 1856 to Anna Blake and her brother John’s marriage in 1867 to Margaret Connell. She signs the account Frances Murphy., Willfield House, Sandymount, April 4th 1879. Pasted in following the above are notes of birthdays, newsclippings referring to marriages, Frances’ baptismal certificate and her parents marriage certificate. Includes numerous enclosures including copies of documents relating to a Chancery case involving members of the Grehan and Connell families (1855). Deed of loan for £4,000 by Margaret Connell to George and Robert [ ] of Mountkennedy, County Kildare and George Raymond of Dublin 27 February 1815; Copy of a will of [ ], “found at Old Court the 18th Sept. 1799 R & J Foot”; details relating to the lives and deaths of members of the Murphy family. Also a final “chapter” of the history beginning “I will now speak to my dear Majorie’s children of her good father and mother”. She discusses the life of John Agnew Connell who along with his first wife was Protestant. He married secondly a Catholic, the daughter of Sir G. Goold, Old Court, Doneraile, County Cork. They had two sons one of which, Francis, married in 1844 Margaret, the daughter of Stephen Grehan and had four children. They have four children, three of whom died, the surviving daughter married John Murphy (Frances’ brother). Frances recalls that Mr. Grehan was not strict with his children, and that Margaret would run down the quays without her bonnet, and many found her behaviour shocking. She notes Mr. Grehan was a wine merchant with a shop in Ormond Quay. The final pages
of the history are missing.

Also Memorabilia relating to the later members of the Murphy family; cards advertising Osberstown Stud, Sallins, County VKildare (1909, 1912). A head and shoulders monochrome studio shot of Majorie Murphy, and a similar shot of Eva and Peter Murphy taken by Alma Blanc studio, Paris 16cm x 10cm; a black and white postcard of an elderly blind man, a woman and young child outside a large house, wearing 1930s style clothing.

60pp 18 enclosures

2.2  Murphy Family Memorabilia

1541 1882-1893 Letters in an envelope marked ‘Oratory’, relating to requests sent to Rome by the Murphy family for permission to construct a private oratory at their home at Betteville, County Waterford. Their request is supported by the Most Rev. D. Lynch, Catholic Bishop of Kildare.

4 items & 2 envelopes

1542 31 March 1884 Official order calling upon John Henry Edward, Baron of Roebuck, George P.C. Mansfield or William Alesander Craig, Justices for the Peace in County Kildare to swear in and certify John C. Murphy as a J.P. Also Oath of office signed by John C. Murphy.

2 items

1543 1884 Commission of the Peace for John C. Murphy, County Kildare. Features pendant royal seal of Queen Victoria.

1ff

1544 18 April 1910 Commission of the Peace for W. Agnew Murphy Esquire, under the seal of Edward VII.
2.3 Material Relating to the Nugent Family

Envelope marked ‘Nugent Papers 1800?’.
Contains transcriptions of documents relating to the Nugent family. (1) Will of Elinor Nugent of North Georges Street, Dublin, which leaves the bulk of her estate to Lady Frances Nugent (see above) 15 Jan 1796. (2) Verses found at the seat of Sir James Nugent, county Westmeath, beginning “When a Free Trade was granted to that Kingdom”. 1779. (3) Deed confirming a jointure of £600 settled on Dame Frances Nugent by her late husband’s brother (3 April 1788) (4) Will of Sir James Nugent (14 June 1793) (5) Notice of marriage of Christopher John April 28 1802. (6) Verses in praise of Donore “How shall my feeble pen the sheets explore Express the various charms that grace Donore”. Some pages are missing.

2.4 Material Relating to the Johnson Family

File containing documents relating to Colonel William Johnson. (1) Letters from Edward, Duke of Kent, to ‘My Dear Colonel’; 2 Jan 1810 thanking him for his obliging note of the 27th, enclosing a letter from their mutual friend Lord Harrington. He speaks of Johnson’s plans which he hopes Harrington will assist in. “You will easily believe how much I have to go thro of late in every way”. At present his “heart is bleeding for the recent loss of a favourite sister” and the effect this death has had on his father. Closes wishing Colonel Johnson “health happiness and the eventual accomplishment of all your wishes as regards to comfortable retirement for yourself”. 6 August 1810 from the Duke to Colonel Johnson, discussing the Colonel’s military career. He discusses the sale of the [Enseynry] granted by the Colonel in Chief and hopes it will be effected. He advises the Colonel not to apply for a repetition of the same indulgence until he intends applying for leave in December, which he confirms will be granted. He can apply then for the sale of the second [Enseynry] at the end of 1811. Advises him to look in Ireland for any vacancy for Inspecting Field Officers, promises to back Johnson’s application and to write to Lord Harrington on his behalf, “you will get but justice in considering me your friend, as no one can be more anxious
to serve you than I am”. Also Warrant of Appointment of Major’s rank in the 47 (Lancaster) regiment of Foot for William Johnson, signed by George III (9 July 1803). Warrant from George III appointing Lieut. Col. Johnson Lieutenant Governor of Quebec (25 March 1811). Two further military citations addressed in Latin to ‘Chevalier Johnson’, 27 April 1799, 23 January 1801. Also Documents relating to finances (1) Account of Expenses incurred on a return journey to England “Aug. 2 turnpike in Dunshaugh 0.0.6 ... Car ride to Dublin 0.6.8 ... then to Liverpool. Totals £24.11.7 (1820). (2) Document in French detailing Income and Expenditure [1713] 8pp. (3) Details of funeral expenses for interment in the vaults of Wallcot Church, totaling £76.2.8 (23 Dec. 1812). (4) Receipted tailor’s bill for Col. Johnson totaling £10.8.6. 15 Nov. 1812. Also Printed Booklet “An Act for Vesting in Trustees the Estates of Sir James Nugent of Donore of the county of Westmeath Baronet for the purpose of raising money to discharge the original Incumbrances effecting the same, and to pay the Debts of the said James Nugent, and also for providing and settling a Jointure on Mary Nugent, wife of Peter Nugent Esquire, the only brother of the said Sir James Nugent. [1837] 15pp. Also A letter from Fanny Johnson, Spelisburg House, wishing her uncle John Johnson, Warrenstown, Dunsaeughlin seasons greetings with a note from Fanny’s mother N. J. Johnson passing on her greetings. 3 Jan 1814.

12 items

1548 1770-1809 Envelope marked ‘Papers 1770 & Gen. Johnson’, containing (1) Confirmation of a memorial enrolled in the Registry of Deeds 11 November 1782, granting to Frances Nugent an annuity of £50 from lands at Lacken, County Westmeath. (2) Marriage consent (in French) signed by John Nugent for his daughter Elinor. (3) Pedigree of Mrs. Johnson and Miss Reeves. Features a pictorial representation of a family tree, produced to prove interest in the lands of Lucha, county Westmeath, formerly the estate of Nicholas Coine, along with other lands in county Dublin mentioned in the will of John Nugent of Ballinacrow, County Westmeath. (4) Extract from the Baptismal Certificate of Elinore Nugent daughter of James and Maria Nugent (8 April 1748). (5) Poster in German (29 June 1798) proclaiming greetings to the republicans in St. Gallen und Toggenburg, Switzerland (6) Letter to Major General Christopher Johnson, Austria Army, from C Nugent, expressing his delight at news from him and Lady Nugent “dear little Fanny”. He moves on to discuss changes since the general’s departure “General Colaredo, the prince now, is in your stead”, adding how much he is missed, passes on inquiries from friends including Prince Rosenburg. He thanks the General for his past kindness, which he hopes will continue in Ireland, “where I know almost nobody else”. Discusses his own chances at promotion within the Austrian Army, which he feels are good as he got closer to the Archduke during the last campaign, who recommended him publicly to the Emperor. He encloses (not in collection) a letter “to my poor mother” who has received none of his letters so far. Adds Lady Nugent should find Gantz more agreeable as there are several English families there who fled Italy because of the French. Mentions Col. Roche was arrested and

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