

# Researching Ulster Scots Ancestors

*Class 5: Records and Repositories  
in Northern Ireland*

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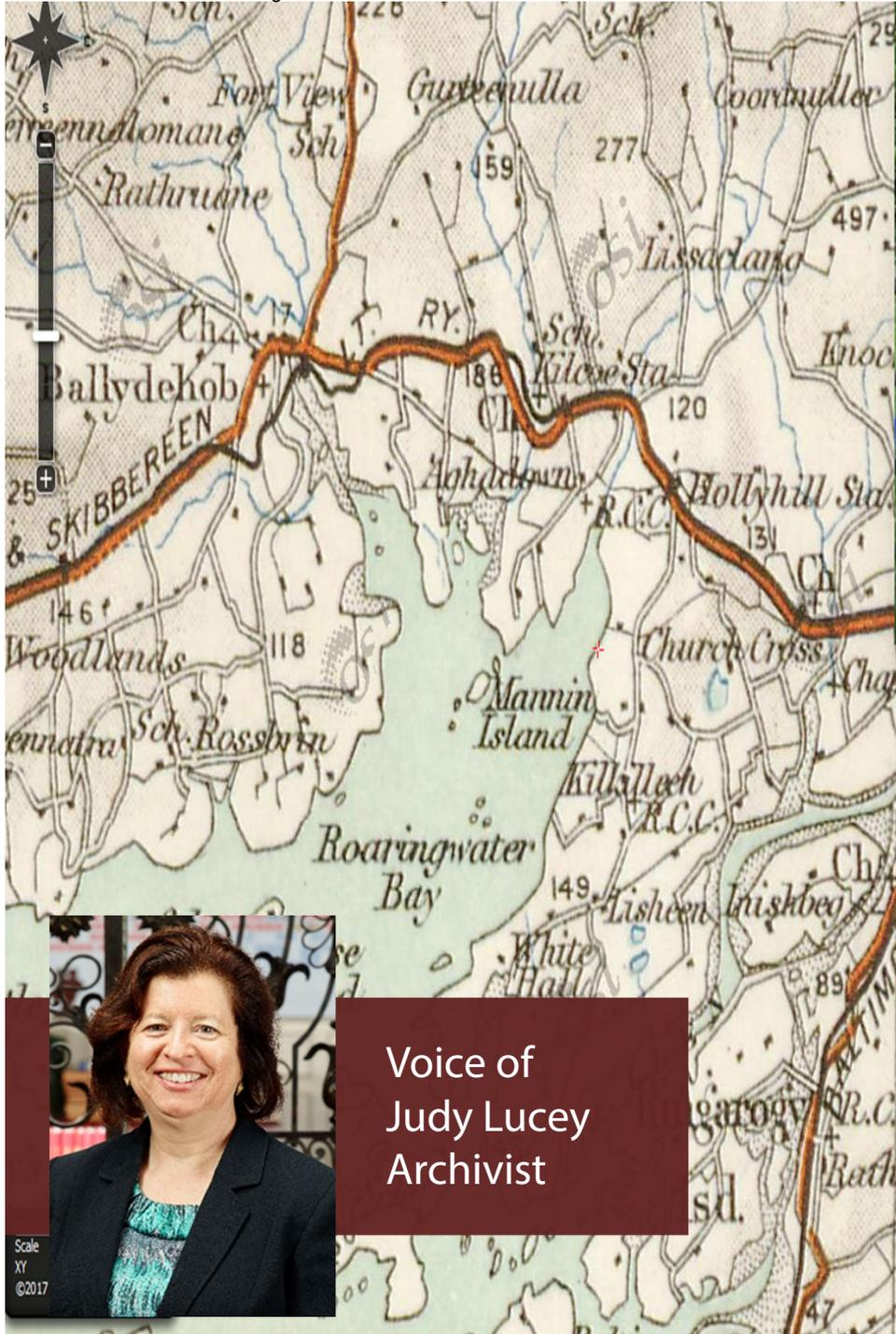
## American Ancestors

by NEW ENGLAND HISTORIC GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY

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# Research in Northern Ireland

- Making the most of online records
  - Archives and library materials online
  - Genealogy websites
- Other records for research
- Planning a future visit
- Unable to visit?
  - Hiring a researcher



A cabin at Glencolumbkille,  
County Donegal, PRONI Flickr

# Northern Ireland vs. Ulster

- Northern Ireland
  - Formed in 1922
  - Six Counties
- Ulster Province
  - Nine Counties
  - Includes three in Republic of Ireland
    - Cavan
    - Donegal
    - Monaghan



# General tips for Ulster research

- Know the place
  - Parish name is good enough
  - Townland is better
- Religion of ancestor
- Parents names
- Time period plays significant role

# Discovery of the ancestral place



Where is my ancestor from?  
Road signs, County Sligo.  
Photo by Judy Lucey



The remnants of the ancestral home  
at Cloonainra, Co. Mayo (2014)

# Identify Administrative Divisions

Province

County

Baronies

Parishes  
(civil and church)

Townland



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the history behind our place-names

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## Discover the origin of our local place-names

At placenamesni.org we've collected information on the origins and meanings of **over 30,000 place-names** from all over Northern Ireland.

Enter a place-name to get started

Search



Townland of  
Ballycassidy,  
County  
Fermanagh



### Language

Various languages have been spoken in Ulster historically: primarily Irish, English and Scots.

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### Land Units

The historic administrative division of Ireland has been (in descending order) province, county, barony, civil parish and townland.

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### Map View

Use the map to explore Northern Ireland and discover the location of place-names.

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# Ballycassidy, County Fermanagh

Show the Map



**Origin**  
*Ir. Baile Uí Chaiside [bala ee khashidya] '(O')Cassidy's townland'.*

## Background

6.5km N of Enniskillen

par: Trory bar: Tirkennedy

The family of Ó Caiside '(O')Cassidy' were formerly hereditary poets and physicians to the Maguire rulers of Fermanagh. The BALLYCASSIDY RIVER flows into **Lower Lough Erne** a short distance to the west [*Ballicashedy* 1659].

## References

McKay, P. (2007): A Dictionary of Ulster Place-Names, p. 11

## Additional Information

## Historical name form



<b>Barony</b>
Tirkennedy
<b>Parish</b>
Trory
<b>Parish in 1851</b>
Trory
<b>Townland</b>
None
<b>Place name ID</b>
8115
<b>Place name type</b>
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Old Form	Ref. Date	Reference
Ballicashedy	1659	<a href="#">Census 1659 102</a>

Ballycassidy search results

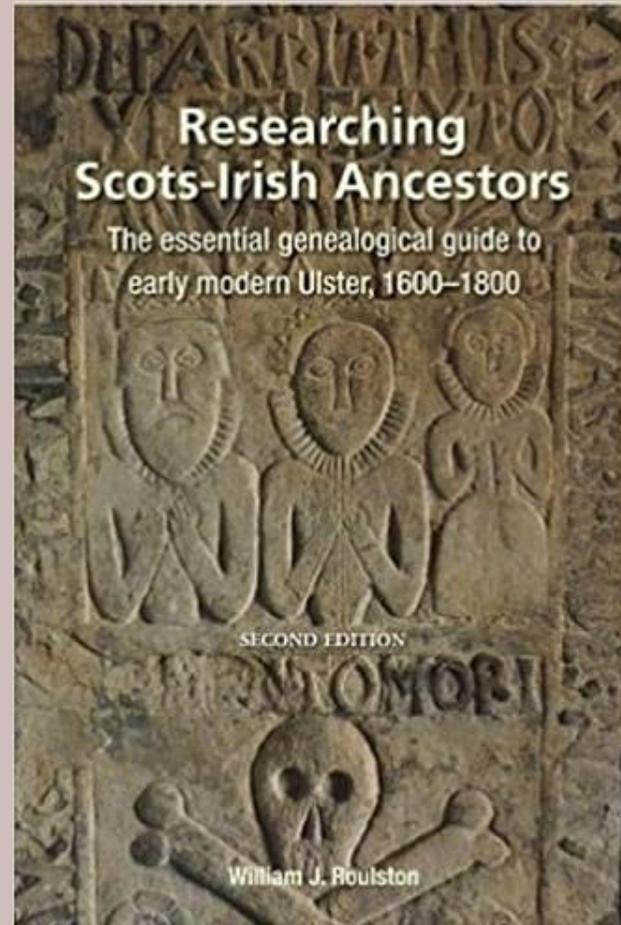
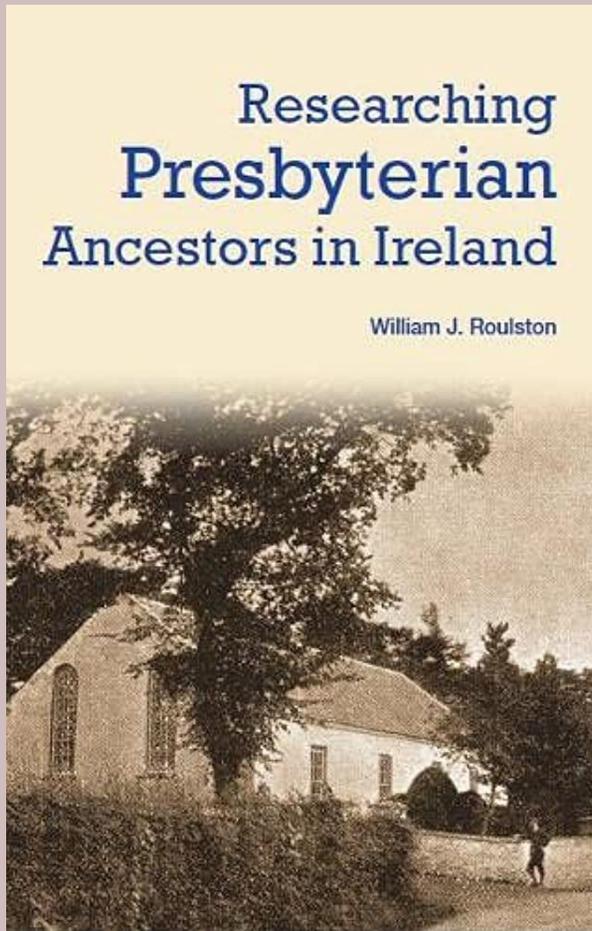
# Researching Donegal, Cavan, and Monaghan ancestors

# Where to research?

- Depends on religion and types of records
- Irish Catholic ancestry
  - In Republic
    - Church records
    - Civil registration
    - Griffith's Primary Valuation and its records
- When to turn to Belfast
  - Protestant ancestry including non-conformists
  - Estate records
  - PRONI has a lot of County Monaghan records

# Researching 17<sup>th</sup> and 18<sup>th</sup> century ancestors

# Works by William Roulston



# Record sets

- 17<sup>th</sup> century records
  - Records related to Plantation
    - Records of Denization and Naturalization
  - Name lists
    - Hearth Money Roll
    - 1659 Census
    - Online at PRONI - Name Database
- 18<sup>th</sup> century records
  - Census substitutes
  - Records related to the United Irishmen and the 1798 Rebellion

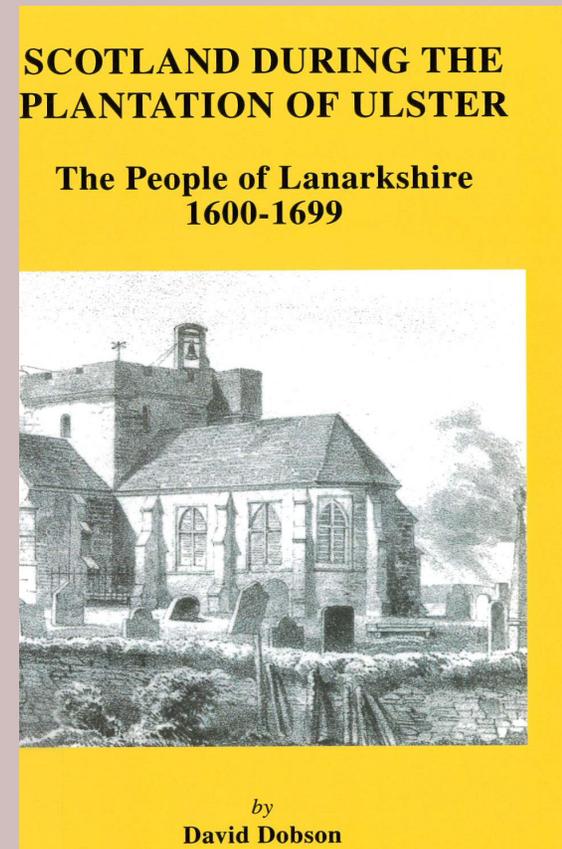


17th Century Barony Maps c.1609 - Parte of the Baronie of Knockninnie.(From collection of maps of escheated counties of Ireland) PRONI Ref: T1652/5

# Genealogical records

# Works by David Dobson

- Books on the Ulster Plantations, 1600-1699
  - Lanarkshire
  - Dumfries and Galloway
  - Ayrshire
  - Renfrewshire
- Lists of names
  - Extracted from primary and secondary sources



# Dobson book on Lanarkshire

**LAWSON, JAMES**, in Covington, husband of Bessie Aitken, testament, 1621, Comm. Lanark.

**LAWSON, JAMES**, born 1650, in Claverhill, died 1728. [Walston MI]

**LAWSON, JAMES**, born 1654, a smith in Deanhead, died 1725. [Walston MI]

**LAWSON, JOHN**, born 1649, in Elsrighill, died 1729, husband of Agnes Lawson, born 1654, died 1722. [Walston MI]

**LAWSON, JOHN**, in Bridgend of Kilkenny, Ireland, by 1708, son of John Lawson in Bridgend of Strathavon, Lanarkshire, a sasine. [NAS.RS42.XII.576]

**LAWSON, Captain RICHARD**, a merchant who was admitted as a burghess and guildsbrother of Glasgow on 13 June 1650, by right of his wife Margaret, daughter of Robert Barr a merchant and guildsbrother, but later he settled in Ireland and consequently loss his burghess-rights by 1655. [GBR]

**LECK, JOHN**, a merchant burghess of Glasgow, testament, 1674, Comm. Glasgow

**LECKIE, JOHN**, a messenger in Hamilton, a sasine, 1670. [NAS.RS42.IV.334]

**LECKIE, WILLIAM**, was admitted as a burghess and guildsbrother of Glasgow on 5 April 1660, by right of his wife Marie, daughter of James Duncan a hammerman burghess and guildsbrother, [GBR]; a merchant in Glasgow, a Covenanter who was transported to the West Indies in 1678. [RPCS.XI.136]

**LEES, ALEXANDER**, a burghess of Glasgow, testament, 1661, Comm. Glasgow

**LEES, WILLIAM**, merchant and portioner of Kirkton of Douglas, husband of Jean McMath, sasines from 1690, [NAS.RS42.IX.305, etc]; deed, 1696. [NAS.RD4.79.1060]

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**LEIPER, GAVIN**, in Newton of Strathaven, sasines from 1633. [NAS.RS40.IVA.192, etc]

# Genealogical research collections

- Irish genealogists
  - Tenison Groves
  - Gertrude Thrift
  - Dr. Francis Crossle and son Philip
    - Newry, County Down
    - On FindMyPast.com
- Extracts of records prior to 1922
  - Wills and other legal documents
- Rev. David Stewart
  - Focus on Presbyterian families in Down, transcripts of Presbyterian records
  - Papers at PRONI (and on microfilm)



Four Courts Fire, Dublin, 1922

# Tenison Groves Collection, c.1650-1920

- PRONI has
  - 27 boxes, 20,000 copies of documents
  - Database for pre-1858 wills online at PRONI
- What will you find?
  - Muster rolls, militia lists, protestant householders' survey, gravestone inscriptions and more!
- Microfilmed by Family History Library and browseable online access at [FamilySearch.org](http://FamilySearch.org)

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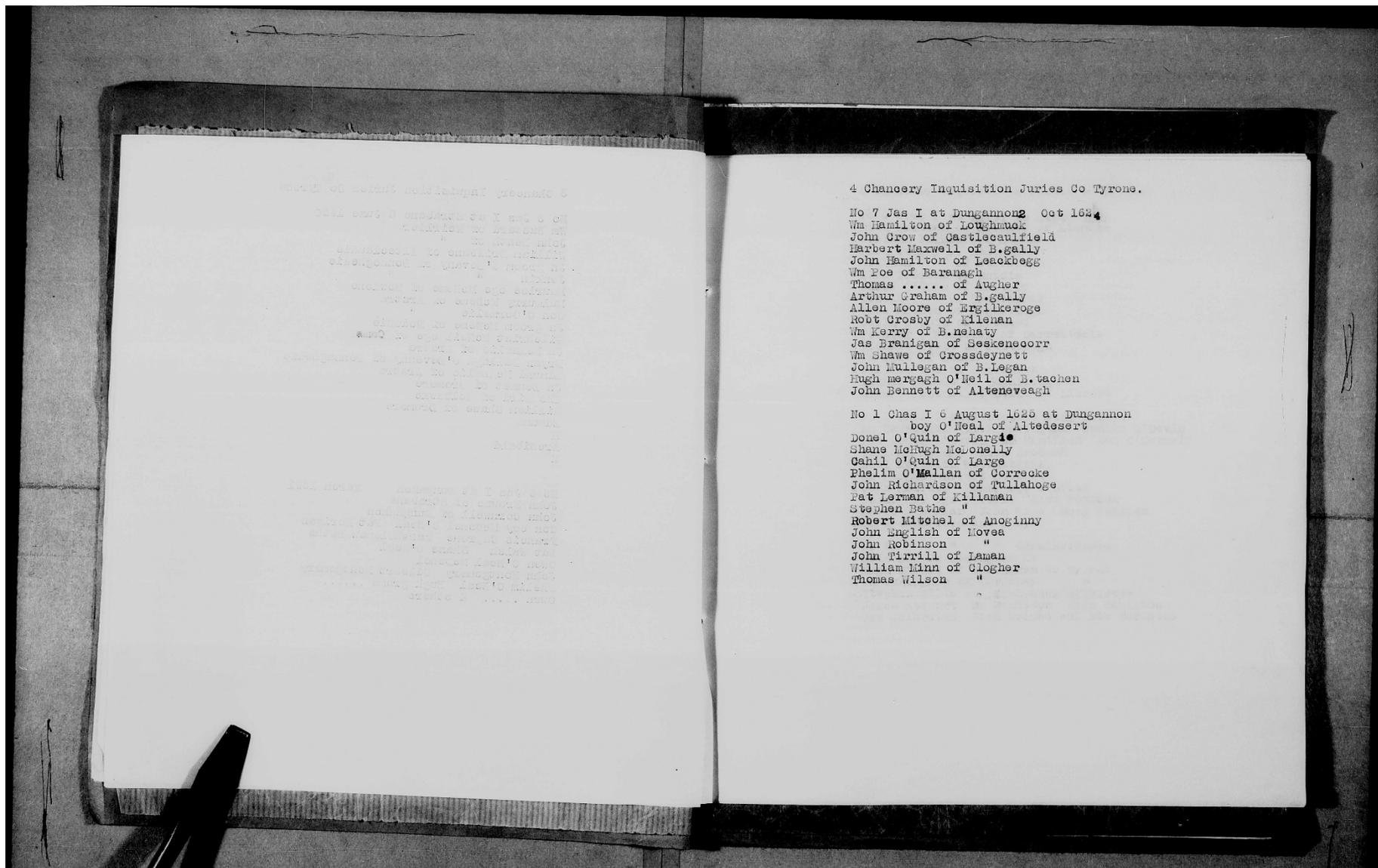
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## Catalog record results, FamilySearch.org



County Tyrone extract of Juries lists 1600s, Tenison Groves Collection

# Registry of Deeds

# Registry of Deeds

- Records date from 1708
- Two indexes
  - Grantor index (names)
    - Pre-1832 no placename
    - After 1832 includes placename
  - Land index
- Type of records
  - Leases
  - Conveyances
  - Mortgages
  - Wills
  - Marriage contracts
- Abstract books



# Using the records

## Strengths

- Documents Irish property history
- Not just for landed gentry
- General Grantor Indexes are best to use for research

## Weaknesses

- Not required to record land transactions
- No Grantee index
- Not all leases filed with Registry
  - May be with estate records



# https://irishdeedsindex.net/

**Registry of Deeds Index Project Ireland**

Number of index entries  
**538443**  
Update of 23 Feb 2023  
378,320 townland index entries  
last updated 29 Jan 2023  
47,101 grantor index entries  
last updated 26 Feb 23

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## This is the home page of the Registry of Deeds Index Project

### Purpose

The purpose of this project is to provide finding aids for the records held at the Registry of Deeds in Dublin. There are three sets of indexes produced by the project:

- The main index is building a name index for the memorial transcription books held at the Registry of Deeds
- The grantors index consists of transcriptions of the Registry of Deeds' grantors indexes
- The townland index consists of transcriptions of the Registry of Deeds' townland indexes

Each of these index databases can be searched on a number of fields. None, of course, is complete. Each has those index entries contributed by the project volunteers.

### Background

The [Registry of Deeds](#) is located in Henrietta Street, Dublin, Ireland and is a repository of records of wills, land transactions in Ireland and other deeds from 1709. While the original purpose of the Registry of Deeds was to enforce rules limiting the land transactions of Catholics, even before the removal of these rules in 1782 many Catholics and representatives of Catholic families appear in the memorials. Many memorials involved people of modest means who were merchants and traders who registered deeds to provide some form of security of tenure. Moreover, Catholic occupiers are sometimes mentioned.

The Registry of Deeds is a rich source of genealogical information. Marriage and other settlements are particularly informative about family relationships.

### FamilySearch Films on-line

FamilySearch has put all the memorial volumes and indexes up on line. There is a link at the bottom of this page to the catalogue entry. Use the Guides pages from the top menu to navigate the films more directly.

### Guidance

The guides menu item above has a number of guides.

**This page show how in index and submit the index entries to the project. [How to guide](#)**

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Update of 23 February 2023 – 538,443 index records from 55,754 memorials of deeds

Thanks again for the magnificent work of our volunteers we now have 538,443 index records from 55,754 memorials of deeds. All

## Transcripts of memorials of deeds, conveyances and wills, 1708-1929

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Authors:	<a href="#">Ireland. Registry of Deeds</a> (Main Author)
Format:	Manuscript/Manuscript on Film
Language:	English
Publication:	Salt Lake City, Utah : Filmed by the Genealogical Society of Utah, 1951
Physical:	2686 microfilm reels ; 35 mm.
References:	(Finding Aid) <a href="#">Register of the Registry of Deeds, Ireland, with surname and county indexes</a>

### Notes

Microfilm of original records at Ministry of Justice, Registry of Deeds, Dublin.

A memorial in legal terms was the preservation or recording of an event, and specifically an abstract of the particulars of a deed for registration. A conveyance was a document relating to the transfer of property.

Includes an index to grantors and an index to lands (townland or address) by county. There is no index to grantees. Up to 1833 the Grantor index does not give the address or townland involved. It shows only the surname and first name of the grantor, followed by the surname of the first grantee, then the volume, page and deed number required to find the record. After 1833 the Grantor index adds the county in which the lands were situated. The Land index groups townlands together under their first letter only. After 1828 the Land index is further divided by barony, so it is necessary to know the barony in which the townland was located. Cities and corporation towns have separate indexes arranged by street or vicinity. Corporation towns (incorporated towns) are: Antrim, Ardee, Ramagh, Askeaton, Athboy, Athenry, Athlone, Athy, Augher, Ballyshannon, Birr, Bandon, Callan, Carlingford, Carlow, Carrickfergus, Carrick-on-Shannon, Carrick-on-Suir, Cashel, Castlebar, Cavan, Clogher, Clonmel, Coleraine, Downpatrick, Duleek, Dundalk, Dungannon, Dungarvan, Ennis, Enniscorthy, Enniskillen, Galway, Gowran, Granard, Hillsborough, Jamestown, Johnstown, Kells, Kildare, Kilmallock, Kinsale, Lanesborough, Leighlin Old, Lisburn, Longford, Maryborough, Monaghan,

Registry of Deeds records, Family History Library

Can access digital records remotely from home

# Other records for research

# Don't overlook these records

- National School records
- Occupational records
  - Clergymen
- Records of organizations
  - The Freemasons
  - Orange Order and Lodges
- Local and family history manuscripts

# National School Records

# School Records

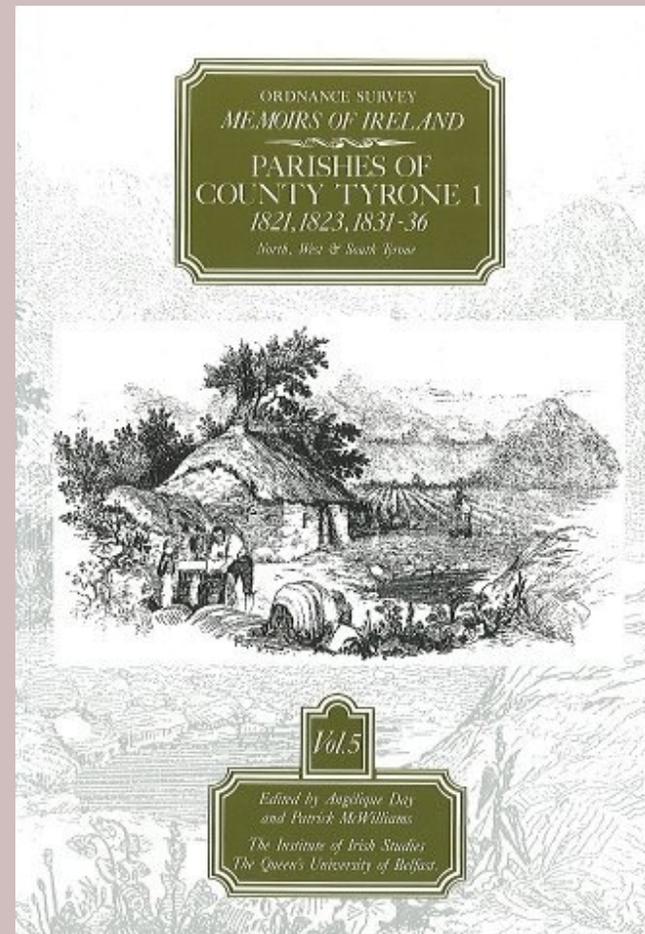
- National school system established 1831
- Prior to 1831
  - Hedge schools
  - Private academies
  - Faith based schools
    - Presbyterian Day Schools
    - Look at history of Congregation
- Attendance not compulsory until 1892
- PRONI has over 1600 school registers for Northern Ireland
- Most records don't begin until 1860s

# What will they contain?

- Name and age of child and religion
- Name of townland or street address
- Occupation of father
- Subjects studied and grades
- Sometimes notes on emigration

# How do you find them?

- Street directories
  - Online at PRONI
- Ordnance Survey Maps
  - Use PRONI online Historical Map viewer
- Ordnance Survey Memoirs
  - Six counties of NI
  - County Donegal
  - South Ulster and its borders (Cavan, Monaghan, Sligo, Leitrim)





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## National school registers of North Ireland, 1850-1950 : Down, Londonderry, Antrim, Armagh, Fermanagh, and Tyrone counties

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Format: Manuscript/Manuscript on Film  
 Language: English  
 Publication: Salt Lake City, Utah : Filmed by the Genealogical Society of Utah, 1960  
 Physical: 80 microfilm reels ; 35 mm.

### Notes

Microfilm of original records at the Belfast Public Record Office.

[View this catalog record in WorldCat for other possible copy locations](#)

### Subjects

#### Locality Subjects

[Ireland - Schools](#)

### Film/Digital Notes

#### Note

V. 1 Ardmillan (Down), 1861-1874; v. 1a Ashmore St. (Belfast), 1870-1878, 1891-1904; v. 2-4 Argyle Place (Belfast), 1872-1880, 1879-1881, 1880-1884; v. 5-6 Aughakillymaude (Fermanagh), 1870-1888, 1874-1876; v. 7 Aughnacleagh (Antrim), 1862-1883.  
 V. 8-9 Aughnamerrigan (Tyrone), 1862-1925, 1872-1924; v. 10-11 Ballerin (Derry), 1867-1905; v. 12 Ballycastle (Antrim), 1864-1895; v. 13-14 Ballyfinaghy (Antrim), 1873-1908, 1873-1910; v. 15-16 Ballygilbert (Antrim), 1865-1926, 1867-1925; v. 17 Ballymacallion (Derry), 1874-1899.  
 V. 18-23 Ballymoney (Antrim), 1856-1858, 1872-1879, 1856-1873, 1868-1894, 1870-1873, 1870-1891, 1856-1862, 1856-1892, 1856-1873, 1869-1893.

Location	Collection/Shelf	Film	DGS	Format
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Accessible only at Family History Library at Affiliate library

Catalog record of NI school records at Family History Library

# Index to School Collections at PRONI

Date published: 24 February 2014

Part of: [Guides to PRONI records](#)

**This document provides an easy means of establishing which particular schools operated within any parish in Northern Ireland since 1831.**

## Details

The index includes the name of schools, arranged by parish, alternative names for schools where applicable, the county in which they are situated, PRONI collection reference number (all beginning with prefix SCH), along with additional notes if part of a collection is held elsewhere for example on microfilm. With the SCH reference number, users can browse the descriptions of any SCH collection via our [online catalogue](#), to determine what records exist for a particular school. This PDF document is fully word-searchable- click 'Ctrl and F' to search by school name, parish or county. The original paper records of over 1,500 national schools in Northern Ireland, mainly from the 1860s to the 1940s, are accessible onsite in our Reading Room.

## Documents



[Index to school collections](#)

PDF (957 KB)

Guide to School records at PRONI



## Ireland National School Registers

Discover your ancestors in 19th century school records from across Ireland, north and south. Find out how they did in school, how good their attendance was, how old they were and what their parents or guardians did for a living. These registers, from schools that have since closed down, give a fascinating insight into the multidominational early school system and can be a valuable resource for genealogists. Please note, however, those images that include individuals born after the 100-year cut-off have been redacted; therefore, some entries only include a transcript.

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All record sets

### Who

First name(s)

Last name

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All fields are optional



### When

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Give or take

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Birth year

Give or take

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### Parent/guardian occupation

### Parish

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### Denomination

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### School

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Search Ireland National School Registers

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# Repositories

# Public Record Office of Northern Ireland



# PRONI

- Centralized repository for Northern Ireland
- Has more than just government records
- Many family history materials
- Comprehensive collection of Presbyterian church records



PRONI Main Search Room  
(Ulster Historical Foundation photo)

# PRONI website and catalog

- Access website for
  - Online records
  - Find other material in their online catalog
- Use their online catalog
  - Identify material not online
  - Obtain photocopies from PRONI staff





The Public Record Office of Northern Ireland (PRONI) is the official archive for Northern Ireland.



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## Online records at PRONI

# Name Search database

more of the fields below.

wilson

john

ballymena

Match ALL words     Match ANY words     Match Phrase

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Pre-1858 Wills And Admons 

1740 Protestant Householders

1766 Religious Census

1775 Dissenters Petitions

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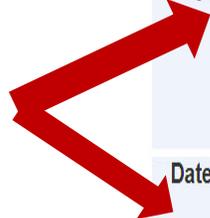
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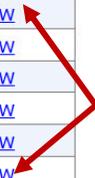
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D476/96	26 March 1808	Marriage settlement between 1st and 2nd	Y	<a href="#">View</a>
D491/19	19 November 1762	Lease for 25 years from 1 November 1762	Y	<a href="#">View</a>
D509/40	28 February 1716	Counterpart lease of 225 acres for 41 years	Y	<a href="#">View</a>
D509/767	26 February 1789	Lease of 76 acres Cunn. Meas. for one year	Y	<a href="#">View</a>
D526/1/120	20 December 1785	Lease of 46.5 acre I.P.M. for three lives	Y	<a href="#">View</a>
D556/119	1 March 1805	Lease for 21 years or life of aforesaid	Y	<a href="#">View</a>
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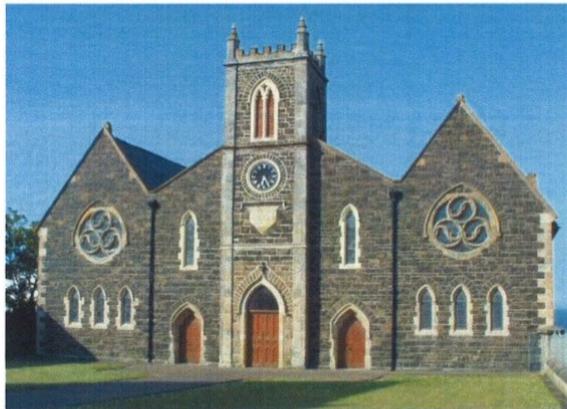
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# Consult online guides



AN IRISH GENEALOGICAL SOURCE

A GUIDE TO CHURCH RECORDS

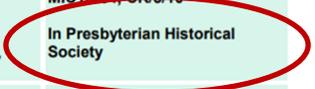


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C.I. Coleraine (Connor diocese) Baptisms, 1769-1873; baptisms in Coleraine workhouse, 1842-78; marriages, 1769-1845; burials, 1769-1882; vestry minutes, 1769-1816; communicants, 1818-37; preachers' books, 1823-37 and 1852-66.	MIC1/7A
M. Coleraine Baptisms, 1831-1987; marriages, 1864-1937.  Baptisms, 1831-41.	MIC1E/63  MIC429/1/373
P. 1st Coleraine Baptisms, 1845-1901; marriages, 1845-1901; marriage notices, 1951-71; session minutes, 1836-44 and 1853-1926; committee minutes, 1827-30 and 1916-35.  Account books, 1719-28 and 1902-35; stipend book, 1768-92.	MIC1P/54; SR/3/10  In Presbyterian Historical Society
P. 2nd Coleraine (New Row) Baptisms, 1834 (1 entry) and 1842-1986; marriages, 1809-40 and 1845-1928; index to marriages, 1809-40; marriage notices, 1863-1951; register of families, 1831; Sunday School register, 1837-51; list of seatholders, 1834; communion roll, 1848-96; extract from treasurers' book, 1774-1834; account book, 1836-66; collection books, 1830-65; stipend and other accounts, 1828-34; session minutes, 1850-1932.	MIC1P/31; T/1069; D1642
P. 3rd Coleraine (Terrace Row) Baptisms, 1862-1939; marriages, 1845-1903; marriage notices, 1863-1951; communion roll, 1862-3.	MIC1P/101; D1642
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R.C. Killowen (St John's, Coleraine) (Derry diocese) [Partly in Coleraine parish but also includes parishes	



# Enquiry Services

## PRONI enquiry service

The PRONI enquiry service provides free advice and guidance about records held and also offers a fee-paying copy and search service.

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PRONI's enquiry service provides free advice and guidance about records held in response to written/ email enquiries. PRONI also offers fee-paying services including a Search Service and a Copy Order Service.

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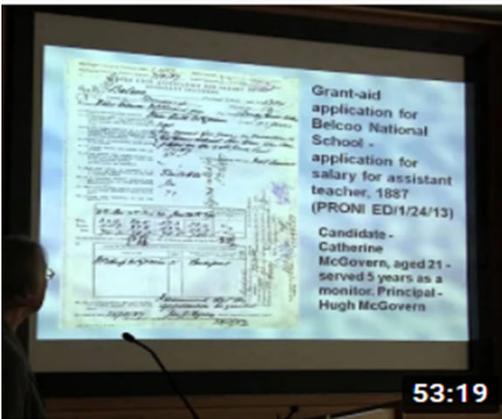
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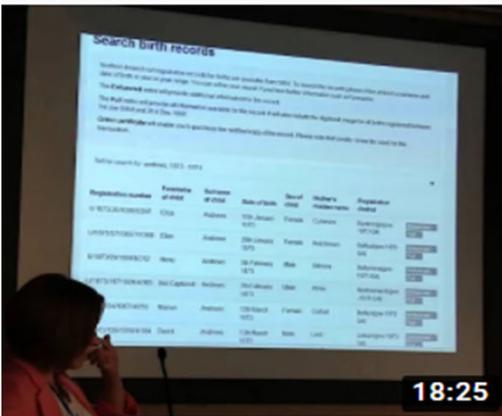


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A Talk by the Very Rev Dr Donald Patton now available on YouTube

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## The Workmans of Victorian Belfast



<https://www.presbyterianhistoryireland.com>

# Linen Hall Library

- Oldest library in Belfast
- Collection of genealogies and local histories
- Presbyterian Congregational Histories
- Collections of note:
  - Blackwood Pedigrees
  - Belfast Newsletter index to Marriages and Deaths, 1737-1863



NEHGS 2012 Belfast trip

Tip

Don't overlook local  
libraries, archives, and  
museums

# Why visit?

- Many local records not online
- Knowledgeable and helpful staff
- Wealth of records
  - Records of the poor law (Workhouse records)
  - Small family estate records
  - Grand jury records
  - Family and local history materials

# Local repositories in Ulster Province

## Donegal, Cavan, Monaghan

- Each has county library or archives
- County Donegal
  - Workhouse records
  - Railway records
  - School records
  - Family collections

## Northern Ireland

- No County Archives as in the Republic of Ireland
- Local public libraries may require you to create account
  - Frequently only available to residents of Northern Ireland

# ARMAGH COUNTY MUSEUM

Closing for Christmas and New Year from 23<sup>rd</sup> December 2020.  
We will reopen in 2021 when permitted by Covid regulations

The oldest county museum in Ireland is set in Armagh's beautiful Georgian tree lined Mall. Located near the centre of St Patrick's cathedral city, a visit to Armagh County Museum is an ideal way to experience a flavour of the orchard county.

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# County Armagh Online Records

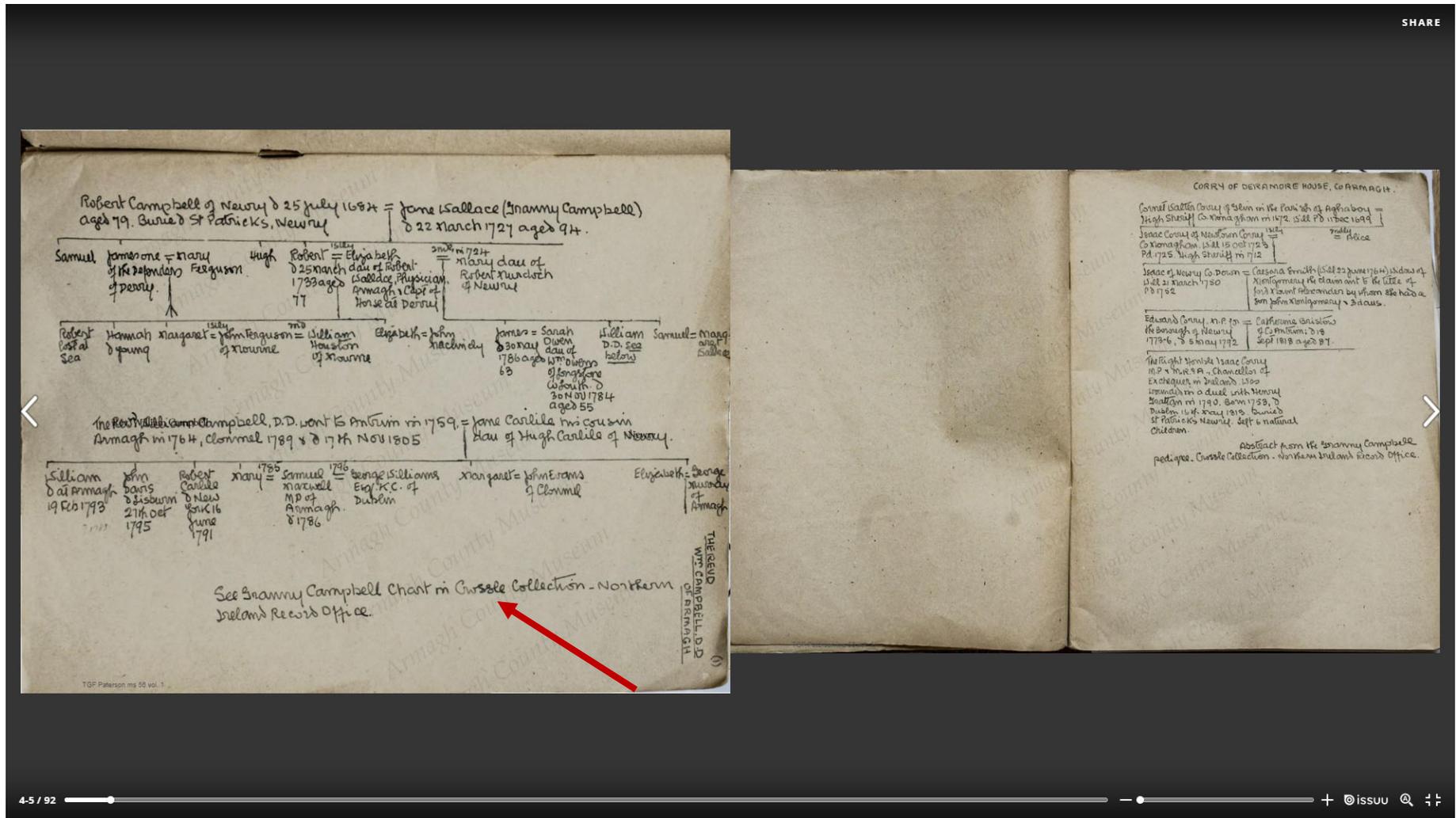
- Property records
- Estate records
  - Charlemont Estate 1752 rent roll
- Pedigree notes, family charts
- 1821 partial census of Kilmore Parish



The image shows two pages of a handwritten rent roll from 1752, titled "1st May, 1752." The pages contain columns for names, acreage, and other details. The left page is numbered 31-36 and the right page is numbered 33-36. The handwriting is in cursive and includes various annotations and numbers.

No.	Demisee's Name	Acres	Value of Rent	Value of Tithe	Value of Other	Observations
31	James Black	5. 9. 3	...	...	...	
32	James Black	5. 14. 6	...	...	...	
33	James Black	3. 9. 3	...	...	...	
34	James Black	1. 3. 3	...	...	...	
35	James Black	3. 4. 9	...	...	...	
36	James Black	6. 15. 9	...	...	...	

Charlemont Estate Rent Roll, 1752, ARMCM.38.1942



TGF Patterson Collection, Armagh County Museum Collection ARMCM.9.2014.91

# Hiring a Researcher

# Steps to take before hiring

- Review your research!
  - Exhaust all research avenues in North America
- Do you have enough information?
  - Do you know a place?
  - Parents of immigrant, at least father's name
  - Time period?
- Outline your research goals
- Be realistic in your expectations!



Researching at NEHGS,  
[Americanancestors.org](http://Americanancestors.org)

# Look for professional services

- Ulster Historical Foundation
  - Research Services
- County Genealogy Centers
  - Descriptions and services offered on [www.rootsireland.ie](http://www.rootsireland.ie)
  - Only research local records!
- Accredited Genealogists Ireland



# Review

- Identify records needed to advance your research
- Make the most of online records and guides to collections
- Explore repository websites
  - Contact them for additional services



NEHGS Tour to PRONI



# THANK YOU!

[AmericanAncestors.org](https://AmericanAncestors.org)