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## Breaking News

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[Consultation on Strategic Plans for Arts, Heritage and Library Services](#)

Individual strategic plans are being prepared for the Arts, Heritage and Library Services in Cavan County Council 2016 -2021.

[Warp and Weft](#)

The Cavan Ireland 2016 Committee, Cavan Genealogy and The Mellon Centre for Migration Studies Omagh, County Tyrone - a two day exploration of diasporic links, ancestral entanglements, revolution and war. Taking place Friday 14 and Saturday 15 October 2016. Booking through genealogy. Book today as places limited. An event not to be missed.

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## About Us

### Libraries matter

Cavan County Council's Library Service provides unlimited, easy access to information and leisure, education and entertainment, business development and quality of life. Our Service is a conduit for active citizenship and a hub for local activity. We have come a long way since our humble beginnings in a room in Cavan Courthouse in 1930.

We now provide:

- 3 full-time libraries
- 6 part-time libraries
- e-Library services
- 4 multi-purpose spaces hosting over eight hundred events each year
- free access to books, DVDs, newspapers, magazines, the internet, reading groups, cultural events, local studies, the county archives and information of every type and variety.
- study, photocopying and printing facilities
- a prison library and a service to primary school pupils



### Our Mission

Cavan County Council's Library Service mission is to provide educational, informational, cultural and recreational library resources and services in a professional and inclusive way, enabling people living in County Cavan to improve the quality of their lives.

### Our Core Values are

- Open access to recorded knowledge, information and creative works
- Connection of people to ideas, fostering intellectual freedom
- Commitment to literacy and learning of all kinds
- Dedication to equality, with respect for diversity and individuality
- Preservation of the human record
- Delivery of excellence in services
- Working in partnership to advance these values

### Our Vision for 2020

Our vision describes how we want our Library Service to be by 2020

We want to:

- Be a model of excellence within easy reach of everyone
- Provide equitable access to ideas, information and knowledge
- Be the community's core asset for lifelong learning and empowerment



- Ensure our services are well used, relevant, accessible and welcoming
- Provide access through a network of branch libraries, a mobile library and online
- Use new technologies to extend access to library services beyond library walls
- Listen to our users and embrace change to improve our services
- Develop and sustain productive community partnerships
- Inspire trust through the provision of quality services and transparent accountability

**For further information, please see Libraries Matter: [Cavan County Library Service Development Plan 2010-2015](#).**

## Contact Us

**Got a Query? Contact us in Cavan Town or speak with your local Librarian (See [Find a Library](#))**

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## Local Studies

**Johnston Central Library** is home to the single most important resource for the study of the history, archaeology, literature and culture of Cavan. Acknowledged as one of the foremost in the country, cutting edge information technology has been utilised to ensure preservation, conservation and better service delivery for this unique collection.

Our collection has been built up over eighty years and continues to grow. Furthermore, the advances in technology in the last two decades have complimented the volume of resources now available online for historians, scholars and researchers. Whether you are looking for information on your home place, compiling your family history, researching for a publication on the history of an area or researching Cavan's political, cultural or heritage history, we know that our Local Studies Department will be your most influential research tool.



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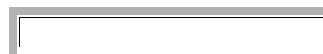
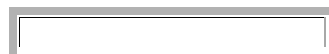
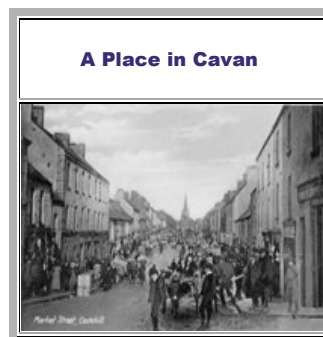
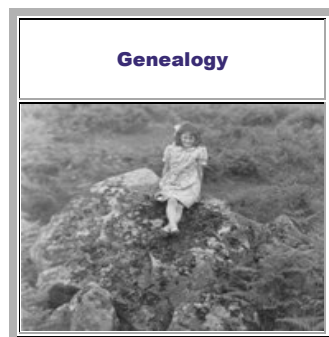
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## Guide to our Collection

### Cavan Studies

We collect all published material relating to Cavan by local authors and all published material on Cavan in all formats and on all subjects including agriculture, archaeology, architecture, the arts, biographies, local sport & religion to name but a few!

Want to explore Cavan's Local History? Your best starting point is our Catalogue! Check out Cavan Subject Headings - you will be amazed at the range of subjects covered. Search our [Catalogue](#)

### Digitised Material

Library staff have been busy selecting for digitisation local publications and materials of unique value and making them accessible online. Our aim is to create a "Virtual" local studies experience. This project is under development; however, see [History Online](#) for our current digitised content.

### Newspapers

We hold all local newspapers. On microfilm we have the timeless issues of the [Anglo Celt](#) from its very first issue in 1846. Click on [Newspaper Holdings word](#) (99.6kb) or [Newspaper Holding pdf](#) (33.0kb) to view our collection. See also [History Online](#) to discover and access national and local newspaper archives.

### Microfilm

Over the years, an extensive microfilm collection has been built up in Johnston Central Library. Sources include the Anglo-Celt, Census 1821, 1841, 1901 & 1911, O'Donovan Name books 1833/34 and Books of Survey and Distribution. Click on [Microfilm Holdings word](#) or [Microfilm Holding pdf](#) to view our collection.

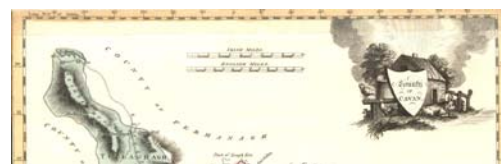
### Journals

The library hold a comprehensive Journal Collection including the Breifne Antiquarian Society Journal & the Heart of Breifne. Search our [Catalogue](#). See also [History Online](#) to discover and access international journals.

### Maps

Our map collection includes:

- 1654-1659 Down Survey Parish (Microfilm)



- 1835/1836 Ordnance Survey 6" (Hardcopy)
  - Griffith Valuation (Hardcopy)
  - Farnham Estate Maps (Hardcopy)
  - Ballinamore/Ballconnell Drainage and navigation Maps (Hardcopy)
  - Cavan Leitrim Railway Maps (Hardcopy)
- See also [History Online](#) to explore web versions of Ordnance Survey and Griffith Valuation maps



### Dr MacKiernan, Bishop of Kilmore

Dr Francis J. MacKiernan, Bishop of Kilmore from 1972 until 1998 donated his entire book collection to Cavan County Council's Library Service for the benefit of the community he loved. His library consists of 1,179 items:

- 49 journals
- 434 Religious books
- 520 Irish and General history books
- 176 Local Studies items.

Dr MacKiernan's Collection is now catalogued and housed in Cavan Library Headquarters. Click on the [Dr MacKiernan collection pdf \(304kb\)](#) to view our index.



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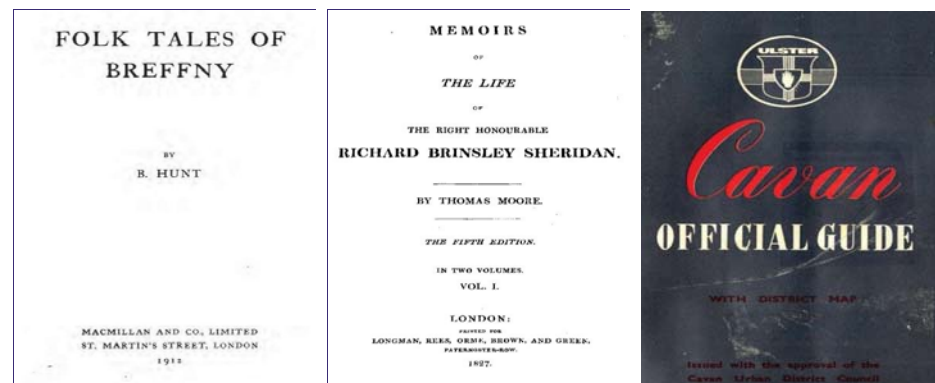


## History Online

### Digitised Material

[Click here to view all electronic documents on our catalogue](#)

Read some of the latest digitised works here:



## Newspapers



This site provides access to Ireland's newspaper heritage. Provincial papers include the Anglo Celt, Meath Chronicle and the Connaught Tribune. National papers available include The Nation, Freemans Journal, Irish Independent, Sunday Independent and Irish Farmers Journal. Full access to the archives is available on the public computers in our full-time Libraries. See [Find a Library](#) for further information.

## IRISHTIMES.com

The Irish Times Archives hold over 16 million articles available online from 1859 – present. Articles can be browsed by date and historical timeline. The Archive provides full text articles on current affairs, business, technology and sport. Full access to the archives is available on the public computers in our full-time Libraries. See [Find a Library](#) for further information.

## Online Journals



JSTOR (short for Journal Storage) is an online system for archiving academic journals, founded in 1995. Used by millions for research, teaching, and learning. With more than a thousand academic journals and over 1 million images, letters, and other primary sources, JSTOR is one of the world's most trusted sources for academic



content.

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## Ask About Ireland & Griffiths Valuation



The **Ask about Ireland** and the Cultural Heritage Project is an initiative of public libraries together with local museums and archives in the digitisation and online publication of the original, the unusual and the unique material from their local studies' collections to create a national Internet resource for culture.



The Ask about Ireland site also gives access to **Griffiths Valuation** which is a land valuation carried out between 1848 and 1864 and is an important Census substitute. It provides the only detailed guide to where people lived in mid-nineteenth century Ireland and to the property they possessed.




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## Maps



Between the years of 1829 and 1842 Ordnance Survey Ireland completed the first ever large scale survey of the entire country. Acclaimed for its accuracy, these maps are regarded by cartographers amongst the finest ever produced. Access can now be obtained online to the 6 inch colour and black and white maps from 1829 -1841 and to the 25 inch black and white for 1897 – 1913.

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## Boston Pilot Names Database - Boston College



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The documents on the History page and the information on the Resources page were researched and written by Ruth-Ann Harris of the Irish Studies Program and Kathleen Williams of Boston College's O'Neill Library.

This project is based on *The Search for Missing Friends: Irish Immigrant Advertisements Placed in the Boston Pilot* (New England Historic Genealogical Society, Boston, 1989-1993), edited by Ruth-Ann M. Harris, Donald M. Jacobs, Dominique M. Pickett, and B. Emer O'Keefe. This eight-volume set includes a detailed analysis of the data, and scholarly information about the significance of the advertisements.

**For more information** <http://infowanted.bc.edu/>



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## Genealogy

### Before you start researching your family history...

Familiarise yourself with the resources available from [Guide to our collection](#) and [History Online](#).

Equally important is, understanding the complex land division units in County Cavan from [A place in Cavan](#).



### Try to find out the following information before you commence:

**Family Name**                      **Townland Name**                      **Religion**                      **Dates**

### Remember!

Our local studies staff are always available to assist you in your search. However, It is important that you make an appointment by telephone or email before planning a visit to [Johnston Central Library](#) to utilise our microfilm readers or hardcopy material. Local Studies can be very busy at times and this will avoid disappointment.

### Browse our genealogy resources

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## Family History

This table provides you with a comprehensive listing of the Genealogy resources available in our Local Studies Collection. There are also links to online content provided, where available.

Resource	Year	Description	Micofilm	Hard Copy
Fiants	1584	Legal records listing the names of the principal people living in the various districts. Lurgan parish fiants edited by Dr O'Connell are in the <a href="#">Briefny Antiquarian Society Journal (B.A.S). Vol 1.</a> and Crosserlough Parish also by Dr O'Connell are in <a href="#">B.A.S. Vol 2.</a>	X	✓
Book of Survey and Distribution	1641	These records show land owned in 1641 and who after forfeiture, owned it under the Cromwellian Act of Settlement. Edited articles also available in <a href="#">B.A.S Journal Vol 1-3</a> on Killinkere, Crosserlough, Munterconnaght, Castlerahan, Lurgan & Virginia Parishes	✓	✓
Hearth Money Rolls	1664	A list of those who paid two shillings per hearth under the Hearth Money Act of 1662. They are important in being the only official, though incomplete, census prior to 1821. Edited articles include Parishes of Killeshandra, Kildallan, Templeport, Tomregan and Killinagh are in the <a href="#">Briefne Journal 1960</a> . Killinkere, Lurgan and Mullagh are in <a href="#">B.A.S Journal, Vol 1</a> . Castlerahan and Munterconnaght are in <a href="#">B.A.S Journal, Vol 2</a> . Crosserlough is in <a href="#">B.A.S Journal, Vol, 3</a> .	✓	✓
Poll Book for Cavan	1761	A list of the 1137 freeholders who had two votes at a County Court held in Cavan to elect knights to represent the county at a parliament held in Dublin on 19 May 1761	X	✓
Religious Census	1766	Instituted by the House of Lords, these returns were taken by the incumbent of each parish who listed the heads of householders. Breifne Journal 1961. See <a href="#">Guide to the Breifne Journal</a> or see the <a href="#">Breifne Journal Website</a> .	X	✓
Census of population	1821	Most of these returns were destroyed in the Public Records Office in 1922. However, we hold micofilm copies of the following Parishes: Castletara, Denn, Crosserlough, Drumlummon, Annagelliffe, Ballymachugh, Castlerahan, Drung, Kilbride, Kinwaley (Cavan's portion), Laragh, Lurgan, Lavey, Mullagh, Munterconnaght and Kilmore. Click on our <a href="#">census 1821 index word</a> (95.5kb) or <a href="#">census 1821 index pdf</a> (64.8kb).	✓	X
Tithe Applotment Books	1823-1837	A pre-famine valuation showing the occupiers of land in all the rural parishes, acreage and quality of the holding and the amount of tithes payable to the Church of Ireland. <a href="#">View our index in pdf</a> (2.11mb).	X	✓

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<b>Registry of Freeholders</b>	1825	This was compiled and printed in Cavan Town, giving the name of landlord with the place and date of registry	X	√
<b>Lists of Arms Registered</b>	1833	A register compiled by order of the Grand Jury illustrates the arms registered to people in each barony in County Cavan	X	√
<b>Census of population</b>	1841	All that survives for Cavan is the returns for Killeshandra Parish. An edited version is held in the Breifne Journal 1976 ( <a href="#">Guide to the Breifne Journal</a> ) or click on our <a href="#">census 1841 index word</a> (37.5kb) or <a href="#">census 1841 index pdf</a> (21kb).	√	X
<b>Griffiths Valuation</b>	1856/1857	This project was undertaken by government order after the Poor Law Act of 1838 to determine the amount of tax each tenant should pay towards the support of the Poor Law Unions. It lists the townlands and occupiers, the immediate lessors, a description of tenement, area of the holding and the total rateable annual valuation of land and buildings. Go to the <a href="#">Griffiths Valuation</a> website.	X	√
<b>Landowners of Ireland</b>	1878	This is an alphabetical list of the owners of estates of 500 acres or more.	X	√
<b>Tenants in Barony of Clankee</b>	1880	This document provides the name of each tenant, the quality of the land and yearly rent, the tenure of each tenant, the right of way and other easements.	X	√
<b>Dogs Regulations Act</b>	1890	A list of persons who took out dog licenses.	X	√
<b>Census of population</b>	1901	A complete return for the county which lists all members of the family, giving religion, age, occupation, marital status, county of birth and standards of education. View online at the <a href="#">National Archives</a> website	√	√
<b>Census of population</b>	1911	A complete return for the county which lists all members of the family, giving religion, age, occupation, marital status, county of birth and standards of education. View online at the <a href="#">National Archives</a> website	√	√





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## Useful Tools Church Records

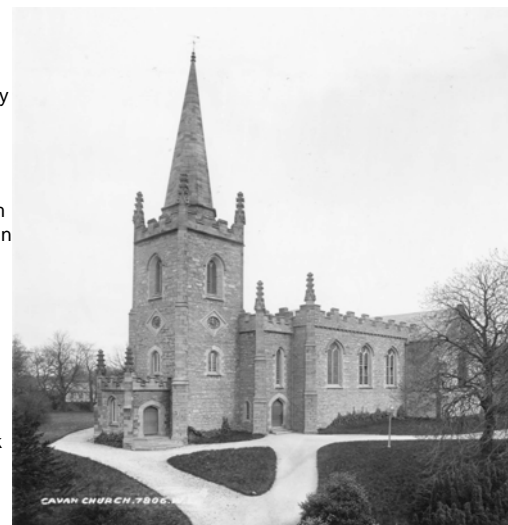
Due to the destruction of Census material in 1922, Church records are a very important source for family research.

**Church of Ireland:** Officially, retention of these records became law in 1750; however, some date back to 1619. The Church of Ireland records conform to civil parish boundaries. Records can be retrieved in the **Public Records office** or in some cases, in the parish Church.

**Presbyterian Church:** Records available date back to 1819 and in most cases Church authorities have retained these records.

**Roman Catholic Church:** In most cases, records began in 1820; however, there are some dating back to 1760. Both baptismal and marriage records were retained in local Churches' however death records were not. Catholic parish registers are all held on microfilm in the **National Library of Ireland**.

**Cavan Genealogy** has Church records dating back to 1702 for the Church of Ireland denominations and 1752 for the Catholic Church in Cavan. Their main database is accessible from [rootsireland.ie](http://rootsireland.ie). With over 18 million records online, rootsireland enables those who wish to trace their Irish ancestry to have access to all the relevant data in one place.



## Topography

**Lewis Topographical Dictionary and atlas:** Samuel Lewis first published his topographical dictionary of Ireland in 1837. This guide provides detailed information about villages and towns in Ireland prior to the 'An Gorta Mor' (The Great Famine).

**Pigots Directory:** Pigot and Co.'s City of Dublin and Hibernian Provincial Directory of 1824 is arranged by province and includes over 220 urban centres.

**Slaters Directory:** This directory gives a detailed description of the Irish town or city, post office information and shows the names of nobility and gentry living in or close to the town. The traders of each town are arranged according to their trade. Slaters of 1846 and 1894 for County Cavan are available in our local studies collection.

## The Irish Emigration Database (IED)

The Irish Emigration Database is a computerised collection of primary source documents on Irish emigration to North America (USA and Canada) in the 18th and 19th centuries. It contains a variety of original material including emigrant letters, newspaper articles, shipping advertisements, shipping news, passenger lists, official government





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reports, family papers, births deaths and marriages and extracts from books and periodicals. The Irish Emigration Database is accessible on the public computers in our full-time libraries. See [Find a Library](#).



### **Ireland's Memorial Records: World War 1 1914-1918**

The objective of these volumes was to preserve the names of over 49,000 Irishmen who lost their lives fighting in the Great War, World War I, 1914-1918. The collection was compiled by The Committee of the Irish National War Memorial under the direction of the Earl of Ypres. It is the most complete memorial record known to exist and was published in 1923.

### **Grave stone Inscription**

Gravestone inscriptions can be a very useful source of family history information. Gravestones can give birth, marriage, and death information, clues about occupation and family members buried in the same area. In some case, they can give more information than the parish burial register or civil certificate of death.



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## A Place in Cavan



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### The Kingdom of Breifne

The ancient **kingdom of Breifne** extended from the north-west of the present county of Meath to Donegal Bay. West Breifne was ruled by the O'Rourke's while east Breifne was under the O'Reilly rule with the river Grainne, now the Woodford River, being the boundary line separating East from West. Changes in 1584 by Lord Deputy Perrott and further changes in 1608 shaped the County as we know it today.

County Cavan in pre Elizabethan times was known as the kingdom of East Breifne. East Breifne contained seven subdivisions called **tuaths** and a subdivision of a tuath was a **ballybetagh**. A ballybetagh was a territorial unit controlled by an Irish **sept** (ruling family) usually containing around 16 town lands. Ballybetaghs could be further subdivided into units consisting of four, eight and twelve town lands. A ballybetagh was considered capable of supporting 300 cows and contained 960 acres.

### Town lands

A **town land or baile** is the smallest administrative land unit in Ireland and there are 61,402 covering the whole island. Town lands vary in size from one acre to 7,000 acres but the average town land size is 340 acres. The term 'town land' is derived from the Old English word 'tun' meaning enclosure. Throughout Ulster a town land was known as a **Ballyboe** which meant 'cow land'. The term baile which is anglicised to bally is the most dominant element used in Irish town land names. Today the word Baile means town or urban settlement but its precise meaning in ancient Ireland is unclear as towns had no place in Gaelic Ireland at this time. The Norman word 'Bailey' means settlement and may have been a significant influence.

In County Cavan the area of a town land was known as a '**Poll**' or '**Pole**' and in counties Fermanagh and Monaghan it was known as a '**Tate**'. These names are of English origin. More than half the townlands in Ulster with the prefix 'pol' are situated in Cavan and almost all town lands with the prefix 'tat' are in the Diocese of Clogher (Fermanagh, Monaghan and parts of Tyrone).

A poll or pole usually contained 60 acres and could be divided into gallons and a gallon was subdivided into 2 pottles so 4 pottles was the equivalent of 1 pole. Land



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measurement was divided into the amount of land that could feed or carry a cow or cows.

## Parishes

Within our county there are 36 civil parishes. This land division was used in most national surveys in the 19th Century. The parish is the smallest unit in the administrative structure used by both the Catholic Church & the Church of Ireland but differs from the civil parish structure. Click on the links to find out more ...

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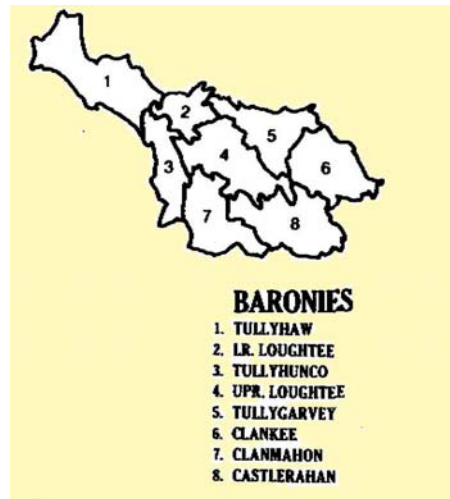
[The Meath Anglican Diocese](#)

## Poor Law Union

The Poor Relief Act of 1838 divided Cavan into districts or "unions". It was envisaged that the local taxable inhabitants were to be financially responsible for all paupers in the area. In 1898 the Poor Law Union was adopted as the basic administrative division in place of the civil parish and barony.

## Baronies

Cavan is divided into 8 baronies. This county map illustrates the barony and its geographical location.



## Other early Land Divisions

Other units of land division are used throughout Ireland including **Capell lands** in Tipperary and **Plowlands** in Kilkenny. A capell land contained around 20 English acres. In the province of Connacht the terms **quarters** and **cartrons** were used. A Quarter contained 120 acres, a half Quarter was 60 acres, a Cartron around 30 acres and a Sessiagh 20 acres. Cartron is preserved in town land names in Connacht such as Carrownaseer and Carrowkeel and Sessiagh in names such as Shesia and Sheshodonell. There is one instance of the town land **Gneeve** in Ireland and this is in the parish of Kilbride in County Cavan, on the southern tip of the county on the border with Meath and it measures 222 acres.

Thomas Larcom, the first director of the Ordnance Survey of Ireland made a study of the ancient land divisions and summarised them thus.

- 10 acres = 1 Gneeve
- 2 Gneeves = 1 Sessiagh
- 3 Sessiags = 1 Tate or Ballyboe
- 2 Ballyboes = 1 Ploughland or Carrow
- 4 Ploughlands = 1 Ballybetagh
- 30 Ballybetaghs = 1 Barony





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**We take care of Historical Documents and Records Management....**

### How to arrange a visit

You can research our collections in the reading room of the archives service which is located at **Johnston Central Library** in Cavan Town.

There is no charge for using our archives service. However, we can only offer limited hours at present and this is also subject to library staff availability. You must make an appointment well in advance.

### Our collections

All archives are open to public access. The service collects archives which relate to County Cavan from both public and private sources.



### Public sources

Public sources include current and now dissolved local government bodies in Cavan such as Cavan County or Town Councils, Corporation, Rural and Urban District Council.

The earliest documents date from the mid-seventeenth century. The collective impact of these archives is to document the development of the county and to record the interaction between local government and the county's citizens. Local authorities have always been responsible for the provision of a wide range of services to the citizens they serve and collections can be surprisingly rich.

### Private sources

Archives are collected from private sources such as schools, societies, hospitals and businesses. Click any of these links for information held in PDF:

### Collections for research

- The County Council minutes
- The Grand Jury
- The Drainage Committee
- The Belturbet Corporation
- The Agriculture Committee
- The County Council Rates
- The Cavan Town Commissioners
- The Board of Health
- The National Schools
- The Private Collections
- The Co-operatives
- The Poor Law Unions
- The Rural District Councils



## Reading room rules



Our Reading Room Rules complement our [Customer Care charter](#). Researchers are asked to observe a number of simple rules when using archival documents. The rules are not meant to deter prospective researchers but are put in place as many documents are fragile due to their age and to ensure they are safely preserved for future users. Click on the [reading room rules word](#) (99.4kb) or [reading room rules pdf](#) (38.0kb).

## Donating Archives

County Cavan archives service welcomes donations of stock. We are continually seeking new items to add to our collections. Click on [Policies](#) to read our donations policy

## Contact the Archivist

**Email:** [archives@cavancoco.ie](mailto:archives@cavancoco.ie)





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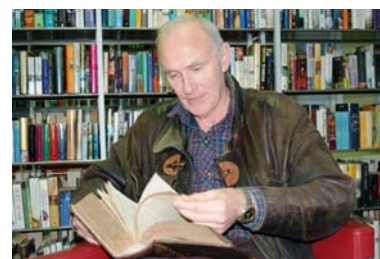


## People & Folklore

### Cavan Authors

Local Studies staff are developing this section on **Cavan Authors**.

Our aim is to focus attention on the significant contribution made by Cavan authors and to provide researchers with a deeper understanding of their impact.



### Click on the links to find out more...

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"There was no soap long ago. When washing their faces they used to steep oatmeal and rub it to their faces for scrubbing. They had no scrubbing brushes. They used a bundle of heather for sweeping. They called this a **beesom**. When this was wore the green heather fell off and what was left was made into a scrubbing brush"



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View "**An Introduction to the Schools Manuscripts 1937/1938**", a booklet produced by our local studies department to give people a "feel" for Cavan folklore and prompt them to view the microfilms now housed in **Johnston Central Library**. It also provides a comprehensive listing of the microfilm reels in our collection classified by Parish and School.



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Want to find an award winning title? Enter "Award winners" in "**General Keyword Search**" and find ManBooker, Orange, IMPAC, Bisto and Oscar winning titles.

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## Cavan Town

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**Contact Librarian:** Kathleen Brady

### Opening Hours:

Day	Time
Monday	10.00 - 1.15 / 2.15 - 5.15
Tuesday	10.00 - 8.30
Wednesday	10.00 - 1.15 / 2.15 - 5.15
Thursday	10.00 - 8.30
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#### Local Studies:

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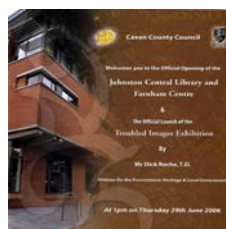
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Staff work in partnership with a range of Public Agencies, Community and Voluntary groups. Want to find out more? Contact us.

Study and Reading facilities



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