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ARCHIVES PONTIFICAL IRISH COLLEGE, ROME

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KIR/NC/1/1871/54 Holograph letter from Cardinal Cullen to Dr. Kirby

21 December 1871 Item

Eng. 4pp

Cullen has received word of Dr. Moran's appointment- he has now lost the very faithful and useful Dr. Murray, Dr. Conroy and Dr. Moran. He has sent the form of suspension that was sent to Fr O'Keeffe. He describes O'Keeffe's refusal to accept the letter containing the suspension, the announcement of the suspension in a church in Callan and the attorney's letter threatening proceedings for defamation. O'Keeffe has continued to act as if not suspended and deludes the poor people by stating that he is appealing to the Pope. He has also published a letter of the late Dr. O'Hanlon in his favour. Cullen has interdicted his church but does not know what effect this will have as he has the support of half of Callan and others from Cashel and Waterford. Perhaps he wishes to serve his writ on Christmas Eve as he did to Dr. Walshe. The education meeting will be held on the 16th of January. Small pox and typhoid fever are prevalent in the city. Mr Walsh, the bank manager in Nenagh and a relative to Dr. Moran, was mortally wounded by a robber- rascals who return from America are often the perpetrators of these crimes. He reminds Fr Maher to find the address as the Ladies' of Ireland will rebel against him.

KIR/NC/1/1871/55 Holograph letter from [Cardinal Cullen] to [Dr. Kirby]

Item

[circa 1871]

Lat. Eng. 1p

Cullen asks for further clarification of an opinion given by Propaganda. The question is can a provincial give power to secular priests to absolve his friars from cases reserved to the bishop' without asking for that bishop's consent.

KIR/NC/1/1871/56 Holograph letter from [Cardinal Cullen] to [Dr. Kirby]

Item

[circa 1871]

Eng. 2pp

Cullen copies a petition from Fr O'Keeffe relating to his case against Cullen and the Papal Bull inflicting censure on any priest who attempts to bring a member of the hierarchy to court. Attempts have been made by the 'Papal Legate in Ireland to introduce certain laws made in Rome for the purpose of exempting the R. Catholic clergy from the jurisdiction of the courts of H. M. the Queen.' O'Keeffe has gathered 300 signatures for the petition.

KIR/NC/1/1872/1 Item

Holograph letter from Cardinal Antonelli, Rome to Dr. Kirby, Rector of the Irish College

2 January 1872

Ital. 2pp

Antonelli acknowledges receipt of £413 from Mgr Shiel, the Bishop of Adelaide to the Pope.

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KIR/NC/1/1872/2 Item Holograph draft of an address to the Pope composed by Dr. Kirby. Includes newspaper clipping of a report of the Presentation of the Address of the Ladies of Ireland to the Holy Father, clipped from 'The Freeman's Journal'.

5 - 16 January 1872

Ital. Eng. 4pp

Newspaper article gives an account of the presentation of the address by Dr. Kirby in the company of the students of the Irish College and St. Isidores, Fathers Mullooly and Costello of San Clemente, Fr O'Hanlon and Fr Carey of St. Isidores, Dr. Smyth, Fr Ffrench, Fr Lambert, Dr. O'Callaghan of the English College, Miss Sherlock, Miss Rea, Oliver Count, Count and Countess Redmond, Count and Viscount Baterot and Mrs Connolly. Includes English translations of the Ladies and Kirby's address and a physical description of the address and its accompanying book of 200,000 signatures.

KIR/NC/1/1872/3 Item Holograph petition requesting a Papal Blessing from Bishop O'Brien of Waterford, the Superior of the Ursulines in Waterford, Edward O'Connell Hackett and James Devereux.

<u>7 January 1872</u> Ital. 1p

Includes response from Pius IX signed by Joannes Simeoni, Secrius.

KIR/NC/1/1872/4 Item Holograph letter from Cardinal Cullen to Dr. Kirby

18 January 1872

Eng. 3pp

The great meeting on education was well attended by respectable citizens. Lord Granard, Lord Southwell, Mr Cogan MP, Mr Sherlock MP, Mr Heron MP, Mr Davey MP, Mr Ed. Dease MP and Sir James Power all proposed resolutions. Mr Maguire the Deputy Lieutenant of Co Leitrim and Lieutenant Colonel Hickie both made good speeches. There has been no official communication concerning Dr. Moran's appointment. The respectable people of Callan have left Fr O'Keeffe so within a few months the poor deluded followers of the schism will also see their folly. The account of the presentation of the Ladies' address was very good although the Ladies will not be satisfied until they get a letter directly from the Pope. Dr. MacHale refused to have anything to do with the consecration of the Bishop of Clonfert and Drs. Conway and McCormick will be consecrated in Ballina- MacHale is very foolish in having nothing to do with the new bishops. Fr Maher of Carlow attended the meeting although he is now over eighty. It was thought best not to break up the classes in Clonliffe despite the outbreak of small pox there. The virus is very bad in Dublin, 100 died last week, both the rich and poor get it and even those vaccinated against it are not safe.

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KIR/NC/1/1872/5 Item Holograph letter from Cardinal Cullen to Dr. Kirby

St. Brigid's Day, 1 February 1872

Eng. 4pp

The Ladies will be very proud of the letter from the Pope- Lady Granard, however, has very recently died. Dr. Moran wishes to be consecrated on the 5th of March. Dr. Walshe frequently lapses into period of forgetfulness during which he speaks very strangely. Fr O'Keeffe continues to hear confessions and say Mass and is making his church into 'a sort of puppet show place.' He claims in a published letter that Cullen had no jurisdiction to suspend him. He does not appear to have any faith at all and the Fenians and Protestants are his great supporters. Cullen believes that a new parish priest must be appointed to Callan and has written to Cardinal Barnabo about the case- but would be as well not to involve Dr. Moran in the fight. He fears that the government will do nothing for education as the infidels are pushing for non-sectarian education in order to root out the faith of the people. The meeting may have done good but there are dangerous and powerful enemies to deal with. He hopes that the Pope has recovered. Only a small congregation attended St. Brigid's Day Mass because of the fear of small pox- there are a thousand cases in the city. All the skill of the doctors has been baffled as those who were vaccinated are not safer than others

KIR/NC/1/1872/6 Holograph letter from Cardinal Cullen to Dr. Kirby

Item <u>8 February 1872</u>

Eng. 3pp

Cullen asks for his faculties to be renewed. He also requests a vessel of oil to be used in ceremonies- it is hard to find such oil in Ireland. The Mater Misericordiae is full of small pox victims. The four priests and three students of Clonliffe have all recovered. There was nothing in the Queen's speech to Parliament relating to Irish education. The government will leave Ireland alone unless the Americans persist with the Alabama claims against England which could amount to £120 million. If war ensues the Fenians will get up a row and perhaps induce the Americans to land in Ireland and 'we would get all the kicks and blows.' There have been a number of strikes including one by carpenters which delayed the completion of several buildings including a church to St. Kevin in Dublin. The builder claims that the carpenters have lost £1800 by their strike and 'besides I suppose they were steeped in drunkenness- The progress of modern times is very curious, one of its fruits is this system of strikes.' Fr Maher's cousin Teresa Maher was married to Con Murphy yesterday.

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KIR/NC/1/1872/7 Item Holograph letter from Cardinal Cullen to Dr. Kirby

18 February 1872

Eng. 3pp

Cullen is sorry to see that some priests were disputing with Gavazzi in Rome- there is no hope in converting such men as the discussion will only afford them an opportunity to pour out their bile on the Holy See. Such discussion in Ireland shakes the faith of Catholics. He has been asked to do something to mark the recovery of the Prince of Wales- 'but I have my doubts.' The Prince publicly became protector of the Freemason in Dublin and circulated a speech throughout Ireland- he does not know what to do and it is 'too late to get any answer from Rome.' Twelve children contracted small pox in the orphanage of Miss O'Ferrall in Kingston which has 60 orphans. Mgr Woodlock has gone to Rome and deserves every attention. It was incorrectly feared that Dr. Moran had contracted small pox. William Cullen is well.

KIR/NC/1/1872/8 Item Holograph letter from Cardinal Cullen to Dr. Kirby. Includes a newspaper clipping containing a letter from Alessandro Gavazzi, Rome published in The Saunders Newsletter

12 and 19 February 1872

Eng. 3pp

Cullen comments on the enclosed letter of Gavazzi- 'he is now recognized as an equal by Catholic priests and of course all their arguments vanished like smoke before his eloquence'. In his letter Gavazzi disputes the Catholic belief that St. Peter was in Rome and gives an account of his missionary work in Italy. He also notes that Dr. McGlynn, brother-in-law to Mr Oliver and formally of Propaganda, has made a very bad speech on education and should be called to an account. They are waiting for a response from Rome concerning Dr. Moran's consecration. The abstinence was wavered on the recommendation of the doctors in response to the spread of small pox throughout the country.

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KIR/NC/1/1872/9 Item Holograph letter from Cardinal Cullen to Dr. Kirby. Includes printed pamphlet from Fr. O'Keeffe.

27 February 1872

Eng. 5pp

Cullen requests a dispensation for Fr Patrick Kelly, PP of Kilsheer- he is now nearly eighty and is concerned that he may have neglected saying some Masses when he was young. He is good, having built a fine church and having saved no money. A student of All Hallows and Fr. Leaver S.J. have both died of small pox. Dr. Moran's letter has arrived but he has gone to the country to recuperate following his fever. Dr. Woodlock and Dr. Murray should be well cared for in Rome. In the present state of things the Father Abbot should let his other monasteries think for themselves as his own convent will suffer from his absence. He asks that his faculties be renewed. A great display was made in London to celebrate the Prince of Wales' recovery. Cullen ordered nothing in Dublin as the Prince presided publicly over a Freemasons' Lodge, became a protector of the craft and made a supporting speech. The Protestant papers will assail him for this stance. He encloses a placard from Fr O'Keeffe who has sent thousands to Protestant ministers- 'His next step can be easily calculated.' Pamphlet reads 'The Rev. Robert O'Keeffe v. Cardinal Cullen. A Real Papal Aggression. Strange Revelations!!! Send the P.P., Callan, Ireland, four penny, or eight half-penny stamps for the pamphlet, free by post.....'

KIR/NC/1/1872/10 Item Decree of the Congregation of Propaganda Fide in the case of Fr Robert O'Keeffe and Cardinal Cullen. Signed by Cardinal Barnabo.

27 February 1872

Lat. 2pp

Decree sanctions the suspension of O'Keeffe by Cullen pending a judgement of Propaganda and the administrative role of Dr. Moran, Coadjutor Bishop of Ossory.

KIR/NC/1/1872/11

Holograph letter from Cardinal Cullen to Dr. Kirby

Item

1 March 1872

Ital. Eng. 3pp

Cullen has received a summons from Fr O'Keeffe demanding £10,000 in damages arising from his suspension. The judge will be Whiteside, a staunch Protestant but Cullen believes that his case is strong. He will be asked to produce the document from Propaganda signed by Barnabo- it would be well to get a copy. The small pox is affecting all- Protestants, Catholics, priests and nuns. Dr. Moran will be consecrated on the 5th of March.

KIR/NC/1/1872/12 Item Printed newspaper clipping providing the text of the writ issued in the Court of Queen's Bench in the case of Fr O'Keeffe against Cardinal Cullen

[circa February 1872]

Eng. Lat. 1p

O'Keeffe is suing Cullen for £10,000 in libel damages following Cullen's suspension of the priest and O'Keeffe's subsequent dismissal from Callan Union Workhouse where he held the post of chaplain.

Holograph letter from Cardinal Cullen to Dr. Kirby KIR/NC/1/1872/13

20 March 1872 Item

Eng. 4pp

Cullen has received powers of dispensing but requests a further powers that are needed as 'there is always an influx in to a great city.... of all the unfortunate people who get into difficulties at home.' The missionaries of St. Vincent, Redemptorists and Jesuits have all given missions during Lent in SS Michaels and Johns, St. Paul's and Rathmines. Some skilful doctors claim that there is a second disease in the city which passes for small pox but is more fatal- those who get it turn black. As Fr O'Keeffe's case is not due to come up for two months, it would be well to get from Propaganda an account of a similar case concerning Dr. Mulholland from 1835. The Commissioners of the Poor Law have dismissed O'Keeffe following Cullen's suspension. He is devoured by money so the loss of a salary might help convert him. Dr. Woodlock should be informed that Fawcett's motion is being debated and the MPs believe it will be carried. He asks again for a dispensation for Fr Kelly, the elderly PP of Kilskeer who is a good man. Dr. Moran has gone to reside at Kilkenny College to recover his strength. Fr Maher is well despite his age and William Cullen holds his ground.

Item

KIR/NC/1/1872/14 Fragment of letter from William O'Hara, Bishop of Scranton, Philadelphia

> 26 March 1872 Lat. 2pp

Refers to a dispute with a priest which resulted in a case before the Supreme Court of Pennsylvania.

KIR/NC/1/1872/15 Item

Handwritten booklet containing a report and defence from a nun [probably Mary of the Cross] working in Southern

[circa 1872] Eng. 27pp

Sister Mary complains of difficulties in her institute, including the frequent changing of sisters in the schools, which has resulted in conflict between the nuns and their bishop and priests. She outlines her case mentioning Fr Woods of Adelaide, Sr. Teresa the Provincial and Sisters Clare and Monica the Mistresses of Novices. She gives figures for the number of sisters and novices for the years 1865 to 1871 and notes that the Institute operated 25 schools, a House of Refuge and an Orphanage in Southern Australia and 6 schools in Queensland.

KIR/NC/1/1872/16 Item

Declaration by George Townsend witnessed by Patrick O'Leary and signed by Fr Donovan PP of Aughada.

3 April 1872 Eng. 1p

Townsend promises to raise his children as Catholics if granted a dispensation to marry Julia Hegaty, a Catholic.

Item

KIR/NC/1/1872/17 Holograph letter from Cardinal Cullen to Dr. Kirby

<u>7 April 1872</u> Eng. 4pp

Cullen thanks Kirby for sending him the vessel of oil he requested. The small pox is still very prevalent. However people still get drunk as usual, work on holidays and now under the guidance of the trade unions they won't work on Saturday afternoon and disrupt work on Mondays. Races were held outside the city and all the people went out as gaily as if there was no sickness- 'they are now just as they were before the flood.' He suspects that Kirby will be greatly annoyed by the reports in the 'Freeman' of the election in Galway. The priests were most violent and preached politics from the altars- Dr. MacHale is answerable for much of this as he put forward a candidate who divided rich and poor Catholics. Dr. Gillooly and Dr. MacEvilly were opposed to him but could do nothing-Judge Keogh will probably turn against the clergy at the trial. Cullen's lawyers are preparing his case against Fr O'Keeffe but they do not understand ecclesiastical law and the decree of Propaganda on which he acted was not very clear nor did it give him any powers. He asks for Propaganda's advice as to whether he had authority to act as he did- if not it would be best to give up the case. He will also send a pamphlet published by O'Keeffe in which he accuses the old bishop with simony and revealing confessionsperhaps he can be prosecuted for it. He mentions a letter from O'Keeffe to Cardinal Barnabo which could be used and notes that O'Keeffe is an Old Catholic supported by the Protestants. He will discuss the candidates for Adelaide with Dr. Murray when he returns.

KIR/NC/1/1872/18 Holograph letter from Cardinal Cullen, Dublin to Dr. Kirby Item 9 April 1872 Ital. Eng. 4pp

Cullen believes that it will not be possible to perform ordinations at Maynooth at Pentecost because of the large number of changes that are being made in the college this year. He asks for permission to conduct the ceremonies in June. He mentions money that he and the Pope are giving to Mr Delahoyd who has got a good situation with the post office. Fr O'Keeffe has great support in Callan and around Tipperary town and he is acting like the Old Catholics in Germany. O'Keeffe's letter to Dr. McDonald accusing the old bishop of simony and breaking the seal of confession are scandalous. Dr. O'Hanlon's letter is also very mischievous. Cullen's case is clear but 'if St. Peter were to be tried by a similar Judge [Whiteside] and Jury [Protestants and Freemasons] he would have no chance of escaping.' All his lawyers are Catholic while the other side are Protestant. He has read of the meeting between the Pope and the Prince of Wales- the Pope was angry at some of the prince's proposals but being Protector of the Freemasons not much can be expected of him. Cullen hopes that the 'consolidato' will not be confiscated. He encloses £170 for Peter's Pence and asks for the Pope to pray for the removal of small pox.

Lang. / Extent

KIR/NC/1/1872/19 Item Holograph letter from Cardinal Cullen, Liscarton, Navan to Dr. Kirby

St. Joseph's Day, 21 April 1872

Eng. 4pp

Cullen outlines the defence that he is providing to the Queen's Bench to the summons and plaint from Fr O'Keeffe based upon the advice of his lawyers. 'All the defence comes to this that I had authority to suspend Fr O'Keeffe and that I used that power without malice or injustice.' He outlines the counter-arguements that O'Keeffe will make and possible flaws in these arguments. O'Keeffe believes that the main reason for his suspension was because he brought his bishop, vicar general and curates before the lay-courts- he will therefore attempt to prove that the Papal Bulls and Decree of Propaganda have no authority in Ireland. He is in communication with the Protestant papers and assails the Pope and the church but says little about Cullen. However his faction is breaking up and Dr. Moran has been received very kindly in Callan. Cullen has caught a cold and is recuperating in Liscarton for a few days. He mentions Fr Daly, PP in Co Wicklow who was born in 1777, Fr Maher of Carlow who is eighty and Dean Dr. O'Connell who is seventy-nine. The small pox is still in Dublin.

KIR/NC/1/1872/20 Item Holograph petition from the Sisters of Mercy of Dungarvan to the Pope. Includes covering note from [The Bishop of Waterford and Lismore] to [Dr. Kirby].

29 April and 3 May 1872

Eng. 4pp

The eleven petitioning Sisters of Mercy seek a dispensation to allow their current foundress and Mother Superior, Sister Mary Vincent Fanning, to seek election for a third time. Coving note mentions that the Bishop of Waterford and Lismore approves of the petition which will be submitted by Dr. Kirby.

Lang. / Extent

Eng. 4pp

KIR/NC/1/1872/21 Holograph letter from Cardinal Cullen, Holy Cross to Dr. Kirby Item 3 May 1872 Eng. 4pp

> Fr O'Keeffe's lawsuit against one of his late curates has been put off for some time. Captain Archdall, the Orange MP for Co Fermanagh is bringing the case before the House of Commons tonight. Following Kirby's advice, Cullen's main defence will be that he was acting in the authority of the Pope- however his lawyers have also included other defences. The final strategy chosen will depend on O'Keeffe's response. O'Keeffe has written to Dr. Moran telling him that he will oppose with physical and moral force, Moran's plans to conduct confirmations in his parish. He will get up a mob from Tipperary to cause a riot but the excellent Catholic Magistrate there will protect Moran and preserve the peace. Dr. Buckridge preached at the grand Pontifical Mass at Holy Cross. William Cullen had a severe attack of his old sickness and Myles Taaffe has died of small pox. Dr. Dorrian has 16 Redemptorists giving missions in four different churches in Belfast. However bad newspapers and whiskey shops destroy all the good done. There are 2000 whiskey shops in Dublin which are protected due to the enormous duty but are the source of every crime. The newspapers are teaching all sorts of villainy- 'This is liberty of a very bad sort.'

KIR/NC/1/1872/22 Holograph note from Cardinal Cullen, 59 Eccles Street, Dublin
Item 7 May 1872 Eng. 1p

Note entitled 'Replying to one who asked about the Good Templars'. Cullen's response it that the Good Templars are looked on as a section of the Society of Freemasons, and that any Catholic who joins them incurs the censures of the Church

KIR/NC/1/1872/23 Holograph letter from Cardinal Cullen to Dr. Kirby Item 12 May 1872

The rescript for the ordinations in Maynooth has arrived. Captain Delahoyd has secured a position to accompany the mail on its way from London to Brindisi and from India to London- he will receive between £200 and £300 per year plus expenses. In order to secure the position he had to take an examination in Italian, French, German, geography and arithmetic. The hospitals are filled with small pox victims and Dr. Cruise, a leading Catholic doctor, believes that the disease will last for another year. He refers to two students, Murphy and Tynan. He will send a copy of Fr O'Keeffe's summons and plaint, Cullen's defence, questions that his lawyers wish to have answered [see KIR/NC/1/1872/53] and copies of correspondence between both men and between O'Keeffe and Dr. Moran. O'Keeffe has not replied as yet but he can do as he likes as all the privileges are on his side. 'You see we have our Old Catholics here as well as in Germany.' The wicked young priest called James Murphy, has joined the Cistercian monastery in England.

Holograph letter from Cardinal Cullen, Dublin to Dr. Kirby KIR/NC/1/1872/24 Item

13 May 1872

Eng. 4pp

O'Keeffe has not yet answered Cullen's defences so the trial may not come on until July. He sends the straightforward questions from his lawyers [see KIR/NC/1/1872/53]. The opposite party will appeal to Protestant prejudice if the rights of religion be fully asserted. O'Keeffe will not stop until he has reached schism and heresy- the only living authority he appeals to in support of his views is Dr. MacHale who will probably not venture to get involved. He may use Dr. O'Hanlon's letter which may have been interpolated. It would be well to discuss the matter with Propaganda and a good canonist. The Board of National Education removed him from the management of the schools at the request of Dr. Moran which has resulted in another legal action. He suspects that O'Keeffe has got money from the Protestants for the purpose of attacking Cullen. A dispute has arisen amongst the Bishops concerning government grants for building schools. Drs. Moriarty, Butler and Donnelly are in favour of taking money but Cullen and the others believe that this will give too much power to the government. He asks Kirby to refer the matter to the Cardinal for his judgement and Papal sanction. The Mater Misericordice has over 60 cases of small pox and the reformatory school of the Oblates of Mary Immaculate have 30 cases amongst the boys. Clonliffe is well and the nuns of the Mater have escaped thus far. He received 15 'postulants' for St. Joseph of Cluny school which sends missionaries to the English and French colonies.

Holograph letter from Cardinal Cullen to Dr. Kirby KIR/NC/1/1872/25 22 May 1872 Item

Eng. 4pp

Cullen asks for a declaration from Propaganda stating that the rescript appointing him delegate apostolic was approved by the Pope and that he therefore had the power to deal with Fr O'Keeffe as he did. O'Keeffe has sent a very wicked petition to Parliament mainly against the Pope and he is getting the same petition signed in Scotland and England. O'Keeffe marched a mob to the Augustinian Church where Dr. Moran was conducting confirmations and made a violent speech demanding Moran to come out and dispute with him. 100 policemen collected by the Magistrate, Mr Bracken, blocked their entry into the church and after some time the crowd dispersed. Had the police not been there, there could have been bloodshed and Dr. Moran might have been in danger- as it turned out O'Keeffe was completely defeated. The weather is very cold and the small pox is still bad. All are afraid as many rich people have died of the disease. 1500 children attended confirmations last week as if there was no sickness at all-'The people who frequent churches are not those who suffer. The drunkards and profligates are more exposed.'

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KIR/NC/1/1872/26 Holograph letter from Cardinal Cullen to Dr. Kirby

Item <u>24 May 1872</u>

Eng. 3pp

Cullen urgently requests the declaration from Propaganda needed for the court case. O'Keeffe is keeping everything very mysterious and in O'Hagan the Q.C.'s opinion is determined to state and swear that Cullen published a libel against him- the libel being the assertion that he is suspended. Whiteside will be the judge and the jury will be Protestant. The nuns are praying for Cullen and he will dedicate the diocese to the Sacred Heart if the lawsuit fails. All his old secretaries, Dr. Murray, Dr. Moran and Dr. Conroy are to visit him. The small pox continues.

KIR/NC/1/1872/27 Holograph letter from Cardinal Cullen to Dr. Kirby

Item 28 May 1872

Eng. 2pp

Cullen asks Kirby to pay 27fr for the 'Catholique' for Sir John Bradstreet. Judge Keogh made a ferocious speech against the priests and bishops of Co Galway and may denounce Dr. MacHale, Dr. Duggan and Dr. MacEvilly to Parliament- he hopes the lesson will do good although the Judge cannot be defended. If the priests observed the Synod of Thurles' rulings on altar denunciations they would reduce scandal yet exercise the same power. William Cullen is not well and the small pox continues.

KIR/NC/1/1872/28 Holograph letter from Cardinal Cullen, Dublin to Dr. Kirby

Item <u>31 May 1872</u>

Ital. 2pp

Cullen discusses the case of a Fr Curley who has asked permission to say Mass in Dublin. This priest is a native of Elphin where, according to Dr. Gillooly, he acted badly before travelling to the United States. He may have been involved with the Fenians. Before travelling to Rome he asked for a letter of introduction which Cullen refused to give.

KIR/NC/1/1872/29 Holograph letter from Cardinal Cullen to Dr. Kirby

Item <u>31 May 1872</u>

Eng. 2pp

Cullen asks Kirby to show the enclosed letter concerning Fr Curley to Mgr Simeoni. He told 'Mgr' Curley, if he is indeed a Monsignor, that his papers from his bishop in Central America would suffice for an introduction- Dr. Gillooly gives a bad account of him. He hopes that Propaganda will send the declaration- it will be necessary for the priests to show them that he did no wrong in the O'Keeffe case. Such a declaration would settle the scruples of Fr. O'Reilly S.J. and Mgr Forde. He believes that the suspension destroyed O'Keeffe's power and he will soon either have to submit or become a Protestant. Dr. Moran claims that O'Keeffe keeps three shops in Callan which may now be ruined- there are other bad reports about him which are not easy to prove. A young servant of Cullen has a suspected case of small pox. If it is proved to be so he will get him admitted to the Mater Misericordiae. Dr. MacHale will be made a hero for his involvement in the Galway election case but he deserves nothing but blame- Keogh acted like a mad man.

Lang. / Extent

KIR/NC/1/1872/30 Holograph letter from Margaret Cullen to Dr. Kirby

Item 31 May 1872

Eng. 4pp

Margaret Cullen thanks Kirby for the parcels which he sent with Dr. Murray. William is still very delicate and it is a trial to have him suffer so long from his illness. They have got at last an Oratory for their house. She briefly mentions Dr. Moran, the Cardinal, James Maher and Dr. Murray.

KIR/NC/1/1872/31 Holograph letter from Cardinal Cullen to Dr. Kirby

Item <u>2 June 1872</u>

Eng. 3pp

Fr Donnelly will write to Delahoyd. Cullen asks if the mislaid parcel of O'Keeffe papers has arrived. He asks that Propaganda send the declaration needed for the O'Keeffe case quickly- the trial will commence within a month or as soon as O'Keeffe gives notice. A young priest called Egan has died of small pox and his young servant has caught the disease. Dr. Murray has travelled the country looking for priests but as yet has not found many. Dr. Conroy will preach at the opening of St. Kevin's church in Dublin. The weather is cold and wet and the crops are in a backward state. Includes a receipt from Cullen to Kirby for 680.40 lire from Captain Delahoyd.

KIR/NC/1/1872/32 Holograph letter from Cardinal Cullen to Dr. Kirby

Item <u>7 June [1872]</u>

Eng. 3pp

Cullen has been informed by his attorney that O'Keeffe will attempt to regulate matters for the trial today and that he has reduced his claim to this 'that no one has a right to prevent a British subject [from bringing] Bishops before the court'. The declaration from Propaganda has not yet been sent and it is needed. A meeting of the clergy of Dublin have published a protest against the attack made by Judge Keogh on Catholicsit was strongly worded in response to the widespread public indignation. An address was also adopted for the Pope. He will be busy confirming in the country for the next five days. He requests a dispensation in the case of Joseph Kirwan of St. Paul's parish, Dublin and Agnes Foran.

KIR/NC/1/1872/33 Holograph letter from Cardinal Cullen to Dr. Kirby

Item <u>12 June 1872</u> Eng. 4pp

The declaration from the Cardinal will remove all doubt from all Catholic's minds regarding Cullen's actions in the O'Keeffe case. However a Protestant judge and jury will not attach much importance to it. The judges know very little about suspensions and ecclesiastical matters but are anxious to move the trial on despite calls from Cullen's lawyers, Mr Palles and Mr O'Hagan, for a postponement until November. He has been concentrating on confirmations in Dunlavin and Athy where he has the support of the people. In the country the poor people are well to do but in Dublin the drinking and strikes impoverishes them. Judge Keogh has given the seat in Galway to Captain French, son of the bigoted Lord Clancarty- this will diminish the law in the eyes of the people. Keogh was joined by another Catholic called Morris who may be a Freemason and Lawson a so-called liberal Protestant- the Chief Justice Monahan fought against them in vain. Cullen refused an invitation to dine with the Lord Lieutenant and the Duke of Edinburgh partly because 'the great people here are so addicted to freemasonry that I am afraid to have any close connection with them.'

KIR/NC/1/1872/34 Holograph letter from Cardinal Cullen to Dr. Kirby

Ital 2pp

Cullen sends £100 from Mgr Thomas Power, Bishop of St. John's, Newfoundland to the Pope. The weather in Ireland has improved bringing hope.

KIR/NC/1/1872/35 Holograph letter from Cardinal Cullen, Dublin to Dr. Kirby Item 16 June 1872 Eng. 4pp

His lawyers have decided that the declaration from Propaganda will not be received as evidence but it will serve to show the people that he did not go too far. Dr. Moran has learned that the Protestants of Callan have moved their children from the Protestant school to Fr O'Keeffe's school. It is also reported that O'Keeffe is in very bad health yet intent on carrying on the law. The jury list contains 48 names with only three being Catholic and O'Keeffe can exclude 12- 'we are yet very far from having the great liberty and equality which the British Constitution is said to secure to all British subjects.' Keogh called on Parliament to prosecute Dr. MacHale, Dr. MacEvilly and Dr. Duggan and thirty priests. He will visit the Naul and Garristown next week. The season is backward and the harvest will probably be very late. He requests Cardinal Barnabo to send his judgement concerning the mortgaging of schools [and government grants] quickly so that it may be read at the Bishops' meeting at Maynooth. William Cullen is again ill. The small pox is less virulent and Cullen's servant has recovered.

Lang. / Extent

Item

KIR/NC/1/1872/36 Holograph letter from Cardinal Cullen, Dublin to Dr. Kirby

20 June 1872

Eng. 2pp

Kirby should explain Dr. Kelly's opposition to a dispensation for a mixed marriage in Derry. Fr O'Keeffe's pretensions were rejected unanimously by Judge Whiteside and his colleagues. The real trial cannot now commence until November and perhaps O'Keeffe will come to his senses and be converted. He gives thanks to the Sacred Heart who regulated everything favourably and to the nuns who prayed from him. Dr. Murray has yet to get priests for his mission but he is to give holy orders in Maynooth

KIR/NC/1/1872/37 Holograph letter from Cardinal Cullen to Dr. Kirby

28 June 1872 Item

Ital. 4pp

Cullen asks that his faculties be renewed. Mgr Carfagnini, Bishop of Harbour Grace, Newfoundland is en route to Rome- he is having administration difficulties with his nuns, some of his priests and Irish. Dr. Murray is looking for a new Bishop of Adelaide- the previous bishop, the Franciscan, Mgr Shiel, was not good. He mentions a conflict he previously had with Shiel and the General of the Capuchins concerning a Capuchin friar named O'Rourke. The O'Keeffe case will be held in November. O'Keeffe has written to Parliament and a Scottish fanatic called Bouverie is supporting him. All the Catholics have condemned Judge Keogh's attack on the church. He sends his regards to Cardinal Barnabo, Mgr Simeoni and Canco. Rinaldini.

KIR/NC/1/1872/38 Item

Holograph letter from Fr Mathias, Immaculate Conception, St. Michel to Fr Stanislar

1 July 1872 Eng. 4pp

Mathias highly recommends Dr. Aylward, professor of Dogmatic and Moral Theology about whom Dr. Kirby has made enquiries. Aylward is know as Fr Ludolph in the community of Remonstrant Fathers at St. Michel's. However Aylward wishes his whereabouts to be kept a secret from his friends, family and students of the Irish College. He wishes to be remembered to Kirby and Fr Francois Regis.

KIR/NC/1/1872/39 Holograph letter from Cardinal Cullen, Dublin to Dr. Kirby Item 3 July 1872

Lullen has received the rescript for Kirwan. He requests his faculties to be

Cullen has received the rescript for Kirwan. He requests his faculties to be renewed. He will get the 'opervatore' with the Pope's grand letter on religious orders translated and published in the 'Record.' He believes that Bismarck now wants to strip Catholics of their religion but the German Bishops act very well, especially the Bishop of Ermeland. He has learned from a travelling priests that the lower classes in France are filled with infidelity and a hatred for priests- he fears new scourges for France. He is pleased with the faith of those he met on his visitations- the children are well instructed and the adults frequent the sacraments. The Peter's Pence collection has raised more money than the previous year thanks, no doubt, to Judge Keogh's attacks on everything sacred. He hopes that the Sacred Heart will settle the O'Keeffe case before it comes in November. He has sent Kirby's photograph to the Redemptorine nuns.

KIR/NC/1/1872/40 Holograph letter from Cardinal Cullen to Dr. Kirby

Item <u>8 July 1872</u> Eng. 4pp

120 priest will attend the retreat in Maynooth conducted by Redemptorist, Fr Bridgett. He hopes the Peter's Pence collection will raise over £2000-the Chief Baron Pigot gave his subscription for the first time in his parish church. Fr O'Keeffe's case against his former curate, Fr Walshe, is to be retried following an earlier victory by O'Keeffe. Judge Whiteside defended O'Keeffe in vain and spoke of the despotism of Canon Law but was overruled by Catholic Judges Barry, Fitzgerald and O'Brien. Whiteside's judgement was a specimen of Protestant bigotry and would give no Catholic justice- Protestant juries are worse. A new jury bill will come into operation in January which will allow more Catholics sit on juries- he hopes that the case can be delayed until then. The small pox is now not as bad.

Lang. / Extent

KIR/NC/1/1872/41 Item Holograph letter from Cardinal Cullen, Dublin to Dr. Kirby. Includes copy of letter from Lord Granville, the Foreign Office to the Earl of Granard, Mullingar Barracks.

8 and 15 July 1872

Eng. 3pp

Cullen transcribes a lightly worded dispatch from Lord Granville to Lord Granard concerning foreign colleges in Rome [in which he promises to bring the matter to the attention of Her Majesty's Minister in Rome, S Augustus Paget] - it may prevent the Italian government from confiscating Irish College property. The Maynooth retreat was attended by 104 priests. Dr. James O'Connor, former rector in Philadelphia and brother to the very ill Bishop O'Connor, is in Ireland. This zealous and learned man has resigned his rectorship in order to become a Jesuit and will be a great loss to his diocese. The small pox is disappearing despite medical predictions that it would increase with the warmer weather. Fr O'Keeffe has had his award for damages against his curate set aside and a retrial called. However he is getting plenty of money from Protestants and is continuing to injure and scandalise the Catholic Church. He hopes that Cardinal Barnabo is recovering and that the Pope is well in the midst of his trials. He mentions Fr Daly, PP who was born in 1777.

KIR/NC/1/1872/42 Holograph letter from Cardinal Cullen, Dublin to Dr. Kirby
Item 29 July 1872 Eng. 4pp

Cullen sends a letter from Harbour Grace concerning the Italian bishop [Carfagnini] of that diocese who is, unbeknownst to himself, deeply unpopular with the nuns and the Irish. He hopes that this bishop will remain in Rome. The Ballot Bill has passed Parliament but it is hard to say if it will do any good. However the liberty of the press is promoting men to strike which is ruining themselves and their employers. By force of agitation and under the pretence of gaining time for improvement the working classes have got Saturday from [6] o'clock made free from workthey now spend the evenings drinking and are unable to go to Mass on Sunday. The government gets £15 million from the sale of whiskey and liquors and there are 2000 houses selling whiskey in Dublin. In Kilcullen there are 1000 people to 17 public houses, in Navan 2000 people to 24 public houses. As the shops now close at six o'clock the shop boys and girls have now long evenings without anything to do which is dangerous. All these modern improvements injure religion and degrade the poor people. He laid the foundation stone of a monastery and church of St. Alphonsus. The small pox is gradually disappearing. Kirby should write in response to Lord Granard.

KIR/NC/1/1872/43 Printed programme for a Triduum planned for the Basilica Item Liberiana, Rome

1872 Ital. 4pp

Triduum is being held in order to pray for the continued well-being of Pius IX

Lang. / Extent

KIR/NC/1/1872/44 Item Printed decree concerning the beatification of Peter Fabro of the Society of Jesus

31 August 1872 Lat. 1p

Reverse of decree addressed to Cardinal Cullen.

KIR/NC/1/1872/45 Item Copy letters, holograph letters and petitions concerned with a private oratory at Warrenstown, Meath. Includes letters from Bishop Nulty, Mullingar and Mrs Elizabeth Johnson, Warrenstown to the Holy See.

September 1872 and earlier copied letters

Lat. Eng. 17pp

Documents concerned with the supply of a priest to say Mass at a private chapel of Mrs Johnson at Warrenstown in the Diocese of Meath. Johnson provides evidence that the chapel has been in use since the 'Old Times' and attempts to persuade Bishop Thomas Nulty to continue to facilitate Mass there. Being unsatisfied with his reply, Johnson seeks the opinion of Dr. Gerald Molloy of Maynooth College and later petitions Propaganda for permission for an Oratory. Nulty in response states that he has no objection in principle to the chapel but that he does not have the power to allow his priests say two Masses in one day and that he therefore does not have a priest for the chapel. Includes copies of letters from Fr Philip Mulligan to Johnson dated 1822; Bishop Cantwell to Johnson dated 1851; Molloy to Nulty, Nulty to Johnson dated 1871, Molloy to Johnson etc.

KIR/NC/1/1872/46 Item Petition from the Ursulines of Thurles to the Pope. Includes response from the Holy See to Kirby.

29 September 1872

Lat. 2pp

The nuns petition for indulgences connected with a statue.

Lang. / Extent

KIR/NC/1/1872/47 Item Holograph letter from Nicholas Conaty, [Bishop of Kilmore], Cavan to Cardinal Cullen. Includes copy letters concerning Fr Corcoran.

<u>14 October 1872</u> Eng. 8pp

Conaty informs Cullen that he has suspended Rev. Terence Corcoran, PP because of his treatment of his parishioners. Corcoran denounced a young school mistress from the altar which would have lead to a law-case were it not for the intervention of Rev. Francis O'Reilly, PP of Baileboro. Corcoran also physically assaulted his own nephew on the public road. He also ordered Thomas Daly out of his church for not having contributed to the Peter's Pence collection- this would have lead to serious scandal if it was reported to the Orange newspapers. The matter was rectified through the intervention of the Vicar General and Bishop Conaty but Corcoran refused to pay Daly damages and was subsequently suspended. A memorandum from some parishioners has called for his reinstatement and Corcoran has also written to Propaganda. Includes copy of memorial signed by the parishioners of Moybalgne- they were lead to believe that if Fr Corcoran was reinstated he would be moved to another parish- they therefore signed a petition in his favour. Having learned that this is not the case they request that Fr Corcoran never be reinstated as their parish priest. Signed by James Clarke, John Brady, Patrick Clarke, Edward Donnelly, John Clarke, Bryan Clarke, Patrick Reilly and Patt McMahon. Also includes copy of letter from Thomas Daly, Granghnadara to Bishop Conaty in which he complains that Corcoran has violently refused to pay him compensation and asks the bishop to intervene so that the matter will not have to be brought before the civil courts. Also includes a copy of a letter from Kate Gillick, 290 Rimington Street, New York to Bishop Conaty in which she claims that her mother has been robbed and ill treated by her brother Fr Corcoran.

KIR/NC/1/1872/48

Item

List of faculties requested by Edward Cannon Kennedy, Rev. Charles Hovis, Edward Cannon MacCabe and Miss O'Ferrall-faculties requested by Kirby.

22 October 1872

Eng. 2pp

Includes faculties to bless beads, a personal altar, permission to read prohibited books and to eat meat whilst travelling.

KIR/NC/1/1872/49

Petition from Cardinal Cullen to the Pope.

Item 28 October 1872

Lat. 2pp

Petition for indulgences.

KIR/NC/1/1872/50 Item Handwritten bill [paid] by Cardinal Cullen. Reverse reads' Mon Laurelaui (per Miss Cleary)'

[1872]

Ital. 2pp

Bill includes cooking expenses and mentions Giusippe Biondi.

Lang. / Extent

KIR/NC/1/1872/51 Item

Holograph letter from Mr [] Thompsen, [Waverley] Rectory, Hadderden to Mr O'Sullivan

Eng. 5pp

Thompsen, a Protestant, is seeking a marriage dispensation. While voicing his respect for the Catholic faith he however clearly sets forth his objections to the promise to bring up any children of the marriage as Catholics believing that one should not anticipate the future in this way.

KIR/NC/1/1872/52 Holograph letter from Gaetano Sealzis, Casa

Item

20 November 1872

Ital. 2pp

Sealzis, acting under the authority of Luigi Galli of [Modena Engineers], wishes to purchase land from the Irish College Rome.

KIR/NC/1/1872/53 Item

Document entitled 'Statement in re. O'Keeffe, with Questions for Canonists. A O'Hagan, 9 Harcourt St., Dublin'

[circa May or December] 1872

Eng. Lat. 10pp

O'Hagan, who is Cullen's attorney poses some legal questions surrounding the O'Keeffe case for canon law experts in Rome. Margins contain handwritten answers in the hand of Dr. Kirby. The statement includes a synopsises of the case, a copy of a letter of suspension from Bishop Walsh to O'Keeffe, an account of the meeting between Cardinal Cullen and O'Keeffe, correspondence and a letter of suspension from Cullen to O'Keeffe. [The document has been dated in another hand- perhaps this dating is incorrect and the correct date should be May 1872- see KIR/NC/1/1872/23]

KIR/NC/1/1872/54 Item

Holograph fragment of letter from [Cardinal Cullen] to [probably Dr. Kirby]

[circa 1872] Eng. 2pp

The meeting of bishops will take place on Tuesday but nothing has been received yet from Propaganda. Dr. MacEvilly knows the case well and will give evidence against O'Keeffe as will Dr. Leahy. Two Rom. [canon lawyers] will act as witnesses. Propaganda needs to give a distinct answer that cannot be interpreted in different ways as lawyers are allowed to assail every document that comes before them. Dr. Moran's trial will come after Cullen's and Mr Harhen, a national inspector, has taken an action for assault against O'Keeffe.

KIR/NC/1/1872/55 Item

Short allegorical story entitled 'The Little Red Shoes. A Christmas Story. 1872'

1872 Eng. 4pp Code / Level

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KIR/NC/1/1873/1 Item Printed pamphlet comparing revenue collected and duties under the Pontifical Government and the Italian Government for the years 1869 and 1873.

1873

Ital. 4pp

Includes a table entitled 'Aliquote di una rendita totale annua di lire 70,000 pagate per tasse nel 1869 al Governo Pontificio, e quelle dovute nel 1873 al Governo Italiano' which highlights a substantial increase in revenue collecting.

KIR/NC/1/1873/2 Item Petition from Michael A Corrigan, [Collegio Seteniensi] to Cardinal Barnabo, Propaganda Fide and reply from Cardinal Barnabo to the Superior General of the Christian Brothers.

10 January 1873

Lat. 2pp

Petition concerns Thomas Mulqueen, an Irish Christian Brother who wishes to receive a dispensation.

KIR/NC/1/1873/3 Item Holograph fragment of letter from James Moore, Sedgley Park, Wolverhampton.

12 January 1873

Eng. 2pp

Moore provides 'answers to questions in accompanying form'. [Probably relating to the suitability of Joseph Basil Roper, Hobart Town as a student of the Irish College] He hopes that the recipient enjoyed his pilgrimage to the Holy Places.

KIR/NC/1/1873/4 Item Printed letter to Comm. Giovanni Lanza, Presidente del Consiglio dei Ministri and petition from the rectors of the foreign colleges in Rome concerning the Roman College.

17 January 1873

Ital. 4pp

Documents concerned with the status of the Roman College under the new political regime in Rome. Refers to letters from the rectors of the foreign colleges in Rome from 1870 and 1871. The rectors argue that the Roman College is an international college needed by them to educate their students. Rectors include A Steinhuber of the German-Hungarian College, H O'Callaghan of the English College, A Grant of the Scottish College, T Kirby of the Irish College, Benedetto Mannoni of the Greek College, Vittore van den Brauden of the Belgian College, Melchiorre Freyd of the French Seminary, Ag Santinelli of the Latin American College, F Silas Chatard of the American College and Pietro Semenenko of the Polish College.

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KIR/NC/1/1873/5 Item Holograph letter from Thomas English, St. Mary's, Clonmel to Count de La Poer

20 January 1873

Eng. 6pp

English has been informed by Miss Osborne that the recipient has agreed to present a donation and address from the children of Clonmel to the Pope. The donation of £52 was gathered from the children and Miss Carr decorated the address. He describes in detail the retreat to the children focusing on the Holy See and Infallibility given by the Passionist Fathers over eight days. Over four thousand people received communion on the last day which was the Feast of the Immaculate Conception. He mentions that Mr Arnold de La Poer was at Johnson Street Church with Mrs Edward Power Springfield. He sends regards to Miss Osbourne.

KIR/NC/1/1873/6 Item Holograph petition from Marie Frederic de Bray to the Pope and printed letter to the Religious Communities of Great Britain and Ireland from 'A Counsellor of the Arch-confraternity of Our Lady of Angles.'

29 January and 25 February 1873

Eng. Fr. 5pp

Eng. 1p

As Fr de Bray has been arbitrarily declared to be no longer competent, the work of the Arch-confraternity has been seriously impeded. The printed letter asks that doubts respecting de Bray be put aside. De Bray asks the Pope for permission to build a sanctuary in honour of Notre Dame des Anges.

KIR/NC/1/1873/7 Item Printed circular letter from Patrick Cody, J. P., Secretary of the Callan School Committee, Callan to [Members of 23 April 1873

The committee ask the Members of Parliament to vote against the motion being proposed by Mr Bouverie concerning the Callan schools. They wish to make it known that a forged document purporting to be from the committee and nominating Fr Robert O'Keeffe as manager was sent to the Board of National Education. Rev. W Martin, the administrator of the parish of Callan is in fact their nominated manager of the schools. The committee also approve of the schools being struck off by the Board due to the violent and public assaults on the District Inspector and the actions of Fr O'Keeffe.

KIR/NC/1/1873/8 Item Receipt for money transfer and currency exchange made out to Dr. Kirby, Rome.

<u>9 May 1873</u> Eng. 1p

Receipt is for £50 which has been converted into 1442.50 lire less commission. Mentions Dr. Lee.

Lang. / Extent

KIR/NC/1/1873/9

Holograph letter from Mary of the Cross to Monsignor Kirby

Item

14 May [1873]

Eng. 2pp

Sister Mary wishes to arrange an interview with Kirby to discuss her plans regarding her community's rules. They wish to adhere strictly to certain main points of their rule in order that they might provide the best for their Australian children.

KIR/NC/1/1873/10

Holograph letter from Mary of the Cross to Monsignor Kirby

[undated circa 1873] Item

Eng. 1p

Sister Mary thanks Kirby and the religious who has consented to allow her to stay at her convent. She will meet Fr Lambert of the Jesu tomorrow.

KIR/NC/1/1873/11

Holograph letter from Mary of the Cross to Monsignor Kirby

[undated circa 1873] Item

Eng. 2pp

Sister Mary asks Kirby to look over her papers to be handed to the Holy See. They show that it was their inexperience that is to blame for the ill feeling that some held against her community. She believes that the priests who were opposed to them in Australia were themselves suffering from inexperience and therefore should not be harshly blamed. However disturbing statements were circulated about them which caused scandal in Adelaide.

Item

KIR/NC/1/1873/12 Holograph letter from Mary of the Cross to Monsignor Kirby

Monday [undated circa 1873]

Eng. 2pp

Sister Mary has sent papers to Kirby so that he might have an opportunity to read them before their interview. She feels fortunate that these papers were not observed by customs officials on her journey to Rome She notes that there is no Rev. Mother in their community.

KIR/NC/1/1873/13 Item

Holograph draft of the rules and regulations of the Institute of the Sisters of St. Joseph of the Sacred Heart.

[undated circa 1873]

Eng. 8pp

Document details the objectives and rules to be followed by the Institute of the Sisters of St. Joseph of the Sacred Heart. This draft document is being prepared for submission to the Holy See for approval. Their objective is to 'secure the poor in their spiritual destitution' through the provision of a religious education for children. They are to follow a strict vow of poverty and be strictly subservient to their Sister Guardian General and their Bishop.

Lang. / Extent

KIR/NC/1/1873/14

Item

Holograph letter from Mary of the Cross to [Monsignor Kirby]

[undated circa 1873]

Eng. 6pp

Sister Mary gives a detailed account of her life and the events that have lead to her mission to Rome. Her parents were religious, her father had studied to be a Jesuit priest. After her parents' death she cared for her siblings and started to work as a teacher. She mentions Fr Wood who was an early source of inspiration to her but with whom she later disagreed which resulted in his retirement as director of the sisters. She also mentions differences with her Bishop in Adelaide and her resolve to carry out God's will. She had to contend with the removal of certain sisters for the Institute and the possibility that they would form a more austere house. Fr Woods and later Fr Reynolds convinced her of the necessity of travelling to Rome.

KIR/NC/1/1873/15 Item

Holograph petition to the Pope and reply from Propaganda Fide signed by Achilles Can. Rinaldini

<u>26 May 1873</u> Lat. 1p

Request [to enter a Carthusian convent]. Reply mentions the Superior General of the Carthusians

KIR/NC/1/1873/16

Holograph letter from Mary of the Cross to Monsignor Kirby

Item [undated circa 1873]

Eng. 2pp

Sister Mary thanks Kirby for his kindness. She regrets that she was unable to speak with Cardinal Barnabo as freely as her heart desired. She asks Kirby to pray that she can become a better religious.

KIR/NC/1/1873/17

Item

Holograph letter from Mary of the Cross to Monsignor Kirby

[undated circa 1873]

Eng. 7pp

Sister Mary provides an explanation as to why the Sisterhood of St. Joseph of the Sacred Heart in Adelaide have been founded and an explanation of their Rule which they will submit to the Holy See. She asks Kirby to correct or alter anything as he sees fit. She notes that the new Bishop of Adelaide visited the schools in January 1867 and told Fr Woods to draw up a Rule. The sisters now number 130 members, have 30 schools in Adelaide attended by 1500 children and have schools in Bathurst and Queensland. She mentions the House of Providence, funding from the Catholic Board of Directors and the requirement of the sisters to beg on behalf of the poor. She comments on the fifteen chapters of their rule as approved by the late Bishop Shiel which is to be put before the Holy See for approval. It has been her experience that the most useful school sisters have been those who arrived with little prior learning but who advanced themselves by study and prayer. They are concerned with wicked secular education which exposes children to evil. They also resolve never to accept aid in the form of fixed salaries from any Protestant Government.

Lang. / Extent

KIR/NC/1/1873/18 Item

Fragment of holograph letter from Mary of the Cross to [Monsignor Kirby]

[undated circa 1873]

Eng. 2pp

Sister Mary and the sisters argue in favour of retaining a General Superior of their community as originally intended in their Rule. This General Superior would be bound by the Rule which she would be unable to alter. Provincials should however submit to their local bishop and only in extreme cases would it be necessary for the General to impose her authority over a provincial community in opposition to the local bishop. She believes that it is 'a bad thing for a woman to be too long in a position of authority'.

KIR/NC/1/1873/19

Holograph letter from Mary of the Cross to Monsignor Kirby

Item Monday [undated circa 1873] Eng. 1p

Sister Mary is suffering from an illness she describes as a 'bilious attack' and is unable to visit Kirby as planned. They were to discuss the submission to the Pope.

Item

KIR/NC/1/1873/20 Holograph letter from Mary of the Cross to Monsignor Kirby

[undated circa 1873]

Eng. 6pp

Sister Mary thanks Kirby for the engraving and book and asks that a similar engraving be acquired for Fr Reynolds. She has visited Mary Major's church, the Jesu and has met with Fr Anderledy. She encloses a draft petition to Pope Pius IX which she asks Kirby to correct. In the petition she asks the Pope to approve of the Rules of the Institute of the Sisterhood of St. Joseph of the Sacred Heart or at least to sanction the 'essential points as briefly drawn up in the compendium'.

KIR/NC/1/1873/21 Item

Copies of correspondence between Sig. Commend. Gadda, Prefetto di Roma and U. Cardella S.J., Rettore del Collegio Roma.

4 June 1873

Due to the necessity to provide troops to secure public order more garrison space is required. Sig. Commend. Tenente Colonnello Luigi Guravaglia, Direttore del Genio militare in Rome therefore requests a visit to the Roman College. Cardella replies that although it was agreed in 1870 that Bombardiers would be billeted in the college it is currently impossible.

KIR/NC/1/1873/22 Holograph letter from Mary of the Cross to Monsignor Kirby

[undated circa 1873] Item

Eng. 1p

Ital. 2pp

Sister Mary has met with Fr Andorledy who has consented to see Fr Consultor on her behalf. She will call on Kirby.

Lang. / Extent

KIR/NC/1/1873/23 Item Draft holograph statement concerning the Sisterhood of St. Joseph of the Sacred Heart by Mary of the Cross

[undated circa 1873]

Eng. 4pp

The Institute has been founded to provide Catholic education to the poor in South Australia using a system adapted to meet the necessities of the Australian colonies. It has met with support and great opposition which has strengthened it so that it now has over 50 schools independent of various charitable Institutions. The schools undertake to teach their pupils such subjects as are in keeping with their station and leave subjects such as instrumental music to the higher schools. The Superioress General [Mary of the Cross] is now in Rome at the bequest of her Bishops and the Sisterhood. It is requested of the readers of this statement to donate to the Institute.

KIR/NC/1/1873/24 Item Handwritten account entitled 'Espressioni di Camillo Filippo de Rossi, decenne, morto ai 13 Guigno 1873 in Roma'

<u>13 January 1873</u> Ital. 3pp

An account of conversations with de Rossi before his death.

KIR/NC/1/1873/25

Holograph letter from Mary of the Cross to Monsignor Kirby

Item [undated circa 1873]

Eng. 2pp

Sister Mary reports that Fr Reynolds was very ill but quickly recovered following prayers from Fr Tappiems and the Sisters. Should Kirby hear of any difficulty in Propaganda concerning their Rule she asks that she be again presented to Cardinal Barnabo.

KIR/NC/1/1873/26 Item Letter from Cardinal Barnabo to the Superior General of the Christian Brothers in Dublin

20 January 1873

Ital. 1p

Letter concerned with Brother Thomas McVery who is seeking a dispensation to allow him study for the priesthood. He has the consent of his Superior and the Bishop of Shrewsbury.

KIR/NC/1/1873/27

Holograph letter from Mary of the Cross to Monsignor Kirby

Item [undated circa 1873]

Eng. 2pp

Sister Mary is finding the Roman summer more difficult than the Adelaide one. She sometimes finds herself inclined to sad and lowly thoughts and even to discouragement. She will accompany some of the Sisters of St. Peter's on the following morning and hopes to speak to Kirby in the evening if possible.

KIR/NC/1/1873/28

Holograph petition from Dr. Kirby to the Pope.

Item [circa 1873]

Ital. 1p

Dr. Giacomo Keane, Professor of Holy Liturgy at Maynooth is gravely ill and requests the Pope's benediction.

Lang. / Extent

KIR/NC/1/1873/29 Holograph letter from Mary of the Cross to Monsignor Kirby

Item [undated circa 1873]

Eng. 1p

Sister Mary has been suffering from a severe headache but is now well and may go to the Sacred Heart Convent with Rev. Mother.

KIR/NC/1/1873/30

Holograph letter from Mary of the Cross- MacKellop to

Item Monsignor Kirby

[undated circa 1873]

Eng. 1p

Sister Mary informs Kirby that the Sisterhood wish that there be only one Provincial 'for some years to come at any rate.' She wishes to show Kirby, Fr Tappiener's last letter and seeks another audience with Cardinal di Luci to outline her principle points.

KIR/NC/1/1873/31

Holograph letter from Mary of the Cross to Monsignor Kirby

Item [undated circa 1873]

Eng. 1p

Sister Mary will call on Kirby in preparation for the long task of the following day. The heat is affecting her health.

KIR/NC/1/1873/32 Item Copy of decree arising from a Papal Audience concerning a request for a private oratory by Mr Lalor of the Diocese of Cashel.

13 July 1873

Lat. Ital. 2pp

Decree describes the request for an oratory to hold the Blessed Sacrament and say Mass. Written on reverse of document is 'Mrs Stella Power Lalor, nuora della defuncto' [daughter-in-law of the deceased]

KIR/NC/1/1873/33

Holograph letter from Mary of the Cross to Monsignor Kirby

Item

[undated circa 1873]

Eng. 4pp

Sister Mary mentions the good tidings that Kirby reported to her. She does not believe that she will be ready to leave Rome before the 31st [July], the Feast of St. Ignatius. Before then she wishes to visit as many of the shrines and churches as she can and solicit the prayers of as many communities as possible. She is due to have money sent to her but if this does not arrive in time she asks Kirby to lend her some money to make the trip to London. She has relatives who 'will do plenty for me, and for the cause only when they do not really understand how much it is required.' Fr Reynolds has given her some instruction for Propaganda. She feels the 'shadow of a big, big cross which awaits [her] in Australia.'

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KIR/NC/1/1873/34 Item Printed Booklet entitled 'Report on the Present Condition of the Catholic University' by Barth. Woodlock, Rector of Catholic University

<u>16 July 1873</u> Eng. 26pp

Report is addressed to Cardinal Cullen and the other Archbishops and Bishops of Ireland and is marked 'Private and Confidential.' Woodlock admits that the University has had to contend with great difficulties in its first twenty years and hasn't had the success that was anticipated. The choice now lies between developing it or winding it down. He sets out the problems of the institution and provides remedies. A chief problem lies in the non-recognition of the University by Government. It also has problems attracting students, has not benefited Catholic schools, has not gained the confidence of the people and has had difficulty attracting funding. Included in his recommendations is the awarding of degrees by the authority of the Holy See and the building of an 'imposing building' which would 'prove our earnestness.' He also mentions Dr. Newman, Gladstone's Bill and the notion that the University need not be confined to Dublin

KIR/NC/1/1873/35

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Item

Holograph letter from Mary of the Cross to Monsignor Kirby [undated circa 1873] Eng. 2pp

Sister Mary thanks Kirby for the message for Miss Palk of South Kensington, London. Palk has moved to Thurloe Square in order to be close to the Oratory. She would like to speak with Kirby before she writes to Dr. Mathew Ouinn.

KIR/NC/1/1873/36

Holograph letter from Mary of the Cross to Monsignor Kirby

[undated circa 1873] Eng. 4pp

Sister Mary asks Kirby if she should go to London before the decision of the Holy See is given on their Rule, as she will need sufficient time to procure school supplies there. She also needs to see a benefactor who is a ship merchant and also the Superioress of the Convent of Coblentz before she returns to Adelaide. She also feels reluctant to travel all the way to London in the company of Mrs O'Dougherty as it is 'hard to be as reserved with her as [she] feels she ought to be, that is in conversation.' The only ones willing and able to assist them in London are Protestants. She admits that she would much more gladly follow the lead of another rather than have the weary task of proposing things to others but this is the 'weighty charge' given to her by God.

KIR/NC/1/1873/37

Holograph letter from Mary of the Cross to Monsignor Kirby

Item [undated circa 1873]

Eng. 2pp

Sister Mary is very pleased with the kind letter of the Cardinal and now leaves Rome with a relieved and grateful heart. She thanks Kirby for the loan of £12 and for his assistance- 'St. Agatha's will always be dear to St. Joseph's children.' She will give an account of her meeting with Cardinal de Lucio. Miss Fleming will accompany her to Loretto but Mrs O'D should not be encouraged to wait or worry over her.

Lang. / Extent

KIR/NC/1/1873/38

Item

Holograph letter from Ales C di Camburzano, Monte San Vittorio to Monsignor [Kirby]

23 July 1873

Camburzano discusses his/her spirituality. Her health has improved and she mentions her return to Fassano

KIR/NC/1/1873/39

Holograph letter from Mary of the Cross to Monsignor Kirby

[undated circa 1873] Item

Eng. 4pp

Ital. 6pp

Miss Fleming did not call on Kirby as planned as she heard that he was ill. Mary of the Cross hopes that Mrs O'Dougherty will be assisted by God in serving the Poor and will bring her safely home. She would like to get her rosaries and crucifixes, a miniature 'St. Peter's Chair at Rome' and a small figure of the Immaculate Mother blessed by the Pope. She gave her goodbyes to Dr. Grant who promised to give her a letter to a Bishop in Scotland which might aid her there. She might go to Ireland if she can find good postulants there and she asks Kirby's advice on this matter. She would also like to assist her Bishop who is also in need of priests.

KIR/NC/1/1873/40 Holograph and printed circular from A Grant, Scottish College

29 July 1873 Item

Invitation to attend a meeting of the Rectors of the Foreign Colleges in the American College.

KIR/NC/1/1873/41 Item

Holograph petition from Maria Baccardi Ved. Brizzi, 9 Via de Neofili to Monsignor Kirby.

31 July 1873

Ital. 2pp

Brizzi mentions a disastrous catastrophe which is causing misery and death and she seeks assistance from Kirby. Includes a reply from [Leizi Cand Porei], Parrocchia di Maria de Montes.

KIR/NC/1/1873/42

Holograph petition from [] McSwilley, Vicar of Cloyne,

Cloyne to the Pope Item

13 August 1873

Lat. 3pp

McSwilley seeks a marriage dispensation for George Sloane, Anglican and Margaret Clarke, Catholic both of Cloyne parish and diocese.

Lang. / Extent

Eng. 8pp

KIR/NC/1/1873/43 Item Holograph letter from Mary of the Cross, 44 South Street, Grovenor Square, West London to Monsignor Kirby Jundated circa 1873]

Sister Mary has found affordable accommodation close to the Jesuit church and she has found a priest who is helping her to procure support for her schools. She is also receiving assistance from Monsignor Howard, Dr. Vaughan, Father Christie and hopefully the Archbishop. She will send a letter, along with Dr. Grant's letter of recommendation, to the Bishop of Glasgow in the hope that he will secure postulants for her. She hopes that there will be no need for her to go to Scotland herself. She does not wish to return to Adelaide until the decision of the Congregation of Rites is given but is anxious about being away so long. Howard has suggested that Vaughan could hasten matters along when he travels to Rome. She will join a pilgrimage from London to Paray-le-Monial in honour of the Sacred Heart. The pilgrimage, which is for the intentions of the Pope and the conversion of England, has angered Protestants who are furious over such an open demonstration of Faith by the leading nobility of the kingdom. She mentions 'Poor Father Wood's continued silence' noting that he must be suffering himself. She has received her money from Madame Curcies and will repay Kirby immediately. She is grieved that she felt it necessary to distance herself slightly from Mrs O'Dougherty before leaving Rome. 'I feel so much for her, and the more so as I wish her zeal were better guided.'

KIR/NC/1/1873/44 Item Holograph letter from F. D., Clermont Peak, Donns Island and addressed to 'My own dear child'. [possibly Mary of the

<u>27 August 1873</u> Eng. 8pp

F. D. gives an account of a successful mission he has just completed in Queensland, Australia. It was needed as 'the people were living like pagans in a wild desolate [] population'. He travelled overland from Mackay, over 200 miles with little water and long stages 'because the blacks are troublesome and you can't camp out.' He is unable to travel by boat to Rockhampton as the Dawson and McKenzie rivers are flooded and instead will travel to Port Derrison and describes the climate and convent there. He mentions Sister Gertrude, Sister Maria, Fr Horan. Fr Reynolds has requested that he go to Port Darwin in the Northern Territory which he does not relish as he will be far from all his children. He refers to a possible difference of opinion that he may have with the recipient but is quite sure that it 'cannot be the Will of God that a child should give up her father.' 'In the beginning of the institute you were guided by me and I see no reason why you should ever [] any other guide in the conduct of it.' He refers to his similar guidance of Sr. Josephine and notes that he and Sister Clare are on the most perfect understanding as to her subjects. He doesn't think that he could be the father of the Sisters of St. Joseph if the recipients impressions are correct and he feels that she has lost confidence in his management of the institute. Fr Reynolds also believes that the recipient was right and he was wrong on some issues. Fr Tappenia may also hold the same view. He hopes that this will be their last misunderstanding.

Lang. / Extent

KIR/NC/1/1873/45

Draft letter from [Dr. Kirby], Tivoli to Sister Mary [of the

Item

29 September 1873

Eng. 1p

Kirby thanks Mary for her letter and hopes that she has gained graces from her pilgrimage.

KIR/NC/1/1873/46 Item Holograph letter [incomplete] from Mary of the Cross to [Dr. Kirby]

[undated circa 1873]

Eng. 4pp

Lat. 1p

Sister Mary worries that she did wrong in printing 'the accompanying statement'. She feels that she may not have followed [Kirby's] advice to her 'to be silent'. Her priest and Lady Georgiana Fullerton both advised her on this course of action. It was written to be shown to Cardinal de Luci, Monsignor Howard and Monsignor Stonor. Parts of it could be shown to associates of Fr Christie and she has sent a copy to the Archbishop. She sends [Kirby] six copies to be distributed to Dr. Grant and Fr Auderledy and she urges him to give her his candid opinion. It is fortunate that Dr. Reynolds has been appointed bishop because their views are at one on many issues. His appointment has been welcomed even by Protestants, such as Mr Smith, the Director of the Adelaide Bank. She believes that she is following God's will by helping other which has resulted in her choosing this path. She thanks Kirby for the spiritual books which he sent her. Dr. Mathew Quinn has said that if music is excluded from their Rule that he will get a dispensation to allow it. [missing first pages]

KIR/NC/1/1873/47 Item Document entitled 'Pianta Liquidatrice Dell' Asse Ecclesiastico De Roma' signed by Ferreri, Il Presidente Della Giunta; Martini, Il Capo della Ragioneria and Chasotti, Il Segretario

14 October 1873 Ital. 1p

Document concerned with the sale of Ecclesiastical property mentioning dates.

KIR/NC/1/1873/48

Item

Copy of a decree from Propaganda Fide concerning The Sisters of Mercy of Hull in the Diocese of Beverley

24 October 1873

KIR/NC/1/1873/49 Item Copy of regulation from Bishop Paolo of Asisi [Assisi] to [GB Cofanelli]

<u>2 December 1873</u> Ital. 2pp

List of regulations regarding the use of a church cellar.

Lang. / Extent

KIR/NC/1/1873/50 Item

Copy of letter from Tenterden, Foreign Office to the Earl of Granard

5 December 1873

Eng. 1p

Tenterden acknowledges Granard's and Cardinal Cullen's letter concerning the sale of Irish College land in Rome. Vineyards situated outside Porta Salara, belonging to the Archbishops of Ireland have been advertised for sale by public auction. This matter is now under the consideration of Her Majesty's Government and Lord Granville is in communication with the Minister in Rome.

KIR/NC/1/1873/51 Item

Printed circular letter from Francisco Ballester, Esteban Esparza, Juan Castro and Marcial Aguirre, Rome and addressed in hand to the Rector of the Irish College.

11 December 1873

Sp. 1p

Invitation to a religious service in the Iglesia de S. Pedro in Montorio being conducted by Spanish clergy. Service to include a sermon by Padre Jorge de la Virgen, Comisario Apostolico de Espana en el Convento de S. Carlos de las Cuatro Fontanas.

KIR/NC/1/1874/1 Item

Copy of letter from N Walsh, St. Francis Xavier's, Dublin addressed to Rev. Mother [probably Mary of the Cross]

2 January 1874

Eng. 2pp

Walsh is aware of the very unpleasant state of affairs in Adelaide but is unable to send a priest at the moment. He could not supply Fr Streel who was seeking two priests for his college. He suggests that the Bishop apply to the Fr General and he will then do his best to find a suitable candidate.

KIR/NC/1/1874/2 Item

Printed copy of petition from James Frederic, Bishop of Philadelphia to the Pope and the reply from Pius IX

5 January 1874

Eng. Lat. 4pp

Frederic sends £5000 in Peter's Pence through Rev. Chatard, Rector of the American College. Handwritten note mentioning 'Monsignor. Kirby, Irish College Rome'.

KIR/NC/1/1874/3

Holograph note from 'Mary' to her mother.

Item

3 January 1874

Eng. 1p

Mary expresses her regret for having to give her mother some bad news. [Note refers to an enclosure which is not included.]

Lang. / Extent

KIR/NC/1/1874/4 Item Holograph letter from Cardinal Cullen to Dr. Kirby

5 January 1874

Eng. 2pp

Cullen asks Kirby to get a dispensation in the case of a man and his sister-in-law. Such cases are unfortunately common amongst the poor when a mother dies and her sister cares for her children. He hopes Kirby had a quite Christmas at least- in Spain things couldn't be worse. He offers advice concerning the vineyards which Kirby may be forced to sell- if any money could be got at all it could be deposited in the Bank of England in the names of the Archbishops. He sang High Mass at Christmas. He advises William Cullen to give up travelling until he is well again. The new church in Clonliffe will be 30 feet high and will be roofed in May. Lord Russell is organizing an anti-Catholic meeting- the English want to rival Bismarck and the Prussians in their attack on Catholics.

KIR/NC/1/1874/5 Item Holograph letter from P D O'Regan, Kanturk addressed to 'My very Dear Lord'.

12 January 1874

Eng. 8pp

O'Regan congratulates the recipient on his recent public honours and hopes that the bishop will pay a visit to his old diocese during the year. He recounts recently visiting his ailing Bishop of Cloyne noting that he will not survive much longer. He discusses the forthcoming election for Cloyne mentioning that John McCarthy, Murphy of Youghal and 'old Fitz' would all support the recipient's return to Cork. However as this is unlikely they are going to concentrate on electing McCarthy. He also mentions the possible votes of Tom Walsh, the PP of Macroon, the Bishop of Ross and the PPs of Cork and Kerry. He believes that he will be appointed Vicar Capitular. He recounts how Der., Dean of Cloyne refused to put some money towards the £10,000 guarantee required by the Munster Bank for the Cathedral in Queenstown- he was also rejected by his peers for the position in the Board of St. Colman's. 'Danger' Murphy was sent to Ballindangan in place of poor Mr Daly and Dilworth says that this will surely kill him. [recipient perhaps is Conroy]

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KIR/NC/1/1874/6

Holograph letter from Cardinal Cullen to Dr. Kirby

Item

19 January 1874

Eng. 3pp

Cullen is glad to hear that the sale of the Irish College property has been agreed for such a good price and suggests that it could even be sold for 20,000 francs less. He cautions against putting the proceeds into a Bank of England account in the name of the four archbishops because Dr. MacHale caused problems with a similar account relating to the University- he suggests that the money be put in Kirby's name. Dr. Keane has died but Cullen will not venture to the funeral. Fr O'Keeffe is determined to carry on with the law cases and it may be necessary to bring over the Roman canonists again- last years trials cost over £2000. He sends John O'Hagan's speech for Dr. Conroy to read. Lord Russell is to give a bigoted speech- the success of Bismarck is a spur to the English and even Gladstone is being carried with the torrent. He sends regards to Fr Maher whose mother's and father's health are stable.

KIR/NC/1/1874/7 Item Holograph letter from Cardinal Cullen addressed to Monsignor [not Kirby- probably Dr. Conroy who is visiting Rome]

20 January 1874 Eng. 4pp

Fr Matthew has stated that he wants the nuns to pay £800 which they cannot afford- Dr. Nulty should go to Rome to sort out this affair. Fr O'Keeffe will be delighted with Fr Matthew's success. Cullen hopes that Kirby will be able to sell the vineyards but suggests that the money be deposited in Kirby's or two 'safe persons' names because it has been difficult to manage joint bank accounts held with Dr. MacHale in the past. He wonders if Dr. O'Hea will succeed Dr. Keane as bishop. Cullen declined to become involved in a meeting called to raise funds for Protestant and Catholic Hospitals. The meeting was supported by Lord Brabazon, Lord Meath, Whiteside, Napier and Lord O'Hagan and was held in a Protestant hall in Molesworth Street. Only three Catholics attended; the late Lord Mayor, Dr. Lyons and Dr. McSweeny of the Catholic Universityhowever there are about 50 Protestants on the committee. Propaganda have asked him to suggest something for Buenos Ayres. He refused to write a letter of recommendation for Mgr Curley who has gone to the missionsthings are in a bad way there [Buenos Ayres] but worse in Monte Video. Fr O'Keeffe can do nothing until the law question is decided- Whiteside has defended himself in a report of the judgement. [Conroy the recipient] should read the speech of John O'Hagan which was sent to Dr. Kirby. Munroe may have to return from Propaganda before the summer.

KIR/NC/1/1874/8 Item Note concerning a marriage dispensation [probably in Dr. Kirby's hand]

20 January 1874

Eng. Lat. 1p

It is noted that 'the man is ignorant of the impediment and the invalidity of the marriage.'

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KIR/NC/1/1874/9

Holograph letter from Cardinal Cullen to Dr. Kirby

Item

21 January 1874

Eng. 2pp

Cullen notes that the 14 pillars of beautiful red marble from the Alps have been delivered to the new church which is nearing completion. They cost £100 each which is more expensive than similar pillars of Carrara marble. He hopes the cook, who has arrived from Rome, will adapt to the lack of sun and tomatoes. If it is difficult to sell the remainder of the vineyard they could be sold for less- they initially cost 300,000 francs. He hopes that Lord Russell's illness will put an end to his fiasco of a meeting. He asks that Lady Annie Keating, a convert, be given a Papal title- she is the wealthy daughter of the bigoted Judge Keating but is afraid that without a title she will find it difficult to enter Catholic society in England or France. The late Dr. Keane's great cathedral is not very far advanced but has already cost £40,000. A good professor of Canon Law is required for Clonliffe- Dr. Conroy should try to get one in Rome. Fr Slevin, PP and a former student of the Irish College, has died.

KIR/NC/1/1874/10 Item

Bill of exchange from the Commercial Banking Company of Sydney, Armidale to Dr. Kirby.

23 January 1874

Eng. 1p

Bill for £120. Note from Kirby stating that the bill was received and duly paid according to directions.

KIR/NC/1/1874/11 Item Duplicate of letter from [T. Timothy O'Mahony], Bishop of Armidale to the Pope

[24 January] 1874

Lat. 4pp

O'Mahony writes to the Pope on submitting his £120 Peter's Pence.

KIR/NC/1/1874/12 Item Letter signed by Cardinal Barnabo, Propaganda Fide, Rome to Mons. Luigi Ciurcia, Titular Archbishop of Irenopolis and Vicar Apostolic of Egitto. Drafted by Giovanni Simeoni,

27 January 1874

Ital. 2pp

Letter of recommendation for Sig. Commend. Arthur Moore, Cameriere di Cappa e Spada of the Diocese of Cashel who wishes to make a pilgrimage to the Holy Land

KIR/NC/1/1874/13 Item Letter signed by Cardinal Barnabo, Propaganda Fide, Rome to Serafino Milani, Titular Archbishop of Traianopolis and Delegate Apostolic of Siria. Drafted by Giovanni Simeoni, Secretary.

27 January 1874

Ital. 2pp

Letter of recommendation for Sig. Commend. Arthur Moore, Cameriere di Cappa e Spada of the Diocese of Cashel who wishes to make a pilgrimage to the Holy Land

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KIR/NC/1/1874/14 Item Letter signed by Cardinal Barnabo, Propaganda Fide, Rome to Vinceno Bracco, Patriarch of Jerusalem. Drafted by Giovanni Simeoni, Secretary.

27 January 1874

Ital. 2pp

Letter of recommendation for Sig. Commend. Arthur Moore, Cameriere di Cappa e Spada of the Diocese of Cashel who wishes to make a pilgrimage to the Holy Land

KIR/NC/1/1874/15 Item Holograph letter from [Kirby's niece], Shamrock Grove to her Uncle Toby [Tobias Kirby]. [Letter incomplete]

27 January 1874

Eng. 4pp

The writer is glad to hear that Kirby has recovered from an attack he suffered on a street. The bishop has purchased a Country Convent for her community of nuns four miles out of town. It is situated on 70 acres and is to house the boarding school while the day school will remain in the town. She wonders if any of the Italian Dominican Sisters who are without a home would care to help them in the Antipodes [Australia]. They also need priests. Their Mother Prioress was very ill but has recovered to a degree-she would write herself but has been instructed to rest. [Last page of letter missing]

KIR/NC/1/1874/16

Holograph letter from Cardinal Cullen, Dublin to Dr. Kirby

Item 29 January 1874

Eng. 4pp

Cullen advises Kirby to sell all the vineyards but to try to seek good terms so that the College can continue to use them. On the other hand it may be possible to sell one half and retain the other half. Due to Gladstone's unexpected dissolution of Parliament there has been no time for preparation and the Catholics might not benefit much. The Home Rule question has divided the minds of the people and some who care little 'for us and our religion' will be elected. Several Protestants and even Orangemen have taken up this cause and many priests appear to think of nothing but Home Rule. Lord Russell's fiasco was poorly attended- Fr O'Keeffe had a letter read out in which he appealed for money to continue his case against Cullen. Dr. Moran may find it difficult to defend himself against O'Keeffe's lawsuit due to the reluctance of witnesses. He hopes that the Sacred Heart will convert O'Keeffe. It is not easy to get a suitable priest to govern such an important diocese such as Cloyne. A split has emerged between priests and people in Limerick- the priests there were foolish to initially encourage the mob which they are now unable to control. Fr Walker and the cook for Clonliffe have arrived. The Church of the Holy Cross now has 14 pillars of fine marble from the Alps. He enquires about William Cullen, Dr. Conroy and Fr Maher.

Lang. / Extent

KIR/NC/1/1874/17 Item Holograph letter from Joseph Tappeiner, St. Ignatius to Sister Mary [Mary of the Cross]

30 January 1874

Eng. 8pp

Tappeiner anticipates the completion of Sr. Mary's work and then seeing her again. Sr. Anne has died and Sr. Evangelista is very ill. He gives an account of his retreat. The bishop informed the sisters that all letters to and from Fr Woods must be seen by the Sr. Guardian and that they were to no longer consider him their director. This caused a stir but was generally agreed to. Tappeiner has been appointed their spiritual director. He discusses Woods mentioning his travels, his health and correspondence with him. He does not find Woods to be candid and refers to Wood's intercepted and undelivered letters to Sr. Mary Ignatius and Sister M. Edith in which he advised both to leave their present convent for another. He discusses the talented Miss Eikhoff, who ran away from home and has joined as a postulant. He believes that there is no grounds for fearing Sr. Teresa but worries that she may not be able to dam up the torrent once new nuns, tinted by the Bishop's views, have joined her. Fr Cahill of Melbourne has expressed the opinion that music should be taught- it will be difficult for St. Teresa to counteract this as many of the sisters know music- perhaps the bishop is trying to bring about a schism in the order. The matter must be decided by the Holy See. Sr. Clare appears to be holding firm against Fr Woods in Queensland, the bishop there does not interfere. Tappeiner recounts other news about the sisters and priests.

KIR/NC/1/1874/18 Item Petition from Anna Walsh, St. Vincent's Hospital, Dublin to the Pope.

4 February 1874

Eng. 3pp

Walsh recounts how she made a vow at the age of sixteen to enter a religious order. However she does not possess a sufficient fortune to enter as a choir sister and she suffers too much from ill-health to join as a lay sister. She asks for a dispensation from her vows. Petition submitted by Cardinal Cullen.

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KIR/NC/1/1874/19

Holograph letter from Cardinal Cullen, Dublin to Dr. Kirby

Item

St. Agatha's Day [5 May] 1874

Eng. 1p

Cullen fears that Fr Matthews will be sent home by Cardinal Barnabo. He has learned from an English Bishop that Matthews has spoken widely against bishops, cardinals and higher personage and he encloses a note to Barnabo to explain the situation. Kirby should wait until he has received the £7000 before handing over the vineyard- the money will be deposited with Mr Dubetat in the Bank of Ireland for the four Archbishops. The election is going on badly for Gladstone. He has lost every bit of influence 'since he attempted to force infidel education on Ireland.' Dr. Corrigan has resigned in Dublin- he was not sound on education. He hopes that both parties are weakened a little so that neither will be unable to attack Catholics. He hopes that 50 Catholics and 25 liberal Protestants will be returned. They have been very disappointed about the pillars for the new church at Clonliffe- they were found to be defective and filled with holes stuffed with composition. However they have not been paid for.

KIR/NC/1/1874/20 Holograph letter from Cardinal Cullen, Dublin to Dr. Kirby

16 February 1874 Item

Eng. 2pp

Having heard no word from the Bank of England, Cullen presumes that the money has not been deposited as yet. He cautions against handing over possession until payment has been received. The Tories have had a great triumph in England. More Catholics were returned in Ireland than ever before- they now number 50 compared with 37.

KIR/NC/1/1874/21

Holograph letter from Cardinal Cullen, Dublin to Dr. Kirby

19 February 1874 Item

Cullen has learned from Mr Dubetac that no deposit has been made to his Bank as yet- it would be well to know the name of the depositor. He sends a petition for a dispensation for a poor girl, now aged 23, who made her vow rashly [Anna Walsh see KIR/NC/1/1874/18]. There are 49 or 50 Irish Catholic MPs. 4 or 5 are Catholics in name only but some are 'right good' including Lord Montagne.

KIR/NC/1/1874/22 Item

Newspaper clippings from the Anglo Celt newspaper concerning the election in Cavan.

[circa February 1874]

Eng. 6pp

Articles give favourable accounts of the victory of the Home Rulers in the Cavan Election. Includes accounts of speeches by Mr Charles Joseph Fay MP, Mr Joseph G Bigger MP, the Very Rev. P O'Reilly PP of Drumlane and an account of a victory dinner at Bishop Conaty's Palace. Also includes an account of a public meeting in Stradone, called by Mr Saunderson to explain some items of controversy- the account reports that his explanations were rejected by the crowd and that Mr James Fitzpatrick of Mountain Lodge challenged him on all issues including Home Rule.

Lang. / Extent

KIR/NC/1/1874/23 Holograph letter from Cardinal Cullen to Dr. Kirby

Item 24 February 1874

Eng. 4pp

Cullen hopes that the buyer of the vineyard is acting fairly-possession should be held until the remaining £7000 is paid. He suggests that a mortgage of £7000 with interest of 5% or 6% might also be acceptable. The bank has not yet received the money- it would be best to deposit the money in the Bank of Ireland because it has a good Catholic governor. The change of ministry in England may benefit Catholics on the continent but Tories generally put all power into the hands of Orangemen in Ireland. However if Disraeli treats Catholics fairly they will assist him. He also recalls that a Tory Minister of States once called the Papal States a 'plague spot'. There are over 50 Catholic MPs and 25 liberal Protestants who will probably side with the Catholics- if all these are kept together they may prevent the enemies of Catholics. He is celebrating his 24th anniversary since his consecration in 1850. There are only three bishops older than him-Dr. MacHale, Dr. Kelly and Dr. Delany. MacHale must be the oldest bishop in the church and is still very strong- in the recent election in Galway the mob took the side of O'Connor Power despite the opposition of Dr. MacHale and Fr Lavelle. He fears that Fr Maher will not recover from his latest illness. He suspects that the jury and judge that will hear the O'Keeffe-Moran case in Naas will be Catholic. Fr O'Keeffe's great friend, Agar Ellis lost his seat in Kilkenny- he is married to Mgr Stonor's sister.

KIR/NC/1/1874/24 Item Printed notice announcing the death of Cardinal Barnabo. Issued by Giovanni Simeoni, Segretario della S. C. di 25 February 1874

Ital. 1p

KIR/NC/1/1874/25 Item Holograph letter from Mary of the Cross, 113 St. George's Road, Westminster to Dr. Kirby.

25 February 1874

Eng. 4pp

Sister Mary hopes that the reports concerning Cardinal Barnabo's illness is not true. Lady Lothian and the Fathers of the Oratory are doing what they can to help her find postulants. She is living with and aiding a recent convert who is suffering very much from her friends. The convert is a friend of Mrs Vaughan for whom she asks for a Papal Blessing. She has met with the Archbishop. She is concerned that her letters have not been delivered.

Lang. / Extent

KIR/NC/1/1874/26 Holograph letter from Cardinal Cullen to Dr. Kirby

Item 11 March 1874

Eng. 3pp

Mr Dubetat, secretary and Mr Thomas L Kelly, governor of the Bank of Ireland have proposed a declaration to be used to deposit the proceeds from the vineyard in their bank under the names of the four Archbishops. He asks if this is acceptable to the purchaser with whom there appears to be a difficulty. The Archbishops will invest the money the moment it comes in. A great funeral Mass was held for Cardinal Barnabo which Cullen sang. The choir sang Casciolinis Mass, absolutions were given by Dr. Conroy, Dr. Lynch, Dr. Walsh, Dr. Whelan and Cullen, Fr Burke preached a grand sermon. He supposes that in Rome there could not be a public funeral. Judge O'Brien will hear the case of Fr O'Keeffe versus Dr. Moranhe is a scrupulous man and the jury is equally divided between Catholics and Protestants. Fr Maher of Carlow is very ill,

KIR/NC/1/1874/27 Item

Petition for a marriage dispensation from William Hagan, PP in Kilkenny.

<u>11 March 1874</u> Lat. 1p

Dispensation concerns Ludovicus William Gallop and Johanna Kelly, a Catholic.

KIR/NC/1/1874/28

Holograph letter from Cardinal Cullen to Dr. Kirby

Item 22 March 1874

Ital. Eng. 4pp

Cullen has received a letter from Propaganda stating that the Father General of the Augustinians has determined that Fr O'Dwyer can return to Ireland but is not allowed to go to Callan. This plan is full of dangers which he outlines. He believes that O'Dwyer should remain in Rome until he has ended the schism in Callan and asks Kirby to speak with the Cardinal Prefect. The jury in the O'Keeffe-Moran case could not reach a unanimous verdict but favoured Moran on ten of the eleven questions submitted-O'Keeffe probably will not try to molest Moran again. O'Keeffe must get an order setting aside an earlier conditional order of Whiteside before he can continue his case against Cullen. He has just learned that Cardinal Franchi has been made Prefect of Propaganda. Fr Maher of Carlow still lingers on.

KIR/NC/1/1874/29 Telegraph from Cardinal Cullen to Dr. Kirby

Item <u>30 March 1874</u>

Eng. 1p

Cullen confirms that the deposit was made [proceeds of the sale of Irish College vineyards]. Fr Maher of Carlow is getting worse and all other friends are well.

Lang. / Extent

KIR/NC/1/1874/30 Item

Printed address from the 'Catholic Inmates of the Hospital for Incurables', Donnybrook Road, Dublin the Very Rev. Dean Lynch, Diocese of Armidale, Australia

31 March 1874

The inmates express their sorrow at his leaving them but wish Lynch well in his new mission in Australia.

KIR/NC/1/1874/31

Holograph letter from Mary of the Cross to Dr. Kirby.

Item

[undated circa 1874]

Eng. 1p

Eng. 1p

Sister Mary wishes to discuss certain things with Kirby tomorrow. Having spoken to Fr Joseph of the Passionists she believes that something might yet be done. The Father General does not appear to understand the case. She also saw Dr. Goolde. The Passionist business will bring in something about Fr Woods

Item

KIR/NC/1/1874/32 List of 'Matters for Consideration' compiled by Mary of the Cross for Dr. Kirby

[undated circa 1874]

Eng. 1p

The matters for consideration include the translation of the Rules into English, protection for the Institute by Propaganda if the decree cannot be granted, recommendations concerning the calling of a General Chapter and indulgences for prayers. Sister Mary is as anxious for the rights of the bishops as for their own. She would rather see everything fall down rather than one of her sisters failing to be dutiful to her bishop but she desires the protection of Propaganda.

KIR/NC/1/1874/33

Holograph letter from Mary of the Cross to Dr. Kirby.

Item

[undated circa 1874]

Eng. 2pp

Sister Mary humbly questions if it is wise to give them all the rights of separate Novitiates notwithstanding the arguements in favour of two Provinces. If the bishops agreed to it, separate provinces could be withheld for a few years. Her own opinion is that 'two separate Novincials may not lend to the general good until we have all been more firmly established in our definite Rule.'

KIR/NC/1/1874/34 Holograph letter from Mary of the Cross to Dr. Kirby.

Item

[undated circa 1874]

Eng. 2pp

Sister Mary requests a meeting with Kirby. She can only remain in Rome for another five or six days as her ticket is a return one and she has so much to do.

Lang. / Extent

KIR/NC/1/1874/35 Item

Document entitled 'Animadversiones super constitutionibus sororum S. Josephi in Australia' by Bianchi

[circa April 1874]

Lat. 8pp

Document wishes to suggest some possible improvements to the Rules of the Institute of St. Joseph being considered by the Holy See as requested by Mary of the Cross. 'In schemate constitutionum sen regularum quas Sorores S. Sedi obtuleiunt et in documentis annexis plura sunt quae videntur mereri correctionem'. There are seventeen points noted.

KIR/NC/1/1874/36 Holograph letter from Cardinal Cullen, Dublin to Dr. Kirby

Item

3 April 1874

Eng. 3pp

Fr Maher of Carlow died yesterday. Dr. MacHale is causing a foolish problem- the bank insists that the Archbishops sign their names in the same order as in the account but MacHale refuses to sign his name after Dr. Leahy. 'He is a most strange man occasionally.' He wonders what order Dr. Blake put the Archbishops in the original title deeds?

KIR/NC/1/1874/37

Holograph letter from Cardinal Cullen to Dr. Kirby

7 April 1874 Item

Eng. 4pp

Dr. MacHale has pointedly refused to sign the cheque on the Bank of England because his name was put last and has written to the bank to inform them of this. He asks what order was used in the original title deeds. MacHale is acting very strangely- he never did anything for the college and did not write a line to prevent the sale of the property. 50 priests attended the funeral of Fr Maher, Dr. Moran sang Mass and Cullen gave the absolution.

KIR/NC/1/1874/38

Holograph letter from Cardinal Cullen to Dr. Kirby

Item

8 April 1874

Eng. 4pp

Dr. MacHale wants his name restored to its 'place of honour' in the act of sale and that if the money is put in the Bank of England he will refuse to allow his name to stand there at all. 'He appears to be in very bad humour latterly but I have had no dispute with him, and I do not know why he should punish the college.' It appears that he and Lavelle are now at war. The whole matter is a farce but it may prevent the College from getting interest for a year while the Bank of England enjoy having the money and laughing at the parties. It is probable that O'Keeffe will have to start again if he wishes to continue to pursue Cullen in the courts. Mrs Commins, mother of Edward and sister of Fr Tom Cullen, is dying. Fr Maher is a great loss- he gave a great deal of advice to his friends. He encloses a letter for William Cullen who may not yet have left Rome- he hopes William will be able to take orders.

Lang. / Extent

KIR/NC/1/1874/39 Item Holograph letter from Piltuoduni Guli to Sig Francesco

Giulianelli 8 April 1874

Ital. 1p

Eng. 3pp

Letter concerns engraving and sign-writing work on a 'Barile' [Barrel].

KIR/NC/1/1874/40 Item Copy of letter from John MacHale, Archbishop of Tuam, Tuam to Cardinal Franchi, Prefect of the Propaganda Fide.

8 April 1874 Lat. 3pp

MacHale writes to Propaganda stating his unwillingness to add his name to the bank order arising from the sale of Irish College property in Rome. He believes that his name and title should not be placed at the bottom of the list. He concludes by stating that he has asked Cardinal Cullen to write to Dr. Kirby to have the matter resolved- 'Ad tollendam excusationem quoad pecuniae iacturam - scripsi ad Eminentiam suam Cardinal P Cullen, ut scribat ipse ad Rev. Dom. Presidem Collegii Hib. Romae ut iterum corrigat depositorum ordinem; quo facto - nulla mora ex parte mea sive ex parte caeterorum Archiepisco porum in transferenda pecunia erit.'

KIR/NC/1/1874/41 Holograph letter from Cardinal Cullen, Dublin to Dr. Kirby

9 April 1874

Following consultation between Mr Du Bedat of the Bank of Ireland and the Bank of England, it has been confirmed that the latter bank will only accept a cheque bearing the names of the four Archbishops in a certain order. Cullen is sending Du Bedat's letter to MacHale in the hope, rather than expectation, that he will yield. Mrs Commins has died. He requests a marriage dispensation for Michael O'Loughlin of Rathmines and Rosa O'Neill of the parish of St. Coemgen, Dublin.

KIR/NC/1/1874/42 Item

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Holograph letter from Edward Morris, President of the B. I. [Benevolent Irish] Society addressed to 'My Dear Lord'

<u>16 April 1874</u> Eng. 3pp

Some members of the Society wish to send an address of sympathy to the Conception Bay Society 'which has had lately some fracas with the Bishop of Harbour Grace.' Morris believes that they should keep clear of the row but wishes to get the advice of the bishop who is Patron of the Society.

KIR/NC/1/1874/43 Item Two pieces of poetry composed to mark the fifteenth anniversary of Sr. Giuseppa Teresa's profession

<u>21 April 1874</u> Ital. 4pp

Lang. / Extent

KIR/NC/1/1874/44 Item

Holograph letter from J. Taaffe, Hotel Minerva, Piazza Nuova di S M Novella, Florence to Dr. Kirby

<u>30 April 1874</u> Eng. 2pp

Taaffe has decided to remain in Florence for ten days to recover from his illness before travelling onwards to Paris. He notes that the air in Florence is much purer than Rome and he is feeling the benefit. He asks that his letters be forwarded to Florence.

KIR/NC/1/1874/45 Holograph letter from Cardinal Cullen to Dr. Kirby

Item 4 May 1874 Eng. Ital. 4pp

Cullen reports that the pillars, arches and cornice of the new church at Clonliffe are up - the pillars are of Jura marble and capitals are of white Carrara marble. It will be a good deal bigger than St. Agatha's, at 120 ft long by 60 ft wide, and will be roofed in two months. The cost is very great and a collection was made yesterday. Fr Verdon gave a dinner to mark the feast of the Holy Cross and two students from Clonliffe will be examined for a degree of Doctor of Divinity at the Catholic University. He is pleased that Propaganda are displeased with Dr. MacHale's actions over the deposit of Irish College money. He hopes that Don Carlo has not been defeated in Rome as reported in the papers. He has sent a newspaper article which reports that the Presentation monks of Tralee have been inspected by a lay National School Inspector with the consent and approval of Bishop Moriarty of Kerry- Propaganda should be informed of the case. Cullen believes that Moriarty is wrong to introduce such a system especially when the government is not demanding it- unfortunately he often takes the side of government although in many respects he is a man of merit. Cullen also wishes to get an answer from Propaganda for the two priests of Harbour Grace who have shown themselves to be obedient and should now be absolved.

KIR/NC/1/1874/46 Item Holograph letter from Cardinal Cullen, 59 Eccles Street, Dublin to Dr. Kirby

<u>5 May 1874</u> Eng. 4pp

Cullen asks Kirby to explain to Cardinal Franchi that Fr Fortune's health is too delicate to travel to Sandhurst in the Australian missions. His doctor, Dr. Corrigan, has certified that he is suffering from 'calculi' in the kidneys. He believes that the decree suspending the two priests of Harbour Grace is a 'very shaky concern and probably they are not suspended at all'. The two priests are Fr O'Connor, a brother of Dr. Power's Vicar General and Fr McCormick, a relative of Dr. Leahy of Cashel. They appear to be good men and have obeyed their suspension but are now anxious to be allowed to say Mass again and do not wish to return to Harbour Grace. The Cardinal Prefect should look into the matter. They are all very low about Fr Maher of Carlow's death. He sends regards to Fr Maher and William Cullen.

Lang. / Extent

KIR/NC/1/1874/47 Holograph letter from Cardinal Cullen to Dr. Kirby.

Item <u>Ascension Thursday [14 May] 1874</u>

Eng. 4pp

Cullen is pleased to report that Fr O'Keeffe has suffered another setback. He was forced to pay his own expenses in his libel case against Mr Cody, a magistrate of Callan. He outlines the case which involved a forged letter and Dr. Moran. He believes that O'Keeffe is in no hurry to proceed in his case against Cullen because he is running low on funds and fears defeat. Moran has reported that nearly all of O'Keeffe's supporters, who once numbered over 4000, have left him. He is sure that Dr. MacHale is convinced that he had a great triumph in preventing the investment of the college money. Cullen is ill and could not attend Fr Maher's monthsmemory Mass. The windows over the cornice are being put in at Clonliffe. He advises William Cullen to remain in Rome until the weather improves in Ireland.

KIR/NC/1/1874/48 Holograph letter from Cardinal Cullen, Dublin to Dr. Kirby.

Item 15 May 1874 Ital. 2pp

Cullen warmly recommends Signor Maziere Brady to the ecclesiastical authorities, the Cardinal Prefect and Secretary of State in Rome. Brady comes from a distinguished family and his uncle was Grand Chancellor of Ireland. He however sacrificed his worldly ambitions to become a Catholic and since his conversion has written in support of his new religion. Cullen suggests that he be awarded with some Papal decoration or title.

KIR/NC/1/1874/49 Holograph letter from Cardinal Cullen to Dr. Kirby.

Item <u>22 May 1874</u> Ital. 2pp

Cullen is sending a copy of the Constitution and Rules of the Benevolent Irish Society of Harbour Grace which should be delivered to the Cardinal Prefect of Propaganda. He argues that there is nothing important in the rules and notes that the first President, a Mr Sterling, was in fact a Protestant. He is also sending a printed copy of the Rules of the Benevolent Society of Newfoundland again noting that initially the society was run by Protestants. He is also sending a printed petition from the Vacariato di Canara, India to the Pope concerning the sending away of the Carmelites and transferring the administration of the Vicariate to the Jesuits. He mentions that he is ill, asks for faculties for Fr Gerald Commins the brother of Edmund and mentions a letter from the Archbishop of Cashel concerning Mr McCormack.

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KIR/NC/1/1874/50 Holograph letter from Cardinal Cullen to Dr. Kirby.

<u>25 May 1874</u> Eng. 4pp

Cullen approves of the temperance society set up by Fr. Robert Kelly S.J. named in honour of the Sacred Thirst of Our Lord. Fr. Kelly has sent a memorial to Propaganda seeking permission to have the association made into an arch-confraternity. Cullen asks Kirby to assist in this matter. He has heard that the Freemasons were to hold an event in Rome on Pentecost Sunday- 'what imprudence.' Nearly all the respectable Protestants of Ireland are Freemasons and it is very difficult to get a public situation without being a member- very few Catholics are members of the craft but the situation puts great temptation in their way. Dr. Croke of Auckland has arrived in Ireland- he presumes he is looking for missionaries. He hopes Dr. O'Connor will be successful on his mission. The bad weather has damaged the new potato crop. He mentions plans for an altar in a small side chapel dedicated to St. Kevin in Marlboro Street to be used by students, for meetings of confraternities and the Catholic League. The altar should be principally designed as a repository for the Blessed Sacrament in Holy Thursdays. He asks Kirby to get permission [to say Mass] for the two Newfoundland priests- they do not appear to be inclined to fight. He caught a severe cold during the cold weather.

KIR/NC/1/1874/51 Holograph letter from Cardinal Cullen to Dr. Kirby.

Item <u>27 May 1874</u> Eng. 3pp

Cullen sends £30 to Kirby for himself. He wonders if the Cardinal has written to Dr. MacHale concerning the £7000 Bank of London business. Mr O'Donnell, the Catholic MP in Galway has been unseated in a case of anti-Catholic bigotry 'in the line of Bismarck'. The Judge in the case abused Dr. MacEvilly and the priests. He hopes that Kirby has presented the Newfoundland papers to Cardinal Franchi. He fears that Mgr Carfagnini, [Bishop of Harbour Grace] will never get on with the Irish who do not like to be treated harshly but who, with kind words, will do everything. He hopes the collection for Clonliffe will be good- the pillars cost £1700 but would have been cheaper if got from Rome or Carrara.

KIR/NC/1/1874/52 Holograph Item the Sacred

Holograph petition from Sr. Margaret Mary Joachim Glavin of the Sacred Heart of Jesus to the Pope.

<u>4 June 1874</u> Eng. 4pp

Petition sets out the Simple Rules of the order for the Pope's approval. The daily routine of prayer and service that is required of each sister is described in detail.

Lang. / Extent

KIR/NC/1/1874/53 Item Holograph letter [incomplete] from [Mary of the Cross], 15 Gardiner Street, Dublin to Dr. Kirby

Feast of the Sacred Heart [12 June 1874]

Eng. 4pp

Sister Mary contemplates on the Sacred Heart. She hopes that her visit to Bordeaux will yield results. She spent a week in London seeking support for her work and writing her Australian letters. She travelled to Dublin, was received warmly by Cardinal Cullen and visited the Sisters of Mercy convent and schools of Baggot Street. She hopes to meet Cullen before she leaves in order to get his advice. She has not yet met Sister Aylward who is reported to be in ill health. The Assistant Superior of the Passionists will meet her to discuss the issue of sending priests to her mission. She has also written to the Provincial of the Jesuits. [final page of the letter missing]

KIR/NC/1/1874/54 Handwritten note [probably by Dr. Kirby]

Item 15 June 1874

Ital. 1p

Note reads- 'Nom stia in pena per quella dimenticanza. Si sa che quella non era grazia lal Signore per malizia cio il nostro [caro] Gesu'

KIR/NC/1/1874/55 Item Three documents relating to the petitioning of the Holy See by Mary of the Cross with the assistance of Dr. Kirby

<u>15 June 1874</u> Ital. 6pp

In the first document Fr Raimondo Bianchi di [Predir], Consultore, having examined the file relating to the Institute of St. Joseph in the Diocese of Adelaide and having listened to the observations made by Dr. Kirby, offers his opinion on the issue of Novitiates and the erection of Provincials to the Secretary of Propaganda. The second and third documents are probably in the hand of Dr. Kirby. The second is a draft petition from Mary of the Cross to Propaganda. In order to clarify the submitted petition, Kirby notes in the third document that there are two Novitiates in the Mother House in Adelaide from outside the diocese and province- one from Bathurst and one from Brisbane.

Lang. / Extent

KIR/NC/1/1874/56 Item

Holograph letter from J T Lynch, Vicar General, Rome to Cardinal Franchi

16 June 1874 Eng. 3pp

Lynch provides an account of the mission in Australia which he has been connected to for over 36 years. He notes that when he arrived into the service of Mgr Polding in 1838 there were eight priests. The colony was penal and they were obliged to minister to transported prisoners from the British dominions in gaols, stockades and working in irons. When transportation ceased, Catholics began arriving- mainly from Ireland. He first worked in Maitland for 24 years where he built a cathedral, school and congregation and travelled 4000 miles each year on horseback visiting his district which extended to Morton's Bay or Queensland. During this time Dr. Polding's vast district has been divided into dioceses. He now belongs to Armidale Diocese which is attracting immigrants to the gold and tin mines. His bishop, Dr. O'Mahony, has sent him to Europe to search for priests to provide religious education. He has found nine priests willing to assist the eight priests already in the diocese. He has delayed his return in order to search for a community of teaching nuns for Armidale.

Holograph letter from Cardinal Cullen to Dr. Kirby KIR/NC/1/1874/57 Item

27 June 1874 Eng. 2pp

Cullen has received a letter from Dr. Lynch of Toronto seeking two or three priests, one of them to be Bishop of Kingston. However Cullen doubts if that See is vacant and asks Propaganda's opinion on the matter. Dr. MacHale signed the cheque [for the Irish College money] in Maynooth and Mr Du Bedat has sent it to London. Dr. Croke has written to Propaganda offering his resignation and Cullen has written in his praise. The students of Clonliffe were awarded their degrees in the Catholic University. Mgr Carfagnini is on route to Rome so he will miss the letter from the priests to him.

Lang. / Extent

KIR/NC/1/1874/58 Item Holograph letter from Mary of the Cross, 15 Gardener Street, Dublin to Dr. Kirby

<u>28 June [1874]</u> Eng. 8pp

Sr. Mary has met with Fr Walsh, the Jesuit Provincial and has secured two priests for the mission at Adelaide. Fr Weld secured permission from the General of the Jesuits to let them go and Walsh agreed to let them be placed under Fr Tappienes. Postulants are offering to go but have no means to pay for their passage. She hopes to get financial assistance in England and leaves for London in a week. Cardinal Cullen has informed her that Dr. Matthew Quinn is travelling to Rome- she hopes he will not seek dispensations for the sisters in his diocese or to form a separate community from the mother one. She will defer her journey back to Australia if this is the case. She believes that the poor in Ireland, England and Scotland are 'educated in things beyond their sphere, and the worst results to themselves and to society follow- It is the work of Government, but it cannot last.' There are Passionist priests willing to go to Australia. Their Superior in Harold's Cross wishes to send some but they need the Pope to convince their General. She has not seen Miss Aylward who is still ill.

KIR/NC/1/1874/59 Item Handwritten note on religious observances [probably in the hand of Dr. Kirby]

<u>19 July 1874</u> Ital. 2pp

Note on religious observances that the writer is planning on performing.

KIR/NC/1/1874/60 Item Petition from the Superior of the Ursuline Nuns of Waterford to the Holy See

<u>19 July 1874</u> Ital. 2pp

The Superior seeks permission to transfer a Station of the Cross to a new location. Includes reply.

KIR/NC/1/1874/61

Holograph letter from Cardinal Cullen to Dr. Kirby

Item 20 July 1874

Eng. 4pp

A small community of Presentation nuns have agreed to leave their convent in Terenure to travel to New York where a convent and school has been built for them by Archbishop McClosky. He asks Kirby to seek permission for such a move from the Holy See. Their superior is called Miss Hickey. Fr O'Keeffe is conducting his own case against Dr. Moran in front of Judge Whiteside in Naas. He also has two laymen up for trial-perhaps he has no money left and therefore is acting as his own lawyer. The Tories and Protestants are not friendly to O'Keeffe and he has lost all his Catholic support. Cullen believes that it was providential of him to suspend him or else the contamination would have spread throughout Ireland. Dr. Power has telegrammed that the two Newfoundland priests should not be absolved until they submit fully. He will wait for a letter to clarify the issue.

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KIR/NC/1/1874/62 Holograph letter from Cardinal Cullen to Dr. Kirby

Item

23 July 1874

Eng. 2pp

Dr. Moran has lost his case with Fr O'Keeffe and has to pay £50 damages and costs which will sharpen O'Keeffe's appetite. Perhaps Moran was over confident and did not take the precaution of writing to all the PPs and getting all the Catholics to attend. Cullen could not write as 'Dr. Moran would not give [him] the jury list' and 'his over security brought on his defeat'. He is going to Sligo to open a cathedral. Fr Maher has returned to visit his mother who is approaching death. He hopes Dr. Verdon has not suffered from the heat.

KIR/NC/1/1874/63 Item

Draft copy of certificate authorizing Mary of the Cross to petition and solicit in Europe as granted by Dr. Reynolds, Bishop of Adelaide.

24 July 1874

Eng. 3pp

Reynolds also authorises Sr. Mary to petition on behalf of the Sisters of St. Joseph, to receive promising postulants for her Institute and to solicit Prelates and Heads of Religious Orders to send priests to his diocese. Certificate mentions an 'undersigned' witness [perhaps Kirby]

KIR/NC/1/1874/64 Item

Petition from Presentation nuns of Dublin and other Diocese to the Pope. Includes reply witnessed by Joannes Simsoni,

2 August 1874

Eng. 3pp

Petition concerned with the plans by some Presentation nuns, mainly from Dublin, to move to New York and to devote themselves to the education of young girls there. They have received the permission of the Archbishop of New York and their respective Archbishops. They request permission from the Holy See to leave Ireland, to receive payment from the parents of wealthy children, to receive new members, to found a summer house, to retain their privileges and to receive the Apostolic Blessing. It is noted that the petition has been granted.

KIR/NC/1/1874/65

Holograph letter from Cardinal Cullen to Dr. Kirby

Item

14 August 1874

Eng. 4pp

Cullen is glad that Kirby protested against the sale of Propaganda property in the name of the Irish bishops. He sees from the papers that the villa in question, Villa Montalto, was purchased by the Grazioli and notes the inaccuracies in their facts. Lord Granard was unable to interfere because he is not acquainted with the members of the present government and could not correspond with them. He has also written to Dr. Manning to request the Duke of Norfolk to speak with Mr Disraeli but has of yet received no reply. Fr Nerdon has returned. Fr Maher's mother has died. Dr. Power has written of his visitation to Harbour Grace- the nuns were not at all pleased with him and it will be some weeks to determine if peace has been restored or not. He has £2600 in Peter's Pence and is contemplating on coming to Rome in October.

Lang. / Extent

KIR/NC/1/1874/66 Item Holograph petition from Rev. Laurence Byrne, Administrator, Portadown, Co Armagh to the Holy See

29 August 1874

Lat. 3pp

Byrne seeks a marriage dispensation for Levi, a non-Catholic and Maria, a Catholic from the parish of Portadown who have been invalidly married for fifteen years and have children.

KIR/NC/1/1874/67

Holograph letter from Cardinal Cullen to Dr. Kirby

Item

6 September 1874

Eng. 2pp

Cullen has decided not to go to Rome until he learns what Fr O'Keeffe's next move will be. Mr Sullivan, the editor of 'The Nation' has chastised O'Keeffe which will injure him and has resulted in a legal case. He has asked Dr. Croke and Fr Burke to preach at a triduum which will include a three day exposition of the relic of the Holy Cross. He sends Kirby a picture that Fr O'Keeffe got taken of himself- 'what's he like?' The Peter's Pence collection has amounted to £2600. He will consecrate Dr. Crane on the 21st.

KIR/NC/1/1874/68

Holograph letter from Dr. Kirby, Tivoli to Fr Hunt

Item 3 October 1874

Eng. 1p

Kirby has given Dr. Dillon a painting of the Sacred Heart for Hunt's church which he hopes will promote devotion.

KIR/NC/1/1874/69

Item

Copy of letter from Visconte Venosta, Rome to the Honourable Mr Herries, Chargé d'affaires / Diplomat for

5 October 1874

Ital. 2pp

Venosta acknowledges the correspondence with the British Legation concerning the administration of the Irish College at St. Isidores. The issue centres on whether the Irish College is to be considered a true monastic house or a College of the R [Roman] government. He submits the decision arrived at by the Minister of Justice

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Eng. 16pp

KIR/NC/1/1874/70 Item Printed report on the Catholic University prepared by Barth. Woodlock, Rector and Thomas Scratton, Acting Bursar and addressed to Cardinal Cullen and the hierarchy of Ireland.

11 October 1874

Woodlock reports on the increased numbers attending the college due to the opening of Saint Patrick's House by the Jesuits. He mentions Medical House under the care of Dr. Nixon and the proposed houses of the Benedictine Fathers and Marist Fathers. He also discusses topics under the following headings- Classical Schools in Provincial Towns; Natural Sciences; Higher Mathematics; Affiliation of Schools and Colleges [also discussed in more detail in an appendix]; Advantage of extending these Examinations; Appointment of Heads of Colleges to University Senate or Council; Training College for Schoolmasters; Finances; Sermons or lectures throughout Ireland; Annual publication of List of Subscribers; Balance Sheet; Accounts audited by Public Accountants; Accounts; Laymen on Board; Draft of Bill for Parliament; Recapitulation. Regarding finances he notes that the heavy debt of the college amounting to £4500 at the beginning of the year has been reduced to £1300 and that a bequest of £2000 from the late James Cogan of Leixlip will shortly be paid.

KIR/NC/1/1874/71 Item Holograph petition from Sister Mary Josephine Anthony Fallon of the Ursuline Monastery of Waterford to the Pope

<u>18 October 1874</u> Ital. 2pp

Sister Fallon is distressed about the disharmony between her and her fellow sisters that has existed for a number of years. She seeks permission to travel to Rome to plead her case.

KIR/NC/1/1874/72 Item Draft letter addressed from Rome [in the same hand as [KIR/NC/1/1874/73]

23 October 1874

The writer is pleased that the recipient's Lord Abbot has arrived safely after his long journey. He is also pleased that the recipient has been appointed Master in the New Novitiate.

KIR/NC/1/1874/73 Item

Draft letter addressed from Rome [in the same hand as [KIR/NC/1/1874/72]

23 October 1874

Eng. 2pp

Eng. 2pp

The writer has been requested by William Coleman, Vicar General of Dunedin in New Zealand to thank the Cardinal for his hospitality during the month of August and in particular for having provided two places in Propaganda College for students of the diocese. The vice-President of Maynooth College will search for two suitable candidates. He also requests two minor dispensations. Coleman is now sailing from Ireland to New Zealand aboard the 'Janet'

Lang. / Extent

Holograph letter from Cardinal Cullen to Dr. Kirby KIR/NC/1/1874/74

23 October 1874 Item

Eng. 3pp

At a recent meeting of bishops in Maynooth the hierarchy discussed Maynooth, agreed on a pastoral written by Dr. Conroy denouncing the infidels and the spoliation of Propaganda and adopted an affectionate letter to the Pope. They also protested against the great éclat to materialism given by the British Association in Belfast. Cullen will send £2650 Peter's Pence collected in Dublin soon. Two American preachers called Mr Moody and Mr Sanky have large congregations who go to hear them in the place where the Great Exhibition was held in Dublin. Few Catholics attend- 'They are mere swaddlers but the Irish Protestants make them out to be apostles.' Fr Maher and four students have set out for Rome. A committee in London which included Lord Russell, Lord Desert and an Old Catholic called Lowry Whittle, raised £900 for Fr O'Keeffe. Their aim was to give the money gradually to O'Keeffe's lawyer but were threatened with law proceedings and handed the money over to the priest himself. Cullen must now remain at home as O'Keeffe has the money to continue his case.

KIR/NC/1/1874/75 Item

Petition from Mgr John MacCarthy, Bishop of Cloyne to the Holy See. [Probably drafted by Kirby]

[circa September 1874]

Ital. 1p

MacCarthy, who is to be consecrated tomorrow seeks an Apostolic Blessing for the occasion.

KIR/NC/1/1874/76 Holograph letter from Cardinal Cullen, Dublin to Dr. Kirby

27 October 1874 Item

Eng. 4pp

Cullen sends Peter's Pence amounting to about 67,500 francs and a letter to the Pope in which he mentions the meeting of the British Association. Two Evangelists are currently preaching in the Great Exhibition Hall in Dublin but Cullen has not interfered because Catholics do not attend. One is named Sankey who was a singer in an American troop called Christie's Minstrels, the second is a commercial traveller called Moodie. He describes as profanity a joke recounted by one of the preachers about the miracle of Jericho. He hopes the Bishops' pastoral, in which a great deal was said about Propaganda, has been well received. He is unable to travel to Rome as Fr O'Keeffe is threatening to bring his law cases in November. Dr. Moran has had to pay £500 and Cullen's expenses have been nearly £2000- money that could have been applied to religious or charitable purposes. The roof of Clonliffe church is being constructed- it will leave St. Agatha's very much in the shade. He cannot attend Dr. McCarthy's consecration at which Dr. Croke will preach.

Lang. / Extent

KIR/NC/1/1874/77 Item Handwritten list of [Irish] students of Propaganda who have not paid for their return to their native land.

[circa October 1874]

Ital. 1p

Names include - Thomas Burke, John Munroe, Frances Corr and James Calahan all of Dublin and William O'Reilly for Maitland and Michael Hockly for Bathurst.

KIR/NC/1/1874/78

Handwritten list of names 'Invited for Thursday'

Item

3 November 1874

Eng. 1p

Names include - The Archbishop of Westminster, The Duke of Norfolk, Mgr Stonor, Dr. O'Callaghan, Dr. Grant, Dr. Chatard, J Mullooly, Fr Manning, Dr. Smith and Dr. Brady.

KIR/NC/1/1874/79

Holograph letter from Cardinal Cullen to Dr. Kirby

Item

3 November 1874

Eng. 6pp

Cullen enquires if the Peter's Pence, letters and pastoral have arrived? He hopes that the Bishops' pastoral, composed by Dr. Conroy, will put an end to the scandal that was given at the meeting of the British Association [for the Advancement of Science] in Belfast at which professors of great fame such as Tyndall and Huxley made open profession of atheism. 'Our people will not understand what Tyndall was engaged in but the reading classes of Catholics and Protestants were in need of a warning to avoid the blasphemous productions of infidels.' He later notes that the pastoral was well received by Protestants. He gives an account of Tyndall's background and his recent speech in which he claimed that he was not an atheist. He believes that infidelity is making terrible strides in England and will result in revolution- no one knows what Disraeli will do. Dr. Conroy is sending two students to St. Agatha's. He asks for faculties to dispense. O'Keeffe's preliminary case will be heard tomorrow and he discusses the possible outcomes. O'Keeffe is also taking an another action against Dr. Moran and is writing a work on Ultramontanism. Gladstone has written a very subtle and plausible but wicked pamphlet against Catholics. Lord Acton has also written against the Pope and the Vatican Council. Two American adventurers preach every day in Dublin to a crowd of Protestants- 'It is all a farce'.

KIR/NC/1/1874/80 Item Holograph petition from Sister Mary Joseph Antonia of the Immaculate Conception, Ursulines, St. Mary's, [Waterford] to the Pope

12 November 1874

Eng. 3pp

Sister Mary seeks permission to be allowed to travel to Rome to put her case to the Holy See. Propaganda and her Bishop have informed her that she should go to live with her wealthy secular relatives but she does not wish to give up her Ursuline Profession.

Lang. / Extent

KIR/NC/1/1874/81 Item

Copy of two oaths by Ellen Nugent, St. Patrick's College, Melbourne. Witnessed by Thomas Cahill, S.J., Superior of the mission of the Society of Jesus in Victoria and Peter O'Meara, Administrator, St. Francis Church, Melbourne and John O'Shanassy JP, Melbourne

16 November 1874

Eng. 6pp

Nugent, a late resident of Armidale, New South Wales swears that in 1871 she was seduced by W. A. B. Graves, surveyor, a married man and later gave birth to his child. At the request of Graves, who was attempting blackmail, she falsely accused Bishop O'Mahony of being the father while the truth was that nothing improper ever took place between them. Her mother, Anne Nugent, was also implicated and she also signs the second

Item

KIR/NC/1/1874/82 Holograph letter from Cardinal Cullen, Dublin to Dr. Kirby

22 November 1874

Eng. 2pp

Cullen has received two beautiful letters from the Pope which have been read in the churches. Dr. Moran has been accused of promulgating a libel against Fr O'Keeffe and the case goes before Judge Whiteside who will convict Moran if he can- he outlines the case and possible outcomes. Judgement in Cullen's case was reserved until January. Whiteside was most violent and always spoke in favour of O'Keeffe while the three Catholic judges, O'Brien, Barry and Fitzgerald all acted with great propriety and scarcely said a word. If any of them goes with Whiteside he will have the casting vote. If he wins, O'Keeffe is said to bring 25 other cases- however Cullen plans to appeal as long as he can, even if he has to go before the House of Lords. He is glad that Kirby has managed to sell Mgr Boath's vineyard. The Bishops' letter against materialism was greatly applauded by the high people in England. Gladstone's letter or expostulation has done him great injury and he has lost the support of many of his friends in Ireland.

KIR/NC/1/1874/83 Item

Holograph letter from P Quinn, PP Dungannon to Mr John Loughran including postscript by Archbishop Daniel McGettigan of Armagh

25 November 1874

Eng. 2pp

Quinn seeks faculties for blessing beads and medals.

Lang. / Extent

KIR/NC/1/1874/84

Holograph letter from Cardinal Cullen to Dr. Kirby

Item

<u>1 December 1874</u>

Ital. Eng. 4pp

Cullen believes that the house on Vicolo di Gesu e Maria should not be sold as it would be disrespectful to the name of the exiled King James III of England who was granted it. In 1844 or 1845 Padre Procuratore of the Jesuits claimed that the house was the property of the Jesuits but this was repudiated by Cullen at the time. However the disturbances of 1847 put an end to the question and he believes that the deeds of donation are somewhere in the college. He believes that the three of the four judges will favour him in the O'Keeffe case. However he is worried that O'Keeffe's curate, the Augustinian, Fr O'Dwyer has been allowed return home from Rome and will cause mischief. He believes that James Colahan should remain in the Irish College - Colahan wishes to transfer to Clonliffe following the sudden death of his pious father. Dr. Moran is in Dublin preparing for his trial. Gladstone's pamphlet is doing no harm to anyone but himself. Includes newspaper clipping speculating on the Archbishop of Westminster's elevation to Cardinal and Pope.

KIR/NC/1/1874/85 Item Draft, uncompleted letter from Kirby mentioning the Italian Government.

5 December 1874

Eng. 1p

KIR/NC/1/1874/86 Item Two printed 6d raffle ticket in aid of the new Church of St. Brigid, Crosshaven, Cork Harbour. Cheques payable to Canon Denis McSwiney, PP of Carrigaline

8 December 1874

Eng. 1p

Includes a list of prizes and their value mentioning a prize of a Statue of the Blessed Virgin offered by the Pope.

KIR/NC/1/1874/87 Item Holograph letter from P Antonius Strele S.J., Magister

Novitiorum

16 September 1874

Lat. 1p

Strele recommends Rev. D Joseph Dowling who resided in the Jesuit house in Australia.

KIR/NC/1/1874/88 Item Rough draft notes concerning an attack on the students [probably by Kirby]

[circa 1874]

Eng. 1p

Notes refer to a physical attack made on the students and the inadequate enquiry made into it. The writer wonders what would happen if one of the students was stabbed or shot and notes that he has 'no place in Italy whither to turn for protection for them.'

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Holograph note from Cardinal Cullen to Dr. Kirby KIR/NC/1/1874/89

[circa 1874] Item Ital. Eng. 2pp

> The Cardinal wants a bill for £20 and Kirby should give him the one that he has. He should speak to Torlonia about the house in Castille. Quinn should go to [razioli] who is a 'barone' and to Chisi. He asks Kirby for postage

money due.

Telegraph from Cardinal Cullen to Dr. Kirby KIR/NC/1/1874/90

26 [December] 1874 Item Eng. 1p

Telegram reads- 'Bank refuses deposit with conditions invest remainder if

possible as first instalment get whole sum.'

KIR/NC/1/1875/1 Holograph letter from [Joseph Tirzzuiran S.J., Norwood] to

Rev. F Auderledy, Assistant, Florence Item

> 19 January 1875 Ger. 3pp

KIR/NC/1/1875/2 Letter from unidentified writer, Brooklyn to Rt. Rev. Patrick Dorrian Item

> 24 January 1875 Eng. 1p

The writer gives the names and address of 'two Rev. gentlemen who stand very much in need of a reprimand'. The two priests named are Fr

O'Loughlin, pastor and Fr Ferris, assistant pastor of St. Michael's Church,

Flushing.

Holograph letter from Fr Carolus Fielding, Lady's Bridge, KIR/NC/1/1875/3 Item

Castlemartyr, Co. Cork addressed to 'Rev. Lord.'

28 January 1875 Lat. 2pp

Fielding seeks a marriage dispensation for two unidentified parties.

Draft holograph letter from [probably Dr. Kirby], Rome to KIR/NC/1/1875/4 Lord O'Hagan Item

> 11 February 1875 Eng. 3pp

[Kirby] trusts that O'Hagan and his wife have arrived safely. He has been informed by Sir Aug. Paget that 'her M. Government having had under their consideration the circumstances connected with the foundation endowment of the so called Irish College' have decided that the college is an Italian or Roman institution and, therefore, will no longer be protected by the British government. [Kirby] notes that this 'does not seen to be in accordance with the sentiments expressed by the writer to Y. L. when you saw him.'

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KIR/NC/1/1875/5 Item Holograph letter from Joseph Flood, Carmelite Convent, Aungier Street to Mr Teeling

11 February 1875

Eng. 4pp

Eng. 2pp

Flood seeks indulgences for the ladies who created an illuminated copy of the Bull of the Immaculate Conception which is being brought to Rome by Mrs Shiel of Upper Fitzwilliam Street and will be presented to the Pope. He notes that the church in honour of the Immaculate Conception which he commenced is now complete- Thomas Maher, a relation of Dr. Cullen, contributed very much to this church. He notes that all the Irish subjects of their order have left their convent in Rome and that their General in that city does not speak English.

KIR/NC/1/1875/6 Item Printed correspondence between Thomas Fitzgerald, PP, Kiltoghart, Carrick-on-Shannon to Cardinal Cullen, Dublin 26 January and 10 March 1875

Fitzgerald describes how the partially constructed church of St. Mary Major in Carrick was destroyed in a storm on 19th of January. Fr Tom Burke was to preach at the Dedication Ceremony in August. He now pleads for assistance. Cullen notes that he responded contributing £20 towards the repair of the church.

KIR/NC/1/1875/7 Item Holograph letter from the Nuns of the Order of the Presentation, Presentation Convent, Castleisland, Co Kerry to 6 March 1875 Eng. 4pp

The Nuns seek a dispensation granting them the privilege of being allowed to celebrate 'the Office of the Blessed Virgin according to the Rubrics for the celebration of the Divine Office' on certain days.

KIR/NC/1/1875/8 Item Holograph letter from John Fallon, Netterville Lodge to Sister Mary Antonia Fallon. Forwarded by Monsignor Kirby

<u>14 March 1875</u> Eng. 2pp

Fallon is pleased that Sr. Mary is progressing in Rome. He discusses St. Paul's Outside the Walls noting that the Kings of Piedmont were actually contributors to this Basilica. He recommends a painting of Danielle De Volterre at the Convent of Santi Cocur. He will be able to provide help to her in the form of 10 acres of land, building materials and some livestock. However given that there are many station masses in the district it would be difficult for a chaplain to support himself in a chapel there.

KIR/NC/1/1875/9 Holograph letter from Carolus Nocella to the Holy See Item 19 March 1875

<u>19 March 1875</u> Lat. 1p

Mentions plenary indulgences and the Archbishop of Tuam

Lang. / Extent

KIR/NC/1/1875/10 Item

Holograph letter from John Fallon, Netterville Lodge, Mount Bellew Bridge, Galway to Sister Mary Antonia Fallon.

Forwarded by Monsignor Kirby

4 May 1875 Eng. 2pp

Fallon encloses £50 for Sr. Mary noting the difficulty in arranging foreign exchanges. He hopes the money can be used to remunerate Miss O'Brien for the cost of her stay

KIR/NC/1/1875/11 Item

Holograph letter from John Fallon, Netterville Lodge, Mount Bellew Bridge, Galway to Sister Mary Antonia Fallon.

20 May 1875 Eng. 2pp

Fallon hopes to remit the remaining £150 to Sr. Mary when he receives confirmation that the earlier sum of £50 was received. He hopes that time will heal her disappointment concerning their divergent views. He mentions Cecile and other family members and friends.

KIR/NC/1/1875/12 Item

Calling card from Monsignor Kirby on which he mentions that an Audience has been arranged for Mr Browne.

24 May 1875 Ital. 1p

Item

KIR/NC/1/1875/13 Handwritten note containing spiritual intentions for a forthcoming retreat.

> 26 May 1875 Ital. 1p

Item

KIR/NC/1/1875/14 Calling card from Monsignor Kirby on which he mentions that an Audience has been arranged for Mr Kirwan and family.

> 7 June 1875 Ital. 1p

KIR/NC/1/1875/15 Item

Holograph letter from Bishop T W Croke, Albergo Reale della Pace, Ancona to Dr. Kirby

3 June [1875] Eng. 3pp

[Croke] has 'the Roman fever' for the past few days and will therefore remain where he is- but asks Kirby to keep him informed. He sends his regards to Cullen asking if the Cardinal has plans to leave Rome before the Congregation sits in Cashel. He is severely critical of the Italian legislators who have enacted a law establishing compulsory enlistment of the Clergy. The letters that Kirby forwarded to him were from Mr Murphy of Cork, a great friend and the PP of Cahir asking him to preach a charity sermon.

Lang. / Extent

Item

KIR/NC/1/1875/16 Draft holograph letter from [Dr. Kirby], Irish College Rome to Sister Mary [of the Cross]

> 5 June 1875 Eng. 2pp

[Kirby] was unable to write sooner due to his heavy workload. He has spoken often to Dr. M Quinn about her institute. Although Quinn holds many different opinions to Sr. Mary regarding the institute, [Kirby] is certain that all will be right in the end.

KIR/NC/1/1875/17 Draft notes for funeral service or oration

Item [circa June 1875] Ital 4pp

KIR/NC/1/1875/18

Calling card from Madame Tremonger to Kirby

8 June 1875 Item

Eng. 2pp

Tremonger thanks Kirby for his kindness to her and her daughters while in Rome.

KIR/NC/1/1875/19 Item

Newspaper clipping from 'The Freeman's Journal' reporting on the Jubilee celebrations held for Archbishop John MacHale in Tuam.

10 June 1875 Eng. 1p

Article describes the unveiling of MacHale's statue, political speeches by Dr. Nulty of Meath and A M Sullivan MP in honour of MacHale, the public banquet held in St. Jarlath's, Dr. MacHale's speech at that banquet in which he spoke of Home Rule, Dr. Nulty's banquet speech which focused on education, the Lord Mayor of Dublin's speech and the address from the Home Rule Association made to MacHale.

KIR/NC/1/1875/20 Item

Holograph letter from Bishop T W Croke, Albergo Reale della Pace, Ancona to Dr. Kirby

12 June 1875

Eng. 4pp

The news contained in Kirby's last letter was discouraging and Croke will wait for a reply before leaving for Foligno. However he is anxious to set out for home- his brother is getting married in London and he is tired of living in hotels- the 'last four months ... form the most unpleasant portion of my life.'. If he is to be appointed to Cashel he can get this appointment in Ireland and if Cardinal Franchi wishes to get information about New Zealand or a new Bishop of Auckland this can be done in writing. It is hard to know the business of Propaganda. He is sorry that Cardinal [Cullen] had to leave as he is an influential member of the Congregation.

Lang. / Extent

KIR/NC/1/1875/21 Item

Holograph letter from Bishop T W Croke, Grand Hotel de Turin, Torino to Dr. Kirby

19 June [1875] Eng. 4pp

Croke took advantage of a night train to travel to Turin, not stopping in Bologna. The heat is affecting his health. He gives his London and Irish addresses. He may see Panaglia in Turin but notes that he has recently heard things about him which he does not like.

KIR/NC/1/1875/22 Holograph letter from John [Canney], Ballina to Fr Griffin

Item 26 June 1875 Eng. 2pp

Canney has spoken to the Bishop concerning the requested marriage dispensation for a mixed marriage case. However all such dispensations must be specifically referred to Rome and he suggests that Griffin apply to

KIR/NC/1/1875/23 Item

Holograph letter from Bishop T W Croke, Kanturk, Co Cork to Dr. Kirby

17 July [1875] Eng. 4pp

Fr O'Reilly has brought home Croke's Pallium and he has met with Cullen. He received a hearty welcome from the priests and people in Thurles. He is preparing for O'Connell's centenary. A meeting of the canons has been arranged by the Vicar Capitular. Fr Scully has acted as a faithful friend towards him. Kirby was correct in his views about MacHale- Croke received an astonishing letter of congratulations from him. He asks that he be sent an account so that he can pay all his bills in Rome. He acknowledges Cardinal Franchi's kindness. Dr. Matt Quinn is well. He requests faculties. Dr. Ryan of Cashel would not suit for Auckland- he is too nervous and a bad speaker- however Dr. Moran of Dunedin's Vicar General is very good as is Coller of Cork.

KIR/NC/1/1875/24 Item

Holograph letter from Jean Emile [Fonteneau], Bishop of Agen to 'Monseigneur de Ferns.'

27 June 1875 Fr. 2pp

The Bishop of Agen draws the recipient's attention to the recent floods which have ruined several towns and villages in Lot-et-Garonne. He asks for charitable assistance.

KIR/NC/1/1875/25 Item

Draft documents for a Papal announcement concerned with the anniversary of Daniel O'Connell.

[circa August 1875]

Ital. 7pp

Includes a rough draft for the Papal announcement probably in the hand of Cardinal Cullen, note by Dr. Kirby and a copy of the 'Risposta di S.S. Pio IX' on O'Connell.

Lang. / Extent

KIR/NC/1/1875/26 Item

Holograph letter from unidentified writer, Brislington, Bristol to Dr. Kirby.

6 August 1875 Eng. 8pp

The writer, who is a convert, is glad that Kirby approves of her moving to London with her family. Monsignor Capel's house and school are close by and she has a very holy Jesuit as a confessor. However she feels more and more that she is separated by a great barrier from her friends who mainly avoid the subject of religion. Her mother never mentions her name but May still visits her. She hopes Kirby is not missing Fr Maher who has returned to Dublin. She thanks Kirby for his advice and help over the previous year. [final page missing]

KIR/NC/1/1875/27 Item

Holograph letter from Bishop John MacCarthy, Queenstown to Fr John England, PP [Kilaoullue]

19 October 1875

Eng. 2pp

MacCarthy states that he does not have the necessary power to grant a marriage dispensation to Widow Crowe and Mr Roche. He suggests that England apply to Dr. Kirby.

KIR/NC/1/1875/28

Item

Holograph note containing a religious poem from Mary F Kirby, Stonington, CT [Connecticut]

October 1875

Eng. 2pp

Religious poem / song entitled 'Hail! Mary!'

KIR/NC/1/1875/29 Item

Petition from George Butler, Bishop of Limerick to the Pope including explanatory note by Dr. Kirby

6 November 1875

Ital. Lat. 3pp

Butler petitions to be excused from making his Ad Limina visit to Rome.

KIR/NC/1/1875/30

Holograph letter from Cardinal Cullen to Dr. Kirby

Item

11 November 1875

Eng. 4pp

Dr. Furlong will not live long having got 'congestion of the brains'- he was a very good man and Cullen has no suggestions for a replacement. Cardinal McCloskey was anxious not to draw too much attention to his stay in Ireland in case the people made a noise about him- he stayed with Cullen in Dublin and Kirby in Tivoli. His niece, Agatha Cullen, is among the five new novices received for the Sisters of Charity. He is going to open the new session in the University- it is difficult to get students because they do not receive the degrees required by many professional people. He will send copies of the draft decrees of the synod to Propaganda for their approval. Dr. Moran might not be able to travel with the drafts to Rome due to his court-case with Fr O'Keeffe. The country has suffered torrents of rain and inundations. The young student, called Monroe, formally in Propaganda has recovered his health in Clonliffe.

Lang. / Extent

Holograph letter from Cardinal Cullen to Dr. Kirby KIR/NC/1/1875/31

26 November 1875 Item

Eng. 4pp

Dr. Moran will deliver copies of the late synod to the Cardinals of the Congregation- 'our Latinity will require some brushing up' and there will be many things to be corrected but in general the synod will do good. He hopes that Dr. Power will be able to settle the affairs of Harbour Grace with Dr. Carfagnini. Cullen has been told by the nuns, two priests and Dr. Power that the situation in Harbour Grace is very bad but Propaganda have not settled the case as yet. He does not relish the journey to Ferns in such bad weather to oversee the election of the new Bishop there- there aren't any candidates from St. Agatha's as Fr Jer. Hogan is dead and the two Meylers are both old and infirm. The Lord Mayor of Dublin was criticized by opponents for making the O'Connell centenary so thoroughly Catholic and preventing it from becoming a Fenian demonstration- he will soon be out of office. The daughter of Sir John Gray, aged fifteen, has insisted on becoming a Catholic and is now with the Ladies of the Sacred Heart. He believes that all the bigots and Fenians would be delighted to follow Minghetti's plan to get priests and bishops elected by the people-'under such a system religion would soon disappear.' He asks Kirby to urge Gaghardi to finish the paintings for Clonliffe church before Lent as it will facilitate a timely opening.

Petition from Mr Murray in Paris to Pope. Submitted by [Dr. KIR/NC/1/1875/32

Item Kirby], Irish College

> 18 December 1875 Ital. 1p

Murray is gravely ill in Paris and seeks a Apostolic Blessing.

Holograph letter from Marianna J Sherlock, Palazzo Calabrini, KIR/NC/1/1875/33 Item

141 Via di Misulta to Dr. Kirby

21 December 1875 Eng. 3pp

Sherlock thanks Kirby for helping her namesake. Miss England is excellent and well intentioned but would not suit Miss S. who has already heard of her.

Holograph letter from Fr James Roche, Vicar Capitular, KIR/NC/1/1876/1 Wexford to Fr Sinnott Item

> 11 January 1876 Eng. 1p

Roche informs Sinnott that no Bishop in Ireland has the power to grant marriage dispensations for 1st and 2nd cousins under Formula Sexta. He should write to Dr. Kirby.

Lang. / Extent

KIR/NC/1/1876/2 Item Copy of letter from Mary of the Cross, Convent of the Good Shepherd, Sydney addressed to 'My Dear Lord' [probably Bishop Matthew Quinn]

8 February 1876

Eng. 4pp

Sr. Mary informs the recipient that her Council has not consented to have the Professed Sisters in charge of their schools until he could supply their replacements. Her powers in the case are limited and she has been told to remove all the Sisters from Bathurst. Things have gone too far for anything else and some of the sisters themselves wish to leave.

KIR/NC/1/1876/3 Item Copy of letter from Bishop Matthew Quinn, Bathurst to Mother Mary [of the Cross]

9 February 1876

Eng. 4pp

Quinn states that he is glad to have received Sr. Mary's letter, dated the 3rd, as it clarifies what was already said to Rev. Mother of the Sisters of Mercy by Sr. Joseph. He discussed these matters with the late Sr. Teresa before she took ill. He is sure that they will both agree with Dr. McAuliffe's actions and he rejoices that there is a person to relieve him and her of their great difficulty. He is pleased that the Novices can go and that the Professed Sisters will remain for six months. He is prepared to forget the expenses that those who are going to Adelaide and believes that Dr. McAuliffe will do likewise.

KIR/NC/1/1876/4 Item Copy of letter from Mary of the Cross, Convent of the Good Shepherd, Sydney addressed to 'My Dear Lord' [probably Bishop Matthew Quinn]

11 February 1876

Eng. 4pp

Sr. Mary questions if the Sisters cost so much, especially to Dr. McAuliffe. She feels that she has 'completely failed in [her] effort to save you from additional care and annoyance and at the same time to do [her] duty.' As she and the Sisters in Adelaide could not work together the compromise worked out is for the best. She wonders if she should have followed the way of thinking of the Council.

KIR/NC/1/1876/5

Unsigned note to Dr. Kirby.

Item <u>1 January 1876</u>

Eng. 1p

The writer asks Kirby to pass on an accompanying letter [not extant] to Cardinal Franchi, Prefect of Propaganda on behalf of 'his Eminence'.

Lang. / Extent

KIR/NC/1/1876/6 Item Petition from Loretta Montauti Domiciliata, Via del Boschetto to 'Il Rev. Direttore degli Irlandesi.

<u>3 April 1876</u> Ital. 2pp

Loretta appeals on behalf of her grandchild, Angela Montauti, [who having being dismissed by her parents is now living with her stepfather's family.] She asks that she might be granted a place in the school delle Pallottine in Trastevere to escape the scandal that her poverty brings on her.

KIR/NC/1/1876/7

Holograph letter from Cardinal Cullen to Dr. Kirby

Item 10 April 1876

Eng. 2pp

Cullen sends £110, being the half year's interest on the deposited money of the Irish College. The 'poor Irish parsons' who, following the disestablishment of the church, invested their compensation in Turkish or Egyptian funds, lost a lot of money and therefore 'will get very little for their part of the spoils of the Old Catholic Church of Ireland.' The English are objecting to the title of Empress being given to the Queen while the Irish are indifferent. The Prince should not have refused to lay a foundation stone for a Catholic orphanage in Malta. He is anxious to get indulgences for the dedication of Holy Cross which will be opened with a grand triduum which he outlines. He notes that the site of Holy Cross is the location of Brian Boru's defeat of the pagan Danes on Good Friday 1014. He sends regards to Fr James Maher and Fr Egan and mentions that he received Dr. Brady's book.

KIR/NC/1/1876/8

Holograph letter from B. Russell Cruise to Dr. Kirby

Item

12 April 1876

Eng. 2pp

Cruise thanks Kirby for the Agnus Deis which has comforted him and his niece who are ill. He asks for prayers for a Swedish convert who is about to be ordained for his native country.

KIR/NC/1/1876/9 Item Holograph letter from Cardinal Cullen, 59 Eccles Street, Dublin to Dr. Kirby

24 April 1876

Eng. 1p

Cullen wishes to introduce Mrs Clarke, an excellent and generous Catholic, who is travelling to Rome. She should be presented to the Pope.

Lang. / Extent

Holograph letter from Cardinal Cullen to Dr. Kirby KIR/NC/1/1876/10

30 April 1876 Item

Eng. 3pp

Cullen has written to two Cardinals requesting their presence at the opening of Clonliffe Church. Some building work remains to be done and it is 'nowadays difficult to manage the tradesmen- if they see you are in a hurry they strike and leave you in the lurch.' The centenary for St. Vincent was celebrated in St. Peter's, Phibsboro by Cullen, Dr. Gillooly and Dr. Moriarty. Dr. Warren will be consecrated in Enniscorthy. He mentions Mrs Clarke, a pious, rich and charitable widow who has gone to Rome. The weather is very severe in Ireland. There has been no response to the decrees of Maynooth. Dr. O'Mahony's enemies in Australia have attempted to disgrace him by sending copies of vile Sydney papers to several priests. He ordained four of Fr Egan's companions today.

Item

KIR/NC/1/1876/11 Holograph letter from Cardinal Cullen, 59 Eccles Street, Dublin to Dr. Kirby

> 4 May 1876 Eng. 1p

Cullen wishes to introduce Mrs McDonagh who is travelling to Rome with her daughter. She wishes to get an audience with the Pope.

KIR/NC/1/1876/12 Item

Holograph letter from Cardinal Cullen, 59 Eccles Street, Dublin to Dr. Kirby

16 May 1876 Eng. 1p

Cullen sends a bill for £82 being a bequest from Mr Fowler, Newtown Park, Waterford to the Pope- his family are currently in Rome. The indulgences for Clonliffe have not yet arrived- the church may not be finished but he hopes that the ceremonies can still be held. 'The tradesmen are very slow and sometimes they seem determined to disappoint.'

KIR/NC/1/1876/13 Item

Holograph letter from Cardinal Cullen, 59 Eccles Street, Dublin to Dr. Kirby

19 May 1876 Eng. 3pp

Cullen regrets to inform Kirby that Clonliffe Church will not be complete by the 13th of June. He blames the tradesmen who have failed to honour their promises. He has written to the Bishops and Kirby should inform Cardinal Franchi- 'we would make a bad figure by bringing great people to a church in a very incomplete state.' He will still invite Cardinal Bonnechore to visit Ireland. Fr O'Rourke, PP of Maynooth requests faculties.

Lang. / Extent

KIR/NC/1/1876/14 Item

Holograph letter from Cardinal Cullen, 59 Eccles Street, Dublin to Dr. Kirby

22 May 1876 Eng. 4pp

Cullen asks for a marriage dispensation for John Greany of Limerick and Maria Sullivan the sister of his late wife who died in India. The tradesmen have not completed Clonliffe Church and are not easy to manage due to the threat of strikes. Carpenters and masons now get £2 a week whereas before they were glad of £1.5 or even £1. When wages are high a great deal goes to the public house.' They will only work a half day on Saturday but get a full day's pay on the pretence of studying. The poor people ruin themselves and 'at all events they put employers to great expense.' William and Paul Cullen have gone to Lourdes to make a pilgrimage. Dean O'Connell and Canon Rimey are both weak- they are both in their 80's.

Item

KIR/NC/1/1876/15 Holograph letter from Cardinal Cullen, 59 Eccles Street, Dublin to Dr. Kirby

> 24 May 1876 Eng. 4pp

Cullen is seeking a dispensation in all her vows for Sr. Angela of the Carmelite convent in Blackrock. She wishes to leave it immediately, get married and leave for America. Such a case is rare amongst the 1500 nuns in Dublin. Following ten or twelve days of negotiation, Fr O'Keeffe has agreed to renounce all his lawsuits, give up the house he holds and submit to his bishop. He has also written a letter to Cullen acknowledging all his misdeeds and professing his sorrow. It would be a great blessing if the seven year battle is indeed concluded as they have caused him mental and physical pain and fatigue. It will be necessary to give O'Keeffe something to live on-£150 per annum from his parish. He has cost Dr. Moran about £700, Dr. McDonald about the same, the late Bishop about £1000 and Cullen about £3000. He will not write to Propaganda until he is certain that O'Keeffe is sincere.

KIR/NC/1/1876/16 Item

Holograph letter from Cardinal Cullen, 59 Eccles Street, Dublin to Dr. Kirby.

25 May 1876 Eng. 2pp

Cullen mentions that the family name of the unfortunate nun mentioned in an earlier letter [Sr. Angela, 24 May 1876] is Catherine Callaghan. He hopes that a peaceful arrangement has been arrived at with Fr O'Keeffe- his lawyer has been informed that the actions against himself and Dr. Moran have been dropped which is a good sign. It is difficult to deal with tradesmen- they get great wages and become too independent. Clonliffe Church is as strong as an old Roman work.

KIR/NC/1/1876/17 Item

Holograph letter from Julius Lenti, [Auxiliary Bishop of Roma] and

Titular Archbishop of Side

27 May 1876 Lat. 1p

Lenti grants faculties to Thomas Caen of the Diocese of Clonfert.

KIR/NC/1/1876/18 Item Holograph letter from Cardinal Cullen, 59 Eccles Street, Dublin to Dr. Kirby

<u>30 May 1876</u> Eng. 4pp

He has been informed by the Cardinal that Dr. MacHale has been granted permission to hold a meeting of the clergy for the choice of coadjutor-Kirby should ascertain if the letter has been sent. Cullen is uncertain what MacHale will do as he has not had his own way- it would be unfortunate if he did not call the meeting as he is now 'hors de combat' [down and out]. Rome's views about the suitability of MacHale's nephew are well knownif the meeting is held properly the candidates will be Dr. MacEvilly, Dr. McCormick and Rev. Carr of Maynooth. He recalls MacHale's promotion and subsequent difficulties with Fr Lavelle. He hopes Dr. Mahony's case will end favourably. He believes that Cardinal Bonnechore will attend the opening of Clonliffe Church. He hopes that Cardinal McCloskey is not seriously ill. The example of Fr McEvoy of the United States who is 94 'gives courage to old people like ourselves.' He mentions Fr Daly PP of Co Wicklow who died at 98 years of age. His brother Michael in Liverpool is not well. They are waiting to see if O'Keeffe will give up the house in Callan as promised in legal papers.

KIR/NC/1/1876/19 Item Handwritten document entitled 'Nota d'Archivio sulla natura dei voti delle Carmelitane di Dublin' [Report on the nature of the vows taken by the Carmelites of Dublin]. Prepared for Dr.

<u>June 1876</u> Ital. 2pp

The report mentions two supporting documents. Firstly a report from the Synod of Maynooth and secondly a letter from the archives of Dublin dated 1835. [Probably relates to case mentioned in Cullen to Kirby 24 May 1876 KIR/NC/1/1876/15]

KIR/NC/1/1876/20 Item

Holograph letter from Cardinal Cullen, 59 Eccles Street, Dublin to Dr. Kirby

<u>7 June 1876</u> Eng. 4pp

Cullen visited his brother Michael in Liverpool noting that he appears to have recovered somewhat. O'Keeffe has followed through on his promise to withdraw his cases against Cullen at the Queen's Bench. A committee of Protestants and bigots in London will pay O'Keeffe's heavy expenses. Cullen's expenses have been at least £3000. The lawsuits against Moran have yet to be withdrawn. The priests of Kilkenny are anxious not to give O'Keeffe anything- however those who have felt the law think it more prudent to give the delinquent a good pension. He is broken down and will not live long and appears to be somewhat mad. Cullen supposes that he will have to absolve the suspension. 'What a terrible end the Sultan has met with.' The French assembly will assail the Catholic University. Clonliffe church will be finished at the end of August. The harvest threatens to be bad. Pat Maher of Clounstown is well. He hopes Cardinal Franchi has recovered.

Lang. / Extent

KIR/NC/1/1876/21 Item

Holograph letter from Cardinal Cullen, 59 Eccles Street, Dublin to Dr. Kirby

11 June 1876 Eng. 6pp

Fr Maher, Vice-rector of the Irish College, has been invited to travel to America for free by Fr Liddon of Boston to see the Great Exhibition in Philadelphia. Cullen disapproves of this proposal as it would leave Kirby without an assistant for a number of months. He will try to discourage all his priests from going as they money would be better spent on schools, churches or the poor. 'Besides priests are not much improved in an ecclesiastical spirit by getting into contact with all the queer people that will assemble at the great exhibition.' His brother is approaching death but is well prepared and hears Mass daily. Fr O'Keeffe is acting consistently but has not reached an arrangement with Dr. Moran and remains in the house in Callan still. In Cullen's opinion, O'Keeffe believed that he would loose the case and therefore decided to settle. Kirby should enquire if Propaganda have written to Dr. MacHale who has done nothing about selecting a co-adjutor. MacHale requested £6000 from jointly held funds to be put towards charitable purposes but Cullen has not agreed as yet. In a postscript marked 'Private' he advises Kirby to get Fr Maher to make a will and get the funds of the college made over to another's name before travelling to Philadelphia. He has no objection to Mrs Clarke's private oratory but notes that without safeguards these chapels often become the refuges of unfortunate priests. He asks for faculties for Richard Galvin, Michael Molony and John O'Rourke, all parish priests.

KIR/NC/1/1876/22 Item

Holograph letter from Cardinal Cullen, 59 Eccles Street, Dublin to Dr. Kirby

16 June 1876 Eng. 3pp

Cullen's brother has had a holy and happy death. He enquires again if Propaganda have written to Dr. MacHale concerning a coadjutor. He is reluctant to hand over £6000 to Dr. MacHale for a new convent in Castlebar until he is certain that the money would be secure in the case of MacHale's death. MacHale will not be pleased but he is too old and infirm to have so large a sum of publicly raised money in his hands. Having seen Mr Wilmot today, he hopes that Kirby will draw Propaganda's attention to the prospective mission in South Africa. He is glad that Fr Maher has given up on his American project.

KIR/NC/1/1876/23 Letter from Patrick Costello CC, Ballinasloe to the Pope

Item 25 June 1876 Lat. 1p

Costello mentions a book entitled 'Le chretien eclaire sur la nature et l'usage des Indulgences.' [The Christian instructed in the nature and use of indulgences]

Lang. / Extent

KIR/NC/1/1876/24 Holograph letter from Cardinal Cullen to Dr. Kirby

Item <u>2 July 1876</u> Eng. 4pp

He is glad to hear that the Irish decrees are being considered by the Congregation. They have also restored Fr Matthews of Drogheda thereby over-ruling Dr. Nulty's suspension. He believes that Matthew's defence documents have been shown to professors in Maynooth and he believes that copies of these should be got so that the bishops may be more certain when making censures in future. Nulty fears that Matthews will upset the nuns, churches, schools and parishioners- he has a reputation for being litigious and encouraged his niece to sue the poor convent where she had been living for a number of years. He fears that Nulty will not let the matter rest and he can not advise him as he does not have the 'ponenza'. Fr O'Keeffe has not yet given up the house or reached an arrangement with Dr. Moran even though he does not have one follower left. The students of Clonliffe, who now number nearly seventy, preformed well at the distribution of premiums ceremony. He wonders if Kirby will be able to attend the opening of Holy Cross church. Cullen will present the large sum collected for Peter's Pence on the 50th anniversary of the Pope's episcopal consecration.

KIR/NC/1/1876/25 Item Holograph letter from Plowden & Co, 50 Via della Mercede, Rome to Dr. Kirby.

<u>8 July 1876</u> Eng. 1p

The offices of Mr Plowden in England have been burgled and bills destined for Dr. Kirby have been stolen. Kirby is asked to write to the parties involved to get copies of the bills made. Mentions Patrick Erright.

KIR/NC/1/1876/26 Item Holograph letter and receipt. Includes receipt from Chiard Raggi, Rome to Rev. Canonico De Giovanni and letter from M Enrico Imovillie, Rome

10 July 1876 Ital. 4pp

Raggi acknowledges receipt of £50 from De Giovanni. Imovillie also refers to the money mentioning that it made a bad impression on him. He mentions a case involving a young woman whom he has found to be inexperienced and without sense- Dr. Kirby and the Mother Superior of the Pallottines are also involved.

KIR/NC/1/1876/27 Item Holograph letter from Madre Elena Bettini, Pia Casa di Carita to [Dr. Kirby]

<u>29 July 1876</u> Ital. 1p

Bettini has been instructed by Canon De Giovanni to send papers to 'S.V.' that state that the marriage was certainly binding.

Lang. / Extent

KIR/NC/1/1876/28

Item

Holograph letter from Chiara Paggi, Rome addressed to

'Monsignore' [Dr. Kirby]

14 June [1876] Ital. 3pp

Paggi thanks Kirby for his assistance.

KIR/NC/1/1876/29

Holograph letter from Cardinal Cullen to Dr. Kirby

Item

<u>15 July 1876</u> Eng. 2pp

Cullen disapproves of the practice of granting dispensations for mixed marriages in cases where the parties threaten to get married in the Protestant church. He refers to Miss Lyons, who must be bad Catholic to make such a threat and a mixed marriage may in any case take away the little faith she has. He fears that Dr. Nulty will not submit to Propaganda's decision despite Cullen's and Dr. McGettigan's advice. He asks Kirby to procure a copy of D'Angelis' voto [which was successful in overturning Nulty's censure of his priest]. He has just met Fr Maher- he is uncertain if Maher will go to America but thinks it better if he give up his place in Rome.

KIR/NC/1/1876/30

Petition from the Presentation Sisters of New York to the

Item <u>16 July 1876</u>

Ital. Lat. 1p

The Presentation Sisters, who have come from Ireland, wish to retain the same solemn vows that they had in Ireland. They also wish that these vows be taken by new members of their order in New York. They have consulted the Archbishop of New York on the matter. Includes reply from Propaganda.

KIR/NC/1/1876/31

Draft document prepared for submission to the Pope

Item

Festa de S. Camilla de Lellis [18 July] 1876

Ital. 7pp

The document discusses spiritual devotion particularly to the Blessed Virgin. Mentions Padre Marista.

KIR/NC/1/1876/32 Item Newspaper clippings from 'The Freeman's Journal' containing a copy of a letter and an address from Dr. MacHale to his clergy. Pasted onto card.

29 July 1876

Eng. Lat. 2pp

MacHale announces a meeting to select a co-adjutor. Rev. Thomas MacHale has decided not to put himself forward for nomination. The Archbishop asks that his successor be chosen to defend the cause of the Holy Church in educating and training the Catholic youth and to defend 'as far as it accords with the position of Bishop the liberty and the civil rights of our dear country.' In his address, MacHale discusses the forthcoming election. While acknowledging the right to his clergy to choose whom they please he cautions them against selecting a bishop who may cause friction with himself. Without naming names he suggests that certain current bishops might cause friction or indeed be unsuitable and he asks them to look towards the ranks of the clergy for a suitable candidate.

Lang. / Extent

KIR/NC/1/1876/33 Item Holograph letter from Cardinal Cullen, Blackditches to Dr. Kirby.

<u>31 July 1876</u> Eng. 4pp

Cullen has been visiting Blackditches in Wicklow to confirm children. He has received a telegram announcing the death of Dr. Connolly of Halifax-the people are all Irish there and deserve an Irish Bishop but the canny Scotch will try to get possession of that country on account of its name. He has also heard that the Protestant Bishop of Meath has killed himself-he was very rich and had a large family. Dr. O'Connell and Fr Purcell both former students of St. Agatha's are both dying. [Sr. Angela of the Carmelite convent, Blackrock] has been refused a dispensation but has left the convent and may cause scandal by getting married invalidly- he will write about her again. Dr. Nulty has not replied to Cullen's pleas to accept the decision of Propaganda- he is surrounded by young men without sense and does many absurd things. He has alienated the respectable Catholic of Meath and may do likewise to the Holy See. The pictures are all up in the new church at Clonliffe- they look beautiful and the church is nearly finished.

KIR/NC/1/1876/34 Holograph letter from Cardinal Cullen to Dr. Kirby

Item <u>4 August 1876</u>

Eng. Ital. 5pp

Cullen has sent a copy of a circular from Dr. MacHale to his clergy concerning the appointment of a coadjutor. He suggests that MacHale, in specifically requesting his clergy not to consider his nephew Fr Thomas MacHale, is in fact asking them to do the opposite. 'His last words telling the priests to vote for patriots are also destined to curry favour for the nephew.' He also notes that the rescript does not allow administrators of parishes to vote- they can be easily influenced 'to please the old man.' He asks Kirby to speak to Cardinal Franchi about the case and he encloses a short note in Italian by way of explanation. If the priests are allowed vote for themselves they will choose Dr. MacEvilly or Dr. McCormick, both excellent men. He believes that Clonliffe will be 'one of the finest churches in Ireland inside but outside it is plain just like some of the minor churches in Rome, and does not produce such an effect as the Gothic buildings with their carving and turrets.'

Lang. / Extent

KIR/NC/1/1876/35 Item Printed prospectus from David Nutt, London inviting subscriptions to a forthcoming publication. Includes printed letter of endorsement from Cardinal Henry Edward, Archbishop of Westminster to Rev. F. Stanton, Superior of the Oratory of S. Philip Neri.

<u>August 1876</u>

The set of books will be entitled 'Documents concerning the History of the Church in England during the times of persecution'. The books will contain transcripts of original archival documents including the 'Douay Diaries'. The Fathers of the London Oratory have been commissioned by the Cardinal to do this work and the introduction will be written by Rev. F Knox. Includes a handwritten annotation from Dr. Kirby in which he notes that he has subscribed.

KIR/NC/1/1876/36 Item Holograph letter from Madre Elena Bettini, Pia Casa di Carita to [Dr. Kirby] including a receipt.

14 August 1876

Ital. 1p

Eng. 4pp

Bettini writes that she has received notice that the marriage can take place but thinks that the couple will not have suitable apparel for the occasion.

KIR/NC/1/1876/37

Holograph letter from Cardinal Cullen to Dr. Kirby

Item <u>17 August 1876</u>

Eng. 1p

Cullen has written to Cardinal Franchi concerning the 14th [opening of Clonliffe church]- he believes that Cardinal De Bonnechore will come. He is sending a paper published today containing [MacHale's] Latin letter and address to his clergy which should be shown to Propaganda- it contains a great attack on Dr. MacEvilly and will cause division. The letter in the newspaper omits all about the administrators so he requests a copy of the original letter he sent to Rome.

KIR/NC/1/1876/38 Item

Holograph letter from Cardinal Cullen, 59 Eccles Street, Dublin to Dr. Kirby

18 August 1876

Eng. 2pp

Dr. MacHale's attack on his bishop did not effect the election in which Dr. MacEvilly got 16 votes, Dr. Thomas MacHale 10 votes, Rev. F Carr of Maynooth 9 votes. He hopes that Dr. MacEvilly will be appointed as he is a safe man and devoted to the Holy See. MacHale's letters were sent by himself to 'The Freeman's Journal' before the clergy had received them. He asks when Cardinal Franchi will arrive?

Lang. / Extent

KIR/NC/1/1876/39 Item Holograph letter from Cardinal Cullen, 59 Eccles Street, Dublin to Dr. Kirby

21 August 1876

Eng. 3pp

Cullen asks if Cardinal Franchi will come. He sent Franchi copies of MacHale's letters and two articles from 'The Evening Mail' praising him for upholding 'ecclesiastical rights against Propaganda, at the same time condemning every body else.' MacHale's action may disrupt the peace of his Archdiocese and is hostile to the Holy See- 'he will be consistent in his spirit of faction to the last.' He suggests that Propaganda should quickly appoint Dr. MacEvilly as Administrator as he is a native of the diocese and enjoys the majority of support of the clergy. He has heard that drunkenness prevails in the diocese amongst the priests. Dr. O'Connell, Dean of Dublin has died. The summer has been hot, the crops are light but the corn will be good. Tynan never informed him of his journey to Rome-Mr Cooney, a rich publican, is paying his expenses.

KIR/NC/1/1876/40

Telegram from Cardinal Cullen, Dublin to Dr. Kirby

Item

4 September [1876]

Eng. 1p

Telegram reads- 'Thank E [Eminence] let him telegram from London time of arrival companions etc.' The Cardinal is identified as Franchi with a handwritten annotation.

KIR/NC/1/1876/41 Item Holograph letter from L Gillooly, Bishop of Elphin, College of the Immaculate Conception, Summerhill, Athlone to Cardinal Franchi. Enclosed by Kirby in folder noting that 'The enclosed letter was ordered by the writer not to be given'

7 September 1876

Eng. 10pp

Gillooly gives a full description of the meeting of the Bishops of Tuam to discuss the candidates for the Coadjutor to Dr. MacHale. He notes that all the bishops had agreed previously on a course of action to counter MacHale's known opposition to Dr. MacEvilly, who absented himself from the meeting. Gillooly considers MacEvilly to be the best candidate due in part to his experience but also because of his knowledge of Irish and his prior role in the Seminary. He fears however that MacHale will appeal to the popular or 'Fenian element amongst the lower classes.' While he does not believe that Rev. Thomas MacHale of the Irish College Paris is a suitable candidate for Tuam he admits that he does have many qualities and could be appointed the new Bishop of Galway in order to appease his uncle. He also speaks well of Rev. Carr but does not believe him suitable for the position. Gillooly notes that his name should not be considered as his main desire is to return to the Congregation of the Mission and would relinquish his position in Elphin to bring this about. It is the opinion of the suffragan Bishops that the some of the problems in Tuam stem from its large size. They believe that both Tuam and Killaloe should be reduced and that Galway and Kilmacduagh and Kilfenora should be enlarged. Includes engraved drawing of the College showing buildings and students playing cricket.

Lang. / Extent

KIR/NC/1/1876/42 Holograph letter from Fr J McSwiney, Cloyne Parish to the

Item 8 September 1876 Lat. 4pp

McSwiney requests a marriage dispensation for John Kinmartin and Elena Grogan of Cloyne providing details of the case.

KIR/NC/1/1876/43 Holograph letter from Cardinal Cullen to Dr. Kirby

Item 24 September 1876 Eng. 1p

Cullen wish to introduce Canon Kennedy, a zealous PP who is visiting

Rome and could be shown Tivoli.

KIR/NC/1/1876/44 Holograph letter from Cardinal Cullen to Dr. Kirby

Item St. Michael's Day [29 September] 1876 Eng. 3pp

Cullen has sent copies of the 'Freeman' newspaper giving accounts of the ceremonies to open Clonliffe church. He notes that Cardinal Manning was extremely busy with affairs in England and therefore could not officiate at some of the ceremonies surrounding the building and opening of the church. Cardinal de Bonnechose's health, unfortunately, broke down which

prevented his attendance. However Cardinal Franchi was well pleased with his visit to Clonliffe college. His only brother James and Fr William Cullen

have travelled to Vichy.

KIR/NC/1/1876/45 Holograph petition from Fr Jeremias O'Leary, Killavallen in the Diocese of Cloyne

30 September 1876 Lat. 1p

O'Leary seeks a marriage dispensation for Michael Mahony and Helena

Mahony who are cousins.

KIR/NC/1/1876/46 Holograph letter from Cardinal Cullen, 59 Eccles Street, Dublin Item to Dr. Kirby

2 October 1876 Eng. 3pp

Cullen notes that it is the 56th anniversary of his first going to Rome. He has asked for permission from the Congregation of Rites to celebrate the 'Beata officium'. Cullen got a heavy cold following the departure of the Cardinal. He mentions that Canon Kennedy PP and Fr Langan PP of Kilcullen have left for Rome- both have built churches. He reminds Kirby to call on Cardinal De Bonnechose.

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KIR/NC/1/1876/47 Holograph letter from Rev. O'Shaughnessy, 6 Honick Place, Item SW London to Fr O'Dwyer

<u>4 October 1876</u> Eng. 3pp

When O'Shaughnessy returns to Dublin he will see what he can do with the G.S.W.R. people. He notes the successful lecture delivered by JS McC. His lecture will be on Bishop Berkley, 'treating him as an Irishman' and hopefully will be held in the rooms of the Society.

Lang. / Extent

KIR/NC/1/1876/48 Item

Holograph letter from George Butler, Bishop of Limerick to Fr Edward O'Dwyer

6 October 1876 Lat. 1p

Mentions an ecclesiastical censure.

KIR/NC/1/1876/49 Item

Holograph petition from Sisters Filomena and Bernarda of the Sisters of Mercy in Ireland, Eliza Robinson from England, Brother Robinson and Fr Cuthbert Robinson to the Pope.

Submitted by Kirby

12 October 1876 Ital. 1p

The petitioners seek a Papal blessing to assist them with their corporal and spiritual burdens.

KIR/NC/1/1876/50 Item

Holograph petition from Michael Warren, Bishop of Ferns to the Pope. Submitted by Kirby.

22 October 1876 Lat. 2pp

Warren requests faculties to make appointments in his diocese.

KIR/NC/1/1876/51 Item

Holograph letter from Cardinal Cullen, 59 Eccles Street, Dublin to Dr. Kirby

24 October 1876 Eng. 4pp

Cullen asks that his powers to dispense marriage cases between second cousins be renewed. He sends three students, Purcell, Burke and Victory on free places to the Irish College. He asks Fr Maher to ensure that the college and especially water-closets are kept clean as 'the necessity of cleanliness for preserving health' is constantly reported in the papers. He notes that there is now a commission in Dublin appointed to keep the city clean and that people are now fined for keeping their places dirty. He mentions Kirby's health, Fr Kennedy and Fr Langan and the students. The Spanish pilgrimage was wonderful but he fears that some may become dissatisfied when they return and the Pope must be very strong to address such multitudes.

KIR/NC/1/1876/52 Holograph letter to Miss Whelan from [Edmond Linis]

1 November 1876 Item

Eng. 4pp

'Eddy' professes his love for Miss Whelan and urges her to leave where she is. He promises to now include her in his will. He also mentions that he will get this letter [registered] so that no one will get it but herself. Mentions that he will write to Mother Gooding, Lombard Street. [the English used in the letter is unusual and includes frequent mistakes]

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KIR/NC/1/1876/53 Item Holograph letter from Cardinal Cullen, 59 Eccles Street, Dublin to Dr. Kirby including a copy of a letter from the Pope to

5 November 1876 Eng. Lat. 4pp

Cullen encloses a copy of a letter from the Pope [included] which Cardinal Franchi ought to be pleased with regarding his trip to Ireland. Cardinal Antonelli's death is a sad loss to the church and to the Pope. Some of the Protestant papers have praised him as a very clever politician while other 'Orange rags' have accused him of being hostile to progress and enlightenment. He hopes that the next Secretary of State will be able to handle the 'Inglesi' and not let the government interfere in Irish Catholic appointments. Mrs James Maher of Roseto, a cousin of Fr Maher, has died. He mentions that the student from Dublin called Purcell is excellent. He asks Maher to look to keeping the college clean. War will probably not occur before winter but the six million soldiers in Europe will not be left idle for long. He suggests that Fr Augustine O'Reilly should settle down having spent time in St. Agatha's, the Cape of Good Hope, Rome, Toronto, Montreal and now Rome again. He believes that the apse behind the altar in Clonliffe church is too bare and he wonders if Torlonia might be asked to create a mosaic for it depicting Christ as the good shepard and sheep- 'the people here would like to see the sheep over the altar.' He hopes to go to Rome in May for the Jubilee of the Pope's episcopal consecration.

KIR/NC/1/1876/54 Item Holograph letter from Cardinal Cullen, 59 Eccles Street, Dublin to Dr. Kirby

10 November 1876

Eng. 2pp

Cullen asks for an authenticated account of the late Cardinal Antonelli's property as the papers claim that he left 30 million francs to his family which is aimed at reducing contributions to the Pope. The papers similarly reported that Cullen received half a million pounds from the late Mr Egan whereas he is one of the four trustees to the estate worth £400,000 with some money being given to Protestant institutions. He has informed Cardinal Guidi that Fr Sullivan, a good Benedictine priest, borrowed £119,000 to buy a 1303 acre farm to commence a monastery.

KIR/NC/1/1876/55 Item Holograph petition from James Walsh, Bishop of Kildare and Leighlin to the Pope.

19 November 1876

Lat. 1p

Walshe asks that he be excused from making his Ad Limina due to his old age and illness. He asks that the Rector of the Irish College deputise for him. Includes reply from Propaganda.

Lang. / Extent

KIR/NC/1/1876/56 Item Holograph letter from Cardinal Cullen, 59 Eccles Street, Dublin to Dr. Kirby

12 November 1876

Eng. 4pp

Cullen is anxious to have accurate information concerning the wealth of Cardinal Antonelli in order that he might be able to refute the reports circulating in the Protestant papers and also amongst Catholics. He asks if Dr. Thomas MacHale is still in Rome or is involving himself in the appointment of the Coadjutor to Tuam. He notes that Archbishop MacHale dined for the first time in 25 years in Cullen's house and also was amazed with Clonliffe- Cardinal Franchi was surprised at MacHale's robust health. He believes that there is a great need for a reforming coadjutor like Dr. MacEvilly for Tuam. The decrees of Thurles for the reformation of the clergy have not been enforced there, drunkenness amongst the clergy is not punished and stations are still being held in every farmer's house. Stations have been abandoned in Dublin Archdiocese except for parts of Kildare- he believes that many people were glad to get rid of the big expense and trouble of hosting a dinner after the station. He believes that some priests are unwilling to do away with the custom because it benefits them financially. Fr Matthews has returned to the Archdiocese of Armagh and appears to be acting respectfully towards his curate, Fr Alten.

KIR/NC/1/1876/57 Item Holograph letter from Cardinal Cullen, 59 Eccles Street, Dublin to Dr. Kirby enclosing a copy of correspondence between John A Farrell, Moynalty and Rev. P Guinty, PP of Moynalty.

October and 12 November 1876

Eng. 8pp

Cullen encloses copies of letters forwarded to him by Dr. Conroy from John A Farrell. They concern a dispute between a Catholic landlady, Mrs Farrell and the Curate of Moynalty over the running of the Moynalty Female School. The curate has the support of his parish priest, Fr Guinly and his Bishop, Dr. Nulty. Mr Farrell contacted Cullen about the case which has concerned him because it may upset his relationship with Thomas Kelly of Dublin, a rich and very charitable relation of the Farrells. The school and church in Moynalty were built with the support of the Farrells. 'When the rich Catholics are annoyed they generally, cut off correspondence and communication with the priest, and some of them leave the country and hand over the management of their estates to agents who are often the scourge of the tenants.' Some priests in Meath believe that in order to be patriotic they have to treat the rich Catholics harshly. If the case had happened in Dublin he would have moved the priest and he notes that no priest in Dublin denounces a layman, rich or poor, from the altar unless 'some great public scandal has to be referred to.' Fr O'Keeffe is now threatening to sue for parochial dues that he claims Cullen made him loose.

Lang. / Extent

KIR/NC/1/1876/58 Item Holograph letter from Cardinal Cullen, 59 Eccles Street, Dublin to Dr. Kirby

27 November 1876

Eng. 2pp

Cullen encloses a petition for Miss Sutton, who was a mere neophyte when she took the vow and therefore should be dispensed of it. He is also sending Downey's case. He asks Kirby to call on Cardinal Bonnechose. He asks if Cardinal Manning is involved in diplomatic business possibly related to English desire to have diplomatic relations with the Holy See. Cardinal Antonelli always kept up the rights of the Church but Cardinal Franchi is inclined towards diplomatic interference. He is sending an album of photographs of Clonliffe to Franchi with Fr Isidoro, the Franciscan. He hopes the Dr. O'Mahony case has ended well. Dr. Nulty believes that the priest, who is fighting with the Farrells of Moynalty, is a saint. He believes that war is very probable for April or May.

KIR/NC/1/1876/59 Item Holograph letter from Cardinal Cullen, 59 Eccles Street, Dublin to Dr. Kirby

30 November 1876

Eng. 2pp

Fr Albert Sullivan, a Benedictine, should return to Ireland at once as a former lay-brother has commenced legal proceedings against him for backwages. Although the judge is Mr Morris, a Catholic, he is likely to be even more severe than a Protestant. He believes that the reversal of the judgement in Cullen's case worried Judge Whiteside very much and may have contributed to his death.

KIR/NC/1/1876/60 Item Holograph letter from Cardinal Cullen, 59 Eccles Street, Dublin to Dr. Kirby

<u>1 December 1876</u>

Eng. 3pp

Cullen has received £10 from a priest of Dr. Quinn's diocese for a proposed orphanage for outcast Jewish and Mohomatan boys in the Holy Land. He notes that two Italian priests were collecting for a similar orphanage in Bethlehem. The Pope must be afflicted with the loss of another of his best supporters, Cardinal Patrize. He notes that only five or six of the 57 Parish priests of Dublin and only three members of the hierarchy were in place when he first arrived back in Ireland. The papers are for war one day and against war the next.

Lang. / Extent

KIR/NC/1/1876/61 Item Holograph letter from Cardinal Cullen, 59 Eccles Street, Dublin to Dr. Kirby

5 December 1876

Eng. 2pp

Cullen is anxious to learn of Cardinal Patrizi as the papers are full of lies. He mentions Fr O'Mahony, who has been allowed to return to Australia by Propaganda. He also asks if Dr. MacHale's coadjutor has been appointed-he hopes MacHale will not get his own way because it will encourage others to use threats and resistance against Rome. James O'Ferrall has died aged 74, his brother, More O'Ferrall aged 80 is very ill. Fr O'Malley, aged 80, is dying- 'you see how quickly the world changes.'

KIR/NC/1/1876/62 Item Holograph letter from Cardinal Cullen, 59 Eccles Street, Dublin to Dr. Kirby

10 December 1876

Eng. 4pp

Cullen is glad to hear that Cardinal Patrizi is recovering- the Pope would feel his loss greatly. If Dr. MacHale gets all his wishes it will encourage the other bishops to do likewise. He notes cases of MacHale's opposition to the Holy See- the Catholic University, the Fenians, Fr Lavelle, the Synod of Thurles, the Vatican Council and the Acts of the Propaganda. He hopes the wisdom of the Apostolic See will do what is best- if they appoint Dr. MacEvilly it would be advantageous. The present government is showing some interest in denominational education but there is much opposition to every thing religious. He is glad that the report in 'The Times' has refuted stories of Cardinal Antonelli's sixty millions of property and asks for some authenticated copy of his will. The Protestant papers are trying to prevent contributions towards Peter's Pence by using the Antonelli case. Things are very bad in France and war in the East seems possible. Lord Fingall's cousin, General Herbert, is the first Catholic general.

KIR/NC/1/1876/63 Item Holograph letter from Cardinal Cullen, 59 Eccles Street, Dublin to Dr. Kirby

11 December 1876

Eng. 4pp

Fr Sullivan arrived home in time for his trial which he won. Sullivan set up a monastery and farm near Dublin using his own money- however he was tempted to borrow to buy neighbouring land from the Established Church. He now has 1300 acres of good land but has a debt of £115,000. Cullen did not think it right to advance him £40,000 but he is an energetic and well-know priest and may reduce the debt with time. However he cannot seek money from the public who think he is rich, free trade has reduced the profits that can be made from tillage and emigration has increased workmen's wages threefold. Imports of Canadian cattle are also threatening cattle prices in Ireland- 'there is no protection for our agricultural interests.' He asks for a barrel of oil for Holy Week.

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KIR/NC/1/1876/64 Item Holograph letter from Cardinal Cullen, 59 Eccles Street, Dublin to Dr. Kirby

14 December 1876

Eng. 4pp

Cullen describes how he anointed the late Dr. Whelan before he died-he was a good man. He has heard from Dr. Conroy, of an American impostor named Evans who is passing himself off as an Irish nobleman called Count or Baron D'Oyle in Paris. Using forged Papal documents he has got in with some high Catholic families. He asks Kirby to investigate the matter in Rome. Dr. Conroy will deliver the funeral oration at the Mass for Cardinal Antonelli. He hopes that the Pope and Cardinal Patrizi are well.

KIR/NC/1/1876/65

Holograph letter from Cardinal Cullen, Dublin to Dr. Kirby

Item 17 December 1876

Eng. Ital. 2pp

Cullen gives his opinions about Fr Michael Patterson of Bray to Propaganda but wishes not to be identified. Patterson's principle defect, which he shares with other young priests and people of his generation, is that he only does the minimum required of him, This is 'the constitutional way of acting in our times' when a CC will refuse to do anything for his PP not mentioned in the statutes. He mentions the PP of Bray, Rev. Dr. Lee. Dr. Whelan will be buried tomorrow. Cardinal Patrizi is very ill.

KIR/NC/1/1876/66 Item

Holograph letter from Cardinal Cullen, 59 Eccles Street, Dublin to Dr. Kirby

19 December 1876

Eng. 2pp

Dr. O'Hea, died aged 68- he was bishop since 1858. Dr. Lynch, Dr. Conroy and about 150 ecclesiastics attended a funeral Mass for Cardinal Antonellithe Mass was sung in Gregorian style according to the Ratisbon missal. Dr. Conroy has informed Cardinal Franchi that he is not disposed to leave Ireland for a foreign mission- he is needed in Ireland especially for the education question. The Catholic University is doing well and has more students this year. He sends regards to Fr Maher and Fr Egan.

KIR/NC/1/1876/67

Holograph letter from Cardinal Cullen to Dr. Kirby

Item 27 December 1876

Eng. 3pp

Cullen wishes to know if Dr. O'Mahony has been allowed to return to Australia by Propaganda as was earlier reported. He hopes that Dr. Conroy's funeral oration for Cardinal Antonelli was acceptable in Rome. There is no word about Propaganda's decision on Tuam- 'what are they doing?' He hopes the three students from Clonliffe, including Purcell are doing well. He asks for a dispensation for a poor woman who made a vow shortly after she converted which she did not understand and which now prevents her from getting married. 'Has anything been done about the Dean?'

Lang. / Extent

KIR/NC/1/1876/68

Holograph letter from Cardinal Cullen to Dr. Kirby

Item 29 December 1876

Eng. 3pp

Cullen requests answers from Propaganda to questions posed by the Synod of Maynooth. 'The Freeman' have announced that Dr. MacEvilly has been appointed Coadjutor of Tuam following a story in 'The London Daily News'. He hopes this is true as any other candidate would cause much mischief. The weather in Ireland is unwholesome being very wet. There is no news about war as yet- it 'would be a fine solution if the Turks were all dismissed from Europe and at the same time the Russians humbled and split into pieces.' He notes that Kirby is entering his 75th year- Cullen's old nurse always held that he was born at the end of April of 1804, the year after Emmett's rebellion- 'the only thing we can desire is to finish our career in the grace of God.' Fr James Gough, a young priest of St. Agatha's or Propaganda has died of fever.

KIR/NC/1/1876/69 Item

Newspaper clipping from the Waterford News concerning the appointment of Rev. Canon Roche PP as Vicar Capitular of Ferns.

31 December 1876

Eng. 1p

Article prints a letter from Dr. Kirby to Roche. Also mentions that, following the election, the three candidates for Ferns are Dr. Rickards the Vicar Apostolic of the Cape, Fr Michael Warren the Superior of the House of Mission at Enniscorthy and Fr N Fortune the President of All Hallows College Drumcondra. Rickards received most votes and is supported also by the people of Wexford.

KIR/NC/1/1877/1 Item

Holograph letter from Cardinal Cullen, 59 Eccles Street, Dublin to Dr. Kirby

3 January 1877

Eng. 4pp

Cullen sends £10 and a letter from Rev. Mr D'Arcy of Bathurst for the orphanage at Bethlehem. He also sends £30 to Kirby as a gift. The poor are suffering from the continuous rain and floods. Fr Birch from Ossory has complained that Dr. Moran has not given him the parish promised to him by Fr Michael when he gave up his previously held parish. Birch, an old man, appears to be mad but may now appeal to Rome as he has money. He describes how the new Bishop of Ferns has fallen out with the Superior of the Convent of the Sisters of Mercy in Enniscorthy. He attempted to remove the confessor of the nuns, an ex-oblate from Marseilles called Gorman and to remove a sick novice and curtail a mad nun. The novice has had visions from the Blessed Virgin who declared that the confessor was a saint and the mad nun gives out prophecies every day. Now the whole town believes that the Bishop is a tyrant. He compounded matters by suspending the superior and appointing another which has resulted in the community splitting into two factions. They refused to listen to Fr Strerzo, an Italian Jesuit, who was to give them a retreat. He believes that the example of Fr O'Keeffe has turned the heads of the nuns.

Title / Date / Description

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KIR/NC/1/1877/2 Item Holograph letter from Cardinal Cullen, 59 Eccles Street, Dublin to Dr. Kirby

4 January 1877

Eng. 4pp

Cullen reminds Kirby to get a dispensation for an English convert who made a vow of chastity on her conversion but who now wishes to get married. The severe storms and rain have damaged the railroads and half the country is inundated. The famous Fr Thaddeus O'Malley died aged 85- he wrote some foolish things about the Vatican Council and was suspended by Dr. McCabe but was subsequently reinstated. O'Malley was also appointed Rector of Malta by the British government in 1845 on account of his anti-Catholic writings. This demonstrates the government's regard for the Irish Clergy, a point that Propaganda could learn from. Dr. O'Mahony has written to Cullen to inform him that he has not been restored. He hopes that Propaganda will act with determination to counter the opposition from the Lion [MacHale]. Fr Daniel Kane, a young priest formally of St. Agatha's, is dying of consumption. Fr Gough, formally of Propaganda, has died.

KIR/NC/1/1877/3 Item Holograph letter from Cardinal Cullen, 59 Eccles Street, Dublin to Dr. Kirby

5 January 1877

Eng. 3pp

The dispensation for Miss Sutton has arrived. Miss Cruice and Miss Hamilton from Sweden have called on him- they will visit the convents and public institutions in Galway. He mentions a disturbance amongst some nuns noting that the location is New Ross [and not Enniscorthy]. The problem stems from the fact that the confessor was allowed to stay with the nuns for too long a time. The rules of the Sisters of Mercy state that they are under the authority of their Bishop. Great damage was caused by storms along the coast.

KIR/NC/1/1877/4 Item Holograph letter from Cardinal Cullen, 59 Eccles Street, Dublin to Dr. Kirby including explanation in Italian and draft petition to the Pope.

15 January 1877

Eng. Ital. 8pp

Cullen inquires if the Decrees of the Synod of Maynooth have been approved as yet by Propaganda- they are ready to be printed in Ireland. He also requests that Monsignor Meagher, Vicar-General, be appointed dean. Miss O'Brien left a large sum of money for the establishment of an orphanage in her will but referred to Dr. Meyler as Vicar-General and Dean. It is important that Meagher should be shown to be the successor of Meyler so that the will cannot be contested. He includes a explanation of the case in Italian and a draft petition to the Pope requesting Meagher's appointment. Cullen has been accused of being a great miser while the truth is that he never received a farthing of the reported £100,000 available in the will. The storms and floods have caused great damage. The candidates for Ross will be selected at Dr. O'Hea's month's memory Mass. Dr. Nulty gave a lecture in Navan church on 'gas and water' that lasted four hours during which time no one was allowed leave.

Title / Date / Description

Lang. / Extent

KIR/NC/1/1877/5 Item Holograph letter from Cardinal Cullen, 59 Eccles Street, Dublin to Dr. Kirby

18 January 1877

Eng. 4pp

Cullen mentions that he has sent two sets of copies of photographs of Clonliffe with Fr Isidoro of St. Isidores. One copy was for Cardinal Franchi and the other for Kirby- the price of such photographs is very high in Dublin. He has heard that the Superior and assistant of New Ross have handed their resignation to their Bishop so hopefully the matter is at an end. The three candidates for Ross, Dr. Fitzgerald of Fermoy, Dr. Neville of Cork and Dr. Ryan of Cashel would all make good bishops. If Dr. MacHale gets his way regarding Tuam any chance of establishing discipline will be at an end. Cullen attended an examination and distribution of prizes at an orphanage run by the French Sisters of Charity. He spoke heartily against mixed education to the assembled dignitaries which included the Lord Mayor, Lord O'Hagan and the High Sheriff of Dublin. There are 180 orphans in the school and about 4000 in total in Dublin all supported by charity. Rome, which is far richer than Dublin, could learn from this. He notes that he has just received word that the nuns of New Ross are not submitting to their Bishop but want to go to another diocese- 'who would take them?'

KIR/NC/1/1877/6

Holograph letter from Cardinal Cullen to Dr. Kirby

Item

19 January 1877

Eng. 4pp

Cullen sends two copies of the Catholic Directory to Kirby with Fr Luigi Comezzano. Comezzano left Rome two years ago to avoid conscription. He taught theology and then Italian in Dr. Conroy's seminary but was unfit to teach both and also had the bad habit of staying out in the evenings. He is a good ecclesiastic and speaks English but should not be given a teaching post. Two other Italians who came to Ireland to avoid conscription were also of no use at Clonliffe. Quinn from Propaganda was also guilty of staying out late while teaching at Clonliffe and was similarly sent away.

KIR/NC/1/1877/7 Item Holograph letter from M J Condon, St. Joseph's Convent, Tallow, Co Waterford to Dr. Kirby.

20 February 1877

Eng. 4pp

Condon asks Kirby to procure for her a Directory for the Carmelite order for 1877 as the Provincial of Dublin has been unable to source one. She hopes that the Pope will triumph over his enemies. She mentions Fr Nolan and Fr Fitzgerald who have recently travelled to Rome.

Lang. / Extent

KIR/NC/1/1877/8 Item

Holograph letter from Cardinal Cullen, 59 Eccles Street, Dublin to Dr. Kirby

23 January 1877

Eng. 3pp

Cullen suspects that the appointment to Tuam is already complete and what he now has to report will be of no use. Monsignor MacCabe, the Vicar General, was told by one or two bishops of the Province of Tuam, who were former schoolfellows of McCabe, that there is a great problem with drinking in Tuam diocese. At least 26 priests have died suddenly from drunkenness and Dr. MacHale does nothing about it because he drinks a great deal himself although he 'does not get drunk'. The drunken priests are afraid that Dr. MacEvilly will be severe upon them and therefore they oppose his appointment. The custom of stations is kept up in the diocese and it is here that priests learn to drink whiskey. McCabe was also informed that Dr. Thomas MacHale also drinks very freely but 'does not get drunk' and that if this is the case he would do little good. 'It is not desirable to send statements such as I have now made through the post or to write them in Italian' but he writes in the hope that the letter will not be opened in the post.

KIR/NC/1/1877/9 Item

Petitions from Edward Kelly, Parish Priest in the Diocese of Down and Connor to the Pope

28 January 1877

Ital. Lat. 2pp

Kelly requests his faculties to be renewed.

KIR/NC/1/1877/10 Item

Holograph letter from Plowden & Co, 50 Via della Mercede, Rome to Dr. Kirby, Irish College Rome.

<u>3 February 1877</u>

Eng. 1p

Plowden explains that having checked Kirby's account he is certain that there are no mistakes. He mentions money transferred to the account of Cardinal Cullen.

KIR/NC/1/1877/11 Item

Holograph letter from Cardinal Cullen, 59 Eccles Street, Dublin to Dr. Kirby

7 February 1877

Eng. 1p

Cullen wishes to introduce Mr and Mrs Cranny of Dublin who are travelling to Rome. They should be given the opportunity to meet the Pope

Item

KIR/NC/1/1877/12 Letter signed by Cardinal Cullen, 59 Eccles Street, Dublin to Dr. Kirby

15 February 1877

Eng. 1p

Cullen requests faculties for Revs. William Donegan, Thomas Donohoe, Mathew Doyle and James Anderson

Lang. / Extent

KIR/NC/1/1877/13 Item

Letter signed by Cardinal Cullen, 59 Eccles Street, Dublin to Dr. Kirby

17 February 1877

Eng. 4pp

Dr. Croke of Cashel has requested faculties for the Vicar Capitular of Ross but as yet they have not arrived. Cullen asks that the matter be resolved quickly. The new Lord Lieutenant and Duchess of Marlborough seem very well disposed towards Catholics. The Duchess paid a visit to the Mater Misericordial hospital and other Catholic institutions including the Blind Asylum run by the Sisters of Charity, Baggot Street Convent and the Deaf and Dumb institution in Cabra Convent. Both will visit Clonliffe College and Church. He hopes that the Pope is well noting that 'The Express' carried a long article on his death.

KIR/NC/1/1877/14 Item

Letter signed by Cardinal Cullen, 59 Eccles Street, Dublin to Dr. Kirby

20 February 1877

Eng. 1p

Cullen wishes to introduce Mr A Barclay Walker, the Mayor of Liverpool who has the respect of all his townsmen due to his unbounded generosity to the charities of all denominations and his uprightness.

KIR/NC/1/1877/15 Item Newspaper clipping containing correspondence between James O'Connor and Thomas Sexton of 'The O'Mahony National Funeral Committee', Mechanics' Institute, Dublin and Cardinal Cullen

17 and 21 February 1877

Eng. 2pp

The O'Mahony National Funeral Committee request permission from Cullen to allow for the lying in state of John O'Mahony in the Pro-Cathedral or in any other church in the city. They note that O'Mahony received in his final hours the help and consolation of religion and he has laid in state in the Church of St. Francis Xavier in New York. Cullen declines to allow the lying in state and delivers a lecture on the inappropriateness of political demonstrations in cemeteries or during funeral processions especially when they praise 'infidelity, reckless resistance to authority, the unlawful use of brute force, or of secret organisations dangerous to religion and subversive of society.' He notes that on occasions honours can be given to the dead and mentions three such cases- St. Patrick, Brian Boru and Daniel O'Connell. He is 'not aware that Mr O'Mahony has contributed any great or signal service to his country, but that rather he provoked hostile legislation against us, and by word and example brought unsuspecting young men into breaches of the law, and serious trouble.' He also describes him as 'Head Centre of the Fenians.' He hopes that reports of O'Mahony's religious death are true as he always rejoices when he hears of the conversion of a sinner.

Lang. / Extent

KIR/NC/1/1877/16 Item Holograph letter from Cardinal Cullen, 59 Eccles Street, Dublin to Dr. Kirby

27 February 1877

Eng. 2pp

Cullen is anxious to hear about the appointment to Tuam and the petitions from the Synod. Dr. Conroy has gone to Rome. He is in hot water over the funeral of John O'Mahony, a founder of the Fenians and reported to be 'a freethinker and a spirit rapper.' The Fenians are determined to have a grand funeral and a political demonstration. He naturally refused to allow his remains to be exposed in state in the Pro-Cathedral but gave a reply that was reasoned and quiet and therefore hopes that he has prevented their manoeuvres. However his remains are now in Mechanics' Hall and they will drag him about the streets of Dublin for five hours on Sunday. 'It is a great profanation, but the liberta of our times allows such parodies of religion.'

KIR/NC/1/1877/17 Item Holograph letter from Cardinal Cullen, 59 Eccles Street, Dublin to Dr. Kirby

<u>4 March 1877</u> Eng. 4pp

Cullen is concerned that he has not heard from Kirby for a number of weeks. He is anxious to hear about the Tuam election, Dr. Conroy's arrival and Dr. O'Mahony's case. He is sure if 'he' is sent to Canada he will render good service but he will also be needed in Ireland. John O'Mahony the suspected founder of the Fenians is being buried today. The remains were exposed in a church in Queenstown but not in Cork- he did not allow his remains to lie in state in the Cathedral as he believes the whole objective of the funeral is to revive Fenianism and the revolutionary spirit. He believes that his reply damaged the Fenians a great deal. Vast crowds will be anxious to see the novelty and many will lose Mass- the majority are dupes but there are knaves working amongst them. Some priest from the country will do as Fr Lavelle did for the McManus funeral. Lavelle has lost favour with the Fenians and MacHale. Cullen has been invited to dine in the Castle by the Duchess of Marlborough who 'left no means of escaping.' 'I think it will be a Catholic party, but I would be very glad to stay at home.'

KIR/NC/1/1877/18 Holograph letter from Cardinal Cullen to Dr. Kirby

Item <u>7 March 1877</u>

Eng. 2pp

Cullen has sent a nonsensical lecture delivered by a lecturer on 'American beef, the prospects of Ireland and lecturing in the Cathedral.' Dining with the Lord Lieutenant was 'a great penance' but he did get to speak about education. The Duchess seems very attached to the memory of her Catholic sister and Cullen recommended the Countess of Portarlington and the Sisters of the Sacred Heart at Mount Anville to her. The Fenian funeral of O'Mahony has been judged to be a failure and he believes that there will be no more funerals from America. A priest from America has told him that the Fenians bring great ridicule on the Irish and that the whole affair is designed to make a few dollars for some sharp fellows.

Lang. / Extent

Item

KIR/NC/1/1877/19 Letter signed by Cardinal Cullen, 59 Eccles Street, Dublin to Dr. Kirby

7 March 1877

Cullen wishes to introduce the Fitzgibbons, the nephew and niece of Rev. James Murphy, Archdeacon of Cork, himself a nephew of the late Bishop of Cork. He asks for every attention to be paid to this most respectable family.

KIR/NC/1/1877/20 Holograph letter from Cardinal Cullen to Dr. Kirby

Item

14 March 1877

Eng. 1p

Cullen is sorry to hear that the Pope has grown feeble. He himself was ill and could not carry out the wishes of Cardinal Simeoni at once- he will see the Lord Lieutenant on the 16th and will try to get an answer from him. However he believes that the Duke will not answer until he receives an answer from Lord Beaconfield, the Prime Minister. He is glad that Dr. MacEvilly has been appointed- 'they ought to have another ad mentem scibicet ut cito resin unblicam notituam deducatur.' He mentions Dr. Conroy, Fr Maher, Fr Egan, students Purcell, Coffey and Hurley, Don Placido and Bianchi.

KIR/NC/1/1877/21 Item

Copy of letter from Cardinal Cullen to Cardinal Simeoni [probably in Dr. Kirby's hand with a note that he sent a copy to the Secretary of State]

16 March 1877

Ital. 2pp

In this letter Cullen outlines the points discussed with the Lord Lieutenant of Ireland on behalf of the Holy See. The meeting discussed the political connections between England and Pope Pius VII in the context of the Pope's situation in Rome including the possibility of his exile under English protection, The Lord Lieutenant has agreed to write to Lord Beaconsfield. He also mentions that Stevenson was allowed copy archives by Cardinals Antonelli and Simeoni.

KIR/NC/1/1877/22 Item

Holograph letter from Cardinal Cullen, 59 Eccles Street, Dublin to Dr. Kirby

22 March 1877

Cullen has received £177 from Dr. Lanigan for the suffering clergy of the German Empire, contributes £23 himself and sends the bill to Kirby to give to Cardinal Ledochowski. He hopes that Cardinal Simeoni and Cardinal Franchi received letters giving an account of Cullen's meeting with the Lord Lieutenant- he won't do anything else until instructed. The Lord Lieutenant promised to write to Lord Beaconsfield but it is difficult to know what will result. The weather is bad and he is still suffering from a heavy cold.

Lang. / Extent

KIR/NC/1/1877/23

Testimony of Patrick J Gilligan, Jersey City, New Jersey

Item

30 April 1877

Ital. 1p

Gilligan, the son of Patrick and Mary, testifies that he had a disease called l'idropisia [dropsy]. The doctors had given up hope for him but following the intercession of Sister Maria Chevulina Chiara he has made a great recovery. Kirby notes that he has translated this letter from English.

KIR/NC/1/1877/24 Item Holograph letter from Cardinal Cullen, 59 Eccles Street, Dublin to Dr. Kirby

12 April 1877

Eng. 4pp

Cullen has had the Allocation printed in English and Latin and believes that the people are greatly delighted with it as it was read to them last Sunday. He has sent copies of the Synod of Maynooth with Fr Walsh for Propaganda, Kirby, Maher and Egan. He has called for prayers for the Pope on the Feast of St. Joseph in a circular and will make a collection for Peter's Pence. He believes that sending money is more preferable than gifts as there are 'more fine things in the Vatican, than half the world could supply.' He mentions in this context the wasteful use of £600 by some very pious ladies on a copy of the Bull of the Immaculate Conception paid to a Belfast Protestant. Some other 'wiseheads are for spending larger sums on bog oak ornaments which would appear ridiculous in Rome.' The weather is damp- William Cullen is ill and may old people have died. He suspects visitors will therefore travel to Rome or France. Dr. Conroy is reported to be enroute from Rome

KIR/NC/1/1877/25 Item Holograph letter from Cardinal Cullen, 59 Eccles Street, Dublin to Dr. Kirby

16 April 1877

Eng. 3pp

Cullen has urged Cardinal Franchi to proceed slowly with the appointment of Dr. O'Mahony to Ross. His enemies have put the same stories that are circulating in Australia into the papers. If he is innocent why is he being removed and if guilty why would he be appointed to an Irish diocese? He fears that Dr. Croke's report of O'Mahony's drunkenness aboard a stormtossed ship was not put into its correct context for Cardinal Franchi. Daniel Covency, a former student of the Irish College has died- he erected a beautiful church and eight schools in his parish of Enniskean in Cork. Next week the Lord Mayor and his colleagues will present a memorial concerned with the Pope to Lord Beaconfield who will be more concerned with the 'Turkish sick man.' Most of the Protestants kept away from the corporation meeting that formed the memorial. He hopes the Pope is well and mentions that prayers are being said for him and a collection is being made.

Lang. / Extent

KIR/NC/1/1877/26 Item Holograph letter from Cardinal Cullen, 59 Eccles Street, Dublin to Dr. Kirby

<u>20 April 1877</u> Eng. 4pp

Cullen sends a bill for £110 being the interest on the £7461 proceeds from the sale of the Porta Salara vineyard. He has received documents that he believes are briefs for Dr. Conroy's mission. Fr Birch, a priest from Ossary, has not been granted a parish by the Holy See. The poor man, who was pious in the past, now appears to have gone mad and is disputing with Dr. Moran and Cullen. The disruptive and obstructive actions of two Protestant Home Rulers, Mr Parnell and Mr Biggar, have discouraged the government from doing anything for Catholic Education. The Lord Lieutenant and his wife are continuing their visitation of Catholic institutions including Clonliffe. He is suffering from illness due to the cold wet weather.

KIR/NC/1/1877/27 Item Holograph letter from Cardinal Cullen, 59 Eccles Street, Dublin to Dr. Kirby

<u>23 April 1877</u> Eng. 2pp

Cullen wishes to introduce Rev. M J Brady, PP of Ballytore who is going to Rome to assist in the Pope's Jubilee.

KIR/NC/1/1877/28 Item Holograph letter from Cardinal Cullen, 59 Eccles Street, Dublin to Dr. Kirby

<u>9 May 1877</u> Eng. 2pp

Cullen has been ill for one month with bronchitis. He will travel to Rome in ten days accompanied by John and William Cullen- ten other bishops will travel. The Lord Lieutenant was given a Latin vivat by the students of Clonliffe- Fr Verdon addressed him on the subject of religion and education and was promised a written reply. Cullen mentioned to the party that Clonliffe is situated on the site of the Battle of Clontarf. He was told that the Italian Government has informed Lord Beaconfield that they are determined not to do anything about a conclave- this is not a great guarantee. However it is well that the 'Eccles. Abures Bill' has been rejected. Dr. Conroy , he suspects, is now in New York. He sends regards to Frs. Maher and Egan.

KIR/NC/1/1877/29

Holograph letter from [G V di Critrey] to Sig. Contessa

Item <u>12 May 1877</u>

Ital. 2pp

The writer discusses some unspecified problem involving Signore Bonum and mentions that he has spoken of a letter with Monsignors d'Alatri and Kirby.

Lang. / Extent

KIR/NC/1/1877/30 Item

Holograph letter from Cardinal Cullen, 59 Eccles Street, Dublin to Dr. Kirby

13 May 1877

Cullen hopes that he will be sufficiently recovered from bronchitis in order to travel to Rome in a few days. Dr. Conroy will travel to Halifax to consecrate Dr. Hannan. There are worrying reports that the ship named 'The City of Brussels' has been lost- it was carrying some bishops, priests and pilgrims from New York to Liverpool. Bishops Gillooly, McCormick and MacEvilly have all set out for Rome and travel by Lourdes.

KIR/NC/1/1877/31 Item

Holograph letter from Fr William Cullen, 59 Eccles Street, Dublin to Dr. Kirby

14 May 1877 Eng. 4pp

Fr William has been instructed by the Cardinal to inform Kirby that the missing steamer, The City of Brussels, is reported to be safe and is travelling under sail as her propeller is broken. He will travel with the Cardinal to Rome. It is speculated that Gray has been returned in the Tipperary election despite the violent, anti-clerical hostility of the Fenians whose candidate, Casey, received few votes.

KIR/NC/1/1877/32 Holograph letter from Giuseppe Petrini, Torino to his

Item 16 May 1877 Ital. 2pp

Petrini is concerned that the recipient is irate with him because he no longer wishes to study by would rather follow a trade. However the Prefect of Students and his Superior have promised to account for his good behaviour. He sends regards to all his family especially his grandmother.

Item

KIR/NC/1/1877/33 Holograph letter from J J O'Reilly, Hotel Brun, Bologna to Dr. Kirby.

30 May 1877

Eng. 2pp

O'Reilly informs Kirby that the Cullen's health is much improved and that they hope to be in Rome on Friday evening.

KIR/NC/1/1877/34 Item

Telegram from Rev. J O'Reilly, Hotel Brun, Bologna to Dr. Kirby.

31 May 1877 Eng. 1p

Telegram reads- 'Will not arrive until Saturday evening. Will write to explain.'

KIR/NC/1/1877/35 Item

Holograph petition for a dispensation from Dr. Kirby to the Holy See.

22 June 1877 Ital. 1p

Kirby seeks a marriage dispensation to allow a young woman named Donovan to marry a Protestant named William Moore. The couple plan to travel to India.

Lang. / Extent

KIR/NC/1/1877/36 Item Holograph document by Francesco Santi, [Prof di Tisto, Canon della Scuole del Pontifico Romani], Casa.

<u>26 June 1877</u> Ital. Lat. 17pp

Author offers his opinion on a unspecified case involving accusations of simony and drunkenness. The individual concerned is identified only as 'Caio' [so-and-so] and an unidentified bishop and his coadjutor are mentioned. He discusses the vice of simony at length, referencing chapters from the Act of the Apostles e.g. XIII.20 and summing up his arguments in Latin. By way of conclusion he suggests that the party involved should be asked to examine his conscience before considering the nomination.

KIR/NC/1/1877/37 Item Copy of letters from the Coadjutor Archbishop of Paris to Rev. P Carey, PP of Borris, Co Carlow and a letter from A Kavanagh, MP, London to Fr Carey

28 June and 21 July 1877

Eng. 3pp

The Archbishop of Paris is collecting all the necessary documents for the Beatification of Madame Louise de France, daughter of Louis XV. They have been informed that some interesting documents are preserved at Borris House by Mr Arthur Kavanagh having being brought there during the French Revolution. Kavanagh promises to have a search made for the documents and notes that perhaps Mr Archbold of Davidstown or Miss Cassidy of Monasterevan, if still alive, might be able to throw some light on the subject.

KIR/NC/1/1877/38

Holograph letter from Cardinal Cullen to Dr. Kirby

Item

30 June 1877

Eng. 1p

Cullen instructs Kirby to take over 500 lire from his account at the College and to apply it to the relief of the nuns and another 500 lire for the relief of the priests and people.

KIR/NC/1/1877/39 Item Document entitled 'Memorandum of the Foundation of the Redemptoristines Monastery of St. Alphonsus, Dublin.'

[circa 1877] Eng. 3pp

Document provides dates and details. It mentions that the monastery in Dublin was founded in 1859 by Rev. Mother Marie Jeanne de la Crois from Bruges. However as they were so few in number it was not permitted for them to elect a Superioress. Archbishop Cullen also decided not to permit them hold an election in 1871 but agreed to one in 1874. The main order in Belgium succeeded in changing the rules regarding re-election in the order in 1874. Cullen however has procured an Induct while in Rome that has allowed Rev. Mother Marie to be again chosen as Superioress.

Lang. / Extent

KIR/NC/1/1877/40

Holograph letter from Cardinal Cullen, Turin to Dr. Kirby

Item

6 July 1877

Eng. 1p

Cullen has not suffered from the travelling and now heads for Aix-les-Bains in the Alps. He asks for a copy of the Rescript regarding fasting dated 20th February 1853- Monsignor Rinaldini will easily get it for him. Fr Doran, PP and former student of St. Agatha's has died in a drowning accident- he is a great loss.

KIR/NC/1/1877/41 Item Holograph letter from Enrico Imovilli, Rome addressed to 'Monsignore' [probably Dr. Kirby]

7 July 1877

Ital. 3pp

The writer knows that Chiara has written about her sad situation, seeking assistance. This does not change the writer's view. The writer notes the spartan conditions [he] endures [as a pilgrim to Rome for the Pope's Jubilee and seeks some help with accommodation.]

KIR/NC/1/1877/42 Item Holograph petition from Rev. James Gallagher, Administrator, Inver, Donegal to the Pope

7 July 1877

Lat. 2pp

Gallagher seeks a marriage dispensation for Maria Anna Mulreevey, Catholic and James Gilmore, Presbyterian giving details in support of their request.

KIR/NC/1/1877/43 Item Holograph letter from Cardinal Cullen, Irish College Paris, Rue des Irlandais to Dr. Kirby

<u>10 July 1877</u>

Eng. 2pp

Cullen asks Kirby to write to Dr. O'Mahony advising him to do his utmost to avoid anything like resistance to authority. 'It is strange that the Cardinal lays it down that all the 5 bishops of the province are opposed to his return' and it would be well to get a authenticated copy of the letter by which 'Propaganda is to exculpate him'. 'He asks Propaganda to send Dr. McCabe's consecration brief quickly as it would allow him to conduct confirmations while the weather is fine. He hopes that Purcell has recovered. The death of the Pope has been falsely announced in the English papers. He reminds Kirby about his rescript

KIR/NC/1/1877/44

Holograph letter from Cardinal Cullen to Dr. Kirby

Item

11 July [1877]

Eng. 1p

Cullen suggests that Dr. O'Mahony should write to Cardinal [Franchi] asking him to write to all five bishops of New South Wales province. If three out of the five then propose that he should resign he should then follow that course. Franchi ought not attach too much importance to Dr. Vaughan's statements as he acted so irregularly before. He is about to leave London.

Lang. / Extent

Holograph receipt from L Bechet, Rome to Dr. Kirby KIR/NC/1/1877/45

17 July 1877 Item Ital. 2pp

> First receipt is for one oil-painting of the 'Madonna col Giglio', a case containing an ostensory chalice, pyx and a crucifix. Brief descriptions given and it is noted that these items are for Cardinal Cullen. [see KIR/NC/1/1877/57]. The second receipt is for two cases of sacred vessels

for Bishop Matthew Quinn of Bathurst and Bishop William Murray of

Maitland.

KIR/NC/1/1877/46 Item

Holograph letter from Cardinal Cullen, 59 Eccles Street, Dublin to Dr. Kirby

18 July 1877 Eng. 4pp

Cullen arrived home on the 13th but has not recovered from his cold due to the inclement weather. The harvest will be a month late but if the weather improves it will be abundant. The promotion of Dr. McCabe has been welcomed by the laity and several bishops. Cullen may not be fit enough to conduct the consecration in Kingstown. He reminds Kirby to obtain a copy of the Rescript regarding fasting. He mentions renovations and painting that should be carried out in the Irish College. Fr Maher has announced that he is coming home. He sends his respects to Fr Egan and is glad that Purcell has recovered.

KIR/NC/1/1877/47 Item

Holograph letter from Louis Bechet, Bureau international d'Expeditions, Rome addressed to 'Eccellenza'

18 July 1877 Ital. 1p

Mentions the transport of a case by Sig. Giverra.

KIR/NC/1/1877/48 Item

Holograph letter from Louis Bechet, Bureau international d'Expeditions, Rome addressed to 'Monsignor' [Dr. Kirby]

[circa July 1877] Ital. 1p

Mentions the delivery of sacred vessels- an ostensory chalice, pyx and a patena.

KIR/NC/1/1877/49 Item

Holograph letter from Cardinal Cullen, Fox Lodge, Raheny to Dr. Kirby

22 July 1877 Ital. 2pp

Cullen is in the countryside trying to recover from his chest ailment. He asks for a marriage dispensation for Teresa Croker who wishes to marry a Protestant. The case should be brought to the attention of Cardinal Franchi as it is complicated involving the civil magistrate, the Parish Priest and the Protestant church of Monkstown.

KIR/NC/1/1877/50 Holograph letter from Enrico Imovilli, Rome to Dr. Kirby

23 July 1877 Item Ital. 11pp

> Enrico wishes to explain [his] ecclesiastical association with Signora Chiara Paggi who has sought assistance from Kirby, Rev. Stimabili, Canon Prof. R Deggiovanni, Canon Sebastiani and Signor Cav, Forti.

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KIR/NC/1/1877/51 Holograph letter from Enrico Imovilli to Dr. Kirby

Ital. 1p

Imovilli states that if he does not receive a positive response by the following Wednesday that he will initiate legal proceedings in the 'Tribunale e col mezzo della stampa cittadina ed estera.'

KIR/NC/1/1877/52 Holograph letter from Maestro Enrico Imovilli to Dr. Kirby

Ital. 2pp

Enrico has been offered £100 by Sig. Avv. Scifoni but states that he is unwilling to settle the case for less than £200.

KIR/NC/1/1877/53 Holograph letter from Chiara Paggi

Ital. 2pp

Paggi states that she has received 100 lire from Monsignor Kirby as a free gift for a wedding which she states will satisfy all her claims.

KIR/NC/1/1877/54 Holograph letter from Cardinal Cullen, Raheny, Co Dublin to Item Dr. Kirby

<u>3 August 1877</u> Eng. 4pp

Cullen thanks Kirby for the marriage dispensation for Miss Croker. However it arrived too late and the couple were married in the Protestant Church in Monkstown. That marriage is now valid and they are reported to have gone to India. The newspapers announced that she was the Catholic niece or grand-niece of Dr. Kernan, the late Bishop of Clogher. He believes that his health is slowly improving due to his stay in Raheny. Fr William and his family are also well. He has heard that the Turks have defeated the Russians at Plevna- 'It would be desirable that both parties should finish like the Kilkenny cats and leave nothing but their tails behind.' He asks for a bill of lading for the pictures and crucifix that were sent. Fr Maher is at home and is busy visiting friends from Rome. He will only make a passing mention of Miss Stoker's marriage to Propaganda. He advises against too early a trip to Tivoli lest the students develop fever.

KIR/NC/1/1877/55 Holograph letter from Cardinal Cullen, 59 Eccles Street, Dublin Item to Dr. Kirby

<u>27 August 1877</u> Eng. 3pp

Cullen has just received a case containing the chalice, ostensory and ciborium as a gift from the Pope. However there was no picture included. He notes the price of carriage and packing. He will advise Fr Maher to settle down some place or other- he is travelling too much since he arrived back in Ireland from the Irish College. He has ordered that prayers be said for dry weather because the wheat, oats and potatoes are suffering very much. He too is suffering from coughing brought on by the damp. However the poor Bulgarians are suffering most due to the war between Russian and Turkey. He advises Kirby to get rooms in the college cleaned.

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KIR/NC/1/1877/56 Holograph letter from Cardinal Cullen, Dublin to Dr. Kirby

Item

4 September 1877

Eng. 3pp

Cullen advises Cardinal Simeoni to have the bill for £7000 to be cashed. The money is the proceeds of a collection for the Pope but if the Pope were to die the Bank of England might be reluctant to pay it over. He has ordered prayers for good weather as the potatoes and hay are in very poor condition. He comments on the horrors of the war being fought in Bulgaria and the famine in Madras which he has heard about from an Irish nun living in Bungalose. He fears that the Russian army may spread cholera throughout Europe. He has just received the crucifix noting that the railway carriage was expensive. Purcell has arrived home safely and will go to Clonliffe. Fr Egan has not arrived as yet.

KIR/NC/1/1877/57 Item

Holograph letter from Fr William Cullen, 59 Eccles Street, Dublin to Dr. Kirby

7 September 1877

Eng. 4pp

The Archbishop wishes to inform Kirby that three cases containing sacred vessels, a crucifix and a painting of the Madonna have all arrived safely. [see KIR/NC/1/1877/45 for details] However as the cost of transportation was over £17 it would be advisable to arrange better terms in future. The Cardinals health is much improved since he moved to Raheny- he now comes into town occasionally to conduct business with his vicars. Fr Cullen has been very ill for a long time and Mrs Michael Cullen is very poorly. The obstructionists are making a little noise- they have nearly succeeded in breaking up the Home Rule Party and are damaging the Catholic cause as shown in Mr Butts very able letter published today. There is great anxiety about the war as England can hardly keep out of it if the Russians succeed.

KIR/NC/1/1877/58 Item

Holograph note from Cardinal Cullen, 59 Eccles Street, Dublin to [Dr. Kirby]

7 September 1877

Eng. 1p

Cullen asks for faculties to bless beads for Terence O'Reilly CC, William Ford CC, Francis Ryan CC, Thomas Byrne CC, William Berck PP, MB Kelly PP, Michael Keane DD, James Whittle PP, James Walsh Glancullen, James Hamilton PP, Nicholas Barlow and Ferdinand Byrne CC

KIR/NC/1/1877/59 Item

Printed copies of petitions from Cav. Paolo Mencacci, Direttore Proprietario, Rome and Rescripts from C Cardinal Vicario and Cardinal Patrizi.

1874 and 1877

Ital. Lat. 6pp

Includes two petitions from Mencacci from 1874 and one from 1877. The Rescripts from Cardinal Patrizi are from 1874 and 1877.

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KIR/NC/1/1877/60 Item

Holograph postcard from T M Raymond, Pension Inglaise,

114 Chaga, Napoli to Dr. Kirby

20 September 1877

Eng. 2pp

Raymond informs Kirby that the picture case has been delivered safely to his son. He asks that the Coppingers might forward him the boxes which were delivered to them by mistake.

KIR/NC/1/1877/61 Item

Holograph letter from Cardinal Cullen, 59 Eccles Street, Dublin to Dr. Kirby

25 September 1877

Eng. 1p

Cullen wishes to introduce Arthur O'Connor of Elphin a descendant of some of the Irish Kings. Lord Kingston, a kind and liberal Protestant is travelling with him. [Note from Kirby- 'arrived after his death 22 Jan 1879']

KIR/NC/1/1877/62 Holograph letter from Cardinal Cullen, Dublin to Dr Kirby.

25 September 1877 Item

Lat. 1p

Cullen recommends Arthur O'Connor who is travelling to the south of Europe and Africa accompanied by Lord Kingston of a noble Protestant family. O'Connor belongs to one of the ancient royal families of Ireland.

KIR/NC/1/1877/63 Item

Note given the heading '[Irene] said to me this day Sep 27 1877', probably in Dr. Kirby's hand

27 September 1877

Eng. 1p

[Irene] stated to [Kirby] that whatever disgrace [she] may have been in for [her] practical jokes and stubbornness [she] has always had a deep-rooted religious conviction and there is no chance of [her] ever wavering as a Catholic.

KIR/NC/1/1877/64 Item

Holograph letter from Cardinal Cullen, 59 Eccles Street, Dublin to Dr. Kirby

1 October 1877

Eng. 3pp

Dr. Moriarty has died today of paralysis. He was one of those who went astray at the Vatican Council but obeyed it afterwards. He also always tended to side with the government on matters of education and rarely collected for the Catholic University. Fr Maher is satisfied to remain at home but it will be difficult to find a replacement for him in the Irish College- Fr Verdon unfortunately cannot be spared. Fr Egan is not yet well enough to go back but will do so as soon as possible. Sir James Power, a very good charitable Catholic, has died. William Cullen, his sister Margaret and himself are all now in better health. Dr. Fennelly has requested aid for the Indian Famine and Cullen has sent a circular to the PPs who have made a collection. £1500 has been collected at present but what is that in proportion to the want? It may however save the lives of children and put them in the way of being baptised.

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KIR/NC/1/1877/65 Item Holograph letter from Cardinal Cullen, 59 Eccles Street, Dublin to Dr. Kirby

18 October [1877 - wrongly dated as 1876]

Eng. 3pp

Cullen sends a bill for £110 being the interest on the money belonging to the Irish College in Ireland. It was a poor decision to invest in Russian funds which are falling in value. Fr Maher has left again for Rome- he should be made attend the students and enforce discipline and should not get into the habit of dining out with strangers or he will become a mere 'cicerone'. He is said to be very rich and has no family to provide for. There is great fear of war- England has no land army to defeat the Russians but could smash their navy. Cardinal Franchi writes enthusiastically about Ireland. He asks for faculties for Rev. William Hampson and Rev. James Flanagan PP.

KIR/NC/1/1877/66 Item Holograph letter from Cardinal Cullen, 59 Eccles Street, Dublin to Dr. Kirby

9 November 1877

Eng. 4pp

Mr Gladstone visited the city with Lord Meath, Lord Monck, Lord Fitzwilliam, Lord Powerscourt- there are no Catholic noblemen in the city to visit. Cullen informed those involved with the religious institutions not to present addresses or issue invitations but to receive him with courtesy should he visit them- he did not visit any Catholic institution except an industrial school. Cullen refused to accept an invitation from the Lord Mayor to attend a ceremony granting Gladstone the liberty of the city on account of the abuse given to the Pope and the Vatican Council. He describes a later meeting he had with Gladstone where he mentioned the offence that this abuse gave to Catholics- 'It is a pity that a man of such powers should go so much astray.' He discusses in detail a difficulty that has arisen amongst the Christian Brothers who are resisting the authority of their Bishops as expressed in the Synods of Thurles and Maynooth. In one incident the Brothers closed a school in Liverpool and Kilkenny following unfavourable reports from their Bishops. Cullen has given the names of the 168 brothers who have left the institute to Cardinal Franchi. demonstrating the failure of the novitiate- perhaps Dr. McCabe might be able to reclaim them. He fears that Catholic Education might be damaged by a religious institution especially after the many years of fighting with government over episcopal authority of education.

KIR/NC/1/1877/67 Item Holograph letter from [G [] Eirley] to Sig. Contessa [Virginia Celani]

19 November 1877

Ital. 1p

Writer mentions that he is at Monsignor Kirby's house. He believes that a second application should be made. [Italian dialect]

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KIR/NC/1/1877/68

Item

Holograph letter from Cardinal Cullen, Dublin to Dr. Kirby

23 November 1877

Eng. 2pp

Cullen hopes that newspaper reports of the Pope's critical illness are 'an invention to please the reds in France.' Cardinal Manning is reported to have taken ill in Paris and could not continue to Rome to collect his hat. Propaganda have sent £1000 and Cullen has sent £2100 to Dr. Fennelly and the famine victims of Madras. Dr. Conroy appears to have been successful in establishing a university in Montreal. Fr William Cullen has recovered but is still weak. Gladstone made a great eulogy of the Irish - he wants Irish votes. The defeat of the Turks may topple Lord Beaconsfield's government- if Gladstone gains power again he will injure Catholics, especially in France. A difficult winter is expected due the poor harvest of wheat and potatoes and subsequent high prices. He outlined to the Lord Lieutenant what should be done for education- 'lay down a just and reasonable scheme giving Catholic education to Catholics and then order all [his] followers to vote' similar to what was done by the Duke of Wellington in preparing Catholic emancipation. He asks for some gallons of oil and some balsam for Holy Week.

KIR/NC/1/1877/69 Item Holograph letter from Quintina [Sagnori], Alatri to Sig. Contessa [Virginia Celani]

26 November 1877

Ital. 4pp

Quintina gives an account of the activities of the religious sodality of Pio Unione. Mentions Vicario Martini, Mons. [Riterlus] and Neroni [Italian dialect]

KIR/NC/1/1877/70 Item Holograph letter from Cardinal Cullen, 59 Eccles Street, Dublin to Dr. Kirby

27 November 1877

Eng. 2pp

Cullen is sorry that Kirby has sustained an injury falling down a stairs. He does not have a grand place for Fr Maher to return to but there is plenty for him to do in Dublin. Fr William Cullen has had another attack of spitting blood but according to Dr. Cruise he may soon recover. Fr O'Connell, PP of St. Laurence's church has died. He hopes France will be spared the horrors of another revolution. It would be a sad thing for the Church if the Russians gained supremacy in Europe. He asks if it is true that Mr Coyle has been dismissed from the Irish College?

KIR/NC/1/1877/71 Item Holograph letter from Cardinal Cullen, 59 Eccles Street, Dublin to Dr. Kirby

[circa November 1877]

Eng. 2pp

If the authenticated document that Cullen sends is not enough he will get a declaration from the heir and executor of Dr. Meyler who was trustee and executor of Dr. Murray's property. He has sent a bill for £109 being a half years interest on college money. The 72 students at Clonliffe are well. It is distressing on old men like themselves to have to walk up the terrible stairs in Rome.

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KIR/NC/1/1877/72 Item Holograph letter from Cardinal Cullen, 59 Eccles Street, Dublin to Dr. Kirby

3 December 1877

Eng. 4pp

Cullen advises Kirby to take care of himself and not to resume work too quickly after his fall. He is very anxious about reports of the Pope's ill health. If anything bad happens is it known where the conclave will be held? It is probable that an attempt would be made to seize the Vatican. As he is still suffering from a cough he does not relish a winter journey. He hopes that Cardinal Manning, who is ill in Paris, will recover as his loss would be severely felt in England. Fr William Cullen is still in a precarious state of health. He hopes reports of the restoration of the hierarchy in Scotland are true. He suspects that reports of a internuncio to England are false because the English Parliament made a law that the court could not receive an envoy from the Pope in Holy Orders. England seems determined not to raise a sword in defence of the Turks and there is no appetite for increased taxes for war against Russia. He fears that Prussia, assisted by Russia, will seize Belgium and Holland and the Catholic church will be persecuted throughout Europe. He hopes that McMahon will not let himself be dragged into the mire by the Reds in France. He asks for news of what the Christian Brothers are doing in Rome.

KIR/NC/1/1877/73

Item

Holograph letter from Quintina [Sagnori], Alatri to Sig. Contessa [Virginia Celani]

6 December 1877

Ital. 4pp

Mentions his work in a religious sodality. Giuseppe the new servant is reliable. Mentions Neroni, Carlo, Pirri, Sig Laura, Sig Seaura and Mon. Kirby [Italian dialect]

KIR/NC/1/1877/74 Item Holograph postcard from Quintina [Sagnori], Alatri to Sig. Contessa Virginia Celani, Piazza Campitelli Palazzo Righetti

6 December 1877

Ital. 2pp

Mentions work of Pio Unione, a religious sodality. Mentions the following persons- Neoni, Giuseppe, Mon Pizzamigli. Enquires after Dr. Kirby. [Italian dialect]

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KIR/NC/1/1877/75 Item

Holograph letter from Cardinal Cullen, 59 Eccles Street, Dublin to Dr. Kirby

12 December 1877

Eng. 4pp

Cullen is very anxious for authentic news regarding the Pope's health. He is also worried that Kirby has not written due to the effects of his fall. He has taken back Fr Trevor in the past despite the fact that he remained away for three years after receiving a legacy of £2000. He has heard that two Christian Brothers have secretly gone to Rome in an attempt to get some of the Statutes of Maynooth set aside. They complained to him that laws were made about them without their input, that the bishops were to become spies over them, that PPs and Bishops were examining their pupils on their catechism and that monies left for the schools were required to be kept apart from the monies of the Institute. Fr Cullen and Dr. Tynan are both ill. He mentions that friends in America send telegrams warning of storms which are pretty accurate and are a great convenience for mariners.

Item

KIR/NC/1/1877/76 Holograph letter from Sig. Contessa Virginia Celani from Marianna

17 December 1877

Ital. 2pp

Personal letter in which she sends regards to the Count, Signor Lanza and Monsignor Kirby.

KIR/NC/1/1877/77

Holograph letter from Cardinal Cullen to Dr. Kirby

Item

14 December 1877

Eng. 3pp

Cullen is saddened to hear that Fr Bianchi is in such a critical state-perhaps it will result in the break-up of the convent and emigration of the friars as happens elsewhere. If they were in Russia they would be sent to Siberia. He is anxious to hear news of the Pope's recovery. Fr William Cullen is a little better. It would be well to put the Christian Brothers on a safe footing, for they can do much good- he enquires of news concerning them.

KIR/NC/1/1877/78 Item

Holograph letter from Cardinal Cullen, 59 Eccles Street, Dublin to Dr. Kirby. Includes a copied extract of a letter from Dr. Conroy dated 3 December.

<u>17 December 18</u>77

Eng. 3pp

He sends back a rescript addressed to him stating that he did not request it and is unaware for whom it is. He asks to see a copy of the petition in order to make certain that no-one has made free with his name. Cardinal Franchi should be made aware that any false step made with the Christian Brothers might do incalculable mischief- they are their own greatest enemies. He is anxious for up-to-date news concerning the Pope's health. He adds an extract from a letter from Dr. Conroy of Montreal explaining how the French Christian Brothers are giving trouble in Nova Scotiadisagreements with their Bishops have resulted in a spate of school closures.

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KIR/NC/1/1877/79 Item Holograph letter from Quintina Sagnori to Sig. Contessa [Virginia Celani]

18 December 1877

Ital. 4pp

Quintina has been unwell for a number of days. He expresses his thanks to the Countessa and Dr. Kirby for their charity towards the sodality of Pio Unione. Mentions Sig Neroni, and their bishop. Give details of some small transactions.

KIR/NC/1/1877/80 Item Holograph letter from Cardinal Cullen, 59 Eccles Street, Dublin to Dr. Kirby.

21 December 1877

Eng. 2pp

Cullen notes that in his present state the Pope cannot be enjoying a happy Christmas and asks for weekly reports on his health. McMahon of France is to be pitied- if he had declared himself to belong to no party but that of the Catholic Church he would have fared better. England is now threatening to go to war but has no army and no appetite for new taxes. Ireland would not be able for the burdens of war as the harvest has been so poor. Fr William Cullen has had a relapse and he himself is coughing as usual. The Cardinal has not mentioned the case of the Christian Brothers to him-he wishes to know what they are doing in Propaganda?

KIR/NC/1/1877/81 Item Holograph letter from Cardinal Cullen, 59 Eccles Street, Dublin to Dr. Kirby.

28 December 1877

Eng. 4pp

Cullen sends £100 to be given to some poor priests to say Masses with 'an elemorina'. Raphael Carnevali, a canon of the Cathedral of Nuocera in Umbria has published a book on the life of St. Rainaldo and requests some 'elemorina'. He hopes that the case of the Christian Brothers will not be delayed too long in the Propaganda as there are some very hot-headed, ignorant Brothers who lead others astray. He has heard that Fr Mullooly is assisting the brothers in the drawing up of their memorials. He encloses a request for a dispensation for a mixed marriage from Fr. Bannon S.J. - however one dispensation granted brings on others and these marriages nearly all turn out badly. Fr William Cullen is much better and Fr Maher has arrived.

KIR/NC/1/1877/82

Item

Holograph letter from Quintina Sagnori to Sig. Contessa [Virginia Celani]

[circa 1877]

Ital. 2pp

Notes small transactions of the 'Pia Unione' and mentions Monsignor [Riterlus], Padre Melecrinis, their zealous benefactor, Sig Possa Pagarla.

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KIR/NC/1/1877/83 Item Printed document entitled 'Third Annual Report of the Clothing Society.'

<u>1877</u> Eng. 3pp

The Society endeavour to provide clothing to the children of the poor in order to make them attend school 'hoping thereby to benefit, if not this generation, most certainly the coming one.' They seek volunteers and also acknowledge the assistance of the Pawnbrokers who have agreed to refuse any items bearing the Society's mark. Includes accounts, quantities of clothing given out and a list of subscribers including Dr. Power and Arthur Moore MP. Committee include Mrs Crean, Mrs Hudson, Mrs Myers and Mrs Stokes. Printed in Clonmel.

KIR/NC/1/1878/1 Item Holograph letter from F J MacCormack, Bishop of Achonry, Ballaghaderrin to [Dr. Kirby]

[1878] Eng. 4pp

MacCormack outlines a case involving an unnamed priest in Ireland who was promoted from administrator to parish priest while he was co-adjutor. As this priest is addicted to intoxicating habits, [McCormack] refused to acknowledge the promotion and now that he is bishop he asks if the appointment was valid and should it be recognised?

KIR/NC/1/1878/2 Item Draft document for submission to the Holy See concerning the appointment of an unnamed priest and [the Bishop of

[1878] Ital. 8pp

Document refers to an unnamed parish priest who renounced his parish on the condition that he would be awarded a £200 stipend pension. His bishop agreed to these terms but then appointed an administrator who was addicted to drink. The current bishop asks if the appointment is valid and should it be recognised? [Case is the same as that mentioned in KIR/NC/1/1878/1 above and involves F J MacCormack, Bishop of Achonry]

KIR/NC/1/1878/3 Item Handwritten notes entitled 'Esercizi del 1878 dal Sb. S. Galli C di G. Mission'

[1878] Ital. 8pp

Contains descriptions of spiritual themes to be meditated upon- e.g. the death of man, magnanimity etc. Also contains note on 'Esame, Contro Iddio' [Exam. Against God]

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KIR/NC/1/1878/4 Item Draft report containing observations on the Archdiocese of Dublin and the suitability of Dr. Moran as Archbishop [probably in Kirby's hand]

[1878]

Ital. 8pp

Report discusses the city of Dublin and the role of the Archbishop of Dublin in Ireland. It notes the population, the position of Archbishop of Dublin, the knowledge and zeal of Archbishop Cullen, the Government appointed Lord Lieutenant, Catholic schools, Maynooth College and its Gallicanism and ends with a discussion of the accomplishments and virtues of Dr. Moran.

KIR/NC/1/1878/5 Item Draft letter from James O'Sullivan, Pastor of the Church of the Holy Cross, Diocese of Albany, Salem, Washington Co., State of New York to Cardinal Simioni, Prefect of

[1878] Eng. 2pp

O'Sullivan is a 69 year old priest from Darrynane Abbey, Co Kerry who has been working in Albany for 31 years. He was transferred from his Church at Hudson by Bishop Conroy following a dispute with some lay-parishioners. His present parish does not provide the salary ordered or appointed by the Statutes of the Diocese. In 1875, Bishop McMeirny promised to appoint him to a well situated and debt-free parish but has since denied making such a promise. O'Sullivan appeals to Propaganda to intervene on his behalf as he does not wish to bring the case before the civil courts and risk suspension.

KIR/NC/1/1878/6 Item Holograph letter from Cardinal Cullen, 59 Eccles Street, Dublin to Dr. Kirby.

7 January 1878

Eng. 3pp

Cullen expresses hopes for the Pope's longevity noting that great evils would arrive if he were called away. He hopes not to travel to Rome especially as he is still suffering from coughing. Fr Donnelly has travelled to Rome in bad health- he could be a very useful assistant in the Irish College. Fr William Cullen's health is still poor. Cullen speculates that England cannot go to war against Russia- she has no troops, no allies and there is little public support. He, however, notes that Louis Napoleon rushed into a war and lost his crown. Gambetta, who is legislating in Rome, has plenty of friends in England.

KIR/NC/1/1878/7

Printed card soliciting prayers for the rulers of Europe.

Item Ja

January 1878

Eng. 1p

Card reads 'In view of events possibly about to take place on the Continent, a few Catholics humbly and earnestly crave the charity of prayers ...that our rulers may be guided by a spirit of Justice and Wisdom to act effectually for the promotion of the glory of God....' Seeks the intercession of Saints Andrew, George and Patrick.

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KIR/NC/1/1878/8 Item Holograph letter from Cardinal Cullen, 59 Eccles Street, Dublin to Dr. Kirby.

27 January 1878

Eng. 4pp

Dr. Croke has informed Cullen that he has not yet received the memorial of the Christian Brothers which Propaganda promised him. He notes that the Brothers teach and dwell in establishments which are mainly parochial or diocesan property and they also receive salaries for the secular clergy. The Brothers refusal to let priests examine anything connected with secular knowledge is similar to what Bismarck is trying to do in Germany. He notes that the government allows parish priests to examine students on all subjects, to teach religion and to appoint or remove schools masters. However, if laypersons like the Christian Brothers, were allowed to strip the rights of parish priests the government would imitate them. The Brothers are now paid £40 per annum while in the past they received less than £30- yet they claim that they are giving gratuitous education to the people. He has received a complaint from a brother concerning a priest and if true will punish the priest. He has contributed £8000 to the Brothers and has assisted them on many occasions- it would not be very nice if they now were to turn him out. Both he and Fr William Cullen are not yet well. Fr Maher has been made chaplain to the Christian Brother Industrial School in Artane which has about 750 boys.

KIR/NC/1/1878/9 Item Holograph letter from Cardinal Cullen, 59 Eccles Street, Dublin to Dr. Kirby.

7 February 1878

Eng. 3pp

Dr. MacEvilly will act towards Dr. MacHale as directed by Propaganda. Dr. Hutch, formally of St. Agatha's, has proposed himself for the Vice-Rectorship of the Irish College or for a chair in theology in Maynooth-although he has excellent qualities he once went astray by too much indulgence in drink and is therefore not suitable. He has not been able to find the document from 1853 which is needed to apply for a dispensation from fasting for Ireland and requests this and an answer to a petition. He is still coughing.

KIR/NC/1/1878/10 Item Holograph letter from Cardinal Cullen, 59 Eccles Street, Dublin to Dr. Kirby.

8 February 1878

Eng. 3pp

The news of the Pope's death has spread like wildfire. He is concerned that he should get a warm room with good air in the Vatican as his cough is still severe. He asks for all the necessary details about the conclave. He has ordered Masses for the Pope. He recounts a story that he heard from the nuns of Baggot Street concerning the Pope's death.

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KIR/NC/1/1878/11 Item Holograph letter from Cardinal Cullen, 59 Eccles Street, Dublin to Dr. Kirby.

13 February 1878

Eng. 2pp

A grand manifestation of respect to the memory of Pius IX was held in the Cathedral. The Zouaves, dressed in uniform, acted as a guard. The people would not have been satisfied if Cullen had not remained for the ceremony but he is now about to head out. He is coughing terribly and is not well but he 'must run the risk'.

KIR/NC/1/1878/12 Item Letter from Cardinal Cullen, Prospect, Victoria Park, Liverpool addressed to 'My dear Mgr' [not in Cullen's hand and probably not to Kirby]

17 February 1878

Eng. 2pp

Cullen has noticed that O'Connor, Power, O'Donnell, Bigger and Dwyer Gray have brought a bill to prop up the Queen's College in Belfast. It would be well to write a cautionary letter to Gray and to remind Dr. Croke to 'keep his MPs in order.' M. Beach's papers are with Dr. Tynan- care should be taken not to publish his memorandum. Dr. Tynan also has dispensation books and the new rescript for Dr. McCabe who is deputising.

KIR/NC/1/1878/13 Item Letter from Cardinal Cullen, College des Irlandais, Paris addressed to 'My dear Mgr' [not in Cullen's hand and probably not to Kirby]

23 February 1878

Eng. 4pp

Cullen hopes that the recipient's interview with Sir M. Beach will be useful. It is difficult to get equality from the government who leave all their endowments with the Protestants but give none to the Catholics or Catholic colleges. All are enthusiastic about the new Pope. O'Donnell's speech contained a good attack on the Queen's Colleges but will produce no effect- it would be better to resist the grants for the Queen's Colleges and the university. The government may try to endow those mixed institutions with large sums from the church fund but this would have the effect of promoting indifferentism to religion. Dr. Gray should follow this question carefully and some articles in the 'Freeman' might be useful. He will now set out for Rome. He sends his regards to Drs. Meagher and McCabe. Dr. Tynan should send him the 'Freeman' for a month at the Irish College.

KIR/NC/1/1878/14 Item Holograph letter from Cardinal Cullen, College des Irlandais, Paris to Dr. Kirby.

25 February 1878

Eng. 2pp

Cullen hopes to be in Rome on Saturday before the coronation but his cough slows him down although he has not suffered too much harm. He asks Kirby to procure vestments for him. He notes that Cardinal McClosky was able to travel very quickly. He sends regards to Mgr Mogliazzi and notes the senior appointments made in Propaganda.

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Eng. 4pp

KIR/NC/1/1878/15 Item

Holograph address from Bishop Michael Warren of Ferns to the Pope

10 March 1878 Lat. 1p

Address on the occasion of the election of the new Pope Leo XIII mentioning the virtues of the previous incumbent.

Item

KIR/NC/1/1878/16 Letter from Cardinal Cullen, Irish College Rome addressed to 'My dear Mgr' [not in Cullen's hand]

10 March 1878 Eng. 4pp

Cullen received the recipient's letter giving an account of an interview with Sir M. Berch and Mr Lowther. He believes that they will give very little but as long as they are not made into dupes it would be best to accept anything they offer. They should wait until they see the bill before making anything decisive. He asks that the requisition to the Lord Mayor be taken care of. He was unable to sign the requisition or assist the meeting despite the offer from Mr Teeling as he was going away. The meeting should have good resolutions, a proper petition to Parliament, good speakers and something said about the University-Mgr McCabe should assist in this matter. He mentions his meeting with the new Pope noting that he does not look in rude health and appears nervous. It has been suggested to him that the King of Italy will be set aside by the republicans and that Austria will be divided by Prussia and Russia and that Italy will get a slice. Dr. Kirby sends his regards to McCabe and Meagher.

KIR/NC/1/1878/17 Item

Holograph letter from Sister Agnostina Beurche, Sisters of Charity, Spedale S. Maria della Scala, Siena to Miss Jane 12 March 1878

Sister Agnostina thanks Sister Jane for her letter and photo and for Monsignor Kirby's books including his little book of the Blessed Margaret Mary. She was amused at the writer's account of Dr. Manning's lecture on the value of work. She offers encouragement and advice of a religious nature. She sends her regards to Miss Sperlings and Miss Davis.

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KIR/NC/1/1878/18 Item Holograph letter from Bishop John MacEvilly, [Coadjutor of Tuam], Galway to Cardinal Cullen

17 March 1878

Eng. Lat. 4pp

MacEvilly has been urged by several Connaught Bishops to report on the sad state of Tuam Diocese. Despite the strong terms noted in his brief he is reluctant to do so as it might be misconstrued. The greatest part of Mayo is eaten up with Fenianism, Fenian plays are acted by children in the schools and in the college some of the students received revolvers. Drunkenness is also a problem. He has learned from Fr Ulick Burke that Dr. MacHale has written to the new Pope asking for an assistant bishop thereby cancelling out MacEvilly's appointment and the abuses would only be perpetuated. Dr. MacHale will not give him faculties nor will he answer his letters- the Holy See could end this state of affairs with one word. He has suggested to Dr. Croke that if the Christian Brothers were to succeed the whole of the statutes might as well be repealed. He is writing a letter of congratulations to the Pope noting that there is little chance of a joint provincial one.

KIR/NC/1/1878/19 Item Postcard from Quintina [Sagnori] to Sig. Contessa Celani, Piazza Campitelli, Palazzo Righetti, Rome.

18 March 1878

Ital. 2pp

Mentions Monsignor R [Riterlus], Giuseppe and Lenando and small transactions of his religious sodality.

KIR/NC/1/1878/20 Item Letter from Cardinal Cullen, Irish College Rome addressed to 'My dear Mgr' [not in Cullen's hand]

20 March 1878

Eng. 3pp

Cullen believes that the journey to Rome is too much for the recipient to take in order to present the address of the Catholic University to the Pope. The Duke of Norfolk and other high nobility of England will travel to see the new Pope- as Ireland has no such nobility it cannot attempt such a thing. He hope the recipient has written to the Sisters of Charity concerning a mission to Malta. He has sent an 'Osservatore' with a list of the Pope's publications. The government will now give chaplains to the navy. He hopes the Catholic meeting will be a success. He asks for news concerning M. Beach. The Pope will deliver an allocution next week after which the newspapers will throw off their mask of blandness and begin an open war.

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KIR/NC/1/1878/21 Item

Letter from Cardinal Cullen, Rome addressed to 'My dear Mgr' [not in Cullen's hand]

23 March 1878 Eng. 4pp

Cullen mentions his correspondence with Mr Inglatt concerning the possibility of establishing the Sisters of Charity in Malta. He suggests that the Sisters do not have enough members for a foreign mission. He suggests that the recipient should write to the bishops who have not sent in their contributions towards the University. Educational matters [in Italy] are going badly as the government schools are filled with children who will be trained in infidelity. A friend of Marshal MacMahon gave Cullen his opinion that socialism, revolutionism and infidelity will reduce Europe to the level of Africa and Asia. MacMahon will never have any success as long as he is called Duke of Magenta.

KIR/NC/1/1878/22 Item

Letter from Cardinal Cullen, Rome addressed to 'My dear Mgr' [not in Cullen's hand]

27 March 1878 Eng. 2pp

Cullen hopes that the meeting of the union will have a good effect in Parliament. Mr Souther gives no hope for the Intermediate Bill. The recipient should encourage the MPs to oppose the rates for the Queen's Colleges and the Grand Jury Bill. Cardinal McCloskey will receive his hat at the consistory that will be held by the Pope tomorrow. He will not present the address at the moment as the Pope is currently overwhelmed with visits.

KIR/NC/1/1878/23 Holograph letter from Sr. M Imelda to Fr Burke

Item

[circa March 1878]

Eng. 4pp

Sister Imelda encloses a letter and cross from Sr. de Nicci. She sends her regards to Dr. Kirby, asking him to seek a Papal blessing and indulgences for their crosses and beads. 'He is so full of charity to his Irish children he won't refuse.'

KIR/NC/1/1878/24 Holograph letter from Sr. M de Nicci to Sr. M Imelda.

Item

28 March 1878

Eng. 2pp

Sr. Nicci thanks Sr. Imelda for helping Mrs Butler. She discusses the death of Pius IX and election of Leo XIII. The numbers of Children of Mary are increasing and there are about 100 married people preparing to be received in May. She describes their infirmary and convalescent rooms for invalids.

KIR/NC/1/1878/25 Item

Holograph letter from Marianne Scully, Sacred Heart of Jesus to Dr. Kirby, Prelato Domestico di J. J., Irish College

[circa April 1878]

Eng. 3pp

Scully and Mrs Hynes wish to congratulate Kirby on his new honours. She asks for assistance in forwarding some parcels to Ireland or London. She has received a few commissions from Julia but opportunities are very scarce this year.

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KIR/NC/1/1878/26 Copied extract from The Enquirer newspaper, in Dr. Kirby's

'About April 1878'

Eng. 2pp

Article is entitled 'Honouring the dead, Mortuary services in honour of V. Eml. [Victor Emmanuel]. Archbishop Purcell's tribute to the deceased.' Purcell praises Victor Emmanuel for holding onto his faith stating that it is a great consolation to the people of Rome that he took over power of the city of Rome because the people there wished for it. He alluded to the Book of Kings to support his argument.

KIR/NC/1/1878/27 Item

Printed newspaper clipping entitled 'The Clergy or Cashel and The Pope'. Contains an address from the Archbishop and Bishops of Cashel to the Pope and a letter from Cardinal Cullen, Irish College Rome to Dr. Croke.

2 April 1878

Eng. Lat. 1p

Cullen notes that he presented the address to the Pope who expressed his thanks and gave his apostolic blessing. He adds that the Pope is afflicted at the sad state of education in Italy and prays that Ireland might be preserved from such a scourge and have the consolation of having a safe and Catholic system of education.

KIR/NC/1/1878/28 Item

Letter from Cardinal Cullen, Rome addressed to 'My dear Mgr' [not in Cullen's hand]

5 April 1878

Cullen is glad that preparations for the education meeting are progressing well. If the recipient and 'the other vicars' believe that it will be useful they can put Cullen's name on the requisition. He advises the recipient to be very forceful in his meeting with Lowther- 'threaten that you and all Catholics must join the enemies of the government if they refuse us justice.' The Lord Lieutenant, who is otherwise a good man, has made a number of poor appointments of Orangemen. Mr Beach has suggested a meeting with the Lord Lieutenant to give him some truths. His wife wears shamrocks and green dresses and visits convents. Mr O'Donnell's speech on the Queen's Colleges was very good- he could have influence if he acted prudently and did not engage in foolish things. In the last page, marked 'Private', Cullen states that he will try to get the Pope's blessing for the meeting and suggests that the recipient propose sending a telegram from the meeting.

KIR/NC/1/1878/29 Item

Holograph letter from writer who identifies himself as 'Confessore di Baghine Raffianes to the Rector of the Irish College [Dr. Kirby], St. Agatha's.

7 April 1878 Ital. 4pp

[Subject of the letter is unclear. Writer appears to question the reputation of Cardinal Cullen for generosity and magnanimity. He makes reference to Italian and English newspapers. He mentions that the Cardinal always had a welcome in 'Casa di Venece' at No 80 Via Frutina. He also refers to someone as a thief, brigand and imbecile etc]

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KIR/NC/1/1878/30 Item

Document entitled 'Address of the Bishop and Priests of Achonry to His Holiness Pope Leo XIII.' Signed by Bishop F J MacCormack, Bishop of Achonry, Ballaghadereen

11 April 1878 Eng. 2pp

The Bishop and clergy of Achonry offer their congratulations to the Pope and seek his Apostolic Benediction.

KIR/NC/1/1878/31 Item

Letter from Cardinal Cullen, Rome addressed to 'My dear Mgr' [not in Cullen's hand]

22 April 1878 Eng. 2pp

Cullen has written a letter for the meeting but asks the recipient to suppress or correct as he sees fit. He wonders why Lord Emly, Lord O'Hagan and Lord Bellew have not signed the requisition? Dr. McCabe should be requested to make a grand speech. There were no ceremonies in the Pope's chapel and rumours abound that the new Pope is hostile to Pius IX. However Cullen believes this to be false as Leo XIII has stated that he will wear the pectoral cross and chain of Pius IX in memory of his predecessor.

KIR/NC/1/1878/32 Item

Letter from Cardinal Cullen, Rome addressed to 'My dear Mgr' [not in Cullen's hand]

30 April 1878 Eng. 3pp

Cullen congratulates the recipient on a well attended and successful meeting. However little can be expected from men who are hostile to Catholicism- but they must remain patient. He notes that Leo XII has renewed all the protests, excommunications and other acts of his predecessor. The Irish in Rome will visit the Pope on Thursday. It would be well to let the nuns work for themselves- the matter should be discussed with Dr. McCabe.

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KIR/NC/1/1878/33 Letter from Cardinal Cullen, Rome addressed to 'My dear Mgr' [not in Cullen's hand]

> 14 May 1878 Eng. 4pp

Cullen wishes to know if the Bill on Intermediate Education has been printed or abandoned? Mr Lowther should do something soon, or else he will have had deceived them. The government is so strong that it now cares little about Ireland. It is hard to know who to support in the war- the Turks are not worthy of sympathy but 'the Russians are barbarous and lying persecutors' despite what the Czar has stated to the Pope. Bad as the English were they were never as bad as the Russians. He hopes that the Pope's health will not suffer from being shut up in the Vatican during the long hot summers. Cullen sends a photograph of the Pope 'which is very like him.' The new Bishop of Fano, Monsignor Santori, enquired about the recipient and the university. Cullen will travel home at the end of the month.

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KIR/NC/1/1878/34 Item Letter from Cardinal Cullen, Rome addressed to 'My dear Mgr' [not in Cullen's hand]

<u>28 May 1878</u> Eng. 4pp

Cullen recounts a conversation he had with an Englishman of high standing. They agreed on the merits of the Lord Lieutenant. The Englishman, however stated that Lowther was reported as saying that he had no politics except 'to be always in opposition to the Pope.' Cullen believes this to be true and points to the question of intermediate education. He suggests that it was the pen of the recipient that was 'the little pebble' that caused the fall of Robert Peel- 'I wish we could get a good sling at present, it would be very necessary.' Cardinals Franchi and Simeoni both speak well of the recipient. Cullen is still coughing. He sends regards to McCabe and Dean.

KIR/NC/1/1878/35 Item Holograph letter from Cardinal Cullen, Hotel de Liquria, Turin to Dr. Kirby

3 June 1878 Eng. 2pp

Cullen describes his pleasant journey from Rome to Turin. There was no display along the road about the 'statuto'- the people care very little about it. Having consulted with Cardinal Simeoni and Mgr. Agnozzi, Cullen believes that Cardinal Bilio should be asked to settle the case with the Christian Brothers- he asks Kirby to speak with Rinaldini to remind him of the case. As Dr. Maher received no telegram about his brother the hope is that he is holding out. He thanks Kirby and Fr Egan for their kindness in Rome.

KIR/NC/1/1878/36 Item Holograph letter from Cardinal Cullen, College des Irlandais, 5 Rue des Irlandais, Paris to Dr. Kirby

<u>7 June 1875</u> Eng. 2pp

Dr. Croke is in Paris and is anxious to get the brief for Dr. McCarthy's consecration. He asks Fr Egan to send his luggage and his bills which will be paid by Monsignor Meagher. Dr. Maher's brother has not died and he has therefore gone to the exhibition. Kirby should call on Cardinal Bilio and ask him to act as 'ponente' in the case of the Christian Brothers, if the Prefect of Propaganda asks him. He sends a note which can be shown to Bilio. [see KIR/NC/1/1878/37]

KIR/NC/1/1878/37 Item Holograph letter from Cardinal Cullen, College des Irlandais, 5 Rue des Irlandais, Paris to Dr. Kirby

<u>7 June 1875</u> Ital. 1p

Cullen mentions the possibility of Cardinal Bilio acting as 'ponente' in the case with the Christian Brothers. He notes that he has consulted with Cardinal Simeoni on the matter. [Note mentioned in KIR/NC/1/1878/36 above]

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KIR/NC/1/1878/38 Item Holograph letter from Cardinal Cullen, Euston and Victoria Hotels, Euston Station to Dr. Kirby

<u>11 June 1878</u> Eng. 2pp

Cullen will travel to Liverpool where he will remain until Monday. Fr Maher has returned earlier as he received a letter stating that his brother was dying. He discussed affairs in Rome with Cardinal Manning. The weather is cold and damp and he hopes to escape the ill effects of the fog.

KIR/NC/1/1878/39 Item Holograph letter from Charles Eyre, [Archbishop of] Glasgow addressed to 'My dear Countess'

<u>21 June 1878</u> Eng. 3pp

Eyre thanks the Countess for the relic of Pio Nono. He has returned with his secretary in time to consecrate two new Bishops for Scotland. He mentions that he has sent some little brochures that he compiled for the children of the Poor Schools. He notes that Cardinal Cullen, whom he met in Liverpool, has improved very much due to his stay in Rome. He has been busy confirming 300 children. He sends his regards to her husband and daughter Laura.

KIR/NC/1/1878/40

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Holograph letter from Cardinal Cullen, Dublin to Dr. Kirby

21 June 1878

Eng. 2pp

Dr. McCabe has managed everything well during Cullen's absence. As Dr. McCarthy has received a letter from Propaganda confirming his appointment, a new vice-president can not be appointed. Dr. Russell is improving but as yet is not well enough to work. Dr. Meagher's 'Aurens Liber' has arrived costing £2.10s for transport. He doesn't expect much from the education bill that is being introduced into the House of Lords. He cautions Fr Egan about the heat of Rome. Fr Barlow, formally of St. Agatha's, has died. He is sorry that Cardinal Bilio can not act in the case of the Christian Brothers but suggests that Cardinal Bartolini could also treat the question well.

KIR/NC/1/1878/41 Item Holograph letter from Cardinal Cullen, Eccles Street, Dublin to Dr. Kirby

<u>23 June 1878</u> Eng. 3pp

Cullen notes that a mild strain of small pox is in Dublin, that the weather is very wet and cold, that the air in the city is bad due to smoke and gas and that the wheat crop has been retarded. The deafness in his ear has gone but he still is suffering from a cough. He hopes that the Board of Maynooth will appoint Dr. Walsh as vice-rector to replace Dr. McCarthy who is to be the new Bishop of Kerry. Dr. Chattard was in Dublin prior to his voyage to America. He sends £110.10s being the interest accrued on Irish College funds.

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KIR/NC/1/1878/42 Spiritual notes entitled 'Orario di Cont[es]sa M. Bentivoglia'

Item 29 June 1878

Ital. 3pp

Contains descriptions of spiritual routine and meditations. [In the same hand as KIR/NC/1/1878/3]

KIR/NC/1/1878/43 Item

Holograph letter from John [Mawes] to Dr. McCarthy, Bishop of Kerry, Tralee.

30 June 1878

Eng. 4pp

Ital. 3pp

[Mawes] suggests that McCarthy should have Listowel as his mensal [parish]. It will increase his revenue, will bring him into closer contact with North Kerry and will save him the trouble of making a new appointment. He is unable to preside at the retreat. He advises against having a lady housekeeper at the Palace because he found that an Administrator and a good servant are better. He has arranged everything for the new bishop at the Palace and promises to remain above party bias when offering advice in the future.

KIR/NC/1/1878/44 Item

Letter from Cardinal Cullen, 59 Eccles Street, Dublin to Dr. Kirby [not in Cullen's hand]

2 July 1878

Cullen encloses a bill of exchange for £327stg from Bishop O'Connor of Ballarat in Australia being his diocese' contribution towards Peter's Pence. He notes that O'Connor, previously a parish priest in Dublin, is devoted to the Holy See and that his remote diocese is predominantly Irish. He has seen a letter in the 'Osserratore Romano' from Cardinal Vicario on the subject of Roman schools and the advantages of Catholic education.

KIR/NC/1/1878/45 Item

Holograph letter from W Maziere Brady, Bagni di Lucca to Fr Egan, [Irish College Rome]

9 July 1878 Eng. 2pp

Brady suggests to Egan that he should come to the Bath of Lucca as the temperature is cooler than anywhere else in Italy. He saw Dean Quin at Viareggio before he left. He asks Egan to drop him a line if any Irish Bishop sends Peter's Pence to the Vatican or does anything else noteworthy. Cardinal [Cullen] appears to want Fr Maher about himself 'Artane is certainly not an enviable post.' Egan can pay for the books directly into his account at Terwangue's bank. He enquires after Dr. Hostlot and asks if Egan has seen the correspondence in the 'Freeman' newspaper.

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KIR/NC/1/1878/46 Item Holograph letter from Cardinal Cullen, 59 Eccles Street, Dublin to Dr. Kirby. [Letter actually written in Kingston]

<u>24 July 1878</u> Eng. 4pp

Cullen has received a telegram from Dr. Power of Newfoundland stating that Dr. Conroy is dangerously ill with a lung inflammation. If bad news arrives, he will telegram Cardinals Franchi and Simeoni as both took an interest in the young man's mission. The Peter's Pence collection has raised over £2000. He is staying at a house belonging to Mr Green at Cedars near Kingstown. Green's wife is the daughter of Lord Plunket, the late Bishop of Tuam and sister of the Protestant Bishop of Meath- however the house has some Catholic paintings and holy water fonts. The Plunkets have latterly got the name of soupers but probably Fr Lavelle did not treat them kindly in his area. Despite the relapse in the rain, Cullen still has not been able to rid himself of his cough which prevents him from doing too much. If the rain returns it will damage the harvest and bring misery. The English did not go to war 'for an idea' and have taken Cyprus. If there was a good bishop in Cyprus he could get good terms for Catholics because the new governor will be a Dublinman called Sir Garnett Wolsey. However there is no Catholic bishop there as the Catholics are subject to oriental bishops. He mentions his sisters Margaret and Mary, Fr Egan and Fr Hurley whose father is sickly.

KIR/NC/1/1878/47 Holograph letter from Cardinal Cullen, Dublin to Dr. Kirby. Item 26 July 1878

6 July 1878 Eng. 3pp
Cullen is glad that he took no steps regarding the cause of Pius the IX
because he thought it would be presumptuous for Hypoborean bishops to
ask the Pope or the Congregation to do their duty. They are in want of

ask the Pope or the Congregation to do their duty. They are in want of Husley as Coffy has broken his arm out riding. The Italian press has suggested that England, Scotland and Ireland are to be placed directly under the Pope with a Nuncio in London- this is not worth the paper it is written on but should be investigated. He ponders on the political implications of the suggestion and concludes that it would be a great loss for the Holy See to change the present state of things. He asks for news regarding the Christian Brothers. He is still coughing and unable to do anything. He has not heard any word about Dr. Conroy - it would be a pity to sacrifice so precious a life so he has asked Cardinal Simeoni to bring Conroy home. Mr Grace, a student, gave him four medals from the Secretary of State.

KIR/NC/1/1878/48 Item Copy of letter from Cardinal Giovanni Simeoni, Propaganda, Rome to Monsignor Roger Bede Vaughan, Archbishop of Sydney.

August 1878 Ital. 2pp

Letter is concerned with the resignation of Monsignor O'Mahony from the Diocese of Armidale.

Lang. / Extent

KIR/NC/1/1878/49 Item Holograph letter from Cardinal Cullen, 59 Eccles Street, Dublin to Dr. Kirby.

<u>2 August 1878</u> Eng. 2pp

Cullen has sent a bill for £2000 to the Pope and believes that they will collect £300 more. He regrets the death of Cardinal Franchi- the Pope will feel the loss terribly and it will cause such consternation in the Vatican that many will be anxious to leave it. He received a letter from Dr. Power who has suggested that Dr. Conroy is now out of danger- however such a severe illness will weaken him considerably and Cardinal Simeoni should consider calling him back. He is staying near Blackrock to recuperate- he is still coughing. Fr William Cullen is well. He asks for news on the Christian Brother's case.

KIR/NC/1/1878/50

Holograph letter from Cardinal Cullen to Dr. Kirby.

Item <u>5 August 1878</u>

Eng. 1p

Cullen regrets to announce that Dr. Conroy has died in Newfoundland. His loss will be severely felt in Ireland and he has sent a letter to the Pope. He mentions the £2000 Peter's Pence that he sent on Friday.

KIR/NC/1/1878/51

Holograph letter from Cardinal Cullen, Dublin to Dr. Kirby.

Item <u>13 August 1878</u>

Eng. 4pp

Dr. Conroy is to be buried in Longford- he is a loss to all Ireland and 'no one felt that loss more than I did.' Dr. McCabe, Dr. McGettigan and Dr. Croke will officiate at funeral services and solemn Masses. Dr. O'Flanagan, formally of St. Agatha's, has been appointed Vicar Capitular. He has received no word from Cardinal Simeoni regarding Auckland. Dr. MacHale has done nothing about his coadjutor as yet and Cullen hopes that Propaganda will intervene. The Archbishop of Armagh drew his attention to a letter from Cardinal Simeoni to Dr. MacEvilly but MacHale responded that 'he took no account of messages sent to him through others.' The newspapers give flaming accounts of MacHale's recent tour of his diocese. Cullen hopes that his letter to the Pope which accompanied the Peter's Pence has been presented. Fr Hurley has returned home to attend his father's funeral. He gives an account of a mixed-marriage case involving Monsignor Stonor's sister and Agar Ellis, a high Protestant. Ellis has promised to bring up their children as Catholics but has since reneged on that promise. The case went to court and Judge Vice-chancellor De Malines has ruled that Ellis should be allowed to place the children in a Protestant school- his wife is appealing the case.

Lang. / Extent

KIR/NC/1/1878/52 Item Holograph letter from Cardinal Cullen, 59 Eccles Street, Dublin to Dr. Kirby.

17 August 1878

Eng. Ital. 3pp

Cullen is glad that the Pope was gratified by the collection- he awaits his written response. He includes a separate note in Italian giving details of the supplementary £200 that he is sending. He thanks Kirby for the beautiful bust that he sent. Cullen assisted at the solemn office for Dr. Conroy attended by over 200 priests and bishops. Everyone is afflicted by the loss. He has cautioned Dr. Hannan of Halifax to jealously preserve all the papers of Conroy as they concern the affairs of his mission. Cardinal Simeoni has not written about Auckland. He asks for news on the Christian Brother's case and sends regards to Fr Egan.

KIR/NC/1/1878/53 Item Holograph letter from Bishop D. McCarthy [of Kerry], The Palace, Killarney to Fr Maguire.

12 September 1878

Eng. 2pp

McCarthy refuses to grant a marriage dispensation giving his reasons. However he suggests that Maguire write to Dr. Kirby stating the facts of the case which are that the couple presumed that the dispensation would be granted and have therefore already conducted a marriage feast. He wants to discourage these kind of marriages especially in Maguire's district.

KIR/NC/1/1878/54 Item Copy of letter from the Archbishop of Toronto, Toronto to Cardinal Cullen

24 October 1878

Eng. 2pp

The Archbishop sends a copy of a letter sent to the hierarchy of the Dominion of Canada and drafts of a petition to the Queen. He asks Cullen's secretary to shape these documents into a petition which can then be signed by the hierarchy and sent to Lord Duffering. 'The religion and education of the Irish in Ireland have such an influence on the fortunes of the Catholic Church in all the English-speaking countries that it is our duty to help the struggles of the Irish Church for liberty and its rights in educating her noble children.' He regrets that drawbacks and poverty contribute to a loss of faith amongst the Irish in Great Britain and Americas. He laments the death of [Dr. Conroy] noting that a successor Apostolic Delegate is needed in America

Lang. / Extent

KIR/NC/1/1878/55 Item Printed petition from Fr Gaetano Carli, Vo. Di Alenira, Convent dei Cappucini, Rome to the Pope.

28 October 1878

Ital. 3pp

The petitioners ask the Pope to obtain the support of the hierarchy and clergy of England for the repeal of English marriage laws which hinder the actions of the Catholic clergy and undermine the authority of the Church and the Holy See. The petition continues by specifying the history of marriage law concerning marriage between brother-in-laws and sister-in-laws. Mentions the marriage of the Duke of Beaufort, investigations by Cardinal Wiseman, Cardinal Manning and Cardinal Cullen, Monsignor Paterson, Lord Denbigh

KIR/NC/1/1878/56

Holograph receipt from E Pezzalle to Dr. Kirby

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4 November 1878

Ital. 1p

Pezzalle acknowledges the receipt of £84.41lire from Kirby for the [position of] 'Camerieri Segreti di Cappa e Spada' for Signor Comm. [] Moore of the Papal Household.

KIR/NC/1/1878/57

Holograph receipt from Comm. Pietro Sassi, Spedizioniere

Aplico to Dr. Kirby 22 November 1878

Ital. 1p

Sassi acknowledges the receipt of a large book which is to be sent to Cardinal Luigi Canossa Vescovo di Verona.

KIR/NC/1/1878/58

Holograph letter from E McCabe, Archiepiscopal Vicariate of Dublin, 47 Westland Row to Fr Mulcahy

13 November 1878

Eng. 2pp

McCabe states that he has no powers to settle an unspecified case and advises Mulcahy to write directly to Rome.

KIR/NC/1/1878/59

Holograph letter from M J Gibney, St. Paul's to Fr Mulcahy

Item

15 November 1878

Eng. 2pp

Gibney give the details of a marriage dispensation case involving Thomas Berford, 12 Aughrim St. and Eliza Carroll, 48 Summerhill who is his deceased wife's niece. Berford has promised to marry Carroll on a number of occasions in public and Carroll states that her good character would continue to suffer as he has not fulfilled his promise. Mentions Canon Brock and Fr. Brady.

Lang. / Extent

KIR/NC/1/1878/60 Item Printed annual report of St. Joseph's Clothing Society, Waterford for the year 1878.

1878 Eng. 3pp

The Society endeavour to provide clothing 'for the relief of the industrious and deserving poor.' Includes the society's regulations, accounts, quantities of clothing given out and a list of subscribers. The patron is identified as Dr. Power, president Mrs Dobbyn, treasurer Philomena Kearney and secretaries Miss Walsh, Miss O'Grady and Miss Reid. In a letter to the subscribers the committee note that they have been able to provide young girls with suitable clothes for domestic service thereby securing for them good and comfortable homes.

KIR/NC/1/1878/61 Item Holograph letter from Peter, Bishop of [Rosea] and [Auxiliary Bishop] of Tivoli, Tivoli to Monsignor Timothy O'Mahony, Bishop of Armadale, Rome

18 December 1878

Ital. 1p

The writer wishes O'Mahony and Monsignor Kirby best wishes for Christmas.

KIR/NC/1/1878/62 Item Holograph letter from Mary [] Lynch, Presentation Convent, Harbour Grace addressed to her brother James.

Feast of St. Thomas [21 December] 1878

Eng. 6pp

Lynch laments the death of Cardinal Cullen noting that he has died at a time when his assistance in Rome was greatly needed by her community. Dr. Carfagnini, their bishop is persecuting them by not allowing them have a trustworthy confessor and will only allow hostile priests, such as Fr Falconio and Fr McInnis, hear their confessions since Easter. They have been accused of demoralizing and corrupting the youth and as a result children have been taken from their school only to be placed with the Methodists. The majority of priests on the island support them. She mentions how the Delegate [Dr. Conroy] tried to resolve their difficulties before he died and also how she wrote to Dr. Power. She implores James to act on their behalf with Propaganda. She mentions Fr Ryan, Fr F Walsh, Mother Josephine and Rev. Mother M J French.

KIR/NC/1/1878/63 Fragment of letter from J McDevitt to Dr. Kirby

Item [1878] Eng. 2pp

McDevitt gives an account of a death of an unidentified man [possibly Cardinal Cullen] noting his last words, his holy death and his saintly life. Fr Bennett and 'our good President' will be grateful for Kirby's regards to them which he will deliver when he returns to the college. [Letter written on paper with a broad black border]

Lang. / Extent

KIR/NC/1/1879/1 Item Newspaper clipping entitled 'Cardinal Newman (Special telegram from our correspondent)'

<u>1879</u> Eng. 1p

Article gives an account of Newman's response to an address presented to him by Lady Herbert of Lea at the English College.

KIR/NC/1/1879/2 Item Postcard from Saladini, Ascoli Piceno to Contessa Virginia Celani, Rome

13 January 1879 Ital. 2pp

Writer thanks the Contessa for £61which he has received. He mentions M. Badessa, the Monsignore and the Rev. Mother.

KIR/NC/1/1879/3

Item

Holograph postcard from Quintina [Sagnori], Alatri to Sig. Contessa Virginia Celani, Piazza Campitelli, Palazzo Righetti, Rome

22 February 1879

Ital. 2pp

Mentions the ongoing work of his religious sodality. Also refers to his bishop who has received the Contessa's letter.

KIR/NC/1/1879/4

Receipt from Plowden and Co, Rome to Dr. Kirby

Item 23 July 1879 [Out of sequence]

Eng. Ital. 1p

'Amount received and forwarded for bond of 500fr. capital to Pres. Nuns, Fermoy'

KIR/NC/1/1879/5 Item Holograph letter from M Mooney, PP of Cahir, Co Tipperary to Dr. Kirby

3 February 1879

Eng. 3pp

Mooney seeks a marriage dispensation for John Roche and Anna Evans who did not learn of the impediment to their marriage until after the ceremony. He sends Kirby belated congratulations on the dignity that has been placed upon him. He mentions progress in his parish but also notes that the transept of his church fell on the 24 June in the previous year without causing any deaths.

KIR/NC/1/1879/6

Holograph letter from Chiara Paggi to the Pope

Item <u>10 February 1879</u>

Ital. 1p

Paggi appeals for charity and gives his address as 24 Vicolo della Valpa.

KIR/NC/1/1879/7 Item Holograph letter from [T.A.K. monogram], Mountclair St. addressed to his Uncle [Dr. Kirby]

18 February 1879

Eng. 4pp

The writer provides some family news, mentioning his aunt 'M.F.K.' [Mary F Kirby] and mother. He describes his recent trip to Montreal where he enjoyed winter sports and saw the 'snow shop club'. [Letter incomplete - missing final page]

Lang. / Extent

KIR/NC/1/1879/8 Item Printed and handwritten announcement of the death of Sr.

Costanza Petrucci addressed to the Irish College

<u>5 March 1879</u> Ital. 2pp

Petrucci was a sister in the Monastero del SS. Bambino Gesu and died aged 38.

KIR/NC/1/1879/9 Item Holograph letter from Robert Murphy, Kilsaran,

Castlebellingham to Mr Bellingham

7 March 1879 Eng. 4pp

Murphy thanks Bellingham for the £5 donation towards the mission and Lady Constance's £2 subscription towards the new altar of the Blessed Lady in Kilsaran Church. He is grateful for the lively interest that the recipient takes in the spiritual and temporal welfare of the people of the parish. He asks Bellingham to procure a nice statue of the Immaculate Conception in Rome for about six pounds, to be placed in the niche above the altar and also requests indulgences for the same statue from the Pope. He notes that every year since the establishment of the Peter's Pence his parish has contributed more than £30 to the Pope's Collection

KIR/NC/1/1879/10 Petiti

Petition for faculties from the Bishops of Ireland

Item <u>16 March 1879</u>

Ital. 1p

Request for faculties for all the Bishops of Ireland to [acquire the Jubilee with Easter confessions and communion]. It is noted that the request was refused.

KIR/NC/1/1879/11 Item Copy of letter from T.K. [Tobias Kirby] addressed to 'Rev.

Dear Sir'

<u>24 April 1879</u> Eng. 4pp

[Kirby] notes that he could not present the application for a dispensation because the 'Holy See detests those mixed marriages from her knowledge of the great amount of evil they have occasioned in every country in Europe not excepting our own. And when she grants a dispensation it is for some grievous reasons and then only with sorrow.' In this specific case, involving Mr A Ellis of Kilkenny and an unnamed Catholic lady, the determination of the parties to get married either in a Protestant church or by the Registrar shows that they are unworthy of any favours from the church. The Church cannot be seen to bow down to threats of rebellion to its authority. Protestants should be encouraged to embrace the Catholic faith and this can be better achieved if Catholics are seen to be determined in their views.

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KIR/NC/1/1879/12 Item

Printed newspaper article entitled 'The Mallow School Dispute' being a dispute between the people of Mallow who support the Christian Brothers and the Clergy of Mallow who support their Bishop.

27 April 1879 Eng. 1p

Bishop McCarthy, in an open letter read by Fr Sheehan and Fr Morrissey of Mallow, has threatened to impose spiritual penalties on those townspeople who continue to retain possession of the late Christian Brother's Schools in defiance of his orders to hand them over to the secular clergy. Morrissey refers to his discovery of the insufficient mathematical and religious education of the pupils of the school during an inspectionwhich was decidedly inferior to that of the country National Schools. He also notes that the Christian Brothers alone believed that they were exempt from ecclesiastical discipline, that their half-yearly examinations are 'the greatest humbugs and greatest shams that ever existed' and that they provide relatively few candidates for the priesthood. Mentions Mr Hoolahan, Superior of the Christian Brothers in Mallow, Bishop Fitzgerald then President of St. Coleman's College. The article concludes with the news that the populace of Mallow have re-taken possession of the school and have attempted to burn it down.

KIR/NC/1/1879/13

Holograph note from Isabel Francesca Fane, S. de M., Rome

May 1879 Item

Eng. 3pp

Piece of spiritual poetry entitled 'To the Mother of God'.

KIR/NC/1/1879/14

Item

Holograph letter from Padre Michelangiolo da Citta di Castello Cappno, Bagnorea to sister Sorella Filomena, [Convent della Palanzana]

4 May 1879

Ital. 1p

Writer questions why his letters have not been responded to and discusses personal matters.

KIR/NC/1/1879/15 Holograph letter from A Pietios, Roma to Rosina

Item

7 May 1879

Eng. 12pp

Writer mentions that he has returned to his family in Rome and gives family and personal news. They live on 38 Via del Lavatore. He gives the address of Italo Amaducci, a friend and soldier.

Lang. / Extent

Item

KIR/NC/1/1879/16 Printed Government Bill entitled 'University Education (Ireland) Bill' sent to Dr. Kirby

> 15 May 1879 Eng. 12pp

Aims of bill are stated 'to make better provision for University Education in Ireland'. Prepared and brought in by 'The O'Conor Don, Mr Kavanagh, Mr Shaw, Mr Mitchell Henry, Lord Charles Beresford and Mr Parnell' Refers to the establishment and constitution of the University, the appointment of Chancellors and Vice-chancellors by the Lord Lieutenant, rules for the Senate and other rules, finance and income, rules for reporting and 'provisions of Irish Church Act, 1869, to be extended to this Act'.

KIR/NC/1/1879/17

Item

Permission to attend a Papal Audience from Il Maestro di Camera to Archbishop MacGettigan of Armagh and Bishop Kelly of Derry

16 May 1879 Ital. 1p

KIR/NC/1/1879/18 Item

Printed petition to the Pope signed by James Frederick [Wood], Archbishop of Philadelphia

3 June 1879 Lat. 1p

The Archbishop addresses the Pope on the urgent need for action against dwindling faith and religious values mentioning Purgatory and indulgences. Text of petitions KIR/NC/1/1879/18, KIR/NC/1/1879/20 and KIR/NC/1/1879/21, KIR/NC/1/1879/27 are identical]

KIR/NC/1/1879/19 Item

Bound handwritten copy of document concerned with the Christian Brother's case by Monsignor Tronibetti submitted to the Holy See.

13 June 1879 Ital. Lat. Eng. 13pp

Tronibetti discusses the dispute between the Christian Brothers and hierarchy under the heading 'De Jurisdictione quam Episcopi habent in instituta votorum simplicium virorum a S. Sede rite approbata'. Note from Kirby states that it is 'a copy of the vote of Mgr Tronibetti, which was duly compared with the original and verified.'

KIR/NC/1/1879/20 Item

Printed petition to the Pope signed by Bishop J D Ricards, Vicariate Apostolic of Cape of Good Hope, Eastern District, Grahamstown

17 June 1879 Lat. 1p

The bishop addresses the Pope on the urgent need for action against dwindling faith and religious values mentioning Purgatory and indulgences. [Text of petitions KIR/NC/1/1879/18, KIR/NC/1/1879/20 and KIR/NC/1/1879/21, KIR/NC/1/1879/27 are identical]

Lang. / Extent

KIR/NC/1/1879/21 Item

Printed petition to the Pope signed by Bishop John Leonard, Vicar Apostolic of Cape of Good Hope, Western District, Capetown

18 June 1879 Lat. 1p

The bishop addresses the Pope on the urgent need for action against dwindling faith and religious values mentioning Purgatory and indulgences. [Text of petitions KIR/NC/1/1879/18, KIR/NC/1/1879/20 and KIR/NC/1/1879/21, KIR/NC/1/1879/27 are identical]

KIR/NC/1/1879/22 Item

Printed announcement entitled 'The Arklow Bazaar and Grand Drawing of Prizes.'

26 June 1879 Eng. 1p

The Sister of Mercy of Arklow are holding a Bazaar in order to raise funds for the proposed erection of a Convent and School in the town. They note that they are presently renting an unsuitable house in the town. The town has a population of five thousand and is mostly poor, with most people engaged in fishing and coasting pursuits. Habits of industry, thrift and tidiness are much needed but the people are unable to devote proper attention to the education of their children.

KIR/NC/1/1879/23 Item

Holograph note from Mary F Kirby, Stonington, [Connecticut] to Dr. Kirby

July 1879 Eng. 2pp

Piece of spiritual poetry entitled 'Trusting Wholly'.

KIR/NC/1/1879/24 Item

Holograph letter from John J Burke, 13 North Richmond Street, Dublin to Enright, [a student at the Irish College]

6 July 1879 Eng. 4pp

Burke has written to Monsignor Kirby for a testimonial of character and also asks for a testimonial from his former classmates in Rome. He has been accused of immoral conduct in Rome and Dublin, a charge which he refutes.

KIR/NC/1/1879/25 Holograph letter from John Egan, Tivoli to Monsignor [Kirby]

11 July 1879 Item

Eng. 3pp

Egan asks [Kirby] to send Don. Angelo to him tomorrow morning if convenient. John Ryan is anxious to have a day's class before the examinations to settle some difficulties. Ryan does not eat well and is weak but the air in Tivoli should revive him. He sends regards to Padri Cappucini.

KIR/NC/1/1879/26 Item

Copy of petition from John [Power], Bishop of Waterford and Lismore to the Pope.

18 July 1879 Lat. 2pp

The Bishop requests indulgences for the Sodality of St. Joseph for the feast days of the Immaculate Conception and other feast days.

Lang. / Extent

KIR/NC/1/1879/27 Item Printed petition to the Pope signed by Bishop James Donnelly, Bishop of Clogher

18 July 1879

Lat. 1p

The bishop addresses the Pope on the urgent need for action against dwindling faith and religious values mentioning Purgatory and indulgences. [Text of petitions KIR/NC/1/1879/18, KIR/NC/1/1879/20 and KIR/NC/1/1879/21, KIR/NC/1/1879/27 are identical]

KIR/NC/1/1879/28 Item Holograph petition from the Superioress of Sion Hill Monestary, Blackrock, Dublin to the Pope.

18 July 1879

Lat. 2pp

Superioress seeks permission for an oratory or chapel in honour of the Cordis Jesu and indulgences. Includes answer from Holy See.

KIR/NC/1/1879/29 Item Copy of letter from John Larkin PP of Ballinakill; Malachy Green PP of Killimor and Tiranascragh; John Deely PP of Tynagh; Thomas Ryan PP of Folunogh and Kilquain; John Larkin of Ballinakill to Cardinal Simeoni, Prefect of Propaganda Fide, Rome [in Dr. Kirby's or Dr. Cullen's hand]

<u>19 July 1879</u> Lat. 3pp

The priests provide reasons why the Bishop Patrick Duggan of Clonfert should be removed from office. They are critical of Dr. MacEvilly's public hostility towards the wise and dear Archbishop MacHale.

KIR/NC/1/1879/30 Item Copy of letter from John McGough PP, Edward Duffy PP of Dromore, Herbert Finneran PP of Moon, Joseph Judge PP of Menlough, John Flatley Vicar PP of Cummer, Michael Heany Administrator of Tuam, Joseph A Molony of Roundstone to Propaganda Fide. [in Dr. Kirby's or Dr. Cullen's hand]

<u>22 August 18</u> Lat. 2pp

The priests assert that Bishop Patrick Duggan of Clonfert was an immoral man while he was in the Diocese of Tuam and that Dr. MacEvilly is dishonest in ecclesiastical affairs. Duggan should be removed and MacEvilly should not be appointed Coadjutor bishop to Archbishop MacHale. They suggest that Francis McCormack, Thomas Carr of Maynooth College or James Ronayne of Ballinrobe should be appointed coadjutor.

KIR/NC/1/1879/31

Petition from Mr Sweetman to the Pope, presented by Dr.

Item 2 August 1879

Ital. 1p

Sweetman is an Irish Catholic living in England- he is seriously ill and seeks a Papal blessing

Lang. / Extent

Item

KIR/NC/1/1879/32 Holograph petition from John Deely, Parish Priest of Tynagh to the Bishop of Clonfert

11 August 1879

Lat. 1p

Deely seeks a marriage dispensation for two parties identified as Patrick and Martha, providing details of their case.

KIR/NC/1/1879/33

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Item

Printed invitation to the ceremony of consecration of Monsignor Wlodimiro Czacki.

17 August 1879

Ital. 1p

Czacki, the Secretary of the Congregation of Ecclesiastical Affairs, has been appointed Archbishop of Salamina.

KIR/NC/1/1879/34

Marriage certificate of [Serualdini Clutinia and Maxaren Bioucani]

27 August 1879

Ital. 1p

Certificate issued by the parish of Santa [Marsin Casmedin], Rome and is signed by a parish priest.

KIR/NC/1/1879/35 Item

Holograph letter from John Egan, Ruby Lodge, Blackrock to Dr. Kirby

28 August 1879

Eng. 4pp

Egan recommends that Mr Halpin should obtain written medical advice regarding his weak heart before he returns- he has told him to consult with Kirby on the matter. He will inform Mr Burke of Kirby's wishes when he sees him. Dr. Moran has suggested that the Haig Villa should be rented for a year if terms cannot be got for the other place. Egan is acting as chaplain at the convent of Sion Hill for this week and has been asked by Sister Imelda to get indulgences for their oratory of the Sacred Heart. He offers thanks for the Presentation book and Pope's encyclical.

KIR/NC/1/1879/36 Item

Holograph letter from John Egan, Ruby Lodge, [Blackrock] to Dr. Kirby

2 September 1879

Eng. 4pp

Egan hopes the students are settling in well. He asks for a detailed account of Signor Traut's account of £12 due to the college before leaving- he has received an impertinent letter from him and wishes to settle the affair. He did not pay Bioni's bill for wine for Mr Lee and Mr McElhatton RIP and sundry items for the college. Has Dr. Vigriali been paid? He asks for John Burke's certificate of orders. He fears that students will not be sent from Dublin due to the deaths in the Irish College. The weather is very wet and the poor farmers are therefore unable to pay their rents.

Lang. / Extent

KIR/NC/1/1879/37 Item Holograph letter from Mary F K [Kirby], Montclair, New Jersey to her uncle, Dr. Kirby

8 September 1879

Eng. 5pp

Mary writes a humorous personal letter in verse to Kirby. She asks him to visit his relations in America and mentions the King family who send their regards.

KIR/NC/1/1879/38 Item Copy of address from the Archbishops and Bishops of Ireland assembled at St. Patrick's, Maynooth to the Pope.

10 September 1879

Lat. 4pp

The hierarchy express their loyalty and love towards the Pope. They mention the infallibility of the Pope and discuss St. Thomas Aquinas and Christian philosophy.

KIR/NC/1/1879/39 Item Petition from Bernardino Mastrangeli, Archpriest of the Cathedral of Tivoli to the Pope, submitted by Dr. Kirby

12 September 1879

Ital. 2pp

Mastrangeli is the administrator of the 'Opera Pia Prossignoli' and receives an income for Masses said there. He seeks faculties which might enable him to repay his creditors.

KIR/NC/1/1879/40

Item

Holograph letter from E McCabe, Archbishop of Dublin, Kingstown to Dr. Kirby

24 September 1879

Eng. 3pp

McCabe seeks an [marriage dispensation] for an unnamed woman who while working as a servant was seduced by her employer and has had a number of children. Fr Egan has been advised by doctors not to return to Rome.

KIR/NC/1/1879/41 Item Holograph letter from Celesse Saladini to Contessa [Virginia Celani]

8 October 1879

Ital. 2pp

Mentions Dr. Kirby and religious matters.

KIR/NC/1/1879/42

Item

Holograph letter from P O'Donnell, Carass Croom, Co Limerick to his son, Rev. Michael A O'Donnell, Tivoli.

3 October 1879

Eng. 4pp

P O'Donnell and his family are concerned about the health of the recipient and he hopes that he will be strong enough to return home. He has sent £50 via Dr. Kirby who is to pay for the journey home.

KIR/NC/1/1879/43 Item Holograph letter from Plowden and Co to Dr. Kirby, Irish College.

13 October 1879

Eng. 1p

Plowden and Co wish to return a bill for £50 for Mr O'Donnell which has been unpaid.

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KIR/NC/1/1879/44 Item Holograph letter from John Egan, Ruby Lodge, [Blackrock] to Dr. Kirby

11 October 1879

Eng. 4pp

Egan thanks Kirby for his supportive letter and begs forgiveness for his inadequacies while at the college. He would return at once to Rome if ordered to do so by the Archbishop but as this is not to be he hopes that he will be useful in his mission in Ireland. He has seen the miseries caused by drink in Ireland and asks Kirby's advice on taking the pledge. Sister Imelda is seeking indulgences for their Oratory to the Sacred Heart.

KIR/NC/1/1879/45 Item Holograph letter from [A F Nailly], St. Patrick's College, Thurles to Dr. Kirby

13 October 1879

Eng. 2pp

Nailly wishes to introduce a student of St. Patrick's called Rev. Richard Mullins who wishes to continue his studies in the Irish College in Rome. He recommends him warmly. He mention Fr James Ryan and Fr Egan who is not returning to Rome. He asks for faculties for the blessing of beads for Rev. John Wood PP.

KIR/NC/1/1879/46 Item Translation of letter from [John Baptist] Scandella, [Vicar Apostolic of Gibraltar], Gibilterra to Sir Michael Hicki Beach, Baronet, Principal Secretary of State for the Colonies, London. Includes calling card of Monsignor. Serafino Cretoni, Assistant to the Secretary of State of the Holy See.

17 October 1879

Ital. 3pp

Scandella forwards a letter concerning the peace that has been achieved in Afghanistan and in the South of Africa. He mentions that the British Representative to the Congress of Berlin has conceded religious liberty and equality in those states. He hopes that the British will apply this equality to Afghanistan, Africa and India. He refers to Catholic missionaries, in the Cape of Good Hope and the measures adopted by Sir Garnet Wolseley in Zululand.

KIR/NC/1/1879/47 Item Copied extract of letter from Dr. McEv [MacEvilly, Coadjutor of Tuam]

20 October 1879

Eng. 1p

MacEvilly hopes that Dr. MacHale will not object to the stationing of a priest at Leenane, a village between Westport and Clifden. It location means that it is fifteen miles from the nearest Catholic priest but has a Protestant Church, school and parson.

Lang. / Extent

KIR/NC/1/1879/48 Item Holograph letter from Edward McCabe, [Archbishop of Dublin], Kingstown to Dr. Kirby

22 October 1879

Eng. 4pp

McCabe thanks Kirby for procuring faculties for him and encloses £20 for his private use. He is sorry to hear that the young priest, who was to fill Fr Egan's place, has returned to Ireland. He proposes Fr Fitzgerald of Clonliffe College to fill the vacancy.

KIR/NC/1/1879/49 Item Copy of Brief singed by Cardinal Teodolfo Mertel addressed to 'Ven. Frater'

10 November 1879

Lat. 2pp

KIR/NC/1/1879/50 Item Holograph petition from Edward O'Donnell, PP to the Pope including postscript by John Power, Bishop of Waterford and Lismore

28 November 1879

Lat. Ital. 4pp

O'Donnell seeks a marriage dispensation for Maria Mullen of Crooke Parish to marry a Lutheran man named John.

KIR/NC/1/1879/51 Item Translation of an extract from 'The Standart', an English newspaper

2 December 1879

Ital. 3pp

Article refers to the new Pope Leo XIII as a moderate and prudent ruler compared with autocratic Pius IX. It refers to Vatican relations with European powers including the Bishops of Belgium, Bismarck and the German Government, Poland, the Csar and Russia. The article concludes by stating that the Pope knows that the English government has the interests of the Irish at heart - while they deplore the perversions they have compassion for the suffering of the country .

KIR/NC/1/1879/52 Item Holograph letter from Ma. Celesse Saladini, Ager to Contessa [Virginia Celani]

6 December 1879

Ital. 3pp

Mentions the assistance of Monsignor Kirby and religious and charitable work

KIR/NC/1/1879/53 Item Holograph letter from a parishioner of Cong Parish to [John MacEvilly, Coadjutor] including a postscript from [MacEvilly]

18 December 1879

Eng. 2pp

The writer informs the Bishop that owing to the illness of Fr Lavelle, Mass has often been cancelled in that parish. He hopes that when [MacEvilly] takes charge of the diocese he will look after the parish. [MacEvilly] notes that he believes the report but that he has no power to remedy it.

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KIR/NC/1/1879/54 Item

Holograph letter from John Egan, St. Laurence O'Toole's, Seville Place, Dublin to Dr. Kirby

22 December 1879

Eng. 4pp

Egan wishes Kirby and the students seasons greetings. Dr. Verdon has gone to Rome. There is great distress in Ireland, even in his parish. He gives away more than he gets and the government has done nothing. He asks for paintings in his room, which were bought for Mr Fallon, to be sent to him. He asks again for indulgences for the oratory of the Sacred Heart at Sion Hill, Blackrock.

Item

KIR/NC/1/1879/55 Printed circular letter from Canon J Hoare, St. Mel's College, Longford

28 August 1879

Eng. 2pp

Hoare sends a list of resolutions adopted at a meeting of the clergy of Ardagh and Clonmacnois. It is proposed to erect an altar in honour of the Sacred Heart as a memorial to the late Dr. Conroy and also to erect a cross on his grave - contributions are sought.

KIR/NC/1/1880/1 Item

Printed booklet containing the 'Constitution and by-laws of the Supreme Council and Subordinate Branches of the Leonites of America'. New Orleans

January 1880

Eng. 23pp

The objectives of the council are 'to unite fraternally all practical Catholics of every profession, business, nationality and occupation' and to give 'all possible aid to fellow members.' [not digitized]

KIR/NC/1/1880/2 Item

Holograph letter from Fr Edward J Hurley CC, Edward King PP and John P Canning CC of Robean, Roundfort, Hollymount to their Bishop.

4 January 1880

Eng. 6pp

Hurley regrets to inform his Bishop of the 'disgraceful and lamentable scene of disorder caused by some of the parishioners of Kilcommin' which required him to cancel Mass. The row was caused when it was proposed by Fr King that one penny was required in future for everyone requiring a seat in the gallery which has been built at public expense and when one family was asked to move to make way for a harmonium and choir. This is not the first time that violence towards the clergy has occurred in this parish. He includes a list of twelve of the 'ringleaders' including their townlands.

Lang. / Extent

KIR/NC/1/1880/3

Holograph statement addressed to Dr. Kirby

Item

1880-1881

Eng. 2pp

Consists of 'a brief abstract of the statement of the claim of Father O'Sullivan against St. Mary's Church, Hudson, as stated in his reply to Cardinal McCloskey.' O'Sullivan claims \$7050, being his unpaid salary and costs incurred by him in the convent and school, insurance, house rent. The case has been submitted to Propaganda and Kirby notes that it was answered on 24 January 1880.

KIR/NC/1/1880/4

Printed advertisement for a play at the Teatro Rossini, Rome

Item

26 January 1880

tal. 1n

The play is called 'Aglae' and is being performed in aid of 'dell'Ospizio di Convalesenza morale e di lavoro.'

KIR/NC/1/1880/5

Holograph letter from Chiara [Antici] to Contessa []

Item

29 January 1880

Ital. 4pp

Mentions Francesco Marrimo.

KIR/NC/1/1880/6

Item

Printed notice with handwritten annotations from the nuns of the 'Convento di Marie Riparatrice, Via degli Artisi, No.17

30 January 1880

Ital. 1p

Notice provides details of the 'Unione Riparatrice.'

KIR/NC/1/1880/7 Item Printed document containing votes of thanks and letters of praise for Sister Mary Francis Clare [Cusack] for her attempts to provide food for the poor.

10 February 1880

Eng. 4pp

Includes votes of thanks proposed by named committee members of the Kenmare Relief Committee and similar committees in Kilgarvan and Sneem. Includes extracts from letters from clergy in the South-west of Ireland concerning Sister Mary's efforts to combat the distress. Includes letters from J Molyneaux PP of Bonare, John O'Sullivan CC of Port Magee, P Davis PP of Sneem, MA Horgan CC of Sneem, D O'Sullivan PP of Cahirdaniel, M O'Reilly PP of Waterville, W Egan PP of Ferriter, R Gearty CC of Srangh Sligo, M Sheehan PP of Kilgarvan, J Neligan PP of Ardrigole Bantry and Daniel O'Connell, Derrynane Abbey.

KIR/NC/1/1880/8 Item Printed open letter to the Editor of the 'Freeman' from J Sullivan, Kenmare

11 February [1880]

Eng. 1p

Sullivan discusses the distress presently in Kerry. He recounts witnessing a scene in Kenmare where 500 starving people assembled to be given food. He praises the work of 'the Nun of Kenmare' [Sister Mary Francis Clare Cusack] who has saved many lives by collecting and dispersing over £2000 worth of food amongst the poor. He calls on the landlords, their agents and government to take similar action.

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KIR/NC/1/1880/9 Item Holograph letter from James Lynch, [Coadjutor Bishop of Kildare and Leighlin], Tullow to Rev. Michael Norris CC

14 February 1880

Eng. 1p

Lynch grants Norris permission to have 'the mistake regarding the diocese rectified' as it will not take much time to do.

KIR/NC/1/1880/10 Item Draft list of 'Names of Priests to whom the Encyclical was sent' [in the hand of Dr. Kirby]

20 February 1880

Eng. 1p

Mentions Canon Neville of the Catholic University, Mon. Meagher of Rathmines, W Walsh of Maynooth, James Maher and J Egan of St. Laurence O'Toole's, Dr. Tyan of Clonliffe, Fr Scully and Fr Ryan of Thurles and Fr Martel and Fr Bourke of Limerick.

KIR/NC/1/1880/11 Item Fragment of holograph letter from unknown writer, Thomastown, [Co Galway] to Sr. De Sales concerning a violent incident at Belclare Chapel, Galway.

16 February 1880

Eng. 4pp

The writer recounts how 'John' [John Kilkelly see KIR/NC/1/1880/12 below] narrowly escaped with his life in Belclare Chapel. Fr Flatley accused Kilkelly from the altar of being a blackguard who was keeping relief from coming into the parish, that he never contributed anything to the parish, that he was not welcome in his own parish and that he had written a letter to the 'Freeman' newspaper. When he had finished speaking the congregation were about to attack Kilkelly who drew a revolver to protect himself. The respectable portion of the flock defended him until the police arrived to give him an escort home.

KIR/NC/1/1880/12 Item Document containing copies of affidavits of Charles Lynch of Carrowbeg House, Michael Cullinan of Cahertine House, Bartholomew Canavan of Belclare, Richard A Clarke of Thomastown and High Constable of Galway and a statement of Mr J F Dillon the Solicitor of Mr John M Kilkelly

February 1880 Eng. 13pp

The affidavits concern an incident that occurred in Belclare Chapel where John Kilkelly was accused from the altar in Irish by Rev. Flatley of having written a letter to 'The Freeman's Journal' which had prevented relief from being delivered to the parish. Flatley stated that Kilkelly had never given a farthing to that parish and that he did not go to his own parish chapel on account of his bad conduct there. Flatley then refused to prevent members of the congregation from threatening Kilkelly who pulled out a revolver in self defence and who was protected by the witnesses. Clarke reports that he procured a car and fetched a policeman who escorted Kilkelly home through the shouting crowd who remained gathered outside the church.

KIR/NC/1/1880/13 Item Copy of an affidavit from John M Kilkelly, Mossfort, Caherlistrane Galway. Includes copies of a solicitor's letter from E. B. Dillon and Co. to Rev. John Flatley, Flatley's reply and an anonymous letter addressed to William Madden.

February 1880

Eng. 11pp

Kilkelly in his affidavit gives his account of the incident that occurred in Belclare chapel when he was denounced from the altar by Rev. Flatley. He states that he is a landed proprietor, Justice of the Peace and an ex-officio member of the Tuam Board of Guardians. He notes that a decision given by him and Mr Blake R.M. at a Petty Sessions was the subject of local controversy in which Flatley took a leading part. A dispute also arose at a Board of Guardian's meeting regarding the distribution of relief funds. He was aware that Flatley had made statements about him earlier in the week and as a result had armed himself with a revolver when attending Sunday Mass. He denies writing to 'The Freeman's Journal'. In the solicitor's letter Kilkelly demands a public apology and retraction to be delivered from the altar else he intends to pursue the case in the courts. Flatley informs Dillon and Co that his solicitor is William Ffrench Henderson of Tuam who will deal with his case. Kilkelly finally copies a threatening letter sent to William Madden, his employee from 'Mary Anne McGuire or as I am better known Rory' in which the writer threatens to shoot Madden unless he guits his position as he is 'a traitor to your country.' He also orders Kilkelly to apologise to Fr Flatley and the parishioners of Churchfriar or 'he shall also hear from me I shall do my duty to the old bochmans son.'

KIR/NC/1/1880/14 Item Holograph letter from Sr. Emmeline M. Hildigarde, The Benedictines of St. Mary's Priory, Princethorpe to her mother.

12 February 1880

Eng. 4pp

Sr. Emmeline has returned to the convent to continue her noviceship. She expresses her happiness at this choice noting the kindness that she has received from 'Notre Rev. Mere', Sr. M. Madeleine and Notre Mere Maitresse.

KIR/NC/1/1880/15 Item Holograph note from P A Tracy, Missionary Rector of St. Joseph's Church, Washington, Warren Co, New Jersey, U.S. to Dr. Kirby

28 February 1880

Eng. 1p

Tracy sends his most respectful regards and gives his address.

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KIR/NC/1/1880/16 Item Copied extracts from an article from 'The Toronto Globe' reporting on a lecture delivered by Archbishop Lynch. Includes a comment by Dr. Kirby on the subject matter of the

<u>9 February 1880</u> Eng. 1p

Archbishop Lynch gave a lecture in the Cathedral of St. Michael's in which he instructed Catholics to study their own doctrines so that they might 'give instruction in all charity to their prot. Brethren'. He continued by stating that 'there are several good men and women who labour hard in the dissemination of the gospel' who differ from Catholics but are yet 'engaged in a great work'. 'He then thanked the Prot. journals for their "fairplay" in publishing his lectures; as this "tended to remove bigotry which shd. not exist, as all were God's people though worshipping him at different altars."' Kirby states that he has written to Lynch to inform him that Propaganda disapproved of sections of this lecture.

KIR/NC/1/1880/17 Item Rough note by Dr. Kirby mentioning diocesan students for the Irish College

<u>5 March 1880</u> Ital. 1p

Mentions O'Connor and O'Brien from Cloyne, Patrick Sweeny and the Dioceses of Dublin, Kildare and Raphoe.

KIR/NC/1/1880/18 Item Printed poem by W. Maziere Brady in honour of Saint Thomas Aquinas

7 March 1880 Eng. 4pp

Printed at the press of Propaganda Fide in Rome

KIR/NC/1/1880/19 Item Holograph letter petition from Neri Filippo, Via del Mirangolo to the Pope

8 March 1880 Ital. 2pp

Filippo has a family but is too ill to work. He seeks assistance. Includes letter testimony of his priest Giaecito Rocea, Parroco di Maria in Mecitecelle.

KIR/NC/1/1880/20 Item

Holograph note from Monsignor Rogerson, Prelat de la Maison de Sa Saintete, Paris to Dr. Kirby.

<u>9 March 1880</u> Eng. 1p

Rogerson wishes to introduce Miss Maley and Miss Gould of Paris to Kirby.

KIR/NC/1/1880/21

Item

Holograph letter from Jamieo Annibole Guidotti, Omaha to Sorello Matilde

<u>9 March 1880</u> Ital. 36pp

Guidotti writes this extremely long letter on personal and spiritual matters.

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KIR/NC/1/1880/22

Item

Holograph petition from Fr Thomas Delany of Killeigh and

Geashill parish, Geashill, King's County, Ireland to the Holy See

4 April 1880 Lat. 1p

Delany seeks a marriage dispensation for a couple named only as Peter and Helen mentioning the poverty of the girl and giving his support.

Holograph letter from Maria Filomena [Sadde], Capa KIR/NC/1/1880/23

6 April 1880 Item Ital. 2pp

Maria Filomena writes of private spiritual affairs.

KIR/NC/1/1880/24 Item

Holograph letter from Mary S. Harnage, 60 Via Vittoria to

Signora Contessa []

8 April 1880 Eng. 4pp

The writer encloses four lire for the lottery. She is engaged to be married to Rev. Edward Wayne, an Anglican priest and asks the Contessa to secure a Papal audience for them both through Monsignor Macchi. She hopes for the Pope's benediction for the marriage.

KIR/NC/1/1880/25 Item

Holograph letter from Bartholomew M Collins, Knocknacua, Abbeyfeale to his cousin 'Batt'

17 April 1880

Eng. 2pp

Collins gives an amusing account of local and family news. The recipient's father attended a Road Sessions with his uncle John and together they managed to secure the contracts for the building of two new roads worth £600 each- one goes through the Cahers and it is hoped that a tidy profit will be realised. He mentions friends in Clonliffe - P Cremin and D. Ryan; Day Leahy; Dr. McCarthy of Bridgemount, Mrs Lane of Broderick's Central Hotel, the Glenasrone family, Messers O'Callaghan and Coffee who have been cured in Knock; Patrick O'Plover Collins, Mrs Johnny Brodar; Katie Lyons who has entered Fermoy Convent but will not be missed in Abbeyfeale. [Written on notepaper of Kenny & Murphy, Solicitors, George Street, Limerick]

KIR/NC/1/1880/26 Draft letter from Dr. Kirby addressed to a Cardinal.

Item 30 April 1880 Ital. 3pp

Kirby argues in favour of Mr O'Clery receiving a Papal title of 'Cameriere d'onore di S.S.'. O'Clery has long been a representative of the consistency of Wexford and Kirby gives some statistics on the election there.

KIR/NC/1/1880/27 Mass card for Rev. Timothy Gillooly

Item 15 May 1880 Eng. 2pp

Gillooly died aged 74 having been a priest for 46 years. Includes a postagestamp sized photograph of the deceased.

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KIR/NC/1/1880/28 Item Printed death notice for Dom François Regis de Martrin, Abbe et Procureur General de la Trappe sent to Dr. Kirby

<u>21 May 1880</u> Fr. 2pp

The funeral service is to be held in 'Eglise de St. Louis des Francais'.

KIR/NC/1/1880/29 Item Printed and holograph letter from Cav. Girolamo Sabatucci, 42 Via S Nicola ai Cesarini, Rome to Dr. Kirby.

2 June 1880 Ital. 1p

Sabatucci wished to advertise the second edition of an Italian-Latin dictionary to Dr. Kirby.

KIR/NC/1/1880/30 Item Petition for faculties sought by Rev. James Ryan, St. Patrick's College, Thurles to the Pope. Submitted by Dr. Kirby 6 June 1880 Lat. 2pp

Ryan petitions on behalf of himself and the following clergy - John Ryan, Richard Fennelly, William Cleary and Patrick Godfrey of the Diocese of Cashel; James Walsh and John O'Connell of the Diocese of Providence and Laurence O'Toole, Patrick Daly and John Tierney of the Diocese of Boston.

KIR/NC/1/1880/31 Item Telegram from G Errington, 6 Albany, Piccadilly to The Bishop of Ardagh, Bishop's House, Newtownforbes, Longford 13 [June or July] 1880 Eng. 1p

Telegram reads as follows 'Government have remonstrated in vain about propaganda can you give me Bishop Maitland's address I will call attention of parliament to subject.'

KIR/NC/1/1880/32 Item Holograph petition from William McDonald, Manchester, New Hampshire, USA to Cardinal Simeoni, Rome

<u>16 July 1880</u> Eng. 3pp

Mc Donald writes a favour of Sister Mary Frances Teresa Warde being allowed to retain her position as Superioress of the Sisters of Mercy despite her long tenure. He notes that he was ordained in Quebec in 1842 and was sent in 1848 to Manchester. At this time the town did not have a church or any religious institutions but now has two churches, 1300 children in Catholic schools, an Asylum, a Convent and an Academy. He give credit for much of this work to Sister Mary who founded a community of Sisters in the area in 1858 with the assistance of the foundress Mrs Macauly. She was also responsible for founding convents in 'Pettsburgh, Pynealvenia and Hartford'. The current Bishop is concerned that she may not be eligible for re-election but has asked McDonald to write to Propaganda.

Code / Level Title / Date / Description Lang. / Extent Printed certificate entitled 'Raphael Tituli S. Crucis in KIR/NC/1/1880/33 Hierusalem, S.R. Ecclesiae Presb. Cardinalis, Monaco La Item Valletta.' 28 July 1880 Lat. 1p [Made out to S. Aloysii Gonz. C. Signed by Bishop J. Oralige Sidae Vivesy and Signore Canon Tavani] List of members of the hierarchy- [the reason for the list is not KIR/NC/1/1880/34 stated]. Date written by Dr. Kirby. Item Monday 8 August 1880 Eng. 2pp List includes the four Archbishops of Ireland, McGettigan, McCabe, MacHale and Croke, twenty-two Bishops and Co-adjutor Bishop MacEvilly. Draft letter from Dr. Kirby, Irish College Rome. KIR/NC/1/1880/35 9 August 1880 Item Lat. 1p Letter of recommendation for Joseph O'Connor who was a student of the college for ten months. KIR/NC/1/1880/36 Fragment of printed book entitled 'Discorsi di Leone XIII-Nuova Serie- Vol. I'. Item 4 August 1880 [mentioned in text] Ital. 16pp Section begins with 'Discorso XIII - Allocuzione del SS. Nostro Signore LEONE per divina provvidenza PAPA XIII ai Cardinali Di S.R.C. nel

KIR/NC/1/1880/37 Fragment of printed book entitled 'Atti Della Santa Sede'

Item [circa 1880] Ital. 16pp

Palazzo Vaticano.' Includes pages 49-64 [Not digitized]

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KIR/NC/1/1880/38

Holograph letter from Archbishop Edward McCabe to Dr.

Item

24 September 1880

Eng. 4pp

McCabe thanks Kirby for the invitation to stay in a room in the college. He knows French well and a little Italian but has not had the opportunity to exercise them. Following on the Pope's suggestions, both he and Fr Fitzpatrick have agreed on the use of the Philosophy book [by San Simrini] in Clonliffe. However they must be certain that their course corresponds to that of Maynooth should their students choose to enter the latter- the Bishops will adjust this when they meet again. He fears that there will be trouble during the winter over the land question- 'Mr Parnell's speeches whilst seemingly within the law are, I fear, really meant to stir up disorder.' Parnell argues that tenants should not pay 'unjust rents' but he lets each man be his own judge. He threatens to call for 'no rents at all' which is already happening in some parts of the country. The Sisters of Charity were forced to close one of their houses in the West when they could not collect their rents. He censured a Dublin priest who refused to give up his membership of the Land League.

KIR/NC/1/1880/39

Holograph letter from G C Baualis, Vaticano to Monsignor

Item

9 November 1880

Ital. 1p

The Pope has sent a large 'caprio' [goat] from Monti Lepini to Kirby and the Irish College as a token of affection and also because of the presence of many Irish Bishops in Rome.

KIR/NC/1/1880/40 Item

Holograph letter from John Egan, St. Gall's Catholic University School, 83 St. Stephen's Green to Dr. Kirby

3 December 1880

Eng. 2pp

Egan wishes to introduce his two brothers and his sister-in-law who have gone to Rome and are anxious to have a Papal audience.

KIR/NC/1/1880/41 Item

Medical certificates from Thomas Walsh MD, Halifax and John Pernan MD, Fleet Surgeon of the Royal Navy.

4 December 1880

Eng. 3pp

Both doctors confirm that Dr. Hannan, Archbishop of Halifax is very unwell and is therefore not fit to travel. Peruan believes that he is suffering from a chronic disease of the liver.

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KIR/NC/1/1880/42 Item Newspaper clipping of article entitled 'The Pope and the Irish Question' by the paper's Rome correspondent.

15 December 1880

Eng. 1p

The reporter claims that the Pope altered his allocution in the consistory, removing a strong attack against the French Republic and its March decrees and avoiding any critical statement against hierarchical or clerical involvement in the Land League. The reporter argues that upon the death of Dr. Cullen, Dr. Kirby lobbied for Dr. Moran who is 'a warm partisan of the Land leaguers and Home Rulers'. The Pope was undecided but finally chose Dr. McCabe, the candidate of both the Dublin clergy and Propaganda who favours non-involvement. He claims that Kirby then encouraged Roman journalists to write favourably about the Irish movement- this was brought to the attention and investigated by the British Government and the Pope. However the Irish Bishops claimed independence on political matters during a meeting with the Pope and the Pope was about to issue a statement condemning such political involvement but was in the end dissuaded from doing so by Kirby.

KIR/NC/1/1880/43 Item Printed letter from John Joseph Lynch, Archbishop of Toronto to the editor of the Toronto Tribune entitled 'The Anglo-Irish Question'.

31 December 1880

Eng. 1p

Lynch writes strongly in support of a solution to the Land Ouestion in Ireland which he blames on English government policy. He firstly notes that he has written in the press before on the plight of Irish emigrants who were forced to travel to the New World in a state of destitution. He blames the Government of England for laws that destroy trade and turn the peasantry into slaves to imperial taxation, rack-rents and absentee landlords. He refutes the accusation that the Irish are in misery due to 'laziness, Priest-craft and want of thrift' pointing to the success of the Irish abroad. He continues in this vein mentioning a story of an eviction told to him by the Bishop of Meath, noting the charity of the people of Canada and the Duke of Edinburgh, praising the Duchess of Marlborough who was a 'bright star in a very gloomy sky' and generally condemning the House of Commons. He makes comparisons to Canada and calls for Ireland to be governed like Canada. He draws comparison with Pope Leo XII's fair solution by which land was bought up by the state and then sold back to the farmers at a fair rent. A similar scheme was successful in Canada.

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KIR/NC/1/1880/44 Item Printed appeal for subscriptions from the North Donegal Central Relief Committee, Relief Committee Rooms,

5 January 1880

Eng. 1p

The committee appeal for assistance as many thousands are, or are soon to be, in absolute want of food and fuel. This has been caused by the complete failure of the potato crop, damage to the oat harvest and turf saving, the miserable prices for kelp and collapse of credit. He also mentions non-resident landlords and few relief works. The names of the committee are printed- it is chaired by Bishop Michael Logue and committee members include doctors, justices of the peace, priests, town clerks, a bank manager, merchants and a solicitor.

KIR/NC/1/1881/1 Item Handwritten list of the Irish Bishops visiting Rome noting where they are staying

[c1881]

Ital. 1p

Most of the 17 bishops are staying at 'Albergo della Minerva' and only Bartholomew Woodlock and Thomas Croke are being housed in the Irish College

KIR/NC/1/1881/2 Item Draft holograph letter from Dr. Kirby addressed to 'Carma Figlia in G + C'

'Festa del Patrocinio della Madonna' 1881

Ital. 5pp

Kirby gives advice to the recipient on the writing of a biography or life of 'zio, (suo fratello)' [uncle, your brother]

KIR/NC/1/1881/3 Item Handwritten list entitled 'Letters from + Moran to Kirby & bearing following dates' [unknown former archivist's note]

[relates to letters from 1881]

Eng. 1p

15 letters with the subject matter of 6 letters given. [These letters were removed from the New Collection, probably during the 1970s or 1980s, and re-integrated into the Kirby Collection- to physically or virtually access these letters please consult the Kirby Catalogue]

KIR/NC/1/1881/4 Item Holograph letter from John MacCarthy, Bishop of Cloyne, Queenstown to Rev. B O'Keeffe, Church of the Sacred Heart, Everton Road, West Brighton, England

2 January 1881

Eng. 2pp

MacCarthy grants O'Keeffe two years leave to pursue his new mission in England. He notes that O'Keeffe was unable to travel as planned to Rome.

KIR/NC/1/1881/5 Item Calling card and holograph note from Vincenzo Anivitti, Vescovo di Caristo, Rome.

15 March 1881

Ital. 2pp

Personal note praising Dr. Kiby and referring to a Mass in the Lateran.

Code / Level Title / Date / Description Lang. / Extent Calling card and holograph note from Monsignor Boccali to KIR/NC/1/1881/6 Dr. Kirby Item 29 March 1881 Ital. 2pp Boccali informs Kirby that the O'Connor family have been granted an audience for 11.30 on the following day. Holograph [receipt] from Stefano Donninez. KIR/NC/1/1881/7 10 March 1881 Item Ital. 1p Receipt for expenses incurred by Archbishop Croke and the Rector of the Irish College Calling card of Mr James Quin, 70 George St., Limerick KIR/NC/1/1881/8 3 April 1881 Item Eng. 1p 'Hotel d'Europe, Piazza di Spagna' is written on this card Holograph petition from Angeli Joseph Marie, Titular Canon of KIR/NC/1/1881/9 the Chapter of the Cathedral d'Ajaccio to the Pope. Item 14 May 1881 Fr. 3pp A regrettable conflict has broken out between the Bishop of Ajaccio and his Chapter. The Sacred Congregation has ruled in favour of the Chapter but this has not resolved the issue. Angeli asks the Pope to intervene and states their case. KIR/NC/1/1881/10 Calling card and holograph note from Luigi Ricci, Canonico della Patriarcale Basilica, Liberiana to Dr. Kirby Item 25 May 1881 Ital. 2pp Ricci congratulates Kirby on his elevation to a titular See KIR/NC/1/1881/11 Holograph vow of Patrick Hartigan, an acolyte, Rome 25 May 1881 Item Lat. 1p Hartigan vows to become a missionary in the Diocese of Kingston following his ordination KIR/NC/1/1881/12 Holograph letter from P Quinn, The Irish National Land League, 39 Upper Sackville Street, Dublin to Joseph Lavery, Item 66 Edward Street, Lurgan, Co Armagh 1 June 1881 Eng. 1p

Quinn regrets that the League are in daily receipt of 'heart rendering appeals' but regrettably can only provide relief for evicted families.

[Written on headed paper of The Irish National Land League]

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KIR/NC/1/1881/13 Item

Holograph incomplete letter written in Bangalore, [India] to Fr Colgan

12 June 1881 Eng. 4pp

The writer advises Colgan, Vicar General, not to venture to Madras until the temperatures decrease. He believes that the delay in Rome at appointing a new Vicar Apostolic of Madras is disastrous. There are more Catholics in this region than in all other parts. The position needs to be filled because this bishop is the only medium of communication between the Government and the Vicars Apostolic of Southern India. The 'weight and authority' of a bishop is needed when dealing with a Protestant government and judges who do not understand the title of Vicar General. He cites the example of the 'Royasporum Church Case' which threatens the spiritual welfare of 5000 native Catholics. He believes that it is also evident that it is intended to hand over the Diocese of Madras to a 'foreigner' which will impact on the large English-speaking population. Even good priests and bishops are prone to make mistakes which 'an Englishman born would never make' regarding legal matters. [letter missing ending]

KIR/NC/1/1881/14 Item

Holograph poem by Joseph Lavery, 66 Edward Street, Lurgan to The Marquis and Marchioness of Bute.

[circa 20 June 1881]

Eng. 1p

Poem is written on the occasion of the birth of the Earl of Drumfires. Refers to the family as Catholic.

Item

KIR/NC/1/1881/15 Printed address from 'The Newsboys', Newsboys' Home, New Orleans to Rev. Mother Theresa Austin, St. Alphonsus' Convent of Mercy

> 11 July 1881 Eng. 1p

Address to Rev. Mother on her Silver Jubilee in an informal tone- 'We wish we could yell out to-day: 'Here's your twenty-fifth edition! Full account of Reverend Mother's Jubilee." They praise her for her work at teaching in their Night School and helping them sing God's praises at their Sunday Mass.

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KIR/NC/1/1881/16 Item Newspaper clipping giving a report of a 'monster land and labour meeting under the auspices of the Munster Land League' held in Ballingarry. Reverse of clipping reports on the annual excursion of a Confraternity to Thurles which was addressed by the Archbishop of Cashel.

<u>July 1881</u> Eng. 2pp

Report notes that Rev. John Walsh PP of Ardagh presided and the other officials are named. It was stated that the assembly had been called to support both the Land and the Labour League- 'The priests, the farmers and the labourers would stand together, and united, the end they all had at heart would be gained.' The report prints a letter from Charles S. Parnell to Mr E. C. Bowen, Ballingarry in which he also calls for unity between the farmers and the labourers. Also prints a speech of Mr Johnson, Secretary of the Munster Labour League in which he chastises the majority of the 103 Irish MPs whom he witnessed when on a 'labourers' deputation' to England. He also states that Cardinal Manning supports them but urges them not to scuttle the ship by creating outrages. [Reverse of newspaper clipping gives an account of disturbances at the internment of Pope Pius IX remains in San Lorenzo as witnessed and recounted by Archbishop Croke]

KIR/NC/1/1881/17

Item

Holograph letter from Antonio Galloni addressed to 'Lustrissimi Sigori Benefattori' [illustrious benefactor]

[1 August 1881]

Ital. 1p

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Galloni is the father of a large family and is infirm and seeks assistance.

KIR/NC/1/1881/18 Item Holograph note from A Latini, Sacrosancta Lateranensis Ecclesia entitled 'Parra Lateranense'

1 August 1881

Latini gives the opinion of the Lateran concerning the miserable state of the dwelling of the petitioner [Antonio Galloni, Via Celimon].

KIR/NC/1/1881/19 Item Receipt for the purchase of three small jars for Holy Oils from Romeo Santini.

<u>20 August 1881</u> Ital. 2pp

Reverse of card contains the printed advertisement for the 'Societe d'Encouragement, Rome'. This society, founded by the aristocracy of Rome, has shops that assist artists by selling their products.

KIR/NC/1/1881/20 Item Copy of petition from the Sisters of St. Joseph of the Sacred Heart of the Diocese of Adelaide to the Pope including judgement from the Holy See signed by []

<u>31 August 1881</u> Ital. 2p

Petition concerned with Bishop Reynolds of Adelaide who, while conducting a visitation of the convent, imposed a vow of secrecy on those interviewed.

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Lat. 1p

KIR/NC/1/1881/21 Printed circular from Cardinal Bilio, Rome

Item 7 September 1881

Circular concerned with faculties for the Jubilee of the Pope.

KIR/NC/1/1881/22

Item

Newspaper report of the arrival and reception of Bishop Ronald MacDonald to Harbour Grace as printed in the Harbour Grace Standard 'Extra'

October 1881 Eng. 1p

Detail report of the arrival of MacDonald from Pictou, Nova Scotia. He was greeted by the following- The Benevolent Irish Society and Revs. D. Falconio, Hanley, Walsh, F. Walsh, O'Donnell, Veitch, Battcock and Donnelly. Report prints addresses from the following- James L. Prendergast representing the Catholics of Harbour Grace and Carbonear; A.T. Drysdale, President of the Harbour Grace Total Abstinence and Benefit Society; John Barry, President of the Harbour Grace Juvenile Total Abstinence and Benefit Society; Janet T. Drysdale, President of the Society of the Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary; M.J. Flynn, Acting President of the Society of St. Vincent-de-Paul; P. Devereux, President of the Catholic Benevolent Irish Society; Patrick Walsh, Acting President of the Benevolent Irish Society of Conception Bay; Jeremiah O'Donnell et al representing The Priests of the Diocese. MacDonald's replies are also printed in full.

KIR/NC/1/1881/23 Item Holograph letter from John MacCarthy, Bishop of Cloyne, Queenstown to Dr. O'Keeffe, Charleville

22 October 1881

Eng. 2pp

MacCarthy regrets that O'Keeffe's delicate heath did not allow him remain as professor in the Diocesan Seminary of St. Colman's. He grants permission to O'Keeffe to travel to Rome to recover his health.

KIR/NC/1/1881/24 Item Copied letter from Nicholas Conaty, Bishop of Kilmore, Cullies House, Cavan to Mother Abbess and [printed] holograph letter from Sister Mary Patrick McEnearney, Poor Clare's Convent, Ballyjamesduff, Co Cavan addressed to 'My Lord' [Dr. Kirby, Titular Bishop of Lete].

24 October 1881

Eng. 4pp

Conaty offers his support to a Bazaar to be held by the sisters to raise funds for a convent and school in the town. He hopes that support will continue to be received from priests and people at home, in America and in Australia. McEnearney appeals for support for the work which is needed to care for and instruct 200 poor children, some of them being orphans. Their temporary convent is too small and is wretched. She asks [Kirby] to purchase or sell some tickets for the Bazaar.

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KIR/NC/1/1881/25 Item

Printed 'Address and Testimonial to The Most Rev. Dr. Kirby, Bishop of Lita and Rector of the Irish College Rome' from the past-students of the Irish College.

9 November 1881

Eng. 2pp

The secretaries of the committee appointed to collect for the address to Kirby were Dr. P. J. Tynan and N. Donnelly. The address was illuminated by the Art Class in connection with King's Inn Street Convent School. Includes printed letter of thanks from Kirby to Dr. Quinn, Vicar General.

Item

KIR/NC/1/1881/26 Papal rescript to the Sisters of Mercy in Ireland, signed by J Mafotti, Secretary.

20 November 1881

Lat. 1p

Rescript granting plenary indulgences to the nuns of the Sisters of Mercy in Ireland

KIR/NC/1/1881/27

Printed circular from Antonius Cataldi, Protonotarius,

Apostolicis Caeremoniis Praefectus.

25 November 1881

Lat. 2pp

Circular entitled 'Intimation per Cursores facienda, domi quoque dimisso exemplari.'

KIR/NC/1/1881/28

Printed circular from Antonius Cataldi, Protonotarius,

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Item

Apostolicis Caeremoniis Praefectus sent to the Irish College

[circa November 1881]

Lat. 2pp

Circular entitled 'Monitum' issues a order concerning the wearing of vestments on the 30th of November and 6th, 13th and 21st of December.

KIR/NC/1/1881/29

Printed circular from Antonius Cataldi, Protonotarius,

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Item

Apostolicis Caeremoniis Praefectus.

2 December 1881

Lat. 1p

Circular entitled 'Intimation per Cursores facienda, domi quoque dimisso exemplari.'

KIR/NC/1/1881/30

Holograph receipt for religious obligations signed by Suor M.

Giovanna Colatti, Priora.

[8 December 1881]

Ital. 2pp

Religious obligations, to the tune of 15 lire, for the feast of the Canonisation of S. Chiara da Monte Faleo made by the Augustinian nuns of S. Giacomo alla Lungara. Includes embossed, paper and wax seal.

Code / Level Title / Date / Description Lang. / Extent Draft document [probably in Dr. Kirby's hand] to the Pope KIR/NC/1/1881/31 concerning possible canonisations. Item [circa 1881] Lat. 2pp Kirby proposes four possible candidates for canonisation- Joannem Baptistam de Rubeis [John Baptist de Rossi], Laurentium a Brundusio [Lorenzo of Brindisi], Benedictum Josephum Labre [Benedict Joseph Labre] and Caterina Senensis [Catherine of Siena] KIR/NC/1/1881/32 Printed poem 'Written for the Jubilee of the Order of Mercy' by an unnamed writer from Killarney. Item 12 December 1881 Eng. 2pp Last verse reads 'Mother McAuley, honoured be thy name! Long may Irish Hearts award thee fame! And long may thy children, fervent and faithful be, As on the day they keep thy jubilee.' Holograph letter from [J O. Routhiel], Vicar General, Eveche KIR/NC/1/1881/33 d'Ottawa to Rev. M Casey, Almonte Item 26 December 1881 Fr. 1p The writer apologises for the delay and wishes Casey a safe journey to his parish of Almonte. Spiritual intentions for the forthcoming year of 1882 [probably KIR/NC/1/1882/1 written by Kirby] Item 1882 Ital. 3pp The writer identifies his faults, e.g. vanity, and outlines how he plans to correct them. Printed letter from Provveditori De'Morti, Venerabile KIR/NC/1/1882/2 Archiconfraternita di S. Anna de Parafrenieri in Borgo Pio to Item Dr. Kirby 1882 Ital. 1p The 'Provveditori' [Director] of the arch-fraternity solicits contributions for a commemoration of 'de Fedeli Defonti.' Printed poem entitled 'The Mother of the Mission' sent by KIR/NC/1/1882/3 Mother M. Gabriel, Prioress to Mrs Collins Item 'Feast of the Archangel Gabriel' 1882 Eng. 1p Religious poem enclosed in a printed decorated frame and written at St. Joseph's School in 1882 KIR/NC/1/1882/4 Holograph letter from Friedrich Cardinal von Furstenberg, Item Archbishop of Olmütz [Olomouc] addressed to 'Hochwurdigster Herr Proelat' / 'Monsignore'. Includes

Davilli. He enquires about importing other paintings.

Furstenberg has received the portrait of Pope Leo XIII by the painter,

Ger. Ital. 3pp

5 January 1882

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KIR/NC/1/1882/5 Item Holograph letter from Sr. Mary Gertrude, Presentation Convent addressed to 'My dear Lord' [Dr. Kirby]

24 February 1882

Eng. 3pp

Sister Gertrude has located a document related to Sr. Kavanagh whose sister was a nun at the Convent of St. Denis in Paris at the same time as Princess Louise of France. The case for the canonisation of Princess Louise is ongoing in Rome and this document may prove useful so she sends it to Kirby. She also informs him that they have no portrait of Dr. Marum, although they were devoted to him.

KIR/NC/1/1882/6 Item Holograph letter from [D. Keene], Baltinglass addressed to 'My dear Lord' [Dr. Moran - see KIR/NC/1/1882/13]

<u>5 March 1882</u> Eng. 3pp

The writer has been instructed to enquire after papers referring to Madam Louise of France who died at St. Denis and whose papers were supposedly brought to Ireland during the revolution by Miss Kavanagh a Carmelite. He thinks it improbable that the papers will be found in Borris at the home of Mr Kavanagh but believes that they were deposited in some convent. He asks [Moran] for advice.

KIR/NC/1/1882/7 Item Printed letter from Dr. Raffaele Scifoni, attorney, 25 Via della Lupa, Rome to Dr. Kirby.

<u>1 March 1882</u> Ital. 2pp

Scifoni announces the death of his father, Vincenzo Scifoni, and hopes that the recipient will transfer business to him.

KIR/NC/1/1882/8 Item Holograph letter from [D. Keene], Baltinglass addressed to 'My dear Lord' [Dr. Moran - see KIR/NC/1/1882/13]

<u>7 March 1882</u> Eng. 2pp

The writer returns a document and discusses his progress [in finding the papers relating to Madame Louise of France]. He has written to Dr. Walsh of Fermoy and is trying to contact Dr. Delany. Mrs Kavanagh of Boris has not found any papers and believes that they may have been taken before they arrived in the house.

KIR/NC/1/1882/9

Printed invitation from the Scifoni family to Dr. Kirby

Item <u>10 March 1882</u>

Ital. 2pp

Printed invitation to attend the funeral of Avv. Vincenzo Scifoni from his family.

KIR/NC/1/1882/10

Item

Holograph letter from Richard Marner, Ardglass to Dr.

Dorrian, [Bishop of Down and Connor]

<u>19 March 1882</u> Eng. 1p

Marner resubmits an application originally submitted by Mr Raverty to Dr. Kirby which was returned. Marner has been asked to resubmit the application. He states that, like Dorrian, he too doesn't like the matter.

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KIR/NC/1/1882/11 Item Holograph letter from Sister M Francis Clare [Cusack], Claremorris addressed to 'My dear Lord' [possibly Dr. Kirby]

30 March 1882 Eng. 12pp

Sister F. Clare is alarmed that false rumours have been spread about her, alleging that she left her convent without permission. The rumours have reached a bishop and Cardinal McCabe. She states that she had full permission to leave the Poor Clare Convent in Kenmare and to travel to Knock where she is in the process of establishing a new convent. She cites and quotes letters in her defence from Dr. Croke, Dr. MacEvilly, Dr. Higgins of Kerry, Archdeacon Cavanagh, Rev. M Nelligan, Rev. Mother Lowry of Kenmare Convent. She mentions that she is a convert and is related to Sir Ralph Cusack. Finally she discusses the establishment of the new convent, quoting reports of miracles at the site and enclosing some printed copies of known cures.

KIR/NC/1/1882/12 Item Copy of letter from M Nelligan, The Presbytery, Kenmare to Sister Francis Clare [Cusack]

<u>9 March 1882</u> Eng. 2pp

Nelligan states that the accusation that Sister F. Clare left her convent without permission 'is too absurd.' He provides proof for this assertion mentioning Archdeacon Cavanagh and the Archbishop of Tuam. Her good work in Kenmare during the recent famine years and her progress at Knock will soon put an end to these false reports.

KIR/NC/1/1882/13 Item Holograph letter from [D. Keene], Baltinglass addressed to Dr. Moran

<u>2 April 1882</u> Eng. 3pp

Keene encloses papers of interest noting that Moran will recall Cardinal Cullen's contribution to the Bull of the Immaculate Conception. No reference was made to this in the funeral oration of Fr Burke although he did refer to his contribution to the Doctrine of Papal Infallibility. Dr. Delany of Cork has replied that he has found no reference to Madame Louise [of France] in the papers of Dr. Moylan.

KIR/NC/1/1882/14 Item Newspaper clipping entitled 'St. Mary's Cathedral Fayre' by Monsignor Lynch, Campbelltown from newspaper printed in 'Campbelltown, New South Wales'

<u>10 April 1882</u> Eng. 1p

Article gives an account of the ceremony of handing over £109.6s, the proceeds of the fair. The Archbishop thanked the people of Campbelltown and Menangle. Includes a list of the top collectors including Miss Georgina Rudd and Miss Sarah Hurley.

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Holograph letter from [D. Keene], Baltinglass addressed to Dr. Moran

16 April 1882

Eng. 2pp

The writer sends a paper which he believes confirms that the late Cardinal Cullen was a subject of Kildare. It is a draft of application to allow 'D.D.C.' resign a position in Propaganda to take up a post in theology in Carlow. He believes that Dr. Murray gave him up in the 1820s and cites his evidence. He also heard that Dr. Haly offered Cullen a parish in 1846.

KIR/NC/1/1882/16 Item

Newspaper clipping from 'The Morning Star' containing printed letters between Rev. J G Foote, Church of St. John the Baptist, New Orleans and Monsignor Kirby.

14 May 1882 Eng. 2pp

Foote thanks Kirby on behalf of himself, Fr Gaule of Atlantic Iowa and Fr J O'Sullivan of St. Peter's Washington for the hospitality shown to them on their recent trip to Rome and have sent \$100. Kirby expresses his gratitude noting that the donation will assist many distressed families and especially the poor persecuted nuns who, having being robbed of their property are now forced to live on six cents per day or less. He also mentions that the new Irish cardinal has been consecrated. Reverse of news-sheet prints accounts of Irish news including the imprisonment of Miss Kirke of the Dublin Ladies' Land League and Miss Mary Power O'Connor, evictions in Mayo, Mr Parnell's parole, the administration of the 1870 Land Act, parliamentary business, recent decisions of resident magistrates in Ireland. Also includes a letter from Bishop Chatard concerning the Cincinnati Pastoral and a letter from D McSweeney imprisoned in 'Victoria's dungeon', Dundalk.

KIR/NC/1/1882/17 Item

Newspaper clipping from the 'Irish Times' containing an account of the congratulatory address made to Cardinal McCabe upon his elevation.

27 May 1882 Eng. 2pp

Contains an extensive list of the 400+ people present at Rutland Square. Address delivered by J McMahon, Archdeacon of Glendalough notes that they are overwhelmed by 'the shadow of the foul crime which has been committed in the midst of us' but that McCabe has raised his voice clearly in favour of the 'just and beneficent measures of legislation for our people' while never ceasing to uphold and proclaim 'the sacred principles of justice and morality.' In his reply McCabe refers to the dark clouds that overshadow Ireland noting that it was his duty to speak against the rich man who may be an oppressor but also the poor man who may be unjust. The country is guilty of some heinous crimes and even the 'truly religious city' of Dublin has recently witnessed bloodshed probably 'concocted on some foreign shore.' He also refuted that there have been threats on his life.

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KIR/NC/1/1882/18 Item Printed document entitled 'Modus Procedendi in Conventibus Archiepiscoporum et Episcoporum Hiberniae' submitted to Propaganda Fide. Includes printed letter of approval from Cardinal Simeoni to Cardinal MacCabe

8 June, 24 August and 6 September 1882

Lat. 4pp

Eng. 8pp

The document contains the rules agreed by the Hierarchy of Ireland for their meeting in October at Clonliffe. Submitted to Propaganda by MacCabe and approved by Simeoni. Simeoni mentions in his letter that some bishops have expressed their concern over Catholic Education, Maynooth College and the Queens Colleges.

KIR/NC/1/1882/19 Item Printed document entitled 'Address of the Archbishops and Bishops to the Clergy of Ireland, Secular and Regular' [2 10 June 1882

The bishops relate the opinions of the Holy Father as discussed at their general meeting. While the Pope is aware of the troubles which afflict the country he cannot forget the means employed to remedy these troubles. Therefore they have resolved to restate the rules concerning the attendance of priests at public meetings. Enemies will avail of any indiscretion on the part of the priesthood to try to detach the people from the guidance of the clergy. 'Nothing should be tolerated in God's house that could render the attendance of anyone- rich or poor, innocent or sin-laden - painful or embarrassing.' Nothing should draw 'the women of Ireland from that retirement which is the safeguard of their modesty'. Signed by the four archbishops and twenty four bishops of Ireland.

KIR/NC/1/1882/20 Item Petition from Fr P Costello, Administrator of the Parish of Ballinasloe in the Diocese of Clonfert to the Pope. Petition presented by Dr. Kirby

15 September 1882

Lat. 2pp

Costello seeks faculties to grant certain indulgences and appoint confraternities.

KIR/NC/1/1882/21 Item Printed certificates to Fr P Costello from Propaganda Fide. Signed by Zephyrinny Zitelli Offis, pro R.P.D. Secretario and by Patrick [Duggan], Bishop of Clonfert.

<u>17 September 1882</u>

Lat. 2pp

Certificates are for faculties to grant certain indulgences and appoint confraternities including regulations.

KIR/NC/1/1882/22 Item Petition from Fr Bernard Finegan, Vicar General of the Diocese of Kilmore to the Pope

18 September 1882

Lat. 2pp

Finegan seeks faculties to bless scapulars and crosses and to appoint confraternities.

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KIR/NC/1/1882/23 Item

Petition from Fr Nicholas Power, 10 John's Hill, Waterford to the Pope. Petition presented by Dr. Kirby

18 September 1882

Lat. 2pp

Power seeks faculties to grant benediction and appoint confraternities.

KIR/NC/1/1882/24 Item Invitation to a private Papal audience from [], the Maestro di Camera di S.S. to Archbishop MacEvilly of Tuam and Bishop Laurence Gillooly of Elphin.

12 November 1882

Ital. 1p

Audience is for the 13th of November

KIR/NC/1/1882/25

Item

Copy of letter from Zepher Zitelli, [Vatican Official] to the Bishop of Ferns. Transcribed by Dr. Kirby.

10 December 1882

Lat. 1p

Following a petition presented during an audience the Bishop and his Vicar General have been granted faculties to settle a case.

KIR/NC/1/1882/26 Item Newspaper clipping from 'The Freeman's Journal' containing a letter from W Brown, Tollington Park College

12 December 1882

Eng. 1p

Brown argues that The Irish Church Missions society has brought discredit upon itself and the Irish Church because it is believed in England to be a 'Mission to Roman Catholics'. It has not succeeded in securing converts in Dublin. It only reaches 'the dregs of society in Dublin' which it attracts to its meetings, schools and Sunday Schools through bribery- by providing food, clothing and money.

KIR/NC/1/1882/27 Item Holograph letter from [John Cuthbert Hedley], Bishop of Newport and Menevia, 20 St. Andrew's Crescent, Cardiff to Major Tibles.

28 December 1882

Eng. 2pp

The Bishop regrets that he cannot grant permission for Station Masses to be said at the recipients private chapel but suggests that the writer petition the Holy See for the privilege.

KIR/NC/1/1883/1

Holograph note from Sac. Giovanni Zonghi to Dr. Kirby

Item 1

1 January 1883

Ital. 1p

Zonghi apologises that he does not have the time to visit Kirby as he is busy working on the translation into Italian of the Constitution of the Sisters of Drumshambo.

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KIR/NC/1/1883/2 Item Printed invitation to attend a fair organised by the 'Primaria Associazione Cattolica Artistica ed Operaia di Carita' and the 'Compagnia di Carita della Cura di S. Marco'

7 February 1883

Ital. 1p

Event to be held on Via di Testa Spaccata and music to be provided by Maestro Pergolesi.

KIR/NC/1/1883/3

Holograph letter from Susan, Daisy Hill to William

Item

13 February 1883

Eng. 4pp

The writer notes that the priest is in good health, has not enquired about the recipient nor has anything been done about the house. She provides some local news from Ballybofey and Stranollar including an account of a concert attended by Fr McDevitt at which Miss Stuart was unintentionally offended by a priest. She mentions the marriage of McCool and Miss Laird and the purchase of Laird's old house by Pat Martin for £250

KIR/NC/1/1883/4 Item Printed death notice announcing the death of Conte Campbell Smith de Heriz. Announced by Contessa Campbell, Villa Sciarra, Rome

15 March 1883

Ital. 1p

Ital. 16pp

Funeral to be held at S. Maria del Popolo

KIR/NC/1/1883/5 Item Printed bookseller's catalogue of Libreria Giuseppe Gentili,

Piazza S. Agostino, Rome

16 March 1883

Announcing a sale for the 16th of March. Kirby has placed an 'X' beside a

number of books.

KIR/NC/1/1883/6 Item Printed invitation to Dr. Kirby, 27 Via Mazzarino, Citta to attend 'l'Esposizione dell'Opera Apostolica' presented by 'le

Suore di S. Giuseppe dell'Apparizione'

<u>18 March 1883</u> Ital. 2pp

KIR/NC/1/1883/7 Item Printed appeal for funds for a new church from P Byrne, PP of Lismore, William Sheehy CC and J Coghlan CC

<u>1883</u> Eng. 3pp

The appeal is being made for funds to roof St. Carthagh Church. Letter notes that £2500 was provided by the late William Morrissey. The church was designed by Walter G Doolin, Architect, Dublin and built by John Redmond and Son, Wexford. Includes drawing of the church.

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KIR/NC/1/1883/8 Item Newspaper clipping containing letters addressed to the editor of the 'Freeman' from Columban O'Grady, Passionist Father, St. Paul's, Mount Argus and another from 'Catholicus'

<u>March 1883</u> Eng. 1p

O'Grady is concerned with the proselytising carried out by the Church Mission agencies. He cautions in particular against the influence of the mercantile establishments in the city and souperism in Connemara. He calls for Catholics to organise. 'Catholicus' argues that Catholic charity, coming in particular from well-to-do Catholics, is needed to remove the poverty that endangers the faith of many poor Catholics in the city.

KIR/NC/1/1883/9 Item Dr. Raffaele Scifoni, Attorney, Via della Lupa, Rome to [Dr. Kirby]. Includes draft notes on Irish College property.

<u>17 June 1883</u> Ital. 4pp

Scifoni returns the submission for the census for the commune of Lugo. The draft notes discuss the possibility of the return or recompense for Irish College property in Lugo as calculated by Propaganda. Provides figures and dates and the opinion of Dr. Kirby regarding lost property.

KIR/NC/1/1883/10

Holograph note from Sac. Gustavo Conrado, Propaganda to

Item Dr. Kirby, Rector

<u>8 July 1883</u> Ital. 1p

Conrado writes concerning the results of the examinations

KIR/NC/1/1883/11

Draft note from Dr. Kirby concerning petitions to Holy See.

Item <u>9 and 1</u>

9 and 10 August 1883

Eng. Ip

Kirby notes that the Bishop of Dromore has given £230 to the Pope and asked for faculties. The Archbishop of Cashel requested faculties.

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Holograph letter from Sister Mary Clare Elliot, Dominican Convent, Sion Hill to [Mr Mauron]

6 October 1883 Eng. 4pp

The writer notes that the previous day's visit was unsatisfactory. She asks the recipient to procure copies of a hymn for the Pope Leo XIII and for blessed beads. She sends scapulars and an Agnus Dei as the recipient is going on a sea voyage.

KIR/NC/1/1883/13 Item Copy of letter from N.J. Perche, Archbishop of New Orleans to Mother Austin, Superioress of the Sisters of Mercy at New Orleans.

<u>12 October 1883</u> Eng. 1p

Perche authorises the Sisters to remain in their new house of St. Michael, in the parish of St. Michael, as they benefit religious education in the city. The nuns have paid for the house with their own money.

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KIR/NC/1/1883/14 Item Holograph petition from the Nuns of the Order of the Blessed Virgin Mary of Mercy, Gort to the Pope.

16 October 1883

Lat. 1p

The nuns seeks a Papal Benediction.

KIR/NC/1/1883/15 Item Newspaper clipping from the 'Cork Examiner' newspaper giving an account of the consecration of Dr. Carbery, O.P. as Bishop of Hamilton in Canada

16 November 1883

Eng. 1p

The report notes that five Dominican clergymen from the order in Cork, namely Dr. Hynes, Dr. Leahy, Dr. O'Carroll, Dr. Hyland and now Dr. Carbery, have been made Bishops. It gives a detailed account of Dr. Carbery's career to date. It also notes that the Dominicans have a strong tradition and attachment to Mullingar, where Carbery was born and raised. [Clippings pasted onto card]

KIR/NC/1/1883/16 Item Copies of two document and three letters concerned with Madame Hayes' proposals to combat proselytism in Ireland. Copied letters of support for Hayes are from The Archbishop of Cashel, Thurles; Bishop F.J. MacCormack of Achonry, Ballaghadereen and Bishop Michael Logue of Raphoe, Letterkenny.

September and November 1883

Eng. 12pp

In the first document, entitled 'Crusade of the Sacred Heart', the writer proposes the establishment of industrial schools for poor children 'where they are in danger of losing their Faith by the secret systems of proselytism.' It notes that 'intemperate reckless parents' have been tempted by food and money to hand over their children and that it will be necessary to raise funds to get the children back. The second document proposes the setting up 'Saint Patrick's National Agricultural and Industrial Institute for destitute youths including the sons of evicted tenants' under the management of the Christian Brothers and 'A National Technical Industrial Institute for destitute girls and the daughters of evicted tenants' and 'An Asylum for the aged and Infirm... including orphans, foundlings, incurable and abandoned children' under the management of the Sisters of Nazareth and Sisters of the Poor. The Archbishop of Cashel, Bishop MacCormack and Bishop Logue all approve of the proposals of Madame Hayes.

KIR/NC/1/1883/17 Item Holograph letter from F. Montague Handley, Banker, Piazza di Spagna, Rome to Dr. Kirby

<u>17 November 1883</u>

Eng. 1p

Handley confirms that 'things' have been forwarded to Mr Cameron of Goderich, Canada in September.

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> Kirby notes that a 'The Nation' newspaper in Dublin has speculated that there are seven possible candidates. The paper believes that religion flourishes when the bishops and priests are of the same nationality as the

Ital. 2pp

people.

[circa 1 December 1883]

Receipt from Plowden and Co, Via della Mercede, Rome to KIR/NC/1/1883/19 Dr. Kirby Item

> 14 December 1883 Eng. 1p

Receipt is for 250.50 lire, converted from £10 which was sent from London to Kirby

Item

Copy of letter from Rev. G.A. Rouxel, Vicar General to KIR/NC/1/1883/20 Archbishop N.J. Perche of New Orleans. Letter prepared by Item Rev. L.A. Chasse, Secretary

> 15 December 1883 Ital. 1p

Rouxel confirms that the Sister Maria Theresa Agostina Carroll has been elected Mother Superior.

Draft petition from William Delaney, Bishop of Cork, Cork KIR/NC/1/1883/21 addressed to a Cardinal in Propaganda Fide. Drafted by Dr. Item Kirby.

> 23 December 1883 Lat. 2pp

Delaney writes on behalf of the clergy and people of Cork referring to the 'calamitatem' [famine] that is arousing anger in the diocese.

Holograph letters from John [MacEvilly], Archbishop of KIR/NC/1/1883/22 Tuam, Tuam to Rev. Mother Mary Francis Clare. Item

> 26 December 1883 Eng. 1p

The Rev. Mother believes that she can accomplish more in England than at Knock. MacEvilly therefore grants her and her novices a transfer to the Diocese of Nottingham and Bishop Bagshawe. [Includes a second copy]

Printed court documents issued by 'La Regia Corte di Appello KIR/NC/1/1884/1 di Ancona' and 'Suprema Corte di Cassazione di Roma' Item

> January 1884 Ital. 30pp

Includes court judgements in the case between The Congregation of Propaganda Fide and 'il Regio Commissario per la liquidazione dell'Asse Ecclesiastico di Roma [The Royal Commissioners for the liquidation of ecclesiastical assets in Rome].

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KIR/NC/1/1884/2 Item List entitled 'List of articles forwarded to Our Holy Father for the Exhibition in connection with the Golden Jubilee of his priesthood from Down and Connor'. Headed paper of 'St. Patrick's Presbytery Belfast'.

[circa 1884] Eng. 3pp

List mainly consists of cloth and vestments. Also includes books - 'Diocese of Down and Connor' by Rev. J O'Laverty and 'History of Hollywood' and photographs of buildings on Mount St. Patrick, Downpatrick. Mentions St. Malachy's and Sisters of Mercy of Belfast and Downpatrick.

KIR/NC/1/1884/3 Item Holograph letter from Patrick F Moran, Bishop of Ossory, Kilkenny to [Dr. Kirby]

7 January 1884

Eng. 3pp

Moran has received a letter from Cardinal Simeoni asking him to consent to go to Sydney. He has answered that he has 'no will at all in the matter, but that [he] is ready to receive as [his] rule of guidance any decision that the Holy See may come to in the matter.' If this is done he asks that Propaganda allow the administration of the Diocese of Ossory to remain in his hands 'vacante Sede' which will allow him to make necessary transfer arrangements without incurring trouble from 'the old factions'. Dr. Matt Quinn should not yet be informed in case Propaganda change their mind. Dr. Warren, a practical and peaceful man, has recovered from his illness. An English Protestant bishop called Barry has been consecrated in Canterbury for Sydney- he may be of Irish birth. Dr. Walsh of Maynooth is determined not to go to Sydney and Cardinal McCabe has informed Propaganda of this. The election of the Coadjutor of Cork is to take place.

KIR/NC/1/1884/4 Item Holograph letter from Patrick F Moran, Bishop of Ossory, Kilkenny to [Dr. Kirby]

7 January 1884

Eng. 3pp

Moran has received Kirby's cheque for £300. He has directed Archdeacon Kinane to send the package with the nuns and postulants of the missionary party setting off from London. An article in the 'Freeman' newspaper concerning Sydney has amused himself and Dr. Croke. The election of a Coadjutor of Cork is very important as the city of Cork is increasing in importance and wealth and being a thoroughly Catholic city it should be sound on questions of Catholic Education. He asks Kirby to ensure that an energetic and devoted man is appointed. Th Government have taken up the idea of suppressing Queen's College Galway and transferring the endowment to a Catholic College in Dublin. The professors are actively supporting the proposal as it will benefit them. Dr. Donnelly, the Auxiliary Bishop of Dublin is well but Cardinal McCabe is laid up in Kingstown.

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KIR/NC/1/1884/5 Item Holograph letter from Patrick F Moran, Bishop of Ossory, Kilkenny to [Dr. Kirby]

15 February 1884

Eng. 2pp

Moran asks Kirby to pray for Miss Walsh of Earlsrath- she recently gave 100 guineas in gold to the Pope. She was most likely a relative to Dr. William Walsh of Halifax and Dr. William Walsh of Meath who suffered during the reign of Queen Elizabeth. Mr Paul Cullen of Liverpool is seriously ill. The newspapers have stopped speculating on Sydney but the clergy are very anxious about the appointment. 'The patient however is himself quite indifferent' and hopes that the Holy Ghost may guide the Pope in his decision for this important See.

KIR/NC/1/1884/6 Item Handwritten copy of some regulations concerning the Carabinieri.

28 February 1884

Ital. 2pp

The writer [possibly J J Brig] has copied Articles 56 to 61 from what appears to be a set of rules for Carabinieri. Article 56, for example sets out documentation needed to leave a barracks or station. Note from writer states that he copied these articles from '[Vegano Gaetana Polestrino]'

KIR/NC/1/1884/7

Item

Holograph letter from [Staialin], Comblain au Pont, Liège,

Belgium to a Contessa

<u>6 March 1884</u> Ital. 4pp

Discusses religious matters mentioning Monsignor Kirby.

KIR/NC/1/1884/8

Printed letter from Giuseppe M. Angelini

Item 9 March 1884

Ital. 1p

Angelini wishes to promote a new newspaper entitled 'il Mattino' which aims not to offend the religiosity and morality of the family.

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KIR/NC/1/1884/9 Item Holograph letter from Patrick F Moran, Bishop of Ossory, Kilkenny to [Dr. Kirby]

<u>9 March 1884</u> Eng. 4pp

Moran would like to write a strong letter of protest against the confiscation of Propaganda property but believes that he should wait until the Sydney business is settled and regardless of who is appointed. A meeting of bishops will be needed to discuss government bills on compulsory education and endowed schools. He believes that even the radical government will have to show some fair play to Catholics regarding university education. Cork needs a good appointment because although it is a Catholic city it has been estranged from the rest of the Irish Church due to its support for the Queen's Colleges. Dr. Neville has no firmness and lacks the confidence of the people- he has failed in his positions as Professor of Theology in Maynooth, as Rector of the Catholic University and on the Senate of the Royal University. Reports have been circulated that only the ultra-Nationalists are opposed to Neville- this is false- 'every sensible man in Ireland' is opposed to him because he is unfit to be the next Bishop of Cork. Fr O'Callaghan is a suitable candidate 'who will have at his back not mere Govt. officialism, but all that is good and earnest and solid in our people.'

KIR/NC/1/1884/10 Item Printed circular letter from Cardinal Giovanni Simeoni, Prefect Propaganda Fide.

15 March 1884

Ital. 3pp

Simeoni discusses the recent sentence from the Court of Cassation regarding the assets of Propaganda. He argues that the institute is unquestionably international in nature. Includes a list entitled 'Nota delle Procure' which identifies the titleholders who act as representative of the Holy See in different countries.

KIR/NC/1/1884/11 Item Holograph letter from Patrick F Moran, Bishop of Ossory, Kilkenny to [Dr. Kirby]

22 March 1884

Eng. 2pp

The Bishop of Bathurst's telegram has removed all uncertainty concerning Moran's appointment to Sydney. All the Bishops of that Province, with the exception of Dr. Torreggiani, are old friends from several years past whose zeal will keep him from going astray. In a section marked 'Private', Moran notes that representatives from the Irish Episcopate will travel to Propaganda in September following the example of the American Bishops last year. A joint protest against the confiscation of Propaganda property will be issued by the Irish Bishops in a few days.

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KIR/NC/1/1884/12 Holograph letter from Patrick F Moran, Bishop of Ossory,

Kilkenny to [Dr. Kirby]

26 March 1884 Eng. 1p

The brief and papers from the Pope and Propaganda, forwarded by Kirby have arrived and he will reply immediately. A letter received from Australia this morning has informed him that his presence is required there quickly.

KIR/NC/1/1884/13

Item

Papal brief signed by Cardinal [Chisius] to Fr Joseph Collins of the Diocese of Sydney.

4 April 1884

Brief relating to faculties.

KIR/NC/1/1884/14

Holograph note from Miss O'Mahony

10 March 1884 Item

Eng. 1p

Lat. 2pp

The writer informs Sister Mary Anne Joseph Sugrice that she has received a Papal Blessing on the occasion of her 25th anniversary

KIR/NC/1/1884/15

Holograph letter from Patrick F Moran, Bishop of Ossory,

Item Kilkenny to [Dr. Kirby]

8 April 1884

Eng. 2pp

Moran will set out for Rome on the 16th. The election for this vacant position in Ossory has stirred up old factions which in the past led to the O'Keeffe scandals. He hopes they will select Rev. Canon Brennan PP of Mooncoin who was for many years his administrator in Kilkenny. Bishop Warren of Ferns is in poor health. He sends his regards to the Bishop of Bathurst and Dr. Verdon.

KIR/NC/1/1884/16 Item

Holograph letter from Patrick F Moran, Bishop of Ossory,

Kilkenny to [Dr. Kirby]

20 May 1884

Eng. 4pp

Moran was given an enthusiastic welcome by the Mayor, Corporation and citizens when he returned to Kilkenny. On his return journey from Rome he succeeded, with great difficulty in getting a portion of the famous relic of St. Bridget from the Church of St. Martin in Cologne and said Mass in the Church of St. Ursula where the devotion and singing was very good. He had a long conversation with Cardinal Manning in London concerning educational difficulties in Australia. Manning has promised to co-operate with the Australian Bishops on this matter which will strengthen both their hands. Cardinal MacCabe informed him that a hitch was discovered in the family of Rev. Prof. Murphy which may hinder his chances for Ossory despite being first on the list. He is concerned that Mgr Neville has been appointed to Cork- from his observation of events in Rome he fears this to be true. He sends regards to the Bishop of Bathurst, Dr. Verdon and Dr. O'Haran.

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KIR/NC/1/1884/17 Item Petition to the Pope from the Suffragan Bishops of the Archdiocese of Sydney- James Murray of Maitland, [William]

Lanigan of Goulburn, Elzearius Torreggiani O.S.F.C. of Armidale, John Cani of Rockhampton and Robert Dunne of

Brisbane.

<u>10 May 1884</u> Lat. 4pp

The bishops wish to express their acceptance of Patrick Francis Moran as their Archbishop and mention religious matters.

KIR/NC/1/1884/18

Certificate granted to Dr. Matthew Quinn on his visit to the

Item Basilica of St. Paul the Apostole

<u>26 May 1884</u> Lat. 1p

Certificate signed by D. Franciscus Brano OSB

KIR/NC/1/1884/19

Item

Printed pamphlet entitled 'Rome and Our Lady' issued by the

Bishop of Nottingham and the Bishop of Salford

20 September 1884 Eng. 8pp

Includes an extract from the 'Iubito Sacro' by the Cardinal Vicar of Rome

and an Act of Consecration granting indulgences.

KIR/NC/1/1884/20 Item Certificates entitled 'Pagella di aggregazione' confirming

prayers said at the Chiesa dei Servi in Rimini.

<u>4 June 1884</u> Ital. 16pp

Certificates made out for Kirby, Kirby's [parents] - deceased, O'Haran, Saddi, Moran, Kepple - deceased, Byrne - deceased.

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KIR/NC/1/1884/21 Item Four handwritten and numbered letters.

Includes two holograph letters from Cardinal MacCabe, 4 Rutland Square to Mother Prioress, Carmalite Convent, New Ross.

Includes holograph letter from Sister De Pazzi, Firhouse Convent, Tallaght to Cardinal MacCabe.

Includes a certified copy of letter from Archbishop Troy, Cavendish Row to Rev. O'Reilly [Carmelite Father], Clarendon Street dated 23/4/1814.

17, 22 and 23 June 1884

Eng. 21pp

The letters concern an investigation into the jurisdiction of the Rev. Fathers of the Discalced Carmelite Order over certain Carmelite Convents. MacCabe informs Mother Prioress that he has discovered a letter from Troy to O'Reilly from 1814 which shows that Warrenmount Convent was placed under the jurisdiction of the Ordinary in that year by Mother Lyons. He notes that this move, while not welcomed by those who remained in the Ranelagh Convent, occurred during a turbulent period for the Holy See.

Sr. Pazzi quotes a letter from Archbishop Murray from 1828 in which he mentions an Apostolical Brief similarly removing the jurisdiction. MacCabe notes that while Dr. Murray was a very methodical administrator 'scarcely a single document connected with his administration or that of Dr. Troy came into the hands of the late Cardinal Cullen.' He encloses a list of Carmelite Convents in the Diocese of Dublin which are subject to the Ordinary.

KIR/NC/1/1884/22 Holograph invitation from A Gattoni to Dr. Kirby.

Item 29 June 1884 Ital. 1p

Gattoni invites Kirby to assist Cardinal Simeoni in the consecration of the new Titular Bishop of Lambesa [Thomas O'Callaghan, Coadjutor Bishop of Cork]. Includes instructions regarding official dress.

KIR/NC/1/1884/23 Item Holograph document from Fr Bernardino da Castelplanio Guardiano to Fr Martino Walshe da Waterford.

July 1884 Ital. 2pp

Document specifying conditions connected with Walshe's entry in the community of S. Maria degli Angeli in Assisi. Specifies rules and costs.

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KIR/NC/1/1884/24 Item Printed statement by Sister Mary Francis Clare [Cusack], Convent of the Sacred Heart, Blue Bell, Nottingham entitled 'Why I left Kenmare and why I left Knock.'

October 1884 Eng. 12pp

Sister Mary begins by mentioning her literary and publishing work that supported the convent in Kenmare. She notes that she was attacked publicly in 'The Daily Telegraph' by Lord Edmund Fitzmaurice over her politicised efforts and stance to the Famine of 1879-80. She then outlines in detail the steps she took when transferring from Kenmare Convent to Knock in order to disprove rumours that she caused scandal by leaving her convent without permission. She cites letters from Archdeacon Cavanagh, Archbishop MacEvilly, Bishop Leary of Dromore and Bishop Higgins in her defence. These rumours, she believes, hindered her efforts to establish a convent in Knock as it undermined the confidence in which her superiors previously held her. This and her desire to establish a new order has resulted in her transfer to the Diocese of Nottingham where she has established the Order of St. Joseph's Sisters of Peace. She refers to her private audience with the Pope in which she was given his blessing for this work. She has requested the Holy See to judge if the near-completed convent at Knock should be considered as belonging to her order. She concludes with a section entitled 'Why I became a Sister of Peace' in which she mentions the guidance of her Jesuit confessor, her miraculous cure at Knock, her 'earnest desire to do something to benefit and improve the social condition of the poor in Ireland' and the enclosure rule of the Irish Poor Clares which made the establishment of a new order necessary.

KIR/NC/1/1884/25 Item Holograph letter from +T.K. [Bishop Tobias Kirby] to Signore Gonghi.

<u>15 July 1884</u> Ital. 3pp

Kirby wishes to put the Carmelite Sisters out of their misery by telegraphing them the decision of the Propaganda on the Feast of Carmine. The case involves the jurisdiction of the Ordinary over the convent. Includes a reply from [Gillez]

KIR/NC/1/1884/26 Item Holograph letter from Patrick F Moran, Archbishop of Sydney, 5 Leicester Place, London to [Dr. Kirby]

<u>22 July 1884</u> Eng. 2pp

Moran is about to commence his voyage to Sydney accompanied by four priests including Dr. O'Haran and William Coffey. He has been busy finishing off some works so that he can devote himself entirely to his new mission. He will visit Sir Saul Samuel, the representative of the colony in London. The Governor of New South Wales has offered him great hospitality which is regarded by Australian friends 'as a great step in the right direction and a desire to conciliate the Catholics.' He assures Kirby that he will keep him informed of events in Australia.

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KIR/NC/1/1884/27 Item

Holograph calling card from Dr. Kirby, 'Vescovo di Lita Rettore del Collegio Irlandese' to the Bishop of Waterford

Ital 1p

Kirby asks the Bishop to excuse his absence as he is confined to bed. [Written in very unsteady hand]

KIR/NC/1/1884/28 Item

Holograph letter from Patrick F Moran, Archbishop of Sydney, 'on board the Liguria', Naples to [Dr. Kirby]

31 July 1884

Eng. 2pp

Moran has just arrived in Naples after a very pleasant voyage aboard the large steamer. They have said Mass on board in an Oratory. There are 600 on board including sailors, few of them Catholic. He is accompanied by Dr. O'Haran, Fr Coffey of the Irish College, two excellent priests and a group of nuns who are destined for other diocese.

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KIR/NC/1/1884/29 Letter from Isabella McMahon [who signs with a mark], Annagh, Belturbet. Witnessed by Rev. Patrick Finegan C.C.

5 August 1884

Eng. 1p

McMahon gives her permission for Finegan to act on her behalf in obtaining the validity of her marriage granting him permission to make use of her confession if this proves useful.

KIR/NC/1/1884/30

Item

Printed wedding invitations for the marriage of Monsieur Daly, Daly's Grove, Ireland to Mademoiselle Marie Montens

d'Oosterwyck, Chateau de Leonhout.

6 August 1884

Fr. 2pp

Two invitations from the couple's parent[s]

KIR/NC/1/1884/31 Item

Holograph letter from Patrick F Moran, Archbishop of Sydney, 'on board the Liguria', Suez to [Dr. Kirby]

7 August 1884

Eng. 2pp

Moran describes the Mass that he celebrated on deck for the Catholics onboard. The Protestants removed all the flowers and decorations from the deck to conduct their service and were dashed with a wave 'to remind them of the Holy Water' as one passenger remarked. He praises the passengers, including Colonel Gibson, an Irish Protestant, who is travelling to Cairo to administer the Egyptian police force.

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KIR/NC/1/1884/32 Item Holograph letter from Patrick F Moran, Archbishop of Sydney, 'on board the Liguria', Suez to Dr. Verdon

<u>7 August 1884</u> Eng. 4pp

Moran describes Port-Said which has become a place of great importance with over 100,000 inhabitants. It sprung up over the past four years-fees for the Canal are paid there, their ship had to pay £1500. He suggests that an English priest and a religious house should be sent there as English is becoming a very common language. He comments on the stench of the water in the canal due to pollution. He met with Colonel Gibson who appears to be a very able successor to Clifford Loyd. He delivered a lecture on the classic monuments of Ancient Rome to the passengers and he notes how few Catholics there are in the first and second class.

KIR/NC/1/1884/33 Item Printed death notice for Monsieur Bertram Eustace Mitford of Chateau du Val sur Seine

<u>16 August 1884</u> Fr. 1p

Mentions family members including the Earl of Redesdale, the Mitford's of Mitford Castle, Morpeth. The burial will take place in Cheltenham, England

KIR/NC/1/1884/34 Item Handwritten agenda for the meeting of the Hierarchy of Ireland at Clonliffe College

<u>1 October 1884</u> Lat. 6pp

Items to be discussed mainly concern Catholic Education e.g. Queen's Colleges, Trinity College, National Schools, Episcopal jurisdiction over [Christian] Brothers. They also wish to enquire into disease spread from Europe to Asia.

KIR/NC/1/1884/35 Item Holograph letter from Patrick F Moran, Archbishop of Sydney, Sydney, New South Wales to Dr. Verdon

<u>2 October 1884</u> Eng. 4pp

Moran notes that he was given a royal welcome to Sydney - there were 40,000 people assembled to greet him and twenty steamers with onboard bands provided a cortege for his entry into the harbour. Lord Loftus, the Governor sent a carriage and his son as Aide-de-camp and the Premier was one of the first to call on him. He has already visited all the schools, convents and churches in the city and found the schools to be very efficient. He also travelled to Windsor and Richmond where he was transported by an old Kilkenny settler named Ryan accompanied by about a hundred other vehicles and gentlemen and ladies on horseback. The Catholics are mainly Irish but there are also a few Germans. He hopes that he will get some priests from Rome as they are needed. Several missions are also laden with debt. He will write frequently to Kirby and Propaganda. Dr. O'Haran is 'a treasure' to him.

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KIR/NC/1/1884/36 Item Petition from The Sisters of Mercy of Clonakilty in the Diocese of Ross to the Pope. Includes reply and holograph letter from Dr. Kirby, Tivoli to the Rev. Mother

12 and 19 October 1884

Lat. Eng. 4pp

Kirby informs the Rev. Mother that permission has been granted to the Sisters to have midnight Mass on Christmas Night. He prays for the repose of the 'devoted and zealous pastor and director' of the convent. He asks for prayers as he has now reached his 81st year and has therefore accumulated many sins and shortcomings.

KIR/NC/1/1884/37 Item Holograph account by John A Phelan, S.J.P., President, St. John's College, Waterford.

10 November 1884

Eng. 2pp

Phelan gives a detailed account of the celebrations to mark the tri-centenary of the death of St. Charles Borromeo celebrated in the College. Mentions Rev. John Power of Waterford, Rev. Joseph A Phelan, Rev. James Dalton, Rev. Roper O'Riordan, Deacon W.H. Sheehy, Sub-deacon W.G. O'Mahony, Mr Patrick Power. He notes that he is sending this along with the Peter's Pence collection and a letter to Dr. Kirby.

KIR/NC/1/1884/38 Item Telegram to Dr. Kirby, Irish College. [London sender not identified]

12 November 1884

Eng. 1p

Telegram reads 'Affirmative. Dillon'

KIR/NC/1/1884/39 Item Petition from Sister Maria Gabriel, Superior of the Dominican nuns of the Diocese of Dunedin, New Zealand to the Pope including reply signed by Archbishop Tyren, Secretary

30 November 1884

Lat. 1p

The nuns seek a Papal Blessing for their work amongst boys and young men. They note that many of them come from Ireland.

KIR/NC/1/1884/40 Item Printed circular appeal for aid following earthquake signed by 18 noblewomen in Rome.

[December 1884]

Fr. 2pp

The writers call for support for the victims of the devastating earthquake at Casamicciola, Spain. Petitioners include Princesse del Drago, Princesse d'Antuni and Marquise de Vitelleschi.

KIR/NC/1/1884/41 Item Printed circular from Sac. Giovanni Bosco to Dr. Kirby, Irish College Rome.

December 1884 Ital. 3pp

Bosco seeks assistance for his work with young men. [No holograph signature]

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KIR/NC/1/1884/42 Holograph card from A. X. Boutourline, Florence to Dr. Kirby

Item

14 [December] 1884

Eng. 2pp

Boutourline recommends Mrs Marsh Lee and her daughter to Kirby. Reverse of card contains the following rough notes from Dr. Kirby probably concerning money from Australian diocese- 'Bat 250, Dund 87, Adel 300, Goul 220 P.P. Denny 30'

KIR/NC/1/1885/1 Item

Printed advertisement from C Kobell, Watchmaker, 19 Via del Gambero, Rome

[circa 1885]

Ital. 1p

Mentions watches by Patek Philippe, Geneve. Includes handwritten note noting that special enquiries can be made to Rev. P G Ferrari S.J., Director of the Observatory Birgi S. Spirito.

KIR/NC/1/1885/2 Item

Printed advertisement from Rev. W.J. Murphy C.C., Hon. Secretary of the Irish Society of St. Cecilia to the members of the society.

[circa 1885] Eng. 1p

The society, which promotes Church music, has been revitalised following the elevation of Dr. Walsh, an member of the society. They plan to reintroduce the Bulletin in its old-form and argue that the society should be encouraged outside of Dublin. Letters or articles for publication can be sent to Jos. Seymour, 72 Lower Mount-Street, Dublin.

KIR/NC/1/1885/3 Item

Printed financial account of the Church of St. John the Evangelist, Syracuse, New York including parish notes by Rev. James J Moriarty, Pastor and Treasurer

[January 1885] Eng. 4pp

Account lists income and expenditure for the year 1884. The main sources of income are a loan for \$8500 from Syracuse Savings Bank and Pew Rents. Expenditure is itemised in considerable detail naming in particular individual suppliers and artisans who have supplied services to the parish. Moriarty notes that the parochial school for girls was established in 1884, that the debt has been reduced by \$1000 and that collections have increased. Also mentions the societies associated with the church and Prof. Renaud who conducts the choir.

KIR/NC/1/1885/4

Draft letter or address from Dr. Kirby

Item 1885 Ital. 4pp

> Kirby writes about the honour for the College at the elevation to Cardinal of Dr. Moran, a past pupil. He also addresses Dr. Walsh's promotion to Archbishop of Dublin.

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KIR/NC/1/1885/5 Item Printed receipt from Plowden and Co, Via della Mercede 50,

Rome to Dr. Kirby

<u>16 January 1885</u> Eng. 1p

Receipt is for 530.25 lire being converted from £21

KIR/NC/1/1885/6 Item Holograph letter from T. W. Croke, Archbishop of Cashel, The Palace, Thurles to Dr. Kirby, Irish College Rome.

[17 January 1885]

Eng. 2pp

Croke asks Kirby to arrange a private audience for Mr Ml. Davitt, 'the true and long tried Irish Patriot', with the Pope. He speaks Italian having studied it in prison. He is 'one of the only Irish men I know whose patriotism is never called into question' and is a 'staunch and sterling Papist.' Davitt is travelling to Australia for the benefit of his health.

KIR/NC/1/1885/7 Item Holograph letter from Patrick Moran, Archbishop of Sydney, St. Mary's Presbytery, Sydney to [Dr. Kirby]

20 January 1885

Eng. 4pp

Matthew Quinn, Bishop of Bathurst was in very poor health since the death of his brother the late Bishop of Brisbane. He suffered an attack of apoplexy during a Diocesan Retreat conducted by Fr Muraine, the Marist. He had made an edifying will to be administered by Rev. Murray and Monsignor Byrne. An election will be held at the month's mind mass. Quinn had clear sense and long experience of Australian Missions and his loss will be felt at the National Council.

KIR/NC/1/1885/8 Item Holograph letter from Denis F O'Haran, St. Mary's Presbytery, Sydney to Dr. Kirby

February 1885

Eng. 8pp

O'Haran discusses the difficulty in finding priests for the diocese. He asks Kirby and the Irish bishops to supply good men as more than a dozen have died since their arrival and about eight 'quear fellows' have left or have been kicked out. Dr. Murray has promised to leave Haydon go to the diocese and he hopes that Murray will travel without delay. Plunkett has stayed with his uncle in Ireland and it is feared that 'he will be kidnapped' and several men who promised to come from Ossory have not yet departed. They are extremely busy in the Cathedral, hearing confessions from 4 in the evening to 10 at night at the weekends. 800 men attend the Holy Family, 1000 women attend Our Sacred Heart and Living Rosary, 4000 attend High Mass on Sunday, 800 children attend the early mass and 12,000 children are taught by religious communities. They will start the temperance movement having recently received the indulgences and support from several MPs. Great efforts are being made to complete the Cathedral and utilise the government grant of harbour-land to build a episcopal palace. He has requested the Rev. Mother of the Community of the Little Servants of Mary in Rome to send some nursing sisters.

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KIR/NC/1/1885/9 Item Holograph letter from Thomas W Croke, Archbishop of Cashel, The Palace, Thurles to Dr. Kirby

19 February [1885]

Eng. 4pp

The late Cardinal's health was unable to withstand his last attack. Dr. Walsh of Maynooth will have the support of the vast majority of the clergy of Dublin as shown in the election for the Vicar Capitularship. He is zealous and gifted and is neutral in politics. Six weeks ago Abbot Smith and [Errington] wrote to Cardinal MacCabe asking him to appoint Dr. Donnelly as coadjutor with right of succession informing him that he believed that the Holy See would agree. MacCabe was advised by his vicars, Lee, Kennedy and Walsh not to make this move and when he suggested to Smith that he would seek the opinion of Cardinal Simeoni, Smith immediately requested him not to write to Rome. This shows what a 'boyo' Smith is. He asks if Davitt has called as yet- it is important that he meet the Pope 'as he has something special to say to him'.

KIR/NC/1/1885/10 Printed appeal from Mons. L.C. Grimaldi to [Dr. Kirby]

Item 24 February 1885

Ital. 1p

Grimaldi seeks donations for 'la festa di Nostra Signora di Lourdes Protettrice dell'Associazione Operaia di Carita reciproca fra le Donne Cattoliche' celebrated 'nella V. Chiesa di S. Lucia della Tinta.' Kirby notes that he gave them £5

KIR/NC/1/1885/11 Item Holograph letter from Thomas W Croke, Archbishop of Cashel, The Palace, Thurles to Dr. Kirby

4 March [1855]

Eng. 4pp

Croke is thankful for the dispensation although he admits that he 'highly disapproves of these mixed marriages.' He enquires if Cardinal Simeoni received a request from the late Cardinal MacCabe to call Dr. O'Callaghan of Cork to Rome. O'Callaghan would be very useful there as he speaks the language and is well versed in Roman affairs. He will ask Dr. Verdon to have a sutan made for him and hopes to get a room in the College when he arrives. Mr Davitt has informed him that he is unlikely to get an audience with the Pope- 'every worthless Protestant princeling that goes to Rome gets to see the Holy Father, and poor Davitt, a devoted Catholic and a martyr in his country's cause, is denied the privilege.'

KIR/NC/1/1885/12 Item Telegram from Archbishop [Croke], Thurles to Dr. Kirby, Irish College Rome.

March 1885 Eng. 2pp

Croke gives the results of the election for the Archdiocese of Dublin. Telegram reads 'Walsh forty six Donnelly twelve Tynan three + Archbishop Thurles'

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KIR/NC/1/1885/13 Item Holograph letter from Patrick Moran, Archbishop of Sydney, St. Mary's Presbytery, Sydney to [Dr. Kirby]

<u>11 March 1885</u> Eng. 4pp

Moran sends his report into the misunderstanding between the Bishop of Adelaide and the Sisters of St. Joseph. He notes that he was not instructed to decide on the controversy but gives his opinion that the Sisters in each diocese must be made subject to their Ordinary as it is impossible for them to succeed otherwise. The three men nominated for Bathurst are Monsignor Byrne, Robert Browne the Vice-President of Maynooth and Dean Donovan. He would prefer if Browne were appointed noting that Byrne would be well suited for one of the new diocese that will be created at the forthcoming National Synod. He needs forty priests for his diocese and if Kirby has any willing students he notes that Fr Fitzpatrick of Holy Cross College will arrange to pay their fare. He has gotten rid of some indifferent priests and some others have left but he has received some including Fr Plunkett. The Episcopal residence is nearly finished at a cost of £9500 and the grand addition to the head-house of the Sisters of Charity costs £11,800. The new seminary is to be built on land granted by the government forty years ago which is now valued at £70,000. It will not interfere with the Australian College in Rome but will act as a feeder for it. They are fighting for control of Primary Education and at Coorangong the success of the Catholic school lead to the closure of the government one. Sixty children moved from the public school in Bombala to the Catholic school. Dr. O'Haran and Fr O'Connor are doing great work.

KIR/NC/1/1885/14 Holograph note written on calling card by Dr. Kirby

Item 12 March 1885 Ital. 2pp

Kirby notes upcoming religious ceremonies including a Mass in memory of the five wounds of Christ.

the five wounds of Christ

KIR/NC/1/1885/15 Item Two printed invitations to attend a ceremony in 'Sacrosanctae Basilicae, Principis Apostolorum de Urbe'. Signed by [N di

Canzani]

6 April Lat. 2pp

KIR/NC/1/1885/16 Holograph letter from Patrick Moran, Archbishop of Sydney, Item Sydney to [Dr. Kirby]

10 April 1885 Eng. 1p

Moran wishes to introduce Mr Bridge one of the worthy Catholic citizens and father of one of the students of Sydney in the Irish College. He asks to present him to the Pope.

Lang. / Extent

KIR/NC/1/1885/17 Item

Invitation to attend a novena and an exposition of sacred ornaments destined for the poor Church in Italy from

'Arciassociazione dell'Adorazione Perpetua e dell'Opera delle

Chiesem Povere estesa alle Missioni estere'

12 April 1885 Ital. 1p

Includes handwritten note reading 'L'ouverture de l'Exposition d'Ornements aura lieu le 22 a 4½ par le Cardinal [Vicirira]

KIR/NC/1/1885/18 Item

Clipping from 'The Record' newspaper including a printed letter from Dr. Kirby, Rome to Monsignor Byrne dated

16 April 1885 Eng. 2pp

Kirby notes the sad passing of Bishop Matthew Quinn of Bathurst noting that in the past week he presented £250 Peter's Pence from Quinn to the Pope. He sends condolences to Fr Joseph Horan. Clipping also includes list of subscribers to a Memorial Fund to the memory of Quinn collected by James Kelaher and F.B. Kenny.

KIR/NC/1/1885/19 Item

Holograph letter from T.W. Croke, Archbishop of Cashel,

Hotel de Rome, Florence.

19 April [1885] Eng. 1p

Croke arrived in Florence last night and will be in Rome tomorrow.

KIR/NC/1/1885/20 Item

Draft letter from [Dr. Kirby], Irish College addressed to 'My dear Lord' [possibly Croke]

20 April 1885 Eng. 1p

Kirby asks the recipient to bring the Bishop of Clonfert and any other of the Prelates with him tomorrow.

KIR/NC/1/1885/21

Item

Holograph letter from Patrick Moran, Archbishop of Sydney, St. Mary's Presbytery, Sydney to Dr. Kirby

21 April 1885 Eng. 1p

Moran wishes to introduce Mr Dalton and family one of the most devoted Catholic families. Dalton is a member of the Colonial Parliament. He asks to present them to the Pope.

KIR/NC/1/1885/22 Printed mass-card for Mother Mary de Sales Bridgeman.

April 1885 Item

> Bridgeman was the Foundress of the Order of Mercy in Kerry who died aged 76 at the Convent of Mercy, Killarney. Includes handwritten note

Eng. 2pp

mentioning M. Ursula Brie who died on 14 February

Lang. / Extent

KIR/NC/1/1885/23 Item Handwritten petition from The Superioress and Community of the Presentation Order Fermoy to the Pope

<u>28 April 1885</u> Eng. 2pp

The nuns of the Presentation Order have established a convent and asylum for orphans at West Troy in the Diocese of Albany, New York at the request of Bishop Francis McNierney. They were unaware that this transgressed the Papal Brief establishing them. They therefore seek forgiveness and sanction for the convent in Albany and also ask that their faculties be altered to allow them establish themselves outside Ireland in future.

KIR/NC/1/1885/24 Item Holograph letter from Dr. O'Haran, Sydney to Dr. Kirby, Irish College Rome.

<u>1885</u> Eng. 1p

Telegram reads 'IS DR MORAN CARDINAL. OSHARAN' [sic]

KIR/NC/1/1885/25 Item Holograph letter from [Dr. Moran], Portsaid to Dr. Kirby, Irish College Rome.

<u>1885</u> Eng. 1p

Telegram reads 'VVE REACH NAPLES THURSDAY MOINING . MORAU' [sic]

KIR/NC/1/1885/26 Item Holograph letter from Sr. Aloysius Brady, Convent of Our Lady of Mercy, Mount St. Patrick, Downpatrick to [Dr.

<u>May 1885</u> Eng. 1p

Brady drafts the type of endorsement which she wishes to receive from the Pope concerning the 'Catholic Child's Bible History' which her order has compiled. It is being printed by Gill and Son on the authority of Dr. Dorrian. She notes that they have sold over 30,000 copies and during the past twelve months 12,000 copies of the Old and New Testament were sold.

KIR/NC/1/1885/27 Item Printed invitation from Cardinal Simeoni to the Bishops of Ireland

May 1885 Ital. 1p

Invitation to the Bishops to dine on the feast of Pentecost.

KIR/NC/1/1885/28 Item Holograph note from Mons. Grasselli, Arcivescovo di Colossi, Roma to Dr. Kirby

12 May 1885 Ital. 1p

Grasselli regrets to inform Kirby that he is unable to accompany the Confraternity who are to visit the Seven Churches in memory and imitation of S. Filippo Neri.

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KIR/NC/1/1885/29 Item Papal brief signed by [Cardinal Simeoni], Archbishop of Tyre and Secretary of Propaganda Fide concerning Thomas [Croke], Archbishop of Cashel

<u>17 May 1885</u> Lat. 1p

Brief grants faculties to the Archbishop.

KIR/NC/1/1885/30 Item Petition to the Pope for marriage dispensation submitted by Joseph Bourke, Administrator of the Parish of Crailas in the Diocese of Limerick

<u>19 May 1885</u> Lat. Eng. 5pp

Petition for a marriage dispensation for John Frost, a non-Catholic, and Honora Ponch, Catholic. Includes authorisation by George Butler, Bishop of Limerick. Includes declaration signed by John J Frost and witnessed by Robert Ryan

KIR/NC/1/1885/31 Item Copies of letters and statements from Sisters of Mercy in New Orleans to Archbishop Leray of New Orleans.

20 and 21 May 1885

Eng. 5pp

Includes letters from the nuns of four convents, St. Alphonsus Convent of Mercy at Mobile; St. Martinsville branch of the New Orleans Convent of Mercy; the Convent of Mercy at Biloxi and St. Michael's Convent of Mercy. All the sisters are annoyed that Archbishop Leray intends to hold another election for a Mother Superior. They all express their support for the current superior, Rev. Mother de Sales, who has not yet reached the end of her term. They are very content with their present Rev. Mother and question why the Archbishop is persecuting them? They plan to petition Rome to keep her in her position and/or re-elect her. The nuns of St. Michael's note that de Sales built up the community 'when through the machinations of one man it was almost destroyed.' Includes the names of the following nuns- Mary Clare Fitzpatrick, Mary Winifred Carr, Mary Inez Jones, Mary Francis Vitteman, Margaret Mary Killelea, Mary of Mercy Wiendahl, Mary Liguori Duncan, Mary Augustine Maguire, Mary Dolores Generelli, Mary Alphonsus Clarke, Mary Agnes Moran, Mary Columba Coleman, Mary Angela Baker, Mary Louis O'Farrell, Mary Dominica Kimble, Mary Scholastica Ward and Mary Bernadette Cronke.

KIR/NC/1/1885/32 Item Handwritten program for 'Musical and Literary Entertainment by the Students of the American College. In honour of Rev. D. O'Connell DD'

<u>2 June 1885</u> Eng. 3pp

Mentions the following performers- Thomas Mc Manus, John J Sheahan, J Curley, John J Stafford, Michael J Riordan, William J Guinan, Frederick Rooker.

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KIR/NC/1/1885/33 Item Holograph letter from T.W. Croke, Archbishop of Cashel, The Palace, Thurles to Dr. Kirby, Bishop of Lita

<u>6 June [1885]</u> Eng. 3pp

Croke asks Kirby to instruct Frederici to send thirty copies of a photograph by parcel post. It the Pope keeps the appointment of the new Archbishop of Dublin on hold for much longer it will be impossible to keep the press and people quiet especially if they suspect that Walsh is being passed over. Croke's reception in Ireland on his return was extraordinary especially at Kingston. He is exhausted but must start visitations immediately. He sends regards to Dr. Verdon and Fr Dunn.

KIR/NC/1/1885/34 Item Printed advertisement from Tito Rossi, Sanseverino-Marche for a lottery in aid of a church

14 June [1885 or 1886]

Ital. 4pp

Church in question is Cappella a N.S. del Sacro Cuor di Gesu nella Chiesa Parrocchiale del castello di Colleluce, diocesi di Sanseverino-Marche. Kirby notes that he has sent £5. Includes tickets.

KIR/NC/1/1885/35 Item Holograph letter from T.W. Croke, Archbishop of Cashel, The Palace, Thurles to Dr. Kirby

<u>30 June [1885]</u> Eng. 4pp

Croke sends £10 for the photographs noting that some were damaged en route owing to poor packaging. They are relieved that Dr. Walsh was appointed- 'No body can tell what would have occurred in this country, and in America, if, unfortunately, the Pope had acted otherwise.' He also believes that it is far better that Dr. Walsh is to be consecrated in Rome. He is fatigued following his Roman trip and his visitations. The Diocesan synod and retreat will begin next week. He has responded to a request from Cardinal Simeoni concerning the Coadjutorship of Waterford. Rev. P Power of Dungarvan is 'a fat man of 60, lazy and idle and remarkable for nothing- otherwise good'. He recommends Dr. Fitzgerald. He sends regards to Verdon. Dunn and Cardinal Moran when he arrives.

KIR/NC/1/1885/36 Item

Petition from the Belgium hierarchy to the Pope signed by the Archbishop of Mechelen and the Bishops of Brugge, Namur, Tournai, Gent and Liège

4 June 1885 Lat. 3pp

Mentions the Archbishop of Paris, Cardinal Guibert

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KIR/NC/1/1885/37 Item Holograph letter from T.W. Croke, Archbishop of Cashel, The Palace, Thurles to Dr. Kirby including newspaper clipping from 'The Freeman's Journal' entitled 'The Archbishop of Cashel. Proceedings at Golden.'

<u>15 July [1885]</u> Eng. 6pp

Croke sends congratulations to Cardinal Moran and Dr. Walsh who will both be in Rome at the same time. He notes that the press in England and the Irish Tory press are constantly accusing him of not condemning or even supporting outrages- they are, unfortunately believed in Rome. He therefore encloses a newspaper clipping giving an account of a recent speech he delivered in which he condemned outrages, in particular a shooting that took place in Golden involving Thomas Birmingham, John Daughton and Denis Hennessy. He argues that these outrages are against the law of God and also weaken the national cause. In his letter he asks Kirby to have the account inserted into one of the Roman Orthodox papers where the Pope might read it. He notes that he had a bitter controversy with Monsignor Machi in Rome- he told him that if the Italian Bishops had done the same as the Irish Bishops and headed the people against the infidel government then the Pope would be a free man and the Italian clergy might not be despised. Machi informed the Pope of the argument and as a result Croke was not called to a private audience. However he states that he does 'not care a button for the interpretation put on [his] words or acts, when [he] conscientiously believes both to be right.' Dr. McCormack of [Achonry] is to preach at their retreat.

KIR/NC/1/1885/38 Item Three identical holograph statements from M. Cherubini Ferrari, Abbess of the Poor Clare Convent of the Buon Jesu, Orvieto to the Poor Clares of Ireland

22 July 1885 Eng. 6pp

Ferrari submits a statement of their difficulties and grievances The 26 nuns of the convent are in a very poor state as only 17 of them get a pension. They have been obliged to pay the government £1000 due on the sale of convent land in Viterbo. They are appealing for aid from the Poor Clares in other countries. Monsignor Domenico Jacobini, Secretary of Propaganda is supporting their claims.

KIR/NC/1/1885/39 Item Holograph letter from Dr. O'Haran, St. Mary's Cathedral, Sydney to Dr. Verdon, Irish College Rome.

27 July 1885 Eng. 4pp

O'Haran is relieved that Dr. Moran is not being transferred from Sydney to Dublin. 'There cannot be in the world a sphere where a Holy Learned Irish Bishop can do more good than His Grace Dr. Moran can do just now in Australia.' He mentions the numbers attending the ceremonies from the Holy Family society, the Total Abstinance Association under Fr O'Connor, the Sacred Heart and living Rosary Association and the Sunday Mass for the children attended by over 800 children.

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KIR/NC/1/1885/40

Item

Holograph letter from Dr. Kirby to J Donnelly including reply from Donnelly, Hotel della Menerva, Rome

5 August 1885 Eng. 2pp

Kirby informs Donnelly that he is to bring his excellent secretary with him when he meets Carol Pecci. Donnelly informs him that his secretary is unable to attend due to a visit to the Vatican Museum.

KIR/NC/1/1885/41

Printed menu addressed to Dr. Kirby

5 August 1885 Item

Ital 2pp

KIR/NC/1/1885/42

Item

Holograph letter from William J Walsh, [Archbishop of Dublin], Hotel Croce d'Ore, Padica to Dr. Verdon

9 August 1885

Walsh is travelling to Venice and leaves his forwarding address in Switzerland. Dr. Donnelly of Clogher left Bologna for Pincenza and Milan.

KIR/NC/1/1885/43 Printed mass card for Amelia Furse

Item 9 August 1885 Eng. 2pp

Eng. 2pp

KIR/NC/1/1885/44 Item

Holograph letter from Patrick Moran, Archbishop of Sydney, Holy Cross College, Clonliffe, Dublin to [Dr. Kirby]

25 August 1885

Eng. 3pp

Moran asks that the faculties that he requested from Cardinal Simeoni be forwarded to him. He had a long and amicable conference with Lord Carnarvon, the Lord Lieutenant, who stated his abhorrence at the revolutionary state of Europe. His views on the Education question 'are practically our own' and Moran was eager to engage his influence in Australian affairs to remedy the education laws in Australia. There has been very serious dissension about the address which is to be presented to the new Archbishop of Dublin and Moran hopes it will be passed quietly at the public meeting tomorrow.

KIR/NC/1/1885/45 Item

Printed letters from the Pope and Cardinal Simeoni including translations sent to Dr. Kirby, Irish College Rome.

25 August 1885

Eng. Lat. 6pp

The Pope and Simeoni thank an unidentified author for presenting a book, written in English, on the subject of Freemasonry and attacks on the Holy See and Propaganda.

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KIR/NC/1/1885/46 Item Printed notice from the Ven. Archiconfraternita di Carita addressed on back to Dr. Kirby

6 September 1885

Ital. 2pp

Notice announces a meeting of the General Congregation in order to elect councilmen for the fraternity. Includes a copy of article 13 of the rules of the fraternity concerning elections.

KIR/NC/1/1885/47

Item

Holograph letter from Patrick Moran, Archbishop of Sydney, Holy Cross College, Clonliffe to [Dr. Kirby]

11 September 1885

Eng. 1p

Moran wishes to introduce Rev. Charles Ridgway, a priest of the Cathedral in Dublin who is travelling to Rome.

KIR/NC/1/1885/48 Item Holograph letter from Patrick Moran, Archbishop of Sydney,

17 Mountjoy Square East, Dublin to [Dr. Kirby]

12 September 1885

Eng. 1p

Moran wishes to introduce Chief Baron Palles who is travelling to Rome on a holiday. He is an excellent member of the Irish Catholic gentry and should secure an audience with the Pope.

KIR/NC/1/1885/49 Item Holograph letter from Patrick Moran, Archbishop of Sydney, 'on board the Liguria', London to [Dr. Kirby]

16 September 1885

Eng. 2pp

Moran is setting out with a party of 14 priests, 8 nuns and 8 other postulants and brothers. He thanks Kirby for all his kindness in Rome.

KIR/NC/1/1885/50 Item Holograph letter from Patrick Moran, Archbishop of Sydney, 'on board the Liguria', Naples to [Dr. Kirby]

25 September 1885

Eng. 2pp

The shipping company has set up a state room and an oratory on board the ship and they hold masses, confessions and spiritual readings. He encloses Dr. Byrne's letter and hopes that this man may be successful. Zealous Irish Bishops are needed for the Church in Australia. He hopes that the forthcoming Synod will lay the foundations of a united Australian Church.

KIR/NC/1/1885/51 Item Holograph letter from Thomas Croke, Archbishop of Cashel, The Palace, Thurles addressed to 'My dear Lord Archbishop' [Dr. Kirby]

29 September [1885]

Eng. 3pp

Croke has forwarded Dr. Ryan's dispensation noting that the mistake Ryan made was a stupid one given that he is a Salamanca Doctor. The 'war' in Ireland is going on without abatement- 'Evictions are the order of the day; and every man who raises his voice against them does so at his peril.' He describes Cardinal Moran as a 'staunch Irishman' and notes that he was received very well during his visit. A great devotion is to be held tomorrow at which the 'poor suffering souls' will have a 'field day'.

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KIR/NC/1/1885/52 Item Holograph letter from Patrick Moran, Archbishop of Sydney, Port Said, Egypt to [Dr. Kirby]

29 September 1885

Eng. 2pp

Moran notes that Port Said is very busy with steamer traffic. It is populated with peoples from many countries who as a rule left 'when their own country became too hot for them.' The town of over 30,000 inhabitants is full of gambling houses but has only one Catholic church. If Kirby receives a telegram from Sydney with the word 'yes' he can be assured that they arrived safely and were well received.

KIR/NC/1/1885/53 Item Holograph letter from Cardinal Henry [Manning], [Archbishop of Westminster] to Fr Gorman

5 October 1885

Eng. 3pp

Manning praises Colonel Prendergast and hopes that he will again be returned for the School Board. He notes that Prendergast has consistently followed his advice and has used his influence both inside and outside of the Board to protect Catholic Education. He hopes that all the clergy will use their influence to support him.

KIR/NC/1/1885/54 Item Holograph letter from Thomas Croke, Archbishop of Cashel, The Palace, Thurles to [Dr. Kirby]

14 October 1885

Eng. 2pp

Croke congratulates Kirby on his promotion in the hierarchy. He wishes to introduce a student to the Irish College from Cashel named Cotter. He asks for faculties for matrimonial cases. He encloses a letter requesting a Papal Blessing. The Munster Bishops are to meet concerning the appointment of a Coadjutor for Waterford. He sends a copy of the 'Freeman' with a report of his sermon in Kildare on the previous Sunday hoping that Kirby 'will not find it neutral like the last one.'

KIR/NC/1/1885/55 Item Statement in support of three priests from James Donnelly, Bishop of Clogher, Monaghan

16 October 1885

Eng. 3pp

Donnelly sets out cases for three priests from his diocese to receive doctorships from the Pope. The priests are Rev. Peter Canon McGlone the Rector of the Diocesan Seminary; Rev. Richard Owens the former Administrator of Moneghan parish and currently Professor of Theology in Maynooth College; Rev. Francis Lennan a Professor of Natural Philosophy in Maynooth College.

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KIR/NC/1/1885/56 Item Holograph letter from Thomas Croke, Archbishop of Cashel, The Palace, Thurles to [Dr. Kirby]

24 October 1885

Eng. 4pp

Croke reports that all the Munster bishops voted for Dr. Fitzgerald of Ross- the only exception being Dr. Power and Dr. Delavy who voted for Fr Power of Dungarvan. He hopes that this settles the question. He will write to Cardinal Simeoni but asks Kirby to also inform the Cardinal that Fr Power is old and lazy and will not suit at all. He is delighted to hear that the students 'showed their cowardly Italian assistant that they could not be insulted'. It is rumoured that Dr. Verdon is to become president of a college under Dr. Moran.

KIR/NC/1/1885/57 Item Holograph letter from Patrick Moran, Archbishop of Sydney, Adelaide to [Dr. Kirby]

28 October 1885

Eng. 2pp

Moran and his party have arrived safely in Adelaide. Some of the poor Irishmen they met on board who had lived in England stated that they had little opportunity of hearing Mass or going to confession in England. The comfort of the voyage has allowed him prepare well for the upcoming Synod.

KIR/NC/1/1885/58 Item Letter from unidentified writer, Dominican Priory, Dunedin to 'My dear Lord' [possibly Dr. Kirby]

29 October 1885

Eng. 4pp

The writer congratulates [Kirby] on his role in the consecration of Cardinal Moran and Archbishop Walsh in Rome. She has written for support from Propaganda Fide for education in his district and received a letter of support but no funds. There are nine hundred children being taught by twenty nuns in five separate districts. Free-thought is making fearful progress which existing education efforts cannot stem despite the efforts of their holy Bishop who is a champion of education. The writer mentions Mr Hugh McGrath and Sr. Maguire. [letter missing final page]

KIR/NC/1/1885/59 Item Newspaper clipping of article by R Fischer, Consigliere della Cancelleria del Governo Principale, Gera.

16 September 1885

Ital. 2pp

Article is concerned with the masons and masonic lodges. Mentions Guilielmo di Vittelsbach and the King of Bavaria. Includes note by Kirby mentioning how the Pope should be defended from this sect.

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KIR/NC/1/1885/60 Item Printed address from the Society of St. Vincent de Paul in Sydney to Cardinal Moran on the occasion of his elevation to Cardinal.

<u>4 November 1885</u>

Eng. 1p

The address mentions that the society has increased from four Conferences to ten since 1884 and that the poor are receiving £1000 of assistance each year. The address was presented by the following- Charles O'Neill, John Bridge, W.J. Cracknell, F.S. Macdermot, J.J. Spruson and F.J. Cahill at the Hall of the Council, St. Mary's Cathedral, Sydney.

KIR/NC/1/1885/61 Item Printed circular letter from Fr Giovanni Bosco, Torino posted to Dr. Kirby, Irish College Rome.

10 November 1885

Ital. 2pp

Bosco seeks assistance for his work and solicits contributions for an upcoming lottery.

KIR/NC/1/1885/62 Item Holograph letter from Patrick Moran, Archbishop of Sydney, St. Mary's Cathedral, Sydney to [Dr. Kirby]

12 November 1885

Eng. 4pp

Moran reports on the welcome that he received in Sydney from the Catholics and the respect shown by the Protestants. Viscount Castlerosse called on him in Melbourne on behalf of the Governor as did Mr Dibbs, the Premier of the Colony who appears to be very friendly towards Catholics. Two ministers, Sir John Robertson the leader of the opposition in Parliament, the Protestant Bishop of Sydney and the newly appointed Protestant Bishop of Brisbane also called on him. The Archbishop of Melbourne is unable to attend the National Synod and is the only prelate that will not attend. He believes that all the bishops will agree on the decrees necessary to carry out the will of the Holy See. Dr. O'Haran was in poor health due to over-anxiety and work but is recovering.

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KIR/NC/1/1885/63 Item Holograph letter from Thomas Croke, Archbishop of Cashel, The Palace, Thurles to [Dr. Kirby]

20 November [1885]

Eng. 3pp

Croke has yet to receive the documents mentioned by Kirby. As soon as he receives them he will distribute them to the suffragans and will have the encyclical read and published in his diocese. It will not be easy to get into the Irish papers as they are currently preoccupied with the Parliamentary elections. He has just returned from Dublin where he preached on the subject of Education- he sends a report of it from the 'Freeman' and suggests that it might be got into the Italian papers as well as the 'Univers'. He asks again for faculties to dispense on matrimonial cases involving second degree cousins- he is waiting over two months for these. Dr. Walsh of Dublin is [indisposed]. He wonders what difficulty 'they' [Propaganda] are having about the appointment of a Coadjutor of Waterford as the Bishops of the Province all voted for the Bishop of Ross. Dr. Power is now so feeble that he can hardly move.

KIR/NC/1/1885/64 Item Holograph letter from Thomas Croke, Archbishop of Cashel, The Palace, Thurles to Dr. Kirby, Archbishop of Ephesus.

23 November [1885]

Eng. 2pp

Croke has received the faculties that he requested - 'all right so far'. He has also asked the Pope through Propaganda for privileges for George Ryan for his private oratory. He gave Ryan 'such a dressing' during the late electoral campaign- he acknowledges that this request is 'doing good for evil'.

KIR/NC/1/1885/65 Item Printed Annual Report of St. Joseph's Clothing Society, Waterford for 1885

<u>1885</u> Eng. 3pp

Includes regulations, a list of subscribers including Dr. Kirby, report on quantities of clothing distributed and accounts. Dr. Power is their patron and the committee include Mrs Johanna Dobbyn of Leoville, Mrs Teresa Williams of Prospect Lodge, Mrs Margaret Phelan of Quay, Miss Howard of Quay and Miss Kearney of Gracedieu.

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KIR/NC/1/1885/66 Item Holograph letter from Patrick Moran, Archbishop of Sydney, St. Mary's Cathedral, Sydney to [Dr. Kirby]

1 December 1885

Eng. 4pp

Moran is very pleased with their Plenary Council held in the cathedral which was attended by eighteen members of the Council and 52 theologians. The public sessions attended by Catholics and Protestants were the grandest ever witnessed in the Southern Hemisphere. He hopes that the decrees will be approved quickly. They sent letters to the Pope, to Propaganda protesting against the spoliation, to the German, American and Spanish Bishops and to the Chinese Vicars Apostolic on their recent persecutions. They also wrote to the Irish Bishops supporting the canonization of the Irish Martyrs. He summarizes the content of the decrees mentioning that they establish uniformity, fix the number of canons and parish-priests and establish concursus for the parochial appointments. They hope that the Holy See will erect three Archiepiscopal Sees in Brisbane, Dunedin and Adelaide and erect six new Sees and three Vicariates Apostolic. They also visited the building works at Manly College. An immense shoal of salmon was netted in the harbour during the Synod and he comments on the symbolism of this.

KIR/NC/1/1885/67 Item Holograph letter from Patrick Duggan, [Bishop of Clonfert], Loughrea to Miss Monica Dolphin

<u>3 December 1885</u>

Eng. 1p

Duggan offers his sanction and support to the devotion to the 'Holy Face' which Dolphin is encouraging, subject to the approval of the Holy See.

KIR/NC/1/1885/68 Item Holograph letter from Elvira Messeri, Rome addressed to a Cardinal Bishop including reply from [Alhiminti]

9 December 1885

Ital. 1p

The writer explains the difficulties being caused by a fever that is killing one child in twenty and seeks assistance.

KIR/NC/1/1885/69 Item Holograph letter from [Groferrar..] on behalf of his superior [G.D. Dolmazzo], Parroco to [probably Dr. Kirby]

<u>15 December 1885</u>

Ital. 1p

The writer thanks the recipient for the present of a booklet about the [Life] of St. Patrick and offers him Christmas greetings.

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KIR/NC/1/1885/70 Item Holograph letter from Thomas Croke, Archbishop of Cashel, The Palace, Thurles to Dr. Kirby

15 December 1885

Eng. 4pp

Croke has received Kirby's letter concerning to Mr Thomas Eyre. Rev. Michael Duggan claims that 'he never referred by name to Mr Eyre' and that he did not use any language to injure him in a speech delivered in September 1883. Duggan is requesting a verbatim report of the speech from 'The Freeman's Journal' and is preparing a declaration which Croke will forward to Propaganda. Duggan is not concerned with the threat of law proceedings and Croke claims that Eyre never applied to him for redress. Appeals like this are perplexing and should not be encouraged and should be rarely entertained by the Roman authorities. The elections were a 'most extraordinary and unbroken round of successes for Parnell and his party.' No Tories or Whigs were returned in Leinster, Connaught or Munster and even in Ulster Parnell won 17 out of 33 seats. 'Thus it comes to pass that the man who was so bitterly assailed in the famous Roman Circulars is now the recognised leader of the Irish Bishops, priests and people and the arbitrator between the two great parties that alternately preside over the destinies of the British Empire.' Croke therefore asserts that his 'attitude in Irish politics for the last six years has been amply and conspicuously vindicated.'

KIR/NC/1/1885/71 Item Holograph letter from Patrick Moran, Archbishop of Sydney,

St. Mary's Cathedral, Sydney to [Dr. Kirby]

21 December 1885

Eng. 3pp

Moran encloses two letters from the Plenary Council to the Holy See. He will also send the minutes of the meetings and the printed decrees in proof form to Propaganda. He is awaiting information which is needed before he sends a long 'Relazione' on the new Sees and possible candidates. He laid the stone for a new Monastery of the Redemptorist Fathers in Maitland noting that Dr. Murray has the diocese in first rate order. He will make visits to Armidale, Dunedin and Wellington in New Zealand. He needs more priests, but specifies that they must be good ones. The former Roman students are working well.

KIR/NC/1/1885/72 Item Holograph letter from Thomas Croke, Archbishop of Cashel, The Palace, Thurles to [Dr. Kirby]

28 December [1885]

Eng. 3pp

Croke wishes Kirby a happy birthday enclosing a gift noting that he is delighted to hear that Kirby is still as lively as ever. He cannot understand what the authorities in Rome are thinking or doing about Waterford as it is now over eight months since the election was held. Dr. Power is very feeble and no visitation was therefore conducted this year. He questions why Propaganda should hesitate if almost all the Bishops of the Province are agreed. There are no outrages or troubles at the moment. He has informed Mr Eyre that he will investigate his allegations against Father Duggan if requested. Eyre lives in London and is said to be brother to the Bishop of Glasgow.

Lang. / Extent

KIR/NC/1/1886/1 Item Holograph letter from Thomas Croke, Archbishop of Cashel, The Palace, Thurles to [Dr. Kirby]

6 January [1886]

Eng. 3pp

Croke believes that the recent Papal Encyclical, which has been circulated and read out, is one of the Pope's most important pronouncements. He informed Propaganda that he has been in contact with Mr Eyre concerning his dispute with Fr Duggan. Eyre replied that Duggan has said nothing personal of him during a speech in Kilkenny and that this wasn't the issue. Croke believes that 'Eyre comes forward only to protect Bailiffs and Emergency men, a class always, as you know, most hateful to the Irish people'. He believes that there is not a particle of evidence that can be entered in a law court against Duggan. He is glad to hear that the Waterford appointment is soon to be made. It is snowing and very cold.

KIR/NC/1/1886/2 Item Draft letter from unknown writer, 15 Rue des Cuisiniere, Bayeux (Calvadas) to Monsieur Celeary

10 January 1886

Fr. 6pp

The writer has moved from Dieppe to Bayeux at the start of the school year. [He] notes that Celeary knows about the political trouble and government officials in his poor country which have caused [his] situation. He discusses Bayeux, [his] native town and personal news.

KIR/NC/1/1886/3 Item Handwritten statement concerning the will of the late Rev. William O'Callaghan, C.C. of Sandhurst, Victoria

[1886] Eng. 2pp

The statement argues that O'Callaghan intended to leave £10,000 to support his brother Peter's family. However an old will has been discovered in which he made the Archbishop his sole legatee- it is hoped that the Archbishop will not enforce his rights as it is clear that O'Callaghan intended to return to Ireland. Mentions O'Callaghan's siblings- Mother Ursula O'Callaghan of the Presentation Convent in San Francisco, Mother Xavier O'Callaghan of the Presentation Convent in Middleton and Fr. Sylvester O'Callaghan S.J. of Miltown Park.

KIR/NC/1/1886/4 Item Handwritten financial statement including reference to Dr.

Kirby's bank account

[1886] Eng. 1p

Statement gives yearly totals of expenditure for the years 1881 to 1885. Also provides totals for Kirby's and Dr. Verdon's bank accounts at Plowden's Bank for 1881 and bank details as on 1st January 1886.

KIR/NC/1/1886/5 Item Printed invitation from Monsignor L. Grimaldi, L'Istitutore, S. Giacomo in Piazza Scossacavalli

19 January 1886

Ital. 1p

Invitation is to 'la Festa di Nostra Signora di Lourdes Protettrice delle Figlie' to be held in Chiesa di S. Giacomo in Piazza Scossacavalli [Borgo]

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KIR/NC/1/1886/6 Item Handwritten and printed pieces of religious poetry from A. R.

Bennett, Lausanne

1 and 31 January 1886

Eng. 6pp

The two poems are entitled 'Life's Evening Hymns' and 'A New Year's Prayer to Jesus'.

KIR/NC/1/1886/7 Item Holograph note from [] di Viano, [] Villa [Altiere] addressed to 'Contessa Gentilina'

11 February 1886

Ital. 2pp

di Viano thanks the Contessa for her expression of sympathy at his recent misfortune.

KIR/NC/1/1886/8 Item Holograph letter from Thomas Croke, Archbishop of Cashel, The Palace, Thurles to [Dr. Kirby]

14 February [1886]

Eng. 3pp

Croke laments the death of Dr. Butler of Limerick, a personal friend and a respected man to whom the country looked up to. He died unexpectedly but left all he had to the poor. The appointment of the new Bishop of Waterford was one of the strangest ever witnessed in Ireland as eight of the ten Bishops of the province had declared him unfit. Although he is a personal friend of Croke, he states that having known him for 20 years he believes him to be 'the last man on earth I would dream of as Bishop of Waterford.' The responsibility now rests on Propaganda as they were well informed on the matter. He will travel to Dublin to assist at the Mass for Dr. McCabe. The weather is beautiful.

KIR/NC/1/1886/9

Item

Handwritten piece of poetry entitled 'Forwarded to His Eminence Cardinal Newman on his Birthday..'

21 February 1886

Eng. 2pp

Begins with the lines 'Prince of the Purple Island, the Danet beaming far, In the Constellation Leo, the eldest, fairest star!'

KIR/NC/1/1886/10 Item Holograph letter from Cardinal Henry [Manning], Archbishop's House, Westminster to Fr Kennedy

23 February 1886

Eng. 3pp

Manning assures Kennedy that he trusts his recommendation of Fr Doherty. He hopes that Fr O'Riordan is as content with them as they are with him. He believes that the death of Kennedy's bishop is a great loss for Ireland.

KIR/NC/1/1886/11

Item

Handwritten piece of religious poetry from A. R. B. [Bennett],

Lausanne

March 1886 Eng. 3pp

Poem entitled 'The Amen of Old Age'

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Item

KIR/NC/1/1886/12 Holograph letter from Thomas Croke, Archbishop of Cashel, The Palace, Thurles to [Dr. Kirby]

13 March [1886]

Eng. 2pp

Croke has been puzzled by a letter from Monsignor Jocobini of Propaganda and asks Kirby to clarify three points- when is the Pope's Jubilee, what amount would be sufficient to send and what sort of things should be offered for the Esponzione? He sends regards to Dr. Verdon and Fr Dunne.

KIR/NC/1/1886/13 Item

Holograph note from Monsignor Marzolini, Vaticano to Dr. Kirby.

3 April 1886

Ital. 1p

Marzolini sends best wishes to Kirby and thanks him for the 'capretta' [kid-goat] which he sent on the occasion of the Blessing of their students.

KIR/NC/1/1886/14 Item

Holograph letter from Patrick Moran, Archbishop of Sydney, St. Mary's Cathedral, Sydney to [Dr. Kirby]

24 March 1886

circa March 1886

Eng. 4pp

Moran congratulates Kirby on his translation to the Archiepiscopal See of Ephesus and promises to send a bank order to defray expenses. The Cardinal Prefect was anxious for a report on New Zealand which is to be erected into an Archiepiscopal See. Moran has, therefore, just finished a six week visit there. He describes the welcome he received from the priests and people and the official receptions he attended with representatives of the Colonial Government and the Governor. The majority of the 20,000 people who greeted him were Presbyterian and Protestant and he was told by a member of government that it was an even greater welcome than that given to the Duke of Edinburgh. He dedicated the new Cathedral at Wellington and raised £1800 on the day and inaugurated St. Patrick's College which cost £20,000. Mr Buckley, the Colonial Secretary from Co Cork showed great generosity- he had fought as a Zouave at Castel Fidardo. Buckley and the Bishop of Wellington are not on good terms. Mr Tole, formally O'Toole, the Minister of Justice presented an address in Auckland- he too is on poor terms with the Bishop of Auckland.

KIR/NC/1/1886/15

Item

Handwritten document containing a second hand report of Cardinal Moran's recent visit to New Zealand

Ital. 2pp

This document refers to, paraphrases and translates Dr. Moran's letter to Dr. Kirby dated 24 March [see KIR/NC/1/1886/14]. It gives an account of Moran's visit to New Zealand mentioning the great reception he received there, the dignitaries that he met and the places he visited.

Lang. / Extent

KIR/NC/1/1886/16 Item Handwritten document containing two speeches made by Cardinal Moran of Sydney. [The second speech has been copied in Dr. Kirby's hand]

circa March 1886

Ital. 10pp

The first speech was delivered by Moran in Wellington, New Zealand on the occasion of opening of St. Patrick's College in that city. In these lengthy speeches he addresses the subject of education, religion and science.

KIR/NC/1/1886/17 Item Holograph letter from Michael Verdon, Irish College Rome to Dr. Ryan, Archbishop of Philadelphia

<u>14 April 1886</u> Eng. 4pp

Verdon sends money to Ryan from the late Rev. Patrick Costello, a priest from Philadelphia, who died at the Manicomio of Perugia. Costello went insane while visiting Rome forty years ago and was placed in the asylum in Perugia at that time. Kirby and Verdon have arranged for the funeral and Masses for the poor man. Kirby has recovered from an illness that kept him in bed for three weeks.

KIR/NC/1/1886/18 Item Holograph letter from [Dr. O'Haran], St. Mary's Cathedral, Sydney to [Dr. Kirby]

25 March 1886

Eng. Ital. 12pp

O'Haran sends Kirby witty congratulations on his appointment as Archbishop of Ephesus. He mentions that drought is a severe problem at present in parts of Dr. Murray's and Dr. Byrne's diocese and in Queensland. A squatter named Tobin has lost £90,000 worth of stallions and another man he spoke to lost all but 80 of his 8000 cattle. He feels very overworked mentally and physically, this was especially the case during Moran's trip to Europe and Dean Mahony's absence. To illustrate this point he describes in detail his religious and financial roles, his typical workday and typical attendances at ceremonies and meetings of confraternities. 'No matter who danced I had to pay the piper'. However since Moran's return the Australian Church has been crowned. He enquires about a dispensation asked for in the decrees declaring them to be 'Ex Lex on St. Patrick's Day'. He mentions working on the decrees and on the letter from the Council to all the Australian and New Zealand Bishops.

KIR/NC/1/1886/19

Holograph note from Monsignor Marzolini, Vaticano to Dr.

Item Kirby

6 May 1886 Ital. 1p

Marzolini sends his and the Pope's regards to Kirby.

Lang. / Extent

KIR/NC/1/1886/20

Item

Holograph letter from Patrick Moran, Archbishop of Sydney,

St. Mary's Cathedral, Sydney to Dr. Kirby.

<u>11 May 1886</u> Eng. 1p

Moran wishes to introduce Mr Frederic Jennings Bramley a young convert who is visiting Rome and wishes to have a Papal Audience.

KIR/NC/1/1886/21 Item Decree from Cardinal Simeoni, Prefect of Propaganda Fide to Mary Potter, foundress of the Little Company of Mary Sisters in Nottingham

<u>31 May 1886</u> Lat. 1p

Simeoni confirms that the Constitution and Rules of the order have been approved by the Holy See.

KIR/NC/1/1886/22 Item Holograph letter from Patrick Moran, Archbishop of Sydney, St. Mary's Cathedral, Sydney to Dr. Kirby.

<u>10 June 1886</u> Eng. 4pp

Moran has just returned from a visitation to the southern districts of his diocese which is larger than Ireland. He travelled in carriages as there are no railroads there and he received a great welcome from both Catholics and Protestants. He describes how the inhabitants of each town he visited knelt before him to receive his blessing and then followed him in buggies and on horseback into their town. The only incident occurred when an Orangeman near Bega attempted to pass out the possession and fell from his horse. The Protestants of Wallumla erected four triumphal arches which was all the more impressive in comparison with the poor reception given to their Protestant Bishop. He provides a diary demonstrating his hectic schedule between the 12th of May and the 7th of June mentioning towns that he visited, distances, ceremonies performed and meetings held. Dr. O'Haran accompanied him and did a vast amount of work. They need good zealous priests.

Lang. / Extent

KIR/NC/1/1886/23 Item Holograph letter from Patrick Moran, Archbishop of Sydney, St. Mary's Cathedral, Sydney to Dr. Kirby.

<u>14 June 1886</u> Eng. 3pp

Moran reports that the elderly Archbishop Goold of Melbourne has diedhe was in poor health for the past ten years. He requests Kirby to urge Propaganda to make a speedy appointment to this important See. The city has an immense population and a large amount of Catholic energy but needs active and able hands to keep pace with the growth of the colony and to cope with the sects who are strong there. The Plenary Council sent in November the names of three candidates as possible Coadjutors to Dr. Goold. He recommends Bishop Carr of Galway who should not be allowed to refuse such a position- he is reported to have previously refused the position of coadjutor. Dean Donaghy of Melbourne was suitable as a coadjutor but has not the strength to take on the amount of work needed. Dr. O'Brien of All Hallows would be a very suitable candidate should Dr. Carr refuse the position. A volcanic eruption in Auckland has killed many Maoris- they were not a Catholic tribe. The spot was popular with tourists and was perhaps as wicked a spot as could be found in New Zealand. He hopes to take the express train to Melbourne to attend obsequies for the late Archbishop.

KIR/NC/1/1886/24 Item Holograph petition from Edward Thomas O'Dwyer, Bishop of Limerick, Limerick to the Pope

<u>6 July 1886</u> Lat. 3pp

O'Dwyer refers to his consecration on the 29th June and requests faculties and a Papal Blessing. Kirby notes that he presented a more legible copy of this document to the Pope on the 13th of July

KIR/NC/1/1886/25 Item Newspaper clipping entitled 'The Pope on the Siege and the Women of Limerick.'

<u>20 July 1886</u> Eng. 1p

Dr. Kirby has informed Bishop O'Dwyer of Limerick of a conversation he had with the Pope during the presentation of a letter from the Bishop. The Pope, in giving his blessing noted that he gave a particular blessing to the women of Limerick 'that they might ever nourish in their hearts the ardent love for their Holy Father and their country which animated their heroic mothers at the ever-memorable siege of Limerick.' The article mentions the events of the siege and the history written by Maurice Lenihan.

Lang. / Extent

KIR/NC/1/1886/26 Item Holograph letter from unidentified writer addressed to 'My dear Lord Archbishop' [possibly Kirby].

[1 August 1886]

Eng. 2pp

The writer wishes to have access to certain letters 'from important personages' which will shed light on the life of Leo XIII for the second volume of Dr. O'Reilly's 'Life of Leo XIII'. He acknowledges that it is indelicate to publish such letters during the life of the Holy Father but hopes that the recipient may be able to assist in getting access. [Letter missing ending]

KIR/NC/1/1886/27 Item Holograph letter from Patrick Moran, Archbishop of Sydney, St. Mary's Cathedral, Sydney to Dr. Kirby.

19 August 1886

Eng. 3pp

Moran wishes that he were on retreat with Kirby and Monsignor Mogliazzi in Tivoli. His work involves being at the head of an army battling against unscrupulous enemies who are numerous and rich and in league with the infidel societies in England and who have a hold on Government departments. The Sydney University authorities and the bigots of the city tried to crush St. Vincent's Hospital but despite their efforts it is now planned to add an extra wing to the hospital for which over £4000 has been raised. He read idle reports connecting Dr. Donnelly the Bishop of Canea [and Auxiliary Bishop of Dublin] with the vacant See of Melbourne- he asks Kirby to influence the speedy appointment of Dr. Carr of Galway. He requests a copy of 'Missiones Catholicae Ritus Latini' from the Propaganda Press commenting on and correcting a number of blunders made by them about the Diocese of Sydney. Religion is making great progress under the energetic Bishops of the Province.

KIR/NC/1/1886/28 Item Holograph letter from Thomas Croke, Archbishop of Cashel, The Palace, Thurles to Dr. Kirby

11 October [1886]

Eng. 2pp

Croke wishes to present Michael Molony, a student from the diocese who is to become a pensioner in the Irish College. He thanks Kirby for sending him the present from the Pope and asks Kirby to assure the Pontiff of his gratitude.

Lang. / Extent

KIR/NC/1/1886/29 Item Holograph letter from Patrick Moran, Archbishop of Sydney, St. Mary's Cathedral, Sydney to Dr. Kirby.

<u>14 October 1886</u> Eng. 3pp

Moran welcomes Kirby's telegram informing him of the appointment of Dr. Carr as Archbishop of Melbourne. His appointment will assure unity amongst the Australian Bishops. A petition signed by 40 members of the clergy in Melbourne asking for the appointment of Dr. O'Brien resulted from a false report that Carr had turned down the position and should not be regarded as opposition to Carr. He is also delighted that Dr. Gibney has been appointed Coadjutor of Perth as he is a most energetic man. He supports the appointment of Rev. James McDonald as Prefect Apostolic of the Maoris of New Zealand. McDonald has worked with this community for 35 years, speaks their language and follows their customsit was wise to strengthen his hand rather than to hand over the mission to the Mill-Hill College Missionaries as suggested by Dr. Luck of Auckland. He has finished his visitation with Dr. O'Haran and feels that he now knows the wants and resources of his diocese. He describes an accident in which he was nearly killed. He has drawn up an address to be presented to Her Majesty and which was carefully worded so as to get the support of all the bishops- he hopes it will strengthen their hands in dealing with Government. Dr. Murray, Dr. Byrne and Dr. O'Haran are all well.

KIR/NC/1/1886/30 Item Handwritten statement containing the resolutions adopted at a conference proposing the establishment of St. Patrick's Total Abstinence League of the Cross

21 October 1886

Eng. 4pp

It was agreed at the conference that all Catholic Associations in Ireland, 'having for their object the promotion of Total Abstinence from Intoxicating Drinks', should unite into one exclusively Irish organisation. Such an organisation should have as its president an Irish Prelate. Votes of thanks were given to Dr. Croke who was to lay the resolutions before the general meeting of the Irish hierarchy, D.F. Giltinan the Honorary Secretary, Mrs George Barry, Monsignor Sheehan P.P. and V.G. and Canon Maguire P.P.

Lang. / Extent

KIR/NC/1/1886/31 Item Holograph letter from Thomas Croke, Archbishop of Cashel, The Palace, Thurles to Dr. Kirby

30 October [1886]

Eng. 4pp

Croke has received the Pope's magnificent Encyclical for the establishment of the Hierarchy in India. He hopes that Mr Moloney, the student from Cashel will be good. He requests the renewal of his faculties. The October devotions were a great success- two Dominicans preached and over 1700 received Communion on Sunday of which 1496 were men. There are 100 students in the Diocesan College and the Ursuline Convent is flourishing. He encloses a yearly subscription for a [journal] recommended by Cardinal Simeoni whom he highly regards. Prior Glynn is succeeding about the Roman Church of St. Patrick. He was considering travelling to Rome for the winter for health reasons and admits that he suffers from sleeplessness. It will be impossible for the farmers to pay full rents this year but the distress will be reduced due to the plentiful potato crop. Dr. Delany is grievously ill.

KIR/NC/1/1886/32 Item Holograph letter from Thomas Croke, Archbishop of Cashel, The Palace, Thurles to Dr. Kirby

21 November 1886

Eng. 1p

Croke thanks Kirby for his sympathetic and kind letter. He has circulated the Pope's Decree for the close of the Jubilee Year to his bishops. He spent a few quite days with the Archbishop of Dublin.

Lang. / Extent

KIR/NC/1/1886/33 Item Holograph letter from Patrick Moran, Archbishop of Sydney, St. Mary's Cathedral, Sydney to Dr. Kirby.

1 December 1886

Eng. 4pp

Moran notes that he sent complimentary letters to each of the Cardinals for Christmas which incurred a heavy bill but is what is done in the southern hemisphere. Dr. Gibney's welcome appointment to Perth coincided with the death of Dr. Griver. Griver was a pious man but never made a good hand of the English language. He will report on the state of religion in Perth when he travels there for the consecration. Two Vincentian Fathers conducted missions to mark the Jubilee- due to their efforts two additional Vincentians are to come from Ireland and Moran has given them a site at Pennant Hills to establish a central house. While Moran was away attempts were made to reverse the old Government grant of the lands at Manly but thanks to Dr. O'Haran these were fought off and the Bishop's House has just been completed there without any debt. The Seminary which will also be built there will be the finest building in the colony and has already cost £22,000. He has granted the Fathers of the Sacred Heart a parochial district in the city which will act as a centre for their missionary activities in New Guinea, Melanesia and Mikronesia-however it is a mistake to entrust such a vast missionary area to a relatively small French Congregation. Monsignor Raimondi the Vicar Apostolic of Hong Kong will visit soon. Moran believes that 'this' should be the proper place for establishing a College for the Chinese Missions and it could be erected on the grounds of the Vincentian Fathers and be under their care. The Chinese Government would be far more agreeable to priests educated in an English rather than a French colony.

KIR/NC/1/1886/34 Item Holograph letter from Patrick Moran, Archbishop of Sydney, St. Mary's Cathedral, Sydney to Dr. Kirby.

8 December 1886

Eng. 1p

Moran wishes to present Mrs Robinson from Sydney who is visiting Rome in order to prefect 'her own truly Catholic taste in its Christian Schools of art.'

Lang. / Extent

KIR/NC/1/1886/35 Item Printed article by Robert J Wall, Balbriggan condemning Archbishop Walsh's support of the Land League and Plan of Campaign. Article has been extensively underlined. Also includes a handwritten statement on the same theme.

30 December 1886

Eng. 2pp

Wall in particular focuses on the support given to the League by Archbishop Walsh of Dublin noting that his predecessor, Cardinal MacCabe would not have sanctioned such measures. He discusses the functioning of the Plan of Campaign and the mechanisms of the Land Act of 1881. He refers to speeches and meetings attended by Parnell, Deasy, Sexton, Sheehy and in particular Mr Healy MP and concludes by asking if it is not Walsh's duty as a bishop 'to caution the Catholics of his diocese against being led astray by this demoralising doctrine'. The writer of the handwritten statement asks 'Ought not the Pope.... be made acquainted with the Particulars, Showing this Plan of Campaign to be unjust, and unworthy of the Sanction of any Catholic Bishop...'. He quotes Daniel O'Connell as saying 'the man who commits a crime gives strength to the enemy.' - O'Connell built 'Conciliation Hall' to show that he wished to conciliate all classes of Irishmen.

KIR/NC/1/1887/1 Item Handwritten petition from the Catholic Congregation of Dunedin to Cardinal Simeoni including circa 150 names being the holograph signatures of the laity of Dunedin.

[circa 1887] Eng. 2pp

The petitioners express concern that the recent appointment of Dr. Redwood to Wellington and another English Marist Father to Christchurch may set a precedent. This precedent could result, in future, in 'an alien- a native of Continental Europe or an English Catholic' and Marist being appointed Bishop of Dunedin. They note that when their diocese was run by the Marists many Catholics turned to Freemasonry, opportunities for purchasing land for Catholic institutions were ignored, poor quality buildings were erected and schools were mismanaged. Following the arrival of Bishop Patrick Moran and his promotion of Christian Brothers and Dominican nuns conditions have improved. The Irish Catholic community has therefore earned the respect of their non-Catholic fellow-citizens in 'the most anti-Irish and anti-Catholic population in the colonies.'

Title / Date / Description

Lang. / Extent

Eng. 2pp

KIR/NC/1/1887/2 Item Printed petition to Monsignor Persico, Archbishop of Damietta, Commissary Apostolic from English Catholic laymen. Includes handwritten list of 14 prominent signers of [circa 1887]

The English Catholic petitioners acknowledge 'the oppressive conduct of England towards Ireland in the past'. They express their concern that other English Catholics of high position have adopted a course of bitter hostility towards Ireland and the Irish hierarchy, clergy and people who are currently engaged in a struggle for constitutional change. They ask that 'no misrepresentations ... will ever be successful in inducing the Holy Father to withhold his countenance and confidence from his faithful people of Ireland, who ... desire only ... to conduct their own internal affairs, under the shelter of the British Crown ...'. Includes the names of The Marquees of Ripon, The Earl of Ashburnham, The Earl of Oxford, George Polonnt the President of the Society of St. Vincent de Paul, Henry W Petre et al.

KIR/NC/1/1887/3 Item Printed pamphlet containing the title page and letters of endorsement for a work entitled 'Life of Leo XIII' by Bernard O'Reilly, D.D., Laval published in New York in 1887

Eng. 16pp

Includes printed correspondence between O'Reilly and Archbishop Gibbons of Baltimore concerning the dedication of the book. Includes a letter from Cardinal Lucido Maria Parocchi acknowledging the support of the Pope for the Book. Also includes O'Reilly's preface and letter to 'My friends in America and elsewhere' and publisher Charles L Webster & Co's notice 'To the Catholic Public' [not digitized]

KIR/NC/1/1887/4 Item Printed document entitled 'Catholic Mission of Central Africa containing a copy of letters from Archbishop McGettigan of Armagh to Rev. Patrick Toner of Plymouth, Pennsylvania.

<u>26 January 1887</u> Eng. 1p

McGettigan states that Toner is a zealous clergyman who, despite ill health, promotes the Mission in Central Africa through preaching in Rome and Naples. He wishes to conduct similar work in Ireland, England and Scotland with the sanction of the Holy See.

Title / Date / Description

Lang. / Extent

KIR/NC/1/1887/5 Item Holograph letter from Mother Abbess, St. Joachim's Abbey of Poor Clares, Island of Skiddaway, Savannah, Georgia addressed to 'My very dear Lord Archbishop and Father' January 1887 Eng. 12pp

The writer is having difficulty with the establishment of a convent on Skiddaway island. Archbishop Gross has supported her work. However Bishop Beaker states that the clergy do not want them. The property is paid for and insured and a wharf on the island, costing \$600, was provided in accordance with the agreement with Fr Oswald. Fr [McEcluir] acted as trustee for the 30 acres and she has the deeds from Abbot Leo of North Carolina. She has stopped all work until she hears from Dr. Kirby and Rome. [the writer mentions that she was born in Scotland and is Irish in decent - the letter is written however in unusual English throughout]

KIR/NC/1/1887/6 Item Copy of letter from Sister M. of Mercy, Convent of Our Lady of Mercy, St. Alphonsus, [New Orleans], Passage, Cork addressed to 'My Dearest Sister'.

6 January 1887

Eng. 4pp

Sister M. of Mercy reports on the death of their 'poor dear father', a Franciscan tertiary from Clonmel. She mentions Gerald, Sr. M.J Bagot, M. Dominica of St. Marie's, Mother Baptist, Mrs R Creen [nee K Hackett],

KIR/NC/1/1887/7 Item Copy of letter from unidentified writer, Convent of Our Lady of Mercy, St. Alphonsus, [New Orleans], Passage, Cork to Mother M. Austin

15 January 1887

Eng. 4pp

The writer describes the recent death of Mother Mary of Mercy describing her rapid illness and death from a heart complaint. She mentions Mother M Baptist and Sr. M. Dominica. Mrs Byrne, who visited on Thursday accompanied by Gerald, is in deepest mourning for her father.

KIR/NC/1/1887/8 Item Holograph letter from Thomas Croke, Archbishop of Cashel, The Palace, Thurles to Dr. Kirby. Includes a newspaper clipping of letter from W.E. Gladstone to Archbishop Croke 22 January [1887]

Eng. 2pp

Croke has received the 'privilege' for Mr George Ryan which he will pass on. Gladstone, in his letter to Croke, hopes that 'the year we have entered may not conclude without witnessing progress in the cause of Ireland' and Croke notes to Kirby that 'Times are changed'. He is sending a copy of 'The Messenger of St. Joseph' which contains a letter from him.

Title / Date / Description

Lang. / Extent

KIR/NC/1/1887/9 Item Printed circular letter from the rectors of the international colleges in Rome.

27 January 1887

Lat. 3pp

Dr. Kirby is amongst those who signed the circular concerning improvements in education. Mentions Cardinal Lucidum M. Parocchi [Vicar General of Rome] [See KIR/NC/1/1887/12]

KIR/NC/1/1887/10 Item Holograph letter from Thomas Croke, Archbishop of Cashel, The Palace, Thurles to Dr. Kirby.

28 January [1887]

Eng. 4pp

Croke believes that it would be impossible to conduct a collection in Ireland this year towards carrying out the project of Padre Glynn to erect a church dedicated to St. Patrick in Rome. This collection received the sanction of the Pope. 'When thousands are on the brink of starvation in Ireland it would appear strange indeed, to collect and send money out of it, no matter how laudable.' Already there are collections for the Diocesan College, the Pope's Jubilee, the Ursuline nuns of Thurles and the new Collegiate Church of Maynooth.

KIR/NC/1/1887/11 Item Printed circular from Peter McIntyre, Bishop of Charlottetown posted to Dr. Kirby, Irish College Rome.

31 January 1887

Eng. 2pp

McIntyre reports that the photographic album containing photographs of clergy and religious institutions in his diocese and a pamphlet were presented to the Pope by Dr. Kirby.

KIR/NC/1/1887/12

Item

Printed letter from L. M. Card. Vic. [Cardinal Lucidum M. Parocchi, Vicar General of Rome], Dal Vicariato addressed generally to 'Illmo. Signor Rettore' and specifically to [Dr. Kirby], Rector of the Irish College. Includes handwritten draft reply from Kirby

23 January and 1 February 1887

Ital. 3pp

In order to promote the study of the classical languages of Latin, Greek and Italian in 'questo Archiginnasio scuole' the Cardinal Vicar General announces that three annual prizes have been established. Kirby in his reply mentions the Pontifical Seminary of Rome and the Urban College.

KIR/NC/1/1887/13 Item Holograph letter from Patrick Moran, Archbishop of Sydney,

St. Mary's Cathedral, Sydney to Dr. Kirby

17 February 1887

Eng. 1p

Moran wishes to introduce Sir Patrick A Jennings, a worthy Catholic, who will visit Rome en route to London. Sir Patrick is a former Premier of the colony and is now returning to act as Colonial Representative to the Imperial Conference.

Lang. / Extent

KIR/NC/1/1887/14 Pri

Printed appeal for donations relieving victims of an earthquake.

Item <u>February 1887</u>

Ital. 4pp

Donations to be sent to Sig. Alessandro Acquaderni, Presidente della Commissione di Soccorso, 94 Via Mazzini, Bologna. [not digitized]

KIR/NC/1/1887/15 Item Printed pamphlet entitled 'The Irish National Church in honour of St. Patrick, Rome.'

1887

Eng. 37pp

The pamphlet solicits aid for the construction of a church in honour of St. Patrick in Rome. It notes that Pope Leo XIII has granted 4000 lire to the project and has commissioned Prior Glynn to lead the appeal. Includes letters and resolutions of support to Glynn [and Dr. Kirby] from Cardinals Simeoni and Manning; Archbishops Walsh, Croke, MacEvilly, Kirby, Carr of Melbourne, Ryan of Philadelphia; Bishops Nulty, Duggan, Donnelly, Fitzgerald, O'Dwyer, Lynch, Donnelly of Canea; Rev. John Fitzpatrick of Melbourne, Archdeacon McMahon of St. Michan's, Mon. Preston of New York, Rev. O'Kane of Downpatrick, Canon Moloy of the Catholic University, T.D. Sullivan the Lord Mayor of Dublin, Count Christopher Ryder of Dublin, John Fitzgerald Lincoln of the Irish National League of America, Patrick O'Brien of Melbourne, William Dwyer a miner of the Rocky Mountains, Margaret Donegan from St. Elizabeth's Hospital in London, John Dillon of Dublin and Michael Davitt of the Land League. Also includes reprinted articles from the 'Freeman's Journal', the Dublin 'Nation', the 'Drogheda Argus', the 'Weekly News', The 'Catholic Review' of Brooklyn and New York, the 'Catholic Telegraph' Cincinnati, the 'Boston Pilot' and the 'Irish Monthly'. Also includes a list of contributors.

KIR/NC/1/1887/16 Item Holograph letter from Thomas Croke, Archbishop of Cashel, The Palace, Thurles to Dr. Kirby. Includes newspaper clipping from the 'Pall Mall Gazette'.

<u>5 March 1887</u> Eng. 6pp

Croke has been informed by Kirby that the authorities in Rome are 'grieved and displeased because of a letter of mine openly recommending the non payment of taxes.' He flatly denies having ever written such a letter and encloses an article from the 'Pall Mall Gazette' and a letter from Cardinal Manning which should be shown to Cardinal Simeoni. He simply said that the taxes were misapplied and that a no tax manifesto would be more reasonable than a no rent manifesto. He also refutes that he recommended substituting the word 'cross' with the word 'harp' in the title of the pious association of the League of the Cross- in fact he recommended that it be called 'St. Patrick's League of the Cross'. He states that he contributed £5 towards Stephens and his wife who are living in poverty in Belgium 'on the grounds "that though deluded" he loved his country and had suffered for it'. He feels that it would be better for him to resign the See than to be perpetually misrepresented by the enemies of Ireland because he is a fearless and outspoken advocate of its rights. Manning has told him that if he were an Irish Bishop he would have already been 'hung as a rebel.'

Title / Date / Description

Lang. / Extent

KIR/NC/1/1887/17 Item Printed newspaper clippings from 'The Cork Examiner' and [Limerick newspaper] giving accounts of the threatened arrest and imprisonment of Fr Keller, PP of Youghal and Mr Kennedy for their part in supporting the Plan of Campaign and the tenants of the Ponsonby Estate.

8 March 1887 Eng. 2pp

The Cork Examiner' article mentions Judge Boyd, the Landlord's Association, Mr Somerville an officer of the police, the killing of Patrick Hanlon and injuring of James Cook by the police, Burke a local bailiff, W J Lane MP. Prints letter of support from Bishop John MacCarthy to Fr Keller. Second article provides an account of the arrest and transport of Keller to Dublin by train- he was met at a number of stations by dignitaries including Archbishop Croke whose address to Keller is printed and the Lord Mayor of Dublin.

KIR/NC/1/1887/18 Item Printed advertisement for 'La Gerarchia Cattolica Illustrata ed Il Diario Vaticano' by Francesco de Federicis, Via Cesarini,

<u>10 March 1887</u> Ital. Fr. 4pp

Publication contains the details of the hierarchy of the Catholic Church.

KIR/NC/1/1887/19 Item Holograph letter from Patrick Moran, Archbishop of Sydney, St. Mary's Cathedral, Sydney to Dr. Kirby.

<u>21 March 1887</u> Eng. 2pp

Moran forwards two letters from the Catholic Maoris of New Zealand to Cardinal Simeoni and the Pope in thankful recognition of the appointment of Rev. McDonald as Prefect Apostolic of the Maori missions in Auckland. Dr. Luck of Auckland has informed him of the appointment but he is awaiting an official confirmation. This appointment was the best and only feasible arrangement. He believes that McDonald managed to keep the Maoris Catholic despite the wars of the past thirty years. He need not be appointed Bishop. However Dr. Luck wishes to have the missions handed over to the Mill-Hill College, a proposal which Moran disagrees with.

KIR/NC/1/1887/20 Item Printed address presented to Reverend Mother Prioress by Sister Teresa Mullany on behalf of all the Postulants, Beaumont, Drumcondra.

<u>24 March 1887</u> Eng. 1p

The postulants hope that they will prove themselves to be true children of St. Dominic and remember their early days in Beaumont.

Title / Date / Description

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KIR/NC/1/1887/21 Item Copy of letter from J Cogan, Archbishop of Madras, Madras to a Cardinal and the Pope. Certified as a true copy by J

30 March 1887

Eng. Lat. 6pp

Cogan reports, with the greatest sorrow, on the condition of Madras following its elevation to an archbishopric, the coinciding ceding of territory to the Diocese of Meliapor and the system of 'Double Jurisdiction'. He outlines the parishes and churches that they have lost, providing population numbers and in some cases revenues. He expresses the fear that this reorganisation will lead to discord and disunion especially amongst the Headmen of Royapuram. He notes that the Government are unlikely to provide an allowance to support a native Catholic chaplain at 'The church at the Mount'. As Portugal has no religious orders, Meliapor will find it impossible to supply priests as previous conducted by the Brothers of St. Patrick. The Bishop of Meliapor will also have control over subjects formally under the jurisdiction of the Archbishop of Goa. He wonders if any false representation were made to the Holy See which resulted in an amending decree.

KIR/NC/1/1887/22 Item Handwritten translation into Italian of a letter from the Archbishop of Madras

6 April 1887

Ital. 4pp

The Archbishop is concerned with the Papal decrees of 19 January and 20 March which have had negative impacts on his archdiocese and have caused disagreement between himself and the Bishop of Meliapor

KIR/NC/1/1887/23 Item Printed petition to the Pope from petitioners from Madras. Includes holograph signatures of [L D'Arez, J D Wood Seauren and J Roolers of 'The Madras Times' and Ciu Pan].

6 April 1887

Eng. 2pp

The petitioners express their gratitude at the elevation of Madras but express their disappointment that five churches hitherto belonging to the Goanese jurisdiction and which were made over to the Archdiocese have been reinstated to Goa. They note that there isn't a single Catholic in Madras who is truly a Portuguese national and that the census proves that the majority are in fact British subjects. They ask that the first Decree be followed thereby confining the limit of the jurisdiction of the Portuguese Bishop to avoid further scandal and division.

KIR/NC/1/1887/24 Item School report card of Miss Mary J Brennan signed by Sister M. A. Hanley, Dominican Convent of Our Lady of Sion, Eccles Street, Dublin

Easter 1887

Eng. 2pp

Report concludes that 'with more application Mary would be all that is desirable.'

Lang. / Extent

Item

KIR/NC/1/1887/25 Printed invitation to the wedding of Virginia Vanni and Luigi Mancini Ved. Petrucci in Tivoli.

> 24 April 1887 Ital. 2pp

KIR/NC/1/1887/26 Item

Copy of petition signed by Bishop Bartholomew Woodlock of Ardagh.

29 April 1887 Lat. 2pp

Petition concerns the constitution of the monastery of the Sisters of the Third Order of St. Francis in Drumshambo in Woodlock's diocese.

KIR/NC/1/1887/27 Item

Holograph letter from Patrick Moran, Archbishop of Sydney, St. Mary's Cathedral, Sydney to Dr. Kirby

2 May 1887 Eng. 3pp

Moran encloses £50 for the A. Susanna Church Quarant 'ore and for Kirby's personal use. Moran regrets that he cannot sanction Rev. Dr. Sheridan being made a Titular Abbot as requested by some Benedictine Nuns. He notes that Dr. Vaughan, himself a Benedictine was required to suppress the Sydney Congregation of Benedictines and they have since then served as secular priests. They refused Moran's offer to build them a monastery providing that they lived as a community under the Benedictine rule- it would be best to let them die out. Sheridan is an infirm man with possible brain injuries sustained from an accident- allowing him to receive this title would be practically reviving the old system which would not be in the interests of religion. The news that Brisbane, Adelaide, Wellington and three Vicariates Apostolic are to be elevated is very welcome. Dr. O'Haran is well.

KIR/NC/1/1887/28 Item

Copy of letter from William Walsh, Archbishop of Dublin, 4 Rutland Square East to M. Gabriel.

2 May 1887 Eng. 2pp

Walsh regrets that owing to the unaccountable delay in the receipt of some definite communication from the recipient's Bishop the house must be considered as a private residence. With regards to the sister- he understands that the Holy See has decided that if she wishes to remain in the Dominican Order her claim is not upon Sion Hill but upon Dunedin.

Title / Date / Description

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KIR/NC/1/1887/29 Item Printed document entitled Archdiocese of Adelaide with handwritten note by [Archbishop Christopher Augustine Reynolds]

10 May 1887

Eng. 1p

Document notes the names of the clergymen officiating in each parish of the archdiocese, the religious orders present, the religious schools, charitable institutions and confraternities, mission churches and stations. Handwritten postscript by a Bishop [Christopher Augustine Reynolds] notes the churches that have been erected since he was appointed bishop in 1873

KIR/NC/1/1887/30 Item Holograph letter from Patrick Moran, Archbishop of Sydney, St. Mary's Cathedral, Sydney to Dr. Kirby

<u>12 May 1887</u> Eng. 2pp

Moran wishes to have Rev. John Rigney, appointed an Honorary Domestic Prelate of His Holiness. This elderly and exemplary priest, who arrived in the colony in 1838, still actively hears confessions and is a teetotaller. General Whong Yung Ho, a great Chinese Mandarin has arrived in the colony as High Commissioner of the Emperor of China- he visited the Cathedral in Sydney. He is travelling to Goulburn to lay the foundation stone of the new cathedral there. Dr. O'Haran is getting stronger.

KIR/NC/1/1887/31

Handwritten list of names [of petitioners] written by Dr. Kirby

Item 188'

Eng. 1p

Names include [Bishops of America], Dr. O'Connell, Mgr Denny, Mgr O'Bryen, Mr Harighton

KIR/NC/1/1887/32 Item Printed circular letter from Archbishop Croke, The Palace Thurles to his clergy

19 May 1887 Eng. 3pp

Croke has discovered a long sought for document which puts the date of establishment of the Ursuline convent here beyond doubt. He quotes the document which contains the vows made by Sister Anastatia Tobin, the first Superioress of the Ursuline institute at Thurles, made in September 1787 before the Bishops of Cork and Kerry. He also quotes a certificate granted to Tobin by Patrick Hare, the Protestant Vicar General of Cashel in 1799. He announces that he is granting £200 to the nuns to make their centenary and requests his clergy to give accordingly.

KIR/NC/1/1887/33 Item Holograph note from Dr. Kirby with reply from [Marzalimo], Vaticano

8 June 1887 Ital. 2pp

Kirby enquires on what date the Mass for the Pope's golden anniversary will be held and is informed that it will be held on the 31st of December.

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KIR/NC/1/1887/34 Item

Portion of the 'New Zealand Tablet' newspaper containing articles reporting on the fortieth anniversary of the ordination of Dr. Moran, [Bishop of Dunedin]

10 June 1887 Eng. 10pp

Article reports on the ceremony to mark Moran's anniversary held in St. Joseph's Cathedral. Includes mention of Fr Donnelly, Fr Hunt, Fr Vereker, Fr Lynch, Herr Scherek. Reprints addresses delivered by Cornelius Bunbury of the Confraternity of the Holy Family and William Cunningham the President of the H.A.C.B.S. and Moran's reply

KIR/NC/1/1887/35 Item

Holograph letter from W. J O'Neill Daunt, Kilcavan, Co Cork to the Pope. Includes extract from letter translated into Italian in another hand.

17 June 1887 Eng. Ital. 11pp

O'Neill has heard rumours that the English Government are attempting to come to some arrangement with the Papacy concerning the appointment of Irish Bishops. In order to dissuade the Pope from following this line, O'Neill Daunt offers a narrative of the history of Irish Catholic struggles since the reign of Queen Elizabeth up until the present. He claims that Catholic emigration is substantially higher than Protestant emigration. He claims that nothing he has stated is 'inconsistent with [his] loyalty to Queen Victoria' as 'queen of Ireland'.

Item

KIR/NC/1/1887/36 Holograph letter from Thomas Croke, Archbishop of Cashel, The Palace, Thurles to Dr. Kirby.

> 4 July [1887] Eng. 3pp

Croke plans to read Kirby's letter to the annual Diocesan Synod concerning Monsignor Persico's mission. He is relieved that the Pope appears to have listened to the representations of the Irish Bishops rather than to have given credence to the reports of the English enemies and he will endeavour to ensure the success of the mission. He will present £1200 to the Ursuline Sisters in recognition of their centenary. He will have a fine lot of valuable things and a 'honorarium' for the Pope's Mass. He is sorry to hear that Dr. Verdon is ailing.

KIR/NC/1/1887/37 Item

Printed letter from Monsignor Felice Cavagnis, Presidente, Rome to Dr. Kirby, Irish College Rome.

29 June 1887 Ital. 2pp

Letter concerned with exam timetables and results.

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KIR/NC/1/1887/38 Item Holograph letter from Patrick Moran, Archbishop of Sydney, St. Mary's Cathedral, Sydney to Dr. Kirby

<u>5 July 1887</u> Eng. 4pp

Moran thanks Kirby for the publication entitled 'Annuario of the Missions.' He has written to Propaganda asking them to appoint the Congregation of Don Bosco to take charge of the Kimberley Vicariate Apostolic in Western Australia and the Aboriginal people therein. 'The government has assigned a splendid territory of more then 600,000 acres for the use of the poor savages, and it will be given to any community that will undertake the work of civilization among them.' He refutes any suggestion by Propaganda that their resolutions regarding New Zealand showed a bias against the religious orders. Dunedin should be the Archiepiscopal See because it is the most important city and has an expanding and active Catholic community and a zealous bishop and clergy. He is considering sending back the amended Decrees to Propaganda because these amendments may render them 'a dead letter' amongst the Bishops working in missionary districts. However as they are nearly printed he may decide to publish them if he can. He has offered the Passionist Fathers a mission which they have accepted. Dr. O'Haran is getting very strong.

KIR/NC/1/1887/39 Item Holograph letter from John J Perrin, Editor of 'The New Zealand Tablet', Dunedin to Cardinal Simeoni

<u>9 July 1887</u> Eng. 2pp

Perrin informs Simeoni that he has received many very strong letters objecting to the appointment of Dr. Redwood as Archbishop of Wellington but refrained to print some of them as they would cause scandal. Redwood's appointment has caused astonishment amongst even the Protestants. He complains about the Marists who opened a school in Christchurch solely to prevent children from being sent to the Jesuit school in Dunedin and he also complains of Fr Ginaly of Christchurch, Fr Chervier of Shand's Track and Fr Carew. He asks for a commission of enquiry to be appointed to examine the situation.

KIR/NC/1/1887/40 Holograph note from Monsignor Boccali to Dr. Kirby.

Item 15 July 1887 Ital. 2pp

Boccali is thankful for the book which he has received from Dr. Kirby- he refers to the title of Cardinal Moran, Monsignor Siuistri and the Prefect of Ceremonies.

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KIR/NC/1/1887/41 Item Holograph letter from Brother J Vincent, Institute of the Brothers of the Christian Schools, District of India and China, Colombo to Matthew Gibney, Bishop of Perth

10 August 1887

Eng. 2pp

Brother Vincent has been instructed by his Superior General to respond to Gibney's request to establish an institute of learning in his diocese. Limited staff would make this difficult at present but he is willing to assist and asks for details of students, buildings, salaries and expenses and proposed course of studies.

KIR/NC/1/1887/42 Item Two newspaper clippings from 'the Sun' newspaper [USA] containing article by Dr. Bernard O'Reilly. Pasted onto card and including an handwritten commentary.

14 and 15 August 1887

Eng. 1p

O'Reilly discusses recent attempts by Pope Leo XIII to reopen the Roman Question under the title 'The policy of the Roman Church toward the State Explained by the Pope.' He puts forward the Protestant view that the Pope is overstepping his position by interfering in what are internal affairs of sovereign nations and is promoting 'Roman Catholic imperialism'. O'Reilly refutes this view and referring to the Pope's brief to Cardinal Rampolla from 1887 and to Cardinal Nina from 1878 argues that the Pope has restored peace and public order in every State in which he was allowed to exercise influence. The editor of 'The Sun' prints an article in response to O'Reilly entitled 'The Impending Struggle Between the Vatican and Italy.' Handwritten footnote claims that 'no living man of the day is doing so much to honour the H. Father and the Holy See as Dr. O'Reilly', while some in Rome and America insult both.

KIR/NC/1/1887/43 Item Printed letter from John Tilley, Secretary, General Post Office to Mrs G Butler, 11 Townsend Street, Dublin

7 September [1877]

Eng. 2pp

Tilley informs Butler that following a search no trace of her letter from Italy can be found and that it must have been returned. [Incorrectly identified as 1887- correct date is 7/9/1877]

KIR/NC/1/1887/44

Item

Mass Card announcing the death of Sister Mary Fr. Xaveria Sherlock, Ursuline Convent, Cork addresses to Dr. Kirby,

16 September 1887

Eng. 2pp

Sherlock died on 15 September aged 71.

KIR/NC/1/1887/45 Item Holograph letter from [M Asgottona Taylor], 18 Via Margana, Rome to 'Carissima Contessa'

24 July 1887

Ital. 8pp

Taylor mentions the Novena della Glorioso S. Anna, Contessa Cellani and Suor Filomena.

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KIR/NC/1/1887/46 Item Holograph letter from Patrick Moran, Archbishop of Sydney,

St. Mary's Cathedral, Sydney to Dr. Kirby

29 September 1887

Eng. 3pp

In order to correct erroneous newspaper reports, Moran clarifies that the 600,000 acres has been granted by the Government of Western Australia, a Crown Colony 'in general for the benefit of the Aboriginals'. It will be handed over to any religious body, for any denomination 'that will undertake to civilize the Aboriginals and it must be held for their use.' These matters should be discussed in private as the Orange faction in Australia uses reports like these to cause difficulties and embarrass the government. He presented the Pallium to the Archbishop of Adelaide in a magnificent ceremony attended by the Governor, the Chief Justice, politicians and Protestant and Jewish citizens.

KIR/NC/1/1887/47

Item

Holograph letter from Angelo M. Astorri, Vic. Abb, Campofilone to [Dr. Kirby] with note from Kirby.

18 September 1887

Ital. 3pp

Astorri describes how his parishioners have a devotion to St. Patrick, especially as a protector against disease and pestilence and bad harvests. They organise a festival in gratitude to the saint and wish to have a life of the saint translated into Italian and Latin. Kirby notes that Archbishop Amilcare Malagola of Fermo approves of this.

KIR/NC/1/1887/48 Item Holograph petition from Edward Sheridan P.P., Knockbride, Bailieboro

11 October 1887

Lat. 1p

Sheridan requests a marriage dispensation for Philip Cooney and Catherine O'Brien giving reasons.

KIR/NC/1/1887/49 Item Holograph letter from Patrick Moran, Archbishop of Sydney, St. Mary's Cathedral, Sydney to Dr. Kirby

<u>7 November 1887</u>

Eng. 1p

Moran wishes to introduce Bishop Moore of Ballarat, one of the most untiring bishops of Australia, who will represent the Australian Church at the Pope's Jubilee.

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KIR/NC/1/1887/50 Item Holograph letter from Patrick Moran, Archbishop of Sydney, St. Mary's Cathedral, Sydney to Dr. Kirby

9 November 1887

Eng. 4pp

Moran is sending two packages containing gifts to the Pope. The first contains an address and a chalice made in Sydney from Australian gold and diamonds and is from the Australian Roman Catholic Guild. The second contains two addresses and a casket made from native timber and metals from the Sodality of the Children of Mary. He expects to be in a position to send a large cheque for £3500. The casket was originally intended for an address from all the Australian Bishops but the preparation of this has been delayed. He notes that the Bishop of Ballarat, Sir Patrick Jennings, Mr Ellis and perhaps Dr. Hutchinson are all travelling to Rome for the Jubilee. Fr O'Callaghan, an Irish College student, has arrived and will remain as Moran's assistant-secretary. It is not easy to get away from Sydney due to business but he will attempt to visit Rome in May. The new Archbishop of Brisbane is also one of Kirby's old students.

KIR/NC/1/1887/51 Item Bill of lading or invoice for carriage of two cases from Cardinal Moran, Australia to Dr. Kirby, Rome. Signed by [] Gibbons, Orient Line of Steam Ships, Sydney

8 November 1887

Eng. 1p

Bill of lading for cases containing a wood and silver casket and gold chalice, all valued at £150.

KIR/NC/1/1887/52 Item Holograph letter from Dr. O'Haran, St. Mary's Cathedral, Sydney to Dr. Kirby

9 November 1887

Eng. 8pp

Fr O'Callaghan has reported that Kirby and Verdon are in better health. He may trouble Fr O'Riordan, who is recuperating in Rome, with some Australian commissions. Moran is working on the Memorial Volume of the Plenary Council. All the Bishops of Australasia expressed their desire to attend a Synod to coincide with the centennial. The continent is a land of fortune where people make their own way of life free from family influences and open to temptations. They are attempting to counter this with religious education in Catholic schools and the fostering of religious practices in the home. O'Haran therefore organised a little testimonial from Catholic children to the Pope and they are praying for his freedom at this time of his Jubilee. The depressed state of Australia prevented them from making a direct collection for the Pope's Jubilee but they are sending the Peter's Pence. He asks Kirby to include the Peter's Pence cheque in the casket which contains the addresses and describes the other gifts that are being sent to the Pope from Australia.

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KIR/NC/1/1887/53 Item Holograph letter from Brother J Vincent, Colombo to Bishop Matthew Gibney of Perth

15 November 1887

Eng. 3pp

Brother Vincent states that he is pleased with the proposed buildings which is intended for the Brothers and their schools. It may not be possible to send seven or eight brothers at the moment but it is important to make a start at first. He must await the arrival of the Assistant from Paris who is in charge of their province but he is certain that the project will go ahead subject to numbers.

KIR/NC/1/1887/54 Item Holograph letter from Patrick Moran, Archbishop of Sydney, St. Mary's Cathedral, Sydney to Dr. Kirby

17 November 1887

Eng. 3pp

Moran encloses the Peter's Pence collection from New South Wales which amounts to £3400 providing a breakdown of the contributions from each diocese. He asks Kirby to draw up a little address for the Pope in Moran's name and informs him that the formal address from the Australian Prelates is nearly complete. He notes that the Protestant banker through unintentional ignorance drew up some of the cheques to the Pope in an awkward manner. He refers again to the casket.

KIR/NC/1/1887/55 Item Draft address to the Pope written by Dr. Kirby on behalf of Cardinal Moran of Sydney.

17 November 1887

Ital. 3pp

This address to the Pope is to accompany the £3400 collected in the Australian dioceses for Peter's Pence. [Moran requests Kirby to draw up such an address in a letter dated 17/11/1887]

KIR/NC/1/1887/56 Item Holograph letter from Thomas Croke, Archbishop of Cashel, The Palace, Thurles to Dr. Kirby.

17 November [1887]

Eng. 4pp

Croke states that he will not be in Rome for the Pope's Jubilee despite the 'sort of promise' he gave to Fr Glynn a few days before. Monsignor Persico is still in Ireland and is a great favourite amongst all classes. He likes him immensely and he hopes that he will be able to inform Propaganda with his unrivalled knowledge of Irish affairs. His diocese is quiet but there is nothing but confusion in other localities. He asks where and when he should send his articles for the Vatican Exhibition. He is in the [] of Dr. Murphy, Secretary to the Archbishop of Dublin.

KIR/NC/1/1887/57 Item Holograph letter from Canon Donnelly, 39 Kenilworth Square, Rathgar, Dublin to Sig. Nestore Danilli

25 November 1887

Ital. 4pp

Donnelly discusses and praises a commissioned portrait of the Cardinal Archbishop of Dublin

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KIR/NC/1/1887/58

Item

Holograph letter from Patrick Moran, Archbishop of Sydney,

St. Mary's Cathedral, Sydney to Dr. Kirby

<u>27 November 1887</u> Eng. 1p

Moran wishes to introduce Mr Ellis, a prominent citizen of the colony and a trusted friend of the late Archbishops Polding and Vaughan.

KIR/NC/1/1887/59 Item Holograph letter from Patrick Moran, Archbishop of Sydney,

St. Mary's Cathedral, Sydney to Dr. Kirby

28 November 1887

Eng. 2pp

Moran is sending the Address of the Australian Prelates to the Pope. The illumination was done by a Dominican nun and work it is said to be the best of this kind ever done in Australia. Mr Ellis is delivering the case carrying the address. He notes that this is the first collective address ever to have all the names of all the Australian hierarchy. He is travelling to Brisbane where he will invest Archbishop Dunne with the Pallium.

KIR/NC/1/1887/60 Item Two holograph letters from [Leily], Cremine to 'Mia Virginia diletta'

21 June and 29 November 1887

Ital. 8pp

Mentions having received a booklet from Dr. Kirby.

KIR/NC/1/1887/61 Item Holograph letter from Brother J Vincent, Colombo to Bishop Matthew Gibney of Perth

1 December 1887

Eng. 3pp

Brother Vincent has discussed the proposed establishment of the Institute in Australia with the Assistant, who has recently returned accompanied with scholastics from their noviate in Ireland. They do not have sufficient brothers to send at the moment but they hope to be in a position to do so soon. He suggests that the salaries should be £80 per annum per person, which is the same as in America.

KIR/NC/1/1887/62 Item Holograph letter from Patrick Moran, Archbishop of Sydney,

St. Mary's Cathedral, Sydney to Dr. Kirby

14 December 1887

Eng. 4pp

Moran describes his journey to Brisbane where he was welcomed by the Catholics and given kind attention by the Protestants and the Government of Queensland. When he preached in the Cathedral he estimates that half the congregation was Protestant and the Chief Justice, a Protestant, gave a highly eulogistic speech on the Catholic Church at a banquet. He was impressed with the institutions run by Bishop Dunne of Brisbane, a former student of Kirby's. He gave confirmations at Surry-Hills to 300 children and adults and the mission was closed by the Passionist Fathers in the Cathedral. Fr O'Callaghan acts as assistant-secretary and Dr. O'Haran is not very strong.

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KIR/NC/1/1887/63 Item Holograph letter from Thomas Croke, Archbishop of Cashel, The Palace, Thurles to Dr. Kirby.

18 December [1887]

Eng. 3pp

Croke describes gifts for the Vatican Exhibition made mainly by the nuns of the Diocese- most are plain and are sent solely for the use in poor missions. He also has collected £1000 from the Jubilee Mass made up of contributions from 98,763 persons. This is not the Peter's Pence collection. The Archbishop of Dublin is on his way to Rome. Monsignor Persico is in Cork and has not been well. The Irish people did not warm to Fr Gualdi's cold and silent manner, believing him to be unsympathetic which he was not.

KIR/NC/1/1887/64 Item Holograph letter from Giocando da Montone and Sig. Gle Capno, Rome

20 December 1887

Ital. 1p

The writers acknowledge that they have received a sealed letter from Dr. Kirby through Sig. Sigymondo Gentili. Mentions Procuratore Giuivoler of the Capuchin order.

KIR/NC/1/1887/65 Item Printed address to the Pope from the hierarchy, clergy and laity of Ireland.

[December 1887]

Lat. 1p

Address of congratulations on the Pope's Jubilee and seeking blessing.

KIR/NC/1/1888/1 Item Holograph letter from Thomas Croke, Archbishop of Cashel, The Palace, Thurles to Dr. Kirby.

6 January 1888

Eng. 1p

Croke asks Kirby to attach his name and title to the postulation to the Pope for the introduction of the Congregation of Rites of the cause of Anna Magdalena Rimusat. Monsignor Persico is coming on a visit to him.

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KIR/NC/1/1888/2 Item Holograph letter from Patrick Moran, Archbishop of Sydney, St. Mary's Cathedral, Sydney to Dr. Kirby

6 February 1888

Eng. 4pp

Moran installed Archbishop Dunne in Brisbane. In the public banquet that followed the Chief Justice of Queensland, a strong Protestant, made a favourable speech about Catholics. The Governor, Sir Anthony Musgrave, also gave a banquet in their honour. He describes the events that were held to mark the centenary of the colony including the unveiling of a bronze statue of the Queen, the opening of a park, banquets, the laying of a foundation stone for Parliament buildings and a joint Protestant Service. He organised a Synodical Conference attended by other Australian Archbishops to mark the event and gives diary entries for each of the ten days of celebration. Mentions St. Vincent's Hospital, Lady Carrington, Archbishops Carr and Reynolds, Bishops Doyle and Byrne, the new Convent of the Nuns of the Sacred Heart etc.

KIR/NC/1/1888/3 Item Holograph letter from Ed. O'Leary, Abbey Street, Roscrea to Dr. Ryan, [Coadjutor Bishop of Killaloe], The Palace, Killaloe 9 February 1888 Eng. 1p

O'Leary ask Ryan to seek permission from Rome to allow them conduct an office, Mass and Benediction on the feast day of their patron, Saint Cronan.

KIR/NC/1/1888/4 Item Holograph letter from Patrick Moran, Archbishop of Sydney, St. Mary's Cathedral, Sydney to Dr. Kirby

<u>7 March 1888</u> Eng. 3pp

Moran is delighted that the gifts and address to the Pope was acceptable. He thanks Kirby for the gifts of souvenirs and paintings that were delivered by Sir Patrick Jennings and Fr O'Callaghan. He fears that if war visits Europe the Pope will be in peril. However, it may also be the case that the Powers of Europe 'settle accounts with Italy in regard to the Independence of the Holy See.' Despite occasional outbursts from the anti-Catholic bigots, religion is progressing in Australia. The Vincentians are engaged in long missionary expeditions in Western and Central Australia, Wilcannia and Grafton. Bishop Lamaze, Vicar Apostolic of Samoa and the Navigation Island is in Rome - Propaganda, Lyon and Paris should support this mission. There are reports that three Protestant missionaries were cannibalized on Erromango island.

KIR/NC/1/1888/5 Item Holograph letter from Thomas Croke, Archbishop of Cashel, The Palace, Thurles to Dr. Kirby.

'Spy Wednesday' [28 March] 1888

Eng. 1p

Croke has distributed the printed documents to the Munster Bishops as instructed. The country is grieved over the death of Mr Gray, an able and staunch man. He cannot write any more just now as Dr. Walsh will explain.

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Holograph letter from [Gileppo Co Difava, dal Sen. Pio] to KIR/NC/1/1888/6 [Dr. Kirby] Item

> 9 April 1888 Ital. 1p

The writer wishes to thank Kirby for his 100 lire contribution from the Irish College to the 'Academia' and the Jubilee festival for Pope Leo XIII.

Holograph letter from Patrick Moran, Archbishop of Sydney, KIR/NC/1/1888/7 Item

St. Mary's Cathedral, Sydney to Dr. Kirby

23 April 1888 Eng. 1p

Moran wishes to introduce Miss Fancett and her father Mr Justice Fancett, leading Catholics in Sydney. They should receive an audience with the

KIR/NC/1/1888/8 Two holograph letters from [Leily], Cremine to 'Mia diletta Virginia' Item

> 10 March 1888 Ital. 4pp

Personal news. Mentions the death of Don Bosco.

KIR/NC/1/1888/9 Handwritten petition from Francis J MacCormack, Bishop of Galway and Kilmacduagh to the Pope. Item

> 5 May 1888 Lat. 1p

MacCormack seeks faculties, indulgences and privileges for himself, the Sisters of Charity in Ballaghadereen. The League of the Cross, Children of Mary and the parish-priests of Shrule, Spiddal, Rosmuck, Kilchreest and Carron.

Draft 'Dubium' of Archbishop Walsh of Dublin in the hand of KIR/NC/1/1888/10 Item Dr. Kirby with margin notes and corrections.

> 20 April 1888 Lat. 4pp

This document is concerned with the Decree of the Holy See on the Plan of Campaign and Boycotting. [document incomplete]

Rescript from Archbishop Tyren, Secretary of Propaganda KIR/NC/1/1888/11 Fide to Patrick MacAlister, Bishop of Down and Connor Item

> May 1888 Lat. 2pp

Rescript grants similar faculties to MacAlister as those given to the Bishop of St. Paul of Minnesota in 1880 by the Congregation of Rites.

Holograph letter from Cardinal Simeoni addressed to KIR/NC/1/1888/12 'Eminentissimus et Reverendissimus Domini' [probably Dr. Item Kirby]

> 9 May 1888 Lat. 3pp

Simeoni discusses the outcome of the Irish Bishops' meeting held in Holy Cross College on the 9th of May. He refers to the Papal Rescript of the 18th of April dealing with the Plan of Campaign.

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KIR/NC/1/1888/13 Item

Holograph letter from Sr. Gertrude, St. Vincent's Convent to Dr. O'Haran

5 June 1888 Eng. 12pp

Sr. Gertrude writes this long personal letter to O'Haran who is travelling in Europe. She describes in great detail the religious celebrations of Corpus Christi. The ceremony in the Cathedral was officiated by Monsignor Verdon, which although very nice lacked the imposing effect and standards that the Cardinal's presence brings- 'there was very little of the tone of triumph about it all.' Fr John did his best with the Children of Mary to compensate for O'Haran's absence. She went with Rev. Mother to see Dr. Carroll about the Profession. She has found an old rescript from Cardinal Cullen granting the Irish Sisters of Charity a Jubilee on the fiftieth anniversary- will a new petition to Rome be necessary? She also mentions Fr Ambrosoli, Miss Finlay, Mrs Fennelly, Dr. Murphy, Mr Kelly, Sr. Mary Augustine of Maitland Convent, Mother Rectoress 'the first postulant to enter religious life in Australia', Sister Mary Justina Lynch, Reginald Bridge, Miss Urquhart, Mrs Handcock, Miss Fletcher and old Mother Veronica of Ashfield et al. She sends regards to her aunt and cousin Katie Ryan in Ireland.

KIR/NC/1/1888/14 Item

Draft notes [by Dr. O'Haran] on back of envelope addressed to O'Haran, Collegio Irlandese from sender in Sydney

7 June 1888 [postmark]

Eng. 2pp

Envelope probably contained letter from Sr. Gertrude to O'Haran [KIR/NC/1/1888/13] as the draft notes refer to instructions and people mentioned in the letter- Katie Ryan, Mother Veronica et al.

KIR/NC/1/1888/15 Item

Holograph letter from Thomas Croke, Archbishop of Cashel, The Palace, Thurles to Dr. Kirby.

6 June [1888] Eng. 3pp

Croke mentions that he has signed and returned the deed which Kirby sent to him- he asks if he remembered to attach his seal. He 'very reluctantly' refers to the Papal decree about the Plan of Campaign. Irish feeling has been dreadfully wounded and the Pope has been cursed and his picture removed or destroyed from Donegal to Baltimore- he has been informed by the Archbishop of San Francisco that the reaction was worse in the United States. He hopes that the resolution passed by the Bishops at their last meeting will have a sedative effect. There are to be no more 'big meetings' and if no more provocation be given the matter will be forgiven and forgotten. He hopes to greet Dr. Walsh when he arrives home to Ireland.

KIR/NC/1/1888/16 Printed note announcing the death of Suor M. Concetta Carini 21 June 1888 Item Ital. 1p

Carini died aged 40

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KIR/NC/1/1888/17 Item Holograph letter from John MacCarthy, [Bishop of Cloyne], Oueenstown to Rev. J Lynch, PP of []

24 July 1888

Eng. 1p

MacCarthy returns the marriage petition which he has signed and directs Lynch to send it to Dr. Kirby with a covering letter.

KIR/NC/1/1888/18 Item Holograph letter from Patrick Moran, Archbishop of Sydney, Irish College Paris to Dr. Kirby.

2 August 1888

Eng. 2pp

Moran describes his journey from Rome to Paris. He searched for the relics of St. Fridolin, the first great Irish missionary, at Saeckingen and visited Cardinal Battaglini in Bologna. They have met with the Nuncio and the Superiors of the Christian Brothers and the Lazarists in Paris. The vine-harvest has been threatened by poor weather. The French appear to be pious and religious, however the Government are hostile to the Church. In 1876 they handed over St. Fridolin's Church to the 'Old Catholic Sect' and if they continue the Irish missionaries will have to return to France and Switzerland. He sends regards to the vice-rector and Don Michale.

KIR/NC/1/1888/19 Item Holograph letter from Augusto Biraghi, Via dela Stamperia, Rome, to 'Eccellenza, Revissima', [Kirby]. Includes printed letter and two leaflets from Augusto Biraghi advertising his Shipping Company.

2 August 1888

Ital. 2pp

Biraghi suggests that his shipping company be entrusted with the shipment of some boxes of pictures "quadri" and two boxes of [...]. He promises to offer good terms and to pre-arrange all custom formalities. He mentions an earlier shipment that arrived punctually and for which the amount paid was less than had been foreseen. He mentions that he has opened a new office dealing exclusively with religious houses and giving details.

KIR/NC/1/1888/20 Item Newspaper clipping from the 'Freeman's Journal' entitled 'Cardinal Moran at Monasterevan'.

13 August 1888

Eng. 1p

Article gives an account of Moran's dedication of S.S. Peter and Paul and St. Evin's church in Monasterevan assisted by Rev. M Comerford PP, Bishop Lynch, Fr Corbett, Fr Hendrick, Fr Mooney and Fr Tynan. It includes a history of St. Evin and his monastery. It reprints the address given to Moran and Moran's response in which he discusses the Irish Catholics in Australia. He claims that thanks 'to the prudence and wisdom that have guided our statesman in modern times in colonial administration, we enjoy legislative independence, we make our own laws, justice is impartially administered and the blessings of liberty are widespread among our people.' Therefore for them 'imperial rule is the symbol of peace'.

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KIR/NC/1/1888/21

Holograph letter from D.D. Redmond, I.R.C.S.I., St. Vincent's.

Item

22 August 1888

Eng. 1p

Having examined the eyes of Rev. J Dunne PP, Redmond recommends that the priest should not try to read his office ad even his missal to any extent.

KIR/NC/1/1888/22

Item

Handwritten decree from the Cardinal Vicario to Cardinal A Bianchi. Includes related letter from Marchese Andrea Lezzani of the Pia Unione, 12 Piazza Barberini.

23 April 1888 and August 1889

Ital. 7pp

The decree allows the Pia Unione to relocate from the Chiesa di S. Vitale to [Chiesa] di S Susanna which is annexed to the Monastero delle Religiose Cisterciense. Includes regulations. The Cardinal Protector of the monastery is Cardinal Moran. Cardinal A Bianchi is Protectore del Monastero di S. Susanna e Delegato del Cardinal Moran. Marchese Andrea Lezzani is the Consigliere della Pia Unione della Madonna della Mercede.

KIR/NC/1/1888/23

Item

Holograph letter from Patrick Moran, Archbishop of Sydney, Dublin to Dr. Kirby

20 September 1888

Eng. 1p

Moran wishes to introduce Mr Campbell McKellar and his sisters who are travelling to Rome. They are young non-Catholic, Scotch-Australians but have a great interest in visiting the Christian Sanctuaries of Rome and in receiving the Papal Blessing.

KIR/NC/1/1888/24 Item Holograph letter from Patrick Moran, Archbishop of Sydney, [Ireland] to Dr. Kirby

21 September 1888

Eng. 2pp

Moran spoke to Mr O'Donnell, a leading broker, concerning the Canadian Pacific Railway investment. He has recommended that Kirby sell his stock and invest in Russian Bonds. Propaganda should be asked to expedite the issuing of a brief to Dr. Higgins. He hopes to write a long statement to the Pope as requested. He will sail from London on the 12th of October.

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KIR/NC/1/1888/25 Item Newspaper clippings from 'The Freeman's Journal' reporting on the awarding of the Freedom of Dublin to Cardinal Moran 2 and 5 October 1888 Eng. 4pp

The first article gives an account of Charles Dawson's proposal to Dublin Corporation, that Moran be granted this honour, in which he recalled in particular Moran's role as secretary to Cardinal Cullen and his publications. The second article reports on Lord Mayor Sexton's fine speech in which he noted how old barriers have been overturned so that Irish Catholics can receive such an honour and commented on the success of Irishmen in Australia. Moran referred in his reply to the union between clergy and people which shall triumph over every obstacle and that the suffering that Ireland is enduring will at length lead to full enjoyment of National freedom. The third article refers to the honour bestowed on Ireland by men like Moran and [Cardinal] Gibbons in the USA.

KIR/NC/1/1888/26 Item Copied petition from P Irwin PP of Ihilglass in the Diocese of Killala, Enniscrone, Sligo to Propaganda Fide. Includes copied letters between Irwin and Hugh Conway, Bishop of Killala.

7 October 1888

Lat. Eng. Ital. 8pp

Irwin states that he went to America with Conway's approval to raise funds to clear debts and pay for a new church building. While away he learned that his parish was in danger of being taken over by Fr Cosgrave and this lead him to return from Manitora, Canada. He refers in passing to an accusation made against him involving a illegitimate child which he believes was mishandled by Conway. He also believes that Conway has mislead him. Includes judgement from Propaganda [in which he is told to go elsewhere to practice his sacred ministry without provoking another sentence]

KIR/NC/1/1888/27 Item Holograph letter from Patrick Moran, Archbishop of Sydney, London to Dr. Kirby

10 October 1888

Eng. 3pp

Moran was very busy during his visit to Ireland. The Irish Bishops held a meeting yesterday and resolved to send a letter to the Pope in reply to his encyclical- he hopes that it will not be delayed until the general meeting. He notes that the devotions on the 30th of September were very well attended and grand as the people 'entered with all their energy into the spirit of the Holy Father's Decree'. His party of thirty religious set sail from Tilbury tomorrow. Dr. O'Haran is now stronger. Dr. Higgins has accepted his appointment as Auxiliary of Sydney. He will write to the Cardinal Prefect of Propaganda and the Pope now that he has time.

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KIR/NC/1/1888/28 Item Holograph letter from Patrick Moran, Archbishop of Sydney, 'on board the Cuzco', Port-Said, Egypt to Dr. Kirby

25 October 1888

Eng. 2pp

Moran thanks Kirby for his presents and attention in Rome. He has been informed by one of the officers of the ship that a number of priests were spotted in the audience of a theatre in Naples - this gives great scandal especially as it was a Sunday.

KIR/NC/1/1888/29 Item Newspaper clipping of article from the 'Freeman' entitled 'The Cardinal and Father Damien. Reply to a Protestant Critic'.

16 November 1888

Eng. 1p

This article reports on Moran's speech at a Passionists' bazaar in which he eulogised Father Damien and attacked a letter written in the 'Presbyterian' journal of Sydney. Fr Damien worked in a leper colony Molokai in the Hawaiian territory.

KIR/NC/1/1888/30 Item Printed advertisement for 'Swinford New Church Bazaar' from Mrs P.J. Mellett, Hon. Sec. of the Ladies of Swinford, Brook Ville Avenue, Swinford

[circa 6 January 1888]

Eng. 1p

At a recent meeting it was decided to hold a bazaar in aid of funds for the erection of a new church in Swinford. Mentions Rev. Dean Finn the Vicar General and the following ladies of the committee- O'Grady, Corley, Mannion, Mellett, Kelly, Jordan, Coleman, O'Connor, Fillan, Henry and Kyle.

KIR/NC/1/1888/31

Item

Copy of letter from the Bishops of Ireland to the Pope. Document is written in three hands [including Dr. Kirby's] and bears the heading 'Epistola Episcoporum Hib. ad Leonem XIII P.M.'

<u>5 December 1888</u>

Lat. 12pp

This lengthy document, originally signed by twenty eight members of the Irish hierarchy, was written following a meeting held in Dublin on 5/12/1888. It responds to the Papal Decree on Boycotting and the Plan of Campaign.

KIR/NC/1/1888/32 Item Holograph letter from Thomas Croke, Archbishop of Cashel, The Palace, Thurles to Dr. Kirby.

8 December [1888]

Eng. 2pp

Croke expresses thanks for the dispensation. He believes that the Government will not spare [Kirby or the Irish College] if it lies in their way - 'it would be a sad thing to see it upset'. They have sent a pretty long letter to the Pope giving their views on 'the situation past and present.'

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KIR/NC/1/1888/33 Item

Holograph letter from Patrick Moran, Archbishop of Sydney,

St. Mary's Cathedral, Sydney to Dr. Kirby

21 December 1888

Eng. 1p

Moran wishes to introduce Mr John [See], a worthy Member of Parliament who is travelling to Rome. He and his wife are not Catholic but have been most kind, generous and charitable. They desire to be presented to the Pope.

KIR/NC/1/1888/34 Item Printed copy of address to the Queen from Cardinal Moran of Sydney and the Hierarchy of Australasia. [blank letter- no signature]

[circa 1888] Eng. 1p

Moran et al congratulate the Queen on her Jubilee Anniversary.

KIR/NC/1/1888/35 Item Holograph letter from Thomas Croke, Archbishop of Cashel, The Palace, Thurles to Dr. Kirby.

21 December [1888]

Eng. 1p

Croke sends Christmas greetings. 'Times are somewhat troubled here: but all will come right soon. Dr. Walsh is now the man in "the gap". I am quiet as a lamb.'

KIR/NC/1/1888/36 Item Printed table of statistics entitled 'Abstract of Returns from Schools in the Diocese of Maitland for Quarter ending 28th December, 1888'

28 December 1888

Eng. 1p

Table headings read- 'Name of School, Name of Teacher [Order], Number on Rolls, Religion, Average weekly attendance, Fees paid, Average rate of fee per child per week, Percentage of attendance on numbered enrolled'

KIR/NC/1/1888/37

Item

Printed announcement of the death of Eduardo Enrico

Howard, Protettore della Societa di S. Sulpizio and posted to

Concerning death of [Cardinal Edward Henry Howard, Cardinal-Bishop of Frascati].

KIR/NC/1/1889/1 Item Holograph letter from Thomas Croke, Archbishop of Cashel, The Palace, Thurles to Dr. Kirby.

15 January [1889]

7 December 1888 [postmark]

Eng. 2pp

Ital. 2pp

Croke thanks Kirby for his letter of sympathy following the death of his Rev. Brother. Fr James was a devoted worker like his Sister who died a few months past. 'As for me, I am now a bird alone; and my only desire now is to be allowed to retire altogether from public life, and instead of [trying] to do something for others, to turn my attention to myself alone.'

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KIR/NC/1/1889/2 Item Holograph letter from Mrs Oriel Oppenheim, Grand Hotel, Naples to Mr Ahern.

21 January 1889

Eng. 2pp

The Oppenheims are planning their excursion to Rome and would be glad to take up Ahern's offer of securing them an audience with the Pope. Handwritten postscript in another hand reads 'Oppenheim not Catholics.'

KIR/NC/1/1889/3 Item Holograph letter from Patrick Moran, Archbishop of Sydney, St. Mary's Cathedral, Sydney to Dr. Kirby.

29 January 1889

Eng. 1p

Moran wishes to introduce Justice and Mrs Mein from Queensland who are travelling to Rome and wish to meet the Pope. Mrs Mein is a Catholic and her husband has always been kind to the Archbishop and the religious institutions of Brisbane.

KIR/NC/1/1889/4 Item Printed letter from Sac. Cesare Cagliero, Procuratore Generale dei Salesiani, Ospizio del S. Cuore di Gesu, Roma and posted to Dr. Kirby

2 February 1889

Ital. 2pp

Invitation to a conference and ceremony being organised by the Salesiani of Don Bosco at Chiesa del S. Cuore al Castro Pretorio attended by Cardinal Parocchi.

KIR/NC/1/1889/5 Item Holograph letter from W. H. Murphy, 4 Rutland Square East, Dublin to Mrs Gray

10 February 1889

Eng. 4pp

The Archbishop [of Dublin] is not able to fully comply with Mrs Gray's request at the moment as he has received may such applications. He suggests that she write to Dr. Kirby asking him to petition Cardinal Simeoni on the matter- he is prepared to endorse what Kirby would write on her behalf. This mechanism will leave 'the Archbishop unembarrassed as regards other applicants'. Murphy hopes that the sudden change in the weather may not interfere with her cure.

KIR/NC/1/1889/6 Item Holograph letter from Sac. Luigi Perino, Prefetto, Ospizio del S. Cuore di Gesu, Via Porta S. Lorenzo, Roma to Dr. Kirby

19 February 1889

Ital. 1p

Perino acknowledges receipt of a letter from Kirby on behalf of Sac. Cagliero, Superiore dei Salesiani

KIR/NC/1/1889/7 Item Holograph letter from Patrick Moran, Archbishop of Sydney,

St. Mary's Cathedral, Sydney to Dr. Kirby

27 February 1889

Eng. 1p

Moran wishes to introduce Mr John Moore Dillon, a worthy Australian Catholic from Sydney- he hopes he will be granted a Papal Audience.

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KIR/NC/1/1889/8 Printed letter from S. Maria Maddalena dell'Incarnazione,

Item L'Abbadessa, Orbetello.

<u>1 March 1889</u> Ital. 1p

The nuns of the Convento delle Clarisse di Orbetello [Toscana] Abbazia delle Tre Fontane seek assistance for their current miseries.

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KIR/NC/1/1889/9 Two printed pamphlets from 'L'Adorazione Riparatrice delle Item Nazioni Cattoliche rappresentate a Roma'

29 March 1889 Ital. 8pp

Includes printed copy of letter from Cardinal Vannutelli to A. Brugidou, Direttore Gen. dell'Adorazione Riparatrice a Roma and a report by

Brugidou.

KIR/NC/1/1889/10 Printed death notice for Sister Maddalena M. Gavalletti,

Item Monastero del S.S. Bambino Gesu

<u>31 March 1889</u> Ital. 1p

Sister Maddalena died aged 52

KIR/NC/1/1889/11 Petition from Francis Kelly, Bishop of Derry to the Pope

Item 31 March 1889 Lat. 1p

Kelly wishes to be relieved of his obligation to make an Ad Limina visit on age grounds and asks that Dr. Kirby deputise for him. Includes affirmative

response.

KIR/NC/1/1889/12 Receipt from C. Angelettizi, L'Esttore, Pio Istituto di S.

Item Vincenzo de Paoli to Dr. Kirby

April 1889 Ital. 1p

Receipt is for 5 lire.

KIR/NC/1/1889/13 Holograph letter from Patrick Moran, Archbishop of Sydney,

Item St. Mary's Cathedral, Sydney to Dr. Kirby

2 April [1889] Eng. 1p

Moran wishes to introduce Miss O'Connor and her sister Alice O'Connor from an excellent Catholic, Sydney family- he hopes he will be granted a

Papal Audience.

KIR/NC/1/1889/14 Holograph letter from Patrick Moran, Archbishop of Sydney,

Item St. Mary's Cathedral, Sydney to Dr. Kirby

<u>3 April 1889</u> Eng. 1p

Moran wishes to introduce James Kavanagh and his family who are excellent Catholics from Sydney. They are travelling to the home counties and are visiting Rome- he hopes they will be granted a Papal Audience.

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KIR/NC/1/1889/15

Item

Holograph letter from Patrick Moran, Archbishop of Sydney,

St. Mary's Cathedral, Sydney to Dr. Kirby

<u>16 April 1889</u> Eng. 1p

Moran wishes to introduce Dr. W. Odillo Maher, a young eminent Catholic doctor from Australia. He wishes to receive a Papal Blessing at an Audience- 'the good Catholic Australians do not yield to any others in

devotion and affection towards him.'

KIR/NC/1/1889/16 Newspaper clippings concerning Padre Agostino da

Ital. 3pp

Mentions list of subscribers to an orphanage supported by Padre Agostino. Also includes printed letter.

KIR/NC/1/1889/17

Holograph letter from John MacEvilly, Archbishop of Tuam,

Item Tuam addressed to 'Dear Sister'

<u>5 May 1889</u> Eng. 1p

MacEvilly is unable to offer clear advice to the recipient- he has known of 'other religious who have regained their peace of mind in orders different from those originally embraced'. He has written to Dr. Kirby on the matter.

KIR/NC/1/1889/18 Item Holograph letter from Hellen, 6 Chisterfield St. to Mother Imelda.

<u>24 May 1889</u> Eng. 4pp

The writer thanks Mother Imelda for the Franciscan manual books, thanks Dr. Kirby for securing their admittance to the Pope's private Mass and also for the crucifix and other holy items. She sends greetings from 'Mama'.

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KIR/NC/1/1889/19 Item

Two holograph letters from Margaret A Mary Joseph Watson O'Kavanagh to the Pope. Includes two printed booklets from the 'Zion Erin Crusade of the Cross' and two printed cards from O'Kavanagh and an envelope.

9 and 11 May 1889

Eng. 50pp

O'Kavanagh asks for permission to establish a community of men and women to promote total abstinence and 'a fruit and vegetable diet' or 'vegetarianism'. She has had assistance from The Archbishop of Ephesus [Dr. Kirby] and her Archbishop Thomas Joseph Car of Melbourne. She asks for permission to collect funds to build a church at the monastery to commemorate the life and labours of Fr Theobald Matthew. Printed booklets set out the objectives of the proposed society- to remove intemperance, to practise and prove that animal flesh is not only unwholesome but unfit for the sustenance of the human family and to propagate industries of spinning and weaving in Ireland and Australia. Includes petition to Archbishop Carr, rules, vows and prayers and two photographs of O'Kavanagh Includes printed card for presentation by O'Kavanagh 'to the mute remains of her late venerable and beloved Archbishop James Alipius of Melbourne.'

KIR/NC/1/1889/20 Printed 'Intermediate Education' exam papers

Item 1889 Eng. Ital. 5pp

Exam papers for Junior and Middle Grade Italian

KIR/NC/1/1889/21 Item

Printed invitation to clergy to offer their Divine Sacrifice on Pentecost for the Holy Father and the repentance of sinners.

9 June 1889

Fr. 4pp

Mentions the blasphemous erection of a monument in Rome.

KIR/NC/1/1889/22 Item

Holograph letter from Patrick Moran, Archbishop of Sydney, St. Mary's Cathedral, Sydney to Dr. Kirby

20 June 1889

Eng. 4pp

Moran recently conferred the Pallium on the first Archbishop of Hobart in Tasmania. He notes the warm reception his party received from the Protestant Governor and ministry. Dr. Murphy is well esteemed by both Protestants and Catholics but is getting old. There are 35,000 Catholics on the island. He also attended the Jubilee of the Superioress of the Sisters of Charity, a Mrs Williams from Kilkenny who was the first nun to make her vows in Australia. The Sisters had originally been erected 'into a distant community' by Dr. Willson- this lead to a temporary period of decline which has been partially reversed following a Papal Blessing obtained by Kirby. However Moran believes that they should be reunited with the Sydney Community. They have had a terrible hurricane which lasted five days. He is anticipating the arrival of his Auxiliary. There are 12 students in the college and Dr. O'Haran is well.

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KIR/NC/1/1889/23 Item Holograph letter from Peter Joseph Jennings, 8 [] Square, Pentonville to [Dr. Kirby]

<u>10 July 1889</u> Eng. 3pp

Jennings acknowledges that he owes a debt to the Irish College for the free place he held there between 1842 and 1846. He declares that he has provided £250 in his will to pay for a free place for a student of his Diocese of Clonfert. He mentions that he has met Cardinal Moran, one of the few fellow students left from that long past time. He is travelling to the south of England to try to recover his ailing health.

KIR/NC/1/1889/24 Item Holograph letter from Thomas Croke, Archbishop of Cashel, The Palace, Thurles to Dr. Kirby.

13 July [1889] Eng. 3pp

Croke will present documents received from Kirby to the provincial Bishops when they meet to discuss the vacant See of Waterford. Fr Walsh, the well known Jesuit, has lead the retreats in the diocese. They are fighting a battle against the 'combined Landlords' who are trying to re-plant the country with Orangemen, driving out the Catholics on the grounds of their unwillingness and inability to pay exorbitant rents. There are 107 [students in the Diocesan College] and he is also glad that the Cashel student is giving satisfaction.

KIR/NC/1/1889/25 Item Holograph letter from Thomas Croke, Archbishop of Cashel, The Palace, Thurles to Dr. Kirby.

10 [August 1889]

Eng. 2pp

Croke will circulate the documents to the suffragan bishops on Tuesday when they gather to offer 'however needlessly' their opinions on the vacant Dioceses of Waterford and Killaloe. The appointment to Kerry took everyone by surprise although it was well known that Lord Kenmare and his friends were plotting against Fr Taylor- it is a strange situation when the authorities in Rome listen to the voice of a titled laymen and calumniators rather than the unanimous voice of the Bishop's of Munster.

KIR/NC/1/1889/26 Item Holograph letter from Thomas Croke, Archbishop of Cashel, 16 Norland Place, Holland Park, London to Dr. Kirby.

St. Augustine's Day [28 August 1889]

Eng. 2pp

The Bishops of Munster cannot give ample reports about the candidates for vacant sees because they know next to nothing of the men whose names appear on the list. They have offered a report in the case of Killaloe and Waterford to Cardinal Simeoni. The Bishop elect of Kerry is an excellent Ecclesiastic but unfortunately his politics are not those of his people. The people of Ireland knew nothing about the Apostate Bruno until the Pope's letter was read to them in the churches. He believes that such publications do not suit in Ireland as the less that is said about unknown fellows like Bruno the better.

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KIR/NC/1/1889/27 Item Holograph letter from Patrick Moran, Archbishop of Sydney, St. Mary's Cathedral, Sydney to Dr. Kirby

19 September 1889

Eng. 3pp

Moran offers to pay the expenses owed by Mr Bourke, his student in the college as his friends are very poor. The Catholics are, thankfully, very united amongst themselves and this strengthens them against their opponents who look for opportunities of combining all the various Protestant sects against them. Dr. Higgins, a native of Meath, is a zealous worker in the diocese- he has confirmed a king of one of the aboriginal tribes. The winter has been very wet and stormy but the rain will assist the suffering farmers of the interior of the country. The difficulty amongst the Sisters of St. Joseph in Adelaide had been resolved and they have assumed responsibility for the £8000 debt incurred by them. There is a great depression in Southern Australia- even villages along the railway-line have been deserted and a number of churches have been abandoned as a consequence. The sanctuary of the Cathedral is near completion. He sends regards to Dr. Murray.

KIR/NC/1/1889/28 Item Printed advertisement soliciting funds for a testimonial to the distinguished Catholic historian, John Gilmary Shea being collected by Rev. P. A. Treacy.

[circa 23 September 1889]

Eng. 1p

Includes letter of support to Treacy from Cardinal Gibbons the Archbishop of Baltimore and a list of subscribers including many clergymen.

KIR/NC/1/1889/29 Item Printed circular letter from John [MacEvilly], Archbishop of Tuam, Tuam

23 September 1889

Eng. 1p

The Archbishop announces a collection to be made for the erection of a National Church of St. Patrick in Rome. He notes that the Pope is a prisoner in his palace and is subject to barbarous insults and impiety from the hands of the Infidel and Godless crew.

KIR/NC/1/1889/30 Item Holograph letter from Thomas Croke, Archbishop of Cashel, London to Dr. Kirby.

2 October [1889]

Eng. 3pp

Croke is returning from a short trip to France and Belgium. Cardinal Simeoni has informed him of the appointment of Dr. McRedmond to Killaloe. He has been told that the Pope has personally taken charge of the appointment to Waterford. He asks Kirby to promote the suitability of Dr. FitzGerald of Ross for the position as there are no fit candidates in that diocese. However he asks Kirby not to mix him up in the matter at all but to look to the testimony of the other bishops.

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KIR/NC/1/1889/31 Item Holograph letter from J. D. De [Bectirez], Loranii Fertio addressed to 'Reverende Domine'

<u>5 October 1889</u> Lat. 2pp

The writer discusses the education of seminarians and the number of years required to study theology.

KIR/NC/1/1889/32 Item Holograph letter from Thomas Croke, Archbishop of Cashel, The Palace, Thurles to Dr. Kirby.

17 November [1889]

Eng. 4pp

Croke has received no official account of the appointment of Dr. Egan to Waterford although Cardinal Simeoni did promise him one. 'But the puzzle is who recommended Dr. E. or who brought his name before the Pope?' Egan is a sort of 'litterateur', has no taste for anything but secular affairs, weighs at least 20 stone and is delicate and there are unprintable reports about him. He is a friend of Lord Eroly and his gang, has a position high up in the constabulary and is in touch with the Castle. His appointment opens up a very wide and important question which sooner or later will have to be dealt with by the Irish Bishops. Dr. Coffy's consecration passed off well. Dr. McRedmond will be a great acquisition as he is a rock of sense. Dr. Corbell the Bishop of Sale had no right to say that the missionary spirit had died out in Ireland- the reason he could not get candidates from the colleges was due to his 'hucstering' about money. He notes that his colleges and the Ursuline convent are both quite full.

KIR/NC/1/1889/33 Item Holograph petition from Patrick Costelloe, R.C.A., Woodford, Loughrea to the Pope.

27 November 1889

Eng. 2pp

Costelloe gives the details of a marriage case involving Denis Gill a widower for about sixteen years and Julia Hopkins whose husband abandoned her with six children about thirty years ago. Gill and Hopkins are cohabitating for about fourteen years and wish to marry. Kirby notes that he informed Costelloe to apply through his bishop.

KIR/NC/1/1889/34 Item Handwritten petition from the Sodality of the Children of Mary at St. Joseph's Female Orphanage, Kingstown.

The Sodality seeks indulgences for their association.

KIR/NC/1/1889/35 Item Holograph letter from Thomas Croke, Archbishop of Cashel, The Palace, Thurles to Dr. Kirby.

9 December [1889]

27 November 1889

Eng. 1p

Eng. 1p

Croke has received the brief for Dr. Egan and notes that that it is strange that Dr. McRedmond, who was appointed before Egan, has not yet received his credentials.

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KIR/NC/1/1889/36 Item Holograph letter from Thomas Croke, Archbishop of Cashel, The Palace, Thurles to Dr. Kirby.

19 December [1889]

Eng. 3pp

Croke wishes his 'old Superior and friend' all the blessings of Christmas and encloses some money for Kirby's use- 'There is a wide field for charity, by all accounts, in Rome'. Dr. McRedmond's brief has not yet arrived. He requests permission for Rev. John Canon Ryan, PP of New Inn to say votive Masses instead of ordinary ones as he is nearly blind. He is due in Rome next year and will see Kirby then.

KIR/NC/1/1889/37 Item Holograph letter from James O'Connor, [Bishop of Omaha, Nebraska], Spring Hill Hotel to Mrs Reynolds

25 December 1889

Eng. 1p

O'Connor thanks Reynolds for her and Bishop Bonacum's letters which have lessened the gloom of his saddest Christmas ever. His health has not improved despite the more to a better climate.

KIR/NC/1/1889/38 Item Holograph letter from Thomas Croke, Archbishop of Cashel, The Palace, Thurles to Dr. Kirby.

28 December [1889]

Eng. 2pp

Croke sends Kirby festive greetings noting that 'Age is a relative thing: and one man is younger at 80 than another is at 40.'

KIR/NC/1/1889/39 Item Holograph letter from Marie Gabrielle De Jesus, Carmelite Sisters, The Hermitage, Ballyroe near Queenstown, Co Cork to Reverend Mere [Rev. Mother]

31 December 1889

Fr. 2pp

The writer seeks sufficient lodgings and support.

KIR/NC/1/1889/40 Item Handwritten note noting amount of Peter's Pence sent to Rome including note by Dr. Kirby.

[circa 1889] Eng. 1p

The note records that £70,742 or 1,782,700 lire was sent to Rome 'from the Diocese of Dublin alone' between 1860 and 1889. Kirby adds that this averages £2440 or 61,000 lire annually.

KIR/NC/1/1890/1 Item Printed invitation to a High Mass and reception being held for Mother Mary Magdalen O'Farrell at the Dominican Convent, St. Charles and Broadway Streets, New Orleans.

<u>1890</u> Eng. 2pp

The occasion is O'Farrell's Golden Jubilee noting that she was professed in Cabra in 1840

Lang. / Extent

KIR/NC/1/1890/2 Item Printed pamphlet from 'Adorazione Riparatrice delle Nazioni Cattoliche, Rappresentate a Roma', 24 Piazza della Pigna.

[1890] Ital. 4pp

Pamphlet entitled 'Comunicazione relativa all'Opera delle Chiese nei nuovi quartieri di Roma' outlines the work of the association.

KIR/NC/1/1890/3 Item Printed pamphlet from Adorazione Riparatrice delle Nazioni Cattoliche

1890 Ital. 4pp

Contains extracts from articles from 'Le Monde' dated 30/12/1889 and 'Moniteur de Rome' dated 9/1/1890 outlining the work of the association and a printed letter of support from Cardinal Lucido Maria Parocchi, Vicario Generale di Sua Santita.

KIR/NC/1/1890/4 Item Holograph letter from Thomas Croke, Archbishop of Cashel, The Palace, Thurles to Dr. Kirby.

14 January [1890]

Croke thanks Kirby for the privilege sought for Canon Ryan. He has consecrated Dr. McRedmond at Ennis in a well attended ceremony. He will consecrate Dr. Egan in Waterford.

KIR/NC/1/1890/5

Holograph letter from [] to Dr. Kirby

Item 27 January 1890

Fr. 1p

Eng. 2pp

Write thanks Kirby for his kindness and seeks help for [her aunt]. Kirby notes that he sent her £100.

KIR/NC/1/1890/6 Item Holograph letter from Patrick Moran, Archbishop of Sydney, St. Mary's Cathedral, Sydney to Dr. Kirby

30 January 1890

Eng. 3pp

Moran apologises for not writing more often blaming lack of time due to the pressures of working in a young country. They have concluded festive celebrations connected with the Dedication of the Sanctuary portion of the Cathedral of the Diocese. He describes the event which was attended by three archbishops and eleven bishops from across Australasia and which raised £2700. The festivities included a private dinner, a banquet for 130 persons, an excursion and picnic on the Hawkesbury River for 180 persons and finally a banquet hosted by the Protestant Mayor of Sydney. The Bishops will send a letter of sympathy and a Latin letter to the Pope.

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KIR/NC/1/1890/7 Item Holograph letter from Patrick Moran, Archbishop of Sydney,

St. Mary's Cathedral, Sydney to Dr. Kirby

20 February 1890

Eng. 3pp

Moran encloses a letter to the Pope and asks that Kirby emphasise the devotion of the young Australian church when presenting it. There is political excitement at the proposed creation of a 'confederation of the various Australian Colonies' similar to the Canadian Dominion. The New Zealanders do not think it is in their best interests to join now. While there are some who wish to proclaim the independence of Australia the majority prefer to have the advantages of having the British fleet protect the coasts. He does not think that the interests of religion will be lost despite the smaller proportion of Catholics in Queensland and Tasmania than in New South Wales. 'As Catholics however we have nothing to say to the present movement.' There is no sign of the influenza epidemic despite the very wet summer.

KIR/NC/1/1890/8 Item Holograph letter from Patrick Moran, Archbishop of Sydney,

St. Mary's Cathedral, Sydney to Dr. Kirby

20 February 1890

Eng. 1p

Moran wishes to introduce Mr and Mrs Prendergast who are travelling to the home countries. They are one of the best families and Mrs Prendergast is devoted to charity work. He asks that they be presented to the Pope.

KIR/NC/1/1890/9

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Holograph letter from Patrick Moran, Archbishop of Sydney,

St. Mary's Cathedral, Sydney to Dr. Kirby

25 February 1890

Eng. 1p

Moran wishes to introduce Mr Farr, an Alderman and a Protestant who has shown himself to be very kind to his Catholic employees. He requests an audience with the Pope.

KIR/NC/1/1890/10

Holograph letter from Patrick Moran, Archbishop of Sydney,

St. Mary's Cathedral, Sydney to Dr. Kirby

<u>18 March 1890</u> Eng. 1p

Moran wishes to introduce Rev. Dean Mahony PP of the Diocese who has been working in Australia for twenty years. He is travelling home on holiday and requests an audience with the Pope.

KIR/NC/1/1890/11 Item Holograph letter from J Gri[], Villa Maria, [Sydney], Bishop of [Christell] to a Reverend Mother

Feast of St. Joseph, [19 March] 1890

Eng. 2pp

The writer gladly consents to the erection of the Sodality of the Children of Mary in the recipients convent and in her [Grand] House of Ross and [Rensoora]

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KIR/NC/1/1890/12 Holograph letter from Patrick Moran, Archbishop of Sydney,

St. Mary's Cathedral, Sydney to Dr. Kirby

19 March 1890 Eng. 1p

Moran wishes to introduce Mrs Boesen, a Catholic lady who is travelling to Rome with her husband who is the Danish Consul in Sydney. She should receive a Papal Blessing on account of her works of charity.

KIR/NC/1/1890/13 Item

Holograph letter from Thomas Croke, Archbishop of Cashel, The Palace, Thurles to Dr. Kirby.

23 March [1890]

Eng. 2pp

Croke expresses thanks for the Roman prints of St. Patrick which he distributed to the nuns. The Papal presents have arrived: 'but the less that is said about them, I think, the better.' The fact that they came at the bidding of the Pope 'alone makes them acceptable.' He is glad to receive good accounts of Mr Cotter. There are over 107 students in his college and 151 students at the Ursuline Convent. He is wonderfully well 'considering the shock I received from recent events.'

KIR/NC/1/1890/14 Item

Holograph letter from Thomas Croke, Archbishop of Cashel, The Palace, Thurles to Dr. Kirby.

24 March [1890]

29 March 1890

Eng. 2pp

Eng. 6pp

Croke agrees that Kirby 'could not possibly have avoided showing hospitality to the British envoy' and perhaps, as Kirby has noted, good may come from it. He asks for a renewal of certain faculties. They have embarked on a great Temperance Crusade in Ireland which is reported in 'The Freeman's Journal'. He asks if Fr Cotter will receive his degrees as D.D. and be finished in August as he is needed- he will then send another young student.

KIR/NC/1/1890/15 Item

Holograph letter from G Borghese, Photographer, Piazza della Cancelleria, Rome addressed to 'Rev. Signore' [Kirby]

28 March 1890 Ital. 1p

Borghese wishes to advertise his photography work to Kirby and the students of the college.

KIR/NC/1/1890/16 Item

Holograph letter from Almira F. [Congdon], Colchester, New London County, Connecticut to her Uncle [Dr. Kirby]

Almira apologises for not writing more often stating that she receives information through her sister Ellen. She complains of poor health including rheumatism. She had six children, three of whom died. Her son Charles Francis Congdon, now 33 year old, studied to become a doctor having previously been a teacher- he is married to Susan Chapman and has three children. Her daughters are Almira and Emma and her nephew is named John Kirby. She mentions the illness and death of her mother in Stonington. [Encloses some sprigs of shamrock]

Lang. / Extent

KIR/NC/1/1890/17 Item Holograph letter from Patrick Moran, Archbishop of Sydney,

St. Mary's Cathedral, Sydney to Dr. Kirby

<u>18 April 1890</u> Eng. 1p

Moran wishes to introduce Mrs Bridge, whose sons are students of the Irish College. She is travelling to Rome from Australia to attend her son Reginald's ordination and she should obtain a Papal audience.

KIR/NC/1/1890/18 Item Printed pamphlet soliciting contributions towards the Cardinal Manning Silver Jubilee Fund.

[1890] Eng. 3pp

Two collections are being made. The first aims to raise £12000 to pay off the debt of Manning's Pro-Cathedral. The second is a 'Personal Testimonial Fund'. Includes circular letters signed by Ripon, James Hasslacher, Mon. C. Harington Moore, Thomas Hussey, The Duke of Norfolk, Mon Daniel Gilbert and Alderman Stuart Knill. Includes list of circa 100 members of the committee.

KIR/NC/1/1890/19 Item Holograph letter from John MacCarthy, Bishop of Cloyne, Queenstown to Rev. P Horgan PP of Kilworth

<u>30 April 1890</u> Eng. 2pp

MacCarthy notes that he does not have the power to allow Mother M. Joseph leave her convent for the purposes outlined. He instructs Horgan to write to Kirby seeking Papal permission.

KIR/NC/1/1890/20 Item Printed pamphlet entitled 'Copy of Testimonials to W. F.
O'Grady Esq., J.P.', Woodbine House, Military Road Limerick
1890
Eng. 3pp

Includes four printed references from John Healy, Coadjutor Bishop of Clonfert; Thomas Redmond, Bishop of Killaloe; John Egan, Bishop of Waterford and Lismore and Edward Thomas O'Dwyer, Bishop of Limerick. All attest that O'Grady would be suitable for the Office of Assistant Land Commissioner.

KIR/NC/1/1890/21 Item Holograph letter from Edward [McMahon], County and City of Dublin, Land and Building Company, 30 Lower O'Connell Street, Dublin to Fr Pinthnan

<u>6 May 1890</u> Eng. 2pp

McMahon reports that he has received as contributions a prize from Dr. Kirby, £50 from the Archbishop, £10 from circa eight bishops and circa £20 for the main employers in the large towns. He is awaiting the prize from the Pope and notes that the priests have not contributed much as yet. He will advertise in 'The Freeman's Journal'.

Lang. / Extent

Item

KIR/NC/1/1890/22 Holograph letter from Patrick Moran, Archbishop of Sydney,

St. Mary's Cathedral, Sydney to Dr. Kirby

15 May 1890 Eng. 1p

Moran wishes to introduce Mr Daly, an excellent Catholic merchant from Sydney who has been generous towards works of religion and charity. He and his wife should obtain a Papal audience.

KIR/NC/1/1890/23

Item

Holograph note on printed card from Guglielmo Gaudenzi, Piazza Tor Sanguigna, Roma addressed to 'Eccellenza Revena' [Dr. Kirby]

30 [] 1890

Ital. Fr. 2pp

Gaudenzi, a dealer of religious items, discusses the price of a picture of the Blessed Mary.

KIR/NC/1/1890/24 Item

Formal handwritten copy of petition from Margaret Mary Joseph O'Kavanagh, Heidelberg, Melbourne, Victoria to the Pope on behalf of 'Zion Erin - Croisade de la Croix'

[1890] Fr. 4pp

O'Kavanagh notes the support she has received from Bishop Thomas Joseph Carr, Cardinal Moran of Sydney and Dr. Kirby. She outlines the objectives of the Zion Erin- Crusade of the Cross mentioning total abstinence as promoted by Fr Theobald Mathew. She includes the rules and regulations governing membership of the association

KIR/NC/1/1890/25 Item

Holograph letter from Thomas Croke, Archbishop of Cashel, The Palace, Thurles to Count Moore.

28 June [1890] Eng. 1p

Croke states that he will gladly sign and back any petition from Moore for a private oratory at Mooresfort.

KIR/NC/1/1890/26 Item

Holograph letter from Thomas Croke, Archbishop of Cashel, The Palace, Thurles to Dr. Kirby.

10 July [1890] Eng. 2pp

Croke states that he wishes to back up any petition from Count Moore for a private oratory as he is 'an excellent Catholic and deserving any compliment he asks for.' Croke is 'on retreat'

KIR/NC/1/1890/27 Item

Holograph letter from Bartholomew Woodlock, Bishop of Ardagh and Clonmacnois, St. Mel's Cathedral, Longford to Monsignor Agostino Caprara, Promotore della Fede, Piazza della Biscione, Rome.

27 July 1890 Ital. 2pp

Woodlock will search for the letter of Vincenzo Pallotti in his house. He refers to the Commissione Aplica. Includes a list containing rituals and devotions to be performed during one day.

Lang. / Extent

KIR/NC/1/1890/28

Printed pamphlet signed 'Alcuni Devoti', Rome.

Item

August 1890

Ital. 1p

Religious pamphlet mentions the production of a small painting of the Virgin of Pompey in the Basilica of San Lorenzo e Damaso and devotion to the Blessed Virgin. Donations to be collected by Rev. Canonico Luigi Lazzareschi, the priest of the Basilica.

KIR/NC/1/1890/29 Item

Printed circular letter from J. E. Stephens, St. Patrick's,

Melbourne

1 August 1890

Eng. 1p

Stephen's solicits funds for St. John's Schools, East Melbourne. These schools cater for 1,000 children and cost £4000, some of which is still outstanding. Mentions Mr O'Grady who has presented the 'Federation Prize'

KIR/NC/1/1890/30 Item

Holograph letter from Thomas Croke, Archbishop of Cashel, The Palace, Thurles to Dr. Kirby.

3 August [1890]

Eng. 1p

Croke has distributed the documents amongst the Munster Bishops. He hopes to send a good student this year. The Dillon O'Dwyer episode is in various ways the most regrettable incident connected with the Irish Agitation. Both parties were at fault but 'the Bishop erred ever so much more grievously than did the layman.'

KIR/NC/1/1890/31 Item

Holograph letter from Kate O'Conor, The Palace, Elphin to Dr. Kirby.

5 September 1890

Eng. 4pp

O'Conor thanks Kirby for procuring the Holy Cross for her cousin, who is a nun. She also thanks Kirby for his prayers which have helped her and her children through her financial worries. She notes that 'the O'Conors are the only Family of Royal Rank in Ireland who did not Barter their Faith for their Lands and English Titles'. He son Maurice is to be received into the Knights of Malta with the rank of Knight of Justice.

Item

KIR/NC/1/1890/32 Printed advertisement announcing the publication of 'John MacHale, Archbishop of Tuam' by Rev. B O'Reilly

September 1890

Eng. 1p

This 'history of Ireland's greatest Patriot-Prelate', it is argued, should be in the hands of every Irish Family in America, every Bishop or Priest etc. Published by FR. Pustet & Co, New York and Cincinnati.

KIR/NC/1/1890/33 Item

Holograph letter from Thomas Croke, Archbishop of Cashel, The Palace, Thurles to Dr. Kirby.

11 September [1890]

Eng. 1p

Croke thanks Kirby for the privileges which have just arrived. He hopes to go to Rome this year.

Lang. / Extent

KIR/NC/1/1890/34 Item Holograph letter from Patrick Moran, Archbishop of Sydney,

St. Mary's Cathedral, Sydney to Dr. Kirby

<u>2 October 1890</u> Eng. 1p

Moran wishes to introduce, Mr Sinnott, an excellent Catholic from Sydney who is visiting Rome on his way back to Ireland. He requests an audience with the Pope.

KIR/NC/1/1890/35 Item Holograph letter from F. Montague Handley, Banker, Piazza di Spagna, Rome to Dr. Kirby, Tivoli

<u>7 October 1890</u> Eng. 2pp

Handley wishes to know the value and painter of a picture which is to be sent from the American College to the Mother Superior of St. Catherine's Convent of Mercy in New York.

KIR/NC/1/1890/36 Item Holograph letter from Thomas Croke, Archbishop of Cashel, Hotel d'Italia, Florence to Dr. Kirby.

<u>16 October 1890</u> Eng. 1p

Croke plans to go directly to the Irish College when he arrives in Rome. He asks Kirby to send him a telegram informing him if he is still in Tivoli.

KIR/NC/1/1890/37

Item

Holograph letter from Thomas Croke, Archbishop of Cashel, Hotel d'Italia, Florence to Dr. Kirby.

<u>October 1890</u> Eng. 1p

Croke has received Kirby's telegram but is still uncertain if Kirby is in Rome or in Tivoli. He will travel directly to the Irish College on Monday.

KIR/NC/1/1890/38 Item Holograph letter from Thomas Croke, Archbishop of Cashel, The Palace, Thurles to Dr. Kirby.

17 November [1890]

Eng. 2pp

Croke expresses his thanks to Kirby for his hospitality on behalf of himself and Canon Ryan. 'The Freeman' doesn't do justice to the reception he received in Ireland. He spoke 'nicely on the Pope and Cardinal Simeoni' which pleased the people. The Deputation of Irish Bishops will travel to Rome in the Spring- he hopes it will do good but is 'very glad that [he] shall have nothing to say to it.' He also thanks Dr. Hanan.

KIR/NC/1/1890/39 Item Handwritten religious-political prayer entitled 'A Plea for the Holy Souls'. [Writer not identified]

29 November 1890

Eng. 1p

Poem ends 'Poor Ireland, closing now a mournful year | That stole her noblest son, and truest friend | By John O'Hagan's and by Newman's name | That ever to her grateful heart are dear | Petitions Eighteen-ninety may not end | Without the granting of the Poor Souls' Claim!'

Title / Date / Description

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KIR/NC/1/1890/40 Item Holograph letter from Thomas Croke, Archbishop of Cashel, The Palace, Thurles to Dr. Kirby.

30 November 1890

Eng. 4pp

Croke has just received Kirby's letter giving an account of his interview with the Pope concerning the Parnell scandal. 'Parnell will never again, and can never again, be the Leader of the Irish Party.' The bishops and priests will unanimously repudiate him. They are all humbled by it to the dust. Croke acknowledges the Pope's grief over the scandal and assures him that he will use whatever influence he possesses 'in driving the wicked and deceitful man from public life and position in Ireland.' He copies his strongly worded telegram to Justin McCarthy MP to be published in the London papers and to be read to the Irish members at their meeting- the telegram urges Parnell to retire quietly and in good grace, thereby safeguarding the Irish Party, the honourable alliance with Gladstone's Liberals, success in the General Election and Home Rule. Dire consequences will ensue if he does not retire. He asks Kirby to read this telegram to the Pope and mentions that he is writing to Gladstone.

KIR/NC/1/1890/41 Item Holograph letter from Bishop John Egan of Waterford, Bishop's House, John's Hill, Waterford to [Dr. Kirby]

30 November [1890]

Eng. 4pp

Egan thanks Kirby for the dispensations. He is not surprised that the [Parnell] scandal has had an effect on the Pope. The clergy are stunned as no one believed that the charges would be proved true. His health is improving and he has been able to visit all parts of his diocese. He asks when the next 'Relatio' is due from his diocese and asks to be excused from making his obligatory visit to Rome. He hopes however to send a good tribute next year. The Ursuline nuns are well.

KIR/NC/1/1890/42 Item Copy of diocesan report from Patrick O'Donnell, Bishop of Raphoe to Michael Logue, Archbishop of Armagh and submitted to the Pope.

14 December 1890

Lat. 7pp

In his detailed report O'Donnell discusses the failure of the potato harvest, agrarian laws, Catholic farmers, The Papal Decree, land-agents and landlords, the Land Commission, Boycotting and the Plan of Campaign, Dillon and O'Brien and Bishop O'Callaghan of Cork. Kirby notes that he has presented the original of this report to the Pope.

KIR/NC/1/1890/43

Item

Holograph receipt from Franciscus Pizzi, Martello Vic.

Foranery for seven Masses celebrated

23 December 1890

Ital. 1p

Masses celebrated for Signora [Quintilina Sagnori]

Title / Date / Description

Lang. / Extent

KIR/NC/1/1890/44 Item Holograph letter from Thomas Croke, Archbishop of Cashel, The Palace, Thurles to Dr. Kirby.

23 December [1890]

Eng. 2pp

Eng. 2pp

Croke was so anxious about the Kilkenny Election that he forgot to send Kirby his customary Christmas letter. The poll from the election is not yet known- 'I presume we have won- the only question being as to the majority'. He sends greetings to the Primate and Dr. Hanan.

KIR/NC/1/1891/1 Item Handwritten copy of letter relating to Pope Leo XIII and addressed to "I miei dilettissimi Fratelli" [My most beloved brothers]. [Writer is possibly Kirby or Cullen]

[] 1891 Ital. 5pp

The writer mentions that he has recently had the pleasure of placing at the feet of the Vicar of Christ, the testimony of the people's unfailing solidarity to his Sacred Person and to the Holy See. The Pope thanked the people for their generosity noting that he felt he could always rely on the obedience, filial affection and active "simpatia" of the faithful people of the Archdiocese. As a sign of his affection, the Holy Father imparted his Apostolic Blessing with Plenary. The writer mentions the Pope's health and expresses the hope that he will continue for many years to defend the interests of the church. He ends by saying that Ireland will always find a strong a friend in Leo XIII.

KIR/NC/1/1891/2 Item Holograph letter from Patrick Moran, Archbishop of Sydney, St. Mary's Cathedral, Sydney to Dr. Kirby

<u>5 January 1891</u>

Moran took over the administration of the Bishop of Brisbane's diocese during the latter's trip to Europe. He notes that they have suffered remarkable flooding and a shipping strike for six months. They have also suffered from a plague of locusts which destroyed vineyards and halted railway traffic. There was also a plague of rabbits which have destroyed crops and trees and an infestation of butterflies in Queensland. Dr. Higgins, the Auxiliary Bishop is quite strong, Dr. O'Haran is not very strong, four bishops will travel to Rome this year and two coadjutors will soon be elected. Delegates will devise a scheme of Confederation for Australia in March- four of them are excellent Catholics. He expects to have 40 students at Manly College this year- it is growing slowly but steadily.

KIR/NC/1/1891/3 Item Holograph receipt from Marius Canuis Bonanni, Archpresbyter et Rector Insignis Collegiatae Ecclesiae Parlis Divi Erasmi for Masses celebrated

<u>15 January 1891</u> Ital. 2pp

Masses celebrated for Signora [Quintilina Sagnori]

Title / Date / Description

Lang. / Extent

KIR/NC/1/1891/4 Item Holograph letter from Thomas Croke, Archbishop of Cashel, The Palace, Thurles to Dr. Kirby.

21 January [1891]

Eng. 3pp

Croke has received a copy of the new Mass and Office. Parnell is a trickster and is a match for O'Brien and Dillon- he appears to be only gaining time. There has been a truce and Dr. Walsh has written a letter asking it to be observed. However Parnell is blazing away as fast as he can, inflaming the public mind and stirring up anything that is dirty in the lowest stratum of Irish life. O'Brien has informed him from Paris that the negotiations are ongoing and are likely to end satisfactorily. Croke, however, wonders why there can be any delay as the issue is simply 'Parnell or no Parnell'. If the negotiations go on much longer Croke will have to publicly express his views on the matter 'a thing which I am most unwilling to do so long as there is any real prospect of peace.' He is sorry to hear of Dr. Hassan's illness.

KIR/NC/1/1891/5 Item Holograph letter from Thomas Croke, Archbishop of Cashel, The Palace, Thurles to Dr. Kirby.

29 January [1891]

Eng. 4pp

Croke was pleased with Kirby's letter as it indicated the 'feeling in Rome in response to the Irish political crisis.' He is 'keeping up the steam' as well as he can and although he finds himself 'alone in the fray' the fight must go on. There can be no truce- Parnell must retire. The Boulogne conferences are doing a vast deal of injury, leaving the field wide open to Parnell who is gaining satisfactory results from it. The lower strata of society, 'cornerboys, blackguards of every hue, discontented labourers, lazy and drunken articles, aspiring politicians, Fenians, and in a word, all the irreligious and anticlerical scoundrels in the country' support him. However 'any thoughtful, intelligent, industrious and Christian man, is strenuously opposed to him.' He cautions Kirby to 'beware of the 'Freeman'. It is a tissue of lies' but commends the 'Examiner' and 'Herald' newspapers from Cork and the provincial papers for their stance. He sends greetings to Dr. Hassan.

KIR/NC/1/1891/6 Item Holograph letter from [unidentified novice], St. Augustine's Priory, Newton Abbott, South Devon.

8 February 1891

Eng. 4pp

The writer, [who is most likely a novice], asks her grandmother to send her a box containing silk for embroidery and a small statue which might be used for their devotion to Our Lady of Light. She recounts a story about St. Thomas of Canterbury and an apparition of Our Lady. [Final page of letter missing]

KIR/NC/1/1891/7 Item Wedding invitation to the marriage of Marchese Aymai Seyssel d'Aix and Alessandrina Smith-Dodsworth to Dr. Kirby 9 February 1891

3pp

Mentions Signora Goivanna Young and Cavaliere Federico Smith-Dodsworth.

Title / Date / Description

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KIR/NC/1/1891/8 Item Holograph letter from Patrick Moran, Archbishop of Sydney,

St. Mary's Cathedral, Sydney to Dr. Kirby

14 February 1891

Eng. 1p

Moran wishes to introduce Mr James Orr from Sydney who is passing through Rome with his family. While they are not Catholic they seek the honour of a Papal Audience.

KIR/NC/1/1891/9 Item Holograph receipt from Alphonsus Martella, Chiesa Parrocchiale di S. Lucia for Masses celebrated.

15 January 1891

Ital. 1p

Receipt for 13 masses celebrated for D.D. Kirbis [Kirby]

KIR/NC/1/1891/10 Item Holograph letter and printed material and envelope from Margaret O'Kavanagh and the Zion Erin Crusade of the Cross to Dr. Kirby. Includes printed brochures from the London Vegetarian Society

[postmark 20 March 1891]

Eng. 36pp

Includes handwritten list of daily rules for members of the society; printed copy of rules and letter from O'Kavanagh as presented to the Pope; printed ballad lauding the temperance work of the Erin Crusade; printed address by O'Kavanagh warning of 'lukewarm Temperance Folk'; printed copy of letter from O'Kavanagh, Nenagh to J.W. Meaden describing here journey and reception in Ireland; printed sermon of Canon Pope, Westland Row on the New Temperance Movement and postscript by O'Kavanagh noting that her 'Dear, Venerable Confessor, now in Heaven' will help her in her cause; printed letter from O'Kavanagh to the editor of the Alliance Record in which she argues in favour of vegetarianism; printed notice from the 'Catholic Times' reporting that O'Kavanagh has secured permission to establish a religious order; two printed pamphlets from the London Vegetarian Society entitled 'Vegetarianism. Claims the Sympathy and Consideration of all' and 'Hints to Beginners'. [10 items. Not all documents have been digitized]

KIR/NC/1/1891/11 Item Holograph letter from J Kieran Hyland, 8 Rue Balzae, Avenue des Champs Elysees, Paris to Dr. Kirby

22 February 1891

Eng. 2pp

Hyland requests information on the fees and duration of studies in the Irish College as he intends sending his son there. He recalls that he was married at the College by Cardinal Cullen during the Ecumenical Council. Two of his three sons intend to join the priesthood. He mentions that he is now living in France owing to the 'depreciation of landed property in Ireland'. Also mentions the deaths of his cousin Rev. Dr. Conroy and of Dr. Kieran the late Primate.

Title / Date / Description

Lang. / Extent

Ital. 1p

KIR/NC/1/1891/12 Item Holograph letter from Thomas Croke, Archbishop of Cashel, The Palace, Thurles to Dr. Kirby. Includes newspaper clipping.

<u>6 March [1891]</u> Eng. 3pp

Croke asks Kirby's advice, in strict confidence, concerning Dr. O'Dwyer. While the other members of the Irish Hierarchy are struggling against Parnell's leadership and striving to keep the people right as regards his unrepeated excesses, O'Dwyer has either ordered or discouraged his priests from mixing themselves up in the struggle. He asks Kirby to enquire in Propaganda about this line of action but not to mention his name. If approved of, he will lay down his arms and if not condemned, he fancies he must do the same. He has circulated the documents from Kirby to the suffragans. Includes a newspaper clipping [pasted to letter] in which it is reported that a petition against Parnell is being circulated to the priests of a certain diocese- it quotes Croke as saying that he would not force his priests to either denounce or support Parnell although he believes the latter to be impossible.

KIR/NC/1/1891/13 Item Holograph letter from Thomas Croke, Archbishop of Cashel, The Palace, Thurles to Dr. Kirby. Includes a newspaper clipping pasted by him to his letter.

7 March [1891] Eng. 1p

Croke has just learned from Fr Ronan, Head of the Jesuits in Limerick that Dr. O'Dwyer has forbidden his priests from agitation against Parnell- 'This is dreadful' and Propaganda should write to the bishop. He has written a letter to the new Catholic paper. Includes clipping from a Limerick newspaper entitled 'The Cause of the Country. Meeting at Rathkeale' reports on a meeting held to form a branch of the Irish National Federation by William Abraham MP and John Finucane MP. The report notes that Archdeacon Halpin was unable to attend due to the ban imposed by Dr. O'Dwyer.

KIR/NC/1/1891/14 Item Holograph letter from Thomas Croke, Archbishop of Cashel, The Palace, Thurles to Dr. Kirby.

13 March [1891] Eng. 1p

Croke believes that the 'more the Roman authorities reflect on our difficult situation here...between two fires, the more disposed will they be to take a favourable view of our sayings and doings.' He encloses shamrock for Kirby and Cardinal Simeoni to whom he will also write.

KIR/NC/1/1891/15

Item

Holograph card from Mon. Agostino Caprara to Dr. Kirby 22 March 1891

Capara offers Kirby 'la candela e la Polar a rome' in thanks.

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Lang. / Extent

Item

KIR/NC/1/1891/16 Holograph letter from Patrick Moran, Archbishop of Sydney,

St. Mary's Cathedral, Sydney to Dr. Kirby

6 April 1891 Eng. 1p

Moran wishes to introduce Mr R. S. Cannon, a Catholic who holds a respectable position in the Post Office Department. He will provide all the Australian news. He wishes to have a Papal Audience.

KIR/NC/1/1891/17

Holograph letter from Patrick Moran, Archbishop of Sydney,

St. Mary's Cathedral, Sydney to Dr. Kirby Item

> 10 April 1891 Eng. 1p

Moran wishes to introduce Very Rev. Dr. Sheridan OSB, a Sydney priest who was Vicar General under Dr. Vaughan. His health has been failing but it is hoped that a Papal Blessing will restore him.

KIR/NC/1/1891/18

Item

Holograph letter from Patrick Moran, Archbishop of Sydney,

St. Mary's Cathedral, Sydney to Dr. Kirby

19 April 1891 Eng. 1p

Moran wishes to introduce Mrs Murphy, an excellent Catholic who is making a homeward journey and will visit Rome. She wishes to have a Papal Audience.

KIR/NC/1/1891/19 Item

Printed wedding invitation for Romeo Massaruti and Maria Scifoni to be held on Via della Lupa, Rome

27 April 1891 Ital. 1p

Parents named as Gregorio Massaruti and Teresa Ferri and Teresa Colacicchi and Ved. Scifoni.

KIR/NC/1/1891/20 Item

Holograph letter from Patrick Moran, Archbishop of Sydney,

St. Mary's Cathedral, Sydney to Dr. Hassan

4 May 1891 Eng. 2pp

Moran encloses £50 to cover the transportation expenses of the portrait with the remainder to be put against his account. He has heard that Hassan is ailing due to the Roman climate and he invites him to teach theology in [Manly College] Sydney. There are 34 students at present. One of the new students is a convert, the son of Baronet Lechmere an Englishman. The papers are making a noise over the conversion as the boy had been specially assigned a Protestant minister to act as a tutor in order to prevent his conversion. The politicians are busy organizing a new constitution to form Australia into a Commonwealth. One of the best Catholic delegates has died. His name was Macrossan who was originally from Donegal. He recounts a story of how observant Macrossan was towards his religious duties.

KIR/NC/1/1891/21

Telegram from [unknown sender], Liverpool to Dr. Kirby,

13 March 1891 Item

> Telegram reads 'PRAY FOR PAUL CULLEN WHO DIED TODAY AT SEVEN'

Lang. / Extent

Item

KIR/NC/1/1891/22 Holograph letter from Thomas Croke, Archbishop of Cashel, The Palace, Thurles to Dr. Kirby.

> 14 June [1891] Eng. 2pp

Croke is not surprised that Kirby has resigned the Rectorship of the Irish College and is glad that he has decided to continue to reside in the college. He is certain that the Bishops will give their best attention to his wishes for the future when they meet in Maynooth. Croke assures him of his support - 'You have been my oldest and best friend, and ingratitude is not one of my failings.'

KIR/NC/1/1891/23 Item

Holograph letter from Patrick Moran, Archbishop of Sydney, St. Mary's Cathedral, Sydney to Dr. Kirby

22 June 1891 Eng. 1p

Moran sends the usual bank order for St. Susanna's feast- he would give the good nuns a great deal more but he is 'quite pinched for funds' due to ongoing building works. The Labour Party has been formed for the recent election and are so-far successful. Their aim is 'to protect the working man and to defend his rights in a constitutional manner.' Almost all the opponents of Catholic claims have been rejected and Catholics have been elected but as Catholics 'we have not much interest in the elections.' The new Parliament will have to devise the Confederation of the Australian colonies.

KIR/NC/1/1891/24 Item

Holograph letter from Patrick Moran, Archbishop of Sydney, St. Mary's Cathedral, Sydney to Dr. Kirby

29 June 1891 Eng. 2pp

Moran regrets the death of Dr. Hassan whose abilities gave promise of useful work in the cause of the Holy Church. He mentions a bank order for £50 recently sent to Hassan by him to pay college expenses. A portion of the Encyclical of the Holy Father on the Labour Ouestion has appeared in the English papers and Moran thinks that they should send him official copies of important documents like this before they are given to the newspapers. The late Government party is now in the minority following the general election- the new Labour party has won seats and the number of Catholics returned has increased. However these Catholic MPs can do little to improve the condition of [Catholic] schools- 'all that we want is that they will leave us alone.' There are 36 students in the Diocesan seminary. Dr. Murray of Maitland has recovered.

KIR/NC/1/1891/25 Item

Holograph note from Monsignor Ignazio Persico, Arcivescovo di Damiata Segretario della S.C. de Propaganda Fide to Dr.

1 July 1891 Ital. 2pp

Persico has just received Kirby's note but hasn't received a letter from the Bishop of Dunnedin regarding faculties.

Lang. / Extent

Eng. 3pp

KIR/NC/1/1891/26 Item

Printed letter from Sac. Michele Rua, 32 Via Cottolengo, Torino to Dr. Kirby

<u>July 1891</u> Ital. 4pp

Rua solicits support for the Cooperatori Salesiani founded by Don Bosco. He discusses missionary work conducted by the order and the Suore di Maria Ausiliatrice mentioning Africa, Patagonia, Terra del Fuoco, Argentina and Chile.

KIR/NC/1/1891/27 Item Holograph letter from 'A Cork priest', Cork addressed to 'My Lord'. Includes newspaper clipping from 'The Cork Herald' concerning Dr. Dillon of Rome.

13 July [1891] Eng. 4pp

The writer encloses the clipping which identifies Dillon, an heretofore anonymous correspondent from Rome and a Parnell supporter. He claims that Dillon is therefore the author of a Parnellite pamphlet calculated to give great scandal referring as it did to 'the immoral conduct of "several Cardinals who were afterwards elevated to the Papacy". As it is reported that the recipient lobbied for Dillon's promotion the writer now asks that Dillon be made take the steps to repair the scandal and let the public know that Parnell has no clerical support.

KIR/NC/1/1891/28

Item

Holograph letter from Denis Pettit, Archbishop's House, Dublin to [Dr. Kirby]

18 July 1891

Pettit encloses two cheques for £50 and £10 being dividends on General Stock and Great Northern Railway debentures. Messers McCain and [Unish] advise that he sell his American bonds. Archbishop [Walsh] is anxious to receive news of his appeal to Propaganda against the decree issued last year about the All Hallows College affair. He sends greetings to Fr Kelly.

KIR/NC/1/1891/29 Item Holograph letter from Domenico Zappi, 'Guardarobba in questo Colleggio Irlandese', Tivoli to [Dr. Kirby]

<u>26 July 1891</u> Ital. 4pp

Zappi wishes to draw attention to the work he carries out in drawing water for the college and the payment he receives. Includes calculations by [Kirby].

KIR/NC/1/1891/30 Item Handwritten appeal from the Sisters of Mercy, Convent of Mercy, Tuam, Co Galway soliciting funds.

<u>5 August 1891</u> Eng. 2pp

The nuns wish to build a chapel for their community. They have been promised a large donation from the Archbishop of Tuam. Kirby notes that he has sent them £3

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Item

Holograph letter from Patrick Moran, Archbishop of Sydney,

St. Mary's Cathedral, Sydney to Dr. Kirby

<u>13 August 1891</u> Eng. 1p

Moran wishes to introduce Rev. J F Fitzgerald, a worthy priest from Australia who wishes to visit the shrines of Rome and have an audience with the Pope while enroute back to Ireland.

KIR/NC/1/1891/32

Printed notices announcing the Jubilee of Don Francesco

Item <u>18 September 1891</u>

Ital. 2pp

Spezi celebrates his fiftieth anniversary.

KIR/NC/1/1891/33 Item Holograph letter from Thomas Croke, Archbishop of Cashel,

Ostende, Belgium to Dr. Kirby.

[undated, possibly 1889- out of sequence]

Eng. 1p

Croke is on holidays in Belgium and France. He asks Kirby when the next meeting of the Sacred Congregation will next take place at Propaganda as he has been informed by Cardinal Simeoni that the Waterford and Killaloe cases will be settled there. An outsider will be appointed to Waterford and it is believed that a Munster Bishop will be translated to it. [This letter appeared amongst the letters of 1891- The Bishops of Waterford and Killaloe died in June 1891. However the issue of both bishoprics also was discussed by Croke during 1889 and it is noted that he was also on a trip to

France and Belgium that year- see KIR/NC/1/1889/30]

KIR/NC/1/1891/34 Item Section of journal containing articles concerning the Papacy and Rome.

September 1891

Lat. Ital. 4pp

Includes letter from Pope Leo XIII to the Archbishop of Prague, the Archbishop of Cologne et al entitled 'Epistola de Prava Duellorum Consuetudine'. Also includes article entitled 'L'inazione degli italiani verso il Papato' [The actions of the Italians against the Papacy]. Also includes article entitled 'Il XXI anniversario del bombardamento di Roma' [The 21 anniversary of the shelling of Rome]

KIR/NC/1/1891/35 Item Printed invitation and appeal from The Poor Clares, Magazine Street and Henry Clay Avenue, New Orleans to Dr. Kirby.

18 October 1891

Eng. 2pp

The nuns invite Kirby to their opening of a new Chapel and Monestary in New Orleans by His Grace Most Reverend F Janssens. Includes a printed note on the history of the order in New Orleans and soliciting alms.

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KIR/NC/1/1891/36 Item

Printed wedding invitation to the marriage of Conte Nicola Revertera and Donna Olimpia Aldobrandini

<u>4 November 1891</u> Ital. 1p

Invitation comes from Conte Revertera-Salandra, Principe Aldobrandini and Principessa di Sarsina

KIR/NC/1/1891/37 Item Holograph letter from Patrick Moran, Archbishop of Sydney, St. Mary's Cathedral, Sydney to Dr. Kirby

9 November 1891

Eng. 2pp

Moran was delighted to hear that Fr Kelly has been nominated as the new Rector of the Irish College but is concerned that this appointment is only temporary. The people of Australia have been watchful of last month's news from Europe- the death of Parnell, the attacks on the pilgrims to Rome, the intolerable position that the Pope finds himself in. The loss of the Pope at this time would be irreparable. Catholicism in Australia is progressing- The bishops, clergy and people are in harmony; schools and institutions are being established; Irish-Australians are becoming nuns. The challenge is to keep pace with growing wants and developments of religion especially in the large cities. Mentions a donation of land and £2000 for the construction of a convent and insane asylum at Ryde, a centre of Orange fanaticism. Mentions the annual procession of the League of the Cross for the promotion of Temperance attended by 8000 children. They are about to have a meeting of the Australian Archbishops in Melbourne followed by the dedication of Ballarat Cathedral.

KIR/NC/1/1891/38 Item Printed circular from the 'Commissione Centrale Esecutiva' who are preparing for Pope Leo XIII's Jubilee in 1893

10 November 1891

Ital. 1p

Then committee set out a program of events including a grand pilgrimage to Rome in February 1893. Includes list of commission members headed by Monsignor Giacomo Radinin Tedeschi.

KIR/NC/1/1891/39 Item Holograph letter from Thomas Croke, Archbishop of Cashel, The Palace, Thurles to Dr. Kirby.

11 November [1891]

Eng. 3pp

The Cork election was a great success, strengthening the hand of the majority of the parliamentary party. However the lower stratum of Irish society, especially in the towns and cities, is disturbed and troublesome. Religious observances go on as usual and are very well attended, 'The Freeman's Journal', 'Waterford Press' and nearly all the Provincial papers are doing great good. However the 'Factionist' are to start a new daily journal in support of their views. However there is now no doubt as to the ultimate result. The Provincial Bishops put Dean Kinane at the top of the list for the See of Waterford-however nothing has been heard from Propaganda for over two months. He refers in passing to 'the Pope's beautiful encyclical.'

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KIR/NC/1/1891/40 Item Holograph letter from Patrick Moran, Archbishop of Sydney, St. Mary's Cathedral, Sydney to Dr. Kirby

30 November 1891

Eng. 1p

Moran encloses a letter from the Australian Bishops to the Pope which was written during the meeting which coincided with the consecration of the beautiful Cathedral of Ballarat. The Protestant Mayor and the municipality of Ballarat gave them a hearty welcome. They also laid the foundation stone for a Redemptorist Father's Monastery in the city and collected £1400. The Archbishop of Melbourne was ill due to the influenza epidemic but is quite well again. He will write soon to Propaganda.

KIR/NC/1/1891/41

Item

Request for prayers from the nuns of the Convent of Poor Clares, Kenmare, Kerry

December 1891

Eng. 2pp

The nuns ask for prayers for a Convent of Mercy, a Carmelite Convent, an Ursuline Convent and for two unnamed widows. Postscript reads 'For Orvieti'

KIR/NC/1/1891/42 Item Holograph letter from Thomas Croke, Archbishop of Cashel, The Palace, Thurles to Dr. Kirby.

22 December [1891]

Eng. 2pp

Fr Innocent Ryan has brought a copy of Kirby's 'Meditations' which Croke hopes will do great good. He is glad that Dean Kinane was not appointed to Waterford as he is of great use to Croke and is far and away the best missionary priest that he every witnessed in either hemisphere. Canon Sheehan of Cork, who has been appointed, is a good man but has yet to make his record. He enclose £10 and wishes Kirby a Happy Christmas.

KIR/NC/1/1892/1 Item Printed circular letter from Erede di Giuseppe Gavazzi, 'Cereria', Venezia

<u>1892</u> Lat. Ital. 3pp

Gavazzi wishes to advertise his candles which have been used in the Vatican. Includes printed letter of recommendation from Cardinal Dominicus Agostini. Includes version in Latin and in Italian.

KIR/NC/1/1892/2 Item Holograph letter from M A Mulcahy, [Paeeaskenry] to Miss J E Mulguire

9 January 1892

Eng. 6pp

Mulcahy describes in detail the funeral ceremonies held for Fr Bourke. She mentions the removal to the church followed by a daytime vigil and night vigil by Kilcooly, the funeral mass and burial ceremony attended by the Bishop and 32 priests. The Mass was also attended by many Protestants including Major Gloster, Mr McMahon, Major Mannsell and Messrs Morgan Westropp. She notes his burial spot within the church.

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KIR/NC/1/1892/3 Item Holograph letter from Thomas Croke, Archbishop of Cashel, The Palace, Thurles to Dr. Kirby.

12 January 1892

Eng. 2pp

Croke does not believe that Lord Salisbury has done any damage to him or to Dr. Walsh by his defamatory statement. He has actually given them credit for maintaining the cause of morality in Ireland against desperate odds by impeaching their allegiance to the Holy See. He therefore has no desire to quarrel with him. He will discuss the matter with Walsh in a few days.

KIR/NC/1/1892/4 Item Printed announcement of death of Cardinal Giovanni Simeoni, Prefect of Propaganda Fide

14 January 1892

Ital. 1p

KIR/NC/1/1892/5

Draft note from Dr. Kirby to be sent to S. Bernardirco

Item 18 January 1892

Ital. 1p

Kirby wishes the recipient to insert the provided line of text into a [book] he is preparing. The text is on a spiritual theme.

KIR/NC/1/1892/6 Item Holograph letter from Francesco De Federicus, [37 Piazza di S Pietro], Rome to [probably Dr. Kirby]

28 January 1892

Ital. 1p

Letter concerned with the publication 'La Gerarchia Cattolica Illustrata' and 'Il Diario Vaticano'. Mentions Monsignor Woodlock and a sum of 25 lire

KIR/NC/1/1892/7

Item

Holograph note from La M. Priora del Ven Monastero de S.S.

Domenico e Sisto, Via Panisperna, Rome to Dr. Kirby

The writer seeks prayers for the tormented community.

KIR/NC/1/1892/8 Item Holograph letter from Thomas Croke, Archbishop of Cashel, The Palace, Thurles to Dr. Kirby.

8 February [1892]

30 January 1892

Eng. 3pp

Ital. 2pp

Croke wishes to thank the Pope for his Apostolic Benediction, in his capacity as consecrating Prelate at the ceremonies in Waterford. Influenza is raging everywhere- there are in total thirteen nuns lying dangerously ill in two convents and the PP of Tipperary and his three curates have had attacks. However the epidemic seems to be on the decline. The weather is severe with snow on the ground.

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KIR/NC/1/1892/9 Item Holograph letter from F J MacCormack, Bishop of Galway, Mount St. Mary's, Galway to Dr. Kirby.

20 February 1892

Eng. 2pp

MacCormack expresses his approval of collections to be made to pay off the debt of a new building recently added to the Magdalen Asylum. 'And what work of mercy dearer to the "Good Shepherd" than that of receiving and redeeming the fallen creatures, that parade their profession of vice in the very streets, and frequent the haunts of infamy?'

KIR/NC/1/1892/10 Item Holograph letter from Dr. Kirby, The Irish College Rome to Mr Jennings

23 February 1892

Eng. 4pp

Kirby thanks Jennings for her gift of £200 to the college which he has given to the pro-Rector Fr. Kelly. He also thanks her for the 'Weekly Register' giving the Irish pedigree of 'the great Cardinal'. The influenza has been severely felt in Rome and in the convent of SS Domenico e Sisto seven died within three weeks. Mons. Boccali of the Vatican has also died. The Irish College has thus far been saved. He hope to see her again should she be able to come on pilgrimage.

KIR/NC/1/1892/11 Item Holograph letter from J Kieran Hyland, 8 Rue Balzae, Avenue des Champs Elysees, Paris to Dr. Kirby

26 February 1892

Eng. 1p

Hyland mentions that both of his sons can get the highest testimonials for studiousness and piety and that his eldest son is head of his class in Rhetoric. Includes envelope.

KIR/NC/1/1892/12 Item Printed letter announcing the death of Madame Anne Charlotte Cuillier Perron, Contesse Frederic de La Rochefoucauld

1 March 1892

Fr. 1p

Letter includes a list of her relatives including La Princesse de Sarsina, Don et Donna Salviati et al

KIR/NC/1/1892/13 Item Draft document by Dr. Kirby concerning the Confraternity of Our Lady of Light and Spouse of the Holy Ghost in the Chapel of Sclerder, Diocese of Plymouth.

8 March 1892

Eng. 10pp

Kirby offers advice on possible rules and regulations for this confraternity. He suggests an administrative structure and rules for electing officeholders; cautions against admitting members of secret societies or disreputable characters; suggests that prayer and observance of the Sacraments should be the first means used to attain objectives. Also includes a draft [petition] explaining the objectives of the confraternity.

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KIR/NC/1/1892/14 Item

Copy of Papal Brief concerning consecrated altars sent to the Bishop of Down and Connor by Dr. Kirby

12 March 1892

Lat. Eng. 1p

Document entitled 'Instructio pro adhibenda breviosi formula in consecratione altarium.' Kirby notes that this was copied from the original and sent to the bishop.

KIR/NC/1/1892/15 Item Certificate of Baptism of Catherine Aherne of the Parish of Youghal signed by D Keller PP, St. Mary's Church, Youghal

31 March 1892 Eng. 1p

Aherne was born on 5/8/1838, her parents were James Aherne and Ellen Lee and the sponsors were Michael O'Brien and Ellen Connell.

KIR/NC/1/1892/16 Item Holograph petition from Rev. Malachy O'Callaghan, Superior of the St. Vincent de Paul, Cork to the Pope.

30 March 1892

Lat. Eng. 4pp

O'Callaghan seeks indulgences for a novena and devotions to St. Patrick and encloses an oration in his honour. The oration invokes the saint to assist Ireland- to 'banish from her borders all deadly sins and scandals as thou didst banish the reptiles of old'; to deliver them from 'dissension and drink'; to preserve for the daughters of Erin 'the veil of modesty and safeguard of Ireland's purity in the past'; to teach devotion to the Immaculate Mother of God and resignation to the will of God. He also prays for 'our kindred in distant lands'. Also includes a hymn to St. Patrick

KIR/NC/1/1892/17 Item Copy of petition from Matthew Gibney, Bishop of Perth to the Pope. Copied by Dr. Kirby.

<u>7 April 1892</u> Ital. 2pp

Gibney appeals to the Holy See for aid as his diocese is in debt. He states that his diocese is over a million miles square and has a population of 60,000 with a quarter of these Catholic. He has erected schools and convents and has introduced a community of Trappists incurring debts of nearly £5000 sterling.

KIR/NC/1/1892/18 Item Printed documents from the Holy See concerning the case of schools in Faribault and Stillwater and Archbishop John Ireland of St. Paul's, [Minnesota]

21 and 30 April, 3 and 15 May 1892

Lat. 9pp

Includes a printed judgement of Propaganda from Archbishop Ignatius Tamiathen, Secretary; printed letter from Cardinal Lodochowski, Prefect to Archbishop Ireland; two printed circulars mentioning the Plenary Council of Baltimore, Cardinal Rampolla and the Archbishop of Baltimore from Lodochowski.

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KIR/NC/1/1892/19 Handwritten copy of letter from [Agnes Elive St. John,

Item <u>18 June 1892</u> Eng. 5pp

The writer has received a present of a calendar showing all the feast days of the Blessed Virgin. She has discovered two documents that show that the office of 'Our Lady of Light' has been accorded to one diocese by the Sacred Congregation of Rites on 9 July 1874. She has also found that a feast day to 'Our Lady of Light' is celebrated in Leon in Mexico where she is the patron and in New Spain.

KIR/NC/1/1892/20 Item

Handwritten copy of letter from Agnes Elive St. John, Sclerder, Dunloe, Cornwall, England.

18 June and 2 August 1892

Eng. 4pp

Identical to KIR/NC/1/1892/19 above concerning 'Our Lady of Light' but in different hand. Kirby adds a postscript noting the name of the sender.

KIR/NC/1/1892/21 Item Holograph letter from M Kelly, [Vice-Rector of the Irish College], Rathmines, Dublin to Dr. Kirby

<u>19 June 1892</u> Eng. 4pp

Kelly has received Kirby's note containing Dr. McGivern's letter and does not believe that the work of the Irish College will be upset by the bishops as all to whom he has spoken want to bring it 'to the highest degree of efficiency and credit.' Only Dr. Brownrigg, however, is prepared to set out the necessary propositions at the forthcoming meeting. McGivern's views may be 'of a negative character' and he may be opposed to a re-adjustment of the pension and the diocesan burses and is definitely opposed to building and repair work. [Headed paper bears crossed-out address 'House of Missions, Enniscorthy'].

KIR/NC/1/1892/22 Item Holograph letter from Patrick Moran, Archbishop of Sydney, St. Mary's Cathedral, Sydney to Dr. Kirby

<u>25 June 1892</u> Eng. 3pp

Moran believes that Kirby's book of Meditations will be of great use to his young Ecclesiastics. The ceremony to mark the first four students from Manly College to receive the Tonsure was carried out in the cathedral. Progress is being made and every week there is a ceremony for a new school, church or convent. He mentions that an old colonist named Fitzgibbon donated land and money for a church at Blacktown, 22 miles outside Sydney. A new orphanage called St. Aloysius's Home for Boys has been blessed today- they now have six orphanages that were needed to fend off the efforts of proselytizers. Moran has bought 'Duncraggan Hall' for the bargain price of £4700 in the heart of the Protestant district of Auburn- the Buchanans, a Scotch Presbyterian family were forced to sell due to financial problems- it will be used as a sanatorium and school by the Sisters of Charity. The Dominicans have secured a site at Strathfield in another suburb on which they will open a school.

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Item

Draft letters from Dr. Kirby to The Monsignor Maestro di Camera and draft to Signora Contessa.

15 September [1892 or 1872]

Ital. 2pp

Kirby requests a Papal Audience from Rev. John Hughes, an Irish Priest from New York

KIR/NC/1/1892/24 Item Handwritten petition from John O'Reilly, PP and Vicar General of the Diocese of Kilmore, Virginia, Co Cavan to the Pope

18 September 1892

Lat. 2pp

O'Reilly seeks faculties for fraternities and to bless religious items. Presented by Kirby

KIR/NC/1/1892/25 Item Holograph petition from James Lynch, Bishop of Kildare and Leighlin, Tullow to the Pope

12 December 1892

Lat. 2pp

Lynch seeks faculties required for the parish of Rhode.

KIR/NC/1/1892/26 Item Holograph letter from Thomas Croke, Archbishop of Cashel, The Palace, Thurles to Dr. Kirby.

28 December [1892]

Eng. 3pp

Croke states that the news of [Michael Logue] the Primate's promotion has taken everyone by surprise. It appeared to be a foregone conclusion that Ireland would get a 'hat' this time and 'that the man most fit to wear it and who deserved it best was no other than his Grace of Dublin.' Rome seems to glory in surprises and he had better say no more on this subject. He encloses a little donation to Kirby to relieve the stress of those around him. The schools are flourishing- 110 boarders in the college and 100 with the Ursulines. Canon Arthur Ryan had a touch of lumbago. Mr [Crowe] has returned and is said to be improving- he is too delicate to pursue his studies in Rome. He sends greeting to the President who is doing well by all accounts.

KIR/NC/1/1892/27 Item Printed pamphlet entitled 'Irish Pilgrimage to Rome' prepared by Rev W. M. J. Ring O.M.I., Secretary [of the Irish Pilgrimage Appeal], House of Retreat, Inchicore, Dublin.

[1892]

Eng. 3pp

Pamphlet deals with the proposed pilgrimage to Rome for the Pope's Episcopal Jubilee. It sets out the motives, objectives, organization, regulations, route, regulations for associates, benefits and privileges associated with the pilgrimage.

KIR/NC/1/1893/1 Item Telegram from Ring, Luzern to Cardinal Logue, Irish College Rome.

<u>1893</u> Eng. 2pp

Telegram reads 'ALL VVELL DELIGHTFUL VVEATHER MOST KINDLY RECEIVED EVERYVVHERE - RING' [sic]

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KIR/NC/1/1893/2 Item Printed passes to enter 'Sacrosanctae Basilicae Principis Apostolorum De Urbe' signed by N di Canzani

23 January 1893

Lat. 2pp

KIR/NC/1/1893/3 Item Holograph letter from P. J. Jennings, 8 Myddaltin Square, Pentonville, London to [Dr. Kirby]

5 February 1893

Eng. 6pp

Jennings has just recovered from an illness. Consequently he was too late in applying to Cook and Co who are arranging the English and Irish pilgrimages to Rome. As he may undertake the journey himself he is seeking accommodation- he is aware that the Irish College, his 'alma mater', will be full but he asks Fr Felly to try to find a room in a nearby Catholic house. He notes that he was a student between 1842 and 1846.

KIR/NC/1/1893/4 Item Holograph letter from Thomas Croke, Archbishop of Cashel, The Palace, Thurles to Dr. Kirby.

12 February 1893

Eng. 2pp

Croke wishes to introduce Mr William Mandiville Keane and Miss Keane of London, the nephew and niece of the late Dr. Keane of Cloyne and a 'particular friend' of his.

KIR/NC/1/1893/5 Item Holograph letter from J Lynch, [Bishop of Kildare and Leighlin], Tullow, Co Carlow to Dr. Kirby

13 February 1893

Eng. 4pp

Lynch is sorry to hear that Kirby was ill. He asks that Kirby or Fr Kelly obtain faculties for him. He hopes the Pope will be pleased to receive the Irish pilgrims and suggests that he might travel himself despite his age. The Home Rule question is coming on again but he has no hopes for the poor distressed country. The Pope made an excellent selection in Dr. Logue and he notes that Logue was under him in the Irish College Paris.

KIR/NC/1/1893/6 Item Printed poster outlining Lenten Regulations from Archbishop John MacEvilly to the Clergy and People of the Diocese of Tuam.

[February] 1893

Eng. 1p

Provides the regulations for fasting. Includes paragraph on temperance and mentions the pilgrimage to Rome for the Golden Episcopal Jubilee of the Pope and the enrolment of 'Associates' to the pilgrimage.

KIR/NC/1/1893/7 Item Holograph postcard from [], Sienna to Rev. Mother Philip, Little Company of Mary, 44 Via Sfoza ai Monti, Rome

24 March 1893

Eng. 2pp

Madame Viscent's [husband] is approaching death and she has called for the priest to anoint him.

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KIR/NC/1/1893/8 Item Holograph note from Giovanni Grolli, Prere della Missione, 10 Via Quirinale

<u>5 June 1893</u> Ital. 2pp

Grolli is permitted by the doctor to keep the appointment but he is recovering his strength.

KIR/NC/1/1893/9 Item Letter from [unknown writer], San Clementi addressed to a Bishop.

6 June [1893] Eng. 4pp

The writer notes that a 'Protest' has been signed by several English Catholics against the measure being discussed presently in the House of Commons. He wonders why they should do so from 'a religious point of view'- 'surely the Bishops of Ireland may be trusted to defend religion' in the future. He questions the Catholicity of the protestors and notes that English Catholics tend to belong to the Conservative Party of the Orangemen. Their objective is to portray the Home Rule movement as 'Revolutionary' and the leaders as men of doubtful Catholicity. [Letter missing ending]

KIR/NC/1/1893/10 Item Newspaper clipping of article entitled 'Address and presentation to His Holiness the Pope from the Diocese of Kildare and Leighlin'

<u>18 June 1893</u> Eng. 1p

Article includes text of memorial to the Pope from Bishop James Lynch to the Pope on the occasion of his Episcopal Jubilee. Includes text of letter from Kirby to Dr. Lynch in which he recounts how he presented the address and £785 to the Pope.

KIR/NC/1/1893/11 Item Holograph letter from Thomas Croke, Archbishop of Cashel, The Palace, Thurles to Dr. Kirby.

10 July [1893] Eng. 1p

Croke has forwarded the copies of the Encyclical to his suffragans. He hopes to meet with Cardinal Moran this week and is glad to hear that Kirby is well.

KIR/NC/1/1893/12 Item Holograph letter from Richard Jenery Shee, Arundel Gardens, Kensington Park to Dr. Kirby

<u>27 July 1893</u> Eng. 4pp

Shee offers to lecture on 'Voice-Delivery' at the Irish College. Mentions a recommendation from Count Rossetti, a pastoral of the Bishop of Rodez in the 'Catholic Times', his friend Monsignor Weathers the Auxiliary Bishop of Westminster, Archbishop Stonor and Monsignor Howlet the Private Secretary of the Cardinal Archbishop of Westminster. He outlines the objectives of the course which he hopes to also deliver to the English and Scots colleges in Rome. In a postscript it is noted that he could be offered a position.

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Eng. 1p

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Item

Newspaper clipping from the 'Freeman's Journal' including text of letter from Dr. Kirby to Rev. J Nolan CC.

Randalstown, Co Antrim

31 July 1893

Holograph note from Dr. Kirby, Irish College Rome to

Kirby gives an account of the presentation to the Pope of Nolan's book entitled 'The History of the Irish Pilgrimage to Rome'.

unidentified person Item

> 20 August 1893 Ital. 1p

Kirby expresses thanks for the book, prayers and charity of the intended

recipient.

Holograph letter from [MB], S. Teresa-Eden addressed to a KIR/NC/1/1893/15 Reverend Monsignor [probably Dr. Kirby] Item

> 28 August 1893 Ital. 4pp

The writer discusses her illness and her doctors advice and asks for prayers.

Holograph letter from Patrick Moran, Archbishop of Sydney, KIR/NC/1/1893/16 Braganza, Carlow to Dr. Kirby Item

> 30 August 1893 Eng. 4pp

Moran is thankful for having received permission not to revisit Rome on his way back to Sydney. The cholera in Rome makes such a visit impracticable as the quarantine regulations in Sydney are very strict. Fr Kelly, the President, has forwarded the usual amount to the nuns at Santa Susanna and Moran will mention the problem of the nun's altar [in his Titular Church] with Cardinal Bianchi. Having noticed Kirby's letter in the 'Irish Catholic' he mentions that this newspaper is now the organ of Mr Tim Healy. As the Irish members are unfortunately broken up into factions it is difficult to know which are most ready to go astray. He and Dr.

O'Haran are staying with the Coadjutor, Dr. Comerford.

KIR/NC/1/1893/17 Holograph letter from Thomas Croke, Archbishop of Cashel, The Palace, Thurles to Dr. Kirby. Item

> 2 September 1893 Eng. 1p

Croke requests faculties and notes that he is about to go on holidays.

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KIR/NC/1/1893/18 Item

Holograph letter from Denis F O'Haran, Archbishop's House, Dublin to [Dr. Kirby]

2 October 1893

Eng. 4pp

O'Haran states that quarantine regulations will not allow the party embark for Sydney from Naples- he regrets this as he had many favours to obtain in Rome which can only be done in person. Cardinal [Moran] has recovered his health and is able to say Mass every day-however one of his lungs is still very 'sluggish'. He was able to leave Moran in the care of Fr Kelly. Mentions examinations at Clonliffe, relics of St. Patrick and Oliver Plunket and his visit to Maynooth College where he notes that the ceremonies were fashioned more after the French than the Roman ceremonial. 'The Freeman's Journal' has 'gone to the dogs' and all the other papers are in the hands of factionists from either the National or Parnellite parties- there is no paper where a Catholic announcement can be made safely.

KIR/NC/1/1893/19

Printed lecture timetable entitled 'Conferenze serali e diurne che l'Accademia d'Arcadia terra nell'anno 1893-1894'.

[circa October 1893]

Ital. 1p

Table notes the lecturers, subjects and dates- subjects include geography, archaeology, science, history, medicine and Italian.

KIR/NC/1/1893/20

Holograph petition from Dr. Kirby to the Pope

Item

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9 December 1893

Ital. 1p

Kirby requests an Apostolic Benediction for the Bishop of Cloyne who is dying.

KIR/NC/1/1893/21

Handwritten petition from Dr. Kirby to the Pope

Item

13 and 16 December 1893

Ital. Lat. 2pp

Kirby seeks faculties for Rev. Dennehy, PP of Kanturk who has been elected Vicar Capitular following the death of the John [McCarthy], Bishop of Cloyne.

KIR/NC/1/1893/22 Holograph letter from [L S. Herthy]

Item

[undated but included amongst papers of 1893]

Eng. 4pp

The writer believes that the reason so many leading Irish public men are so badly instructed as Catholics is because there is no support for Catholic higher education in Ireland. The Bishops have sought University education, consistent with Catholic principles, but their efforts have been in vain-this is one argument in favour of Home Rule and a native Parliament.

[Incomplete - missing beginning of letter]

KIR/NC/1/1894/1

Handwritten petition from L. Cosgrave, a Franciscan to the

[circa 1894] Item

Lat. 1p

Cosgrave seeks a dispensation from his vow of obedience to allow him remain in the Diocese of Ferns. Rev. Dominic Synnott, Vicar General of Ferns gives his consent for this.

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KIR/NC/1/1894/2 Item Holograph letter from L Gillooly, [Bishop of Elphin], Sligo to Dr. Kirby.

3 January 1894

Eng. 1p

Gillooly asks Kirby to use his influence at Propaganda to have the Bull for Dr. Clancy forwarded without delay. If the Bull is not received quickly there will be delays in the appointment of Lecturers and the classes of over 200 pupils will be disrupted.

KIR/NC/1/1894/3 Item Holograph letter from Bernard O'Reilly, Bishop of Liverpool, Bishop's House Liverpool to Dr. Kirby.

13 January 1894

Eng. 2pp

O'Reilly wishes to introduce Mrs Ellis who, while not a Catholic, wishes to visit the churches and shrines of Rome and if possible have an Audience with the Pope.

KIR/NC/1/1894/4 Item Holograph letter from Bartholomew Woodlock, Bishop of Ardagh, Longford to Dr. Kirby.

20 January 1894

Eng. 4pp

Woodlock is unable to attend the solemn conclusion of the Jubilee year in February in Rome. He must attend a meeting of provincial bishops to discuss the candidates for the Clogher Diocese and also must be in Longford on Passion Sunday- he hopes to travel after Easter. He praises the new Abbot of Mount Melleray, Fr Carthage Delany. He asks for faculties regarding his mensal parishes including Ballymahon. He will write to Fr Kelly regarding some money matters.

KIR/NC/1/1894/5 Item Holograph letter from Bartholomew Woodlock, Bishop of Ardagh, Longford to Dr. Kirby.

2 February 1894

Eng. 3pp

Woodlock asks Kirby to have the renewal of his faculties rectified regarding his mensal parishes of Longford, St. Mary's, Athlone and Ballymahon. He will offer prayers for Kirby, Mgr Kelly, Mr Newman and the students on St. Agatha's Day. He will attend a provincial meeting to discuss the candidates for Clogher on the 13th. His niece, Lady Martin, the daughter of the late Sir Dominic Corrigan, will travel to Rome with her husband Sir Richard Martin - they hope to meet Cardinal Persico, whom they met in Dublin.

KIR/NC/1/1894/6 Item Holograph letter from R Sheehan, [Bishop of Waterford]. Bishop's House Waterford [to Dr. Kirby].

10 March 1894

Eng. 3pp

Sheehan wishes to introduce Dr. Arthur Sandford of St. Patrick's Place, Cork. This eminent Cork Physician, who is visiting Rome on professional business, is a friend of religion and religious institutions. Includes Sandford's calling card.

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KIR/NC/1/1894/7 Item Holograph letter from Margaret Cullen, Lenaghmore, [] Liverpool to [Dr. Kirby].

5 April 1894

Cullen thanks Kirby for the Roman palm and is pleased that he is well. She notes that the 'trust interest is due in July' and she will forward it-Monsignor Kelly has been very kind in this matter. Dr. O'Reilly, their bishop, is so ill that he will be unable to take part in the government of the diocese. Cardinal Vaughan is coming to the north on a visit next month. St. Joseph's Tridum was well attended. [Note by recipient refers to Russian government stocks]

KIR/NC/1/1894/8 Item Handwritten list entitled 'Giorni che Monsignor Kerby dice La Santa Messa non trovandosi troppo bene di salute...'

<u>April 1894</u> Ital. 1p

List of dates from January to April when Kirby said or was unable to say Mass. [Not in Kirby's hand]

KIR/NC/1/1894/9 Item Printed appeal for funds from Hugh MacDonald, Bishop of Aberdeen.

<u>5 May 1894</u> Eng. 2pp

MacDonald appeals to Irish Catholics throughout the world in the name of St. Patrick, St. Columba and other Irish Saints for funds to help build a church in the town of Fraserburgh. This town is populated by Protestant Lowlanders but every summer Gaelic Crofter Fishermen and Girls from the Catholic Islands of Barra and South Uist arrive there to fish herring. These Catholic Highlanders need protection from the vices of the public houses and bright lights of the town and require a church and Priest's house.

KIR/NC/1/1894/10 Holograph letter from [Guialdo Auges], The Vatican to Dr.

Ital. 2pp

Cardinal Logue has been granted faculties to give the Papal Blessing after the Pontifical Mass at the opening of a new church in Limerick.

KIR/NC/1/1894/11 Printed card announcing the death of Teresa Colacicicchi Ved. Item Scifoni, Rome.

28 June 1894 Ital. 1p

The funeral is to be held in S. Lorenzo in Lucina.

KIR/NC/1/1894/12 Holograph receipt from Oreste Garroni, Bookseller and

Item Stationer, Via Nazionale, Rome

<u>7 July 1894</u> Ital. 1p

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KIR/NC/1/1894/13 Holograph letter from Alice Murphy, Clifton, Cork to Dr.

Item <u>24 July 1894</u> Eng. 3pp

Murphy thanks Kirby for the supply of his 'sweet little book' which she has distributed to the Archdeacon, priests and nuns. She hopes he will meet Fr Bernard Capuchin, a good friend of hers who is travelling to Rome for

the first time having secured permission from the Bishop.

KIR/NC/1/1894/14 Holograph postcard from [Benedica] to Dr. Kirby

Ital. 2pp

The writer asks for prayers for a 16 year old girl and her mother.

KIR/NC/1/1894/15 Holograph letter from D Kepple C.C., Glenview Cottage,

Item Meelin, Newmarket, Co Cork to [Dr. Kirby]

<u>30 August 1894</u> Eng. 2pp

Kepple thanks Kirby for the beads, pictures and his book of meditations. He remarks that his parish of Meelin is the same parish to which Kirby's first cousin, Fr Ivors, was stationed. Mellin is 'the most disturbed parish in the diocese' and he would like to leave it quietly as soon as possible. 'It was

not sister de Sales but another sister.'

KIR/NC/1/1894/16 Printed mass card for Maria Matilda Fowler, 9 Beresford

Item Street, Waterford

<u>5 October 1894</u> Eng. 2pp

Fowler died aged 68

KIR/NC/1/1894/17 Holograph letter from Alice M Murphy, Clifton, Cork to Dr.

Item Kirby

23 October 1894 Eng. 3pp

Murphy recommends Fr Bernard Capuchin of Holy Trinity, Cork who is travelling to Rome. He is also a great friend of Bishop O'Callaghan. She praises Kirby's book. The Bishop has just returned from Malta via Lourdes.

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KIR/NC/1/1894/18 Item Holograph letter from Thomas Croke, Archbishop of Cashel, The Palace, Thurles to Dr. Kirby.

29 October [1894]

Eng. 4pp

Croke notes that the college and convents are flourishing although the prospects of the country are not satisfactory due to poor crops and poor prices. The potato crop is said to have failed in Connaught. He comments on their recent mission which was delivered to men only. He notes that although the people in different places differ sharply on politics they were never better or more observant with regards to religion. As he is now over 70 he will ask for an exemption from the Ad Limina trip to Rome. The newly consecrated Dr. Brown has been granted 10 dispensations for second degree cousins but 'I, now a bishop nearly 25 years, have been twice refused them. What is the meaning of this?' Cardinal Ledochowski has written to the Irish Bishops asking them to favour the Irish College Rome where possible- however it is hard to ask young men to decline a free place in Maynooth and travel to Rome at great expense and with a risk to their health. They therefore could not entice any of their promising students to travel to Rome this year. Monsignor Kelly appeared before the Bishops at Maynooth but failed to produce any great effect.

KIR/NC/1/1894/19 Item Printed advertisement for a 'Guida Commerciale Annua di Roma e Provincia' from Tito Monaci, Piazza Venezia, Rome

October 1894

Ital. 1p

Advertisement for a commercial guide in Rome.

KIR/NC/1/1894/20 Item Printed lecture timetable entitled 'Conferenze serali e diurne che l'Accademia d'Arcadia terra nell'anno 1894-1895'.

[circa October 1894]

Ital. 1p

Table notes the lecturers, subjects and dates.

KIR/NC/1/1893/21 Item Printed letter from Archbishop Larissern, Propaganda Fide to the Sisters of Mercy of Clonakilty in the Diocese of Ross.

6 November 1894

Lat. 2pp

Following an audience with the Pope. Masses will be offered for the sisters and the poor-house in the diocese.

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KIR/NC/1/1893/22 Holograph letter from Bartholomew Woodlock, Bishop of Ardagh, Longford to Dr. Kirby

7 November 1894

Eng. 2pp

Woodlock seeks permission for Canon Terence Martin, PP and Jesuit, to wear a wig during Mass - his doctor recommends this in order that he may alleviate the 'dangerous consequences of cold to his head'. Woodlock recommends Canon Joseph Hoare as his replacement- this is also the choice of the parish priests. He asks Kirby to use his discretion and inform the Cardinal Prefect. He intends to return to All Hallows College where he began his ministry and assist there as far as his health permits. He thanks Monsignor Kelly for his letter acknowledging the Peter's Pence and mentions faculties for Dean Monaghan and Hoare.

KIR/NC/1/1893/23

Holograph letter from Maria Eletta Prina Abba Tessa, S.

Bernardino da Liena to [Dr. Kirby]

17 November 1894

Ital. 1p

The writer seeks charity from Kirby as a old benefactor of the monastery. Kirby notes that he gave £20

KIR/NC/1/1893/24

Printed announcement from members of Il Comitato

Item

Item

Parrocchiale di S. Pietro in Vaticano. Unione Cattolica Italiana. Rome

22 November 1894

Ital. 1p

The committee solicit offerings for a Funeral Mass to honour Suor Agostina. Members of the committee include Angelo Coletti, Ippollito Onesti, Adriano Pierconti and Pio Carlotti. Kirby notes that he offered them £5.

KIR/NC/1/1893/25 Item

Holograph letter from M. Francesca di S. Chiara, Abbadessa,

Rome to Dr. Kirby

7 December 1894

Ital. 2pp

The writer reports that she has received £20 from Kirby through Signora Silvia Piauntino and discusses religious and financial matters.

KIR/NC/1/1893/26 Item

Holograph letter from Mrs Hutchinson, 14 Piazza Barberini to Dr. Kirby

27 December 1894

Eng. 3pp

Hutchinson thanks Kirby for the statue he gave [her daughter] Fanny.

KIR/NC/1/1893/27

Holograph note from Belinda Del Rosso, Arezzo to Dr. Kirby

28 December 1894 Item

Ital. 1p

Del Rossa wishes Kirby a good new year and asks for his blessing.

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KIR/NC/1/1894/28 Item Holograph letter from Patrick Moran, Archbishop of Sydney,

St. Mary's Cathedral, Sydney to Dr. Kirby

31 December 1894

Eng. 4pp

Moran wishes to dispel reports that his heath is in danger - he had a bout of influenza in August but is well again. In order to show how well he is, he recounts that yesterday he said Parochial Mass in the Cathedral, preached at High Mass in Concord and installed a pastor, presided and spoke at a public meeting and blessed a foundation stone for a school-church at Mortlake and finally presided at Vespers at the Cathedral. The church-school will be debt free when completed- such humble buildings are used in poorer districts in Australia as a temporary measure. Rev. Dr. Burke has just arrived and he has placed him under the care of his Vicar General.

KIR/NC/1/1894/29 Handw

Handwritten list of donations to charity during 1894

Item December 1894

Ital. 1p

List entitled 'Elargizioni fatte in elemosina durante l'Anno 1894' and includes commodities such as bread, meat, soup as well as money.

KIR/NC/1/1894/30

Printed page extracted from a bookseller's catalogue.

Item [circa 1894]

Eng. Lat 2pp

Includes list of ecclesiastical books with reviews including a book by Th. Granderath entitled 'Constitutiones dogmaticae sacrosancti oecumenici Concilii Vaticani', 'which deals with the definition of Papal Infallibility, and Cardinal Cullen's share in wording the definition.'

KIR/NC/1/1895/1 Item Holograph letter from Thomas Croke, Archbishop of Cashel, The Palace, Thurles to Dr. Kirby.

2 January 1895

Eng. 3pp

Croke encloses some money which may be of use to Kirby when relieving the poor at this time of year. He requests a renewal of faculties and dispensations which Monsignor Kelly might be asked to undertake. He expresses thanks for the 'photo' of the Holy Family. Includes envelope.

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KIR/NC/1/1895/2 Item Holograph letter from M. Patrick Cosgrave, The Hospital, Salisbury, Mashonaland, South Africa to Dr. Kirby

18 February 1895

Eng. 12pp

Cosgrave thanks Kirby for the oil-painting and blessed beads that he has sent to her community. As they are unknown to him she points out that, although she is Irish, she is a Dominican connected to the German Foundation from Augsburg and not an Irish Sister of Mercy. The role of their convent in Bechuanaland is to nurse the sick while others are engaged in teaching. She provides details of the different branches, convents, structures and nationalities of Dominican and Sisters of Mercy in South Africa. She mentions that the Jesuits were obliged to leave Natabeleland after trying in vain for nine years to convert the natives whose King, laws and customs were 'against them and civilization of any kind.' She offers a detailed eyewitness account of the British South Africa Company's expedition into Nashonaland- she and three others acted as medical-sisters to the troops who mainly suffered from fever. They are replacing the huts with a brick hospital, where they will nurse both white and black patients in separate wards, and will build a small school for 24 white children. She mentions Fr Deignault the former Superior of the Jesuit Fathers; Mr Cecil Rhodes the Chief Director of the Chartered Company; Sir Henry Lock the Governor of the Colony; Fr H.S. Kerr the current Jesuit Superior and Fr P Prestage. Includes envelope.

KIR/NC/1/1895/3 Item Two letters from [Mrs Lakeny], Morristown, New Jersey to Dr. Kirby

[undated-possibly circa 1895]

Eng. 6pp

The writer wishes to introduce Mrs Mary Richardson, a friend of hers who is travelling to Rome with her family. She recalls Kirby's kindness to her when she visited Rome many years before. She reminds him of her long acquaintance with Kirby's brother's family at Stonington- the sisters Mary, Ellen and Martha.

KIR/NC/1/1895/4 Item Holograph letter from [M. C. J. Rieed], St. Gabriel's Convent, Lawrence to her uncle [possibly Dr. Kirby]

[undated-possibly circa 1895]

Eng. 4pp

The writer thanks her uncle for talking such an interest in young Mr J Delaney. His mother is like a mother to her. She thanks him for the crosses of palm, the holy pictures and the little books that he sent the sisters. She mentions Sr. M Jordan, or Fannie Cosgrave, who is one of the Beaumont novices; the 'American cousins'; Mary Brennan; Father O'Neill. The children are to give a musical and drama concert for the public.

KIR/NC/2 Sub Series Kirby drafts, petitions and miscellaneous material 1841-1894

524 items

Eng. Ital. Lat. Lirby.

Holograph drafts, copies and returned letters from Kirby. Includes petitions drafted by Kirby with responses from Vatican officials. Also includes a small number of drafts in other hands [including possible undated and unsigned drafts by Dr. Cullen]

KIR/NC/2/1841/1 Item Booklet containing holographic draft letters and notes from Dr. Kirby including complete draft letter to Rev. T. Matthew.

1841-1842

Eng. Ital. 24pp

Includes draft letters to the following:

Rev. T. Matthew. 17 Dec. 1841. Kirby recounts an interview with the Pope during which both he and Cullen presented a gold medal from Matthew. The Pope expressed surprise with the concept of total abstinence as opposed to moderation and, despite Cullen's explanation, stated that he himself would not be willing to make such a promise. Kirby furthermore draws attention to some of Matthew's exaggerating language, in particular providing Biblical evidence that counters his claim of 'the Almighty not having himself made any intoxicating drinks'.

M. O'F. 3 Jan. 1842. Sends New Years greetings and asks for prayers.

The Mother of MacAuley. Wrote concerning her son at the college.

Rev. Dr. Foran. 7 Jan. 1842. Has transmitted the indulgences from the Pope to Rev. Mr [Croke]. Mentions how an Englishman, The Archbishop of Salsbury is to be made Cardinal. Dr. Polding has arrived - reports account of Australia. Fr Foley on the foreign missions received letter of support from the Cardinal Prefect. Account of the annual Academy at the Propaganda noting the Irish, black and Chinese students. Waterford students performing well.

Mrs. Meagher. 2 Feb. 1842. He believes that he can secure a place for a boy in S. [Michel's] in Rome where he can learn a trade. Recounts the story of the conversion of a rich young Jew from Strasbourg in Rome. [Abbess Clonmel] Having heard of the recipient's illness Kirby provides spiritual guidance.

Dr. Cantwell. Reference to Ireland's noble title as Catholic. Kate. Account of religious celebration in honour of St. Agatha including spiritual guidance and description of her church in Rome.

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M.C. Happy to inform that the health of the recipient's brother, Doctor C is improved thanks to the mild winter. Suggests that he return to Ireland in summer to escape the heat. Pope has declared a Jubilee. Celebration of feast of St. Agatha with description of the church.

Draft letter dealing with the subject of a painting of the Madonna which has not yet been completed.

KIR/NC/2/1843/1 Item Holograph letter from Dr. Kirby, Irish College to Rev. Brother Joseph Murphy, Mount Sion, Waterford

<u>5 May 1845</u> Eng. 4pp

Following conversations with the Secretary and Cardinal Prefect of Propaganda, Kirby can assure Murphy that there are no plans to interfere with the discipline of the Christian Brothers institute. He will send an authenticated copy of the Pope's brief. He advises them to make publicly known their resolve to leave England rather than have their institute dismembered there. Cullen is in Liverpool and would be happy to hear and help the Brothers. [Letter posted]

KIR/NC/2/1847/1

Draft letter from [Dr. Cullen].

Item

[circa 1847]

Ital. 1p

[Cullen] wishes to expresses thanks to the Pope for the gift of six thousand pounds to aid those suffering from Famine in Ireland

KIR/NC/2/1847/2

Draft letter from [Dr. Cullen].

Item

[circa 1847]

Ital. 3pp

[Cullen] describes in general terms the cause of the famine in Ireland and its effects. Mentions Papal concern and efforts to collect money in Rome.

KIR/NC/2/1847/3 Item Draft letter from Dr. Kirby [and Dr. Cullen], Irish College to Captain Pakenham, 20 Piazza Spagna

15 January 1847

Eng. 2pp

Kirby reports that the Pope has directed Cardinal Fransoni of Propaganda to take charge of the general appeal in Rome for the suffering Irish. The Pope has also donated \$1000, a considerable sum given his difficulties and the recent floods in the city. Notes Pakenham's labours in this cause. [Two versions of letter- one possibly by Cullen]

KIR/NC/2/1847/4 Item Draft note from [Dr. Cullen] to Achille Rinaldini, Minutanta di Propaganda.

[circa 1847] Ital. 2pp

[Cullen] writes concerning the collection being made in Rome for the poor in Ireland which is being sent by Cardinal Fransoni to the Bishops of Ireland. Mentions the Bishop of Veroli and a sum of £100 that was located by Fransoni

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KIR/NC/2/1847/5 Item Draft account by [possibly Dr. Kirby] of endeavours to raise money in Rome for the distress in Ireland

[circa 1847] Eng. 9pp

Includes account of the Papal donation of 1000 lire and the indulgences offered to those contributing to the relief. Recounts in detail a sermon delivered by Fr Ventura at St. Andrews on the subject of relief for the Catholic Irish mentioning the piety of returning Irish soldiers that he witnessed in Sicily and the importance of Irish missionaries abroad. Reports on the effects that this sermon had on contributions.

KIR/NC/2/1847/6

Draft letter from [Dr. Cullen] addressed to an unidentified

Item [circa 1847]

Ital. 2pp

[Cullen] acknowledges the receipt of money from the Holy See destined for Famine relief in Ireland which will be divided amongst the four archbishops.

KIR/NC/2/1847/7

Draft letter from Dr. Kirby, Irish College Rome.

Item 29 July 1847

Eng. 1p

Kirby requests a passport for Rev. Matthew Quinn who is to return to Ireland having finished his studies.

KIR/NC/2/1848/1 Item Draft letter from Dr. Cullen, 'Rettore della Chiesa di S. Agata' to Cardinal Patrizi

11 January 1848

Ital. 4pp

Cullen apologies for the delay in responding caused by his absence from Rome. Responds to a query concerning Masses at the Church of St. Agatha's belonging to the Irish College.

KIR/NC/2/1848/2

Draft letter from Dr. Kirby, Irish College to Monsignor

Item

18 February 1848

Ital. 3pp

Kirby writes concerning slander being spread against the clergy. Refers to a letter from the Archbishop of Tuam [Dr. MacHale] to Propaganda - MacHale has not received communication from Rome and has written in general about the situation. A letter from Propaganda to the other three Archbishops was published.

KIR/NC/2/1848/3 Item Draft commentary [possibly by Dr. Kirby] on the Colleges' Bill entitled 'The Corrected Statutes'.

[circa September 1848]

Eng. 4pp

The article notes that the amended statutes do not remove the difficulties that the Catholics of Ireland have with the Colleges' Bill. It details the objections citing relevant passages from the legislation. The writer wonders at and regrets that any Catholic ecclesiastic has been deceived enough as to petition Rome for the approval of the bill.

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KIR/NC/2/1849/1 Item

Draft document entitled 'Carti di Pentenzaia' from [possibly

Dr. Cullen].

23 March 1849 Lat. 2pp

[Document outlines a judgement against a cleric and the necessary steps needed to stop his rebellion and rectify his standing with the Holy See.]

KIR/NC/2/1849/2 Item

Draft list of formal complaints against the 'Impiegati del legitimo Governo Pontifico' with responses from the Holy See.

[circa 1849] Ital. 1p

Mentions the failure to adhere to 'la Costituente'

KIR/NC/2/1850/1

Draft letter from Dr. Kirby, Irish College Rome to a bishop.

14 January 1850 Item

Eng. 2pp

Kirby seeks the baptism certificate of Ellen Dwyer, who was born in Islington in January 1835 as she requires it to receive her First Communion. Mentions the clergyman in Islington as being Rev. McGivern and that the child's mother works for the Princess Borghese. Refers to the wicked folly of the Romans in staging a revolt against the Pope.

KIR/NC/2/1850/2

Draft letter from Dr. Kirby

[circa January 1850] Item

Eng. 2pp

Kirby will send a relic of the True Cross to the intended recipient in the hope that it will restore a lady back to health. 'His Grace', Dr. Cullen has just left Rome and Kirby is taking over his Roman responsibilities. Includes spiritual guidance.

KIR/NC/2/1851/1

Draft letter from [Dr. Kirby] to [the Cardinal Vicario]

Item

3 March 1851 Ital. 2pp

Kirby recommends Fr Russell as a preacher for the Epiphany at S. Andrea mentioning his ability to preach in English.

KIR/NC/2/1851/2 Item

Draft petition from Dr. Kirby to the Pope. Includes letter from Daniel Murray, Archbishop of Dublin

15 November 1851

Lat. 3pp

Concerns Thomas McNamara, priest and superior of The St. Vincent de Paul order in Dublin and connected to St. Peter the Apostles,

Phibsborough- seeking indulgences. Includes letter from Daniel Murray, Archbishop of Dublin in which he mentions the erection of a religious building and a school for the poor at St. Peters. Reverse note by Kirby

states that the petition was 'not executed'.

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KIR/NC/2/1852/ 1 Draft letter from Dr. Kirby to Cardinal Titolare

Item <u>22 June 1852</u> Ital. 2pp

Kirby submits to the Cardinal a pastoral letter from Dr. Cullen as published in the Osservatri Romano on the 24 May, concerning secret societies and insubordination to authority.

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KIR/NC/2/1852/2 Copy of reply from the Holy See to Dr. Cullen, Archbishop of Dublin.

15 December 1852 Lat. 1p

Letter granting faculties to Cullen including letters of discharge for Dr. William Todd, formally of Dublin diocese who finished studying in Rome.

KIR/NC/2/1853/1 Draft copies of documents from 1844 and 1853 by Dr. Kirby.

Item 21 July 1844 and 5 June 1853 Lat. 2pp

Documents list faculties and dispensations granted to the Bishop of Elphin.

KIR/NC/2/1853/2 Draft petition from Dr. Kirby to Monsignor Barnabo

Ital. 1p

Kirby writes on behalf of Monsignor Browne, Bishop of Elphin who submits himself to Monsignor Barnabo and requests faculties which will remove his agitation.

KIR/NC/2/1853/3 Draft petition from Dr. Kirby to the Holy See

Item <u>23 July 1853</u> Lat. 1p

Kirby writes on behalf of Fr David O'Leary, PP of Churchtown in the Diocese of Cloyne who requests faculties to give absolution in a case.

KIR/NC/2/1853/4 Draft letter from Dr. Kirby, Tivoli to Mary Staniolans

Item 20 September 1853 Eng. 3pp

Kirby sends an Agnus Deis which he hopes will please 'the poor people who emigrate'. He offers spiritual guidance to her to comfort her in her illness. Sends regards to Rev. Mother, Dr. Coghlan and Fr Burke. In a postscript he notes that the intended recipient died.

KIR/NC/2/1853/5 Draft letter from Kirby to a bishop [possibly Dr. Keane]

Item 12 November 1853 Eng. 2pp

Kirby suggests the bishop should continue with his journey to Rome as this will be of interest to religion and will please the Pope. He notes that the bishop was in the company of Dr. Cullen in France but that the latter was forced to return to Dublin due to illness. [Dr. Keane is possibly the

intended recipient]

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KIR/NC/2/1853/6

Draft letter from Kirby to a bishop

Item

14 November 1853

Eng. 2pp

Kirby states that Mrs Luby has miscalculated the amount owing to her but knows that a lady of her high honour need only be reminded of the facts, which he gives, for the mistake to be rectified. Describes the ceremony to beatify Blessed John de Grande in St. Peter's.

KIR/NC/2/1853/7

Draft petition from Kirby addressed to Monsignor Barnabo

Item

27 November 1853

Ital. 3pp

Kirby discusses a marriage case submitted to him by an unidentified bishop stating that he does not believe the promise of one of the parties to become a Catholic should be trusted.

KIR/NC/2/1854/1

Draft letter from Dr. Kirby to Dr. Browne, Bishop of Elphin

Item

14 February 1854

Eng. 3pp

Kirby refers to the bishop's two requests. Propaganda will not consider the first in the present circumstances which is painful given the bishop's difficulties since returning to Sligo. In response to the bishop's plea for advice, Kirby suggests that he again tender his resignation to the Pope as the appointment of a coadjutor could not sufficiently release him from his present difficulties.

KIR/NC/2/1854/2

Draft letter from Dr. Kirby [to Dr. Denvir]

Item

14 May 1854

Ital. 2pp

Kirby has written to Bishop Denvir of Down and Connor informing him that the Holy See is not pleased that he has not responded to their letter. Mentions Dr. Dixon and Dr. Cullen. Kirby notes that he sent the 'substance' of the letter to the Pope.

KIR/NC/2/1854/3

Draft letter from Dr. Kirby to Dr. MacHale, Archbishop of

Item

19 May 1854

Eng. 3pp

Dr. Forde will have informed MacHale of the lecture he received from he Pope on the necessity of preserving a spirit of union and concord in the community [at the Irish College Paris] which requires respect and subordination to the President. Gives an account of the beatification of Blessed Germaine Cousin. In a postscript Kirby writes- 'Sent to Paris thro' Dr. Miley who thought more prudent not to give it, at the time.'

KIR/NC/2/1854/4 Item

Copy of letter sent on behalf of Angelo Barchati by Dr. Kirby

to Signore Lepri, President del Rioni di Monti

3 August 1854 Ital. 2pp

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KIR/NC/2/1854/5 Item Draft report from [Dr. Cullen], Irish College to Monsignor Barnabo, Propaganda Fide.

25 November 1854

Ital. 24pp

[Cullen] in this lengthy report responds to the recipients letter dated the 18 October. He wishes to present to Propaganda his observations on the provincial synods held in Tuam and Armagh in May and August. [Archivist's note- Cullen was visiting Rome at this time]

KIR/NC/2/1854/6

Draft notes by [Dr. Kirby or Dr. Cullen]

Item

[1854]

Ital. 4pp

The notes deal with regulations governing chapters under three headings - the number of cannons, their station or rank and the official dress of the cannons. Discusses the regulations contained in the Decree XXII.

KIR/NC/2/1854/7 Item Draft letter from Dr. Kirby to Rev. Dr. McNally, Bishop of Clogher, Irish College Paris

undated [probably 1854]

Eng. 3pp

Kirby thanks McNally for his letter of the 18th and urges him to visit Rome for the dogmatic definition of the Immaculate Conception. He mentions that the three archbishops and Dr. Murphy of Cloyne have already arrived.

KIR/NC/2/1856/1 Item Draft petition from James Murray, Bishop of Maitland to the Pope and on reverse a draft note on Freemasonry [probably in Dr. Cullen's hand]

23 January 1856

Lat. Ital. 2pp

Murray seeks an renewal of his faculties. [Cullen] discusses the freemason's sect in England which he believes is the model for masons throughout the world. He believes that Lord Palmerston is their head in England, that the masons are the cause of revolution in Italy and that this was the reason for Lord Minto's journey to Italy in 1847.

KIR/NC/2/1856/2 Item Draft copy [in Kirby's hand] of a letter from Bishop Walsh of Ossory to Monsignor Barnabo of Propaganda Fide.

30 May 1856

Ital. 20pp

Walsh discusses the controversy being caused by Lucas and in refutes the contents of a letter from Dr. Whitty, the Vicar General of Westminster submitted to Propaganda by Lucas. [Walsh was in Rome during this period- see KIR/NC/1/1856/24. This draft contains many correctionspossibly a draft translation]

KIR/NC/2/1856/3

Draft letter from Dr. Kirby, Irish College

Item

27 June 1856

Ital. 2pp

Kirby plans to conduct repairs to a house belonging to the college and seeks a loan from the recipient.

Lang. / Extent

KIR/NC/2/1856/4

Incomplete draft letter from Dr. Kirby, Irish College

Item

4 June 1856

Eng. 1p

Kirby apologises for the delay in replying to the recipient's letter of the 17th of April- he needed time to compose a decided answer. [letter incomplete- possibly relates to letter from Morgan O'Brien PP of Mitchelstown or from F.W. Plunkett of the British Legation, Naples - both wrote to Kirby on the 17th of April]

KIR/NC/2/1856/5 Item Extracts of report from Monsignor G Bedini to Cardinal Fransoni of Propaganda. Extract created by Kirby.

12 July 1856

Ital. 5pp

Bedini's report deals with Irish Catholic immigration to America noting that the Irish are causing the growth in Catholicism there.

KIR/NC/2/1856/6 Item Draft letter from Dr. Kirby, Irish College Rome to Dr. Cullen, 55 Eccles Street, Dublin

7 October 1856

Eng. 3pp

Kirby has reported rumours to the Cardinal Prefect of Propaganda concerning the sale of Mount Melleray by the Abbot. The Cardinal advises Cullen to use his powers as Visitor Apostolic of the Religious Orders in Ireland to prevent such a sale until the case is examined by Propaganda.

KIR/NC/2/1856/7

Draft letter from Dr. Kirby, Irish College Rome to Mr

Item

26 November 1856

Eng. 3pp

Kirby notes that the numbers of students has risen this year. He notes that six students of the college were invited to dine with the Pope and other students from the other international colleges. Mentions Countess Busoselli and her sister Miss Taafe and a Madonna for the Rev. Mother of the Presentation Convent in Tuam.

KIR/NC/2/1856/8

Draft letter from Dr. Kirby, Irish College Rome to [Dr. Cullen]

Item 13 December 1856

Ital. Eng. 2pp

He laments the death of the Bishop of Cloyne who supported all things Roman. Mentions Dr. MacEvilly and Dr. Furlong. He comments on Cullen's pastoral on education which will need to be followed up especially with regards to clerical control. He is critical of National School teachers who as a body are filled with 'self conceit impertinence and contempt for the priests' which they learn during training and which is nourished by the Board. Dr. Miley's apprehension would pass and his health improve if he practiced a little more patience - the decrees will be ready in time for the visitations. He advises Cullen to write to Renaldini who has replaced Monsignor Vespasiani. [Letter is certainly for Cullen who mentions the pastoral on education in a letter to Kirby - KIR/NC/1/1856/55]

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KIR/NC/2/1857/1 Item Draft letter from Dr. Kirby to [Dr. MacHale, Archbishop of Tuam].

18 January 1857

Eng. 4pp

Kirby offers frank advice concerning Dr. Gillooly, the new Coadjutor of the Diocese of Elphin. He has learned that Propaganda believe that [MacHale] has adopted a negative attitude towards Gillooly since his return from Sligo. He advises [MacHale] to resolve his relations with the coadjutor bishop and then inform the Pope and Propaganda. Kirby crosses out a paragraph offering spiritual advise. [Recipient is certainly Dr. MacHale - see KIR/NC/1/1856/42]

KIR/NC/2/1857/2 Item Draft letter from Dr. Kirby to [John Cantwell], the Bishop of Meath

October 1857 Eng. 2pp

Kirby has had a meeting with Fr Savage during which he discussed the priest's rehabilitation through retreats at a religious establishment. He suggests that Savage be allowed to say Mass while in Rome but that this be limited to a specific time thereby excluding 'the thought of his going elsewhere.'

KIR/NC/2/1857/3 Item Draft letter from Dr. Kirby, Irish College Rome to Richard Carton Esq., 3 Richmond Place, Dublin

<u>5 November 1857</u>

Eng. 2pp

Kirby acknowledges receipt of £18 being the pension owed for Carton's son and apologises for any misunderstanding that may have arisen from correspondence with the vice-rector.

KIR/NC/2/1858/1 Item Holograph letter from J Lynch, Irish College [Paris] to Dr. Cullen, Irish College Rome.

13 January 1858

Eng. 4pp

Lynch mentions that while wishing the Cardinal a 'bonne anne' he brought with him Dr. MacHale's Roman cloak- 'We are as Roman here, as the Romans themselves.' Refers to the musical abilities of Mr Lyons and asks that Lyon's nephew be allowed to take up Mr Harris' place in the college. He refers to the 'false position' which the French Minister has placed him in with regards to Dr. Miley - he had nominated Dr. Higgins as the Doctor of the college. He will discuss this in more detail when he meets Cullen. Sends regards to Moran, Verdon and James McCann. [Cullen referred to as 'Your Grace' throughout. Letter incorrectly identified as a draft]

KIR/NC/2/1858/2 Item Copy of letter from Dr. Kirby, Irish College Rome addressed to 'My dear Lord'. Transcribed by Dr. Kirby

Octave of the Epiphany [13 January] 1858

Eng. 3pp

Refers to education of Catholics in general noting that it would be a great thing 'if one of the young Kirby's could be got.' Mentions the death of Mr Verdon in Liverpool. Fr Theiner is printing the Acts of the Council of Trent. He presented Mr Fitzpatrick to the Pope.

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Draft petition from Monsignor Dixon, [Archbishop of KIR/NC/2/1858/3

Armagh] [written by Dr. Kirby]. Item

> April 1858 Ital. 1p

Dixon requests a renewal of his faculties. Includes reply.

Draft letter from [Dr. Kirby], Irish College Rome addressed to KIR/NC/2/1858/4 'My dear Lord' Item

> 22 May 1858 Eng. 2pp

Kirby notes the commissions he has undertaken for the intended recipient including dispensations and faculties. The Pope has never granted powers to Irish bishops to dispense in cases of unlawful intercourse but Kirby will try his best to have the matter seen to.

Draft letter from [Dr. Kirby], Irish College Rome to Miss KIR/NC/2/1858/5

Item 27 July 1858 Eng. 1p

> Having received Norris' note Kirby contacted Signor Manzi to enquire about the financial account of Norris' sister. He received 1000fr.

Draft letter from [Dr. Kirby], Irish College Rome to Miss KIR/NC/2/1858/6 Item Verdon.

> 1858 Eng. 1p

Kirby expresses his sympathy and regret to Verdon at the loss of her father.

Draft petition from the Bishop of Galway to the Holy See KIR/NC/2/1859/1 [written by Dr. Kirby]. Item

> 13 February 1859 Lat. 2pp

The Bishop seeks a renewal of his faculties to dispense in cases of marriage between Catholics and non-Catholics

Draft notes reporting on the recent meeting of the Bishops of KIR/NC/2/1859/2 Item Ireland in Kirby's hand

> August 1859 Ital. 3pp

All the bishops condemned the system of [national] education as being non- or anti-Catholic. Gives three reasons for this condemnation, noting that the Bishops of Down and Connor, Raphoe, Kerry and the Coadjutor of Dromore all disagreed with the majority. Notes the discussion on the Queen's Colleges. The Archbishop of Tuam put forward many questions against the Archbishop of Dublin but Cullen stated that to preserve peace he would remain silent - he received the applause of the other bishops. [see

also KIR/NC/1/1859/21]

Draft letter from Dr. Kirby, Irish College Rome to the KIR/NC/2/1859/3 Archbishop of Iconiensis [Titular Archdiocese of Iconium] Item

> 6 August 1859 Lat. 1p

Concerned with relics for Bishop Edward Walsh of Ossory's cathedral.

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KIR/NC/2/1860/1 Item Draft letters from Dr. Kirby, Irish College addressed to a 'Sig Canonico' [Canon]

<u>5 May 1860</u> Ital. 2pp

Kirby notes that it is impossible to interrupt the Masses of November and the preparation of priests for the missions. [Two drafts]

KIR/NC/2/1860/2 Item Draft statement expressing thanks for Ireland's support of the Holy See [written in two separate hands one of whom may be Kirby]

<u>28 May 1860</u> Eng. 1p

The clergy and people of Rome give thanks to the Irish hierarchy and people for their defence of the Holy See during the present crisis. [possibly a draft translation]

KIR/NC/2/1860/3 Item Draft letter from [Dr. Kirby], Rome concerned with the Papal Brigade. Unknown recipient.

<u>3 June 1860</u> Eng. 1p

Kirby has delayed his reply in the hope that the government might make some progress regarding the 'Irish Volunteers'. However he has learned that no appointments to any commission for the regiment have been made nor are any likely to be made until 'matters are better cleaned up with regards to the organization of this corps'. [draft not completed]

KIR/NC/2/1860/4

Draft letter from [Dr. Kirby], Rome addressed to a Cardinal.

Item 21 June 1860

Ital. 5pp

Kirby thanks the recipient for his words in praise of Ireland and believes that the Catholics of Ireland share such feelings towards Italy. He offers general observations and sympathies on the present war in Italy and mentions Cardinals Antonelli and Reisach and Monsignor de Merode. He recommends a Signora Contessa Teeray and her niece.

KIR/NC/2/1860/5 Item Draft letter from Dr. Kirby, Irish College Rome to Monsignor De Merode concerning the Papal Brigade.

2 July 1860 Ital. 4pp

Kirby is concerned with reports that he has heard over the past days of difficulties being encountered by the Irish soldiers in Italy noting that they complain of hunger and the appointment of superiors. [Kirby notes that he did not send this letter]

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KIR/NC/2/1860/6

Draft letter from [Dr. Kirby] to the [Bishop of Cloyne]

Item

27 July 1860

Eng. Lat. 2pp

Kirby has applied for and has received a dispensation for the Bishop of Cloyne, to allow Mr Horgan enter the priesthood early - includes petition and response. There has been discontent expressed amongst the 'Emigrants' [of the Papal Brigade]. There have been difficulties over the selection of officers and he believes that competent Irish officers should be placed over the men and that if the English desire commissions 'they should get up a brigade of their own and not seek to trust themselves onto the work of others.' [Kirby notes that a copy was sent to the bishop]

KIR/NC/2/1860/7 Item Draft letter of introduction from Dr. Kirby, Irish College Rome addressed to 'Eccellenza'

22 October 1860

Ital. 2pp

Kirby sends greetings to the recipient who is staying in Nice and to Contessa Camburzano. The letter is to be delivered by hand by Signora Scully nee Sweetman, a relative of the 'Principessa di Sante Croce di Roma' who is also named Scully. He notes that he sent an amended version of this letter to the Contessa.

KIR/NC/2/1860/8 Item Holograph address from Dr. Kirby including the reply from Monsignor Barnabo, Prefect of Propaganda

31 October 1860

Ital. 3pp

Kirby presents £4670 from Monsignor Flannery, Bishop of Killaloe to the Holy See and seeks a Papal Benediction for the clergy and people of that diocese. The money was collected to assist the Pope in his mournful position. [incorrectly identified as a draft]

KIR/NC/2/1860/9

Draft letter from [Dr. Kirby] to a unidentified bishop.

Item

31 December 1860

Eng. 1p

Kirby wishes to confirm that the gift referred to by the recipient bishop is for his own personal use so as to avoid misunderstandings. He notes that Dr. Leahy has similarly sent him £30 exclusively for himself.

KIR/NC/2/1860/10

Draft letter from Dr. Kirby to Contessa [Camburzano]

Item

[1860]

Ital. 7pp

This letter was to be delivered by hand by Signora Scully nee Sweetman who is travelling to Nice to recover her health. He describes the anxiety of the Catholic population over the actions of the Sardinian government. The Papal force in Rome numbers 4,000 while the besieging force numbers 45,000 on land plus seven warships at sea. Mentions the shooting of an unnamed Irish soldier. Mentions the Pope's health, General Lamoriciere, Contessa Terray, Contessa Franca, a letter from Signora Dodsworth and Scully's relation at Santa Croce in Rome.

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KIR/NC/2/1861/1 Item Draft statement by [Dr. Kirby] paraphrasing and translating a letter from Dr. Cullen dated 25 January

25 January [1861]

Ital. 3pp

Kirby states that the Dominicans have opened a new church but have refused to sell their old church for less than £7000 as they fear they will loose their congregation. Mentions that the issue should be brought to the attention of Cardinal Barnabo. Also mentions indulgences to be associated with the Peter's Pence. [see Cullen letter dated 25/1/1861 is coded KIR/NC/1/1861/6]

KIR/NC/2/1861/2 Item Draft letters from Dr. Kirby to an unnamed bishop in Ireland and an [Italian] Count.

6 February 1861

Eng. Ital. 4pp

In the first letter Kirby regrets that the college cannot accept Mr Sheridan as it is not possible to accept extern students. Dr. McCluskey is in a similar position. In the second draft Kirby expresses his thanks for the recipient's charity and mentions the threat of famine in Ireland.

KIR/NC/2/1861/3

Draft letter from Dr. Kirby to Mrs Reynolds

Item 20 February 1861

Eng. 1p

Kirby discusses the particulars of stipends for Masses that have been or will be said in memory of Reynolds's husband.

KIR/NC/2/1861/4

Draft letter from Dr. Kirby, Rome to Joseph [S.., Consul]

Item

15 April 1861

Eng. 1p

Kirby apologises for the delay in sending a requested list of Her Majesty's subjects currently resident in the college. He intends sending the list with this letter.

KIR/NC/2/1861/5 Item Holograph letter from Dr. Kirby to Mr Plowden including reply from Plowden.

3 May 1861

Eng. 2pp

Kirby wishes to recommend Adjutant / Lieutenant Howley to Plowden noting that Howley comes from a respectable family and that the banker will have no difficulty arising from business dealings with him. [incorrectly identified as a draft]

KIR/NC/2/1861/6 Item Draft letter from [Dr. Kirby], Rome addressed to 'My Dear Lord' [an unidentified Irish Bishop]

15 June 1861

Eng. 2pp

Kirby has been instructed by Cardinal Barnabo to instruct the bishop to attend solely to the care of his health and to follow doctor's advice and move to the south of Ireland or England to recuperate. He can delegate his work to his Vicar General.

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KIR/NC/2/1861/7

Holograph certificate from [an Italian cleric]

Item

18 June 1861

Ital. 1p

The writer confirms that he gave the sacrament [of baptism] to Elisabetta Valori, the child of Maria, an Irishwoman living in Via Magnonopili. [incorrectly identified as a draft]

KIR/NC/2/1861/8

Draft letter from Dr. Kirby, Rome to Monsignor Manning

Item 14 July 1861

Eng. 2pp

Kirby thanks Manning for the copy of his lectures on the apocalypse and offers his observations as requested. He believes that the lectures fail to 'render good service to the cause of Catholicity and of the Holy See' and that they 'deject and even unnerve the Catholic mind on the present crisis.' He disagrees with the notion that 'We should not even desire human aid since God seems to have ordained that none is to be afforded' and therefore that it would be useless to try to assist the Church in its present difficulties. Notes that Dr. Moran has just departed.

KIR/NC/2/1861/9

Draft letter from Dr. Kirby, Rome to Mr. Money.

Item

18 July 1861

Eng. 2pp

Kirby has sent a statement giving the facts of the marriage of Mrs Coote to her late husband. She is now living with her father and is in financial distress and Kirby suggests that by treating with the heir an arrangement might be made to give her some money. Adds a postscript mentioning a note from Dr. Butler asking him to his ordination which was not included in the letter sent.

KIR/NC/2/1861/10

Draft letter from [Dr. Kirby], Rome addressed to 'My Dear

Item

28 July 1861

Eng. 1p

Kirby has learned that 'the Volpe' [the Fox] has gained over to his side not less than 30 French Bishops. He learned this from a parish priest who has travelled through France to Rome. In Marseilles the Catholic candidate who was proposed for President was defeated by government candidates following the support of two Vicar Generals.

KIR/NC/2/1861/11

Draft address written by Dr. Kirby to the Holy See

Item

26 August 1861

Ital. 1p

Kirby announces that Monsignor John Dalton, Bishop of Harbour Grace has sent £239.3.4 to him for the Pope. The collection demonstrates the loyalty of the diocese towards the Papacy

Code / Level Title / Date / Description Lang. / Extent KIR/NC/2/1861/12 Draft letter from Dr. Kirby, Rome to Mr Kennedy Item December 1861 Eng. 2pp The Archbishop of Halifax wishes to know when Kennedy will begin his journey to the archdiocese. Kirby advises Kennedy to write to the Archbishop. The Pope enjoys good health despite the conflict and Kirby refers to 'the sublime warfare of the promotion of the divine glory and the salvation of souls.' Studies have resumed again in all the different colleges. KIR/NC/2/1862/1 Draft document by Dr. Kirby recommending Dr. Lucas Item Walsh, an Irishman. 1862 Lat. 1p KIR/NC/2/1862/2 Petition from the Bishop of Kerry to the Pope drafted by Dr. Kirby Item 18 February 1862 Lat. 2pp Petition for faculties. Reverse of petition mentions a rescript to the Archbishop of Dublin arising from a Papal audience from the 9th of January. Draft letter from Dr. Kirby, Irish College Rome to Signora KIR/NC/2/1862/3 Contessa Item 10 May 1862 Ital. 3pp Kirby sends a volume containing letters of a great Catholic named Conte de Maistre. Discusses charity. Holograph draft statement from Laurence Gillooly, Bishop of KIR/NC/2/1862/4 Elphin, Sligo to [Propaganda Fide] Item 26 October 1862 Lat. 6pp Gillooly outlines in this detailed statement the particulars of a dispute involving him, Archbishop MacHale, Rev. Henry Brennan the PP of Dysart and Rev. Richard Duffiey [the CC of Dysart]. Holograph receipt from Cardinal Barnabo, Propaganda to Dr. KIR/NC/2/1863/1 Kirby Item 2 January 1863 Ital. 1p Receipt is for Peter's Pence received from the Bishop of Ferns. Holograph address from Dr. Kirby and receipt from Cardinal KIR/NC/2/1863/2 Barnabo, Propaganda Item 18 January 1863 Ital. 2pp Petition and receipt is for Peter's Pence of £23.13.3 received from the

Bishop of Ferns.

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KIR/NC/2/1863/3 Item Holograph letter from Dr. Kirby to Rev. Madre Suor Colomba Cometti, Superior della Pia Casa di Carita, Villetri

25 January 1863

Ital. 2pp

Kirby has enclosed a letter for Giovanna Costa. Offers spiritual advice and gives instructions for posting material.

KIR/NC/2/1863/4 Item Holograph letter from Dr. Kirby to Giovanna Costa, a novice, Pia Casa, Villetri

25 January 1863

Ital. 2pp

Kirby replies to the novice's concerns with spiritual advice.

KIR/NC/2/1863/5 Item Holograph letter from Dr. Kirby to Rev. Madre Suor Colomba Cometti, Superior della Pia Casa di Carita, Villetri

28 January 1863

Ital. 3pp

Kirby thanks the recipient for the breviary and the picture of the infant Jesus which he has received intact. Gives spiritual discourse mentioning 'Stella del Mare, Ave Maris Stella'. He hopes to write to Sig. D. Ignazio.

KIR/NC/2/1863/6 Item Holograph address from Dr. Kirby and receipt from Cardinal Barnabo, Propaganda

16 February 1863

Ital. 1p

Petition and receipt is for Peter's Pence of £150 received from Monsignor Keane, Bishop of Cloyne.

KIR/NC/2/1863/7

Draft letter from Dr. Kirby, Rome to Rev. Nicholas Coghlan

Item

<u>11 July 1863</u> Eng. 4pp

Kirby relies on his old acquaintance with Coghlan to caution him on his 'mode of living with regard to drink' which is the cause of anxiety amongst his friends. He offers spiritual advice on the subject of temperance. Mentions a recent case he witnessed where a young foreigner had entered into a state of delirium and was removed to an asylum - according to his physician this was brought on by frequent drinking even though he never drank to excess. [Kirby notes that he did not sent this letter]

KIR/NC/2/1863/8 Item Draft letter from Dr. Kirby, Rome addressed to 'My Dear Lord' [a member of the Irish hierarchy]

25 August 1863

Eng. 2pp

Kirby laid the case of Rev. Molony as requested before the Holy See. Cardinal Barnabo has decided that Molony should be removed from his position but leaves the details in the hands of the bishop who is best positioned to deal with the matter. He mentions the bishop's successful handling of the resignation case in Rathkeale and is certain that such a course of action in this case would be best.

Code / Level Title / Date / Description Lang. / Extent Holograph address from Dr. Kirby and receipt from Cardinal KIR/NC/2/1863/9 Barnabo, Propaganda Item 16 February 1863 Ital. 2pp Petition and receipt is for Peter's Pence of £250 received from Monsignor Keane, Bishop of Cloyne. Holograph address from Dr. Kirby and receipt from Cardinal KIR/NC/2/1863/10 Barnabo, Propaganda Item 9 October 1863 Ital. 1p Petition and receipt is for Peter's Pence of £400 received from Monsignor Dixon, Primate of All Ireland on behalf of his diocese. KIR/NC/2/1863/11 Draft address from Dr. Kirby to the Holy See and response from Monsignor Capalti Item 13 December 1863 Ital. 2pp Kirby has received the response of the Holy See and wishes to have permission to have this decision telegraphed. Draft letter from Dr. Kirby. [recipient's name blacked out] KIR/NC/2/1863/12 30 December 1863 Item Ital. 2pp Kirby offers strong spiritual advice to the recipient warning him/her not to be drawn into committing sin. Holograph address from Dr. Kirby and receipt from Cardinal KIR/NC/2/1864/1 Barnabo, Propaganda Item 26 January 1864 Ital. 1p Petition and receipt is for Peter's Pence of £177 received from Monsignor Keane, Bishop of Cloyne. Keane requests a Papal Blessing. Draft letter from Dr. Kirby, Rome to P McSweeny KIR/NC/2/1864/2 [McSwiney], Lord Mayor of Dublin Item 19 January 1864 Eng. 3pp Kirby warmly congratulates the Lord Mayor on his election stating that the Catholics of Dublin now have fresh proof that piety will yield rewards. Holograph address drafted by Dr. Kirby and receipt from KIR/NC/2/1864/3 Cardinal Barnabo, Propaganda. Item 26 January 1864 Ital. 1p

Petition and receipt is for a donation to the Pope of £7.15 from D. George Montgomery, Wednesbury, England. Requests a Papal Blessing.

Lang. / Extent

KIR/NC/2/1864/4

Draft letter from Dr. Kirby, Rome to Dr. Gillooly

Item

14 April 1864

Eng. 4pp

Gillooly has been instructed by Propaganda to request Rev. Duffiey to personally write to Cardinal Barnabo informing him that he wishes to withdraw his appellation. Kirby suggests that the letter should be written in Latin and should state that the appeal made by him against the Archbishop and the dispute with the PP has been settled amicably. He praises Gillooly for having succeeded in settling a potentially embarrassing case. The publications of Fr Lavelle have aroused grief and displeasure and the Pope himself spoke about the matter with the Bishop of Dromore. He describes the Pope's grand return from Gaeta. He is sure that Dr. MacEvilly's case will be settled in his favour during the next congregation. [Kirby notes that he sent a copy of this letter]

KIR/NC/2/1864/5 Item Holograph petition drafted by Dr. Kirby and response from Propaganda.

22 March 1864

Ital. Lat. 2pp

Petition is on behalf of [Dr. Furlong], the Bishop of Ferns and is concerned with the parish of Camolin or Clough in that Diocese. This was the mensal parish of Bishops Ryan and Keating but no documentation can be found conferring it on Monsignor Murphy, the most recent predecessor of the petitioner.

KIR/NC/2/1864/6 Item Copy of letter from Dr. Kirby, Rome to Dr. Furlong, [Bishop of Ferns]

16 April 1864

Eng. 2pp

Kirby has received an answer from Propaganda concerning the parish of Clough. Monsignor Capalti ordered that a search be made of the archives to locate any further documents that might prove if the parish was a temporary or perpetual mensal parish of Ferns. It has been decided to regularise the arrangement.

KIR/NC/2/1864/7 Item Draft petition from the Bishop of Waterford and Lismore, including a translation into Italian by Dr. Kirby.

9 June 1864

Lat. Ital. 3pp

The Bishop requests that Edmund de la Poer should be conferred with an honour title of 'Conte della S.R.I.' by the Holy See. de la Poer is from a prominent Catholic family in the diocese.

KIR/NC/2/1864/8

Draft address by Dr. Kirby to Cardinal Barnabo, Propaganda.

Item

28 August 1864

Ital 2pp

Letter was written to accompany a donation to the Holy See and the unknown donor seeks a Papal Blessing for Ireland.

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KIR/NC/2/1864/9 Holograph address drafted by Dr. Kirby and receipt from

Item Cardinal Barnabo, Propaganda.

<u>8 October 1864</u> Ital. 1p

Letter concerned with the donation of £474.14.0 Peter's Pence from

Archbishop Dixon of Armagh to the Pope

KIR/NC/2/1864/10 Draft letters from Dr. Kirby to Bishop Patrice Cruice of Item Marseilles and the Pope.

2 December 1864 Eng. Ital. 6pp

Kirby writes in support of Rev. William Codd, a PP from the Diocese of Ferns. Codd is seeking a loan of money in Rome and Lyon in order that he might be able to remove his parish from its difficulties with its creditors. Debts had been accrued in the past in defeating the efforts of proselytisers.

KIR/NC/2/1864/11 Copy of petition from Peter Reynolds, PP of Kilcolman, Item Claremorris including the names of ninety clergymen of the

Disease of Tyon. In Vieley's hand

Diocese of Tuam. In Kirby's hand.

<u>29 November 1864</u> Lat. 4pp

The petition protests against Dr. Cullen and supports Dr. Lavelle.

KIR/NC/2/1864/12 Drafts of letter from Dr. Kirby [to an Abbot]

Ital. 3p

Kirby thanks the intended recipient for the donation and offers season's

greetings.

KIR/NC/2/1864/13 Draft letters from Dr. Kirby to Sig. Vincenzio d'Avino

Ital. 3p

Kirby mentions the recipient's encyclopaedia containing a history of

Christianity in Ireland.

KIR/NC/2/1864/14 Draft letter from Dr. Kirby to Sergeant Bellani

Item 16 December 1864 Eng. 2pp

Kirby regrets that he has not been able to find the legal document concerned with a recent trial in Rome. He sends a dissertation of Dr. O'Connor on

Irish emigration and offers spiritual advice.

KIR/NC/2/1864/15 Draft letter from Dr. Kirby to the Director [of Unita Cattolica]

Item December 1864 Ital. 2pp

Kirby wishes to renew his affiliation to the 'Unita Cattolica'. He discusses the values of the journal and the impiety of other modern journals in Italy

and Europe.

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KIR/NC/2/1864/16 Draft note in Dr. Kirby's hand.

Item [circa 1864-1866]

Ital. 1p

Nine Irish bishops have requested Kirby to [draft] a copy of a document relating to the temporal power of the Popes. Bishops include Cullen, Dixon, Leahy of Cashel, Leahy of Dromore, Dorrian, Kelly, Furlong, MacEvilly and O'Brien.

KIR/NC/2/1865/1

Draft note from Dr. Kirby

Item

[circa 1864-1864]

Eng. Ital. Lat. 1p

Kirby appears to be paraphrasing a letter or report of an unidentified Irish cleric or layperson - [possibly Dr. MacHale]. This person appears to have fallen foul of the Holy See due to article[s] written in 'The Patriot' and money given to support the paper 'to defend the poor', whose miseries he describes. He also argues that he was entitled to accept £3 from 'Dr. Mor. Of Phil. for his gift to F. Lavelle'. In future he promises to try to prevent anything injurious to the Holy See.

KIR/NC/2/1865/2

Draft note by Dr. Kirby entitled 'On Dr. Taylor's proposal'.

Item January 1865

Ital. 2pp

Document concerned with the Bishop of Kildare and Leighlin, the PP of Maryboro and the education of students in Rome or Carlow.

KIR/NC/2/1865/3

Draft letter from Dr. Kirby to a Cardinal.

Item

February 1865

Ital. 1p

Kirby states that he is unable to provide an account of the amount of money given towards Famine relief by [Propaganda] in 1847. He was not rector at this time and he suggests that Cardinal Fransoni, who was the Prefect of Propaganda at that time, provided assistance to the poor Irish through the bishops.

KIR/NC/2/1865/4

Holograph address drafted by Dr. Kirby and receipt from Cardinal Barnabo, Propaganda.

Item Cardinal Barnabe 5 February 1865

Ital. 1p

Rev. George Montgomery of Wednesbury, England presents £5 as a contribution towards Peter's Pence which is acknowledged by Barnabo.

KIR/NC/2/1865/5 Item Holograph address drafted by Dr. Kirby and receipt from Cardinal Barnabo, Propaganda.

23 June 1865

Ital. 2pp

Edward Walsh, Bishop of Ossory presents £304 as a contribution towards Peter's Pence which is acknowledged by Barnabo. He seeks a Papal Blessing.

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KIR/NC/2/1865/6 Draft letter from Dr. Kirby to Mrs Reynolds.

Item 30 June 1865 Eng. 2pp

Kirby specifies the cost and procedures required to have Masses said in Rome by a religious establishment. He notes that he sent a copy of this

letter with Fr Staunton O.S..

KIR/NC/2/1865/7 Holograph address drafted by Dr. Kirby and receipt from

Item Cardinal Barnabo, Propaganda.

23 and 27 July 1865 Ital. 3pp

Bishop Butler of Limerick presents £50 to the Pope from an unidentified pious man from Limerick City and a poor man also offers 10 baj. which is

acknowledged by Barnabo.

KIR/NC/2/1865/8 Holograph address drafted by Dr. Kirby and receipt from Item Cardinal Barnabo, Propaganda.

22 September 1865 Ital. 3pp

The Bishop of Ross presents £86 Peter's Pence to the Pope which is acknowledged by Barnabo.

KIR/NC/2/1865/9 Draft letter from Dr. Kirby addressed to an unidentified Item clergyman.

<u>9 November 1865</u> Eng. 1p

Kirby informs the recipient that there are a number of places available in the college as some students were sent back to Ireland due to ill-health. He is therefore in a position to offer a place to the recipient's nephew.

KIR/NC/2/1865/10 Draft letter from Dr. Kirby addressed to 'Dear Sir'

Item 30 November 1865 Eng. 4pp

Kirby congratulates the recipient on his catechism and book of devotion to the Blessed Virgin which was delivered to the Irish College by Rev. Power of Waterford. Mentions that Dr. Nulty, the Coadjutor of Meath wishes to restore the Sanctuary of Our Lady at Kells. Sends his regards to Fr

Fitzgerald, Fr Dowley and others in the neighbourhood.

KIR/NC/2/1865/11 Holograph address drafted by Dr. Kirby and receipt from Item Cardinal Barnabo, Propaganda.

7 December 1865 Ital. 2pp

Patrick Power, a Catholic from Halifax, Nova Scotia presents £100 to the Pope which is acknowledged by Barnabo. M. Hannan, the Vicar General in Halifax, recommends Power, noting his affection towards the Holy Father.

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KIR/NC/2/1866/1 Item Holograph address drafted by Dr. Kirby and receipt from Cardinal Barnabo, Propaganda.

9 January 1866

Ital. 2pp

Bishop Keane of Cloyne presents £260 to the Pope on behalf of the priests and people of his diocese. This is acknowledged by Barnabo.

KIR/NC/2/1866/2

Draft letter from Dr. Kirby to Signore Bartolomeo

Item

28 January 1866

Ital. 2pp

Kirby has received a request from Padre Ponza, Provincial della C. di Gesu to relocate his boarding school to the Irish College for the duration of the vacations. He seeks permission for such a move.

KIR/NC/2/1866/3

Draft letter from Dr. Kirby to [the Bishop of San Gallo]

Item 1 February 1866

Ital. 4pp

Kirby thanks the recipient for the relics of San Gallo [Saint Gall] which he has received. He introduces the bearer of this letter, Patrick Moran, vice-rector and nephew of Archbishop Cullen.

KIR/NC/2/1866/4 Item Draft note concerning marriage dispensations for the Bishop of Limerick

11 February 1866

Lat. 1p

Note of dispensations granted following a Papal Audience - no specific details given.

KIR/NC/2/1866/5

Item Cardina

Holograph address drafted by Dr. Kirby and receipt from

Cardinal Barnabo, Propaganda.

5 April 1866

Ital. 2pp

Bishop Gillooly of Elphin presents £240 Peter's Pence to the Pope on behalf of the priests and people of his diocese. This is acknowledged by Barnabo.

KIR/NC/2/1866/6

Draft letter from Dr. Kirby to Dr. Gillooly, Bishop of Elphin

Item

6 April 1866

Eng. 4pp

Kirby informs the recipient that his Peter's Pence contribution has been delivered. He discusses the value of such displays of loyalty to the Pope during this period of anarchy which threatens 'the patrimony of St. Peter which is that of the entire church of God.' He notes that the crowds in Rome to receive the Pope's blessing are immense this season. Notes that the letter was modified before being sent.

KIR/NC/2/1866/7

Item

Holograph address drafted by Dr. Kirby and receipt from Cardinal Barnabo, Propaganda.

7 April 1866

Ital. 1p

Bishop Walsh of Ossory presents £748.10s.9d Peter's Pence to the Pope on behalf of his diocese. This is acknowledged by Barnabo.

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KIR/NC/2/1866/8 Receipt from Cardinal Barnabo for Peter's Pence received from [Monsignor] Montgomery through Dr. Kirby

<u>11 April 1866</u> Ital. 1p

Montgomery presents £5 to the Pope.

KIR/NC/2/1866/9 Holograph address drafted by Dr. Kirby and receipt from Item Cardinal Barnabo, Propaganda.

9 November 1866 Ital. 2pp

Bishop Furlong of Ferns presents £927.6s.9d Peter's Pence to the Pope on behalf of the priests and people of his diocese. Barnabo acknowledges this and £966.13.7 from Bishop Butler of Limerick.

KIR/NC/2/1866/10 Holograph address drafted by Dr. Kirby to accompany a Item Peter's Pence contribution

5 December 1866 Ital. 1p

Bishop Walsh of Kildare presents £88 to the Pope to add to the £2000

already offered as Peter's Pence from his diocese.

KIR/NC/2/1867/1 Holograph address drafted by Dr. Kirby and reply from Item Cardinal Barnabo, Propaganda.

21 January 1867 Ital. 1p
Peter MacSweeny has recently been elected Lord Mayor of Dublin. Kirby

asks for a Papal Blessing for him and his family.

KIR/NC/2/1867/2 Draft letter from Dr. Kirby to Dr. Lamey, Bishop of Santa Fe, Item [New Mexico]

20 January 1867 Eng. 3pp

Kirby was delighted to hear of the conversion of Mrs Warden and wishes the recipient to present that lady with a religious cameo blest by the Pope and enriched with indulgences.

KIR/NC/2/1867/3 Draft letter from Dr. Kirby to a Cardinal

Ital. 2pp

Kirby transmits a pension of £80 from Bishop William Walsh of Kildare and Leighlin to Fr Walshe of his diocese. Money is connected to the parishes of Clonegal and Clonballogue.

KIR/NC/2/1867/4 Draft letter from Dr. Kirby to Cardinal Patrizi, Vicar of the Item Holy See.

25 April 1867 Ital. 2pp

Kirby seeks faculties for Bishop William Rogers of Chatham, America for the duration of his stay in Rome. Code / Level Title / Date / Description Lang. / Extent

KIR/NC/2/1867/5 Draft letter from Dr. Kirby to Mrs Ellis

Item <u>17 May 1867</u> Eng. Grk. Lat. 8pp

Kirby writes in response to Ellis's query regarding a biblical passage. Kirby provides a translation from the original Greek passage from 'Josephus' providing an explanation and commenting on Ellis's integrity in

investigating religious questions.

KIR/NC/2/1867/6 Draft list by Dr. Kirby of Irish prelates and clergymen invited

Item to dine [at the college]

June 1867 Eng. 1p

List includes the Archbishops of Dublin and Cashel and ten other bishops who are to be at the 'first table'

KIR/NC/2/1867/7 Draft financial account by Dr. Kirby

Item June 1867 Eng. 1p

Concerned with money that 'should have been paid by [Kirby] out of [his] private funds'. Mentions Masses said for Sig. Marchese de Stockpoole and

Monsignor Mano.

KIR/NC/2/1867/8 Holograph address drafted by Dr. Kirby and receipt from

Item Cardinal Barnabo, Propaganda.

<u>21 June 1867</u> Ital. 2pp

Bishop Walsh of Kildare presents £180 to the Holy See from Sig Thomas Donnellan of his diocese. Mentions that £2400 has already been sent from

this diocese.

KIR/NC/2/1867/9 Draft petition from Dr. Donnelly, Bishop of Clogher to the

Item Holy See - drafted by Dr. Kirby

<u>18 July 1867</u> Ital. 2pp

Includes petition for marriage dispensation for Patrick Murphy and Rosa McKeone who have eloped and applied for by Rev. Patrick Kelly of Derrynoose. Also mentions James McNeill of Enniskillen, Edward

McLoughlin and Rev. Patrick McCulloch.

KIR/NC/2/1867/10 Note entitled 'Distance made each day during the voyage by

Item DD Murray & Quinn to Australia 1867'

July - October 1867 Eng. 2pp

Notes number of knots travelled each day

KIR/NC/2/1867/11 Draft petition from Dr. Kirby with response from Monsignor

Item Capalti, Secretary of Propaganda

1 September 1867 Ital. 1p

Kirby seeks a Papal Blessing for Mr Kelly of Dublin.

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KIR/NC/2/1867/12 Draft letter from Dr. Kirby, Tivoli to Monsignor Borgnana

Item <u>20 September 1867</u>

Ital. 3pp

Kirby has dismissed Domenico Minelli from the service of the college and has been contacted by the youth's poor mother. He notes that he changed this letter mentioning that the gravity of his office and needs of the college require the dismissal.

KIR/NC/2/1867/13 Draft letter from Dr. Kirby, Tivoli to Monsignor Borgnana

Item 20 September 1867

Ital. 3pp

Kirby notes that following the intervention of the mother of Domenico Minelli he gave the youth a further opportunity - however he has shown to be not adapted to the needs of the college. The mother has contacted him again and he explains his decision.

KIR/NC/2/1868/1 Item Draft letter from Dr. Kirby to Princisse and Princissessa Borghese.

18 January 1868

Kirby thanks the recipients for their invitation to their house but states that he is unable to attend.

KIR/NC/2/1868/2 Item Holograph address drafted by Dr. Kirby and receipt from Cardinal Barnabo, Propaganda.

21 and 30 January 1868

Ital. 1p

Ital. 1p

Bishop Furlong of Ferns presents £167 Peter's Pence to the Holy See. Mentions that £1117 has already been sent from this diocese.

KIR/NC/2/1868/3 Item Holograph petition drafted by Dr. Kirby and response from Cardinal Barnabo, Propaganda.

<u>30 January 1868</u> Ital. 1p

The Christian Brothers of Waterford wish to hold a lottery in order to raise funds. They ask for some small item that could be offered in the lottery. The Sisters of the Good Shepard of Limerick also ask for an item that can be used in a lottery to assist poor women.

KIR/NC/2/1868/4

Draft letter from Dr. Kirby, Irish College to Fr O'Reilly

Item 24 February 1868

Eng. 3pp

O'Reilly, of St. Peter's Association, mentioned in an earlier letter that he is to send £200 to the Pope. Kirby who is about to present an address enquires about the sum. Describes the Pope's appearance at the Carnival. Sends regards to Fr Purcell. Also includes guidelines from Kirby on the preparation and presentation of addresses to the Pope.

KIR/NC/2/1868/5

Draft letter from Dr. Kirby to Fr Flynn

Item 17 April 1868

Eng. 3pp

Kirby offers his support to Flynn who is travelling to America to solicit funds for a new seminary in Waterford at the bequest of Dr. O'Brien.

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KIR/NC/2/1868/6 Item Holograph address drafted by Dr. Kirby and reply from Cardinal Barnabo, Propaganda.

23 April 1868

Ital. 1p

Bishop Dominic O'Brien of Waterford requests a small donation towards the collection of the St. Vincent de Paul for the poor of the city of Waterford.

KIR/NC/2/1868/7

Draft letter from Dr. Kirby to Dr. Manning

Item

<u>4 May 1868</u> Eng. 4pp

Kirby congratulates Manning on his article on the State of Ireland which clarifies the state of religion and the suffering of the population of Ireland. He mentions the efforts of Manning to protect from vice and proselytism the poor Irish under his care. Copy of letter was hand-delivered by Fr Ryder.

KIR/NC/2/1868/8

Item

Holograph petition drafted by Dr. Kirby and response from Joannes Simeoni, Secretary of Propaganda.

24 May 1868

Ital. 1p

Sr. Mary Josephine Condon, Superioress of the Carmelite Convent of Tallow in the Diocese of Waterford and Lismore seeks a Papal Blessing as she is suffering from a severe disease.

KIR/NC/2/1868/9

Draft letter from Dr. Kirby to Dr. Keane

Item

25 May 1868

Eng. 4pp

Kirby does not believe that Mr Buckley is ready to be promoted to Holy Orders. Buckley had to return to Ireland due to health reasons and as a consequence had not completed his studies in theology. He discusses in general terms the promotion of students and notes that the letter was sent.

KIR/NC/2/1868/10 Item Draft letter from Dr. Kirby, Tivoli to a Rev. Mother [probably Sr. M. Bernard Maguire, Mercy Convent, Longford - see KIR/1868/248].

3 September 1868

Eng. 4pp

Kirby replies to the Rev. Mother's query dated 25th. He states that he believes it unwise to let nuns sing in a public church with priests, young gentlemen and ladies. The practice is dangerous to the interior spirit and vocation of religious females and seems foreign from the scope of the institution of the Sisters of Mercy and repugnant to the spirit of retirement. He suggests that she seek the assistance of her bishop in having the practice stopped. Notes that the letter was not sent.

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KIR/NC/2/1868/11 Item Draft letter from Dr. Kirby, Tivoli addressed to 'My dear Lord' [a bishop]

<u>30 September 1868</u>

Eng. 2pp

Kirby has convinced the Cardinal that special faculties were needed by the recipient to deal with 'occult cases of affinity' on his mission. He describes a religious procession that took place in a mountain village close to Tivoli. Rome is tranquil despite rumours of revolution and invasion.

KIR/NC/2/1868/12

Item

Draft letter from Dr. Kirby addressed to 'My dear Lord' [probably Bishop Francis Kelly of Derry - see KIR/1868/324]

<u>25 October 1868</u> Eng. 1p

Kirby thanks the bishop for the £1260 to be used for the foundation of burses for two students from the Diocese of Derry.

KIR/NC/2/1868/13

Draft letter from Dr. Kirby, Tivoli to the Ducessa Malzi

Item 20 October 1868

Ital. 3pp

Kirby informs the recipient that the college principally takes Irish students with letters from their bishops and that therefore it would not be possible to enrol her nephew.

KIR/NC/2/1869/1

Draft [telegram] from Dr. Kirby to Dr. Gillooly, Bishop of

Item <u>24 October [1869]</u>

Eng. 1p

Reads 'Monsignor says, impossible accommodate all together. Must divide party. Found one good house for nine. Rent, fifteen hundred franks monthly; term, eight months. Others nearly in proportion. Immediate answer requested. Quid agendum? I write post. Kirby'

KIR/NC/2/1869/2

Draft letter from Dr. Kirby to Monsignor Stonor

Item

3 January 1869

Eng. 2pp

Kirby believes that it would not be prudent to require any students to perform ecclesiastical functions in other churches - they have sufficient duties to perform with their own college and church duties.

KIR/NC/2/1869/3 Item Holograph petition drafted by Dr. Kirby and response from Cardinal Barnabo of Propaganda.

21 January 1869

Ital. 4pp

The Bishop of Ferns questions rescripts received from Propaganda. He argues that an oratory in the private home of the Cliffe family [at Bellevue] was erected under the authority of the bishop and not that of the Holy See. He also believes that a poor farmer should be granted some financial leeway regarding his third daughter [Miss Ryan] who wishes to become a nun as he has already paid for her two sisters to become nuns.

Holograph receipt signed by G. B Dr. Viguali, Fr Bonelli PP, Fr KIR/NC/2/1869/4

lodovico Marangoni, Rome to Dr. Kirby. Item

> 9 March 1869 Ital. 1p

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Holograph petition drafted by Dr. Kirby and response from KIR/NC/2/1869/5 Propaganda. Item

> 15 August 1869 Lat. 1p

Moniales Saneti Dominiei [The Dominican Sisters] of the Diocese of

Maitland seeks a Papal Blessing.

Draft telegram from Dr. Kirby to Rev. Dr. Taylor, Maryboro, KIR/NC/2/1869/6 Item Ireland

> 23 August 1869 Eng. 2pp

The telegram reads 'Remittance received. She very ill. Mind affected. Send

some friend immediately. T. Kirby'

KIR/NC/2/1869/7 Holograph petition drafted by Dr. Kirby and response from Joannes Simeoni, Secretary of Propaganda. Item

> 29 August 1869 Lat. 1p

Bishop James Walsh of Kildare and Leighlin seeks a marriage dispensation parties are not identified.

KIR/NC/2/1869/8

Item

Draft letter from Dr. Kirby to W.E. Gladstone, First Lord of the Treasury, London

1 September 1869 Eng. 5pp

Kirby praises Gladstone for his 'courage and unremitting attention' which has resulted in the disestablishment and dis-endowment of the Irish Protestant Church. This institution had been 'for ages a fertile source of the misery of Ireland, as well as of weakness to the empire and of disgrace to the English name.' He sends a religious book containing engravings copied from the German artist Chev. Overbeck as a token of his gratitude.

Draft letter from Dr. Kirby to W.E. Gladstone KIR/NC/2/1869/9

Item [September] 1869 Eng. 4pp

Written on the occasion of the Disestablishment of the Protestant Church. [Earlier draft of KIR/NC/2/1869/8 above. Kirby drafts, but crosses out, three long paragraphs containing spiritual guidance and instruction]

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KIR/NC/2/1869/10 Item

Draft letter from Dr. Kirby to William E. Gladstone, First Lord of the Treasury, London

[September 1869]

Eng. 3pp

Written on the occasion of the Disestablishment of the Protestant Church. [Substantially different draft of KIR/NC/2/1869/8 and KIR/NC/2/1869/9 above- tone remains similar but no reference to religious book]

KIR/NC/2/1869/11

Draft dedication in Latin from Dr. Kirby to William Gladstone

September 1869 Item

Lat. 2pp

Dedication in praise of Gladstone's justice for Ireland. Includes two drafts.

KIR/NC/2/1869/12 Draft letter from Dr. Kirby to W.E. Gladstone

Item

24 November and 10 December 1869

Eng. 4pp

Kirby thanks Gladstone for the copy of his book 'Juventus Mundi' which he received through Archbishop Manning. He comments on passages from the book noting that it contains much to interest the Christian student. He observes that the arrival of the prelates to Rome for the General Council brings together Bishops from all the dominions of Queen Victoria who must number more than any other individual state on earth. Cardinal Cullen, who is presently at the college, sends his respects and gratitude for

Gladstone's labours for the cause of justice in Ireland.

KIR/NC/2/1869/13 Draft letter from Dr. Kirby to W.E. Gladstone

24 November 1869 Item

Eng. 4pp

[Earlier draft of KIR/NC/2/1869/12 above - no reference to Cardinal Cullen]

KIR/NC/2/1869/14

Holograph petition drafted by Dr. Kirby and response from

Item

Joannes Simeoni, Secretary of Propaganda.

19 December 1869

Lat. 1p

Moniales Sorores Charitatis [The Sisters of Charity] of Tramore in the Diocese of Waterford and Lismore seek an indulgence connected to

Christmas.

KIR/NC/2/1869/15 Draft account for expenses by Dr. Kirby

Item

December 1869 - March 1870

Eng. 1p

Deposits and bills paid by Dr. Furlong to Kirby

KIR/NC/2/1870/1 Draft letters from Dr. Kirby addressed to 'Madam' [a recipient in Paris]

[4 June 1870] Fr. 4pp

Kirby thanks the recipient for the donation of excellent wine that [she] sent before [her] departure from Rome to Paris. Mentions in general terms the

proceedings of the General Council.

KIR/NC/2/1870/2 Draft letter from Dr. Kirby to a Cardinal

Item 20 January 1870 Ital. 2pp

Kirby has spoken to Bishop Francis Kelly of Derry concerning his nomination to the vacant See of Armagh. The Bishop feels that he has so much work to complete in his own diocese that he couldn't move to another.

KIR/NC/2/1870/3 Draft note by Kirby concerning prayers for a novena

Item 17 March 1870 Ital. 1p

KIR/NC/2/1870/4 Holograph petition drafted by Dr. Kirby and response from

Item Joannes Simeoni, Secretary of Propaganda.

<u>24 April 1870</u> Ital. 1p

Kirby seeks a Papal Blessing for the Carmelites of Loughrea, Mr Maguire

and his family and the Ursulines of Waterford.

KIR/NC/2/1870/5 Draft note by Kirby on the subject of Papal Infallibility.

Item 18 August 1870 Lat. 2pp

[Note written on the day that the dogma was declared]

KIR/NC/2/1870/6 Draft letter from Dr. Kirby to Suor M. Virginia

Ital. 4pp

Letter discussing spirituality - humility, obedience and prayer to the Sacred

Heart of Jesus.

KIR/NC/2/1870/7 Holograph address drafted by Dr. Kirby and receipt from

Item Cardinal Barnabo, Propaganda.

<u>12 September 1870</u> Ital. 1p

Bishop Leahy of Dromore presents £212.11s.6d Peter's Pence to the Holy

See.

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KIR/NC/2/1870/8

Draft letter from Dr. Kirby to H. Clarke, [Servoise]

Item

5 October 1870

Eng. 1p

Kirby thanks the recipient for having procured a military guard for the college during the late period of anarchy in the city. As the danger is now past and as the college premises are too small for the guard he now asks that these men be removed as they are causing considerable inconvenience.

KIR/NC/2/1870/9

Draft letter from Dr. Kirby to Sister Clare

Item

10 October 1870

Eng. 3pp

Kirby transmits a letter of support and blessing from the Pope, who due to the recent invasion is a prisoner in the Vatican. Sister Clare has written a work on the Life of St. Patrick. The Catholic Faith, he states, is the only solid basis of the true happiness of nations.

KIR/NC/2/1870/10 Draft letter from Dr. Kirby concerning British property in

26 October 1870 Item

Eng. 4pp

Kirby writes on behalf of the Irish, English and Scotch ecclesiastical establishments in Rome who lay claim to the protection of the British Government. These establishments are - The English, Irish and Scots Colleges, the Irish Franciscan's of St. Isidores, the Dominican Conventual College of St. Clement, the Irish Augustinian College of Santa Maria in Posterula, the English Benedictine Congregation at Via di Salumi and the Redemptorist Fathers of St. Alfonso. Includes two drafts.

KIR/NC/2/1870/11 Draft letter from Dr. Kirby to H. Clark, [Servoice]

Item

27 October 1870

Eng. 1p

Kirby reports that he has acted on Clark's advice and called a meeting of the heads of the 'British' ecclesiastical establishments in Rome. They agreed upon a letter which they now submit to Clark.

KIR/NC/2/1870/12 Draft letter from Dr. Kirby to Suor M. Virginia.

Item

21 December 1870

Ital. 2pp

Letter discussing spirituality. [first page missing]

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KIR/NC/2/1870/13 Item Handwritten and printed documents providing eyewitness and reported accounts of physical and verbal abuse given to clerics and students of the international colleges and particularly the Irish College following the occupation of Rome. Documents compiled and enclosed in folder by Dr. Kirby.

1870 and 1871

Eng. Ital. 21pp

Includes the following:

Printed document translating correspondence between the Rectors of the Foreign National Colleges and Alfonso Lamarmora, Royal Lieutenant for Rome and the Roman Province and original holograph letter from Lamarmora. The rectors complain of physical and verbal attacks on their persons and property including the wounding of Mgr Roelants the Rector of the Belgian College. Lamarmora dismisses the accounts and the rectors respond strongly.

Holograph statement [in two drafts] of Michael Kelly, Prefect of the Third Camerata, Irish College Rome concerning an attack made on a group of students close to Porta Pia and the no-intervention of two 'officers of the line'.

An account of a disruption caused by two young men at the celebration of a Mass at the Irish College.

An account [in two drafts] of a physical attack on [students] by a group men who threatened them with knives.

An account in Italian by E. Russell of insults given to him by soldiers.

Draft statement by Dr. Kirby stating that St. Agatha's church at Monti is a national church belonging to the Irish College.

Printed notice announcing an inspection of the Irish College by the Ministry of Finance.

KIR/NC/2/1871/1 Item Holograph address drafted by Dr. Kirby and receipt from Cardinal Barnabo, Propaganda.

9 January 1871

Ital. 1p

The Archbishop of Cashel presents £40 to the Holy See and seeks a Papal Blessing.

KIR/NC/2/1871/2 Item Copy of letter from the Rector of the Urban College to Dr. Kirby, Rector of the Irish College. Copied by Kirby

11 January 1871

Ital. 3pp

Letter deals with the discussions between the Rector of the Urban College and Questore Berti concerning the claims of the foreign rectors.

[Commissioner] Berti is acting in the name of General Lamarmora.

KIR/NC/2/1871/3 Draft note from Dr. Kirby.

Ital. 1p

Kirby has caught a cold and is unable to go out - he gives instructions for

religious services.

KIR/NC/2/1871/4 Draft letter from Dr. Kirby to Dr. Cleary

Item 19 February 1871 Eng. 3pp

Kirby is pleased that that citizens of Waterford are planning to present a tribute to Captain D'Arcey for his services with the Papal Zouave. He lauds D'Arcey for his heroism at Castlefedardo and Spoleto and during the

defence of Rome. He encloses a contribution.

KIR/NC/2/1871/5 Draft letter from Dr. Kirby to Raffaele Marchetti, Presidente Item della sudd. Commissione.

18 May 1871 Ital. Ital.

In response to the circular dated 17 April from the 'Commissione di Sindacato..., Stralcio del Debito Pubblico', Kirby states that the Church of S. Agata is a national church belonging to the national Irish College.

KIR/NC/2/1871/6 Copy of correspondence between Dr. Kirby and the 'Ufficio di Item Stralcio della Direzione del Debito Publico'

<u>17 April 1871</u> Ital. 4pp

The letter concerns financial demands being made on the Irish College by the Ministry of Finance. Officials mentioned include Raffaele Marchetti, Presidente; Gaudenzio Guieciardi; Roberto Bevilaacque and Pietro Cavi.

Kirby insists that St. Agatha's is a national church of Ireland.

KIR/NC/2/1871/7 Draft letter from Dr. Kirby, Rome to a [lady in France]

Item 2 July 1871 Fr. 1p

Kirby has searched in vain for the recipient's pen. He sends a religious

picture and gives spiritual advice.

KIR/NC/2/1871/8 Holograph note from Dr. Kirby to Dr. Moran and receipt from

Item Captain De la Hayde

23 August 1871 Eng. 1p

Kirby instructs Moan to pay De la Hayde £6.9s.6d

KIR/NC/2/1871/9 Draft letter from Dr. Kirby, Rome to an [Irish Bishop]

Item <u>25 August 1871</u> Eng. 2pp

Kirby informs the bishop that he has presented the offering of £60 to the

Pope.

KIR/NC/2/1871/10 Draft letter from Dr. Kirby to M. Virginia.

Ital. 4pp

Kirby discusses spiritual matters.

KIR/NC/2/1871/11 Draft letter from Dr. Kirby to Dr. Lynch, Bishop of Charleston

Item <u>23 November 1871</u> Eng. 4pp

Kirby seeks assistance for Sister Mary England, a nun from the Diocese of Charleston who is living in Rome. She has been unable to enter a convent in

Rome as she does not have a letter from her bishop and she is also uncertain if all her vows are still intact. Kirby pleads for an act of charity

towards this lady.

KIR/NC/2/1871/12 Holograph petition drafted by Dr. Kirby and response from the

Item Holy See

Item

<u>10 December 1871</u> Lat. 2pp

John Power of the Diocese of Ferns seeks an indulgence and blessing.

KIR/NC/2/1871/13 Draft letter from Thomas Power, Bishop of St. Johns in

Newfoundland to the Pope. Drafted with numerous

corrections by Dr. Kirby

<u>13 December 1871</u> Lat. 3pp

Power condemns and offers commiseration on the hostile invasion of Rome. He offers [10,000 francs] to the Pope and asks for a Papal Blessing.

KIR/NC/2/1871/14 Holograph petition from Rev. Michael Malone, Administrator Item in the Diocese of Limerick and draft supporting petition from

Dr. Kirby

13 December 1871 Lat. Ital. 2pp

Malone seeks a marriage dispensation for Samuel Mills, a Protestant and Helena Dixon, a Catholic of his mensal parish noting the details of the case.

KIR/NC/2/1872/1 Draft letter from Dr. Kirby concerning Dig D. Angelo Forrette Item Bolagnese.

28 January 1872 Ital. 2pp

Kirby lists the five documents given to him by Bolagnese. These include references from the Bishop of Anagni, the Bishop of Rome, the Rector of S. Jesu, the Parish Priest of S. Dorotea and the Rector of the Church of the Holy Trinity. Concerned with the call-up for military service.

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KIR/NC/2/1872/2 Item Holograph petition drafted by Dr. Kirby and response from G Simeoni, Secretary of Propaganda.

25 February 1872

Ital. 3pp

The Bishop of Cloyne wishes to know if the dispensations that he applied for have been granted. Kirby notes that he telegraphed the answer to the Bishop at Queenstown.

KIR/NC/2/1872/3 Item Holograph petition drafted by Dr. Kirby and response from Joannes Simeoni, Secretary of Propaganda.

10 March 1872

Ital. 1p

Kirby seeks a Papal Blessing for the Carmelites of Tallow in the Diocese of Waterford and Lismore, Catherine Phelan, Eileen Hayes, Eliza Butler and for the conversion of a Protestant lady.

KIR/NC/2/1872/4

Draft petition by Dr. Kirby

Item 1 July 1872

Lat. 1p

Eliza Johnson, a Catholic from the Diocese of Meath wishes to obtain permission to have Mass said in an Oratory chapel. Mentions her charity.

KIR/NC/2/1872/5 Item Copy of letter from P. Can. Petacci, Secretary of the Cardinal Vicar to the Pope. Copied by Dr. Kirby.

12 July 1872

Ital. Lat. 3pp

Letter concerned with the case of Onora Teresa England who travelled to the United States in 1841 with her uncle Bishop England of Charleston. After his death she entered an Ursuline convent, was professed by Bishop Purcell of Cincinnati and remained there for twenty years. She has moved to Rome following a dispute and wishes to have permission to enter an institution there.

KIR/NC/2/1872/6

Draft list of the members of the Community of N. J. Forbes

Item

August 1872

Eng. 1p

Lists the Community as consisting of Rev. Mother M. de Sales Fallon, Sr. M. Philomena McCann, Sr. M. Gertrude Gordon, Sr. M. Joseph Hoare, Sr. M. of Mercy Flood and Postulant Mary Clancey to be M. Michael.

KIR/NC/2/1872/7 Item Draft note from Dr. Kirby, via Dr. Moran, to Rev. Holohan, Kilkenny.

4 August 1872

Eng. 1p

Kirby sends faculties that were requested

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KIR/NC/2/1872/8 Item

Holograph petition drafted by Dr. Kirby and response from Joannes Simeoni, Secretary of Propaganda.

8 September 1872

Ital. 1p

The Contessa Alex. C. di Camburzano in the Diocese of Fossano in Piedmont seeks a Papal Blessing for her family, Mr Cerino and his family and the young workers in her employment.

KIR/NC/2/1872/9 Item

Holograph address drafted by Dr. Kirby on behalf of George Conroy, Bishop of Ardagh

12 December 1872

Lat. 2pp

Conroy presents the names of the three candidates for the position of Dean of the Cathedral in Ardagh - Revds. John Evers, Edward McGara and Mark O'Farrell. He recommends Evers.

KIR/NC/2/1872/10 Item

Holograph address drafted by Dr. Kirby including response from the Holy See.

10 November 1872

Lat. 2pp

Bishop John Pius Leahy of Dromore seeks permission for James McKenna, PP of Lurgan to be absent from his parish [in order to raise funds for the church and a convent].

KIR/NC/2/1872/11

Draft letter from Dr. Kirby to [Philip Redmond]

Item

6 November 1872

Eng. 3pp

Kirby informs the recipient that his request for a marriage dispensation for his daughter, Elizabeth and Mr H Evans, a Protestant has been refused by the Pope. He adds that such refusals are to be expected and may seem harsh but in fact 'extol the paternal compassion [of the Vicar of Christ] for the immortal souls committed to his charge.' [see also KIR/NC/2/1872/12]

KIR/NC/2/1872/12 Draft letter from Dr. Kirby to [Philip Redmond]

Item

27 November 18782

Eng. 4pp

Kirby informs the recipient that, while he had reservations in submitting a second application for a marriage dispensation, he nevertheless submitted it. [see KIR/NC/2/1872/11] The appeal was rejected by the Pope. He mentions in passing those who 'in defiance of the authority of his church profane by a sacrilegious marriage the holy Sacrament of matrimony.'

KIR/NC/2/1873/1

Incomplete draft letter from Dr. Kirby

Item

4 February 1873

Eng. 1p

Kirby thanks that recipient for the draft of £29.2s.6d from a charitable donor to poor nuns.

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KIR/NC/2/1873/2 Item Holograph petition drafted by Dr. Kirby on behalf of Thomas

W. Croke, Bishop of Auckland

<u>30 March 1873</u> Lat. 1p

Croke petitions the Pope with the case of five Franciscan priests. One of the Franciscans, James O'Mahony, wishes to remain in the diocese and Croke asks that he be allowed to do so.

KIR/NC/2/1873/3 Item Holograph petition drafted by Dr. Kirby and response from the Holy See.

1 June 1873 Lat. Ital. 1p

Colonel Jervis, an English Catholic who is gravely ill in Malta wises to have permission to have Mass said and to receive Communion in his room.

KIR/NC/2/1873/4

Draft letter from Dr. Kirby

Item 12 July 1873

Ital. 2pp

Concerned with the Papal Benediction bestowed on Colonel Jervis, an English convert to Catholicism who has since died in Malta.

KIR/NC/2/1873/5

Holograph address drafted by Dr. Kirby to the Holy See.

Item <u>1 September 1873</u>

Ital. 1p

Patrick Moran, Bishop of Dunedin and Administrative Archbishop of Wellington presents £172.8s.2d to the Holy See as a testament of the love of the people and clergy of his diocese.

KIR/NC/2/1873/6

Draft note by Kirby

Item 5 September 1873

Ital. 3pp

Kirby discusses temptation and sin in reference to a specific case of an unnamed man.

KIR/NC/2/1873/7 Item Draft petition from Dr. Kirby and reply from Can. Rinaldini of Propaganda

<u>17 September 1873</u>

Ital. 2pp

Kirby seeks Papal Blessings for the following- Bishop Moran of Dunedin in New Zealand, Presentation Sisters from Ireland who are about to travel to Australia, Fr Meehan of Limerick who has built a new church, Mr Maher who is ill, the Dominican Sisters of Dunedin and their pupils, the nuns of Cashel and their schools, the Dominican nuns of Sion Hill including

Sr. Imelda.

KIR/NC/2/1873/8

Item

Holograph petition drafted by Dr. Kirby and response from Joannes Simeoni, Secretary of Propaganda.

23 November 1873

Lat. 1p

The Mother Superior and Presentation Sisters of Drogheda seek privileges for the Christmas Eve religious celebration.

KIR/NC/2/1874/1 Draft letter from Dr. Kirby to Fr Kehoe

Item <u>31 January 1874</u> Eng. 1p

Kirby invites Kehoe to a dinner on the 5th of February

KIR/NC/2/1874/2 Draft letter from Dr. Kirby to 'My dear Lord Cardinal'

Item [Cardinal Cullen]

<u>7 February 1874</u> Eng. 2pp

Kirby describe the ceremonies and singing that accompanied the feast of St. Agatha at the Irish College. Catholic Rome is in consternation following the tearing down of 'the Standard of the World's Redemption' which was in the Colosseum and the destruction of the 'edicole' of the Via Crucis. He hopes that the election in Ireland will pass without scandal noting the deplorable dissensions at Limerick and the need for the clergy to be

circumspect in future.

KIR/NC/2/1874/3 Draft letter from Dr. Kirby addressed to 'Eccellenza Item Reverendana'.

<u>7 March 1874</u> Ital. 3pp

Kirby agrees with the recipient concerning the case brought by Sr. Vincenza. He offers his opinion stating that while it is important to maintain a spirit of forbearance to the love of God in this case the spirit of

the sisters is not in question.

KIR/NC/2/1874/4 Draft letter from Dr. Kirby to 'My dear Lord'.

Item 14 March 1874 Eng. 1p

Kirby announces the death of Cardinal Barnabo who died following a long illness caused by gout. Despite being blind for almost a year he continued

to work on the congressi.

KIR/NC/2/1874/5 Draft letter from Dr. Kirby.

Item <u>1 April 1874</u> Eng. 2pp

Kirby advises that Emmeline, a recent convert, should not be sent to London. It would expose her faith to too much risk and he asks the recipient to speak to her mother on the matter. [Letter torn and incomplete]

KIR/NC/2/1874/6 Copied note by Dr. Kirby

Ital. 1p

Includes a copy of rescript concerning lapsed faculties.

KIR/NC/2/1874/7 Draft letter from Dr. Kirby to Signora Contessa.

Ital. 1p

The recipient's request for Marietta has not been successful. Padre

Massaruti has sent her letter to Marehesa.

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Eng. 4pp

KIR/NC/2/1874/8 Item

Draft letter from Dr. Kirby to Dr. McGettigan, Archbishop of Armagh

13 April 1874

Kirby thanks McGettigan for the gift. Fr Matthew's case is painful and he hopes that the authorities will be able to do what is best for the Diocese of Meath. They have been fortunate to sell the vineyards. He hopes Cardinal Fransoni will be a worthy successor to Cardinal Barnabo. He will submit the request from the nuns of Drogheda and Ardagh. When Mr Rock returns he can be replaced by another in the college.

KIR/NC/2/1874/9 Item

Holograph petition drafted by Dr. Kirby and response from Joannes Simeoni, Secretary of Propaganda.

28 June 1874 Ital. 1p

Dr. Ryan and the Presentation Sisters of the Diocese of Cashel seek a Papal Blessing.

KIR/NC/2/1874/10 Holograph petition drafted by Dr. Kirby

12 July 1874 Item

Ital. 1p Bishop T O'Mahony of Adelaide seeks faculties to give a special blessing to Mr Daly of his diocese. J.T. Lynch, Vicar General of Adelaide seeks

faculties for his return visit to Ireland.

KIR/NC/2/1874/11 Holograph address drafted by Dr. Kirby to the Holy See.

Item 4 August 1874 Ital. 1p

Patrick Moran, Bishop of Dunedin presents £2895 to the Holy See as an offering from his diocese and Wellington.

KIR/NC/2/1874/12

Draft letter from Dr. Kirby, Tivoli to Rev. Hugh Maguire,

Administrator of Clontibret. Item

> 16 October 1874 Eng. 2pp

Kirby advises the recipient that he sent further details to Propaganda concerning a mixed marriage.

KIR/NC/2/1874/13

Draft letter from Dr. Kirby to Cardinal Bilio

Item 23 November 1874 Ital. 2pp

Kirby thanks the Cardinal for his letter and mentions that he has offered a Mass for an unnamed person.

KIR/NC/2/1874/14 Item

Draft letter from Dr. Kirby to [Daniel McGettigan, Archbishop of Armagh]

Feast of the Immaculate Conception [8 Dec.] 1874

Kirby notes that he has presented the £482 from McGettigan to the Pope for which he was grateful 'especially at the present crisis when all the powers of the earth seem leagued together' against the church. [see

KIR/1874/671]

Code / Level Title / Date / Description Lang. / Extent Draft letter from Dr. Kirby to Sr. M. Virginia KIR/NC/2/1874/15 Item 11 December 1874 Ital. 2pp The Maestra need not worry about the cost of the book- he has paid for it. Kirby offers spiritual guidance. Draft letter from Dr. Kirby to Rev. L. Gleeson, PP KIR/NC/2/1874/16 19 December 1874 Item Eng. 1p Kirby sends a rescript from the Holy See concerning the dispensation requested by M. Browne. An attempt should be made to dissuade the parties and Gleeson should then submit a further report in Latin. Draft letter from Dr. Kirby to Dr. Hallinane KIR/NC/2/1875/1 1875 Item Eng. 1p Kirby acknowledges the recipient's and S. Liston's letters. [incomplete] Draft letter from Dr. Kirby to a Mother Superior. KIR/NC/2/1875/2 31 January 1875 Item Ital. 1p Kirby sends a small donation to assist a poor girl. Draft letter from Dr. Kirby to [Daniel McGettigan], KIR/NC/2/1875/3 Item Archbishop of Armagh 10 February 1875 Eng. 1p Kirby sends faculties granted by the Pope 'to facilitate the gaining of the Jubilee to the faithful in missionary countries'. Draft letter from Dr. Kirby to Rev. D. R. Harrington, KIR/NC/2/1875/4 Item 15 February 1875 Eng. 1p Kirby informs the recipient that he would be happy to present a request for faculties - he requests a letter written in Latin to his effect. KIR/NC/2/1875/5 Draft letter from Dr. Kirby to Dr. Russell 1 June 1875 Item Eng. 3pp The painting of the crucifixion has been finished by Sig. Gagliardi at a cost of £10. He mentions the new execrable law which subjects all the clergy to military service. KIR/NC/2/1875/6

IR/NC/2/1875/6 Draft letters from Dr. Kirby to William Murray, Bishop of Item Maitland and Patrick Moran, Bishop of Dunnedin

5 July 18<u>75</u> Ital. 2pp

Kirby informs both bishops that he has presented their donations to the Holy See - £260 in the case of Murray and £60 in the case of Moran.

Draft note from Dr. Kirby concerning Dr. Croke KIR/NC/2/1875/7

Item 17 August 1875 Eng. 1p

Kirby notes that he has sent faculties and dispensations to Croke

KIR/NC/2/1875/8 Draft letter from Dr. Kirby to Rev. D. Parker, PP in Diocese

of Clovne Item

> 26 August 1875 Eng. 1p

Kirby sends dispensations. He apologises for the delay caused by his mistaking the recipient with Fr Parker of the Diocese of Cork.

Draft letter of recommendation from Dr. Kirby, Tivoli for KIR/NC/2/1875/9 Item

Michael Daly, Clonmult, Middleton

24 September 1875 Eng. 2pp

Kirby certifies that Daly was a studious and upright student of the college between 1867 and 1873.

Draft letter from Dr. Kirby, Tivoli addressed to 'My dear Lord KIR/NC/2/1875/10 Item Mayor'

> 13 October 1875 Eng. 10pp

Kirby praises the recipient's circular which proposes the establishment of an institution to promote Faith and Fatherland. 'The great point of securing the Catholic education of the youth seems the most pressing not only for Ireland but for the entire Catholic world'. He offers spiritual advice on such a venture noting that one should seek first 'the Kingdom of God, and all other things shall be added unto you.' He believes that modern politicians regard this as puerile which has resulted in the miseries of Europe. He contrast this, at length, with the actions of the illustrious President of the Equator who has turned his country into a true Catholic nation. He mentions that the Catholics of Italy are to celebrate the centenary of Daniel

O'Connell, 'La Lega O'Connell'.

Holograph petition drafted by Dr. Kirby and response from the KIR/NC/2/1875/11 Holy See. Item

> 7 November 1875 Ital. 1p

Bishop William Delany of Cork seeks permission not to make his Ad Limina trip to Rome and to appoint Dr. Kirby as his deputy.

Draft petition by Dr. Kirby KIR/NC/2/1875/12

17 November 1875 Item Lat. 2pp

> Bishop Francis Kelly of Derry seeks a dispensation concerning the publication of marriage bans for an unspecified case.

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KIR/NC/2/1876/1

Draft letter from [Dr. Kirby] to Mrs Elliott

Item

Feast of the Chair of St. Peter, 18 January 1876

Eng. 3pp

Kirby writes this spiritual letter on the subject of the Office of the Pope on the feast day associated with the Papacy. The Pope shields 'his faithful followers from the danger of being tossed about by every wind of doctrine, or of being led astray by imposters or by self sent visionaries or fanatics.'

KIR/NC/2/1876/2

Draft petition from Dr. Kirby [concerning Fr William Glesson,

Item Oakland, California - see KIR/1876/19]

16 February 1876

Ital. Eng. 3pp

[Glesson] seeks permission to be affiliated to the Diocese of San Francisco. He has spent time in India, Asia Minor and Scotland. Kirby notes that the Archbishop himself can affiliate him.

KIR/NC/2/1876/3

Draft letter from Dr. Kirby to Cardinal Ledochowski

Item St. Patrick's Day, 17 March 1876

Ital. 3pp

Kirby uses the imagery of soldiers and war to discuss in general terms the present struggles of the church. Mentions the admiration of the Irish hierarchy as witnessed in the recent synod.

KIR/NC/2/1876/4

Draft certificate from Dr. Kirby.

Item

20 June 1876

Eng. 1p

Kirby certifies that the Pope has blessed the manual of devotions entitled 'Memoriam Beatissimae Virginis Mariae' compiled for use by the Children of Mary of the Dominican Convent of Sion Hill, Blackrock, Dublin.

KIR/NC/2/1876/5 Item Holograph documents from Dr. Kirby and Dr. Cullen to the Holy See.

23 July 1876

Ital.

Cullen offers his opinions on mixed marriages in Dublin- he believes that they are harmful to religion. Kirby submits a petition for a specific mixed marriage case involving Francesca Lyons and Dr. Kepper Reid together with the opinions expressed by Cullen. Noted that the dispensation was not asked for.

KIR/NC/2/1876/6

Holograph address drafted by Dr. Kirby to the Holy See.

Item 24 July 1876

Ital. 2pp

Bishop Nicola Conaty of Kilmore presents £500 Peter's Pence to the Holy See from the people and clergy of his diocese.

KIR/NC/2/1876/7

Holograph receipt from T. Bonani to Dr. Kirby

Item 11 August 1876

Ital. 1p

Bonani sends 50 lire to Kirby and the Irish College in thanks for services rendered.

KIR/NC/2/1876/8 Draft list by Dr. Kirby

Item 6 and 13 August 1876 Ital. 2pp

Lists of religious feast days and observances.

KIR/NC/2/1876/9 Draft letter from Dr. Kirby

Ital. 3pp

The recipients letter was consoling and Kirby in return offers spiritual

guidance.

KIR/NC/2/1876/10 Draft letter from Dr. Kirby, Tivoli to Monsignor Negrotto

Ital. 3pp

Kirby expresses his thanks for the generosity shown to the Convent of S. Bonaventure. Mentions Monsignor Chatard, the Rector of the American

College.

KIR/NC/2/1877/1 Copy of letter from [Dr. Kirby to Don Bosco]

Ital. 3pp

Kirby responds to the recipient's request by sending the sum requested and a little donation to show his appreciation for the work of the institute for

the young 'Petrini'. Kirby notes that he sent a copy to Don Bosco.

KIR/NC/2/1877/2 Holograph petition drafted by Dr. Kirby and response from

Item Monsignor Luigi Macchi, Maestro di Camera.

6 February 1877 Ital. 1p

Kirby requests a Papal Blessing, on behalf of Madam Moore, for

Commander Moore and his new bride.

KIR/NC/2/1877/3 Draft letter from Dr. Kirby to Monsignor Faschi, Prelato

Item Domesteo di S.S.

<u>12 May 1877</u> Ital. 2pp

Kirby seeks a resolution of the dispute he is having with Cardinal Pecci and

asks the recipient to intervene in smoothing out the difficulties.

KIR/NC/2/1877/4 Draft letter from Dr. Kirby to Lady C. Louisa Van

Item Straubenzee, Palace Malta.

<u>3 June 1877</u> Eng. 4pp

Kirby notes the recipient's interest in the work of the nuns of the Good Shepherd. He is sending a painting of the Divine Heart to this order, care of

Monsignor Virtue.

KIR/NC/2/1877/5 Draft letter from Dr. Kirby to Cardinal Simeoni.

Ital. 3pp

Kirby writes in favour of William Maziere Brady, who is from a distinguished Protestant family in Dublin. His uncle was Grand Chancellor of the Kingdom. He was originally a Protestant minister but consistently preached and wrote in defence of Catholics. Cardinal Cullen believes that he should be rewarded with a title of 'Commendatore dell'ordine di Pio IX'.

KIR/NC/2/1877/6 Draft list by Dr. Kirby.

Item August 1877 Eng. 1p

Kirby lists gifts, mainly rings, sent from the Pope to Cardinal Cullen, the Archbishops of Tuam, Cashel and Armagh and the Bishops of Ossory, Limerick, Dromore, Cork, Down and Connor and Galway.

KIR/NC/2/1877/7 Draft letter from Dr. Kirby to Cardinal Cullen

Item <u>18 August 1877</u> Eng. 1p

Kirby believes that Fr Maher should now settle down and do something useful in Ireland. Any longer stay in the Irish College would eventually

render him unfit for solid use.

KIR/NC/2/1877/8 Draft letter from Dr. Kirby, Tivoli to Miss Ninimo

Item 9 October 1877 Eng. 1p

Kirby apologises for the delay in responding. [letter incomplete]

KIR/NC/2/1877/9 Draft letter from Dr. Kirby addressed to a Cardinal

Ital. 2pp

Mentions the offering of the Bishop of Goulburn of Newfoundland to the Holy See.

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KIR/NC/2/1878/1 Draft letter from Dr. Kirby to [Bishop Power of Waterford]

Item 3 January 1878 Eng. 4pp

Kirby reports that he presented the offering and address of the Catholics of Waterford to the Pope. It is a source of consolation to the Pope in these times of persecution that 'the children of St. Patrick not only resident in Ireland but scattered thro' the United States, Newfoundland, the Canadas, N. Scotia, Australia, New Zealand and the most distant countries are amongst the foremost in paying these tributes of duty and love to the Vicar of Christ'. He believes that the freedom of the church and the Papacy is vital in defending against despots and revolutionary mobs.

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KIR/NC/2/1878/2 Item Draft copy of letter from Leonard [de Peretti], Titular Bishop of Ptolermais [and Auxiliary Bishop of Ajaceio] addressed to a

22 January 1878

Fr. 2pp

Letter concerned with a proposal to grant a prelature to M. Le Chanoine a zealous missionary.

KIR/NC/2/1878/3

Copy of letter from Dr. Kirby to his niece

Item <u>22 January 1878</u>

Eng. 6pp

Kirby writes a spiritual sermon to his niece focusing on the Sheppards of Bethlehem and the Nativity.

KIR/NC/2/1878/4

Holograph petition drafted by Dr. Kirby to the Holy See

Item <u>25 January 1878</u>

Ital. 1p

Sister Maria Gonzaga Grace, a Sister of Charity in the United States who has reached her 50th year in religious life seeks a Papal Blessing and indulgences for her community.

KIR/NC/2/1878/5 Item Holograph letter from Dr. Kirby, Irish College to Signor D.

Guiseppe and G. F. di Bruno to Kirby.

30 January 1878

Ital. 3pp

Kirby is concerned that letters to the Archbishops MacGettigan of Armagh, Croke of Thurles and MacHale of Tuam haven't yet been delivered - Bruno states that Padre Enrico Arkell has only arrived in London yesterday.

KIR/NC/2/1878/6

Draft letter from Dr. Kirby to M. Ignatia.

Item

31 January 1878

Eng. 2pp

Kirby has celebrated the Masses requested. He has been unable to request the Papal Blessings for the Rev. Mother and the Community due to the poor health of the Pope. Next Saturday will be the 75th anniversary of the First Communion of the Holy Father.

KIR/NC/2/1878/7 Item Draft letter from Dr. Kirby to Daniel McGettigan, Archbishop of Armagh

'about 8 February 1878'

Eng. 1p

Kirby announces the afflicting news of the death of the Pope which has thrown the city into profound grief.

KIR/NC/2/1878/8

Draft letter from Dr. Kirby to Signor Caneo

Item

30 February 1878

Ital. 3pp

Kirby announces that Cardinal Cullen has arrived at Nizza [Nice] but is ill and will not be able to arrive in time for the Papal Coronation. He also asks for a response from Cardinal Pecci concerning 'a certain business'

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KIR/NC/2/1878/9

Draft letter from Dr. Kirby to Sig. Cavaliere Melandi

Item

8 May 1878

Ital. 3pp

Kirby wishes to dedicate the publication of his 1835 dissertation to the Pope. Letter concerned with arrangements for a private audience and printing.

KIR/NC/2/1878/10 Item Draft letter from Dr. Kirby to Daniel McGettigan, Archbishop of Armagh

<u>14 May 1878</u> Eng. 4pp

Kirby has presented £233 from the clergy and people of the Diocese of Armagh to the Pope. Cardinal Cullen has sent an act from Propaganda to McGettigan concerning the appointment of a coadjutor. He has printed, for the fun of the thing, a dissertation written by himself in 1835 while he was a student- this dissertation was entered into a competition but was beaten by the future Leo XIII

KIR/NC/2/1878/11

Draft letter from Dr. Kirby to a Cardinal

Item

17 July 1878

Ital. 2pp

Kirby has been invited to partake with the Arch-confraternity of St. Peter in the collection of the 'Obolo di S. Pietro' [Peter's Pence]. He explains that the money from Ireland comes in at different times from the bishops.

KIR/NC/2/1878/12

Draft letter from Dr. Kirby to Joseph W. Howard, Town

Item Clerk, Waterford

<u>19 July 1878</u> Eng. 2pp

Kirby agrees to submit an address of congratulations from the Corporation of Waterford to the new Pope.

KIR/NC/2/1878/13

Draft letter from Dr. Kirby to Alderman Hegarty, Cork

Item 21 July 1878

Eng. 4pp

Kirby has presented the address from the Corporation of Cork to the new Pope. He describes how the Pope attentively listened to the address which had been translated by Kirby. His difficulties, including financial, are many and embarrassing.

KIR/NC/2/1878/14

Draft letter from Dr. Kirby to Dr. Verdon

Item

2 November 1878

Eng. 1p

Kirby thanks Verdon for the account of 'our beloved Cardinal's last moments.' He had his first opportunity to visit the Pope since Cullen's death.

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KIR/NC/2/1878/15

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Postal order and envelope which was to be returned to the

Bishop of Kerry by Kirby

<u>11 October 1878</u> Eng. 2pp

Postal order of £1 for the dispensation of Barry and to be returned to him.

KIR/NC/2/1878/16

Draft letter from Dr. Kirby to the Lord Primate [Daniel

McGettigan, Archbishop of Armagh]

<u>8 November 1878</u> Eng. 2pp

Kirby has met the Pope following the death of Cardinal Cullen. The Pope stated that he knew Cullen well in his earlier years and that he wept when

he read Cullen's last letter to him.

KIR/NC/2/1878/17

Draft letter from Dr. Kirby to 'Figlia in G + C' [Daughter in

Item Christ]

15 November 1878 Ital. 2pp

Kirby offers spiritual advice and praises the monastic life.

KIR/NC/2/1879/1

Draft letter [from Dr. Kirby]

Item <u>1879</u>

A collection is being made by Lady Herbert, amongst the English and Irish Catholics in Rome, to present Dr. Newman with vestments and altar-plate

to mark his elevation to Cardinal.

KIR/NC/2/1879/2

Item

Copy of petition drafted by Dr. Kirby and response from J. B.

Agnozzi, Secretary, Propaganda

<u>19 January 1879</u> Lat. 2pp

Mrs Nimimo of the Diocese of Southwark seeks indulgences for her oratory.

KIR/NC/2/1879/3 Item Draft letter from Dr. Cullen to [possibly the Archbishop of

Dublin]

<u>18 April 1879</u> Eng. 2pp

Kirby refers to the case of a young man named 'B' [Bourke], a student for the Dublin Diocese, who travelled from Rome with his uncle the 'Rev. Mr L.'. He has been shown a letter which brings shame on so young a man. Dr. Woodlock, Dr. Moran and the Primate are all due shortly in Rome. The schismatical Patrick Kupelian has submitted to the Holy See having made a retreat with the Redemptorists Fathers. Kirby notes that the letter was not

sent.

KIR/NC/2/1879/4

Draft letter from Dr. Kirby to a Rev. Mother.

Item 27 May 1879

Eng. 2pp

Eng. 1p

Kirby sends a prize to be used in a bazaar. The Pope sends his blessing for their good work. He sends regards to Miss Kinsella and Rev. Dunphy their PP.

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KIR/NC/2/1879/5 Item Draft letter from Dr. Kirby to Monsignor Fausti, [Segretaria del Vicariato]

<u>2 June 1879</u> Ital. 4pp

Kirby replies to a letter which he received today. He discusses the case of Mr Hyde, a Protestant minister who was considering converting to Catholicism. Hyde had some doubts but was unable to get an interview with the Holy See to discuss them - he approached Kirby who was unable to remove the doubts especially with regards to infallibility.

KIR/NC/2/1879/6

Draft letter from Dr. Kirby to Fr Mackey

Item 20 June 1879

Eng. 1p

Kirby sends faculties which he has just received.

KIR/NC/2/1879/7

Draft letter from Dr. Kirby to a Cardinal

Item <u>3 August 1879</u>

Ital. 3pp

Letter concerned with the appointment of a deputy to the Pia Casa di Carita in Borgo S. Agata. Mentions Cardinal Patrizi who made the nomination in 1874 and Sig. Card. Raffael, Monaco La Vallella, Vicario di S. S.

KIR/NC/2/1879/8

Draft letter from Dr. Kirby to Mr Bourke

Item

8 August 1879

Eng. 4pp

Kirby regrets that he cannot offer Bourke a letter of recommendation to the Archbishop because he has come to the conclusion that Bourke does not have a vocation for the priesthood. He refers to a crime which Bourke admitted in a letter to another in Rome. He suggests that many attain respectability, by their good conduct and application to their duties in a lay profession.

KIR/NC/2/1879/9

Draft and copy of letter from Dr. Kirby to a Cardinal

Item

16 August 1879

Ital. 8pp

Kirby explains a case involving an Irishwoman whom he knows. This woman has assisted a poor Irish girl and a young man named Costanza Perrott. The case surrounds debts incurred by Perrott while studying in a religious institute.

KIR/NC/2/1879/10

Draft letter from Dr. Kirby, Tivoli addressed to a 'Very Rev.

Item Dear Sir'

27 September 1879

Eng. 2pp

Kirby is pleased that a resolution has been passed by the Bishop and Canons of Ardagh and Clonmacnoise to erect a memorial to the late Dr. Conroy.

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KIR/NC/2/1879/11 Draft letter from Dr. Kirby

Item 26 December 1879

Ital. 2pp

Kirby discusses the negative effects of English government policy on Ireland.

KIR/NC/2/1880/1

Draft report by Dr. Kirby into the Land Question in Ireland

Item [circa 1880]

Ital. Eng. 5pp

Kirby provides a twenty-point summery of the main issues of the Land Question. He summarizes the cause and effects of the Devon Commission of 1845; the Encumbered Estates Act; absentee landlordism; Gladstone's reforms of 1870; O'Connell; evictions and rent increases; the Tenant League and Parnell; failure of the potato harvests in the years 1877 to 1879; the formation of the Land league in 1879 by Parnell; foreign aid from America and Canada; Secretary Lowther's insufficient relief bill; figures for evicted families between 1877 and 1882, 'the land grabber system' and 'Boycotting'. [Report intersperses English with Italian]

KIR/NC/2/1880/2 Item Printed report of question asked by Mr Errington in the British Parliament. Kirby notes that question was asked.

14 June [1880]

Eng. 1p

Errington draws attention to the Italian Government's plans to expropriate part of the property of the cosmopolitan College of the Propaganda on terms almost equivalent to confiscation. He asks for intervention on behalf of Catholic subjects of Her Majesty.

KIR/NC/2/1880/3 Item Printed report of motion moved by Mr Errington in the British Parliament. Kirby notes that motion was deferred.

22 June [1880]

Eng. 1p

Errington asks that the Queen will enter into negotiations with the King of Italy in order to secure the property rights of British subjects in light of the proposed confiscations of College of Propaganda property.

KIR/NC/2/1880/4 Item Holograph letter from Philippo Camassei, Secretary to Dr. Kirby and draft reply from Kirby to Cardinal Monaco.

30 January 1880

Ital. 1p

Camassei has been instructed by the Cardinal Vicar to write to Kirby. He informs him that issues relating to Ireland will be published in a Catholic journal in Rome and asks for Kirby's observations and backing. Kirby is pleased that the scourge of famine and the plight of the poor in Ireland will be highlighted.

KIR/NC/2/1880/5

Draft letter from Dr. Kirby to a Monsignor

Item

26 February 1880

Ital. 1p

Kirby requests a Papal Audience in order to present three volumes about the proceedings of the Vatican Council which belonged to the late Cardinal Cullen

KIR/NC/2/1880/6 Draft letter from Dr. Kirby addressed to 'Rev. Dear Sir'

Item <u>3 March 1880</u> Eng. 2pp

Kirby informs the recipient that he should write the petition for the marriage dispensation in Latin and have his bishop approve of it.

[Mentions receiving recipients letter dated 27th -recipient possibly is John

Nangle, P.P., Croghan, Boyle - see KIR/1880/98]

KIR/NC/2/1880/7 Draft note from Dr. Kirby and letter from M. Beccare

Ital. 2pp

Kirby notes that he sent in total £8 to Elisa Butler. Beccare wishes [Kirby]

a happy Christmas and asks for charity.

KIR/NC/2/1880/8 Draft invitation from Dr. Kirby

Item <u>14 April 1880</u> Eng. 1p

Invitation to attend the funeral service for Miss Eliza McBride to be celebrated in the Church of S.S. Vincenzo ed Anastasia near the Fountain of

Trevi.

KIR/NC/2/1880/9 Draft letter from Dr. Kirby

Ital. 2pp

Kirby has been granted permission by the Cardinal Vicario for English-speaking Bishops to use the mitre when celebrating Solemn Mass in his

church.

KIR/NC/2/1880/10 Holograph petition drafted by Dr. Kirby with response from

Item the Holy See

<u>29 May 1880</u> Ital. 1p

Bishop William Power of St. John's Newfoundland seeks permission to

celebrate the Pontifical Mass.

KIR/NC/2/1880/11 Draft letter from Dr. Kirby to Mrs Nimmo

Item 31 May and 20 June 1880 Eng. 6pp

Kirby is pleased that Nimmo's box has arrived and that she was pleased with the articles contained therein. Her chaplain has left for another position. Includes a letter from an unidentified person writing from Highbury New Park, London to Nimmo concerning the late arrival of the

box.

KIR/NC/2/1880/12 Holograph petition drafted by Dr. Kirby.

Item 5 August 1880 Lat. 2pp

Bishop George Butler of Limerick asks that the faculties of William

MacDonnell be withdrawn and that he be transferred.

Draft letter from Dr. Kirby, Tivoli to Mrs Reynolds KIR/NC/2/1880/13

Item 11 August 1880 Eng. 1p

The staff and students have moved from Rome due to the oppressive heat.

He hopes that Reynold's vacation in the country will revive her.

[incomplete letter]

Draft report by Kirby on a speech made by the Bishop of KIR/NC/2/1880/14 Item

Kerry as reported in 'The Freeman's Journal'.

21 September 1880 Ital. 3pp

Kirby reports on the sermon delivered by the Bishop following his announcement that due to the famine and difficult harvest the annual Peter's Pence collection would be made on the first Sunday of October instead of the normal Sunday. Sermon focuses on the collection and the position of the Pope.

KIR/NC/2/1880/15 Draft letter from Dr. Kirby to Signora Lucia.

13 October 1880 Item Ital. 2pp

Kirby was sorry to hear of Lucia's suffering and offers spiritual comfort.

Draft petition drafted by Dr. Kirby to the Holy See KIR/NC/2/1880/16

17 November 1880 Item Ital. 2pp

Petition concerned with scheduling a Papal Audience for Archbishop Croke

of Cashel and his suffragan Bishops.

Draft letter from Dr. Kirby to his niece, Margaret KIR/NC/2/1880/17

18 November 1880 Item Eng. 3pp

> Kirby is pleased that his niece's health has improved. Elly is also in good health and is pleased with her new convent and their flourishing schools. Offers spiritual advice instructing her to observe the direction of her excellent superiors. Includes printed card depicting the Blessed Virgin.

Draft report on the status of Ireland by the Bishop of Ossory KIR/NC/2/1881/1 in Dr. Kirby's hand. Item

20 January 1881 Ital. 2pp

> The bishop reports that the country is tranquil and that crime is less than in the cities of England. He also discusses the numbers of Catholics attending the new university mentioning Trinity College and the Queen's

Colleges.

KIR/NC/2/1881/2 Draft letter from Dr. Kirby

24 April 1881 Item Ital. 2pp

A spiritual letter to an unknown recipient.

Code / Level Title / Date / Description Lang. / Extent Draft letter from Dr. Kirby to Mrs Bennett KIR/NC/2/1881/3 Item 28 April 1881 Eng. 1p Kirby is grieved to hear of Bennett's ill health. KIR/NC/2/1881/4 Draft letter from Dr. Kirby addressed to 'My dear Lord' 18 July 1881 Item Eng. 1p Kirby sends the requested indulgences for the temperance society and a dispensation as requested by Rev. O'Brien. Draft copy of the response of Dr. Kirby to Mr Henry KIR/NC/2/1881/5 Bellingham, MP. Document in Kirby's hand. Item 1 August 1881 Eng. 3pp Kirby expresses his gratitude for the address that Bellingham and his colleagues have sent to the Pope. Draft for speech by Kirby following the presentation of an KIR/NC/2/1881/6 address to him. Item 5 August 1881 Eng. 3pp Kirby expresses his gratitude for the address and donation presented by Rev. Dr. Tynan on the occasion of his elevation. KIR/NC/2/1881/7 Draft letter from Dr. Kirby, Tivoli Item 7 September 1881 Ital. 1p Kirby has received a dispatch in Tivoli. An official in Rome has not accepted a request and he advises the recipient to send a telegram. Receipt of telegram from Dr. Kirby to Rev. MacLaughlin, KIR/NC/2/1881/8 5 October 1881 Item Eng. 1p Kirby sends congratulations and a Papal Benediction for the Bishop's Jubilee. Draft list of letters to be answered by Kirby KIR/NC/2/1881/9 Item October 1881 Eng. 1p List includes the Archbishop of Toronto, Bishop of Maitland, Bishop of Killaloe, [] Ryan, Fr Martel, Fr Cotter, P. McSweeney, Dr. Lee Bray, Sisters of Charity Carrick-on-Suir and Miss Steele. Draft petition from the Sisters of Mercy to the Pope as drafted KIR/NC/2/1881/10 Item by Dr. Kirby [December 1881] Lat. 1p The Sisters of Mercy are celebrating their 50th anniversary and seek a

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Papal blessing and indulgences.

Code / Level Title / Date / Description Lang. / Extent Draft note by Kirby noting dates of death. KIR/NC/2/1882/1 Item [circa 1882] Ital. 1p Kirby notes the dates of death of Cardinal Cullen, William Meagher of Rathmines and Archbishop Edward MacCabe [in connection with inheritance]. Michael Verdon, the heir of Cardinal Cullen, is mentioned. Draft certificate from Dr. Kirby, Bishop of Lita KIR/NC/2/1882/2 5 August 1882 Item Ital. 1p Kirby confirms that Beatrice Pettrick the daughter of Augusto was [christened] in his parish Draft letter from Dr. Kirby, Tivoli to Messers Plowden and Co. KIR/NC/2/1882/3 27 October 1882 Item Eng. 2pp Kirby instructs Plowden to send an order for £10 to Mrs Elizabeth Butler, 32 Lower Camden St., Dublin KIR/NC/2/1882/4 Newspaper clipping containing printed letter from Dr. Kirby to Dr. Butler, Lord Bishop of Limerick Item 26 October 1882 Eng. 1p Kirby acknowledges and thanks Butler and the Catholics of Limerick for their contribution of £758 to the Pope which he has presented. Draft incomplete letter from Dr. Kirby to Mrs Brady KIR/NC/2/1882/5 Item 25 December 1882 Eng. 1p Fragment of letter mentioning the Nativity. Draft letter from Dr. Kirby to a Monsignor. KIR/NC/2/1882/6 Item 31 December 1882 Ital. 2pp Kirby wishes to present a cheque for £170 to the Holy See from Bishop Robert Dunne of Brisbane, an old student of the Irish College. He requests a Papal blessing. Draft letter from Dr. Kirby to Mons. Vice Gerente KIR/NC/2/1883/1 Item 1 February 1883 Ital. 1p Kirby invites the recipient to dine at the Irish College. Draft letter from Dr. Kirby. KIR/NC/2/1883/2

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mentions a dispensation for the Bishop of Raphoe.

Kirby discusses the possibility of ordaining Charles Doherty, a Deacon and

Ital. 1p

9 February 1883

Item

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KIR/NC/2/1883/3 Item Draft letter from Dr. Kirby to an Irish bishop [not in Kirby's hand].

<u>22 June 1883</u> Eng. 3pp

Kirby has discovered that 'one of the public men who took upon themselves to stigmatize the circular latterly issued by the S.

Congregation of Propaganda' is about to stand for election in Monaghan. He hopes that 'the proper ecclesiastical authorities' will voice their indignation against this candidate.

KIR/NC/2/1883/4

Draft letter from Dr. Kirby to Rev. O'Sullivan

Item 12 July 1883

Eng. 9pp

Kirby states that Canon Menghini is an excellent lawyer and he advises O'Sullivan on the steps he should take concerning legal documents from Propaganda. He should write in person to Cardinal Prefect Simeoni informing him of his decision to use an 'avvocato' but should not mention Kirby's name. However Kirby concludes by asking O'Sullivan if he should not, for the sake of peace, set aside his litigation which is painful to his bishop, the Holy See and the authorities.

KIR/NC/2/1883/5

Draft letter from Dr. Kirby

Item

<u>14 September 1883</u>

Eng. 1p

Kirby notes that he has been granted faculties to send apostolic blessings to persons outside Ireland as well as within and to send gifts in the Pope's name.

KIR/NC/2/1883/6

Draft letter from Dr. Kirby to a Cardinal

Item

12 November 1883

Ital. 1p

Kirby invites the Cardinal to a dinner at which the American bishops will attend.

KIR/NC/2/1883/7 Item Newspaper clipping from 'The Cork Examiner' of printed letter from Dr. Kirby to William Delany, Bishop of Cork.

<u>16 November 1883</u>

Eng. 1p

Kirby acknowledges the receipt of £600 Peter's Pence from the Diocese of Cork which he has presented to the Holy See. He notes that Cork never fails to present its contribution. Mentions Canon Patrick Lyons, Treasurer and Honorary Secretary of the Peter's Pence Association.

KIR/NC/2/1883/8 Item Draft document from Dr. Kirby to the Cardinal Prefect of Propaganda.

[probably 1883]

Ital. 11pp

Document concerned with the appointment of an Auxiliary Bishop to Cardinal MacCabe of Dublin. Propaganda wish to appoint a co-adjutor bishop 'cum iure successionis'. Mentions an article in 'The Times' newspaper and MacCabe's own appointment as Auxiliary to Cardinal Cullen. [probably 1883 - see KIR/1883/150]

KIR/NC/2/1884/1 Draft note by Dr. Kirby

Ital. 1p

Kirby notes an offering by the seminarians of Holy Cross College in Dublin of £272.15s on the occasion of the three hundredth anniversary of S. Carlo

Boromeo.

KIR/NC/2/1884/2 Draft 1

Item

Draft letter from Dr. Kirby addressed to 'My dear Baron' [not in Kirby's hand]

<u>9 January 1884</u> Eng. 4pp

Kirby hopes that the Baroness and her eldest son are restored to health and he offers spiritual comfort. He also advises the Baron that a German education is not solid and that he would do better to move his sons

elsewhere.

KIR/NC/2/1884/3 Draft note from Kirby

Item <u>30 January 1884</u> Eng. 1p

Kirby notes that he must ask [favours for] the nuns of New Ross, Sydney,

Harbour Grace and Ricorso from Drogheda.

KIR/NC/2/1884/4

Item

Draft invitation to Mr Engledon to dine at the Irish College [not

in Kirby's hand]

<u>1 February 1884</u> Eng. 1p

Draft dinner invitation

KIR/NC/2/1884/5 Draft notes by Dr. Kirby on the subject of Masses offered

Ital. 1p

Mentions sums of money, numbers of Masses and 'la Cap[]a di Genzano'

KIR/NC/2/1884/6 Draft letter from Dr. Kirby to Cardinal [MacCabe]

Item <u>20 March 1884</u> Eng. 4pp

Kirby has communicated the Cardinal's and the Archbishop of Tuam's observations concerning Sister Mary Francis Clare Cusack to Propaganda. They assured him that she will be counselled to return to the Bishop of Nottingham and wait for some years before bringing up her plans again. Kirby has been privately informed that Dr. Moran has definitely been appointed Archbishop of Sydney. He hopes that this appointment of an Irish bishop will restore the confidence of the Irish hierarchy, clergy and laity which had been weakened by previous appointments in that country. [See KIR/1884/101, 12 March 1884 Letter from Cardinal MacCabe to Kirby]

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KIR/NC/2/1884/7

Draft letter from Dr. Kirby as presented to the Pope

Item

18 May 1884

Ital. 4pp

Kirby has received so many letters from the bishops, priests and laity concerning the appointment of a Coadjutor for the Diocese of Cork that he now summarizes the main points. He mentions the Queen's College, correspondence from Fr William Linehar, the nomination of Monsignor Neville, the need for a seminary in Cork and the Dominicans.

KIR/NC/2/1884/8 Item

Draft letter from Dr. Kirby addressed to 'My dear and beloved Baron'

20 May 1884 Eng. 4pp

Kirby looks forward to the recipient's trip to Rome and hopes that he will choose to convert to Catholicism. He offers extensive spiritual advice discussing, in particular, Infallibility.

KIR/NC/2/1884/9

Draft letter from Dr. Kirby to Cardinal Simeoni.

26 June 1884 Item

Ital. 1p

Kirby accepts the invitation to dine with Cardinal Simeoni following the consecration of the new Coadjutor of Cork.

KIR/NC/2/1884/10 Item

Draft copy of document, above which, Dr. Kirby has written '+ Ap. Cashel' and the date. Document entitled 'A few remarks on the parag[ra]ph com[men]cing with the words: "He established but one constitution" [not in Kirby's hand]

18 August 1884

Eng. 4pp

The document discusses theological points concerned with church authority and concludes by requesting the recipient to 'clearly and plainly speak out your Catholic sentiments on this subject'. Such a declaration 'might serve as a means of rebutting any complaints wh[ich] might be brought before the competent authorities, now that the above words are being carried by the press to the ends of the earth?'

KIR/NC/2/1884/11 Item

Draft letter from Dr. Kirby, Tivoli to a Mother Superior [S. S B. Gesul

19 August 1884

Ital. 5pp

Kirby mentions preparations for the Feast of the Assumption, an ancient image of the Madonna in a Franciscan church and an image of D. Salvatore.

KIR/NC/2/1884/12 Draft letter from Dr. Kirby to the Bishop of Adelaide

Item 22 August 1884 Eng. 3pp

Kirby, in a humorous note to the Bishop, reminds him that he has 12,00 francs belonging to him which if not claimed will be used for the benefit of the poor suffering nuns.

Lang. / Extent

KIR/NC/2/1884/13

Holograph letter from Ant. Agliardi, Rome addressed to

Item

'Eccellenza R[]ma'

24 September 1884

Ital. 1p

Agliardi is being sent by the Holy See to the missions in India. He offers his appreciation to the students of the Irish College. [this letter incorrectly appears amongst draft letters]

KIR/NC/2/1884/14

Draft letter from Dr. Kirby, Tivoli to Suor Maria Virginia

Item

2 October 1884

Ital. 2pp

Kirby is concerned for the recipient and states that he is hurrying back to Rome and offers her advice.

KIR/NC/2/1884/15

Copy of letter offering spiritual advice [not in Dr. Kirby's hand]

Item

14 October 1884

Eng. 2pp

The writer informs the recipient that her marriage is valid, as the Catholic Church acknowledges marriages between Protestants, that she is still the lawful wife of her husband and that his cohabiting with another places him in 'a state of foul and disgraceful concubinage.'

KIR/NC/2/1884/16 Draft letter from Dr. Kirby to the Bishop of Limerick

Item

Item

20 November 1884

Eng. 4pp

Kirby informs the Bishop that he has presented the Peter's Pence to the value of £774.7s.8d to the Pope. Kirby praises the work of the Pope in the face of his continual confinement within the walls of the Vatican.

KIR/NC/2/1884/17

Draft petition from Sister Maria Gabriel, Superior of the

Dominican Nuns, Dunnedin, New Zealand to the Holy See.

Drafted by Dr. Kirby

27 November 1884

Lat. 1p

Sister Maria outlines the need for candidates for novitiates in Ireland for her mission.

KIR/NC/2/1884/18

Draft letter from Dr. Kirby to a Monsignor.

Item

5 December 1884

Eng. 1p

Kirby approves of the reports of the recipient's meeting with A. M.

Sullivan - the topics and allusions were well selected and judicially handled.

Sister M. Bernardine was professed.

Lang. / Extent

KIR/NC/2/1885/1 Item Draft report by Kirby into the state of religion in the city of Dublin.

[undated] Ital. 9pp

Kirby notes that he has based his report on the opinions of 'persone degne' [worthy persons] He mentions the number of diverse confraternities in the diocese, drunkenness and bad customs amongst the working classes, evangelical societies, the new Protestant Archbishop Plunkett, poverty of Catholics in the Archbishop's mensal parishes, infiltration of Freemasons, the murder of the Secretary of Ireland by Carey and Brady, Holy Cross College at Clonliffe and Maynooth College which benefits from the care of the Archbishop.

KIR/NC/2/1885/2

Item

Draft report on the selection of a Coadjutor for the Diocese of Waterford by Dr. Kirby

January 1885 Ital. 8pp

Kirby states that following a properly convened meeting, the clergy of Waterford have submitted three names and the recommendation for Rev. Power, the curate of Dungarvan. The Bishops and the Archbishop of Cashel, however, have recommended the Bishop of Ross. Kirby outlines the situation.

KIR/NC/2/1885/3

Draft letter from Dr. Kirby addressed to 'My Dear Baron'

Item [1885] Eng. 6pp

Kirby thanks the Baron for the flowers delivered to him by Sig. Anibrosini. He has learned of the improving health of the Baron's wife from the Bishop of Budweis and Baron de Shoenberg. His offers spiritual advice including a discussion on Infallibility.

KIR/NC/2/1885/4

Draft letter from Dr. Kirby [to the Bishop of Derry]

Item <u>23 March 1885</u> Eng. 1p

Kirby reports that he presented £390.14s.5d to the Pope from Bishop

Kelly and people of Derry.

KIR/NC/2/1885/5 Draft note from Dr. Kirby on Kirby's calling card

Ital. 2pp

Kirby seeks a decision on Bathurst.

KIR/NC/2/1885/6 Draft letter from Kirby for Propaganda Fide

Ital. 1p

Kirby wishes to correct an error in a rescript dated 3rd May concerned

with the Irish College.

KIR/NC/2/1885/7 Petition for a marriage dispensation [not in Kirby's hand]

Item <u>5 July 1885</u> Lat. 2pp

The petition was sought by Bishop James Walsh of Kildare and Leighlin for James Meehan and Maria Helena Grogan of the Diocese of Meath. A

postscript by Walsh notes that it was not granted

KIR/NC/2/1885/8 Draft note from Dr. Kirby on Kirby's calling card

Ital. 2pp

Kirby seeks a relic of the Holy Cross for his pectoral cross and other relics.

KIR/NC/2/1885/9 Draft note from Dr. Kirby addressed to Reverend Monsignor

Item Vicar on Kirby's calling card

21 August 1885 Ital. 2pp

Kirby requests faculties for Monsignor Mosliazzi

KIR/NC/2/1885/10 Draft note by Kirby.

Item [1885] Eng. 1p

Kirby records that Dr. Creagh of Armagh was appointed in 1563 or 64 and

died in 1585. His source is 'Romanus Pontifix'.

KIR/NC/2/1885/11 Draft translation of a letter from Archbishop MacEvilly of

Item Tuam to Dr. Kirby. [In Kirby's hand]

4 November 1885 Ital. 4pp

Kirby translates a section of MacEvilly's letter concerned with the convention celebrated in Mayo and Galway. MacEvilly offers his opinions on the Irish party whom he considers to be quite constitutional and the possible means of salvation from Fenian revolutionaries. [see KIR/1885/375 for original letter from MacEvilly to Kirby.

KIR/NC/2/1885/12 Draft report by Kirby into the political state of Ireland.

Ital. 12pp

Detailed document by Kirby. He mentions that since the election of the new British Parliament there has been a large drive by the 'lega nazionale' [National League] to improve the political situation in Ireland. Mentions the misgovernment of the country since the Act of Union of 1800. Parnell is a Protestant and was linked to some revolutionaries in Paris but over the past year he has shown himself capable of organizing Irish MPs and delivering results. Also mentions a convention for tenants in Wicklow and the intervention of Archbishop Walsh.

Lang. / Extent

KIR/NC/2/1886/1 Item Draft letter of recommendation for unknown writer, Irish College Rome addressed to 'My dear Lord Cardinal'. [not in Kirby's handwriting].

30 November 1886

Eng. 2pp

The writer has been requested by Conte Calacichi, a 'colonell' in the Noble Guards of His Holiness to recommend his brother-in-law, a Protestant and his wife who is a convert.

KIR/NC/2/1887/1

Draft letter from Dr. Kirby to the Bishop of Orvieto.

Item

[circa 1887]

Ital. 1p

Kirby apologises for his delay in responding. Prior Glynn of the Augustinians of S. Maria in Posterula has chosen an architect for the new church in honour of St. Patrick in Rome. Glynn has travelled to the USA on a fundraising mission.

KIR/NC/2/1887/2

Draft letter from Dr. Kirby to the Lord Primate.

Item

10 January 1887

Eng. 4pp

Kirby attended a Papal audience at which Fr Glynn presented a resolution from the Irish Bishops thanking the Pope for his interest in the erecting of a church in honour of St. Patrick in Rome. Glynn has collected £3,000 but the Pope has undertaken to write to Cardinal Moran, Propaganda will write to the Irish Bishops in America and Kirby has been instructed to write to the Irish Bishops soliciting funds.

KIR/NC/2/1887/3 Item Draft letter from Dr. Kirby addressed to a Bishop. [Not in Kirby's handwriting]

17 January 1887

Eng. 3pp

Kirby informs the recipient that Fr Glynn, Prior of Santa Maria in Posterula presented the Pope with a resolution from the hierarchy of Ireland in reference to the proposed erection of a Church in honour of St. Patrick in Rome. Glynn has raised £3000 for the project which is insufficient to even buy the ground. The Pope has therefore decided to request a collection to be made on St. Patrick's Day and has instructed Kirby to inform the Irish Bishops of this.

KIR/NC/2/1887/4 Item Draft letter from Dr. Kirby to Rev. Dr. Donnelly, Auxiliary Bishop of Dublin [Not in Kirby's handwriting]

19 January 1887

Eng. 4pp

[Letter very similar to KIR/NC/2/1887/3 above] Concerned with a collection to be made in Ireland to raise funds for St. Patrick's church, Rome which has been proposed by Prior Glynn.

KIR/NC/2/1887/5

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Draft letter from Dr. Kirby to Rev. [Hanephy], CC of Waterville

9 February 1887

Eng. 2pp

Kirby has sent donations from the English and American Colleges to Mrs O'Connell, a descendant of Daniel O'Connell in order to preserve at least some of the property of the illustrious Liberator for his family.

KIR/NC/2/1887/6 Draft letter from Dr. Kirby addressed to a bishop.

Item 12 February 1887 Eng. 2pp

Kirby agrees with the bishop's decision to defer the collection for the church of St. Patrick in Rome until the following year. The Pope was pleased with the recipient's letter and 'the correspondent of the Tablet

hunted out some of the sentiments it expressed.'

KIR/NC/2/1887/7 Draft letter from Dr. Kirby to 'My dear Fannie'

Item 13 April 1887 Eng. 1p

Kirby was glad to hear that Fannie's baby is well and he prays that God

will preserve him/her.

KIR/NC/2/1887/8 Draft letter from Dr. Kirby to Monsignor Agostino Richelmi,

Item Bishop of Ivrea, Piemonte

<u>19 April 1887</u> Ital. 2pp

Kirby wishes to know if there is a reference to a Teaddeo O'Michlin in the archives of the Bishop's diocese. This Irishman is reported to have been buried in the Cathedral of Ivrea. At the present the Congregation of Rites is

considering the canonisation of difference English and Irishmen.

KIR/NC/2/1887/9 Draft letter from Dr. Kirby to Dr. Woodlock

Item <u>5 May 1887</u> Lat. 3pp

Kirby sends this copy of a decree to Woodlock for the nuns of

Drumshanbo.

KIR/NC/2/1887/10 Draft letter from Dr. Kirby to Mrs Power Lalor

Item 3 June 1887 Eng. 1p

Kirby provides the measurements of the altar of the private chapel of the

Pope which the recipient requested.,

KIR/NC/2/1887/11 Draft letter from Dr. Kirby and draft notes by Kirby on the

Item Coercion Bill

<u>21 June 1887</u> Ital. 3pp

Kirby sends a booklet of religious observations and meditations to an unknown recipient. Also includes document relating to the Coercion Bill - in this document Kirby recounts the opinions of the Archbishop of Tuam [Dr. MacEvilly] regarding the bill given in a letter dated the 6th of June [see

KIR/1887/297]

KIR/NC/2/1887/12 Draft letter from Dr. Kirby to the Representative of the British Item Embassy and Madam Kennedy.

<u>21 June 1887</u> Eng. 2pp

Kirby is grateful for the invitation to attend a celebration to mark Queen Victoria's Jubilee. He cannot attend but writes in praise of the Queen.

KIR/NC/2/1887/13 Draft letter from Dr. Kirby to Madam Kennedy

Item [June 1887] Eng. 2pp

Kirby regrets that he cannot attend the celebration to mark Queen Victoria's Jubilee at the British Embassy. [Early draft of KIR/NC/2/1887/12]

KIR/NC/2/1887/14 Draft letter from Dr. Kirby to P. J. Donnelly, Messers Item Boland's Bakery, Capel Street, Dublin

<u>1 July 1887</u> Eng. 4pp

Kirby thanks Donnelly for copies of his book one of which he presented to the Pope and others which he presented to Irish ecclesiastics in Rome. He sends regards to Donnelly's brother who is an old friend and bishop.

[Multiple copies of this letter]

KIR/NC/2/1887/15 Draft letter from Dr. Kirby to Cardinal Placido Maria
Item Schiaffino, [Secretary Congregation for Consultations of

Bishops and Other Prelates]

[1887] Ital. 3pp

Kirby offers Cardinal Moran's opinion concerning Fr Sheridan, a Benedictine Parish Priest in Sydney as given in a letter dated 2nd May [KIR/NC/1/1887/27]. Moran states the reasons why he does not want to promote Sheridan noting that his predecessor Monsignor Vaughan also had difficulty regarding the Sydney Benedictines.

difficulty regarding the Sydney Deficultures.

KIR/NC/2/1887/16 Draft document concerned with the decision of the Holy See Item following the mission of Monsignor Persico to Ireland. [partly

in Dr. Kirby's hand]

8 September 1889 Ital. 3pp

Kirby notes that he received this account from Cardinal Rampolla of Tindara, Secretary of the Secretariat of State on the 8th September. It discusses what parties were party to the decision mentioning the Duke of Norfolk and the English Catholics, Monsignor Ruffo's contact with the

British in London and Monsignor Kirby.

KIR/NC/2/1887/17 Draft document discussing the eviction of Irish tenants in Dr.

Item Kirby's hand

[circa 1887] Ital. 2pp

Kirby provides a report on evictions in Ireland noting that in some cases they are accompanied with terrible cruelty on the part of the landlords.

KIR/NC/2/1887/18 Draft letter from Dr. Kirby, Tivoli to Miss Kirwan

Item 16 September 1887 Eng. 4pp

Kirby sympathises with Miss Kirwan on the 'sad abandonment of her faith' by her married sister and the death of her mother and brother. He offers spiritual advise.

KIR/NC/2/1887/19 Draft letter from Dr. Kirby, Tivoli

Item <u>18 September 1887</u> Eng. 2pp

Kirby writes that on the 14th he presented to the Pope, £253.16s.5d from Bishop Leahy of Dromore, £60 from Bishop Naughten of Roseau in the West Indies and a contribution from Bishop Walsh of Kildare and Leighlin

and the Children of Mary of the Parish of Tullow.

KIR/NC/2/1887/20 Draft letter from Dr. Kirby to Monsignor C. Bois le Due.

Item <u>30 September [1887]</u> Eng. 2pp

Kirby offers praise for the Dutch translation of the Life of H.H. Leo XIII

which was sent to him by Rt. Rev. Dr. O'Reilly.

KIR/NC/2/1887/21 Draft letter from Dr. Kirby to a Canon [in Marseilles]

Item <u>2 December 1887</u> Ital. 3pp

Kirby responds to the recipient's concern over the overdue response from the Irish Bishops to the letter from the Bishop of Marsiglia [Marseille]. He assures the recipient that this does not stem from a lack of devotion to the Sacred Heart. Mentions Ana Magdalena Remuzat a servant of God and the following bishops; Power of Waterford, O'Dwyer of Limerick, MacAlister

of Down and Connor and McGivern of Dromore.

KIR/NC/2/1888/1 Draft letter from Dr. Kirby to a Rev. Mother

Item <u>8 January 1888</u> Eng. 4pp

Kirby thanks the Rev. Mother for her letter and transmits a Papal Blessing to her community, schools and orphanages. He mentions the Rev. Mother

of Sion Hill and Mrs Cros[]

KIR/NC/2/1888/2 Draft letter from Dr. Kirby

Item 13 January 1888 Eng. 3pp

Kirby has presented the recipients address to the Pope. The address shows

the devotion of the Children of Mary of Sydney.

KIR/NC/2/1888/3 Draft prayer in Dr. Kirby's hand

Ital. 4pp

Prayer entitled 'Preghiera dal S. 85 e 50'. Kirby includes footnotes.

KIR/NC/2/1888/4 Draft letter from Dr. Kirby to a [Reverend] Mother

Ital. 2pp

Kirby states that he is returning a proposed contract involving the Irish College and an unidentified institute including some changes he wishes to be

made.

KIR/NC/2/1888/5 Draft letter from Dr. Kirby to [Monsignor Luigi Ruffi Scilla,

Item Vicar Apostolic of Bavaria - see KIR/1888/399]

<u>24 November 1888</u> Ital. 2pp

Kirby thanks the recipient for his letter dated the 22nd and the cheque for 5,000 lire or £4000 bequeathed to the Irish College by a Mr Johnson.

KIR/NC/2/1888/6 Draft letter from Dr. Kirby to [a Cardinal]

Ital. 1p

Kirby requests confirmation from the Holy See that P Comerford has been appointed Coadjutor of Kildare and Leighlin.

KIR/NC/2/1888/7 Draft letter from Dr. Kirby to the Pope

Ital. 1p

Kirby seeks permission to see-out the end of the year in the Vatican. He mentions his age of 85.

KIR/NC/2/1888/8 Draft letter from Dr. Kirby to unidentified recipient

Item 31 December [1888] Ital. 3pp

Kirby writes on a spiritual theme. He mentions the Superior of Loretta

Nuns in Dublin who is gravely ill.

KIR/NC/2/1889/1 Draft letter from Dr. Kirby to the Marquis of Dufferin and Ava.

Item <u>23 January 1889</u> Ital. 2pp

As Dufferin is 'the representative of one of the most powerful nations of the earth , in this eternal city.. [he].. would like to have a full and truthful idea of the origins and workings of that dominion'. Kirby therefore sends

him a copy of Count Murphy of Cork's book.

KIR/NC/2/1889/2 Draft letter from Dr. Kirby to Mother Gabriel

Item 28 March 1889 Eng. 1p

Kirby notes that Mother Gabriel has again had the 'farinella' put on her shoulders but that she should humbly take the burden from God.

KIR/NC/2/1889/3 Draft letter from Dr. Kirby to Fr MacDermott

Item 1 May 1889 Eng. 1p

Kirby has received MacDermott's letter but has received no reply as yet

from Propaganda. [Draft unfinished]

KIR/NC/2/1889/4 Draft letter from Dr. Kirby

Ital. 1p

Kirby criticizes the erection of a public memorial to an infamous heretic

[Giordano Bruno]

KIR/NC/2/1889/5 Draft letter from Dr. Kirby to unidentified recipient.

Item [circa 1889] Eng. 3pp

Kirby informs the recipient that he is unable to personally accompany him to a meeting with Monsignor Mocinni as requested by Cardinal Manning.

However he has arranged for a priest in Rome to take his place.

KIR/NC/2/1889/6 Draft letter from Dr. Kirby to unknown recipient

Ital. 3pp

Kirby offers spiritual advice.

KIR/NC/2/1889/7 Draft letter from Dr. Kirby

Ital. 2pp

Kirby discusses a letter written to him by the Archbishop of Dublin

[substantial alterations and corrections]

KIR/NC/2/1889/8 Draft letter from Dr. Kirby to Cardinal Rampolla

Ital. 2pp

Kirby informs the Cardinal that he has seen no evidence that the secret circular has been revealed. He has written to some bishops concerning the monument to G.B. [Giordano Bruno] and notes their reasons for their delay.

KIR/NC/2/1889/9 Draft letter from Dr. Kirby to Cardinal Gibbons, Archbishop

Item of Baltimore

<u>19 October 1889</u> Eng. 3pp

Kirby offers his congratulations and observations on the occasion of the centenary of the institution of a Hierarchy in the United States. [Earlier

draft version of KIR/NC/2/1889/10 below]

KIR/NC/2/1889/10 Draft letter from Dr. Kirby to Cardinal Gibbons, Archbishop

Item of Baltimore

23 October 1889 Eng. 4pp

Kirby offers his congratulations and observations on the occasion of the centenary of the institution of a Hierarchy in the United States. [Further

draft of KIR/NC/2/1889/9 above]

KIR/NC/2/1889/11 Draft note from Dr. Kirby on a calling card.

Ital. 2pp

Kirby requests a 'Agnus Dei

KIR/NC/2/1889/12 Draft letter from Dr. Kirby to the Pope

Item 31 December 1889 Ital. 2pp

Kirby notes that he has reached his 86th year and requests a Mass to be

said for him.

KIR/NC/2/1889/13 Draft letter from Dr. Kirby.

Ital. 2pp

Kirby puts the case against the disbandment of a congregation [at All Hallows]. He contests the idea that the 'Sulpiziani' are better noting that during the colleges 47 years it has educated 1,300 priests for every corner

of the world.

KIR/NC/2/1890/1 Draft note from Dr. Kirby

Item [1890] Eng. 3pp

Kirby mentions an engraving which is copied from a miraculous painting in the Church of St. Pudenziana of Rome. He notes that Pope Leo XIII sent a copy of this painting with attached indulgences to the Sisters of Mercy in

Dublin on 7th July 1890

KIR/NC/2/1890/2 Draft letter from Dr. Kirby to Dr. Howley.

Item <u>11 January 1890</u> Eng. 2pp

Kirby informs Dr. Howley that he has presented his book to the Pope. The book deals with the introduction of Catholicism to Newfoundland. [Kirby notes that he sent the letter with Rev. Ryan, a student of Propaganda]

KIR/NC/2/1890/3 Draft letter from Dr. Kirby to [the Pope]

Ital. 2pp

Kirby thanks the recipient for the gift of cheese which he has received. He praises the recent encyclical noting that he has sent copies to the bishops in

Ireland.

KIR/NC/2/1890/4 Draft letter from Dr. Kirby.

Item 18 March 1890 Eng. 1p

Kirby notes that he will send the recipient a brief sketch of the Life of St.

Patrick

KIR/NC/2/1890/5 Draft academic reference from Dr. Kirby for Rev. D. S. Egan.

Item 26 March 1890 Ital. 1p

Kirby notes Egan's date of entry and departure [4 November 1884 and 26 March 1890] from the Irish College and his academic achievements

KIR/NC/2/1890/6 Draft letter from Dr. Kirby to Dr. Lanigan, Bishop of

Item 23 May 1890 Eng. 2pp

Kirby is sending a cope to Lanigan with Mr Callan of Melbourne. The cope was acquired at the Vatican Exposition with the help of Cardinal Simeoni.

Lang. / Extent

KIR/NC/2/1890/7

Petition from Alice Maria Comitissa Murphy to the Pope

Item including reply

<u>20 July 1890</u> Lat. 2pp

Murphy of the Diocese of Cork petitions for privileges for the altar in her

Oratory.

KIR/NC/2/1890/8 Draft letter from Dr. Kirby to the Bishop of Ossory

Item <u>14 August 1890</u> Eng. 4pp

Kirby explains that he was not directly involved in the translation of Fr T Hayden from Ossory to Sydney nor had he an active part in the transfer of Monsignor Howlet to Dublin. He apologises that the transfers have given

the bishop so much pain.

KIR/NC/2/1890/9 Draft letter from Dr. Kirby to Dr. O'Keeffe, Churchtown,

Item Buttevant

September 1890 Eng. 2pp

Kirby approves of the questions proposed by O'Keeffe for the

intermediate examination in Italian. He advises O'Keeffe, a former student of the college, to apply for the vacant posts of examiner of Greek and Latin.

KIR/NC/2/1890/10 Draft letter from Dr Kirby.

Item 16 September 1890 Ital. 2pp

Kirby recounts the details of a letter he has received from Sig. R. G. Daunt an Irishman and citizen of St. Paulo in Brazil for the past 43 years. He mentions the hostility of the Brazilian government towards religion.

KIR/NC/2/1890/11 Draft letter of recommendation from Dr. Kirby to Mr F

Item O'Grady, J.P.

<u>27 September 1890</u> Eng. 2pp

Kirby recommends O'Grady for the post of Land Commissioner.

KIR/NC/2/1890/12 Draft letter from Dr. Kirby to a bishop.

Item <u>5 December 1890</u> Eng. 2pp

Kirby is delighted that the Irish Episcopacy have made a moral declaration regarding the decision of the recent scandalous divorce case. [letter

incomplete]

KIR/NC/2/1891/1 Draft letter from Dr. Kirby to an [official in the Holy See]

Item [circa 1891] Eng. 3pp

Kirby has received a letter from Archbishop Logue recommending Rev. Michael Kelly as Rector of the College. This is supported by the other archbishops. Logue has complained that conditions attached to his faculties to dispense in marriage cases render them useless. His suffragan bishops do not have the same conditions attached and Kirby proposes that these

conditions be removed.

KIR/NC/2/1891/2 Draft list of persons to receive Dr. Kirby's book

Item [circa 1891] Eng. 1p

List includes Cardinals Manning, Moran and Gibbons, 'all the Archbishops and Bishops of Ireland, England and Scotland', Archbishops Corrigan, Ryan and Kenrick and Rev. John J Keane Rector of the Catholic University of

Baltimore. [Kirby notes that books were not sent]

KIR/NC/2/1891/3 Draft letter from Dr. Kirby to Signor Proncipe and Signor

Item Aldobrandini

<u>1891</u> Ital. 1p

Kirby wishes the recipients a Happy Easter and thanks them for their

sepulchre 'di Giovdi'

KIR/NC/2/1891/4 Draft note from D. Adriano Zecchini to Dr. Kirby

Ital. 2pp

Refers to a document from the Archbishop of Dublin and remuneration to

Monsignor Jacobini.

KIR/NC/2/1891/5 Draft letter from Dr. Kirby to an [official in the Holy See]

Item 21 March 1891 Ital. 2pp

Kirby requests a dispensation for an unidentified individual from Lenten

fasting and also requests faculties.

KIR/NC/2/1891/6 Draft letter from Dr. Kirby to the Director of the Postal

Item Service in Rome

18 April 1891 Ital. 2pp

Kirby responds to a letter dated the 16th concerning a delayed registered

letter.

Lang. / Extent

KIR/NC/2/1891/7 Item Draft letter from Dr. Kirby to Bishop McAlister of Down and Connor

<u>22 May 1891</u> Eng. 5pp

Kirby has brought to the attention of the Pope, MacAlister's project for the establishment of a daily journal in Belfast. He notes that Catholics of Ulster have only four newspapers compared with forty-four for the non-Catholics. The object of the journal would be to represent the interests of Catholics and 'repelling the calumnies and misrepresentations with which they are so continually assailed.'

KIR/NC/2/1891/8 Draft letter from Dr. Kirby to Archbishop Walsh of Dublin.

Item <u>19 June 1891</u> Eng. 2pp

Monsignor Jacobini has presented to the Pope, the Bishops' proposals to 'raise the status of the college'. The Pope approves of this action.

KIR/NC/2/1891/9 Draft letter from Dr. Kirby to 'Rev. Dear Sir'.

Item <u>19 July 1891</u> Eng. 1p

Kirby encloses a dispensation.

KIR/NC/2/1891/10 Draft letter from Dr. Kirby to the Pope.

Ital. 3pp

Kirby comments on the circumstances and words attributed to Cardinal

Newman's death.

KIR/NC/2/1891/11 Draft note from Dr. Kirby to Francesco [Nadin]

Ital. 2pp Ital. 2pp

The Abbess of the Poor Clares of Orvieto has been promised a subsidy from the order in Kenmare, Ireland. Kirby asks the recipient how the

money should be sent.

KIR/NC/2/1892/1 Draft letter from Dr. Kirby to Fr Gowan

Item <u>25 January 1892</u> Eng. 3pp

Kirby has received Gowan's letter and donation requesting Masses to be said for the late Miss Aylward. Kirby adds that he knew and esteemed Aylward during her life and recalls her visit to Rome following her

imprisonment.

KIR/NC/2/1892/2 Draft letter from Dr. Kirby to [Agnes E. St. John]

Item 3 March 1892 Eng. 4pp

Kirby thanks the recipient for her latter dated the 25th and praises her for her devotion to 'Our Lady of Light and Spouse of the Holy Father'. He will do what he can to draft the rules for her confraternity. He sends a copy of his book on meditations to their Benedictine Father. [See KIR/1892/82 for

letter from A. E St. John to Kirby dated 25 February]

Lang. / Extent

KIR/NC/2/1892/3 Item Copy of letter from 'Vescovo di Cloyne' [Bishop of Cloyne] to [Kirby].

<u>28 April 1892</u> Ital. 2pp

Letter recommending that Captain W.H. Rushbrooke, distinguished for his virtue and conduct, be given the title "grado" of Count. Captain

Rushbrooke has inherited a conspicuous patrimony and has already given generous donations to religious institutes. The sum of £1,800 is mentioned.

This would encourage others to follow his example.

KIR/NC/2/1892/4 Draft letter from Dr. Kirby to [Agnes E. St. John]

Item 22 June 1892 Eng. 4pp

Kirby has received the recipient's letter dated the 19th [See

KIR/NC/1892/303]. He instructs the recipient to draw up a petition in Latin, French or Italian which she should get signed by leading Catholics from her mission. However this should be done as secretly as can be done.

He provides her with a draft of the petition to the Pope asking for

permission to erect a confraternity to 'Our Lady of Light and Spouse of the

Holy Ghost' in the mission of Sclerder, Plymouth diocese.

KIR/NC/2/1892/5 Draft note from Dr. Kirby to an Archbishop

Item <u>1 July 1892</u> Eng. 2pp

Kirby proposes to send a [letter] with Rev. P Byrne having missed Fr

Kelly's departure.

KIR/NC/2/1892/6 Draft letter from Dr. Kirby to the Pope.

Item <u>23 July 1892</u> Ital. 2pp

Kirby requests the Pope to read over and correct if necessary an inscription to Cardinal Cullen which is to be inscribed on a memorial in the Irish College. [text of inscription not included]

KIR/NC/2/1892/7 Draft letter from Dr. Kirby to Signor Casi Levavoi

Item 28 July 1892 Ital. 1p

Kirby refers to the cost of 400 lire for an inscription for a memorial

[probably to Cardinal Cullen].

KIR/NC/2/1892/8 Draft letter from Dr. Kirby to [the Pope]

Ital. 2pp Ital. 2pp

Kirby wishes to praise the proposed text of an inscription from [the Pope] to be placed on a memorial to Cardinal Cullen. He asks that a Mass be

offered for the repose of his soul.

KIR/NC/2/1892/9 Draft letter from Dr. Kirby to the Bishop of Derry

Item 20 November 1892 Eng. Lat. 2pp

Kirby notes that the Bishop of Derry has been granted the faculty to consecrate altar stones with the short form of blessing which he provides.

Lang. / Extent

KIR/NC/2/1892/10

Draft letter from Dr. Kirby to [the Bishop of Tivoli]

Item

'Festa di Purita di M[]a Ilm[]a' 1893

Ital. 4pp

Kirby thanks the Bishop of Tivoli for his kindness during the present vacation and comments on the civilizing role of religion in society.

KIR/NC/2/1893/1

Draft letter from Dr. Kirby to D. Mc Dennehy

Item

15 August 1893

Eng. 3pp

Kirby assures the recipient that he approves of the course of action that his journal took during the Mayo election. The 'Irish Catholic' defended the rights of the clergy and people of Mayo whose right to elect a representative were being violated by unconstitutional, illegal and arbitrary means. For 'unless the labours of the patriot and the politician be such as to merit the blessing of God and his church they will come to naught.'

KIR/NC/2/1893/2

Draft letter from Dr. Kirby to Fr Kelly

Item

27 August 1893

Eng. 3pp

Kirby is glad to have learned that Kelly has arrived in Ireland in time to meet with many of the Irish bishops. He refers to the provisions that the bishops are making for him noting that he wishes that after his death his monies should be given to the college as a free and most cordial gift 'as my relations with it are of a far higher and holier character than any others arising from flesh and blood.'

KIR/NC/2/1893/3

Draft letter from Dr. Kirby to Monsignor Angeli for the Pope.

Item

3 October 1893

Eng. 4pp

Kirby informs the Holy See that the House of Lords in England has rejected the Home Rule bill and discusses the situation surrounding it. It is lamentable that the English Catholics are hostile to Ireland. Kirby refers to letters from the Cardinal Primate of Ireland, Cardinal Logue and Cardinal Moran.

KIR/NC/2/1893/4 Item Draft petition from Sister Maria Clare Elliott, Superior of the Convent of St. Catherine at Sion Hill, Blackrock to the Pope. Petition drafted by Dr. Kirby and includes a covering letter

3 November 1893

Ital. 4pp

Sister Maria has been instructed by Archbishop Walsh to open a school for higher-class children in Dublin - these children are currently in danger as they attend Protestant schools. She requests indulgences and blessing for their work.

KIR/NC/2/1894/1 Draft petition from Dr. Thomas Carr, Archbishop of

Item Melbourne to the Pope. Drafted by Dr. Kirby.

<u>11 May 1894</u> Ital. 2pp

The Archbishop asks that Dr. Brounless, the aged President of the

University of Melbourne, be granted the 'Gran Croce dell' Ordine Piano', a

Papal award in recognition of his work.

KIR/NC/2/1894/2 Draft letters from Dr. Kirby to Mother Imelda and Mrs

Item 5 and 8 August 1894 Eng. Ital. 6pp

Kirby notes that Mrs Helena Murphy of the Diocese of Dublin has been granted permission to have a Domestic Oratory for herself and her household. Also mentions that he has presented Peter's Pence from the

Diocese of Dromore.

KIR/NC/2/1894/3 Draft letter from Dr. Kirby to the Bishop of Bobbio

Item 3 September 1894 Ital. 3pp

Kirby replies to an invitation from the Bishop of Bobbio to participate in

the festivities of that town in honour of St. Colombano.

KIR/NC/2/1894/4 Draft note from Dr. Kirby

Item 14 September 1894 Lat. 1p

Kirby seeks privileges for unknown petitioner.

KIR/NC/2/1894/5 Draft letter from Dr. Kirby [to the Pope]

Ital. 1p

Kirby asks for a Mass to be said for his intentions and a peaceful death at

the end this year.

KIR/NC/2/U/1 Draft letter from Dr. Kirby to Signora Mad[]a Arduini

Ital. 1p

Mentions Contessa Giulia Moroni Valdre.

KIR/NC/2/U/2 Draft note from Dr. Kirby to Bishop Bachetoni on calling card

Item <u>undated</u> Ital 2pp

Mentions Cardinal Antonelli and Monsignor Agnelli

KIR/NC/2/U/3 Draft letter from Dr. Kirby to Monsignor Barnabo, Secretary

Item of Propaganda Fide.

undated Ital. 2pp

Kirby hopes to meet with the recipient soon and recalls to him the patience

of the 'brave Irish'

Lang. / Extent

KIR/NC/2/U/4

Draft letter from Dr. Kirby to Dr. Brown, Bishop of Elphin.

Item

<u>undated</u> Eng. 1p

Kirby has presented the Bishop's letter to Propaganda but does not know the result. He advises him to proceed with the utmost care in order to maintain harmony with the clergy, people and the coadjutor. He mentions that he has sent a dispensation for John Malone.

KIR/NC/2/U/5

Draft letter from Dr. Kirby to Sig. D. Carlo

Item

undated

Ital. 1p

Kirby thanks the recipient for the gift. He waited for a response after his interview yesterday but did not hear anything and must now go to Tivoli.

KIR/NC/2/U/6

Draft letter from Dr. Kirby to Sr. Maria Virginia

Item

undated [Holy Saturday]

Ital. 4pp

Eng. 2pp

Kirby thanks the recipient for her letter, sends greetings to the Mother Superior and offers spiritual guidance.

KIR/NC/2/U/7

Draft letter from Dr. Kirby to Mrs Clarke

Item

undated

Kirby has obtained a Papal Blessing for Clarke and her friends and a rescript for her chapel. He sends greetings to Rev. Mother Sr. Imelda.

KIR/NC/2/U/8

Draft letter from Dr. Kirby to a Countess

Item

undated [1 November]

Eng. 1p

Kirby acknowledges her letter of the 27th. [unfinished]

KIR/NC/2/U/9

Item

Draft letter from to Dr. Kirby addressed to 'Gentlemen'.

[possibly sent to Dr. MacHale]

undated

Eng. 4pp

Kirby thanks the recipients for their circular letter and expresses his support for the erection of a memorial to the memory of the late Rev. Dr. Croke whom he praises highly.

KIR/NC/2/U/10 Item Draft letter from Dr. Kirby to an Archbishop [possibly

Archbishop Croke]

undated [circa 1891]

Eng. 3pp

Kirby refers to an interview with 'E.D.G.' in which he declined to play any part in securing a Papal audience. Kirby complained at the inclusion of his name amongst the supporters of 'P' [Parnell]. The recipient Archbishop advised 'E.D.G.' to do nothing until Dillon and O'B [O'Brien] would be free. 'These two gentlemen', Kirby states, have been unintentionally responsible for 'the demorilation of our people now so shockingly proved by the numerous adhesion to Parnell in despite of his unanimous rejection by the entire Irish Episcopacy.' They also have also contributed to the contempt being shown against the supreme authority of the Holy See.

KIR/NC/2/U/11 Draft telegram by Dr. Kirby

Item <u>undated [29 July]</u> Eng. 1p

Kirby notes that Cardinal Cullen cannot attend an event but will send Monsignor Rinaldini, Sostituto Propaganda to represent him.

KIR/NC/2/U/12 Draft letter from Dr. Kirby to a Cardinal

Item <u>undated</u> Eng. 2pp

Kirby responds to the Cardinal's request for funds to complete a cathedral noting that such an object must be close to the heart of every Catholic of Irish descent both at home and abroad. [The cathedral appears to be

dedicated to St. Patrick]

KIR/NC/2/U/13 Draft letter from Dr. Kirby to [the Bishop of Down and

Item <u>undated</u> Eng. 1p

Kirby reports that the Pope has voiced his abhorrence to the vice of drunkenness and is eager to see his Irish children and especially the people of Belfast and the recipient's diocese free from its contagion. Mentions devotion to the Sacred Heart of Jesus, Mother Mary and St. Patrick.

KIR/NC/2/U/14 Draft letter from Dr. Kirby to Mrs Elliott

Item <u>undated</u> Eng. 4pp

Kirby has arranged for the conversion of Elliott and her sisters. He offers

spiritual guidance and reassurance.

KIR/NC/2/U/15 Draft letter from Dr. Kirby for Signora Fane.

Ital. 1p

Letter of recommendation for Signora Fane, an English convert, from Padre

Lambert to Padre Massaniti. Drafted by Kirby

KIR/NC/2/U/16 Draft letter from Dr. Kirby

Item <u>undated</u> Eng. 2pp

Kirby states that he cannot interfere in Miss H's case but recommends that she pray to God and humbly seek the pardon of her bishop for her past conduct and seek his advise on what should be done to relieve her from her

present condition.

KIR/NC/2/U/17 Draft fragment of letter by Dr. Kirby

Item <u>undated</u> Eng. 1p

Kirby refers to medals from the Pope for members of the Irish Brigade.

Mentions General de Charette and 'the O'C'

Draft letter from Dr. Kirby [possibly to the Pope] KIR/NC/2/U/18

Item undated Ital. 2pp

> Kirby has read the magnificent encyclical from the Holy See on the state of religion in India and offers his comment on it.

Draft letter by Dr. Kirby KIR/NC/2/U/19

undated Item Ital. 1p

The draft refers to a 'Procura' [document granting power of attorney] which

must be signed by the Archbishop of Dublin

KIR/NC/2/U/20 Draft letter from Dr. Kirby to Rev. J Manning, St. Charles

Borromeo's, Baywater Item

> undated Eng. 2pp

Kirby wishes to introduce Mrs S. Fitzgerald and her sister Mrs Ives, two devoted Catholics who wish to meet some zealous priests during their stay

in London.

Printed circular addressed to Madame Mahon, St. Wolstans KIR/NC/2/U/21 and St. Symohorien. Address probably written by Kirby. Item

undated Fr. 1p

The circular draws attention to the situation of the unfortunate people of Ireland who are suffering due to Famine.

KIR/NC/2/U/22

Item

Draft letter from Dr. Kirby to Domino Francesco, Seminario

Fulderisi / de Fulda

undated Lat. 2pp

Kirby acknowledges receipt of Domino Francesco's letter of the 19th and discusses the persecution of the church in Germany - [possibly 1875]

KIR/NC/2/U/23

Draft letter from Dr. Kirby to Dr. John Baptist Porrati, [Bishop Item

of Bobbio]

undated [possibly 1894] Eng. 3pp

Kirby regrets that due to his advanced age he is unable to attend the celebrations in Bobbio in honour of St. Colombanus. [possibly 1894 - see

KIR/NC/2/1894/3 letter from Kirby to the Bishop of Bobbio]

KIR/NC/2/U/24 Draft letter from Dr. Kirby to Mrs Ross.

Item undated Eng. 4pp

> Kirby acknowledges receipt of a letter from Ross and forwards her a newspaper article containing statistics for the number of Catholics and Protestants in Ireland. He offers extensive doctrinal advice to the recipient,

who appears to be considering conversion to Catholicism.

KIR/NC/2/U/25 Draft letter from Dr. Kirby to Mrs Ross

Item <u>undated</u> Eng. 4pp

Following his meeting with Ross, Kirby has studied the declaration made by converts to Catholicism in Rome. He has found no requirement on converts to declare that their departed friends are damned - however he reiterates church teaching noting that it is necessary to salvation to be a member of the Catholic church. He offers further guidance to the intended

convert.

KIR/NC/2/U/26 Fragment of draft letter from Dr. Kirby

Ital. 2pp

Concerned with a gift from the Holy See.

KIR/NC/2/U/27 Draft note by Dr. Kirby.

Ital. 1p

Kirby suggests that Propaganda might send Rector Russell a line once they

have reached a decision.

KIR/NC/2/U/28 Draft report by Dr. Kirby on visitors to the Church of the Item Rotondo.

<u>undated</u> Ital. 3pp

Report by Kirby on, what he perceives to be, profanity and irreverence witnessed amongst visitors to the Church of the Rotondo. He cites a number of incidents reported to him involving visitors and pilgrims

including a group of Germans.

KIR/NC/2/U/29 Draft letter from Dr. Kirby to Mr Shearman

Item <u>undated [possibly 1854]</u> Eng. 1p

Kirby apologises for the mistake concerning the transfer of £17 to Shearman's private account and discusses other expenses payable to Dr. $\,$

Smith. [possibly 1854 - see KIR/1854/1485]

KIR/NC/2/U/30 Draft letter from Dr. Kirby to Miss Sherlock

Item undated Eng. 2pp

Kirby thanks Sherlock for the sermon which she sent him and adds his own spiritual reflections.

spiritual reflections

KIR/NC/2/U/31 Draft letter from Dr. Kirby to Monsignor Stoner

Item undated Eng. 1p

Kirby informs Stoner that the Irish Catholics in Rome are to have an audience with the Pope on Sunday to which he is invited. He asks him to

inform Lord and Lady O'Hagan of the event.

KIR/NC/2/U/32 Draft letter from Dr. Kirby to the Bishop of Strasbourg.

Ital. 2pp

Kirby congratuates the Bishop on his recent consecration which he has read

about in the English newspapers.

KIR/NC/2/U/33 Draft letter from Dr. Kirby to Miss Taaffe

Item <u>undated</u> Eng. 4pp

Kirby sends Taaffe a relic of her patroness Saint Marta. He reflects on the

role and example of Saint Martha and offers spiritual advise.

KIR/NC/2/U/34 Draft letter from Dr. Kirby to a Reverend Mother

Item <u>undated</u> Eng. 2pp

Kirby sends a cameo of the Holy Father which he asks the recipient to

forward to Rev. Mother Tobin for her bazaar.

KIR/NC/2/U/35 Draft letter from Dr. Kirby to Mrs Verdon

Item <u>undated</u> Eng. 1p

Kirby offers his condolences to Verdon on a death.

KIR/NC/2/U/36 Draft letter from Dr. Kirby to Mr Waters

Item <u>undated</u> Eng. 2pp

Kirby thanks Waters for 'the honour ... intended for our humble

community'

KIR/NC/2/U/37 Draft letter from Dr. Kirby to Mrs Westlake

Item <u>undated [probably 1858]</u> Eng. 2pp

Kirby sends Westlake reading material for her intended conversion and offers her his support in this matter. [Probably 1858 - see KIR/1858/2270]

KIR/NC/2/U/38 Draft letter from Dr. Kirby to the Women of New South

Item [undated - possibly 1887] Eng. 4pp

Kirby informs the Women of New South Wales that he has received their address from Cardinal Moran which he has presented to the Pope together with their magnificent casket. [possibly 1887- see KIR/NC/1/1887/50

Lang. / Extent

KIR/NC/2/U/39

Draft letter from Dr. Kirby

Item

undated [possibly 1865]

Eng. 4pp

Kirby informs the recipient that his sister was able to acquire a necessary dispensation in Rome and has now married. The priest who officiated at the marriage received £10 from the spouse, Mr Woodlock, which he has sent to the poor of Dublin and no other expenses were incurred. He hopes that the Catholic and Protestant friends of the couple will now overcome their scruples. He comments on the 'horrid' law of divorce lately enacted which dissolves by law the sacred bond of marriage. [possibly 1865 - see

KIR/NC/1/1865/1]

KIR/NC/2/U/40

Draft letter from Dr. Kirby to a Cardinal.

Item undated Eng. 1p

Kirby hopes that the Cardinal has received the Papal encyclical on the Rosary which he sent.

KIR/NC/2/U/41

Draft letter from Dr. Kirby to a bishop

Item

undated [possibly 1864]

Eng. 2pp

Kirby cannot partake in a ceremony to consecrate the new church of 'Our Lady de la Garde' due to illness. He asks the bishop to thank Abbot Barearet for the invitation. [letter may be dated 1864 and the church may therefore possibly be the Basilica of Our Lady de la Garde, Marseille]

KIR/NC/2/U/42

Fragment of torn draft letter by Dr. Kirby

Item

undated

Ital.

Mentions a marriage and an indulgence and [possibly] a person named

Wall.

KIR/NC/2/U/43

Draft note from Kirby

Item

undated

Ital. 2pp

Kirby asks for a memento from the Mass

KIR/NC/2/U/44

Draft letter from Dr. Kirby to a Reverend Mother.

Item

undated

Eng. 1p

Kirby thanks the Reverend Mother for her letter on St. Patrick's day.

KIR/NC/2/U/45

Draft letter from Dr. Kirby

Item

undated

Ital. 3pp

Kirby notes that he met with Fr John Hughes of New York in September 1872 in Rome. Concerns the payment of a bill of £14 and Anastasio Fenili.

KIR/NC/2/U/46 Draft letter from Dr. Kirby

Item <u>undated</u> Eng. 3pp

Kirby sends the recipient a photograph of the Holy Family and a statuette

for her little adopted sister.

KIR/NC/2/U/47 Draft fragment of letter from Dr. Kirby

Item <u>undated</u> Eng. 1p

Spiritual advise [fragment of letter]

KIR/NC/2/U/48 Draft letter from Dr. Kirby to a bishop.

Item undated Eng. 1p

Kirby thanks the bishop for his exertions which have been most useful to the college. He will send some small souvenirs one of which is for Lady

Adelaide.

KIR/NC/2/U/49 Draft letter from Dr. Kirby

Ital. Lat. 2pp

Kirby will send a decree from the National Council of Ireland which was presided over by Cardinal Cullen, then Archbishop of Armagh and

published by Duffy. Refers to the Infallibility of the Pope.

KIR/NC/2/U/50 Draft list by Dr. Kirby

Item undated Ital. 1p

Kirby notes that he is waiting for rescripts from Propaganda for the PP of

Blarney and the Bishop of Waterford and that he must speak to

Propaganda about the Synod of Ireland

KIR/NC/2/U/51 Draft note by Kirby

Ital. 1p

Refers in general terms to injustice and misgovernment of Ireland.

KIR/NC/2/U/52 Draft letter from Dr. Kirby to an archbishop

Item <u>undated</u> Eng. 4pp

Kirby reports that the Pope was overjoyed when he heard of a reconciliation of two Irish parties. He believes that the Pope is 'the only barrier which now exists to the torrent of universal revolution' against religion and law. Statesmen, parliaments and sovereigns are themselves 'the

tools of the revolutionary party.'

KIR/NC/2/U/53 Draft letter from Dr. Kirby to [a cousin]

Item <u>undated</u> Eng. 4pp

Kirby hopes that the recipient has recovered [his/her] health and offers

spiritual advice and encouragement.

KIR/NC/2/U/54 Draft letter from Dr. Kirby to [Abbe de Saint Victor, Trinita

Item dei Monti]

<u>undated</u> Eng 4pp

Kirby thanks the recipient for the three books on music which he now returns and he sends in return two English books. Mentions that

Monsignor Cullen is Rector of the College.

KIR/NC/2/U/55 Draft fragment of letter from Dr. Kirby

Item <u>undated</u> 2pp

Kirby sends greeting to a community of religious sisters

KIR/NC/2/U/56 Draft letter from Dr. Kirby

Item <u>undated</u> Eng. 2pp

Kirby was pleased to learn that a deceased lady did not dance. He elaborates on the subject of dancing stating that 'plain single dances' can provide useful exercise for children and correct 'rustic or awkward' manners. However he condemns 'a passion for dancing' as seen in theatres and balls which often shocks modesty, is a danger to passions and snares Innocence.

KIR/NC/2/U/57 Draft note from Dr. Kirby

Item <u>undated</u> Lat. 1p

Refers to faculties for a Stations of the Cross

KIR/NC/2/U/58 Draft fragment of letter from Dr. Kirby to a bishop.

Item <u>undated</u> Eng. 1p

Kirby asks if it is not a privilege for Catholics 'to see the body of their

Sacred pastors united with their supreme heads...'

KIR/NC/2/U/59 Draft fragment of letter from Dr. Kirby to a cardinal.

Ital. 1p

Kirby mentions the importance of the Sacred Colleges in the governance of

Pius IX and wishes the cardinal the best for his vacation.

KIR/NC/2/U/60 Draft note by Dr. Kirby

Item <u>undated</u> Eng. 1p

Kirby reports on the Papal audience of Mr [Chandlin] who is a convert to

Catholicism.

KIR/NC/2/U/61 Draft letter from Dr. Kirby

Ital. 2pp

Kirby asks for a blessing for his nephews and nieces on the feast day of the

Blessed Virgin.

KIR/NC/2/U/62 Draft note from Dr. Kirby to a Cardinal

Ital. 2pp

Kirby regrets that he will be indisposed due to an unforeseen event. He wishes the cardinal many more years.

KIR/NC/2/U/63 Draft letter from Dr. Kirby

Item <u>undated</u> Lat. 1p

Kirby expresses thanks for relics which have been sent to him.

KIR/NC/2/U/64 Draft list of persons invited to [the possession]

Item <u>undated</u> Eng. 1p

List includes the Principe of Sarsana, Duca Grazioli, Miss Sherlock, Dr. and Mrs Brady, Mr Maxwell, Monsignor Stoner, Dr. Smith, the Bishops of Salford and Adelaide, Franchio etc

KIR/NC/2/U/65 Note by Kirby entitled 'Faculties: History'

Item <u>undated</u> Eng. 1p

Kirby notes the following- 'Who nominates the Irish Profes[sors]', 'Why allow the Chancellor of the Dub[lin] University to be visitor' and 'I think the college should have a head Ecclesiastical Sup[erio]r'.

KIR/NC/2/U/66 Draft document by Dr. Kirby

Item <u>undated</u> Eng. 3pp

Kirby discusses the condemnation of the Pope and the responsibilities of governments towards secret societies such as the Freemasons. He states that the Pope has continually warned against secret societies whose objectives are 'to destroy every principle of justice, virtue honesty and religion.' The nations of Europe must make a choice between the teaching of the Catholic Church and the levelling doctrines of socialism and the galling yoke of the International.

KIR/NC/2/U/67 Draft letter from Dr. Kirby to Gius[] Conti

Ital. 1p

Kirby encloses text for a dedication and asks the recipient to suggest changes and corrections. Includes response from Conti.

KIR/NC/2/U/68 Draft document by Dr. Kirby.

Ital. 8pp

Lengthy document focusing on Papal concern regarding political unrest in Italy, threats to the patrimony of St. Peter's and obligations and responses

of European states.

KIR/NC/2/U/69 Draft fragment of letter from Dr. Kirby

Item <u>undated</u> Eng. 1p

Kirby gives his reasons why he does not wish to promote several students earlier than is usual in Rome.

Lang. / Extent

KIR/NC/2/U/70 Draft letters from Dr. Kirby.

Item <u>undated</u> Eng. Ital. 2pp

Kirby notes that under the Pontifical Government it was not necessary for the relationship between the college and the Bishops to be carefully explained in legal documents - however under the present circumstances this is necessary. Reverse of note includes a note to a Cardinal concerning

Monsignor Conroy.

KIR/NC/2/U/71 Draft memoranda [not in Kirby's hand]

Item undated Eng. 1p

The writer lists three items of business to be conducted; to consult with Monsignor Simeoni regarding Fr. Cooke's oath, a cope to be forwarded to Fr Dillon and letters to be forwarded to the Irish College Paris or no.20

Clanbrassil Terrace, South Circular Road, Dublin

KIR/NC/2/U/72 Draft letter [possibly by Dr. Kirby] to Miss Hanson

Item <u>undated</u> Eng. 2pp

The writer sends Hanson palm and a blessed candle and offers spiritual

advice.

KIR/NC/2/U/73 Draft letter from [possibly Dr. Kirby] to a nobleman.

Item <u>undated</u> Eng. 2pp

The writer informs the recipient, who is a Lord, on the progress of a petition for a mixed-marriage dispensation. He notes that the recipient's high social position makes the case more 'painful' for the authorities as it will set an example for 'his humble fellow Catholics'. [possibly Lord

Granard]

KIR/NC/2/U/74 Draft extract from book [possibly Dr. Kirby]

Ital. 1p

Extract discusses and praises the school of Birr Monestary which had

pupils from across Europe.

KIR/NC/2/U/75 Draft text to be inserted after an introduction. [Author is either

Item Dr. Kirby or Dr. Cullen

<u>undated</u> Ital. 3pp

Text centres on national education for Catholics mentioning the Synod of Thurles. [Possible draft of document to be presented to Propaganda and the

Holy See]

Lang. / Extent

KIR/NC/2/U/76 Item Draft letter from [Dr. Kirby to a Cardinal] undated [probably 1851]

Ital. 4pp

[Kirby] recounts his journey from Rome to Ireland describing his stay in the Monestary of S. Giuliano with Abbot Casaretto; his visit to Marseille where he met the Bishop of Lyon; his stay in the Irish College Paris; his meeting in London with Cardinal Wiseman and Sig. Nieres. He will attend a grand assembly of Catholics of Ireland called to defend Catholic rights that will be presided over by the Primate. Includes mention of a letter to Dr. Ennis in which he mentions a Protestant man named Mr Cowper. He mentions 'la grande esibizion a Londra' [probably the Great Exhibition of London of 1851] and moves to introduce a law concerning bishops' titles [Ecclesiastical Titles Act of 1851] [Kirby returned to Ireland during 1851 - see KIR/NC/1/1851/39]

KIR/NC/2/U/77 Item Damp-press copies of outgoing letters from [Dr. Kirby] one of which is to an Archbishop

<u>undated</u> Ital. Eng. 5pp

Includes five very illegible, numbered leaves from a damp-press copy book. In his letter to the Archbishop, [Kirby] mentions J Quinn, Signor O'Reilly and Mr [] O'Brien. He refers to efforts to impede the [confirmation] of the Dublin election, to [influence] the Holy See and to distract the minds of the Irish clergy from the functioning of their sacred office. In the second letter, [Kirby] mentions the Synod of Thurles. Also includes a list of petitions for dispensations and faculties forwarded by [Kirby] for the year 1869 - mentioning a Mrs Moore of Dungarvan and a marriage dispensation for Fr Powderly.

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Appendices and Select Bibliography



Appendix 1: Summary overview of uncatalogued sections of The New Collection.

The following is based upon a notes kept by Vera Orschel, Archivist, during the course of renumbering the New Collection. It offers a selective insight into the uncatalogued sections of the New Collection.

KIR/NC/3 Correspondence (undated but sender identified)

No summary list compiled – this series contains circa 3600 letters.

KIR/NC/4 Correspondence (undated and unidentified)

No summary list compiled – this series contains circa 50 letters

KIR/NC/5 Agency Material and Legal Points

KIR/NC/5/1-22 Ante camera

KIR/NC/5/23-85 Petitioners by name, alphabetical

KIR/NC/5/86-172 Petitioners by diocese, alphabetical

KIR/NC/5/173-191 Petitioners by subject, alphabetical

KIR/NC/5/192-204 Petitions for blessings, indulgences etc. from Pope

KIR/NC/5/205-208 Kirby petitioning for Irish College to Pope

KIR/NC/5/212-227 Institutions appealing to Irish College

KIR/NC/5/228-234 Legal points

KIR/NC/5/235-242 Petitions etc. to Popes

KIR/NC/5/243-249 Sketches, accounts, for planned altars and paintings/sculpture

KIR/NC/6 Lecture and Academic Notes

KIR/NC/6/1-4 Dated notes (1858-1885)

KIR/NC/6/5-53 Undated notes

/4 Notes on Monte di Pietà, reverse used as account book for individual students, and then for notes for a novena.

/5 (1-36) politico-religious tract in 36 points

/6 (1-7) Proofs with handwritten corrections for Kirby's *Meditations on the principal truths of religion*.

/16 Booklet in Kirby's hand with reflections on St. Ignatius

/33 Notes from /4 [in O'Riordan's hand]

/34 L'Eredità di Gesù Cristo [in Hagan's hand –possibly by Kirby]

/35-39 Speeches/ Lectures

/40-53 History and linguistics (short notes from Greek, Irish vocabulary, Italian).

KIR/NC/6/54-62 Notes for sermons/ religious reflections

/54 Fragment - reflection on pastoral work

/56 Notes for [sermon] on Feast of the Assumption 1835

/57 Article to promote devotion to St. Patrick

/58 Relic of the Manger

/59 [Sermon] for the 'Quninquagesima' Sunday

/60 Article about the Stations of the Cross

KIR/NC/6/63-66 'Papal affairs'

/63 List of addresses by cardinals to Catholic sovereigns

/64 Illustration of papal soldier Nantes 1867

/65 Nota sugli Irlandesi, January 1861 [in Kirby's hand]

/66/1-46 *The papal soldiers: Journal of two [Breton] Zouaves* (sent to Richardson & Lewis Publishers, Derby 1 January 1868) [not in Kirby's hand]

KIR/NC/6/67-69

/67 Catalogue of Libreria Bonifazio 1866

/68 Cinque utili ritrovati igienici (the latest on gum and tooth hygiene) 1858

/69 Map of Manchester & Salford 1844 (with markings in ink)

KIR/NC/7 Spiritual and Devotional material

KIR/NC/7/1-18 Sermons

KIR/NC/7/19-34 Prayer cards

KIR/NC/7/35-63 Small printed prayers

KIR/NC/7/64-143 Handwritten material, [partly enclosures from correspondence; some in Kirby's hand]

/64 Loreto veil 'relic'

/114 St. Louis-Marie Grignon de Montfort's L'Offrande a Marie pour l'établissement du Grand Règne de Jésus et de Marie dans le Monde

/140 'copies' and three booklets - [somebody's extraction from Kirby's letters to him/her]

KIR/NC/7/144-162 Psalms and commentaries on psalms

KIR/NC/7/163-174 Sacred Song [mostly Italian]

KIR/NC/7/175-177 Italian prayers, psalm (17)

KIR/NC/7/178-240 Prayers, meditations, spiritual exercises in English

/178-197 Prayer cards

/198-230 Prayers including prayer against cholera and other scourges

/231-240 Handwritten booklets of meditations, novenas, catechism by Kirby

/236 Novena in honour of the Immaculate Conception for the use of seminaries. Fragment proofs with comments, Rome 1865

/237 Meditations of English College used 1838

/238 Envelope with unbound book by M. Canty 'On Purgatory' [now in library]

/240 Devotional pendants.

KIR/NC/7/241-490 Letters from Kirby [probably returned after addressees had died]

/241-251 to Suor Giuseppa Amici, SS. Bambino Gesù 1874-1888

/252-272 to Sr. Emmanuella Leoni, SS. Bambino Gesù 1871-1877

/273-285 to ibidem, undated

/286-375 Mostly to one unnamed sister, also including Sr. Mary and Signora Contesa

/376-375 to M. Angelica 1847-62 including Esercizi di Pietà

/379-400 to Sr. Mary Colomba Cometti, Superiora della Pia Casa di Carità, Velletri

/401-431 to Sr. Maria Virginia, Sr. Giuseppa but mostly unidentified and undated

/432-476 mostly from unidentified Italian spiritual daughters, undated

/477-490 from Fr. R. Bianchi and other priests to Sr. Nazarena Maria Salviani, SS. Bambino Gesù 1878-1887.

KIR/NC/7/491-502 Discipline, rules, privileges, professions & oaths

/491 *Privilegia Societatis Iesu* [17th/18th century]

/492 St. Bridget's nurses 1859

/496 Torre de Specchi rules

/498 "A few points of Roman discipline" (fragment commenting that the wearing of soutanes is not allowed in Ireland but that the collar has been introduced

/500 Profession for converts

/501 Faculties for missionary

KIR/NC/7/503-523 Confraternities and guilds

/503 Kirby as member of Arciconfraternità in soffragio delle anime sante del Purgatorio 1885

/517 Rules of an association under the patronage of Our Blessed Lady [with Kirby's handwritten comments and corrections] and a prayer to St. Joseph for a happy death

/522 Rules for the founding of an association (Italian)

/523 Pia Unione del SS. Cuore di Gesù

KIR/NC/7/524-547 "Santini" – some are prayer cards

/530 St. Alphonsus Maria de Liguori

/535 Sant'Agata

/531 /538 Santa Filomena

/539 Anna Maria Taigi

/540 Engraving honouring the consecration of Ireland to the Sacred Heart in 1873

/546 S. Isidoro Agricoltore "chi si venera nella Chiesa dei Padri Irlandesi"

/547 S. Maria Addolorata- [comment found: see circular from the Commissione Direttrice della Solenna Incoronazione di S. M. SS. Addolorata of 15 April 1886, in New Collection/Kirby.

KIR/NC/8 Pastoral Letters and Encyclicals

KIR/NC/ 8/ 1-81 Pastoral letters in chronological order 1842-1892 [unless otherwise stated]

- /1: (30 April 1842) Archbishop Murray of Dublin (addressed to Kirby)
- /2: (20 February 1846) Archbishop John MacHale of Tuam (addressed to Cullen)
- /3: (20 November 1846) Apostolical Letter Pius IX (signed Cardinal A. Lambruschini)
- /4: (25 March 1847) Apostolic Letter Pope Pius IX
- /5: (24 May 1848) Archbishop D. Murray of Dublin (addressed to Dr. Ennis, care of Cullen)
- /6: (February 1850) Circular letter Archbishop M. Slattery of Cashel
- /7: (Ash Wednesday' 1850) Bishop John [Derry] of Clonfert (addressed to Cullen)
- /8: (22 January 1851) Archbishop Paul Cullen of Armagh
- /9: (21 June 1851) Archbishop Paul Cullen of Armagh
- /10: (13 February 1852) Archbishop Paul Cullen of Armagh
- /11: (29 September 1852) Archbishop Paul Cullen of Dublin
- /12: (14 January 1853) Archbishop John MacHale of Tuam (with handwritten corrections)
- /13: (29 July 1853) Bishop John Kilduff of Ardagh (addressed to Kirby)
- /14: (1855) Archbishop Paul Cullen of Dublin
- /15: (1856) Archbishop Paul Cullen of Dublin (on proselytism)
- /16: (27 June 1856) Irish bishops
- /17: (25 March 1857) <u>Letter</u> to 'dear Sir' [political leader] Archbishop Paul Cullen of Dublin (addressed to Kirby)
- /18: (1857) Bishop Edward Walsh of Ossory: [consecration of new cathedral planned for October]
- /19: (2 March 1859) Letter to 'dear Reverend Sir' from Bishop Charles MacNally of Clogher
- /20: (12 May 1859) <u>Letter</u> from Cardinal Prefect Barnabò to the Pope; (29 September 1859) <u>Letter</u> to St. Brigid's Orphanage from Archbishop Paul Cullen of Dublin.
- /21: (19 January 1860) Encyclical Pius IX
- /22: (15 February 1860) Bishop William Keane of Cloyne
- /23: (9 May 1860) <u>Letter to 'Reverend dear Sir' from the Vicar General Abbot Gregory for [Archbishop John Bede of Sydney]</u>
- /24: (24 May 1860) Archbishop Paul Cullen of Dublin
- /25: [21 September 1860] Archbishop John Bede of Sydney (addressed to Kirby)
- /26: (14 March 1861) Bishop Laurence Gillooly of Elphin
- /27: (17 October 1862) Bishop Laurence Gillooly of Elphin
- /28: (12 February 1863) Letter to 'Dear Reverend Sir' from Bishop Charles MacNally of Clogher
- /29: (25 September 1863) <u>Apostolic Letter</u> Pius IX ('ad perpetuam Rei memoriam'- signed Cardinal N.Paracciani Clarelli)
- /30: (21 November 1865) Archbishop Paul Cullen of Dublin on the Immaculate Conception
- /31: (17 March 1865) Bishop Joseph Dixon of Armagh on the Jubilee of 1865
- /32: (27 July 1865) Archbishop Paul Cullen of Dublin
- /33: (2 February 1866) Bishop P. Dorrian of Down and Connor
- /34: [does not exist- mistake in counting]
- /35: (February 1866) Archbishop Paul Cullen of Dublin
- /36: (4 March 1866) Archbishop Paul Cullen of Dublin
- /37: (19 August 1866) Cardinal Archbishop Paul Cullen of Dublin
- /38: [French translation of /37]
- /39: (30 August 1866) Cardinal Archbishop Paul Cullen of Dublin
- /40: [French translation of /39]
- /41: (24 August 1866) Bishop James Walshe of Kildare
- /42: (1 December 1866) Bishop James Murray of Maitland
- /43: (5 December 1866) Cardinal Archbishop Paul Cullen of Dublin
- /44: (21 January 1867) Cardinal Archbishop Paul Cullen of Dublin
- /45: (22 February 1867) Bishop John Gray and Coadjutor James Lynch of the Western District of Scotland

- /46: (26 February 1867) Bishop James Murray of Maitland on the holy season of Lent and mixed marriages
- /47: (1 March 1867) Bishop McEvilly of Galway, Kilmacduagh and Kilfenora (addressed to Kirby)
- /48: (1 March 1867) Bishop Patrick Dorrian of Down and Connor
- /49: (12 March 1867) Cardinal Archbishop Paul Cullen of Dublin
- /50: (17 March 1867) Bishop David Moriarty of Kerry on the Dis-endowment of the Established Church (addressed to Kirby)
- /51: (16 July 1867) Bishop William [Lanigan] of Goulburn
- /52: (4 January 1869) Bishop William Keane of Cloyne
- /53: (25 December 1875) Encyclical Pius IX
- /54: [does not exist- mistake in counting]
- /55: (22 February 1879) Bishop John McEvilly of Galway, Kilmacduagh and Kilfenora
- /56: (1879) Bishop Henry Carfagnini O.S.F. of Harbour Grace -for Lent
- /57: (24 November 1879) Bishop Bartholomew [Woodlock] of Ardagh (addressed to his reverend friend Monsignor Rinaldini, Bishop of Cyrena)
- /58: (10 August 1880) Bishop Bartholomew [Woodlock] of Ardagh and Clonmacnoise
- /59: (7 March 1881) Archbishop William Walsh of Dublin (addressed to Kirby)
- /60: (12 March 1881) Apostolic Letter Leo XIII
- /61: (24 October 1881) Bishop Bartholomew [Woodlock] of Ardagh and Clonmacnoise
- /62: (28 April 1882) Bishop Patrick F. Moran of Ossory
- /63: (25 March 1884) Bishop Francis [McNeirny] of Albany
- /64: (20 April 1884) Encyclical Leo XIII -on masonic sects
- /65: (10 May 1884) 'Instructio' for bishops from Cardinal Raphael Monaco, Holy Inquisition regarding masonic sects
- /66: (9 July 1884) [Letter with instructions] Cardinal Lucidus Maria Parocchi, Vicar General of the Curia
- /67: (12 March 1885) Archbishop [Tyren.], Propaganda Fide concerning missions
- /68: (5 March 1886) Archbishop William Walsh of Dublin
- /69 (20 February 1887) Bishop Bartholomew [Woodlock] of Ardagh and Clonmacnoise
- /70: (21 June 1887) Bishop Bartholomew [Woodlock] of Ardagh and Clonmacnoise
- /71: (26 June 1887) Archbishop William Walsh of Dublin on Jubilee of Leo XIII
- /72: (17 September 1887) Bishop James Walshe of Kildare
- /73: (23 September 1887) Archbishop Patrick John Ryan of Philadelphia
- /74: (1 March 1888) Archbishop John Joseph Lynch of Toronto
- /75: (20 June 1888) Encyclical Leo XIII 'De Libertate Humana' with attached letter (2 July 1888) from Cardinal Prefect Simeoni of Propaganda Fide
- /76: (29 December 1888) Letter [to the clergy] Archbishop William Walsh of Dublin
- /77: (18 January 1889) <u>Letter</u> [to the clergy] Bishop Bartholomew [Woodlock] of Ardagh and Clonmacnoise enclosing apostolic letter from Leo XIII and translation
- /78: (29 March 1889) Letter [to the clergy] Bartholomew Woodlock of Ardagh and Clonmacnoise
- /79: (29 September 1889) <u>Letter</u> [to the clergy] Bartholomew Woodlock of Ardagh and Clonmacnoise
- /80: (15 February 1890) <u>Letter to clergy</u> Bartholomew Woodlock of Ardagh and Clonmacnoise with letter from Cardinal R. Monaco, and accompanying papal encyclical.
- /81: ('Feast of Chair of St. Peter' [18 January] 1892) Archbishop Cornelius O'Brien of Halifax

KIR/NC/9 Prose by Fanny Kirby [in the opinion of Fr Silke, Archivist] KIR/NC/9/1

or which is which - all in the same hand

Lists 'The Chrysalis'; '[M...] and Mystery'; and 'A second daydream' as sequels to Charles Harman. Chapter one begins "While Lord [Arington] went to the land of his birth...". 29 chapters. Dedication 'to the youth of the nobler sex'. Including a letter from [F] B. to Sir [...], indicating that the writer of the novel and the writer of the letter are woman, and that the novels have been controversial. Describing the nationalist aspirations of the writer who wants to see the Protestant ascendancy replaced, while at the same time expressing adherence to the crown. Contains 31 chapters and a 5 page introduction. Literary quotations from Pope, Moore, Shakespeare. [not clear which is missing,

KIR/NC/9/2

Chapter one begins "In a remote county of Ireland...". Contains 29 chapters and an introduction of 11 pages. Literary quotations from Scott, Moore, Shakespeare, Byron.

KIR/NC/9/3

Copy of 9/2 but larger format from Chapter 19 and lacking first page (with motto).

KIR/NC/9/4

Copy of 9/1 but lacking introductory letter, first page (motto), and introduction.

Appendix 2: Details of previous archivists' notes and comments found in collection during cataloguing

The following comments were found and noted by Vera Orschel, Archivist during the course of renumbering and rehousing the New Collection. Comments are either in the hand of Fr. J. Silke or are anonymous. They were written in order to either date the document in question or to give an overview of authors and contents. These notes have been removed from the collection and have therefore been recorded here.

KIR/NC/1/1873/

- /11-/13: Mary of the Cross arrived in Rome 13 May
- /14: (document repaired by Fr. Reberchini 22 May 1973
- /16: Mary of the Cross to Kirby (not known when she saw Barnabò. She met Pope on Pentecost Sunday (June 1); not here clear that she had already seen him. 16 July is possibly ref. to Our Lady of Mt. Carmel, but that date seems late. Perhaps May is more likely.)
- /18: Part of memorandum by Mary of the Cross on General Superior
- /19: saw Pope 1 June 187323: Mary of the Cross to Kirby. Ref. to Fr. Ander: wanted him to see Bianchi to explain Australian conditions.
- /24: Mary of the Cross: an appeal for prayers, esp. for vocations and for financial aid. She refers to her bishop who sent her to Rome (p.2) (Almost certainly text she had printed. It is certainly 1873, for the Rule is not yet approved.)
- /30: c.June-July 1873 Mary of the Cross to Kirby (first visit to Rome).
- /34: c.mid-July Mary of the Cross to Kirby (re. nomination of Bp. Reynolds)
- /36: Ibid. 'our new archbishop' Bp. Bede Vaughan OSB was consecrated by C. Manning 19 March 1873 (coadj. Sydney). Perhaps he was in the news.
- /37: Ibid. Kirby (Register of outgoing letters) wrote 17 June 1873 to Bp. C. A. Reynolds, giving him news of his appointment as bishop. There is a letter, 3 August 1873, from Mary of the Cross at Loreto, saying she is leaving for Coblenz.
- /38: Ibid. a) has got £12; b) speaks of kindness of Cardinal's letter letter to Bp. C. A. R. This letter is referred to letter from ibid. dated Monday, beginning "I forgot yesterday to deliver a message of Miss Flemming..."
- /40: ibid. mentioned in letter from ibid. 44 South Street, London, August 1873 and beginning "I can only thank you for your kind letter..."
- /43: 18 August –2 September
- /44: F.D. =Fr. Director (i.e. Fr. Fenison Woods) to Sr. Mary of the Cross
- c. late September; Mary of the Cross to Kirby, missing the beginning. Reynolds is bishop elect and she has had news of reception of his appointment in Australia (consistory Feast of All Saints)
- /52: S. J. Provincial, Dublin, to Sr. Mary of the Cross McKillop.

KIR/NC/1874/

/33: Animadversiones by Bianchi (but perhaps written by one of scriptores at Prop.). Written at Propaganda; there is a copy in Prop. Archives. (21 April 1874: a letter from Prop. forwarding Rule, Includes this.)

KIR/NC/1/1884/

[Fr. Silke's identification of letters concerning Patrick Moran and Australia]

<u>January 7</u>: Kilkenny, Moran. Rumoured suppression impending of Queen's College, Galway: endowment to go to Cath. College in Dublin.

<u>7 January</u>: Kilkenny, Moran. Asked by Card. Simeoni would he go to Sydney if appointed. Reply absolutely in Pope's hands. English Prot. Bishop (Barry) just consecrated for Sydney. Dr. Walshe of Maynooth has written most strongly to Moran, declining to go to Sydney.

15 February: Kilkenny, Moran

9 March: Kilkenny, Moran

<u>22 March</u>: Kilkenny, Moran. Telegram from Bp. of Bathurst announces Moran's appointment to Sydney.

26 March: Kilkenny, Moran. Brief ...through Kirby from Propaganda

8 April: Kilkenny, Moran.

<u>20 May</u>: Kilkenny, Moran. Came home to Kilkenny through Cologne, where he secured portion of relic of St. Brigid from St. Martin's church. Interview with Manning.

Moran's Australian period proper begins.

<u>10 May</u>: Australia, Moran. Letter from N.S.W. suffragan to Holy Father thanking for having given them Bp. Moran as Archbp., sympathising over attack made on Propaganda

22 July: London 31 July: Naples

<u>7 August</u>: Suez, Moran. Moran to Verdon recommending Port Said as place for English-speaking priest.

7 August: Suez

<u>2 October</u>: Sydney, Moran. Giving glowing account of his reception in Sydney.

KIR/NC/1/1885/

20 January: Sydney, Moran. Announcing death of Bp. Mat. Quinn, Bathurst

? February: Sydney, O'Haran. Urgent appeal for more priests

11 March: Sydney, Moran. Report on case of Bp. Reynolds v. Srs of St. Joseph. Bathurst, appeal for priests

<u>27 July</u>: Sydney, O'Haran to Verdon. If Bp. Moran had been sent to Dublin it would have been a calamity for Australia

25 August: Clonliffe, Moran. Conference with Lord Lieutenant Caernarvon

<u>16 September</u>: "Liguria"/ London, Moran. Describes great reception, Sydney; mentions arrival of bishops for National Synod.

25 September: "Liguria"/ Naples, Moran

12 November: Sydney, Moran

1 December: Sydney, Moran. Presented address of St. Vincent de Paul Society;

KIR/NC/1/1886/

24 March: Moran, Congratulations on archbishopric, detailed account of visit to N.Z.

25 March: O'Haran

11 May: Moran

10 June: Moran, interesting and detailed account of visit to southern portion of Sydney Diocese.

14 June: Moran. Abp. Gould dead; urges appointment of Carr, Galway.

<u>19 August</u>: Moran. New wing of St. Vincent's Hospital. Again urges appointment of Carr Melbourne.

<u>14 October</u>: Moran. Carr's appointment received: provision for Maoris: visitation diocese concluded <u>1 December</u>: Moran. Episc. palace, Manly completed. Diocesan seminary being erected; provision of Chinese missions.

KIR/NC/1/1887/

17 February: Moran.

21 March: Moran. Prefect apostolic Maori missions

2 May: Moran. Most important letter about Benedictines in Sydney

12 May: Moran. Honours for archdeacon Rigney

5 July: Moran. Kimberley vicariate. Dunedin as seat of archbishopric

29 September: Moran Kimberlev mission again

7 and 9 November: Moran

17 November: Moran. £ 3,500 jubilee Peter's pence from N.S.W.

27 and 28 November: Moran

<u>14 December</u>: Moran, Visit to Brisbane, investing Dunne with pallium.

KIR/NC/1/1888/

<u>6 February</u>: Card. Moran. Detailed account of first centenary of Australian settlement and Catholic participation therein.

7 March: Moran. Hopes to be in Rome about middle of June.

23 April: Moran

<u>22 August</u>: I. C. Paris, Moran. Account of pilgrimage to St. Donatus' relics at Fiesole, and to those of St. Fridolin at Saeckingen.

20 September

21 September: Moran. Sails from London c.Oct.12

<u>10 October</u>: Moran. To sail from Tilbury next day: with party of 30 in all. Bp. Higgins just accepted post of aux. Bp.of Sydney

KIR/NC/1/1889/

29 January: Moran 17 February: Moran 2, 3 and 16 April: Moran

<u>20 June</u>: Moran. Extended description of visit to Tasmania to confer pallium on first Abp. (Murphy) <u>19 September</u>: Moran. Tribute to Bp. Higgins, and expectations of good he is likely to do. His first "colonial experience"; amicable settlement of Josephite dispute in South Australia.

KIR/NC/1/1890/

<u>30 January</u>: Moran. Detailed account of great celebrations, religious and civic, in connection with completion of sanctuary of St. Mary's Cathedral

20 February: Moran. First reference to the movement towards Australian Federation

25 February, 18 and 19 March, 18 April, 15 May, 2 October: Moran; all merely introductions

KIR/NC/1/1891/

/1: perhaps by Card. Logue- he was in Rome at end of 1890 [in Fr. Silke's hand]

5 January: Moran. Plague of locusts; permanent plague of rabbits (1st mention of Federation)

14 February, 6, 10 and 19 April

4 May: Moran to Hassan. More about Federation. Death of Macrossan

22 June: Moran. Beginning of Labour Party

29 June: Moran. Success of Labour Party

13 August: Moran

9 November: Moran. Fr. Kelly appointed Rector Irish College

30 November: Moran

KIR/NC/1/1892/

[Note by Fr. Silke dated 25 February 1976]: "from beginning of 1892 Kirby generally referred business letters to Fr. Kelly: the letters addressed to Kirby in Kelly's files were returned to the Kirby files."

KIR/NC/3/ (Correspondence undated and arranged alphabetically)

A/52: "Writer is Massimiliano Anselmi S.J.. [Frangelin] died 11-12-1886

B/38: "A.M.R. Bennett. Gladstone's cousin"

C/285: "From Bp. Thomas Louis Connolly, St. John New Brunswick, Halifax, to Kirby- 1859?"

E/116: "Archbishop Cullen to Kirby 7 September 1858, introducing Mrs. Erskine"

F/6-86: all from Mary de Sales Fallon- Newtownforbes

F/87-110: all from Isabel Frances Fane (Marchesa Lezzani)"

G/20-114: from M. Imelda Harris

M/202-223: from M. A. Mitford.

M/36: "See +Cullen to Kirby 16 December 1862 (N.C.) introducing Mrs. McEvoy daughter of Lady Netterville..."

M/225-228: Thomas Molony, chaplain at Sebastopol in Crimean War

N/41: E. C. Nimmo, a convert ?, mentioning Gladstone

O/68: "+Cullen to Kirby 11 November 1862 recommends daughters of O'Hagan, attorney-general (N.C. chronological)"

O/26: James O'Connell from House of Commons about the Plan of Campaign

O/152: Michael O'Riordan to Kirby, claiming that most people in Ireland are dead against Parnell, giving account of press handling it.

P/73-104: Sr. M. Philip (Little Co. of Mary) to Kirby c. 1890-94 (one is dated Firenze 9 March 1892)

P/118: "in the index of the volume which contained this document it is entered "Papa Pio IX un rescritto di propria mano"

P/126-135: Sr. Mary Potter (Little Co. of Mary) c.1890-94

P/140: see letter KIR/NC/1/1861/x Cullen introduces on 1 January 1861 Mrs. Power, Gurteen, to Kirby

P/155: see KIR/NC/1/1861/x Cullen introduces on 1 January Sir John & Lady Power to Kirby.

Q/5: late 1871

Q/6: c. June 1884

R/22-77: A. R. Reynolds from Philadelphia

R/121: see extract KIR/ NC/ 1/ 1859/ x from Mrs. Ross of Bladensberg to husband David

R/148-150: John Ryan S.J. born 29 October 1849, entered ICR 14 October 1869, ordained 1875, left for Bathurst.

S/5: Plan of Campaign

T/38: newly discovered 25 January 1977

T/61: See letter in KIR/ NC/1/1858/x from E.M. Treherne to Miss Morrow, Malta, 2 August 1858

V/71: Lilla Visconti di Massimo

KIR/NC/5 (Agency material and Legal Points)

/86: Bp. C.A. Reynolds to Kirby on 4 May 1885 said he returned from Europe in June 1881

/111: on reverse "episcopus Drumorensis acquiescat"

/157: Post 30 June 1856 Perth, Sisters of Mercy Dr. Sevra

/173: to Barnabò, Catholic meeting in Dublin [1875]

Appendix 3: Response from Sydney Archdiocesan Archives to query regarding 'unaccounted for' New Collection letters.

During cataloguing a question arose as to Cullen to Kirby letters dating from 1858, the year of Cullen's physical and mental collapse. What is unusual is that the original letters from this period have not survived but in their place are edited extracts written by Archbishop Moran on Manly College notepaper. The dates of the letters in 1858 are- 27^{th} and 30^{th} March; 10^{th} and 21^{st} April; 6^{th} May; 10^{th} , 27^{th} and 28^{th} June; 2^{nd} and 4^{th} July; 3^{rd} August; 6^{th} and 9^{th} September.

In October 2009 a query was sent to **Pauline Garland, Archivist, Sydney Archdiocesan Archives** concerning these letters which it was hoped might have survived with Cardinal Moran's papers there. The search was not successful:

"Dear Martin,

Thank you for your recent request regarding correspondence of Cullen to Kirby. I am aware that the Pontifical Irish College Archives has corresponded with Sydney Archdiocesan Archives on previous occasions regarding Cullen documents that may have been removed from your Archives by Cardinal Moran, and are thought to be held in the Sydney Archdiocesan Archives. An extensive search of Moran and Kirby's papers has been conducted on your behalf and regrettably none of the documents in question with these requests have been located. Unfortunately we are not able assist you further in this matter. Regards,

Jo Robertson I,

Office and Services Manager, Sydney Archdiocesan Archives, Catholic Archdiocese of Sydney"

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