

Item Description

Identity Statement

Reference Code:	IE CCCA/G7
Title:	Tomás MacCurtain Gaelic Poem
Dates:	20 July 1918
Level of description:	Item
Extent:	10pp

Context

Creator(s):

MacCurtain, Tomás (b1884-d1920) Lord Mayor of Cork

Administrative & Biographical History

Born Ballyknockane, Mourne Abbey near Mallow, North Cork, 20 March 1884. Came to live in Blackpool, Cork City (c.1897). Member of and teacher for the Gaelic League (c.1901). Worked in City of Cork Steampacket Company, Modes Mills and Suttons Coals. Member of Sinn Fein and the IRB. Married Eilis Walsh 1908. Secretary to the Irish Volunteers in Cork (1914-). Opened a shop in Blackpool with his brother in 1915. Active in the Easter 1916 events in Cork. Imprisoned in Frongach and Reading, and at various times during 1916-1919. Elected the first republican Lord Mayor of Cork in January 1920. Shot dead at his home on 20 March 1920, which the inquest attributed to Crown Forces.

Content & Structure

Scope & Content

1. MS. Poem by MacCurtáin, 'Eachtra Carraig Chlíodhna', ('The Adventure of Carraig Clíodhna') 'A Clíodhna, a Clíodhna go mbeannuigidh Críost féin duit...'
May refer to a townland (in English 'Carrigcleena') near MacCurtain's birth place in Mourne Abbey, South of Mallow.
(9pp)
2. MS Letter (30 July 1918) to 'Cáit' signed 'Tomás', Glaise Buidhe, enclosing the poem Eachtra Carraig Clíodhna
(1p)

Arrangement

n/a

Conditions of Access & Use

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Language: Irish (Gaelic)

Finding Aids: Item level description

Allied Materials:

Related Material

CCCA:

CP/CO/M/13 Cork City Council Minute Book, 1920

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