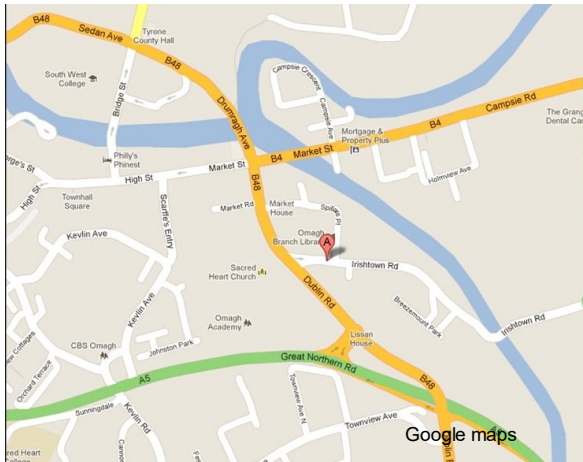


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IRISH AND LOCAL HISTORY

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IRISH AND LOCAL HISTORY collection is situated in Omagh Library and contains material that is mainly non borrowable reference only: however there are borrowable copies of many of the popular titles.

Bookstock

The collection covers all aspects of Irish life from the earliest times to the present day. Specific emphasis is given to Ulster and in particular County Tyrone. Publications by local authors and locally published items are collected and archived for future generations.

Journals/Periodicals

A significant number of historic and current journals are held and can be viewed in the department. The Ulster Journal of Archaeology, Clogher Record, Cappagh and Drumragh Parish Magazines, to name but a few, are all available for consultation.

Newspapers

The collection comprises of local County Tyrone newspapers available in bound copy or on microfilm. A microfilm reader may need to be booked to view the newspaper collection.

Maps

The map collection consists of Tyrone Historical maps of the 19th century. Ordnance Survey Tyrone County Series 1834, 1854, 1907, 1940 - 55 and Ordnance Survey Tyrone Town plans starting from 1834 - 2000.

Cuttings files

A range of packs on people, places and events of local interest for example history of houses and Tyrone crystal.

Photographs and Postcards

Collection of photographs and historic postcards of local interest
The Laurence Collection of 40,000 photographs from 1870 – 1914 which show the characters of Irish towns and villages, is available on microfilm.

Pamphlets

Some pamphlets of local interest.

Online resources - available free from www.librariesni.org.uk

- JSTOR Ireland Collection - Includes contents of journals of Irish interest from the 18th - 20th centuries.
- DIPPAM (Documenting Ireland: Parliament people and Migration) Online virtual archives of documents and sources relating to the history of Ireland and its migration experience from the 18th - late 20th centuries.

Directories

The County Tyrone directory and almanac from 1882 - 1905.

Special collections

Valuation records 1920 - 30, 1934 - 35, 1957

Castleberg Board of Guardians, Clogher Board of Guardians, Cookstown Board of Guardians.

Omagh Bomb Archive - A very significant archive which includes over 10,500 newspaper articles, 15,000 emails, 818 books of condolence, 52 videos, nearly 3,000 floral tribute cards, 1000 sympathy cards and 20 patchwork quilts and cushions presented by the NI Patchwork Guild. Public access is welcome, however an appointment may be necessary. The website is www.omagharchive.co.uk

The research archive of Doctor Catherine Morris, author of 'Alice Milligan and the Irish Cultural Revival'. This archive relates to the life and work of the Irish cultural and political activist Alice Milligan, born in Tyrone in 1866. A blue plaque at the library commemorates Alice and her sister Charlotte Milligan Fox

Tours and talks

Visits are welcome from groups, societies and schools and staff are available to speak about the heritage collection and the wide range of local materials in the archives.

Exhibitions and events

The library welcomes exhibitions and events. It is advisable to book in advance as space is limited.