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Personal and professional papers of Piaras Béaslaí (1881-1965), Irish revolutionary,
Gaelic League activist, author and journalist.

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Biographical note on Piaras Béaslaí (1881-1965)

Early Life

Percy Frederick Beazley was born 15 February 1881, in Liverpool, where his father, Patrick Langford Beazley, a native of County Kerry, was editor of the *Catholic Times*. His mother, Nannie Hickey, was originally from Newcastlewest, County Limerick.

Following his education in St. Xavier's Jesuit College, Liverpool, Percy entered his father's profession, working as a freelance journalist and with the local provincial newspaper, *Wallasey News*. After failing to establish himself as a journalist in London, he moved to Dublin in 1906. Following a year working as a freelance contributor to the *Irish Peasant*, *Irish Independent*, *Freeman's Journal* and *Express*, he was offered a permanent position with Independent Newspapers, as assistant leader writer and special reporter for the *Evening Telegraph* and contributor of a daily half-column in Irish for the *Freeman's Journal*.

Gaelic League

About this time he began to use the Irish form of his name, using various spellings before settling on the form which he was to use for the rest of his life, Piaras Béaslaí. Béaslaí's interest in the Irish language was aroused while he was still a schoolboy in Liverpool. He was an active member of the O'Shea Branch of the Gaelic League in that city, and during his short sojourn in London much of his time was devoted to the Gaelic League. Soon after his arrival in Dublin he joined the Keating branch of the league, a club in which the influence of the IRB was particularly strong. A fellow member of the Keating branch, Cathal Brugha, invited Béaslaí to join that revolutionary organisation. He was sworn into the circle known as the 'Teeling Club', which also counted among its members Pat McCartan and Seán T. Ó Ceallaigh. Béaslaí first made the acquaintance of Michael Collins in the Keating branch early in 1916.

Involvement in the language movement gave Béaslaí an opportunity to indulge in many of his interests. He wrote for the Irish language journals, *Banba*, the short-lived periodical of the Keating Branch, and the *Gaelic Journal*. His life-long interest in the theatre was channelled into the formation in 1912 of a group of Gaelic players, Na hAisteoiri. Among this troupe were fellow Keating branch and IRB members, Fionán Lynch, Gearóid O'Sullivan and Diarmuid O'Hegarty, all of whom were to become senior figures in the revolutionary movement.

During this time Béaslaí also gave summer lecture courses in Irish at the Munster College in Ballingeary. He was actively involved in the internal political divisions within the Gaelic League, supporting the 'left wing', most of the members of which were in the IRB, and which sought to dilute the non-political stance of the league. This controversy eventually led to the resignation of Douglas Hyde as president of the league at the 1915 Ard Fheis in Dundalk. Early in 1916, Béaslaí was instrumental in establishing An Fáinne, an Irish-speaking league whose members undertook to speak only Irish among themselves and wore a badge in the form of a small ring to signify their membership.

Irish Revolution

This active period in the Gaelic League coincided with Béaslaí's involvement in the Irish Volunteers and the IRB's preparations for an insurrection. When the Volunteers were formed in 1913, he was one of the sixteen IRB men on the Provisional Committee, and is credited with applying the Irish title 'Óglaigh na hÉireann' to the

organisation. He acted as 'press censor' for the *Irish Volunteer* newspaper, vetting the editorial matter to ensure it met the approval of the Provisional Committee. In 1915 when Eoin MacNeill's Irish Volunteers formed battalion staffs, Béaslaí was elected vice-commandant of the 1st Battalion of the Dublin Brigade. In January 1916 he acted as courier for Seán MacDiarmada, bringing a cypher containing details of the planned mission of the *Aud* to a contact in Liverpool, who passed the message on to John Devoy in the USA. As a consequence of his active involvement in the Volunteers, he was sacked from his job with Independent Newspapers in February 1914, and once again reverted to free-lance journalism; he also served for a time as secretary of the Irish Journalists' Association.

During the 1916 Rising Béaslaí was involved in the fighting in Dublin city centre, around the Church Street-North King Street-Mary Street-Green Street area. Following the failure of the Rising he was sentenced to penal servitude for three years. The first few months were spent under a very stringent regime in Portland prison, before being moved to the slightly more relaxed Lewes prison. In June 1917 he was released on amnesty, along with the other leaders of the Rising.

In 1918, Béaslaí was approached by Michael Collins to edit a newspaper which the Irish Volunteers wished to set up. For the remainder of the War of Independence he served as editor of *An tÓglach*, which played an important role in improving communication between Volunteer GHQ and local units of the Volunteers, and in providing propaganda for the revolutionary cause. At this time he was also editor of the Gaelic League newspaper, which operated under three different titles during the period – *An Claidheamh Soluis*, *Fáinne an Lae* and *Misneach*. Béaslaí's editorial work on both publications was punctuated by two periods of imprisonment in March and May 1919, both of which ended in celebrated escapes. About this time, Béaslaí introduced a relative, Lily Mernin, to Michael Collins. Lily Mernin worked as a typist in Dublin Castle, and became one of Collins's most important informants, providing details on the intelligence officers shot on Bloody Sunday 1920.

At the general election in 1918 Béaslaí was elected unopposed as TD for East Kerry. In 1921 he was re-elected for the new constituency of Kerry-West Limerick, but he did not seek re-election in 1922. His knowledge of Irish was put to use by Dáil Éireann, which appointed him to a sub-committee established to find suitable Irish parliamentary terms. He also translated the Democratic Programme of the first Dáil into Irish and read it aloud at the inaugural sitting in January 1919.

Béaslaí supported the Anglo-Irish Treaty, and early in 1922 went to the USA on behalf of the Provisional Government to explain the reasons for its acceptance to Sinn Féin's Irish-American supporters. During the Civil War he held the position of Publicity Director, in effect censor, in the National Army. In 1924 he resigned from the army to concentrate on the biography of Michael Collins which he had begun in 1922, soon after Collins's death. The two-volume *Michael Collins and the Making of a New Ireland* was published in 1926. Later, in 1938, a condensed one-volume version was published, partly in response to Frank Pakenham's *Peace by Ordeal* and the new constitution.

Later Life

Béaslaí never returned to active political or military life, although in 1945 there were some tentative suggestions that he be nominated to succeed Douglas Hyde as President of Ireland. Instead, he concentrated on his literary career, producing a number of plays, poems and novels in Irish and contributing regularly to Radio Éireann. Although the Gaelic League never regained the influence which it had

wielded during the early years of the century, Béaslaí remained active within the league as well as a number of other Irish language organisations, principally Cumann na Scribhneoirí, an association for writers who wrote through the medium of Irish. Aside from his literary endeavours, Béaslaí retained links with many of his old comrades from the revolutionary period through the Association of the Old Dublin Brigade, of which he was president for many years. His work for this organisation largely involved campaigning for military service pensions for veterans of the revolution. In the early 1960s he revived *An tÓglach*, on this occasion as a journal for Old IRA members. During the late 1950s and early 1960s he became a popular contributor to the *Irish Independent*, publishing articles based largely on his reminiscences of the revolutionary period. Piaras Béaslaí died, unmarried, on 22 June 1965, and is buried in Glasnevin cemetery.

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Principal writings of Piaras Béaslaí

Drama

An Bhean Chródha, 1931
Beirt na Bodhaire Bréige, 1936
Blúire Páipéir, 1937
Cliuche Cartaí, 1920
Cormac na Cuille, 1909
Cúigeas, 1936
An Danar, 1929
Fear an Sgéilín Grinn
An Fear as Buenos Aires, 1936
An Fear Fógraidheachta
Fear na Milliún Punt, 1915
An Sgaothaire, 1929

Poetry

Bealtaine 1916 agus dánta eile, 1920
Éigse nua Ghaedhilge, 1933-34 (anthology of gaelic poetry)
(ed.) *Songs and Ballads by Famous Irishmen: Arthur Griffith*
(ed.) *Songs and Ballads by Famous Irishmen: James Clarence Mangan*

Novels

Astronár, 1928
Earc agus Áine, 1946

Biography

Michael Collins and the Making of a New Ireland, 2 vols., 1926
Michael Collins: Soldier and Statesman, 1937

History

The Story of the Catholic Commercial Club, 1881-1954, 1957

Group Description

Following Piaras Béaslaí's death in June 1965, the National Library purchased his papers from the executors in two lots. They were delivered in April and November 1966 (Accessions 2541 and 2584). The papers constitute a largely complete personal archive representing a span of seventy years, from Béaslaí's youth in the late 1890s to his death in 1965. The archive consists of 67 boxes of material, amounting to a total of approximately 17,000 documents.

Due to other pressing commitments it was not possible to proceed with the processing and cataloguing of such an extensive archive until the early 1990s when some preliminary work was carried out. In 1998 the archive was identified as suitable for processing by the holder of the inaugural Studentship in Irish History provided by the National Library in association with the Irish Committee of Historical Sciences. The studentship is designed to enable an advanced post-graduate student in Irish history to undertake extensive research on an unprocessed archive or collection of manuscripts and arrange and catalogue it, thereby making the material fully available to researchers and providing the student with extensive experience of primary source material.

A substantial part of the material consists of correspondence relating to Béaslaí's private and professional life. The other main component consists of copies and drafts of his various writings. In addition, there are files of newspaper cuttings, and around 400 photographs. A considerable amount of the material is written in Irish. The collection is in good physical condition.

Of particular interest is a collection of papers which belonged to Michael Collins, consisting mainly of correspondence from late 1921 and early 1922. It is most likely that Béaslaí acquired these documents while writing his biography of Collins.

The archive represents the four main areas of Béaslaí's life: activist in the Irish revolution; prolific journalist and author; indefatigable committee member of a range of organisations; and private individual keeping in touch with members of his family and a wide circle of friends and acquaintances. The material has accordingly been arranged in four sub-groups: 1) Irish Revolution; 2) Writings; 3) Organisations; and 4) Personal. In turn, the material in each sub-group represents particular areas of activity, and has been arranged accordingly.

The signatures in many of the letters pose a problem in that variant forms of the one name are often given, sometimes in pre-standardised forms. In the listing of correspondence, personal names are given as in the letters. The index includes persons, organisations, publications, and notable events. The photographs listed here are held in the National Photographic Archive in Temple Bar.

I. Irish Revolution

Material relating principally to the positions held by Béaslaí; editor of the Irish Volunteer journal *An tÓglach* during the War of Independence, military censor during the Civil War, and a T.D. from 1918-22. Also contains correspondence, and newspaper cuttings. Of particular interest are papers, mostly letters, which belonged to Michael Collins, dating mainly from the post-Truce period, and a collection of photographs of identified British army officers, policeman and intelligence officers. There are also documents and letters concerning the history of the Irish revolution.

I.i. *An tÓglach*

Very little documentation survives from Béaslaí's time as editor of *An tÓglach*. There are a number of issues of the paper from 1920-25, as well as extracts containing articles written by Béaslaí 1922-3. In addition there is material concerning the history of *An tÓglach*, including drafts of articles by Béaslaí. For a more detailed account of Béaslaí's work as editor of *An tÓglach*, see Piaras Béaslaí, 'A Nation in Revolt' in *Irish Independent*, 22 January 1953.

Ms 33,911(1) Contents of file 'My writings in "*An tÓglach*" Oct. 1922-Feb.1923':

Cuttings from *An tÓglach*, entitled:

'Towards Peace', 28 Oct. 22

'Our Honour', 14 Oct. 22

'Progress', 21 Oct. 22

'The Battle of Rathmines', 21 Oct. 1922

'Order', 4 Nov. 1922

'Ourselves', 11 Nov. 1922

'Ned Kavanagh', 11 Nov. 1922

'Our Work', 18 Nov. 1922

'Reconstruction', 25 Nov. 1922

'Advance', 2 Dec. 1922

'Washington's Ghost', 9 Dec. 1922

'The Last Loaf', 9 Dec. 1922

'An Saorstat', 9 Dec. 1922

'A Story of Napoleon', 9 Dec. 1922

'Old and New', 9 Dec. 1922

'Seán Hales', 16 Dec. 1922

'Christmas 1922', 23 Dec. 1922.

'The New Year', 30 Dec. 1922

'An Irregular Martyr', 'A Penitent', 'Rhymes of the Time' (3 Limericks), 6 Jan. 1923

'The Black-and-Tan: a Christmas ghost story', 6 Jan. 1923

'Stop and Think', 6 Jan. 1923

'Success', 6 Jan. 1923

'The Bird', 6 Jan. 1923

'Adventures of Moryah', 13 Jan. 1923

'Towards Peace', 13 Jan. 1923

'The Poor Old Divil', 13 Jan. 1923

‘Adventures of Moryah’, 20 Jan. 1923

‘Determined Attacks’, 20 Jan. 1923

‘Finality’, 3 Feb. 1923

‘Past and Future’, 10 Feb. 1923.

30 items.

(2) Contents of file ‘History of *An tÓglach*’:

‘“*An tÓglach*” – Secret IRA Journal – How It Was Produced – Black & Tans Baffled – Raids and Escapes’, hand-written article by Béaslaí on the history of *An tÓglach*.

Empty envelope with ‘Material for Article on *An tÓglach*’ written on the outside.

Letter to Béaslaí from Charles Walker, Drumcondra, outlining his work as a printer of *An tÓglach*.

‘*An t-Óglach: A History-Making Journal*’. Newscuttings from *An tÓglach* containing a serialised history of the paper, 14 Oct.-25 Nov. 1922.

‘The Underground Press’, hand-written draft of an article by Béaslaí, outlining the role of radical newspapers in Irish nationalism.

Newspapers discussed include *The Nation*, *Irish People*, *United Irishman*, *Sinn Féin*, *The Leader*, *Irish Peasant*, *Fáinne an Lae*, *Irish Freedom* and *An tÓglach*.

Typed copy of ‘The Underground Press’.

12 items, 1922-38 and undated.

(3) Material for *An tÓglach*:

Copy of a letter from R.I. Maunsell, County Inspector’s Office, Waterford, suggesting the closure of RIC barracks in Waterford ‘in consequence of the increased state of disturbance in the County, 23 Aug. 1920.

Copy of a letter from Divisional Commissioner’s Office, Cork, concerning the application from the County Inspector Waterford for the closure of barracks, 25 Aug. 1920.

Copy of a letter from Capt. C. O’Beirne, Co. Inspector’s Office, Waterford, stating ‘that the scarcity of men is the reason for suggesting the closing of all these stations’, 1 Sept. 1920.

List of ‘Persons Protected’, ‘Indictable Offences’ and ‘Evicted Farms on last day of month’, Co. Kerry, Aug. 1920.

Handwritten and typed drafts of reports for *An tÓglach*. Subjects include: derailment of a troop train at Adavoyle; the actions of soldiers holding up civilians in the Strawberry Beds, Dublin; fraudulent withdrawal of money from the Post Office Savings Bank by Black & Tans in Gormanston Camp; the killing of Colonel Lambert; and the diary of the Dublin Brigade, undated.

8 items, 1920 and undated.

- (4) Copies of *An tÓglach*, 15 May 1920 (negative photostat), 1 June 1920 (negative), 15 Oct. 1920 (3 copies), 5 Aug. 1921, and *An tÓglach* Air Special undated.
6 items.
- (5) Copy of *The Staff Journal, Ogláigh na hÉireann*. 1 item, Jan. 1922.
- (6) Copies of *An tÓglach*, 31 Mar. 1922, 6 May 1922, 12 Apr. 1922, 25 Apr. 1922, 18 May 1922, 27 May 1922, 3 June 1922, 10 June 1922, 17 June 1922, 26 Aug. 1922, 8 Aug. 1925.
11 items.
- (7) *An tÓglach*, 29 July 1922.
- (8) *An tÓglach*, 26 Aug. 1922.
- (9) *An tÓglach*, 26 Aug. 1922.
- (10) *An tÓglach*, 9 Sept. 1922.
- (11) *An tÓglach*, 16 Sept. 1922.
- (12) *An tÓglach*, 16 Sept. 1922.

Lii. Sinn Féin, Dáil Éireann, and IRA

These documents relate to Béaslaí's positions as a public representative, member of Sinn Féin and Dáil Éireann, and a significant figure in the general headquarters staff of the Irish Volunteers/IRA. Subjects include local issues in Kerry; material relating to Irish Volunteers in Dublin, 1913-18; memoranda concerning the work of Dáil Éireann; documents relating to Sinn Féin, in particular the party's ard fheiseanna in 1918 and 1921; correspondence and reports from local IRA units; documents concerning the Anglo-Irish Treaty and the debate on its acceptance in Dáil Éireann; documents captured from the suspected spy, F.D. Hardy, from republicans during the Civil War, and British intelligence documents from the War of Independence period; documents concerning Béaslaí's trip to the USA in 1922, and Eamon de Valera's earlier trip in 1919-20. There are also writings on various aspects of the Irish revolution by contemporaries and later historians.

Ms 33,912(1) Documents relating to the Irish Volunteers:

- Notices of Volunteer parade.
- Ticket for a Volunteer concert, 30 Nov. 1918.
- Copy of notices and manifestos issued by the Volunteers.
- Handwritten notice of a motion concerning the use of drill halls.
- Blank copy of company report.
- Copy of agenda for a meeting of the Volunteer Executive.
- Copy of 'Organisation Order No. 1'.

Letter from Tom Clarke to J. Gleeson introducing Béaslaí,
23 May 1913.
Copy of 'Dublin City & County Organising Committee Orders',
14 Mar. 1914.
Programme for a concert organised by the Mullingar Volunteer Corps,
24 May 1914.
Notice from Arthur Griffith and Seaghan T Ó Ceallaigh, concerning
the suppression of Irish radical newspapers, 4 Dec. 1914.
'Irish Volunteers Dublin City and County Boards Orders', 1 Mar. 1915
and undated.
Copy of a letter from Joseph Devlin, MP, to Mr Rooney, stating 'we do
not want any arms in Ireland, and we will not have them', 7 July 1916.
Programme for Volunteer concert in Dublin, 9 Apr. 1916.
Typed copy of the 'Constitution of the Irish Volunteers', undated.
'Statement of James O'Connell taken at Tipperary, on Tuesday the 23rd
of July, 1918', concerning his arrest and imprisonment for drilling and
his mistreatment by police, 23 July 1918.
Receipt signed by Ua Rathghaile [O'Rahilly].
Empty envelope.
Target for rifles.
25 items, 1913-1918.

(2) Contents of file 'Volunteer Relics':

Cardboard target.
Number from a uniform.
List of members of the Executive Committee of the Irish Volunteers.
Letter from Laurence J. Kettle to Béaslaí informing him that the
Volunteer Rifle Club has applied for affiliation to the Irish Rifle
Association and the Society of Miniature Rifle Clubs, 29 Jan. 1914.
'Dublin Brigade Orders for week ending 12th March, 1916'.
Extract from *Freeman's Journal*, containing an article on the inaugural
meeting of the Irish Volunteers, 26 Nov. 1913.
'An Cumann Cosanta', Volunteer handbill announcing the formation
of a society 'to protect Irish Volunteers against loss of their livelihood
on account of their activity in the Irish Volunteer Organisation'.
Shorthand notes.
Printed copy of the 'Manifesto of the Irish Volunteers', 25 Nov. 1913.
Notice of a motion proposing the establishment of a sub-committee of
the Provisional Committee of the Irish Volunteers, 1913?
12 items, 1913-16 and undated.

(3) Printed letter seeking subscriptions for a benevolent fund for Seán Mac
Diarmada.

Constitution of the Irish Republican Brotherhood.
5 items, 1912 and undated.

(4) 'Easter Week 1916. The GPO area'. Typescript containing a detailed
day-by-day account of the activities during Easter week. The author's
name is not given. 1 item, 55pp, undated.

- (5) RIC intelligence reports on the 1916 Rising, Co. Tyrone.
9 items, 1916.
- (6) Copy of a poster containing an order by Gen. Sir John Maxwell for the surrender of arms by members of 'the Irish Volunteer Sinn Fein Organization' and the Irish Citizen Army.
1 item, 2 May 1916.
- (7) Memorial card commemorating the first anniversary of the deaths of James Connolly and Seán McDermott [Seán Mac Diarmada].
Postcard of Liberty Hall with a banner reading 'James Connolly Murdered May 12th 1916'.
Short handwritten piece about Pádraig Pearce.
Shorthand copy, in Béaslaí's handwriting, of Pearse's surrender in 1916.
Handbill containing an article 'Why Casement went to Germany' by Sir Roger Casement.
5 items, 1916-17 and undated.
- (8) Typescripts of radio talks about the Easter Rising by six participants, including Joe Guilfoyle, P.J. Stephenson, Margaret Skinnider, Harry Nicholls, Seán McGarry and Frank Thornton, introduced by Béaslaí.
7 items, 11 April 1955.
- (9) Contents of envelope 'Sinn Féin Ard Fheis':

Programme for the Sinn Féin Ard Fheis, 29 Oct. 1918.
Programmes for the Sinn Féin Ard Fheis, 27 Oct. 1921.
Issue of *An tÓglach*, 28 Oct. 1921.
Proposed amendment to the Sinn Féin constitution.
Copy of Sinn Féin constitution.
Circular letter to the secretary of each cumann (branch) and comhairle (constituency executive) concerning plans to appoint county organising secretaries to strengthen the organisation throughout the country, 7 Meadon Foghmair [September] 1921.
Circular letter to the secretary of each comhairle ceanntair (constituency executive) concerning arrangements for the holding of a constituency convention, 31 Dec. 1921.
'Tuairisc na Rúnaithe [Secretary's Report], Ard Fheis 1921.
Fragment of the Secretary's Report, 1921.
Typed copy of the Secretary's Report, 1921.
Letter from Diarmuid Ó hEigceartuigh [Diarmuid O'Hegarty], informing him of a sitting of Dáil Éireann, 10 Dec. 1921.
Typed copy of document 'Notes on the tactical employment of the Thompson sub-machine gun in guerilla warfare', undated.
Letter from CO'S [Cathal O'Shannon] to W.P. Ryan, enclosing a handwritten copy of a report 'From an Irish Labour Correspondent' reporting on a conference held in Cork to discuss the situation in

Ireland. Reports of the conference were removed from Irish newspapers by the censor, 24 July 1922.

Handwritten draft of a motion, concerning the eligibility of candidates for public boards, undated.

19 items, 1918-22 and undated.

(10) Contents of envelope 'Sinn Féin Ard Fheis' (contd.):

Handwritten and shorthand notes.

Handwritten copy of a speech in support of the Anglo-Irish Treaty.

Handwritten account by Béaslaí of the proceedings of the Sinn Féin Ard Fheis, 1921, accompanied by a draft of the Secretary's Report in Irish, the party's accounts, and the report of the Director of Organisation, 27 Oct. 1921.

Typed copy of the proceedings of the Sinn Féin Ard Fheis, 27 Oct. 1921.

Fragment of the typed copy of the proceedings of the Sinn Féin Ard Fheis, 27 Oct. 1921.

7 items, 1921.

(11) Sinn Féin documents:

'Na Tíortha Beaga', handbill in Irish on 'The Small Nations'.

'Sinn Féin National Fund Trustees' Appeal'. Draft of a handbill Programme for a concert in Waterford with a lecture by Béaslaí, 7 Feb. 1919.

Letter from D.M. Moriarty, Clerk of the Crown and Peace, Co. Kerry, to W.F. Quinlan, Secretary, Kerry County Council, announcing dates of forthcoming court sittings, 18 Aug. 1920.

Report by Sgt Lordan on the 'Inquiry to vacant house in Hall Street, Thurles the property of Michael Leahy, 37 Main Street, Thurles', 7 Apr. 1920.

Letter from Fras. Sheridan, Congested Districts Board, Dublin, to J.D. Hartnett, auctioneer, Abbeyfeale, Co. Limerick, directing him to put the Brosna police barracks up for sale by auction, 14 Nov. 1921.

Election song for Eamon de Valera in East Clare based on *God Save Ireland*.

Letter from Michéal Ó Loingsigh, Concubhar Ó Coileán and Tomás Ó Corcaraide, to raise funds for Donnchadh O'Healy's election campaign in the Ussher's Quay Ward, 27 Jan. 1908.

Testimonial to Sheóirse Uasal Count Ploingchéad [Count Plunkett], Phiaras Uasal Béaslaigh [Béaslaí] and Annraoi Uasal Ó Beóláin [Harry Boland] from Sinn Féin in Dungarvan [Co. Waterford].

Copy of a resolution to be moved by Béaslaí at a meeting in Killarney on St Patrick's Day, proclaiming that 'Ireland is a distinct Nation whose just right is sovereign independence'.

'Claims on Property', Sinn Féin manifesto, concerning claims being made to property in Kerry, 26 Apr. 1920.

Circular letter from Sinn Féin headquarters concerning the payment of affiliation fees. A handwritten Irish translation is attached,

15 Jan. 1918.

'Can Ireland Stand Alone?', copy of a Sinn Féin handbill and a handwritten Irish translation of it, undated.

'Instructions to Sinn Féin Cumainn Regarding Programme of Work', 1921-22.

Circular letter from the Honorary Secretaries of Sinn Féin, giving notice of an extraordinary ard fheis to be held on 7 Feb. 1922.

'Instructions to Secretaries of Cumainn and Comhairli Ceanntair', concerning the 1922 Sinn Féin Ard Fheis.

21 items, 1908-2

- (12) Typed copy of a letter from David Lloyd George to Sir Horace Plunkett concerning the Irish Convention. 1 item, 25 Feb. 1918.

- (13) Typed copy of a letter to 'The editor' [newspaper unidentified], recommending a voting pact between Sinn Féin and the Irish Parliamentary Party for nationalist seats in Ulster in the 1918 general election. The name of the author, a member of the Standing Committee of Sinn Féin, is not given, but the address is cited as Ennis, 29 Nov. 1918.

Typewritten article on the importance of the 1918 general election. Béaslaí's election manifesto in East Kerry for the 1918 general election.

Notice of Béaslaí's election for East Kerry, 4 Dec. 1918.

Béaslaí's nomination paper for the 'Parliament of Southern Ireland' [second Dáil] for the constituency of Kerry and West Limerick.

Postcards from Seósamh Ua Braonáin [Joseph Brennan], Ministry of Finance, to John and Mary Sheridan, Wallasey, Cheshire, concerning the Dáil loan, 26 Mar.-13 Sept. 1926.

Béaslaí's ticket for Dáil Éireann.

Copies of an anonymous letter, written on Dáil Éireann headed notepaper, and sent to Thomas J. Cullen, J. MacNamara, John McGarry and Eamon Price, stating 'An eye for an eye, A tooth for a tooth, Therefore a life for a life', 11 May 1920.

Typed copy of a letter from Diarmuid Lynch to 'the People of South East Cork' announcing his resignation from Dáil Éireann because of disagreements between De Valera and the Irish American leaders, 19 July 1920.

Handwritten drafts of political speeches by Béaslaí.

14 items, 1918-26.

- (14) Parliamentary material:

Menu and tickets for the first sitting of Dáil Éireann.

Invitation from the speaker of Dáil Éireann, Cathal Brugha, to a reception of delegates and foreign visitors in the Shelbourne Hotel, Dublin.

Proceedings of the preliminary meeting of Dáil Éireann.

'The national aspirations of the Irish people'.

'Report of select committee 'A' appointed by meeting of republican members on January 7th 1919 to draft standing orders and provisional constitution for Dail Eireann'.

Draft programme for first sitting of Dáil Éireann.

Dáil Éireann declaration of independence. One copy has handwritten notes in Irish for translation.

'To the Nations of the World', Dáil Éireann's message to the free nations of the world.

'Provisional constitution of Dáil Éireann draft'.

'Standing orders' of Dáil Éireann.

House of Commons debates, vol. 112, nos. 1-2, 4-5 Feb. 1919.

Printed letter announcing the first meeting of Dáil Éireann.

Dáil Éireann orders of the day.

Notice announcing the Dáil Éireann loan, and a statement of money received up to 4 Mar. 1920.

Letter from Micheal Ó Coileain [Michael Collins, Minister for Finance] to each member of Dáil Éireann regarding the loan.

Memorandum from the executive of Sinn Féin concerning the local elections.

31 items, 1919.

Memos to various members of Dáil Éireann. Subjects include De Valera's trip to the USA, the financial position of Dáil Éireann, the Vatican and Ireland, the question of an Irish representative in Germany, and the payment of consuls and agents abroad.

54 items, 16 Mar. 1920-23 May 1921.

- (16) Memos to various members of Dáil Éireann. Subjects include local government, the estimate for the New York consul, De Valera's expenses in the USA, remittances from Australia, and migratory labour.

54 items, 24 May-29 June 1921.

- (17) Memos to various members of Dáil Éireann. Subjects include estimates for the president's department, the opinion of the British in Cork that the Truce was a surrender by the Irish, and the progress of the Treaty negotiations.

41 items, 30 June-19 Nov. 1921.

- (18) Documents concerning the Anglo-Irish Treaty:

'Official Correspondence relating to the Peace Conference, June-September, 1921', printed copy produced by Dáil Éireann.

'The Treaty Fund, Suggested Draft of Appeal'.

Document produced by the mission of the provisional government of the Irish Free State, concerning a request for funds from the USA

Draft copy of 'Document No. 3'.

'Correspondence relating to the proposals of His Majesty's Government for an Irish settlement'.

5 items, 1921.

Contents of envelope ‘Papers of Dáil Treaty Debate (Personal)’:

Handwritten note suggesting a reply to Seán Etchingham’s question on whether Terence MacSwiney died for the Treaty.

Programme for ‘Nation Grand Concert’ in the Theatre Royal.

List of informal meetings between members of the Irish Treaty delegation and the British cabinet secretary, Tom Jones.

Draft of a speech in favour of the Treaty. This would appear to be an early draft of Béaslaí’s speech for the Treaty, delivered in Dáil Éireann, 3 Jan. 1922.

‘Instructions to plenipotentiaries from cabinet’.

Printed copy of Dáil Éireann standing orders.

Typed copies of a letter signed by P.H. Pearse, Seán Mac Diarmada, Con Colbert, M.J. Judge, John Fitzgibbon, Eamon Martin and Piaras Beaslaí, protesting at the action of the Provisional Committee of the Irish Volunteers.

Programme for Dáil Éireann, session 14 Dec. 1922.

‘Dáil Éireann, Text of Treaty between Great Britain and Ireland signed 6th December. To be submitted to Dáil Éireann for ratification by Mr Arthur Griffith, TD, Chairman of the Irish Delegation of Plenipotentiaries’.

Handwritten notes by Béaslaí on the Treaty.

15 items, 1921-2.

- (20) Empty envelope with ‘Peace Terms, Xmas 1921’ written on the outside.

Menu for the Gresham Hotel, 17 Aug. 1921. The menu is signed on the reverse by Piaras Béaslaí, Seosamh Mac Aonghusa [Joe McGuinness], Fionán Ó Lóinsigh [Fionán Lynch], Eoin Ua Dubhthaigh [Eoin O’Duffy], Seán Mac Eoin, Emmet Dalton, Eamon Praideas [Eamon Price], Tom Cullen, Seosamh Mac Conmara [James MacNamara], Tomás Mac Aodha [McHugh], Riobard Bartún [Robert Barton], James Mongan, Joseph O’Reilly, E.S. Ó Dugáin [Eamon Duggan], Micheál Ó Coileain [Michael Collins], Risteárd Ua Maolchatha [Richard Mulcahy], Gearoid Ó Suilleabhain [Gearoid O’Sullivan], Ruadhri Ó Conchubhair [Rory O’Connor], Diarmuid Ó hÉigceartaigh [Diarmuid O’Hegarty], and Proinsias Ua Droigneáin [Frank Thornton].

‘Letter from General Smuts to Mr E. de Valera, 4 August 1921’.

Resolution against the Anglo-Irish Treaty passed by Caherciveen Rural District Council, 28 Dec. 1921.

Order of speakers for sitting of Dáil Éireann.

Dáil Éireann, orders of the day.

Seanad Éireann debates, 30 July 1923, cover only.

7 items, 1921-3.

- (21) Dáil Éireann memorandum on the army, 26 Apr. 1922.

Appendix A: ‘A statement of the Army situation, which has culminated in the forbidding of an Army Convention by the Dail Cabinet Order of

March 16th, and the summoning by certain officers in defiance of that Order of a Convention for Sunday, March 26th.

Appendix B: 'Offer made by the Minister for Defence at a meeting of the 1st Southern Division on 20th March, 1922'.

Appendix C: 'Limerick, Captain Hurley's Arrest (Extract)'.

Appendix D: 'Raids on Post Offices'.

Appendix E: 'Belfast Boycott. Specimens of Railway Interference on the Great Northern Line'.

Appendix F: 'Memorandum, Dublin and South Eastern Railway'.

Appendix G: 'Dublin & South Eastern Railway: Particulars of raids by armed men on trains – goods and passenger'.

Appendix H: 'Raid on the Port and Docks Bonded Stores, Specimen of Damage in Bulk'.

Appendix K: Account of an attack on the business of Porter, Sons & Co. Ltd, Mullingar [Co. Westmeath].

Appendix L: Account of the Department of Defence with Donnelly bacon curers.

11 items, 1922.

(22) Pro-Treaty handbills. 19 items.

(23) Posters and handbills:

'Irishmen and Irishwomen pray today "For the Dead who Died for Ireland"'.

'The Right to Murder! England's claim. Ireland's protest against the Arms Proclamation and England's Answer'.

'Free State and British Allies'.

3 items.

(24) Contents of envelope 'Special mementoes':

Béaslaí's member's ticket for Dáil Éireann, 16 Aug. 1922.

Letter from Harry Boland, Washington DC, to Béaslaí, concerning Béaslaí's escape from prison, De Valera's tour of the USA, the Democratic Party and the Irish vote, and the next US presidential election, 14 Jan. 1920.

Letter from 'An Seabhac' [Padraig Ó Siochfhradha], Daingean Uí Cuíse [Dingle, Co. Kerry], to Aibistín [possibly Austin Stack], concerning a misunderstanding involving a member of the Dublin Metropolitan Police, 25 Feb. 1922.

Letter from Mícheál [Michael Collins], to Béaslaí, concerning an unidentified matter, 11 Dec. 1919.

Letter from E [?] to Béaslaí, referring to the writer's imprisonment 'Events of Easter Week', extracts from the *Catholic Bulletin*.

Issue of the *Irish Independent*, 5 May 1916, containing details of the executions of Joseph Plunkett, Edward Daly, Michael O'Hanrahan and William Pearce, and the resignation of Augustine Birrell.

7 items, 1919-22.

(25) Documents relating to Eamon De Valera's trip to the USA:

'Extracts from the Speech of President De Valera to members of the National Council of the Friends of Irish Freedom and others at the Waldorf Hotel, Saturday, noon, September 18th, with reference to the desirability of changing the constitution of the FOIF [Friends of Irish Freedom]'

'Statement by Rt. Rev Michael J. Gallagher, DD, National President, Friends of Irish Freedom, dealing with such matters which arose out of the visit to the United States of America of the Hon Eamon de Valera, President of the Irish Republic'

Bulletin of the Friends of Irish Freedom, 19 Nov. 1920.

Motion inserted by Daniel Coholan in the Republican platform at the Convention in Chicago in July 1920.

A version of the 'De Valera plank' at the Chicago convention in 1920.

Typed copy of a report from the *Irish Independent* concerning the US Senate and Irish self-determination, 20 Mar. 1920.

10 items, 1920.

(26) Documents which belonged to F.D. Hardy, a suspected spy:

'Confession by J.H. Gooding alias F. Harling before Mr Justice Gordon at Ulster Winter Assizes. Belfast. December 1918'

Release licence of Frank Harling, alias Hardy, alias Saville.

Letter from C.R. [surname illegible], Leysian Mission, London, to Brigadier Linane, asking him to help find a job for the bearer of the letter, 22 Aug. 1919.

Police notice ordering Frank Harling to report monthly to a police station, 11 Sept. 1919.

Letter in Béaslaí's handwriting, signed in the name of F. Harper Shore, to Hardy, referring to the situation in Dublin and his expenses, 2 Mar. 1920.

Note stating, 'This was addressed to Captain Hardy DCM MC, Room 235, War Office, Whitehall, London, England', 4 Mar. 1920.

Letter from Lt Commander Kenworthy, London, to Mr Hardy, asking him to give 'the addresses of the houses where the arms were concealed and the exact date on which you informed the Irish Office of this location', 24 June 1920.

Letter from the Asst Private Secretary, Vice Regal Lodge, Dublin, to F.D. Hardy, stating that his case will be forwarded for consideration, 12 July 1920.

Letter from the Dean of Westminster to F.D. Hardy concerning his application for a vacancy on the staff of Westminster Abbey, 28 July 1920.

A testimonial for F.D. Hardy from the Christian Herald Co., London.

F.D. Hardy's account with Buckley and Cook, London.

Letter from F.D. Hardy to the Manager, Lloyd's Bank, London, requesting cash for a cheque, 20 Aug. 1920.

Telegram from H. Wark, Belfast to F.D. Hardy, concerning arrangements to meet, 25 Aug. 1920.

Personal letters and a telegram to F.D. Hardy from his wife, Annie, 28 Aug.-15 Sept. 1920.

Telegram to F.D. Hardy, stating 'Second letter not received. Are you remaining there or coming over. Leaving for London Tuesday', 2 Sept. 1920.

Letter from Phillips, manager, Lloyd's Bank, London, enclosing cash in exchange for a cheque, 11 Sept. 1920.

Summary of the contents of Hardy's bag. See note in pencil on back of document.

Hardy's account with the Kensington Hotel.

2 empty envelopes addressed to F.D. Hardy, 17 Farmers Road, Kennington Park, [London].

27 items, 1918-20.

Ms 33,913(1) IRA documents:

'A Warning Note', handwritten document encouraging renewed vigour in the IRA campaign.

'Bringing the Enemy to Battle', handwritten document with recommendations for engaging the British forces in battle.

'Occupying Ambush Positions', handwritten document recommending that the IRA should not stay in ambush positions for too long.

Letter to the Adjutant, Longford Brigade, concerning the cipher.

Correspondence between GHQ and the brigade, and the pending trial of Seán Mac Eoin, 1 June 1921.

Summary of despatches between GHQ and the Longford Brigade, Jan.-May [1921].

'Mr "X"', short typed account of the shooting of a detective in Dublin, Oct. 1920.

Letter to 'P', concerning an unidentified raid, and a recruit from America, 17 Apr. 1921.

Handwritten notes by Béaslaí on the Midland Division, principally concerning the arrest of Seán Mac Eoin.

Letter from Seán Mac Eoin to M. (possibly Michael Collins), complaining about the state of the Longford Brigade during the Truce, and referring to the financial circumstances of his family.

Handwritten notes by Béaslaí on the East Clare Brigade and Third Northern Division.

Handwritten notes by Béaslaí on the Third Southern Division.

Correspondence between GHQ and the Mullingar Brigade concerning the case of P.J. O'Sullivan, in which a joke was played on O'Sullivan by a man claiming to be Michael Collins who pretended to buy diamonds, 13 Oct.-15 Nov. 1921.

25 items, 1920-21.

(2) IRA documents

A report concerning the desecration of US flags by British soldiers in the Curragh on 4 July 1921.

Letters to Seán Kavanagh, concerning the IRA in Wicklow and Kildare, the arrest of P.O'D., and the arrest and imprisonment of Kavanagh, 8 Feb.-16 Mar. 1921.

Letter from Intelligence Officer, Mullingar, to Director of Intelligence, GHQ, concerning the arrest of Seán Mac Eoin in Mullingar, 10 Mar. 1921.

Letter from Adjutant, Longford Brigade to Director of Organisation, concerning arrangements for witnesses to travel to Dublin for the trial of Seán Mac Eoin, 19 May 1921.

Letter to Officer in Charge, Ballykinlar Camp, concerning plans for the establishment of intelligence systems in internment camps, 3 May 1921.

Report on the shooting of John Lynch by British Forces in the Royal Exchange Hotel in Dublin, 5 Oct. 1920.

A poem about the return of Terence MacSwiney's body to Ireland.

A report of a mock execution at Beggar's Bush Barracks.

Reports of activities in the South Wexford, Mid-Clare, Tipperary No. 3, Tuam, Athlone, East Clare, Cork No. 1 and North Roscommon Brigades.

Note from J. Dalton, concerning the number of military and RIC barracks evacuated.

Handwritten note on the Carrowkennedy ambush in Mayo.

Draft of letter from Béaslaí to O/C Dublin Brigade, concerning an incident involving a drunken Volunteer in Parnell Square.

Report on activities in the Dublin Brigade.

Detailed report on the position of the 5th Division of the British Army, 23 Aug. 1920.

'Statement by Group Commander of Signals C Coy, 2nd Batt, No. 2 Bde, 2nd Eastern Division'.

Letter from Director of Publicity concerning reports of attacks on the Chairman of the Provisional Government and General Headquarters of the army.

Letter from Chief of Staff to all divisional and brigade commandants, concerning the proposed army convention, 21 Jan. 1922.

Short handwritten notes on minor IRA business.
23 items, 1920-22.

(3) Contents of file 'IRA Police':

Instructions for the organisation of IRA police units.
1 item, undated.

(4) Contents of file 'Reports re execution of spies':

Reports on the executions of Michael Reilly, ex-soldier, Cloghan, Thomas Cunningham, ex-soldier and carpenter, Cloghan, Sgt King, RIC, Castlerea, and the Pearson brothers, Kinnity; and remarks on the execution of spies in Offaly. 15 items, 1921.

(5) Contents of file 'Monthly Reports From HQs':

'A Battalion Commandant's Monthly Diary', report from an unidentified battalion, Jan. 1921.
Letter from O/C 6th Battalion Cork No. 2 Brigade to O/C Cork No. 2 Brigade, commending Volunteer Mark Aherne of Mitchelstown for 'conspicuous bravery in action'.
Kerry No. 2 Brigade, 'Diary of operations during month of June [1921]'.
Kerry No. 3 Brigade, 'Diary of operations during month of June [1921]'.
West Limerick Brigade, general report.
Cork No. 2 Brigade, 'Diary of operations for month of May 1921'.
1st Southern Division, report on Millstreet-Banteer ambush.
Belfast Brigade, 'Diary of operations'.
Cork No. 3 Brigade, 'Diary of activities for month of June'.
Antrim Brigade, operations report.
Cork No. 2 Brigade, 'Report on recent enemy round-up'.
Cork No. 2 Brigade, 'Report of fight in Mallow'.
1st Southern Division, 'Knockyoolahan operation – Waterford No. 2'.
Kerry No. 2 Brigade, report of an attempted ambush at Scartaglin
Kerry No. 3 Brigade, report of an attempted ambush between Waterville and Caherciveen.
West Limerick Brigade, 'Report of Dromclogher activity'.
'Special brigade operation, Belfast Jail'.
North Wexford Brigade, reports of IRA counter-reprisals.
North Roscommon Brigade, reports of attacks on Tarmon RIC barracks and on Black and Tans travelling between Rooskey and Strokestown.
1st Southern Division and Cork No. 2 Brigade, 'Mitchelstown ambush'.
1st Southern Division and Kerry No. 2 Brigade, 'Castleisland ambush'.
Handwritten notes by Béaslaí on reports from various IRA brigades.
North Roscommon Brigade, 'Monthly diary of activities'.
Tipperary No. 3 Brigade, 'Report on capture and execution of three military officers'.
Mid-Clare Brigade, report on destruction of houses to prevent their occupation by police and military.
Fragment of report from South Mayo Brigade concerning the activities of British soldiers in Balla.
1st Southern Division, reports of a round-up in June 1921.
'Mentioned in despatches', reports of activities in Cork and Kerry.
Óglaigh na hÉireann Training Memo. No. 8: 'Duties of a company commander'.
Óglaigh na hÉireann, Training Memo. No. 9: 'The appreciation of a situation'.
Óglaigh na hÉireann, Training Memo. No. 10: 'Night operations'.
Óglaigh na hÉireann, Training Memo. No. 12: 'Signalling Memo. No. 1'.

Óglaigh na hÉireann, Training Memo. No. 13: 'Elementary scouting'.
List of personnel and company and battalion areas, East-Clare, Mid-Clare, West-Clare, Laughher and Grotto Brigades.

'A Note on Drives', fragment of a handwritten note on British military round-ups.

'Mentioned in despatches' a report from the Cork No. 3 Brigade concerning the O/C Timoleague Company.

'Statement of Edward Doran, Ballymavgeough, Kilkeel, Co. Down', concerning his arrest and imprisonment in Newry military barracks
Statement by Laurence McGivern concerning an attack on him by British forces.

Short handwritten notes by Béaslaí.

41 items, June-July 1921.

(6) Contents of file 'Relics of War':

Pages from a notebook with handwritten and shorthand notes.

'Tactical schemes', typed report on military tactics.

Handwritten notes Irish, which appear to be an effort by Béaslaí to write a 'jail journal' similar to John Mitchel's.

Handwritten extract from an article or book, apparently about Michael Collins.

Honesty, 26 Feb. 1916.

New York American, 28 Mar. 1921.

Western News and Galway Leader, 19 Mar. & 2 Apr. 1921.

11 items.

(7) Contents of file 'General Orders':

General Order No. 26: 'Reprisals'.

General Order No. 27: 'Enemy deserters'.

General Order No. 21: 'War publicity'.

Publicity Memo No. 1.

'A General Headquarters routine memorandum', concerning the contribution of money to the army.

'Weekly Memorandum No. 13' concerning coastguard stations, loaded shotguns and lists of IRA police officers.

General Order No. 28: 'Commandeering of stores'.

'Organisation Memorandum, Post-Truce Situation'.

Training Memo No. 4: 'Orders and Reports'.

'Special Memorandum', concerning the cessation of attempts to import munitions into Ireland during the Truce.

General Order No. 30: 'Regulation re frequenting public houses'.

'Weekly Memorandum No. 16' concerning the return of commandeered articles, the IRA's funds and missing persons.

General Order No. 31: 'Republican police force'.

'Weekly Memorandum No. 17', concerning the work of the IRA police, relations between volunteers and Sinn Féin clubs, interference by volunteers with the courts, and British interference with the civil administration.

'Special Memorandum' ordering the cessation of Volunteer levies.
General Order No. 29: 'Enemy deserters'. 17 items, May-Nov. 1921.

- (8) Prison documents:
List of items in Béaslaí's cell.
Cartoon by Jack Morrow showing Béaslaí and another person.
Cartoon of a man in a prison cell.
3 items, 1919 and undated.
- (9) Contents of file 'Propaganda':
'Some notes on general principles of propaganda'.
'Some special points as regards propaganda in Ireland.'
'Recommendation re the sub-department dealing with the Irish press.'
7 items, undated.
- (10) Contents of file 'Receipts':
Receipts for money given to *An tÓglach* and the Army Publicity Department.
14 items, 1921-22
- (11) Contents of file 'Military Terms in Gaelic, etc':
Lists containing Irish translations for various military terms.
9 items, undated.
- (12) Contents of file 'Secret British Report on Situation in Ireland, Sept. 1921':
'The military situation in Ireland at the end of Sept. 1921' typed copy of a report by the British army in Ireland.
4 items, Oct. 1921.
- (13) British intelligence documents:
'List for internment south of Liffey'.
'List of Dail members at large'.
'List of women implicated in the movement'.
'County cases for internment'.
4 items, undated.
- (14) British intelligence documents:
Report on 'W.T. Cosgrave motoring in Kilkenny'.
'A Review of the Irish Position', a short handwritten report on the decline of British administration in Ireland.
'D 1 File (Pals)', containing a list of abbreviated names.
3 items, 1920 and undated.
- (15) Contents of file 'File about gazetting':

Letter from M.L. Nolan, Portobello Barracks, to Béaslaí, informing him that Pte Sheehan cannot remain with him, 27 Aug. 1924.
Copy of a letter written by Béaslaí, complaining that he has been demoted to the rank of Colonel in the army.

Memo written by Béaslaí outlining the process by which he was demoted in rank from Commandant-General to Colonel and the financial implications of his demotion.

Letter from Béaslaí to Gearoid, concerning his position in the army, 10 Jan. 1924.

Handwritten draft and typed copy of a letter by Béaslaí concerning his demotion, 15 Mar. 1924.

Card containing a poem 'A Thought for Christmas'.

'Record', note on Béaslaí's activities during the Irish revolution.

Correspondence between Chief-of-Staff and Béaslaí concerning the suggested establishment of an army department for war records, and the position of Capt Burke in Béaslaí's office, 20 June-16 Aug. 1923.

Handwritten notes by Béaslaí.

33 items, 1923-4 and undated.

(16) Documents relating to Béaslaí's trip to the USA, April 1922:

Telegram from James M. Sullivan, Boston to John F. Buckley, Scranton, Pennsylvania, concerning arrangements for the visit of the High Commission of the Irish Provisional Government to Scranton, 1 Apr. 1922.

Letter from James M. Sullivan, Longmeadow, Massachusetts, concerning articles which he is writing for US newspapers.

'The Freedom Fund of the Friends of Irish Freedom', printed notice 'Declaration of Principles adopted by the 1921 National Convention of the Friends of Irish Freedom'.

Printed circular letter from the Friends of the Irish Free State, New York City advertising a fundraising event.

Letter from J.L. McGovern, Treasury Dept, US Customs Service, Bridgeport, Connecticut, to James Mark Sullivan, Longmeadow, Massachusetts, concerning support for the Irish Free State in Connecticut, 28 Mar. 1922.

Ticket for a reception for Béaslaí and Seán Mac Caoilte in Faneuil Hall, Boston.

Resolution from the citizens of Boston, sending greetings to Michael Collins and Arthur Griffith.

Resolution from the Board of Commissioners, City of Hoboken, New Jersey, supporting the Anglo-Irish Treaty and the Irish Free State.

Address, signed on behalf of the Mission of the Provisional Government of the Irish Free State, seeking support for the Irish Free State from Irish-Americans.

Handwritten copy of a report from the *New York Globe*, concerning a dinner given by Sir William Wiseman, 'one of the high officials of the British secret service'.

12 items, 1921-2.

(17) 'An address delivered by Piaras Béaslaí, TD, Commandant-General, Irish Republican Army, at Faneuil Hall, Boston, April 2, 1922'.
5 items, 1922.

- (18) Contents of envelope 'Captured Irregular Documents. Propagandist leaflets, orders to murder, burn etc.':

Intelligence Memo No. 4: '“Enemy Communications”. Special Channels'. Instructions for disruption of post offices, railways, and other means of communication, by the IRA.

'Stop and Think! National Soldier', IRA handbill.

'Address from the soldiers of the army of the republic to their former comrades in the Free State army and the civic guard'.

Blank IRA arms statement.

Letter from P.McGowan, Adjt, 1st Brigade, 3rd Western Division IRA, to O/C 3rd Battalion, summoning him to a brigade meeting.

Blank IRA commandeering order.

Correspondence with Major General Maurice Hayes, concerning Hayes's offer to submit 'Short memoranda on personal and general hygiene, the dangers of infection from impure water and impure milk, contaminated food etc' to *An tÓglach*, Dec. 1922.

Covering letter from C. O'Doherty, 1st Northern Division, to Director of Intelligence, Portobello Barracks, enclosing documents captured in Bundoran, 29 Dec. 1922.

IRA General Order: 'Civilian co-operation with enemy', undated

Letter from IRA army council to the speaker of the provisional parliament of southern Ireland, threatening to employ drastic measures if IRA prisoners are badly treated, 28 Nov. 1922.

IRA General Order: 'Enemy murder bill' stating that all members of the 'Provisional "Parliament"' [Dáil Éireann], which voted for the 'Murder Bill' will be shot at sight. A list containing the names of these TDs is attached, 30 Nov. 1922.

IRA Memo No. 7: 'General Activities', outlining the principal activities to be undertaken by the IRA.

Memo from IRA Chief of Staff, concerning the issue of proclamations by the IRA. A list of persons affected by these proclamations is attached, Nov. 1922.

IRA, General Order No. 11: 'Ill-treatment of republican prisoners'.

IRA, General Order No. 17: 'Civic guard'.

IRA, General Order No. 5: 'Spies'.

IRA, General Order No. 13: 'Defence and status of prisoners'.

IRA, General Order No. 7: permits for transport'.

Assorted handwritten notes by Béaslaí.

25 items, 1922.

- (19) Miscellaneous Civil War documents:

A pass for Brunswick St barracks and a permit to carry a gun.

Permit for Béaslaí to enter and leave Portobello barracks and carry a gun.

Handwritten note by Béaslaí on a republican notice issued in Limerick.

IRA notice, threatening that Irish citizens who give information to the government forces will be treated as spies.

4 items, 1922-3.

- (20) Receipts for army expenses. 3 items, Feb.-Oct. 1923.
- (21) Contents of envelope 'IRA Documents Truce 1921':
- 'The Military Situation in Ireland at the end of Sept. 1921', typed copy of a report by the British army in Ireland.
Report to O.C. Intelligence, 2nd Eastern Division, concerning a raid on the Board of Fisheries steamer, *Helga*.
'Report re. provocative attacks by "die-hards", in the 2nd Eastern Division area'.
'Summary of provocative attacks & raids by mutineers from 19th to 25th April inclusive'.
Report by R. Ua Dunn [Reginald Dunne] on the murder of Sir Henry Wilson, by Dunn and Joe O'Sullivan.
10 items, 1921-2.
- (22) Miscellaneous Irish revolution documents:
- Programme for Cumann na mBan fête, Limerick
'Who prevented conscription? The men of Easter week prevented conscription', republican handbill.
Postcard of the Irish Parliamentary Party's French mission.
Invitation and menu for a dinner in honour of John Devoy.
'England admits she fooled the Free Staters', anti-Treaty Sinn Féin handbill.
Cosgrave's Auld Shebeen, a political satire on W.T. Cosgrave's government, based on *Shanahan's Auld Shebeen*.
Short biographical note on Béaslaí.
Tom Kehoe, requiescat, short poem by JWL.
Order form for British parliamentary papers.
Fragment of a document concerning Cootehill, Co. Cavan.
Handwritten note on Comdt Mick Small.
Testimonial for Thomas Carey, Killarney.
Handwritten notes by Béaslaí on Phil MacMahon.
Miscellaneous notes.
Miscellaneous handwritten notes by Béaslaí on Dáil Éireann and Hubert Wilson.
21 items, 1923-4 and undated.
- (23) Army pass book.
Forms for messages and signals.
13 items, 1922-3 and undated.
- (24) Headed notepaper of the Ancient Order of Hibernians, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, USA.
2 items, undated.

Ms 33,914(1) Contents of file 'Up to July 11th 1921':

Documents relating principally to Béaslaí's post as editor of *An tÓglach*. Includes correspondence with IRA GHQ officers and local IRA brigade officers.

Subjects include submissions for *An tÓglach*, the treatment of Irish prisoners, reports from IRA units, distribution of *An tÓglach*, republican courts, and IRA publicity.
66 items, 1921.

(2) Contents of file 'From July 11th 1921 to Dec. 7th 1921:

Documents and correspondence relating principally to Béaslaí's post as editor of *An tÓglach*. Includes correspondence from IRA GHQ officers, local IRA brigade officers, Dáil Éireann ministers, and IRA liaison officers with British forces during the truce.

Subjects include relations between the IRA and British forces during the Truce, submissions for *An tÓglach*, complaints about actions of IRA officers during the Truce and allegations of intimidation by the IRA, the case of Mrs Lindsay, Béaslaí's departmental expenses, distribution of *An tÓglach* and the *Irish Bulletin*, IRA and Dáil publicity, a request from the American Consul for documents relating to the growth of the republican movement in Ireland, the sale of a printing machine, suspected spies, and the use of Irish in Volunteer drills.

71 items, 1921.

(3) Contents of file 'From July 11th 1921 to Dec. 7th 1921 (contd.):

Documents relating principally to Béaslaí's post as editor of *An tÓglach*. Includes correspondence with IRA GHQ officers, local IRA brigade officers, and Dáil Éireann ministers. Noted correspondents include Muriel MacSwiney and Louis N. Le Roux.

Subjects include the use of public representatives' names in connection with financial enterprises, objections to references made to Dáil Éireann and the IRA in Irish newspapers, and job vacancies for volunteers.

85 items, 1921

(4) Contents of file 'From Dec. 7th 1921 – Jan. 21st 1922:

Correspondence and documents relating to the IRA, Sinn Féin and the Anglo-Irish Treaty. Correspondents include IRA GHQ officers, Béaslaí's constituents from East Kerry, and friends and acquaintances of Béaslaí.

Subjects include the proposed army convention, complaints about actions of the IRA during the Truce, Sinn Féin comhairle ceantair, contributions for *An tÓglach*, various representations from Béaslaí's

constituency urging him to vote for and against the Treaty, cumainn affiliated to Sinn Féin in Kerry in 1921, Béaslaí's escape from Strangeways prison in 1919, and applications for jobs with the Irish government.

36 items, 1921-2.

(5) Contents of file 'From Jan. 21st to March 9th 1922':

Letters from friends, acquaintances and constituents of Béaslaí, IRA GHQ officers, and Dáil Éireann ministers.

Subjects include applications for jobs with the government, *An tÓglach* expenditure, the Irish Journalists' Association's request for official recognition, East Kerry constituency matters, the publication of a book on prison escapes including Béaslaí's escape from Strangeways in 1919, the Volunteers in Kerry after the Treaty split, the Sinn Féin ard fheis, translation of public notices into Irish, refutation of reports of intimidatory actions by national army troops.

49 items, Jan.-Feb. 1922.

(6) Contents of file 'From Jan. 21st to March 9th 1922' (contd.):

Letters from Dáil Éireann ministers and officials, army GHQ and local officers, journalists and newspaper editors.

Subjects include plans to provide compensation for property damaged during the War of Independence, applications for jobs with the government, army publicity, and complaints about various newspaper reports concerning the army.

61 items, Feb.-Mar. 1922.

(7) Contents of file 'From Jan. 21st to March 9th 1922' (contd.):

Letters from army officers, journalists, and constituents from Kerry.

Subjects include instructions for conducting arrests and imprisonments, the work of the Army Publicity Department, applications for relief from the Irish White Cross, applications for jobs with the government and army, Béaslaí's articles in the *Irish Independent*, complaints about army discipline, and Béaslaí's departure for the USA.

55 items, Mar. 1922.

(8) Contents of file 'From Mar. 9th till June 10th 1922':

Documents and correspondence principally relating to the army.

Subjects include applications for jobs with the Garda Síochána, the election campaign, Béaslaí's trip to the USA, applications for relief from the Irish White Cross, and translation of official documents and military terms into Irish.

35 items, 1922.

(9) Contents of file 'From June 10th – June 29th 1922.

- Copies of letters written by Béaslaí from Beggars' Bush barracks, principally relating to constituency matters in Kerry.
9 items, 1922.
- (10) Typed extracts from a draft of a book on the Irish Volunteers by F.X. Martin.
- (11) Typed account of the life of Terence MacSwiney, probably written by his widow, Muriel MacSwiney. 6pp.
1 item, undated.
- (12) Type script of an article ['The Constitutional Basis of the National Struggle' by Seán Mac Eoin, published in *With the IRA in the Fight for Freedom, 1919 to the Truce*].
1 item, undated.
- (13) 'Arthur Griffith', typed article by Liam Ó Briain.
1 item, undated.
- (14) Material on Terence MacSwiney, including a newspaper cutting, handwritten notes by Béaslaí and a poem about MacSwiney by Valentine Sams.
3 items, undated.
- (15) 'The Squad'. Typed account of the activities of Michael Collins' 'squad', by Joe Leonard.
1 item, 9 Mar. 1948.
- (16) *Arthur Griffith and Michael Collins*, commemorative book, printed in Dublin, by Dollard Ltd, Wellington Quay. 62 pp.
1 item, undated.
- (17) Printed booklets:
In Maryboro and Mountjoy. The prison experiences and prison-breaking of an Irish Volunteer (Pádraic Fleming), by an Irish priest.
Who burnt Cork city?, published by the Irish Labour Party & Trade Union Congress, Dublin.
Unidentified book on the Easter Rising.
3 items, 1921 and undated.
- (18) Extracts from various writings concerning the Irish revolution:
An advertisement for *With the Irish in Frongoch* by W.J. Brennan-Whitmore.
An article entitled 'Burning of the Custom House' by Commandant M. O'Kelly.
A proposal for Béaslaí to write a piece about Sinn Féin.
Handwritten notes by Béaslaí.
5 items, undated.
- (19) Map of Ireland, showing army command areas, 1922.
1 item.

L.iii. Civil War and censorship

This material consists mainly of correspondence between Béaslaí and other army officers; Desmond FitzGerald, the Minister for Publicity; employees of the telegraph office; and newspapers and journals, applying for distribution licences. Other subjects include articles on Michael Collins in *World's Pictorial News*, and in various US and British newspapers by Hayden Talbot (see also Writing: Michael Collins biographies, Ms 33,931 (3-4)); a confrontation between the Irish and British armies in the border area of Belleek-Pettigo in June 1922; the staff and expenses of the military censor's office; and newspaper reports of the inquest into the death of Harry Boland. The documents are primarily from the period July-October 1922.

Ms 33,915(1) Contents of file ' "Reports to be dealt with" Pettigo File':

Newspaper cuttings from *Irish Times*, *Freeman's Journal*, *Irish Independent*, and *Morning Post*, 6-14 June 1922, concerning a confrontation between British and Irish troops in the border area of Pettigo and Belleek.
10 items, June 1922.

(2) Ledger containing a daily account of publications passed and held up by the censor.

1 item, 4 July-12 Oct. 1922.

(3) Contents of envelope '*World's Pictorial*, yarn about M.C.':

Letter from Army Publicity Director (Béaslaí) to the editor, *World's Pictorial News*, concerning the withdrawal of the *World's Pictorial News* by the censor, because of articles which it published about Michael Collins 'which have given much pain and annoyance to the relatives and friends of the late Irish Commander-in-Chief'. An official statement issued by the Irish government is reproduced in the letter. Letter from H.C. Harris, manager News Dept, Eason & Son, Dublin, concerning enquiries from their agents about the withholding of the *World's Pictorial News*.

Issues of *World's Pictorial News*, 9 Sept., 16 Sept. and 23 Sept. 1922 containing an articles entitled 'The Secret History of Michael Collins by One of His Bodyguard', 'Michael Collins – Peacemaker and Avenger', and 'Michael Collins – Statesman'.

5 items, Sept. 1922.

(4) British censorship material:

Letters from [Lord] Decies, Press Censor, Ireland to Editors, all newspapers, Ireland. Subjects include prohibition on reports of the loss of the steamships *Berkley* and *Eskmere*, a breakdown in cable and telegraphic communications and the shortage of shipping in Ireland,

and permission to report some details on the loss of a trawler in Galway bay.

4 items, 16 Oct.-24 Dec. 1917.

(5) Contents of envelope 'Copies of Miscellaneous Letters (Censorship Period)':

Letters from Béaslaí, as Army Publicity Director, to Sergeant of the Guard, Portobello Barracks; O/C Portobello Barracks; editor, *Freeman's Journal*; Mathew Walker, sub-editor, *Freeman's Journal*; Seosamh Mac gCraith; Eason & Sons Ltd.; Mhicheal Ó Coileain [Michael Collins]; Mr C. Butler, Censor's Dept, Amiens St Post Office; Superintendent, GPO, Dublin; Adjutant General; Director of Aviation; Seoirse Gabhain Ó Dubhaigh [George Gavan Duffy]; Mrs Hunter, Eirene, Killiney; E.O. Norton, Secretary, Weekly Newspaper and Periodical Proprietors' Association, Ltd; and Desmond FitzGerald.

Subjects include a request from Independent newspapers for a guard to be placed on their offices to prevent an attack by anti-Treaty republicans, permission to publish certain items, volunteers for service in the army, film censorship, the staff of the Publicity Department, the censoring of the *Daily Herald* for 'publishing bulletins from Irregulars in Cork', the opening of letters by staff in the GPO, letters returned to Béaslaí, which he believed were stolen from him by Austin Stack and J.J. O'Kelly, censoring of telegrams, the delay in distribution of newspapers because they have to be submitted for censorship, a report in the *Independent* dealing with George Plunkett's *habeas corpus* application, and proofs of a report about the escape of prisoners submitted by the censors to the *Herald* and *Telegraph*.

The file also contains telegrams and letters from:

Sullivan to Michael Collins, stating 'American intensely gratified that you have again saved Ireland'.

Colm Ó Murchadha, on behalf of the government, to Mrs Charlotte Despard, acknowledging receipt of her letter.

Muirgheal Bean Mhic Suibhne [Muriel MacSwiney], to the editor, *Freeman's Journal*, concerning her arrest along with Kevin Barry's sister.

W.D. Hogan, photographer, concerning his photographic work with the army in the field.

John Flynn, O/C 3rd Batt, Kenmare, to Adjutant General, Beggars' Bush Barracks, Dublin, informing him of the military situation in his battalion area.

68 items, July 1922.

(6) Contents of envelope 'Copies of Miscellaneous Letters (Censorship Period)' (contd.):

Letters from Béaslaí, as Army Publicity Director, to Supt, GPO; Adjutant General; James Smyth; Chief of General Staff; Miss O'Toole; Capt Smith; Deasmhumhan Mac Gearailt [Desmond FitzGerald], Minister of Publicity; editor, *Evening Mail*; Mr Murphy; Commander in Chief; Mr Butler, Censor's Dept., Amiens St Post Office; Paymaster General; Officer in Charge, contracts, Portobello Barracks; Quartermaster General; editor, *Irish Independent*; J. Maguire, Vaughan's Hotel, Dublin; Gerald Hughes, Clonliffe Rd, Dublin; P. Mahon, printer and publisher, Dublin; J.E. Walsh, *Freeman's Journal* office, Fleet St, London; W.D. Hogan, photographer, Dublin; O/C, Portobello Barracks; LSE Motor Co. Ltd; and J. Davis, Dalkey, Co. Dublin.

Subjects include a report on the military situation in 3rd Batt, Kerry No. 2 Brigade the appointment of staff to the Publicity Department, letters for English journalists, a complaint of harassment from a Protestant clergyman in Wexford, a question as to whether a letter from Seán T. O'Kelly to the *Irish Independent* should be suppressed, the publication of material which had been deleted by the censor, relations between the press and the censor, the financing of the Censor's Department, an enquiry about sending certain wires to the Intelligence Department, the withdrawal of a newspaper advertisement for coffins because 'its publication might have a bad effect from the propagandist point of view and would be quoted by the Irregulars as showing that we expected a long and bloody struggle', the insertion of the words 'Passed by Censor' in press despatches cabled to the USA, an order that blank spaces inserted where words were deleted by the censor be removed from *Fáinne an Lae*, letters of Béaslaí's which he believed were stolen by Austin Stack and J.J. O'Kelly, and a request for permission to send photographs of Michael Collins lying-in-state to London.

57 items, Aug. 1922.

(7) Contents of envelope 'Copies of Miscellaneous Letters (Censorship Period)' (contd.):

Letters from Béaslaí, as Army Publicity Director, to Capt Guilfoyle; O/C, Portobello Barracks; Paymaster, Portobello; Quarter Master General; Chief Pay Officer; Joe; Gearoid; Mr Nolan, Censor's Dept; editor, *Daily Express*; editor, *Irish Independent*; editor, *Freeman's Journal*; Minister of Publicity [Desmond FitzGerald]; Adjutant General; Capt Smith; Padraig Ó Siotchchain, Aireacht um Ghnothai Duitche [Ministry for Home Affairs]; Domhnall Mac Cartha, Treaty Election Committee, Dublin; Minister for Agriculture; Director of Medical Service; and Mr McGann, Government Buildings, Dublin.

Subjects include clothing and other supplies, plans for Béaslaí's biography of Michael Collins, claims that Hayden Talbot's 'the life story of Michael Collins' 'is an absurd concoction' and 'obviously a forgery', and requests that its publication be discontinued, bogus stories in English newspapers about Michael Collins. the actions of the censor in Waterford, salaries for staff in the Publicity Dept., a report

sent by Capt Loftus, North Mayo Brigade Adjutant, to the *Freeman's Journal*, the continuation of censorship, and money spent by Béaslaí organising his constituency for the Sinn Féin ard fheis and the election.

The file also contains:

A statement issued by the Government Publicity Dept, stating that the alleged biography of Michael Collins, published in the *World's Pictorial News*, 'is nothing else than a fantastic concoction' Letters to the editor, *Sunday Express*, from Béaslaí, Seán McGarry, Joseph O'Reilly, G. McGann, and S[inead] Mason [Michael Collins' confidential secretary], refuting claims made by Hayden Talbot in the *Sunday Express* that Béaslaí was trying to negotiate with US and British newspapers to publish 'inside stuff' about Michael Collins, that Collins used disguises and had a bodyguard, or that Collins agreed to allow Talbot write his memoirs

Copies of a statement from Cristoir Ó Curnain, People's Rights Committee, Killarney, seeking a grant for relief of distress in Killarney.

39 items, Sept. 1922.

(8) Contents of envelope 'Copies of Miscellaneous Letters (Censorship Period)' (contd.):

Letters from Béaslaí, as Army Publicity Director, to Superintendent, Sorting Office; Quartermaster General, Portobello Barracks; Minister of Defence; Capt Smith, Army Publicity Dept; Commander in Chief; Cristoir Ó Curnain, People's Rights Committee, Killarney; James Tevnan, *World's Pictorial News*; William Fitzgerald, Dawson St, Dublin; P. Ó Raghallaigh, Catholic Truth Society of Ireland; Claims Officer; Office of QMG; Adjutant General; Minister of Foreign Affairs; Sheán Ó Gruagáin, Biorra [Birr], Obhailghe [Co. Offaly]; J.P. Dargan, Central Telegraph Office; S. Ua Ceatharnaigh, Irish & Continental Trading Co. Ltd; Postmaster General; and the Commander in Chief.

Subjects include the issuing of an order that correspondence addressed to newspapers in England and Belfast must be submitted to the censor, the relaxation of censorship in the Telegraph Office, instructions for Irish press censorship, an application for a grant to relieve distress in Killarney, the reasons for the continued embargo on *World's Pictorial News*, the Publicity Department's account with Easons, the destruction of books and papers held up at Dun Laoghaire by the army, the impossibility of using the postal service in Kerry, criteria for submitting proofs of reports on the military situation in Ireland to the censor, foreign consulates, an unauthorised action by Lieut Cox, 'Publicity Director, in Custume Barracks [Athlone], censorship of material sent through the telegraph office by the Irish correspondent of the *Morning Post*, and a permit for George Nicholls to carry a revolver.

The file also contains:

Typed copies of telegrams from Clarke to Jefferies, Shelbourne Hotel, Dublin, concerning the transmission of wireless messages on the Holyhead boat.

‘Memorandum on Work of Censor’s Department’.

‘Memorandum to Minister of Defence with reference to question by Deputy Cathal Ó Seanain re censorship’

44 items, Oct.-Nov. 1922.

- (9) Contents of envelope ‘Copies of Correspondence with A/G re salaries & expenses Censor’s Office’:

Copies of accounts, financial statements and correspondence with the Adjutant General, concerning the financing of the Army Publicity Department, also memoranda on ‘Work of Censor’s Department’, ‘Military Censors at Central Telegraph Office, Dublin’, and ‘Film and Camera Censorship in London’.

19 items, July-Aug. 1922.

- (10) Contents of envelope ‘Correspondence with GHQ re Censorship Job’:

Correspondence between Béaslaí, as Army Publicity Director, and Chief of Staff, Adjutant General, Quartermaster General, Gearoid O’Sullivan, Minister of Defence, Commander in Chief’s office, Army Pay Office, and Commandant General Ó Murthuille.

Subjects include the appointment of staff in the Army Publicity Department, Béaslaí’s threat to resign as censor due to lack of funding for his department, instructions for military censors at the Central Telegraph Office, the work of the Censor’s Department, the financial situation in the Army Publicity Department, staff and salaries in the Publicity Department, threats issued by the IRA to newspapers regarding the use of the term ‘Irregulars’ to describe the IRA, plans for changes to the Censor’s Department, abolition of the Censor’s Office, and attempts by Capt Smyth of the Publicity Department to create a job for a friend of his with *An tÓglach*.

60 items, July-Nov. 1922.

- (11) Contents of envelope ‘Old Censorship Stuff Dealt With’:

Letters from W.G. Fitzgerald, general editor, *Ireland a Nation*; John R. Murphy, editor, and James W. Whitehead, chief sub-editor, *Dublin Evening Mail*; Adjutant General; and J.J. Hart, secretary, Dublin and Provincial Retail Newsagents’, Booksellers and Stationers’ Association.

Subjects include a request for a contribution from Béaslaí for a special volume of *Ireland a Nation*, a complaint from the censor about the *Dublin Evening Mail*’s report of the inquest into Harry Boland’s death, the staff in the Censor’s Office, and the loss incurred by

newsagents following the withdrawal of English Sunday newspapers by the censor.

The file also contains:

Two short notes regarding *habeas corpus* proceedings in the courts
Extract from *Dublin Evening Mail*, 3 Aug. 1922, containing a report of Harry Boland's inquest. A galley proof with comments and deletions by the censor is attached

Copy of a letter to Seán Ó Muirthile, Kilmainham Detention Barracks, signed on behalf of republican prisoners by Oscar Traynor, Tom Barry, Seán Priondargas, Thos Hanrahan, Seán MacEntee, Seán T. Ó Ceallaigh, Diarmuid Mac Ualairg, Michael Smyth and Edward Bennett, outlining the rights and privileges demanded by the prisoners
17 items, July-Sept. 1922.

(12) Contents of envelope 'Old Censorship Stuff Dealt With' (contd.):

Letters from W.T. Tempest; Gaelic Printing Press; Pádraig Ó Baoghill [P.A. Bowles], Boyle [Co. Roscommon]; M. Ní Iffearnáin, Heffernan's Hotel, Killarney; Norris Goddard, State Solicitor, Carlow; E.P. Culverwell, Howth; D. Neligan; Cinnoth Ua Roideáin [Kenneth Reddin], solicitor, Dublin; Michael J. Carew, Dublin; Michael Mervyn, North Strand, Dublin; and Censor's Dept, Amiens St.

Subjects include the destruction of books, and periodicals by the National Army, the arrest of Patrick Cassidy, an article in the *Sporting Times*, which 'is not only disgusting but is a gross libel on our Irish capital', a letter found in the mails, written by an Irishman living in England to a relative in Kerry, expressing his opposition to De Valera and Erskine Childers: 'To my mind, nothing is more degrading for an Irishman than to think according to the whim of a man who is half a Spanish-American & to be guided by an Englishman bent on the destruction of Ireland', and job applications.

The file also contains:

Copy of *Poblacht na hEireann*, *War News*, no. 35, 10 August 1922.
Casualty list, July-Aug. 1922.

Message for Béaslaí from P.L. Smyth, informing him of his departure for London.

Copies of letters written by Aodh de Blacam, IRA, to Hanna Sheehy Skeffington and Fr Canice, which were issued by army publicity. The letters refer to the role of priests in the Treaty split and Civil War.

Letter addressed to Mr Burke, from Margaret Burke Sheridan, comparing the Irish situation with that of the Dutch in South Africa.

Some loose pages with short handwritten notes.

33 items, July-Oct. 1922.

(13) Contents of envelope 'Miscellaneous matter dealt with censorship period':

Letters and telegrams from Army Publicity Department; Office of the Adjutant General; Desmond FitzGerald, Minister of Publicity; Williamson, Associated Press; Richard Cole, *Christian Advocate* Belfast; H.E. Gray, *News of the World*; Seán Lester, *Freeman's Journal*; editor, *Weekly Despatch*; Cecil Nichols, Central News Ltd; W.D. Hogan, photographer, Dublin; B. McCabe, Bainisteoir [manager], *Father Mathew Record*; Eamon Ó Duibhir, uachtaran & runaidhe [president & secretary], the Gaelic Co-operative Society Ltd; *Ireland's Own*; Seosamh de Paor, *Freeman's Journal*; Patrick J. Fogarty, editor, *Irish Catholic*; Hugh Curran, *Irish Times*; J.R. Murphy, Dublin correspondent, *Daily Mail*; J. Farrell, *the Motor News*; T.W. Murphy; T. Quilty, assistant editor, *Irish Independent*; and Lionel Hewson, editor, *Irish Life*,

Subjects include guarantees that newspapers do not contain military news, submitting photographs for censorship, censorship of letters, protests at some of the censor's actions, permission to circulate newspapers, a request for permission to transmit photographs of an unemployment parade in Dublin, the prohibition of the *Daily Herald*, the delay in censoring despatches, and enquiries about what material should be submitted to the censor

The file also contains:

List of journalists to whom passes have been issued.

Letters and telegrams from *Weekly Despatch*, *Irish Catholic Herald* and *Catholic Home Journal*, *Illustrated Sunday Herald*, *Sunday Chronicle* and *Empire News*, *Sunday Times*, *The Referee*, *Sunday Pictorial*, *Lloyd's Weekly News*, *Lloyd's Sunday News* and *Daily Chronicle*, *Observer*, and *Reynolds's Newspaper* guaranteeing that they do not contain any Irish news or comment bearing on the military situation in Ireland which has not been submitted to and passed by the censor.

Handwritten notes on censorship of films.

Typed list of picture houses in Ireland, including Northern Ireland.

List of picture houses in Dublin city and county.

Letter from Béaslaí to Pathe Freres Ltd, Dublin, and Gaumont Film Co, Dublin, announcing that all topical films taken in Ireland or dealing with the military situation in Ireland are subject to censorship

Slips of paper bearing the names of people seeking interviews with the censor.

Notice announcing the time of issue of permits for war correspondents.

Letter from T. Scott to P. Stewart, assistant manager, *Freeman's Journal*, withdrawing his name from a list of volunteers for the army.

74 items, July-Aug. 1922.

- (14) Contents of envelope 'Miscellaneous matter dealt with censorship period' (contd.):

Letters from Eason & Son Ltd, Dublin, containing lists of the newspapers submitted to the censor.
86 items, 8 July-11 Oct. 1922.

- (15) Contents of envelope 'Miscellaneous matter dealt with censorship period' (contd.):

Letters from:

J.S.; John Falconer, Falconer's Government, Law and General Printing Works; H.E. Gray; J. Wyse Power; Ben J. McGarret, Dublin Wholesale Smallwares Co.; Armour & Company Ltd; Alex Thom & Co. Ltd; Sackville Press; Sealy, Bryers & Walker, Dublin; Wilson Hartnell & Co.; C. Butler; J. Woods, Superintendent, Sorting Office; T. McCormack, Sorting Office; Patricia Hoey; MacSweeney, Limerick; Aire Airgid [Minister for Finance]; Mícheál Mac S; and William M. Kenealy, Glasnevin, Dublin.

Subjects include photographers, submission of various publications to the censor, newspaper distribution, a request for a permit to continue sending cables in code, newspaper coverage of Harry Boland's inquest, submission of letters addressed to British newspaper offices and news agencies for censoring, censorship of letters, instructions for censorship staff, censorship of newspapers and telegrams, and film censorship

The file also contains:

Letters from Béaslaí to:

H.E. Gray and O/C Dún Laoghaire pier, concerning newspaper distribution.

Miss Hoey, concerning *Voice of Labour*.

O/C Buswell's Hotel, concerning the possible purchase of the hotel.
Supt., GPO, concerning censoring of letters.

J. O'Carroll, Listowel, concerning an unidentified matter.

Army Publicity Department, slips of paper bearing names of people seeking interviews with Béaslaí.

Notice from the *Christian Advocate*, announcing its temporary suspension of publication.

Telegrams concerning newspaper censorship.

Handwritten note entitled 'Re Censorship in London'.

'List of Volunteers for the National Army. Members of the *Freeman's Journal*'.

'Supplementary List of Volunteers for the National Army from the *Freeman's Journal* staff'.

'List of Press Censors Amiens St Post Office'.

'Papers for Censor Saty July 6'.

Handwritten draft of a statement from the military censor announcing that all telegrams are subject to military censorship.

Sheet of paper with addresses.

Labels for letters, orders and invoices.

87 items, July-Aug. 1922.

(16) Miscellaneous censorship material

Letters from Dorothy Hungerford, Greystones, Co. Wicklow; Patricia Hoey; Hugh Curran, *Irish Times*; William P. Triston; Postmaster General; W. Lombard Murphy, chairman, Independent Newspapers Ltd; and M. Tobin, *Freeman's Journal*

Subjects include the censorship of letters relating to the men who shot Sir Henry Wilson, unauthorised distribution of newspapers, a report in the *Daily Mirror* which was suppressed by the censor in Dublin, a request for permission to allow a representative of the Canadian government to send a coded telegram, a letter from the *Sunday Independent* editor, outlining the arrangements for censoring the newspaper, a request for a journalist's permit to cover military operations in the Limerick area, and an article in the *Sunday Chronicle*

The file also contains:

Handwritten account by Béaslaí describing the establishment of the military censor's department in 1922.

Applications from journalists for permits to accompany the army in the field during the Civil War.

Letter from Lieut Keeley, Office of Quartermaster, to Messrs McConnell's Advertising Service, concerning an advertisement which was stopped by the censor.

Type written list of photographs taken by the photographer of the *Topical Budget* and passed by the censor.

Type written list of photographs taken by the *Pathe Gazette*
27 items, July-Aug. 1922.

I.iv. Michael Collins Papers

These papers belonged to Michael Collins and were probably acquired by Béaslaí when writing the biography of Collins. The majority cover the post-Truce period, and consist principally of letters to Collins from various Irish-Americans, dating from December 1922-March 1923, congratulating him on the Anglo-Irish Treaty, and referring to the state of the American Association for the Recognition of the Irish Republic; interesting correspondence with John Devoy, concerning the possibility of Ireland's entry to the League of Nations; correspondence with an Irish acquaintance of General Johann de Wett and de Wett's son; and correspondence between Collins and various British and American newspapers, which offered Collins substantial sums for the rights to his memoirs.

Ms 33,916(1) Contents of file entitled 'Michael Collins' memoirs - offers for':

Letters and telegrams from:

W.H.S. MacCartney, offering Collins £10,000 for his memoirs, and replies from Collins seeking details of the proposal and stating that the time is not opportune.

W.A. Wright, the Press Club, London, making Collins an offer, on behalf of the *Daily Express*, 'running into three figures, for three exclusive articles concerning your adventures in Ireland'.

R.D. Blumenfeld, *Daily Express*, London, offering 'to pay generously' for half a dozen articles of not more than 1,500 words, and to send a journalist and stenographer to take down the stories from Collins's dictation in the event of him not having time to write them himself.

Frank E. Francombe, London, offering Collins 'a proposition of a literary character' from an American syndicate service.

John M. Touhy, European Manager, *New York World*, offering Collins \$25,000 for the American and Canadian book and newspaper rights to his memoirs.

F.D. Long, *Daily Despatch*, containing an offer of £2,000 for Collins's life story.

Cahill & Co., and Rev Maurice O'Shea Killarney St, Dublin, concerning W.H.S. MacCartney's offer for Collins's memoirs.

16 items, July 1921-Jan. 1922.

- (2) Contents of file 'M.C.'s Intelligence Papers. Correspondence w[ith] County Brigades':

To O/C North Wexford Brigade. Incomplete letter setting out the procedure for sending messages.

Correspondence with Joe Vize, apparently dealing with the purchase of arms in Glasgow.

Handwritten notes in pencil by Béaslaí on the Eastern Division of the IRA, principally concerning activities in the Dundalk Brigade area.

Handwritten notes in pencil by Béaslaí on the Western Division of the IRA, concerning events in the West Clare and Mid Clare Brigade areas.

Handwritten notes in pencil by Béaslaí on the Northern Divisions of the IRA, principally concerning incidents in Tyrone and Belfast.

Handwritten notes in pencil by Béaslaí on the Eastern Division of the IRA, principally concerning events in Fingal and Meath.

Correspondence with 1st Eastern Division of the IRA, concerning instructions for Intelligence Officers, the closure of police stations, British army instructions on the use of Ford cars in the event of hostilities being resumed, and mutineers in 2nd Meath Brigade.

29 items, 1920-22.

- (3) Contents of file entitled 'John Devoy':

Cuttings from *Gaelic American*, containing reports on the Sinn Féin convention, Michael Collins and the USA, the money raised by De Valera in the USA, and De Valera's chances in the election.

Telegram from John Devoy to Michael Collins stating 'Dates and amounts named in my cable are correct'.

Letter and copy of cablegram sent to John Devoy, concerning the amount of money received from the USA by Dáil Éireann.

Telegram from John Devoy to Michael Collins, concerning money drawn in the USA by De Valera.

Letters outlining contents of cablegram sent to John Devoy, denying a report that Ireland applied for admission to the League of Nations.

Copies of cable from John Devoy to Michael Collins, outlining his opposition to Ireland joining the League of Nations, and his opposition to De Valera.

Typed copy of John Devoy's editorial in the *Gaelic American*, criticising plans for Ireland to enter the League of Nations.

Copies of cablegram sent by Michael Collins to John Devoy, concerning England's admission of Ireland's entitlement to join the League of Nations.

Extracts from the *Gaelic American*, concerning plans for Ireland to enter the League of Nations.

13 items, Jan.-Mar. 1922.

(4) Correspondence with James McQuade and J.I. de Wet:

McQuade to Michael Collins, seeking a meeting with Collins to discuss African affairs, and requesting an autographed letter from Collins for General de Wet. Collins' reply, agreeing to McQuade's requests is attached.

Michael Collins to General de Wet, stating that General de Wet's actions during the Boer War provided inspiration for the Irish War of Independence.

James McQuade to Michael Collins, concerning the death of General de Wet, de Wet's view that Ireland should accept the Treaty, and McQuade's support for the Treaty.

J.I. de Wet, son of General de Wet, to Michael Collins, apologising for the delay in replying to Collins, due to the illness and death of General de Wet. The letter contains comments which General de Wet wished to have sent to Collins; it refers to his admiration for Irish soldiers during the Boer War, and his desire to see both Ireland and South Africa gain their freedom and independence.

J. McQuade to Michael Collins, enclosing a letter from J.I. de Wet, and referring to developments in South Africa.

Michael Collins to McQuade, referring to the political situation in both Ireland and South Africa. In relation to the Treaty split, Collins expresses the view that 'I believe that things will work themselves out all right in the end'.

Michael Collins to J.I. de Wet, acknowledging receipt of his letter, and expressing his sympathy on the death of General de Wet.

9 items, Sept. 1921-Apr. 1922.

(5) Letters from the USA in response to the Treaty from:

G. Francis Walsh, San Mateo, California, expressing his approval of Collins's action in signing the Treaty. A letter of acknowledgement on behalf of Collins is attached.

John J. Derven, American Association for the Recognition of the Irish Republic, Foultney, Vermont, stating that the Treaty is a great victory, and referring to the level of support for the Treaty in the USA.

J.T. Hurley, Los Angeles, California, congratulating Collins on the work he has done for Ireland, and stating his belief that the Irish in Los Angeles are satisfied with the Treaty. A letter of acknowledgement on behalf of Collins is attached.

John MacMahon, Unionville, Connecticut, congratulating Collins 'on the splendid victory you have won', and enclosing two newspaper cuttings on the Irish situation from the *Hartford Daily Times*, 7 Jan. 1922, and an unidentified journal. A letter of acknowledgement on behalf of Collins is attached.

Arthur R. Barry, Milwaukee, congratulating Collins 'and the brave men who have accomplished so much for Ireland'. An article from the *North American*, 9 Jan. 1922, entitled 'God Save Ireland' is enclosed. John Hayes, Cork Men's M.A. Society, New York City, congratulating Collins, and enclosing clippings on the Treaty from the *New York World*, 9 Jan. 1922, and *New York Sun*, 10 Jan. 1922. A letter of acknowledgement on behalf of Collins is attached.

Terence J. Boyle, Cumberland, Maryland, congratulating Collins, and enclosing a poem which he composed, entitled 'Erin's Dream from the mould that was cast'. A letter of acknowledgement on behalf of Collins is attached.

Wm. H. Gordon, Plattsburgh, New York, a letter addressed to Michael Collins and Arthur Griffith, congratulating them on the Treaty. A letter of acknowledgement on behalf of Collins is attached.

Daniel Shanahan, Turner's Falls, Massachusetts, congratulating Collins on the Treaty, and referring to the level of support for it in the USA. A letter of acknowledgement on behalf of Collins is attached.

James Harvey, Atlanta, Georgia, a letter addressed to Arthur Griffith, Eamon de Valera, Michael Collins, Donald [sic] O'Callaghan and Liam Mellows, expressing the view 'that we have secured absolute mastery of our affairs'. A letter of acknowledgement on behalf of Collins is attached.

Patrick B. Keaney, Salem, Oregon, congratulating Collins on achieving the Treaty and having it accepted by Dáil Éireann. A letter of acknowledgement on behalf of Collins is attached.

Florence MacCarthy O'Mahony, Hartford, Connecticut, congratulating Collins and Griffith on their achievement. A letter of acknowledgement on behalf of Collins is attached.

Mrs M.G. Ford, Providence, Rhode Island, wishing Collins success with his new government, and enclosing a cartoon about Griffith and De Valera from the *New York Times*.

Eddie Hayden O'Connor, New York City, congratulating Collins, and enclosing a copy of his pamphlet *Y's Krack* and a copy of *Entertainment* containing an article on him.
32 items, Dec. 1921-Jan. 1922.

(6) Letters from the USA in response to the Treaty from:

William, J. Kingston, Milwaukee, Wisconsin, congratulating Collins on 'securing for Ireland a government of the people by the people for the people'. A letter of acknowledgement on behalf of Collins is attached.

[no name], New York City, fragment of a letter congratulating Collins, and recommending action on the management of Irish railroads.

J.J. Sullivan, Utah State Federation of Labor, Salt Lake City, Utah, congratulating Collins, and referring to Irish-American opposition to the Treaty.

Catherine M. Cavanaugh, American Red Cross, Naperville, Illinois, congratulating Collins and Griffith on the Treaty, and enclosing a newscutting of a letter entitled 'Ireland's onward march', which appeared in a Hearst newspaper.

John Moriarty, Waterbury, Connecticut, enclosing two copies of a pamphlet entitled *War Conditions Require New Laws* by Leonard Matthews.

T.F. Schultz, American Association for the Recognition of the Irish Republic (AARIR), Oakland, California, concerning the Treaty, the US government's attitude to Ireland, and his resignation from his association because of its failure to recognise the Provisional Government. A letter of acknowledgement on behalf of Collins is attached.

Edward J. Herry, *Allentown Leader*, Pennsylvania, congratulating Collins on the Treaty, and referring to the positive attitude of the American Press to it.

David McSweeney, Boston, Massachusetts, congratulating Collins on the Treaty, and referring to the level of support for it in the USA.

J.J. Hogan, Hogan State Bank, Corning, Iowa, congratulating Collins on the Treaty.

Daniel Haggerty, City Clerk's Office, Hoboken, New Jersey, sending Collins a copy of a resolution adopted by the Board of Commissioners of the City of Hoboken. The resolution does not accompany the correspondence. A letter of acknowledgement on behalf of Collins is attached.

W.J. Murray, Brooklyn, New York, congratulating Collins on the Treaty. A letter of acknowledgement on behalf of Collins is attached.
21 items, Jan.-Feb. 1922.

(7) Letters from the USA in response to the Treaty from:

J. Henry Lynch, American Association for the Recognition of the Irish Republic, Atlanta, Georgia, congratulating Collins on the Treaty. A letter of acknowledgement on behalf of Collins is attached.

John E. Cummings, Newport, Rhode Island, congratulating Collins on the Treaty. A letter of acknowledgement on behalf of Collins is attached.

Bernard McDermott, New Haven, Connecticut, congratulating Collins on the Treaty, and enclosing a poem which he composed entitled *Ireland's Liberty*. A letter of acknowledgement on behalf of Collins is attached.

Patrick Welch, Soldiers' Home, Los Angeles, California, sending Collins \$100 for the Prisoners' Dependants' Fund. A letter of acknowledgement on behalf of Collins, and a letter from Collins to the Secretary of the Prisoners Dependants' Fund are attached.

Henry W. McGuire, American Association for the Recognition of the Irish Republic, Chicago, forwarding a resolution in support of the Free State from his organisation. A letter of acknowledgement on behalf of Collins is attached.

F. Maillard, Central Hershey, Cuba, congratulating Collins, wishing to see a democratic republic established in Ireland, hoping that strife between Protestants and Catholics will cease, and requesting a map of Ireland and a copy of the constitution. A letter of acknowledgement on behalf of Collins, enclosing a map and informing him that the constitution is still being drafted, is attached.

M.J. Murray, American Association for the Recognition of the Irish Republic, Chicago, referring to the level of support in Illinois for the Free State. A letter of acknowledgement on behalf of Collins is attached.

Will C. Brawley, editor, *The Antigo Herald*, Wisconsin, concerning plans for Irish-Americans to visit Ireland and to assist Irish industrial development. A letter of acknowledgement on behalf of Collins is attached.

W.G. McAdoo, New York, a telegram of congratulations to Collins. 27 items, Jan.-Feb. 1922.

(8) Letters from the USA in response to the Treaty from:

John Barrett, New York City, congratulating Michael Collins on the Treaty, and stating that Collins 'will be recorded in history as a second Washington'. A letter of acknowledgement on behalf of Collins is attached.

Mary McMahan, Washington D.C., congratulating Collins and Griffith on the Treaty and the Free State, outlining her opposition to De Valera, advising Collins not to 'let the priests get a grip on the reins of government', to 'Try to gain over Ulster by persuasion', and to 'Give labor a fair deal in the Constitution'. A letter of acknowledgement on behalf of Collins is attached.

Wm. Kearney, San Francisco, California, enclosing letters from local branches of the American Association for the Recognition of the Irish Republic in support of the republicans, two poems entitled *The Victory of Sinn Fein* and *The Green White and Gold*, and an extract from the *San Francisco Examiner*, 5 Feb 1922, containing an article by Collins

on the Treaty. A letter of acknowledgement on behalf of Collins is attached.

Joseph A. Doggett, New York City, congratulating Collins on the Treaty, and offering to form a society in America to support the Irish Free State. A letter of acknowledgement on behalf of Collins is attached.

Wm. Tighe, American Committee for Relief in Ireland, West Hoboken, enclosing a cutting from the *Hudson Dispatch*, 18 Jan. 1922, containing a report on Tighe's support for the Treaty. A letter of acknowledgement on behalf of Collins is attached.

James E. Deery, Ancient Order of Hibernians, Indianapolis, Indiana, concerning an AOH pilgrimage to Ireland. Two newscuttings about the pilgrimage from the *Indianapolis Star* and *Indianapolis News* are enclosed. A copy of the *National Hibernian*, referred to in Deery's letter, is no longer attached.

James T. Carroll, *Catholic Columbian*, Columbus, Ohio, congratulating Collins on a series of articles by him which were published in American daily newspapers, and referring to plans for a delegation from Columbus to visit Ireland. A letter of acknowledgement on behalf of Collins is attached.

Sister Mary Madeline, St Agnes Convent, Cohoes, New York, congratulating Collins. A letter of acknowledgement on behalf of Collins is attached.

Joseph J. O'Brien, American Association for the Recognition of the Irish Republic, Springfield, Massachusetts. A letter addressed to Arthur Griffith, requesting that supporters of the Treaty be sent as delegates to the Massachusetts state convention of the AARIR. A letter from G. Ó Lochlainn forwarding the letter to Collins is attached.
28 items, Jan.-Mar. 1922.

(9) Letters from the USA in response to the Treaty from:

Marguerite O'Kelly, Los Angeles, California, telegram in support of Collins. A letter of acknowledgement from Collins is attached.

B.D. McKernon, New York City, concerning the poor state of the American Association for the Recognition of the Irish Republic, support for the Treaty in the USA, reports of the AARIR raising money to finance an uprising against the Free State, the difficulty in raising money in the USA for Irish political agitation and a newscutting from the *Bronx Home News*, 16 Dec 1921, containing a report on support for the Treaty from McKernon's branch of the AARIR. A letter of acknowledgement on behalf of Collins is attached.

Dr Patrick M. Donovan, New York State. A telegram to Collins assuring him of the support of 85% of the membership of the AARIR. A typed sheet containing the text of Donovan's telegram and Collins's reply is attached.

Mrs Thomas Maguire, Bridgeport, Connecticut, expressing her support for Collins and Griffith, and the state of 'this big organisation that De Valera claims he has behind him out here'. A letter of acknowledgement on behalf of Collins is attached.

Joseph J. O'Brien, Mary K. Lawlor and James F. Shea, AARIR, Springfield, Massachusetts, telegram denouncing American opposition to the Treaty. A letter of acknowledgement on behalf of Collins is attached.

James F. Shea, AARIR, Springfield, Massachusetts, telegram endorsing the Free State and deploring obstructionist tactics. A letter of acknowledgement on behalf of Collins is attached.

Patrick A. Cunningham, National Association for the Advancement of Ireland, Providence, Rhode Island, telegram of support for Collins. A letter of acknowledgement on behalf of Collins is attached.

Chas McCormack, AARIR, Manchester, New York, offering his support to Collins and confirming Dr P.M. Donovan's assertion that 85% of the AARIR also supports him. A letter of acknowledgement on behalf of Collins is attached.

William P. Mulry, Edward T. Campbell, Michael Keller, John Monahan, Thomas J. Naylon and Timothy Walsh, AARIR, Cedurhurst, Long Island, telegram sending Collins \$100 'for use of Irish cause'. A letter of acknowledgement on behalf of Collins, and a letter to Dan McCarthy forwarding the money to him, are attached.

Michael J. Ryan, Philadelphia, telegram to Collins stating 'vast majority Americans wish success Irish Free State and will support you'.

Martin H. Glynn, Albany, New York, two telegrams of support to Collins. Letters of acknowledgement on behalf of Collins are attached. 27 items, Feb.-Mar. 1922.

(10) Letters from the USA in response to the Treaty from:

Terence Boyle, AARIR, Cumberland, Maryland, expressing his support for Collins and the Free State. A letter of acknowledgement on behalf of Collins is attached.

James M. Sullivan, Springfield, Massachusetts, telegrams expressing his support for Collins and referring to 'orangism' [*sic*] in Canada. Two copies of a letter to 'O'Neill', Palmerston Park, Dublin, looking for Sullivan's address, and a letter of acknowledgement on behalf of Collins to Sullivan are attached.

James M. Sullivan, Springfield, Massachusetts, telegram expressing the view that 'Collins is the taking path that leads Ireland most surely to ultimate absolute independence...'. A letter of acknowledgement on behalf of Collins is attached.

John P. Hayes, Cork Men's Society, New York, telegram expressing support for Collins and the Free State. A letter of acknowledgement on behalf of Collins is attached.

John Gallagher, Catherine Muldoon, Patrick Kearns, Margaret M. Farley, John McGuire and Jeremiah Donovan, AARIR, Philadelphia, telegram informing of their withdrawal from the Pennsylvania AARIR, and expressing their support for the Irish government. A letter of acknowledgement on behalf of Collins is attached.

John Ryan, Woonsocket, Rhode Island, expressing his support for Collins. A letter of acknowledgement on behalf of Collins is attached.

Charles S. Sullivan, the Charitable Irish Society, Boston, a telegram in support of the Free State. A letter of acknowledgement on behalf of Collins is attached.

Irish American Relief Club, Luzerne, Pennsylvania, a telegram of support for Collins. A letter of acknowledgement on behalf of Collins is attached.

Joseph J. O'Brien, AARIR, Springfield, Massachusetts, a telegram stating '...American sentiment overwhelmingly favours Treaty'. A letter of acknowledgement on behalf of Collins is attached.

Judge James J. O'Neill and Chas Sharry, AARIR, Brooklyn, a telegram expressing their support for Collins. A letter of acknowledgement on behalf of Collins is attached.

Francis J. McLoughlin, Scranton, Pennsylvania, requesting details on the state of the two parties in Ireland. A reply on behalf of Collins is attached. 29 items, Feb.-Mar. 1922.

(11) Miscellaneous letters to Collins from:

Seán T. Ó Ceallaigh and Harry Boland, Clann na Poblachta, Dublin, confirming their agreement with Collins that their party ' "shall not make use of snatch divisions or take any mean advantage" which would imperil the life or effectiveness of the Coalition Government during the period of the latter's existence'.

Seán H. Buckshot ?, Timoleague [Co. Cork], sending Collins socks knitted by Cumann na mBan.

Seán Ó Ghallchobhair, concerning the death of Arthur Griffith. 4 items, May-Aug. 1922.

I.v. Correspondence

There are approximately 800 letters, arranged in chronological order, with no distinction between principal and minor correspondents. Subjects include the activities of the Irish Volunteers, including the production of the *Irish Volunteer* newspaper; constituency issues in Kerry, including land problems, requests for jobs with the new civil service and Garda Síochána, complaints about the activities of the IRA, and the Sinn Féin organisation in the constituency; Béaslaí's trip to the USA in April 1922; and the history of the Irish revolution. The majority of the letters are from the post-Truce period.

Ms 33,917(1) Letters from:

Michael, cancelling an appointment with Bulmer Hobson.

Eoin Mac Neill and Laurence J. Kettle, honorary secretaries of the Irish Volunteers, concerning the Provisional Committee and County Representative of the Irish Volunteers. Written in English and Irish.

Liam S. Gogan, notice of a meeting of the Provisional Committee of the Irish Volunteers. Written in English and Irish.

Larry de Lacy, concerning the *Irish Volunteer* newspaper and the Provisional Committee of the Volunteers.
 Ua Rathghaille [O'Rahilly], concerning the use of Irish language terms for Volunteer drilling, and the decision of the Athenry Volunteers to remain with the MacNeillite Volunteers.
 Pádraic Mac Piarais, concerning military terms in Irish. Written in Irish.
 Wm Sears, concerning the *Irish Volunteer* newspaper.
 Eamonn Ceannt, giving notice of a meeting about Volunteers and recruiting.
 S. Ó Ceallacháin, Béal átha an Ghaoraigh [Ballingeary], concerning the Volunteers in Ballingeary. Written in Irish.
 Joseph Rooney, Athenry, Co. Galway, concerning the Athenry Volunteers' rejection of calls for the Volunteers to join the army.
 Magdulín bean Uí Éigearthaigh, Ballingeary, concerning the position of the Ballingeary Volunteers on the Volunteer split.
 Phil MacMahon, Ardee, Co. Louth, concerning the newspaper *Éire*, and the organisation of a Volunteer Corps in Drogheda.
 20 items, 1913-14.

(2) Letters from:

É Ó Maolíosa, concerning a post-card.
 Joseph Martin, Dublin, explaining his inability to attend Volunteer drills.
 F.P. Caulfield, concerning a reported arrest under the Defence of the Realm Act.
 O'Donovan Rossa Funeral Committee, concerning the funeral arrangements for O'Donovan Rossa.
 M. O'Kelly, Edinburgh, explaining his inability to attend Volunteer drills.
 T. Mac Suibhne [Terence MacSwiney], Ballingeary, concerning a letter for Bulmer Hobson. Written in Irish.
 Jas. O'Sullivan, concerning Béaslaí's non-attendance at a Battalion meeting.
 [illegible name], concerning the Volunteers in Queen's County [Laois]
 John Sweetman [former Irish Parliamentary Party M.P.], concerning the manuscript of a speech delivered by him.
 9 items, 1915-16.

(3) Post-cards sent to Béaslaí in Lewes Prison. Correspondents include Proinsias Ní Shúilleabháin, Art O'Brien, Máirtín Ó Conallóin?, Nora Ashe, Crissie Doyle, 'Fiachra Éilgeach' [Richard Foley], Mairead, Gearoid O'S., Alice Milligan, and the O'Hanrahans.
 12 items, Dec. 1916-Mar. 1917.

(4) Post-cards sent to Béaslaí in Lewes Prison. Correspondents include Kathleen Clarke, A.F., Clann Uí Dalaigh, P. Ashe, ? Dixon, Muintir Díscín, Mairghréd Ní Bhriain and Micheál Ó Loinsigh, and Fr Albert.
 9 items, Mar. 1917.

- (5) Post-cards sent to Béaslaí in Lewes Prison. Correspondents include P.S. Ua Dubhghaill, Shán Ó Cuív, M. Ní Dalaigh, 'Fiachra Eilgeach' [Richard Foley], Alice Milligan, Fr Albert, Fr Augustine, Dalag Ua Tutuail and Eamonn Ua Tuthail, Reddin, and Máiread. There is also a post-card sending 'kind regards to all the boys in Lewes from the undergrads in Oxford', which is signed by Barney Mellows, Darrell Figgis, J. McCabe, Wm Peddlar, P. Healy, Micheal Ó Foghludha, Pat McCartan, Joseph McBride, Seán T. Ó Ceallaigh and 'Sceilg' [J.J. O'Kelly].
11 items, Mar.-Apr. 1917.

- (6) Letters from:

Mairead Aghas [Ashe], concerning the improvement in condition in Lewes prison from Portland, the Gaelic League, Cathal O'Shannon, Denis McCullagh, and Thomas Ashe.

Micheal Ó Coileain [Michael Collins], enclosing a cheque for £20 from the National Aid Association for Béaslaí to have a holiday after his imprisonment, providing details on medical treatment available for released prisoners, and enquiring as to his requirements.

Dick Fitzgerald, Killarney, concerning plans for Béaslaí's trip to Kerry.

Pádraig Ó Caoimh, concerning Béaslaí's delegation to speak at a Sinn Féin meeting in Killarney, and a request from Limerick Cumann na mBan for him to speak at a fête in Limerick.

Madge Daly, Limerick, inviting Béaslaí to speak in Limerick.

S.S. De Búrca, Rathmines, concerning victimisation of men involved in the Rising.

Richard Mulcahy, Honorary Secretary, Wolfe Tone Memorial Association, concerning funeral arrangements for Thomas Ashe.

10 items, Mar.-Sept. 1917.

- (7) Letters, from:

A? Ó Seaghda, secretary to aeraíocht committee, Tuosist, Kenmare, concerning the death of Thomas Ashe and its impact on the spread of Sinn Féin, the Tuosist Laurence Ginnell Sinn Féin club, and an invitation for Béaslaí to speak at an aeraíocht.

Seán Ó Bróin, Pádraig Mac Piarais Sinn Féin club, Gorey, Co.

Wexford, forwarding a resolution of sympathy to Béaslaí on the death of his brother.

Liam Ua Míodhcháin, Dungarvan Sinn Féin Club, concerning a meeting in Dungarvan, and the death of Béaslaí's brother. Written in Irish.

P. Ó Caoimh, concerning plans for Béaslaí's to speak at Sinn Féin meetings in Killarney and Dungarvan.

Brighid Ní Ghlaráin, Killarney, concerning the postponement of a visit by Countess Markievicz.

U.L. Mac Cumhaill, Sinn Féin, Dublin, concerning a meeting between Béaslaí and Pádraig Ó Caoimh.
 Domhnall S. Ó Muircheartaigh, John MacBride Sinn Féin Club, Mullac a Brosnaidhe, Co. Kerry, concerning Béaslaí's attendance at an aeráocht, and his nomination as candidate for East Kerry.
 Eileen Lyne, Kenmare, concerning a play being staged by the local Volunteers, and the death of Béaslaí's brother.
 T. Horgan, East Kerry Sinn Féin Executive, Killarney, informing Béaslaí of his nomination as a candidate for East Kerry.
 J.D. Long, Knocknagoshel, Co. Kerry, inviting Béaslaí to a public meeting.
 Mathews, Waterford, concerning arrangements for Béaslaí's visit.
 Gleeson, Killarney, telegram asking Béaslaí to visit Killarney.
 J.H. Crowley, Sinn Féin Club, Rathmore, inviting Béaslaí to address a meeting.
 17 items, Oct.-Dec. 1917.

(8) Letters from:

T. Horgan, East Kerry Sinn Féin Executive, Killarney, concerning arrangements for public meetings.
 Madge Daly, Limerick, concerning fund-raising for the local battalion of the Volunteers, and Béaslaí's lecture to the local Volunteers.
 Dick Fitzgerald, Killarney, concerning a visit by Béaslaí, arrangements for a 'monster meeting' in Killarney, money for Béaslaí's election fund, and his belief that 'Sullivan will not contest the seat'.
 Conchubhar Ó Suilleabháin, Thomas Ashe Sinn Féin Club, Farranfore, inviting Béaslaí to address a public meeting.
 Riobárd Ó Breandáin [Robert Brennan], Caladh an Trach Tála [Commercial Quay], Loch Garmáin [Wexford], concerning Brennan's application for a job. Written in Irish.
 David J. Griffin, Sinn Féin Club, Castleisland, Co. Kerry, concerning arrangements for a meeting, the postponement of a meeting due to Béaslaí's accident.
 Cahal Bradley, Sinn Féin Belfast Executive, concerning the postponement of Béaslaí's lecture.
 J.J. O'Leary, East Kerry Sinn Féin, asking Béaslaí to address a meeting.
 Fr James Beazley, Duagh, concerning conscription, and Béaslaí's imprisonment.
 E.S. Ó Dúgáin [Eamon Duggan], Dame St, concerning Béaslaí's imminent release from prison.
 [Harry] Boland, telegram concerning Béaslaí's bail.
 Frank Fahy, concerning prison life in Reading.
 [Fragment of letter, no name], College St, Killarney, offering his services to Béaslaí for the general election campaign.
 Mícheál Ó Rioghbardáin, Austin Stack Election Committee, Tralee. A letter addressed to Liam Ó Rinn concerning the general election campaign in Kerry. Written in Irish.

Sinn Féin Club, Castleisland, Co. Kerry, concerning election meetings in Béaslaí's constituency.

R.P. Karnadakai, London, writing on behalf of India to congratulate Béaslaí on his election, and drawing his attention to India's claims for home rule.

Stenson Cooke, Automobile Association and Motor Union, London, concerning parliamentary legislation on road transport.

C.E. Williams, General Secretary, Insurance Parliamentary Association, concerning the general election.

Mícheál [Michael Collins], concerning proofs [probably of *An tÓglach*].

25 items, 1918.

(9) Letters from:

W. Quinlan, County Secretary, Kerry, concerning a resolution from Kerry County Council congratulating Béaslaí on his election.

Seán T. Ó Ceallaigh, enclosing a letter from Arthur Griffith in Gloucester Prison, dated 23 Jan. 1919, outlining Griffith's views on Dáil Éireann

M.A. O'Leary, Castleisland, concerning Kerry men in prison in Belfast. Gallagher, Waterford, telegram concerning Béaslaí's visit to Waterford.

Mick [Michael Collins]. A short note written on the back of Collins's business card, stating 'To help you pass the time away. What about some books?'

Diarmuid Ó hÉigceartuigh [Diarmuid O'Heagarty], Dáil Éireann, concerning Béaslaí's arrest and imprisonment, and accepting Béaslaí's offer to translate a report into Irish.

Conn O'Donovan and Liam Archer, concerning the marriage of Fionán Lynch.

T. hAingin [Horgan], Chomhairle Ceanntair Chiarraige Shoir [East Kerry Executive], concerning the activities of Sinn Féin in East Kerry, and local government affairs.

Dick Fitzgerald, Killarney, concerning money collected for the national loan, and Béaslaí's trip to Kerry.

A.S. [Austin Stack], concerning an aeraíocht in Killarney.

Caitlin Nic Ghabhann, Cearnog an Pháirneallaigh [Parnell Square], concerning a relative of hers who wants permission from Dáil Éireann to go to the USA.

17 items, 1919-20.

(10) Letters from:

M.J. O'Donoghue, Sioux Falls, South Dakota, USA, concerning a book which he is writing on Michael Collins, the time which he and Béaslaí spent in Ballingeary in the 1910s, and a request to transfer a civil servant from Cork to Dublin.

Thomas O'Connor, Rathmore. A letter addressed to Pat, concerning the destruction of O'Connor's home by Crown Forces.

[no name, possibly Minnie Egan], Tuosist, Kenmare, Co. Kerry, complaining about the activities of the local company of the IRA. J.D. O'Leary, Rathmore. A letter addressed to Pádraig, concerning compensation from the White Cross for the destruction of a co-op creamery.

D.P. [Walshe], H.M. Prison, Edinburgh, concerning his imprisonment and impending trial.

A. de Staic [Austin Stack], Dáil Éireann, Department of Home Affairs, concerning tickets for a public sitting of the Dáil.

[no name], Manchester, telegram announcing the sender's release.

M. Ó Cathain, Dublin Brigade IRA, concerning a Volunteer who is applying for a position as circulation agent for the *Freeman's Journal*. Written in Irish.

Daniel Foley, Keel, Castlemaine, Co. Kerry, inviting Béaslaí to speak at a local aeraíocht.

O Cathasaigh, Killarney. Telegram asking Béaslaí to phone him.

Mary A. O'Donnell, Annascaul, Co. Kerry, inviting Béaslaí to preside at an aeraíocht to raise funds for a marble alter for the local church.

Gheartrúd Nic Chonnail, Gorton, concerning the imprisonment of D.P. Walshe.

Pat Murphy, Brosna, Co. Kerry, inviting Béaslaí to a meeting to raise money for the prisoners' fund.

J. Doran, Clough, Co. Down, asking Béaslaí to use his influence to secure the appointment of an acquaintance as a school attendance officer.

Fírinne Nic Domhnaill, Sinn Féin, Dublin, concerning the Sinn Féin ard fheis's attitude to inactive cumainn (branches).

[no name]. A letter outlining the writer's opposition to the Treaty.

J. Bracken, concerning 'the definition of colonial self-government within the British Empire' and the British Commonwealth. A document entitled 'England and her naval rivals. Ireland's position' is attached to the letter.

18 items, 1921.

(11) Army correspondence:

Editor Oglach to Minister of Defence, concerning expenditure.

Army Publicity Director, to editor, *Irish Independent*, contradicting a report in the *Independent* regarding the appointment of a liaison officer for mid-Limerick.

Letter to Seán, concerning an unidentified matter. Written in Irish.

Letter to Neill, arranging a meeting.

Director of Organisation to Editor of *An tÓglach*, requesting an Irish translation of instructions relating to the army convention.

Correspondence between Béaslaí and Coiste Foillsighe an tSaor Stait [Free State Publicity Committee], concerning meetings in support of the Treaty.

Assistant Director of Publicity to Director of Medical Services, announcing the takeover of Wellington Barracks.

8 items, Jan.-May 1922.

(12) Letters from:

Dorothy Hungerford, concerning an article by St. John Irvine about Béaslaí, De Valera and the Irish in general.

U.L. Mac Cumhaill / W.L. Cole; M. O'Beirne; Charles O'Sullivan, Bishop of Kerry; John McKenna; and Seúmas Ua Rághallaigh, Dublin and Killarney; congratulating Béaslaí on his speech in the Dáil in favour of the Treaty.

John Nolan, Newbliss, Co. Monaghan, voicing his support for the Treaty.

Colm Ó Murchadha, General Secretariat, Dáil Éireann, giving notice of Dáil sittings.

Gladys and Kathleen Pigott, applying for positions as typists in the Army Publicity Dept.

S[eán] Ó M[uirthile], Honorary Secretary, an Saorstat Publicity and Election Committee, outlining the committee's activities.

Micheál Ó Carráin, Drumcondra, Dublin, concerning his brother's desire to secure a position in the army.

A. Strugwell, Keystone View Company, New York, requesting a photograph of Béaslaí.

Helen J. O'Neil, Palmerstown Park, Dublin, giving Béaslaí a letter of introduction to her daughter and son-in-law in the USA.

Pte. Thomas Crowe, Gortlea, Co. Kerry, applying for a position with the Garda Síochána. A reference is attached.

P. Ó Braonáin, Castleisland, Co. Kerry, concerning IRA men who wish to join the Gardaí.

Whiskard?, Irish Office, London, concerning T.A. Smiddy's passport.

K. Murphy, Wallasey, concerning the Irish Self Determination League (ISDL) in Wallasey.

Henry Kennedy, Director, Irish White Cross, concerning a claim for a grant from Thomas O'Leary, Killarney.

Eibhlín Ní Giollaífhionntáin, concerning the production of *An tÓglach*. Written in Irish.

23 items, Jan.-Apr. 1922.

(13) Letters from Béaslaí's trip to the USA, Mar.-Apr. 1922, from:

John B. Costello, Syracuse, New York, concerning a song entitled *The Anthem of Erin*, dedicated to the Free State.

Jim, Chicago, Illinois, USA, to Irish Free State Delegation, Stregis Hotel, New York, telegram stating: 'Please back away from controversy. Replies to charges should not contain counter attack.'

Martin H. Glynn, *Times Union*, Albany, New York, USA, concerning editorials in the *Times Union* supporting the Free State, and enquiries about the Free State.

J.H. Weeks, Stonington, Connecticut, USA, requesting Béaslaí's autograph.

Mary W. Reynaud, Revere, Massachusetts, USA, sending news-cuttings to Béaslaí.

John O'D. MacDonnell, *Boston Daily Advertiser*, USA, concerning Free State coins.

Seán MacDermott Club, Hoboken, New Jersey, USA, making an enquiry about the content of the Irish Free State constitution.

John O'Dea, Ancient Order of Hibernians, Philadelphia, concerning a letter written by him to the *Philadelphia Record* on 'A Plea for Irish Peace'.

Chas. J. O'Malley, Boston, Massachusetts, USA, concerning disturbances at Béaslaí's speech in Faneuil Hall, Boston.

'A true Sinn Féiner', Boston, Massachusetts, USA, asking Béaslaí not to attack opponents of the Treaty in his speech at Faneuil Hall.

P. McCourt, Akron, Ohio, USA, concerning De Valera's 'Cuban analogy'.

[no name], telegram to Béaslaí in Chicago, regarding the forwarding of his mail.

[no name, possibly Béaslaí's parents], Liverpool, telegram to Béaslaí giving him the address of [Joe] Scanlan [his cousin] in Kansas City.

Mrs Edward Callander, Chicago Illinois, seeking to locate Larry de Lacy.

Moffett Studio, Chicago, Illinois, USA, concerning photographs.

Shaemas O'Sheel, Kansas City, Missouri, USA, concerning the relationship between the Truce and Treaty and the Washington Conference on Limitation of Armaments and Far Eastern Affairs.

O'Connell ?, Miller Hotel Co., Des Moines, Iowa, concerning the loss of Béaslaí's mail.

18 items, Mar.-Apr. 1922.

(14) Letters from:

John Hudson, National Special Schools' Union, concerning his union.

Geraóid Ó Suilleaváin, concerning an Irish translation, and expenses

J. O' Carroll, Listowel, recommending changes to the Free State constitution.

Bridget Clune, Quin, Co. Clare, concerning the death of her son Conor Clune, in 1920, and her application for compensation.

S.J. Donleavy, *New York American*, concerning Michael Collins's military record.

Gearóid Ó hAodha, Phibsboro, Dublin, concerning his dismissal from C.I.D.

M.J. O'Donoghue, Sioux Falls, South Dakota, USA, concerning his book on *The Triumph of Sinn Féin*, and the Treaty split among Irish Americans.

T.A. Smiddy, Republic of Ireland, Diplomatic Mission to the United States, Washington DC, concerning Béaslaí's bank account in the USA.

Micheal Ó Foghludha, Dromcollachair, Co. Limerick, concerning his application for a job as a teacher. Written in Irish.

19 items, May-Sept. 1922.

(15) Letters from:

J. Crimmins, Dublin Metropolitan Police, a telephone message for Béaslaí.
J.J., O'Connell, Curragh Camp, concerning *An tÓglach*.
Micheal Ó Muireadhaigh, Killarney, concerning inland fisheries.
[no name]. Fragment of a letter concerning a request for a job.
Marcus A. O'Sullivan, New York City, USA, concerning a copy of the *Minutes and Proceedings of Dáil Éireann, 1919-1921*.
J.S. Roche, concerning his application for the post of clerk of the district court in Tralee. A letter from Fr. P Ó Braonain in support of Roche's application is attached.
T. Lawlor, clerk, Tralee Rural District Council, concerning the Council's resolution against executions. Two letters from Fionán Ó Loínsigh are attached. 15 items, Nov. 1922-Jan. 1923.

Ms 33,918(1) Correspondence with:

Diarmuid Ó hÉigceartuigh [Diarmuid O'Hegarty], Director of Intelligence, concerning anti-Treaty propaganda literature distributed within the National Army.
Domhnall Ó Conaill, Killarney, Co. Kerry, concerning the commandeering of his car by the National Army.
Ellen McGillicuddy, Castleisland, Co. Kerry, concerning compensation for the destruction of her property by Crown Forces in 1921.
M. McKeon, Dublin Metropolitan Police, an invitation to a dance.
Seán Mac Mathghamhna? [Seán MacMahon], Chief-of-Staff, concerning the future of *An tÓglach*.
R. Frewen and J. Dargan, Central Telegraph Office, Amiens St, Dublin, concerning punishment imposed on them by the Post Office while acting as Military Censors.
J.D. Nolan, Castleisland, Co. Kerry, concerning the commandeering of his car by the National Army.
LSE Motor Co. Ltd, Nth Frederick St, Dublin, concerning the payment of their bill.
21 items, beginning Jan.-Feb. 1923.

(2) Correspondence with:

Maurice M. Hartnett, Castle View Hotel, Castleisland, Co. Kerry, concerning the commandeering of his hotel by the National Army.
Pádraig Ó Rónáin, Ballingeary, Co. Cork, concerning the development of Kilmore Mills.
Margaret Ross, Muckross Hotel, Killarney, Co. Kerry, concerning the payment of hotel licence duty.
Seán Ó Caoimh (J. O'Keeffe), University College Cork, concerning his son's efforts to get a job as a Veterinary Surgeon with the Department of Agriculture.
J. Collins, Officers' Mess Canteen, Portobello Barracks, Béaslaí's account.

24 items, beginning Feb. 1923.

(3) Correspondence with:

Domnall Ó Donneachdha, Rathmore, Co. Kerry, concerning the activities of anti-Treaty forces in east Kerry.

R. Frewen and R. Dargan, Central Telegraphic Office, Amiens St, Dublin, concerning the punishment imposed on them while acting as military censors.

Thomas J. Lyne, Killarney Gas Works Lessees and Coal Merchants, Co. Kerry, concerning payment of his bill for supplying coal and hardware to the National Army.

24 items, beginning Feb. 1923.

(4) Correspondence with:

Dick Fitzgerald, College St, Killarney, Co. Kerry, concerning his application for the clerkship of the District Court in Killarney.

Micheal Állman, Military Barracks, Kilkenny, concerning an application by a friend of his for a job as a book-keeper with the Civil Service.

[no name given]. Telegram concerning a letter sent to Béaslaí.

19 items, beginning Mar. 1923.

(5) Correspondence with:

Mairead Leonard (Fleming), Mountjoy Prison, concerning her arrest and asking Béaslaí to help secure her release.

Seumas Ó Moráin, General Secretary, Irish National Foresters, Liverpool, concerning the deportation of John Leahy.

Margaret Leahy, Liverpool, concerning the deportation of her husband, John Leahy.

[Anonymous], Philadelphia, attacking Béaslaí for supporting the Treaty.

E. Ó Dugáin [Eamon Duggan], Dublin, enclosing items from Liverpool for Béaslaí.

Executive Committee, Resigned and Dismissed RIC, concerning compensation for resigned and dismissed members of the.

14 items, beginning Mar. 1923.

(6) Correspondence with:

Brandon Long, Clonmel, Co. Tipperary, concerning attacks on his newspaper, the *Clonmel Nationalist*, by anti-Treaty forces.

J.J. Herlihy, Knocknagree, Co. Cork, concerning his application for a job.

Eason & Son Ltd, O'Connell St, Dublin, concerning missing newspapers, non-delivery of newspapers and journals, and Easons' account.

Margaret Brady, Co. Leitrim, concerning the payment of money owed to her.

17 items, beginning Mar. 1923.

(7) Correspondence with:

Commandant Nolan, concerning a claim for a Dependant's Allowance.
James J. Lynch, Thomas St, Dublin, seeking a job in the Civil Service.
Jeremiah O'Neill, Leixlip, Co. Kildare, and Peter O'Connor, Dunboyne, Co. Meath, concerning a plea for leniency from the relatives of two captured anti-Treaty IRA members.

George A. Kirby, Woodford Green, Essex, England, concerning the Irish flour-milling industry.

Farm tenants of Brosna village, Co. Kerry, requesting that the Minister for Agriculture and the Land Commission prevent the sale of a farm and have it divided among the local villagers instead.

John O'Brien, Killarney Branch, Irish Union of Distributive Workers and Clerks, concerning a bill introduced in the Seanad to substitute Church Holidays as Bank Holidays, instead of existing Bank Holidays.
The Manager, *Irish Times*, Dublin concerning deliveries of newspapers to the press censor's office.

Dublin Taxi Co, payment of a bill.

41 items, beginning Apr. 1923.

(8) Correspondence with:

James O'Shea, Killarney, Co. Kerry, concerning the seizure of his cattle by British authorities.

Francis J. Lowe, concerning the Friends of the Irish Free State in New York, and the prospects for peace between the Free State and opponents of the Treaty. Newspaper extracts are attached.

Liam O'Gorman, Drumcondra, concerning an application for a position in the Stationery Office.

Dr William Prendiville, Castleisland, Co. Kerry, concerning his account for attending to National Army troops.

Lieut. James C. Green, Keogh Barracks, concerning his arrest for shooting another soldier.

S. Ó Dolain, concerning Béaslaí's decision not to stand in the 1923 general election.

Coghlan Briscoe, All Ireland Town Tenants' League, concerning the grievances of town tenants in Glin, Co. Kerry.

Seumas O'Reilly, Lissivigeen, Co. Kerry, concerning teachers' pensions.

21 items, beginning May 1923.

(9) Correspondence with:

Patrick M. Murphy, Brosna, Co. Kerry, concerning his claim for compensation.

M[arcus] A. O'Sullivan, New York City, USA, concerning the *Minutes and Proceedings of Dáil Éireann*.

Guard Tim Horgan, McKee Barracks, concerning a request for leave to visit his mother.

Timothy O'Shea, solicitor, Killarney, Co. Kerry, concerning a compensation claim by his client, Mrs Kate O'Connor, Farranfore.

Diarmuid Ó Cróinín, Headford, Killarney, Co. Kerry, concerning the commandeering of his house by National Army troops.

Maurice Pyle, *Kerry People*, Tralee, Co. Kerry, concerning the destruction of the newspaper's printing machine by the anti-Treaty IRA.

21 items, beginning May 1923.

(10) Correspondence with:

Jeremiah Harrington, Knocknagoshel, Co. Kerry, concerning an unidentified matter relating to his farm.

Rev J. Browne, Glenfesk, Co. Kerry, concerning the purchase of the O'Donoghue estate by its tenants.

W. MacSweeney, Traders' Association, Killorglin, Co. Kerry, enclosing a resolution passed by his association. The resolution does not accompany this correspondence.

S. Ó Muirthile, Dublin, concerning an unidentified document.

A.S. Beaslai, Listowel, Co. Kerry, concerning the imprisonment of Con Dee.

Micheal Ó Muireadhaigh, Town Clerk, Killarney Urban District Council, Co. Kerry, concerning calls for the improvement of the train service in Killarney.

Capt J. Keegan, Dublin Command Headquarters, Collins Barracks, issuing a permit for a revolver.

Béaslai to Minister of Agriculture, concerning his cousin, Cecil Kearney's, position with the Congested Districts Board.

Ed Spillane, Glenfesk, Co. Kerry, concerning a claim for a bicycle.

29 items, beginning May 1923.

(11) Correspondence with:

Seán Mac Niocall, Naas, Co. Kildare, concerning his application for a job as a school inspector. Written in Irish.

Director of Intelligence, concerning the arrest of Ms Hanah Cleary.

Patrick J. Tuohy, Metropolitan School of Art, Kildare St, Dublin, and Eoin Mac Neill, Minister for Education, concerning the Federation of Arts and art institutions in the Free State.

Seán Ó Coileáin, Land Settlement Commission, Dublin, concerning the Brosna village tenants' claim for the division of a farm.

Michéal Ó Foghludha, Dromcollachair, concerning his application for a job with the Department of Education. Written in Irish.

P. Ua Muineacain, Castleisland, Co. Kerry, concerning acquaintances of his who wish to enter the Garda Síochána.

A. Graham, Killarney, Co. Kerry, concerning the occupation of Graham's hotel by the army.
Florence O'Sullivan, Kenmare, Co. Kerry, concerning compensation for land seized in 1881.
Chief Superintendent MacCarthy, Garda Siochána, concerning an applicant for a position with the Gardaí.
33 items, beginning June 1923.

(12) Correspondence with:

Capt D. Ó Duinneachdha, Macroom, Co. Cork, concerning an unpaid bill for car hire by the army.
Timothy O'Shea, Killarney, Co. Kerry, the subject of the letter is unclear.
Micheal Ó Muireadhaigh, Town Clerk, Killarney Urban District Council, concerning arrears owed to the council under the National Insurance acts.
Timothy Spillane, Rathmore, Co. Kerry, concerning his application for a post in the Garda Siochána.
P. Ó Rónáin, Ballingearry, Co. Cork, concerning a suggested clause for the new land bill.
'An Seabhac' [Pádraig Ó Siochfhradha], concerning the commandeering of motor cars in Dingle.
Christopher Harte, Ranelagh, Dublin, concerning a claim for property looted from Vaughan's Hotel.
Béasláí to Commandant Colgan, Portobello Barracks, recommending a person for a clerical post in the army.
Commandant Nolan, Portobello Barracks, concerning a claim for expenses incurred by Commandant O'Sullivan, Killarney.
Cissie McCarthy, Whitehall, Castlepollard, [Co. Westmeath], concerning her application for occupancy of a house.
33 items, beginning June 1923.

(13) Correspondence with:

Jeremiah Mahony, Killarney, Co. Kerry, concerning his bill for goods supplied to troops in Killarney and goods commandeered by the anti-Treaty IRA.
John Gaine, Abbey Hotel, Dublin, concerning the rejection of his application to join the Garda Siochána.
Alice O'Donoghue, Killarney, Co. Kerry, concerning the commandeering of her bicycle.
Julia M. Curran, Killarney, Co. Kerry, concerning a claim for compensation.
Commandant P. O'Sullivan, Killarney, Co. Kerry, concerning his dependants' allowance claim.
Patrick Golden, Bray, Co. Wicklow, concerning his application for a post in the Garda Siochána.
W.P. Quinlan, Tralee, Co. Kerry, concerning Kerry County Council grants.

48 items, beginning June 1923.

(14) Correspondence with:

Tomás Ó Máille, Galway, concerning the imprisonment of Maurice Scanlan, Farranfore. Written in Irish and English.

Quartermaster General, a request for an officer's cane and a pair of gloves.

Kate Sullivan, Killarney, concerning her request for a dependant's allowance.

Tadhg Ó Conaill, Firies, concerning his application for the job of postman from Farranfore to Ballyhar.

John Moynihan, Headford, concerning his application for a dependant's allowance.

Bridget Clune, Quin, Co. Clare, concerning the circumstances surrounding the death of her son Conor, and her enquiries about compensation.

Eoghan Ó Dubhthaigh [Eoin O'Duffy], Chief Commissioner, Garda Síochána, recommending John Lenihan for a post in the Gardaí.

19 items, beginning July 1923.

(15) Letters and correspondence:

J. Sheehan, Beaufort, and Cardiff, Wales (husband of Béaslaí's cousin, Mollie), concerning the commandeering of blankets from his mother's shop in Kilorglin by Free State troops.

Seumas Ua Brannagáin, London, principally concerning Michael Collins.

Officer In Charge, Accounts Department, concerning the non-payment of a bill for the Military Censor's Office.

Eason and Son, enclosing a cheque for the settlement of Béaslaí's account with them.

Seán Ó Cathasaigh, Killarney, concerning the Irish translation for certain military terms. Written in Irish.

Fr J. Beazley, concerning the security of Julia Foley's job as a primary school teacher.

Séamus Ó hAodha, Cork, concerning his attempts to get a job as a national school inspector. Written in Irish.

Robert Page, Emmet Barracks, Clonmel, concerning his being charged with treachery for communicating with the IRA.

T. Lynch, Aungier St, Dublin, concerning Béaslaí's cheque book and letters, and the death of his father.

Fr James Beazley, Duagh, Béaslaí's uncle, concerning the amalgamation of two national schools in his parish.

12 items, Aug.-Dec. 1923.

(16) Contents of file labelled 'Latter end 1923, personal file':

Béaslaí to Chief of General Staff, concerning proposals for the future of *An tÓglach*.

Béaslaí to the editors, *Irish Independent* and *Freeman's Journal*, concerning a letter from Prof. R. Dybosky, University of Cracow, Poland, acknowledging receipt of Liam Ó Rinn's Irish translation of Mickiewicz's *Books of Pilgrimage*.

Béaslaí to Risteárd Ó Foghludha, Connradh na Gaedhilge, concerning the Oireachtas. Written in Irish.

Béaslaí ? to Seán Ó Conchubhair, Army headquarters, Parkgate, accepting an invitation to act as a judge for Fainne na nOglach. Written in Irish.

Mrs Murphy, Greystones, Co. Wicklow, inviting Béaslaí to a fête in aid of the wounded soldiers comfort fund.

Correspondence with Seán Mac Maghamhna [Seán MacMahon], Chief of General Staff, Parkgate, Dublin, concerning an alleged attack on civilians by National Army soldiers in Cork.

Béaslaí to the Manager, *The Dublin Magazine*, paying his subscription to the magazine.

Intelligence Officer, Dublin Command to the Director of Intelligence, concerning Cecil Kearney, Béaslaí's cousin.

[no name given], an anonymous threatening letter to Béaslaí from the parent of a prisoner on hunger strike.

Charles J.P. O'Dowd, Liverpool, expressing sympathy on the death of Béaslaí's father. 14 items, 1923.

(17) Letters and correspondence:

Bernard Cahill, Cahill Bros., Dublin, concerning Béaslaí's account.

Fr James Beazley, Duagh, Béaslaí's uncle, concerning an applicant for a position with the Garda Síochána.

P. King, Chief Pay Officer, Portobello Barracks, concerning the accounts of the Military Censorship Department.

Thomas FitzGerald, Duagh, Co. Kerry, concerning his application for the Garda Síochána.

Fr James Beazley, Duagh, Co. Kerry, concerning an applicant for the Garda Síochána.

? Moore, concerning Béaslaí's batman.

James Green, O'Connell St, Dublin, concerning a misunderstanding between him and Béaslaí.

J.V. Joyce, Office of Chief of Staff, Parkgate, Dublin, concerning an applicant for a demobilisation grant.

Arthur Gentleman, [Béaslaí's cousin] Lixnaw, Co. Kerry, concerning a request for police protection for his farm.

Béaslaí to E. Ó Dubhtaigh [Eoin O'Duffy], concerning Arthur Gentleman's request for police protection.

J. Smyth, Officers' Mess, Portobello Barracks, Dublin, concerning Béaslaí's Mess subscription.

Julia Foley, née Beazley, Lixnaw, Co. Kerry, concerning her fears for the security of her job as a national school teacher.

M. Dunphy, Military Secretary, Office of General Officer Commanding the Force, Royal Hospital, Kilmainham, Dublin, concerning the case of Arthur Gentleman.

23 items, Jan.-July 1924.

(18) Letters and correspondence:

J. Smyth, Officers' Mess, Portobello Barracks, concerning Officers' rations and Béaslaí's Mess account.

Dr T. Dyboski, London, concerning information about the Irish Free State.

G. O'Doherty, Quartermaster General's Department, General Headquarters, Parkgate, Dublin, concerning the issue of rations.

Comdt. M.J. Wedick, Portobello Barracks, assigning a soldier to act as Béaslaí's Batman and Orderly.

Correspondence with Department of General Staff and Chief of General Staff, concerning Béaslaí's resignation from the National Army.

Lieut. M.L. Nolan, Portobello Barracks, notifying Béaslaí of the withdrawal of his orderly following his resignation from the army.

Seán McGarry and Seán Ó Muirthuile, concerning a banquet to celebrate John Devoy's 82nd birthday.

William Shields, Limerick, concerning his application for a grant of land.

Tom Byrne, Leinster House, Dublin, concerning an application for a demobilisation grant.

[No name given], Rathfarnham, Co. Dublin, concerning presentations to Captains Murray and A.T. Walsh.

Liam Archer, Portobello Barracks, asking Béaslaí to provide a reference for a former employee of the censor's office. A draft of the reference from Béaslaí is attached.

Floss [Long], Béaslaí's cousin, Clonmel, Co. Tipperary, concerning a friend of hers who wishes to get a visa to go to the USA.

Army Finance Officer, Department of Defence, concerning Béaslaí's demobilisation grant.

M. Dunphy, Office of the General Officer Commanding the Forces, Dublin, concerning Eileen Glendon's certificate of service.

Eileen Glendon, Dublin, concerning her application for a certificate of service.

John Keating, Killarney, Co. Kerry, concerning a friend's application for a position in the County Surveyor's Office.

Office of Chief of Staff, Parkgate, concerning Tom Cullen's application for a demobilisation grant.

M. Ó Foghludha, Cork, concerning the 1924 Local Government Bill.
32 items, July-Nov. 1924.

(19) Letters from:

Micheál Ó Coisdealbha, GHQ, Parkgate, concerning the future of *An tÓglach*.

Eileen Glendon, Dublin, informing Béaslaí of her intention to become a nun.

Arthur V. Gentleman, Lixnaw, Co. Kerry, concerning the raid on Béaslaí's house, and the settlement of his land problem.
W.J. Brennan-Whitmore, GHQ, Parkgate, concerning the future of *An tÓglach*.
Mrs Bridget Clune, Quin, Co. Clare, concerning her application for compensation from the Irish White Cross.
Michael Keogh, Arbour Hill Barracks, Dublin, concerning his plans to write a book on Roger Casement and the 1916 Rising.
M. McDonnchadha, Department of the President, Dublin, and Geo. W. Bigg, Manufacturers Trust Company, New York, USA, concerning a bank account dating from Béaslaí's trip to the USA in 1922.
8 items, 1925-28.

Ms 33,919(1) Letters concerning the history of the Irish revolution from:

John Doherty, Derby, England, concerning Michael Collins, and his opinion that Collins was shot by the driver of the armoured car.
Arthur Baker, London, sending Béaslaí a copy of *The Invisible Army* by Desmond Ryan. A copy of Béaslaí's reply, giving his opinion of the book, is attached.
James Melody, Chicago, USA, concerning Sinn Féin and the Irish Volunteers in Britain.
Liam Ó Briain ?, University College Galway, concerning the reaction of Lloyd George, Michael Collins and Arthur Griffith to the death of Sir Henry Wilson, and the question of Collins's involvement in Wilson's death. Written in Irish.
M.J. Lyons, Longford, to General Seán Mac Eoin, concerning the Irish White Cross and the Volunteer Dependents' Fund.
John C. Tozer, Dublin, concerning his book on Arthur Griffith.
P.S. O'Hegarty, Rathgar, Dublin, concerning Florrie O'Donoghue, the Volunteers in Cork and Michael Collins.
Diarmuid Lynch / Diarmuid Ua Loinsigh, Ballyfeard, Co. Cork.
Subjects include the debate on what flags were flown during the Easter Rising, the involvement of the Volunteers with Sinn Féin, historians efforts to study the Irish revolution, Bulmer Hobson's book on the Volunteers, the IRB and plans for the Rising, Lynch's comments on a manuscript, by an unidentified author, dealing with the Irish Volunteers, the Irish Parliamentary Party and the Easter Rising, his plans to send material on the Easter Rising to the Bureau of Military History, Kathleen Clarke's theories about the role of her husband, Tom Clarke, in the Rising, Michael Lennon, and the Sinn Féin convention in 1917.
Desmond Ryan, concerning Patrick Pearse.
Liam C. Skinner, *The Irish Press*, Dublin, concerning his plans to write a history of the 1916 Rising.
Seán MacGarry, concerning Dáil Éireann's control of the Volunteers in 1919.
Micheál Ó Lionáin, Terenure, Co. Dublin, concerning Tom Clarke's candidature for the clerkship of Rathdown Union.

Earnán J. Hess, Blackrock, Co. Dublin, concerning his recollections of Dublin during the War of Independence.
19 items, 1930-50.

(2) Letters concerning the history of the Irish revolution from:

Seán Ó Lúing, Stillorgan, Co. Dublin, concerning Arthur Griffith.
Written in English and Irish.

Risteárd Ó Maolcatha [Richard Mulcahy], Dáil Éireann, Dublin,
concerning Florrie O'Donoghue.

Florrie O'Donoghue, Cork, concerning O'Donoghue's book on Liam Lynch, the position of the IRB at the end of 1921, and the relations between IRA GHQ and the Cork IRA in 1921. Drafts of replies from Béaslaí are included.

14 items, 1951-2.

(3) Letters concerning the history of the Irish revolution from:

Seán Ó Lúing, Stillorgan, Co. Dublin, concerning the erection of a commemorative plaque to Arthur Griffith on the site of the office of the *United Irishman*. Written in Irish.

Seumas Ó Dublín, Dublin, concerning relations between Ireland and Britain, and National Action.

E.D. Collins, Manchester, Connecticut, USA, concerning two books critical of the IRA during the War of Independence.

Micheál Ó Lionán, Dublin, concerning articles written by Michael Collins in 1922.

Robin Dudley Edwards, Department of History, University College Dublin, concerning Christopher Holliss's assertion that Michael Collins modelled himself on G.K. Chesterton's *Napoleon of Notting Hill*.

L. Fitzpatrick, Donnybrook, Dublin, concerning the introduction of proportional representation for Irish elections, the constitution of Dáil Éireann, and Béaslaí's articles in the *Irish Independent*.

Eileen O'Connor, North Circular Rd, Dublin, concerning her father's [Batt O'Connor] book.

Seán Ó Néill, Tuam, Co. Galway, concerning Na Fianna, and Béaslaí's public appearance in Volunteer uniform in 1913.

John M. Heuston, Tralee, Co. Kerry, concerning the 1916 Rising.

Eamon, Dean's Grange, Co. Dublin, concerning Na Fianna.

Emmet Dalton, London, concerning plans to make a series of television programmes on Michael Collins.

Pádraig Ó Maidín, Cork, concerning his plans to write a book about Tom Clarke (Tomás Ó Cléirigh).

Michael MacDonagh, Dublin, concerning Max Caulfield's desire to meet Béaslaí in connection with his book on the 1916 Rising.

Oliver Snoddy, Ballsbridge, Dublin, requesting an interview with Béaslaí for his thesis on the period 1913-16.

Tomás P. Waters, Cobh, Co. Cork, listing the names of the Bantry Company of the Volunteers in 1916.

Laurence Phillips, Donabate, Co. Dublin, concerning his plans to write a poem about Thomas Ashe.

Phil Hearty, Dundalk, Co. Louth, seeking information on the leaders of the 1916 rising.

[No name given], Dunsany, Co. Meath, concerning his recollections of the Volunteers in Mayo.

Aodh Ó Néill, Bantry, Co. Cork, concerning Arthur Griffith. Written in Irish.

Kathleen Clarke, Ballsbridge, Dublin, concerning Arthur Griffith's newspapers and his relationship with the IRB.

Stephen Rynne, concerning John Devoy.

W.R. Rodgers, Colchester, Essex, England, thanking Béaslaí for his help with a BBC broadcast on the Easter Rising.

Mick Mackin, Durham, England, concerning the IRA in Britain during the War of Independence. A poem entitled *The Red Blaze of Freedom* is attached.

Paul Fennelly, Tullamore, Co. Offaly, enquiring about the whereabouts of informers' letters from 1920.

27 items, 1953-64.

(4) Letters from:

Bulmer Hobson (B.H.), *Irish Freedom*, concerning a meeting.

L., the subject of this letter is unclear; it contains reference to McG's plans to resign, and to Bishop Fogarty.

Eamonn Ceannt, informing Béaslaí of a meeting.

P. Ó hU., *Irish Volunteer*, Dublin, concerning items for the *Irish Volunteer* newspaper.

Larry de Lacy, concerning a mistake in the printing of the *Irish Volunteer*, a request for Béaslaí to write an article for it, and the censorship of the newspaper by the Provisional Committee of the Irish Volunteers.

É.C. Ó Maolíosa, Irish Volunteers, Dublin, asking Béaslaí to translate a statement into Irish and send it to the evening newspapers.

James A. Russell, concerning the release of political prisoners.

Máire Ní Rioghbhardáin, Dingle, enclosing a message for Béaslaí from Austin Stack.

Proinsias Ó Fathaigh, concerning the status of the Irish language in the Irish Free State.

11 items, undated.

(5) Letters from:

'An Irishwoman from Belfast', a short note, possibly addressed to Béaslaí's parents, wishing him well.

[no name extant], fragments of a note concerning Arthur Griffith.

Jock?, hand-written note in pencil, apparently sent to Béaslaí in prison from a fellow prisoner, containing references to the prison governor and J.J. Walsh.

T. Horgan, Killarney, informing Béaslaí of his election for East Kerry.

R. Ó Síothcháin, Sinn Féin, Dublin, concerning a meeting about the Mansion House Conference.

Seán, *Nationality*, Dublin, sending Béaslaí a copy of an unidentified item.

Tomás Parthalán [Tom Barclay], Leicester, England, requesting copies of Irish newspapers.

M.C. [possibly Michael Collins], concerning plans to write to English MPs about parliament's responsibility for murders, lootings, burnings and reprisals in Ireland.

A. McH., Coiste Foillsighe an tSaor Stait [Free State Publicity and Election Committee], concerning the use of Irish in the general election campaign.

John D. O'Leary, Rathmore, Co. Kerry, concerning a decree of £5,000 awarded to the local creamery.

Miceal Álman [Michael Allman], Heffernan's Hotel, Killarney, concerning the disturbed state of the country during the Treaty split.

Minnie Egan, Tuosist, Kenmare, Co. Kerry, concerning the activities of the local IRA during the Truce.

W. O'Sullivan, concerning money owed to an acquaintance.

J.M. Stanley, Padraic O'Flanagan Sinn Féin Club, Dublin, concerning plans to hold a public meeting.

[no name], cell no. 1, a short handwritten note, apparently sent to Béaslaí in prison by a fellow prisoner, concerning a parody.

15 items, undated.

(6) Letters addressed to:

Phil MacMahon to Frank, principally concerning the state of the republican movement in Co. Louth.

Margaret Pearce to Miss O'Sullivan, concerning a visit by Ms Pearce and her mother to Béaslaí in Birmingham jail.

'Business' to 'Q', a short note arranging a meeting.

E. to Quinn, a short note stating 'I should be glad to hear from you soon'.

Richard W. Wolfe, Chicago, USA, to Councillor John Forrestall, Dublin, enclosing an article by him on the proposed Free State constitution. Newscuttings containing Wolfe's article, and a report on Wolfe's views on zoning are attached.

Telegram for Seán McKeon [Seán Mac Eoin], concerning his mother's health.

7 items, 1917-22 and undated

(7) Drafts of letters written by Béaslaí, 1915-58, to:

[no name given], explaining his non-attendance at a battalion committee meeting.

[no name given], written by Béaslaí in Mountjoy Prison, complaining about the medical services in the prison.

Mr Duggan, written by Béaslaí in Belfast Prison, requesting help with bail sureties.

[no name given], concerning funds raised by the Liverpool Roger Casement club for Béaslaí's election expenses.

The Governor, Mountjoy Prison, concerning the sanitary provisions in the prison, protesting at the quality of food served, and requesting the return of his documents.

The Secretary, Irish Prisons Board, written from Mountjoy Prison, concerning the withdrawal of the privilege of having his food brought from outside the prison.

The British Home Secretary, written from Birmingham Prison, protesting at his transfer from Mountjoy and the refusal to treat him as a political prisoner.

Chief of General Staff, concerning the future of *An tÓglach*.

Editor, *Irish Independent*, concerning the suspension of publication of *An tÓglach*, and the publication of *An tÓglach* during the War of Independence.

Capt. P. Keogh, concerning the dismissal of Béaslaí's batman.

Editor, *Irish Independent*, concerning the treatment of Irish prisoners as political prisoners in England.

General O'Dubhthaigh [Eoin O'Duffy], concerning a candidate for the Gardaí recommended by Fr James Beazley.

Capt. P. Tuite, concerning the possible recall of Béaslaí's batman and orderly. The reply from Tuite is written on the back.

Jas. O'Connor, concerning an Easter Week memorial book.

Michíl, concerning a play about Michael Collins.

20 items, 1915-58.

(8) Drafts of letters written by Béaslaí to:

Medical Officer, Mountjoy prison, concerning the state of Béaslaí's health and his treatment in prison.

The Chairman, General Prisons Board, requesting parole to visit his mother.

[no name given], fragment of a letter, protesting at the treatment of prisoners.

Desmond, concerning a series of articles written by him on prison escapes.

Miss B., concerning Michael Collins's attitude towards English people.

[no name given], fragment of a letter concerning the searching of Béaslaí's lodgings by 'G' men.

[no name given], fragment of a letter concerning Eoin Mac Neill's negotiations with John Redmond about the Volunteers.

[no name given], fragment of a letter concerning visits by IRA officers from the south to Dublin before the Truce.

Liam, concerning the visit of an American delegation to Mountjoy prison.

Col J., concerning plans for the Easter Rising. Extracts from Béaslaí's diary for 1915 are summarised in the letter.

Mr Gibney, concerning the authenticity of a photo of Harry Boland.

[no name given], concerning Tom Clarke. Written in Irish.

Fr H., concerning Denis MacCullough and Dr Pat McCartan.

Emmet [Dalton], concerning plans by Ardmore Studios to make a film about Michael Collins and the Black and Tans.
14 items, undated.

- (9) Letters from the Bureau of Military History. Subjects include documents relating to the 1917 Volunteer convention, attempts to compile a complete series of *An tÓglach*, errors contained in *Limerick's Fighting Story*, a request for details of the military situation in 1916, requests for Béaslaí to make a statement to the Bureau, and the submission of his article entitled 'The Fixing of the Date of the 1916 Rising' to the Bureau's archives. Correspondents include Michael McDunphy, J.M. MacCarthy, J.V. Joyce, R.J. Feely, M.F. Ryan, and P.J. Brennan.
13 items, 1947-52.

I.vi. Newspaper reports

A collection of newspaper cuttings and newspapers, including extracts from the Irish daily broadsheets and some copies of British and US newspapers, including John Devoy's *Gaelic American*; a file of newspaper cuttings on the border incident in Belleek-Pettigo in 1922; and type-written sheets containing copies of reports which appeared in the *Irish Independent*, describing incidents which took place during the War of Independence.

- Ms 33,920(1) Envelope 1: Miscellaneous newspaper cuttings re Irish revolution. Subjects include reports of IRA actions and supporters of the republican movement in the USA
Envelope 2: Newspaper cuttings re Piaras Béaslaí, principally concerning his arrest and imprisonment
Envelope 3: Newspaper cuttings re Irish revolution. Subjects include photographs of republican commemorations, Béaslaí's escape from Strangeways prison in 1919, Tom Kehoe's funeral, and commemorations for Michael Collins.
- (2) *The Workers' Republic*, 5 June 1915.
- (3) *The Hibernian*, 11 Sept. 1915.
- (4) *Honesty*, 30 Oct. 1915.
- (5) *The Gaelic American*, 22 June 1922.
- (6) Newspapers and newspaper cuttings from:
The Irish Volunteer, 27 Mar. 1915.
The Young Rebel, June 1917.
[unidentified newspaper] article on 'Sinn Féin National Fund', 28 July 1917.
The Police Gazette or Hue and Cry, includes description of Béaslaí.

4 Apr. 1919.
Daily Herald, 10 June 1919.
[*Irish Times* ?], 1919.

(7) *New York Times*, picture section, negative copy. 4 Jan. 1920.

(8) *The Sinn Féiner* (New York), 30 Oct. 1920, 7 Jan. 1922.

(9) *The Gaelic American*, 30 Oct. 1920.

(10) Newspapers and newscuttings from:

The Morning Post, 29 Apr. 1920.
The Weekly Summary, 22 Oct. 1920.
The Evening News (Waterford), 12 Sept. 1921.
The Irish Times, 17 Nov. 1921, 1 Dec. 1921.
Editorial from *Evening World Herald*, 7 Dec. 1921.

(11) *Chicago Daily News*, 17 Mar. 1921.

(12) *Irish Bulletin*, 11 Mar. 1921, 15 Aug. 1921.

(13) Contents of file entitled 'Belleek Battle':
File of newspaper cuttings concerning a confrontation between British and Irish troops in the border area of Belleek and Pettigo. June 1922.

(14) Newscuttings from:

Evening Telegraph, *Daily Chronicle*, *Morning Post*, *Daily Telegraph*,
Irish Independent, *Daily Mirror*, concerning the Dáil treaty debates.
3-4 Jan. 1922.
Freeman's Journal, 6 Apr. 1922.
Daily Sketch, concerning the progress of the Civil War. 24 July 1922.
World's Record, undated.
Limerick Leader, undated.

(15) Excerpts from US newspapers dealing with events in Ireland, including Béaslaí's trip to the USA. 1922.

(16) *The Patriot*, 27 July 1922.

(17) Extracts from *Freeman's Journal*, 1 Jan. 1923

(18) *Honesty*, 3 July 1923.

(19) Assorted newspaper cuttings re Irish revolution, 1924-52.

Ms 33,921(1) Contents of file 'Freeman's Journal for':
Extracts from *Freeman's Journal*, Mar.-June 1922.

- (2) Contents of file 'Freeman's Journal against':
Extracts from *Freeman's Journal*, Mar.-June 1922.
- (3) Contents of file 'Irish Times for':
Extracts from *Irish Times*, Mar.-June 1922.
- (4) Contents of file 'Irish Times against':
Extracts from *Irish Times*, Mar.-June 1922.
- (5) Contents of file 'Irish Independent against':
Extracts from the *Irish Independent*, Mar.-June 1922.
- (6) Contents of file 'Irish Independent for':
Extracts from *Irish Independent*, Mar.-June 1922.
- (7) *Irish World*, 5 May 1923.
- (8) Scrapbook of newspaper cuttings, April-May 1922.
- (9) Contents of file 'Treaty & Truce Newspapers':

Old Ireland, 19 Nov. 1921; *The Leader*, 19 Nov. 1921;
Evening Telegraph, 10 Dec. 1921; *Sunday Independent*, 18 Dec. 1921;
Young Ireland, 19 Nov. 1921; *An Saorstát, The Free State*,
 25 Feb. 1922; *Daily Herald*, 4 Jan. 1922; *The Separatist*, 18 Feb. 1922;
Freeman's Journal, 16-20 Dec. 1921; *Daily Mail*, 9 Jan. 1922;
Irish Independent, 5 Jan. 1922; *Daily Sketch*, 4 Jan. 1922;
Daily Herald, 4 Jan. 1922; *Daily Mail*, 4 Jan. 1922; *Daily News*,
 4 Jan. 1922. [These newspapers were contained in a folder which was
 made from a map of Ireland outlining the army command areas in
 1922. This map has been moved to another section of the collection,
 see Ms 33,914(19)].

- (10) *Freeman's Journal*, 26 Aug. 1922. 2 items.
- (11) *An Saorstát, The Free State*, 2 Sept. 1922.

Ms 33,922(1) 'Oct. 15th 1917-Jan. 25th 1918', empty file.

- (2) 'Nov. 1919-Dec. 1919':
Incidents referred to include attacks on police
and military barracks, arrests, De Valera's US tour, killing of
policemen, the attack on Lord French at Ashtown, the *Irish
Independent's* editorial condemning the assassination attempt on Lord
French and the subsequent attack on the newspaper's offices.
- (3) 'Jan. 1920':
Incidents referred to include attacks on police barracks,

killing of policemen, municipal and mayoral elections, the murder of Forbes-Redmond, Assistant Commissioner of the Dublin Metropolitan Police, and a protest against government policy by the hierarchy.

- (4) 'Feb. 1920':
Incidents referred to include arms raids, arrests, increased activity by police and military, inquests, and attacks on police.
- (5) 'March 1920':
Incidents referred to include arms raids, the murder of Frank Shawe-Taylor in Co. Galway, mail raids, the reversal of local government resolutions passed in 1916 condemning the Rising, attacks on police barracks, Alan Bell's investigation of links between Sinn Féin and Irish banks and his subsequent murder, murders of policemen, the shooting of Thomas MacCurtain, Lord Mayor of Cork, arrest of W.T. Cosgrave, the appointment of Nevil Macready as commander of the army in Ireland, the progress of the Government of Ireland bill through parliament, and the election of Terence MacSwiney as Lord Mayor of Cork.
- (6) 'April 1920':
Incidents referred to include Hamar Greenwood's appointment as Chief Secretary, destruction of evacuated police barracks and income tax offices on Easter Sunday, shootings, *Manchester Guardian's* interview with Arthur Griffith, hunger strikes, ITGWU plans for a general strike to protest at the treatment of prisoners, a verdict of murder in the inquest into Thomas MacCurtain's death, and the release of prisoners on hunger strike.
- (7) 'May 1920':
Incidents referred to include the release of prisoners on hunger strike, activities of republican courts, Dublin Corporation's pledge of allegiance to Dáil Éireann, Sir Hamar Greenwood's swearing-in as Chief Secretary, attacks on police, the release of prisoners on hunger strike, destruction of evacuated police barracks, courthouses and income tax offices, the refusal of dockers and railway workers to handle munitions, an interview with Sir Hamar Greenwood in the *Chicago Tribune*, and the arrival of extra troops in Ireland.
- (8) 'June 1st-14th 1920':
Incidents referred to include the activities of republican courts, attacks on police, local election victories for Sinn Féin, De Valera's trip to the USA, the munitions strike, Winston Churchill's rejection of an Irish republic, and the pledging of allegiance to Dáil Éireann by various local government bodies.
- (9) 'June 18th-30th 1920':
Incidents referred to include the rejection of compensation claims by the new county councils, the activities of republican courts, 'outrages attributed to Sinn Fein', allegations made in British newspapers about

Sinn Féin, views of the German press on Irish affairs, a disagreement between De Valera and John Devoy in the USA, an attack on the Assistant Inspector General of the RIC, the extension of the munitions strike, and the capture of General Lucas.

(10) 'July 1st-8th 1920'

Incidents referred to include various attacks on police and military, an account of the proceedings of Dáil Éireann in the *New York Herald*, the munitions strike, the mutiny of the Connaught Rangers in India, the absence of jurors at the Waterford assizes, pledges of allegiance to Dáil Éireann by local councils, the proclamation of an Orange Order demonstration in Derry, and the decision of the urban council to change the name of Kingstown to Dún Laoghaire.

(11) 'July 9th-14th 1920':

Incidents referred to include the withdrawal by the *Sunday Times* of a story about outrages allegedly committed against the daughters of a woman who refused to give up her farm, British newspaper opinions on the republican courts, Edward Carson's speech at the 12 July celebrations, smuggling of letters from the US to the Sinn Féin movement in Ireland, De Valera's dispute with John Devoy and Judge Cohalan, and murders of policemen.

(12) 'July 15th-23rd 1920':

Incidents referred to include seizure of mail for Dublin Castle, sittings of republican courts, murders of policemen and civilians, attacks on RIC barracks, progress of the munitions strike, priests prohibited from taking part in republican courts in the diocese of Ferns, burning of courthouses, arrest of members of Dáil Éireann's industries commission, and disruption of a republican court in Mullingar by police.

(13) 'July 24th-31st 1920':

Incidents referred to include expulsion of Catholic workers from Harland & Wolff shipyards and attacks on Catholics in Belfast, resignation of Cork magistrates, the munitions strike, republican courts, the attack on Kilmallock by the police, an interview with Arthur Griffith in a French newspaper, the Law society and republican courts, the Irish campaign in the US presidential election, the government's refusal to allow Archbishop Daniel Mannix to land in Ireland, resignations from the RIC, and General Lucas's escape.

(14) 'Aug. 2nd-17th 1920':

Incidents referred to include Balfour's mission to Rome to consult the Pope about Ireland, Diarmuid Lynch's resignation from Dáil Éireann, the new 'coercion bill' [Restoration of Order in Ireland bill], Dublin Corporation's decision to confer the freedom of the city on Archbishop Mannix, the withdrawal of grants from local authorities which have pledged allegiance to Dáil Éireann, the Belfast boycott, resignation of magistrates, De Valera in America, Tim Healy's views on Ireland,

seizure of mails, the refusal to allow Archbishop Mannix to land in Ireland, Dáil Éireann and religious tests, and Terence MacSwiney's arrest and trial.

- (15) 'Aug. 18th-31st 1920':
Incidents referred to include Terence MacSwiney's hunger strike, burning of creameries in Limerick and Tipperary, the murder of DI Swanzy, the Irish Peace Conference, Dáil Éireann and the Belfast Boycott, and rioting in Belfast.
- (16) 'Sept. 1st-4th 1920':
Incidents referred to include official returns for the numbers of police, military and civilians killed and wounded, Dáil Éireann's efforts to help find employment for men who resigned from the RIC, and reports of George Gavan Duffy's order to leave France.

I.vii. Photographs

The majority of the photographs are of British soldiers, policemen, and intelligence officers, most of whom are identified. There are also some photographs of Béaslaí in army uniform, taken during his trip to the USA in April 1922, and of Michael Collins and Harry Boland at a hurling match. NOTE: These are held in the National Photographic Archive in Temple Bar.

- (1) Photographs of Piaras Béaslaí:

Envelope 1: 2 photogravures of Béaslaí in uniform, undated.

Envelope 2: 1 transparency of Béaslaí in uniform, and 3 transparencies of Béaslaí in uniform along with two other unidentified people. The photographer's name is printed on the back: J.B. Schriever, 110 Wyoming Avenue, Scranton, Pennsylvania. Undated, probably taken during Béaslaí's trip to the USA in April 1922.

Envelope 3: Photogravure of Béaslaí in uniform along with two other unidentified people. Similar to transparencies in envelope 2. Undated, c. April 1922.

Envelope 4: 4 transparencies of an unidentified man. 4 items, c1922

- (2) Envelope 1: 2 photographs of Michael Collins delivering a speech. Undated, probably 1922.
- Envelope 2: 4 photographs of Michael Collins and Harry Boland playing hurling and meeting hurling teams from Dublin and Kilkenny, probably taken in Croke Park. 14 Sept. 1921.
- Envelope 3: 1 photograph of Michael Collins in uniform; 1 photograph of Michael Collins and Richard Mulcahy leading a procession, probably Arthur Griffith's funeral; 1 photograph of Michael Collins's body; 1 photograph of Richard Mulcahy in uniform. Undated, c. 1922.

- (3) Photograph of Tom Cullen in uniform. Undated.
- (4) Envelope 1: Photograph of an unidentified woman in Cumann na mBan uniform; 'Typists, Miss Dunne & another'. Undated.
- (5) 2 photographs of Volunteer drills. Undated.
- (6) Photographs of British agents, policemen and soldiers:
- Envelope 1: 'Ballock, Bloodhound Section, Gormanstown Camp'.
1 item, undated.
- Envelope 2: 'Lt J. Baxendale M.C., 1st Batt Loyal Regt., Portobello Bcks, 39 Royal Canal Phibsboro'. Includes a photograph of a woman.
6 items, undated
- Envelope 3: 'Const. Campbell, Maryboro'. 6 items, undated.
- (7) Photographs of British agents, policemen and soldiers:
- Envelope 1: Cadets Denteith and Waddington, 'F' Company, Auxiliary Division RIC. Printed photograph. 1 item, undated.
- Envelope 2: 'T/C Jack Dunne'. 1 item, undated.
- Envelope 3: 'Const. Doherty'. 5 items, undated.
- (8) Photographs of British agents, policemen and soldiers:
- Envelope 1: 'Six Auxies 'F' Coy'. The names are listed on the back of the first photograph: Cadet Carson, Major Stokes, Thompson, Reynolds, Bennett, Warrior. 10 items, undated.
- Envelope 2: ' 'F' Coy Aux'. 7 items, undated.
- (9) Photographs of British agents, policeman and soldiers:
- Envelope 1: 'Lt Col Haldene'. 4 items, undated.
- Envelope 2: 'DI Gore Hilman RIC'. 4 items, undated.
- Envelope 3: 'Igoe'. 1 item, undated.
- (10) Photographs of British agents, policemen and soldiers:
- Envelope 1: ' 'Capt' Jones & two others'. 10 items, undated.
- (11) Photographs of British agents, policeman and soldiers:
- Envelope 1: Lord Londonderry in soldier's uniform and T.C. Vaughn B Coy in police uniform. 2 items, undated.
- Envelope 2: 'T.H. Marchmont, DBO Branch, GHQ'. 4 photographs and 1 negative. 5 items, c. 1921.
- Envelope 3: 'O'Neill, Ardfert, Kerry'. 1 item, undated
- Envelope 4: 'Constable O'Lone, RIC. 1 item, undated.
- (12) Photographs of British agents, policemen and soldiers:

Envelope 1: 'Sec Leader Schofield, 'F' Co. Aux Castle'.
3 items, undated.

Envelope 2: 'J.J. Shields'. 2 items, undated.

Envelope 3: 'D/I Simpson 'F' Coy Aux'. The envelope also contains a
photograph of an unknown member of the crown forces.

5 items, undated.

(13) Photographs of British agents, policeman and soldiers:

Envelope 1: 'Sergt Singleton'. 26 items, undated.

(14) Photographs of British agents, policemen and soldiers:

Envelope 1: 'Special Gang 'F' Coy Aux'. 5 items, undated.

Envelope 2: 'Sturgis, Byrne & another'. Sturgis probably refers to
Mark Sturgis, Assistant Under Secretary of State at Dublin Castle.

7 items, undated.

(15) Photographs of British agents, policemen and soldiers:

Envelope 1: Tiny, F Coy, Castle. 5 items, undated.

Envelope 2: Unidentified. 2 items, undated.

Envelope 3: Wallace, Gormanstown, Aylward, and a number of
unidentified men. 12 items, undated

Envelope 4: 'R.J. Wright, 'G' Div'. 7 items , undated.

(16) Printed pictures:

Brigadier General F.P. Crozier inspecting Auxiliary cadets, Daily Mail,
1 Dec. 1920; Roger Casement, The Spark, Christmas 1915; Pádraig
Pearseo as a student at Westland Row CBS; 2 pictures of Michael
Collins and Richard Mulcahy leading Arthur Griffith's funeral cortege.
5 items.

II. Writings

Contains Béaslaí's writings, factual and fictional; items relating to radio broadcasts, lectures and speeches; a significant amount of material concerning his biographies of Michael Collins, including drafts of chapters, letters and notes; and drafts of his articles, broadcasts, lectures, plays, poetry and short stories, many of which were written in Irish. Correspondence concerning the Collins biographies is contained in the category relating to the book, and is separate from the general correspondence relating to his writings.

II.i. Michael Collins biographies

This is composed principally of handwritten and typed drafts and galley proofs of chapters for *Michael Collins and the Making of a New Ireland*. There is less material on *Michael Collins: Soldier and Statesman*. There are approximately 300 letters concerning the Collins biography, many of them from readers praising the book. The correspondence is divided into principal correspondents (at least 20 letters), arranged alphabetically by surname; and minor correspondents, arranged in chronological order. Also contains files relating to reviews of the biographies, including material on P.S. O'Hegarty's critical response to *Michael Collins and the Making of a New Ireland*; and Hayden Talbot, who wrote a short biography of Collins, *Michael Collins' own story. Told to Hayden Talbot*, in 1923, which was very unpopular among Collins's friends and family.

A detailed account of Béaslaí's biographies of Collins can be found in Deirdre McMahon, '“A Worthy Monument to a Great Man”: Piaras Béaslaí's Life of Michael Collins', in *Bullán*, vol. 2, no. 2 (Winter/Spring 1996), pp 55-65, and Risteárd Mulcahy, *Richard Mulcahy (1886-1971): A Family Memoir* (Dublin, 1999).

II.i.1. *Michael Collins and the Making of a New Ireland*: handwritten drafts

Ms 33,923(1) Chapter I: Birth and early years.

(2) Chapter II: Early years in London.

(3) Chapter III: The Irish Volunteers.

(4) Chapter IV: The coming Rising.

(5) Chapter V: Easter week 1916.

(6) Chapter VI: Frongoch.

(7) Chapter VII: The turning tide.

(8) Chapter VIII: The national resurgence, April-Oct. 1917.

(9) Chapter IX: The new national movement, October 1917-March 1918.

(10) Chapter X: Michael Collins in the gap, May-June 1918.

- (11) Chapter XI: Sinn Fein suppressed, June-Nov. 1918.
- (12) Dail Eireann, Dec. 1918-Jan. 1919.
- (13) Chapter XIII: A Chapter of escapes.
- (14) Chapter XIV: Minister of Finance, April 1919.
- (15) Chapter XV: Ireland's appeal to peace conference, April-June 1919.
- (16) Chapter XVI: Organising intelligence, June-August 1919.
- (17) Chapter XVII: The National Loan.
- (18) Chapter XIII: Guerilla warfare, Oct. 1919-Dec. 1919.
[Became Chapter XIX].
- (19) Chapter XIV: British spies and 'murder clubs', Jan.-March 1920.
[Became Chapter XX].

Ms 33,924(1) Chapter XXII: The collapse of English rule, April-May 1920.

- (2) Chapter XXIII: The English murder plot, May 1920.
- (3) Chapter XXIV: The Irish-American split.
- (4) Chapter XXV: The Black and Tans, June-July 1920.
- (5) Chapter XXVI: The reign of terror, August-Oct. 1920.
- (6) Chapter XXVII: Bloody Sunday, November 1920.
- (7) Chapter XXVIII: Still more terror, November-December 1920.
- (8) Chapter XXIX: English moves for peace, December 1920.
- (9) Chapter XXX: War in Dublin streets, January 1921.
- (10) Chapter XXXI: Fights, executions, murders, Feb.-March 1921.
- (11) Chapter XXXII: Breaking the terror, March-May 1921.
- (12) Chapter XXXIII: End of the terror, June-July 1921.
- (13) Chapter XXXIV: [no title given].
- (14) Chapter XXXV: Collins sent to London, September-October 1921.
- (15) Chapter XXXVI: The Treaty, October-December 1921.

- (16) Chapter XXXVII: The great disillusionment.
- (17) Chapter XXXVIII: After the Treaty, January 1921 [1922].
- (18) Chapter XXXIX: Fratricidal strife, Jan.-April 1922.
- (19) Chapter XL: The tragedy deepens, May-August 1922.
- (20) Chapter XLI: The end, August 1922.
- (21) Appendix E: The voting on the Treaty.

II.i.2. *Michael Collins and the Making of a New Ireland: typed drafts*

Ms 33,925(1) Chapter XIII A chapter of escapes, January-March 1919.

- (2) Chapter XIV: Minister of Finance, April 1919.
- (3) Chapter XV: Ireland's appeal to the peace conference, April-June 1919.
- (4) Chapter XVI: Organising intelligence, June-August 1919.
- (5) Chapter XVII: The national loan.
- (6) Chapter XVIII: More escapes, October-November 1919.
- (7) Chapter XIX: Guerilla warfare, November-December 1919.
- (8) Chapter XX: British spies and informers, January-March 1920.
- (9) Extracts from Chapter XXI.
- (10) Chapter XXII: Collapse of English rule, April-May 1920.
- (11) Chapter XXIII: The murder plot, May 1920.
- (12) Chapter XXIV: The Irish-American split.
- (13) Chapter XXV: The Black and Tans, June-July 1920.
- (14) Chapter XXVI: The reign of terror, August-October 1920.
- (15) Chapter XXVII: Bloody Sunday, November 1920.
- (16) Chapter XXVIII: Still more terror, November-December 1920.
- (17) Chapter XXIX: English moves for peace, December 1920.

- (18) Chapter XXXIV: The truce, July-September 1921.
- (19) Chapter XXXV: Collins sent to London, September-October 1921.
- (20) Chapter XLI: The end, August 1922.

Ms 33,926(1) Chapter I: Birth and early years.

- (2) Chapter II: [untitled].
- (3) Chapter IV: The coming Rising.
- (4) Chapter VI: [untitled].
- (5) Chapter VII: The turning of the tide.
- (6) Chapter XIII: Guerilla warfare, October 1919-December 1919.
- (7) Chapter XIV: British spies and 'murder clubs', January-March 1920.
- (8) Chapter XXX: War in Dublin streets, January 1921.
- (9) Chapter XXXI: Fights, executions & murders, March 1921.
- (10) Chapter XXXII: Breaking the terror, March-May 1921.
- (11) Chapter XXXIII: End of the terror, May-July 1921.
- (12) Chapter XXXV: Collins sent to London, September-October 1921.
- (13) Chapter XXXVI: The treaty, October-December 1921.
- (14) Chapter XXXVII: The great disillusionment,
December 1921-January 1922.
- (15) Chapter XXXVIII: After the treaty, January 1921.
- (16) Chapter XXXIX: Fratricidal strife, January-April 1922.
- (17) Chapter XL: The tragedy deepens, May-August 1922.

Ms 33,927(1) Chapter I: Birth and early years.

- (2) Chapter II: Early years in London.
- (3) Chapter III: The Irish Volunteers.
- (4) Chapter IV: The coming rising.
- (5) Chapter V: Easter week 1916.

- (6) Chapter VI: Frongoch prison camp.
- (7) Chapter VII: The turning of the tide, January-April 1917.
- (8) Chapter VIII: The national resurgence, April-October 1917.
- (9) Chapter IX: The new national movement, October 1917-May 1918.
- (10) Chapter X: Michael Collins in the gap, May-June 1918.
- (11) Chapter XI: Sinn Fein suppressed, June-November 1918.
- (12) Chapter XII: Dail Eireann, December 1918-January 1919.

II.i.3. *Michael Collins and the Making of a New Ireland: proofs and synopses*

Ms 33,928(1) Page proofs, Chapter XXI: Settling the Irish question, January-March 1920; Chapter XXII: The English murder plot, May 1920.

- (2) 'Life of Collins, page proofs, vol. I', Chapters I-V.
- (3) 'Life of Collins, page proofs, vol. I', Chapters VI-XI.
- (4) 'Life of Collins, page proofs, vol. I', Chapters XII-XVII.
- (5) 'Life of Collins, page proofs, vol. I', Chapters XVIII-XXIII.
- (6) 'Life of Collins, page proofs, vol. II', Chapters I-IV.
- (7) 'Life of Collins, page proofs, vol. II', Chapters V-VIII.
- (8) 'Life of Collins, page proofs, vol. II', Chapters IX-XIV.
- (9) 'Life of Collins, page proofs, vol. II', Chapters XV-XLI.
- (10) Galley proofs of Chapter XXXIV: The truce, July-September, 1921.
- (11) Handwritten synopsis, Chapters I-VII.
- (12) Handwritten synopsis, Chapters IX-XI.
- (13) Handwritten synopsis, Chapters XII-XIII.
- (14) Handwritten synopsis, Chapters XIV-XVIII.
- (15) Handwritten synopsis, Chapter XV.
- (16) Typed synopsis, Chapters I-XIII.

- (17) Typed synopsis, Chapters I-XIII.
- (18) Typed synopsis, Chapters XIV-XVII.
- (19) Typed synopsis, Chapters XIV-XVII.
- (20) Handwritten notes, Chapters, X and XVIII..

II.i.4. *Michael Collins and the Making of a New Ireland: drafts and notes*

- Ms 33,929(1) Appendix A: The members of the first Dáil Éireann.
 Appendix B: Report to Dail Eireann from the Irish delegation of plenipotentiaries.
 Appendix C: The Anglo-Irish Treaty.
 Appendix D: Document No. 2.
- (2) Handwritten drafts of 3 untitled chapters; Chapter XXI: Settling the Irish question, Jan.-March 1920, p. 1 only.
 - (3) Handwritten notes for Chapter XXV: After the treaty.
 - (4) Handwritten notes for Chapter XI: The Black & Tans, April-July 1920, and Chapter XII: The reign of terror.
 - (5) Typed extracts from various chapters.
 - (6) Assorted typed and handwritten extracts.
 - (7) Assorted typed and handwritten extracts.
 - (8) Assorted typed and handwritten extracts.
 - (9) Assorted typed extracts.
 - (10) 'Insets', typed insertions for various chapters.
 - (11) 'Written manuscript insertions'.
 - (12) Extract from Appendix A [The members of the first Dáil Éireann].
 Extract from Appendix D.
 Appendix H: Addenda et Corrigenda.
 - (13) Extracts from Chapter XVIII: The last days.
 - (14) Contents of file 'Persons with information':
 Lists of names, details and letters concerning people consulted for the Collins biography, including members of the Collins family and

colleagues from the Volunteers, including Joe O'Reilly and Batt O'Connor.

- (15) Contents of file 'Material for Chp XVIII':
Receipt for a diamond ring bought by Collins, Collins' correspondence from 1922, issues of *An Saorstát*, *The Free State*, 29 August 1922, with tributes to Collins, issues of *An tÓglach*, July-Aug. 1922, army reports from the Civil War, July-Aug. 1922, and an issue of the *Daily Sketch*, 24 Aug. 1922.
- (16) Contents of file 'Material for Chapter XVII (After the Treaty)':
Extracts from the book, newspaper extracts and handwritten notes.
- (17) Contents of file 'Newspapers & matter for Chap XIV Truce':
Issues of Irish and British newspapers containing reports on the Treaty negotiations, Aug.-Nov. 1921; typed copy of speech delivered in Armagh, Sept. 1921; assorted handwritten notes; army documents concerning preparations for the breakdown of peace negotiations.
- (18) Handwritten notes on 'Michael Collins (shorter biography)'.
- (19) Contents of file 'Beatha, Chapter II':
Handwritten memoir of Collins's time in London by J[ohanna] Collins (his sister).
- (20) Assorted handwritten notes on Collins biography.
- (21) Contents of file 'M. Collins, a proem':
Handwritten account by Béaslaí on the writing of the Collins biography.
- (22) Contents of untitled file, contains typed drafts of Dr Pat McCartan's book *With de Valera in America*, Chapters 1-10.
- (23) Contents of file containing drafts of McCartan's book (contd.), Chapters 11-19.
- (24) Contents of file containing drafts of McCartan's book (contd.), Chapters 20-27 and miscellaneous extracts.

II.i.5. Michael Collins biographies: correspondence, principal correspondents

Ms 33,930(1) Collins, E.D., Manchester, Connecticut, USA. Subjects include praise for *Michael Collins and the Making of a New Ireland*, writings by Miss Hull and Sir James O'Connor, a biography of Lloyd George, Béaslaí's plans for a revised biography of Collins, Béaslaí's articles in the *Irish Independent*, discussion books on Irish history, and the Irish revolution. 23 items, 1953-62.

- (2) *Cork Examiner*, concerning the publication of instalments from Béaslaí's biographies of Collins in the *Cork Examiner*.
16 items, 1926-37.
- (3) Dennison-Gugan, A., *Sunday Dispatch*, London and Manchester, concerning the serialisation of *Michael Collins: Soldier and Statesman*.
18 items, 1937-8.
- (4) Lynch, Diarmuid, New York City, USA, concerning efforts to secure an American publisher for Béaslaí's biography of Collins.
20 items, 1925-6.
- (5) Lynch, Diarmuid, New York City, USA, concerning efforts to secure an American publisher for Béaslaí's biography of Collins.
20 items, 1926.
- (6) Lynch, Diarmuid, New York City, USA, principally concerning efforts to secure an American publisher for Béaslaí's biography of Collins and assorted handwritten notes.
18 items, 1926-34.
- (7) *Manchester Guardian*, concerning publication of extracts from Béaslaí's biography of Collins.
11 items, 1926.
- (8) Talbot Press, Dublin, concerning the publication of *Michael Collins: Soldier and Statesman*, and a refusal to publish another edition in 1952.
19 items, 1937-52.

II.i.6. Michael Collins biographies: correspondence, minor correspondents

- (9) Correspondence between Béaslaí, Diarmuid Lynch and various US publishers, including, *Boston Post*, Brentano's, Devin-Adair Co, Dodd, Mead & Co, George H. Doran, Funk & Wagnall's, and Hearst newspapers, concerning publication and serialisation of the Collins biography in the USA.
20 items, 1925-6.
- (10) Correspondence between Béaslaí, Diarmuid Lynch and various US publishers, including Hearst newspapers, B.W. Huebsch, *International Book Review*, King Features Syndicate, Alfred A. Knopf, J.B. Lippincott, and Charles Scribner's sons, concerning publication and serialisation of the Collins biography in the USA.
16 items, 1925-37.
- (11) Correspondence between Béaslaí and various Irish and British publishers, including Curtis Brown, Educational Company, Brian Gore-Booth, *Irish Independent*, New Catholic Press, Manchester, Phoenix Publishing Company, and *Sunday Chronicle*, London,

concerning publication, serialisation and royalty payments.
11 items, 1926-37.

- (12) Draft letters from Béaslaí to various publishers, seeking a publisher for his book.
6 items, undated.
- (13) Draft letters by Béaslaí concerning remuneration for writing the Collins biography, US publishers, the raid on Béaslaí's house during the writing of the book, queries about various details in the book, and the publication of *Michael Collins: Soldier and Statesman*. Correspondents include Diarmuid Lynch; editor, *Irish Independent*; editor, *Comhar*; Seán Tobin; and Risteárd Mulcahy (Dr M).
22 items, 1922-58 and undated.
- (14) Letters from Hazel Lavery, P.J. Hooper, Seamus Lipton?, Seamus Ó Brannagain, Patrick Duffy, Tomais Ó Moráin, W.J. Brennan-Whitmore, P. O'Driscoll, Jack Sewell, Eugene F. Kinkead, Maud Griffith, W.S. McDonald, and John Byrne.
Subjects include the government's involvement in the production of the Collins biography, letters of introduction to British publishers, plans to publish the book in the USA, queries about the contents of the book, an extract from the book in an Indian newspaper, serialisation rights, relations between Collins and Arthur Griffith, Maud Griffith's dislike of Collins, and disillusionment with the new Irish state.
22 items, 1922-6.
- (15) Letters from Patrick O'Driscoll, Mary R. Powrie?, J. O'Byrne, Josephine Foster, A. Moynan, R.A. Atholl-Douglas, James Saurin, John Doherty and H.W. Nutt.
Subjects include P.S. O'Hegarty's criticism of the book, praise for the book from readers in Britain and USA, and the handover of Collins's papers, used by Béaslaí when writing the book, to the state.
18 items, 1927-9.
- (16) Letters from Séamus Ó hAodha, J.E.J. Jurry, F.P. Crozier, E.E. Swinford, Miss Winsome Bainbridge, David W. Davies, Patrick Hennessy, Brian Gore-Booth, B. Hass, Margaret Collins O'Driscoll, Patrick O'Driscoll, Joe O'Reilly, Mary F. Woods, Bridget O'Connor, and Bill Murphy.
Subjects include praise for the book from readers in Ireland, Britain, Denmark, Holland and USA, and corrections to the proofs of *Michael Collins: Soldier and Statesman*.
17 items, 1931-9.
- (17) Letters from J.J. O'Connell, Mícheál Ó hAmhracháin, Pádraig Ó Moráin, W.P. Allen, Frank Saurin, M. Cox, Frank Shaw, Michael J. Donnelly, E. Savage, Cahill & Co. printers, and William J. Lynch.
Subjects include requests for copies of the Collins biography, requests for Béaslaí's autograph, Michael Collins's bail bonds in 1918,

praise for the Collins biography, and Béaslaí's efforts to have the book republished in paperback.
15 items, 1940-58.

- (18) Letters Mrs Chas F. Montamat, California, Dr Risteárd Mulcahy, Peter McManus, Tasmania, Rita Brett, Michael J. Buckley, California, Patrick Callinan, John C. Moynihan, Massachusetts, Margery Forester, Owen O'Malley, P.J. Ó Congaile, and Kevin MacDonnell.
Subjects include efforts to trace family links to Michael Collins, differences of opinion between Béaslaí and Richard Mulcahy concerning the reorganisation of the IRA after 1917, Rex Taylor's biography of Collins, John Moynihan's plans to write a book on Collins, Margery Forester's research for her biography of Collins, praise for Béaslaí's book, requests for Béaslaí's autograph and for help with a British television documentary on Collins.
13 items, 1961-4.
- (19) Letters from N. Collins, Breda Geraldine O'Byrne, Frank Thornton, P. Canon O'Connell, Harry Meade, Ignatius MacHugh, and Sam Waddell.
Subjects include Béaslaí's research, praise for the Collins biography, a screenplay on the Irish revolution written by a Canadian, and the return of files given to Béaslaí while he was writing the book.
10 items, undated.

II.i.7. Reviews, serialisation extracts, and material re Michael Collins

- Ms 33,931(1) Press cuttings containing reviews and comments on *Michael Collins and the Making of a New Ireland*; draft letter by Béaslaí in response to criticism of the book from P.S. O'Hegarty and Denis Gwynn; reviews from *An tÓglach* and *the Waterford News*; copy of P.S. O'Hegarty's letter to the *Irish Statesman* criticising Béaslaí's book.
1926.
- (2) Contents of file 'Cork Examiner installations':
Extracts from the serialisation of *Michael Collins and the Making of a New Ireland* in the *Cork Examiner*, July-Nov. 1926; correspondence between Béaslaí and the *Cork Examiner* concerning serialisation.
Oct.-Nov. 1926.
- (3) Contents of scrapbook entitled 'Hayden Talbot':
Newspaper cuttings from various US newspapers containing Talbot's articles which claim to be 'Collins' Own Story of Erin's Struggle'.
Aug.-Oct. 1922.
- (4) Letters re Hayden Talbot:
Correspondence between Béaslaí and the editors, *Daily Express*, London, *Irish Independent*, *Sunday Express*, and *New York American*, the International News Service, Sinead Mason [Michael Collins's secretary], Joe O'Reilly and T.A. Smiddy, concerning criticism of

Hayden Talbot's articles on Collins. [For more documents relating to Hayden Talbot, see 'Irish Revolution' Ms 33,915(7)].
20 items, Sept.-Nov. 1922.

- (5) Extract from the *Springfield Republican* (Springfield, Massachusetts, USA), containing an article on Michael Collins by James M. Sullivan. 10 Sept. 1922.
- (6) *Cork Examiner*, containing an article on Collins by Béaslaí. 6 Dec. 1946.
- (7) Contents of file 'M.C. Pakenham & other books':

Exercise book containing handwritten notes by Béaslaí and newscuttings concerning Tom Clarke, the 1916 Rising and Mrs James Connolly; letters from Liam Ó Briain and Moya Llewelyn Davies concerning Frank Pakenham's book *Peace by Ordeal*; Louis N. Le Roux (ed), *Leaves*, vol. 1, no. 3, Michealmas 1938; newspaper cuttings on the Easter Rising and Pakenham's book; draft of introduction for *Michael Collins, soldier and statesman*; news paper cuttings on *The Big Fellow* by Frank O'Connor, *The Irish Republic* by Dorothy Macardle, *Ireland Forever* by F.P. Crozier, and the 1937 *Wolfe Tone Annual*; printed letter from C Ó hUigin [Kevin O'Higgins] to P. O'Keeffe concerning the status of Sinn Féin, 4 Sept. 1921; miscellaneous typed and handwritten notes.

II.ii. Writings: correspondence

Approximately 3,500 letters relating to Béaslaí's writings other than the Collins biographies; mainly dealing with his efforts to become established as a journalist; his work for Independent Newspapers; his freelance writing and radio broadcasts; requests for permission to perform his plays; and comments from readers on his articles in the *Irish Independent* in 1950s-60s. Letters and documents relating to his work as editor of *An tÓglach* and *An Claidheamh Soluis / Fáinne an Lae / Misneach* are in the 'Irish Revolution' and 'Organisations' sections of the collection.

II.ii.1. Writings correspondence: principal correspondents

- Ms 33,932(1) *Kerryman, The*. Subjects include requests for articles on various aspects of the Irish revolution, payment for Béaslaí's contributions to the newspaper, a reply from a reader stating that her son was shot by Volunteers in Dublin during the 1916 Rising, and a request for an article to be published in *Dublin's Fighting Story*.
28 items, 1937-49.
- (2) *Kerryman, The*, concerning Béaslaí's articles for *With the IRA in the fight for freedom* and the golden jubilee edition of *The Kerryman*.
20 items, 1952-4.

- (3) *Kerryman, The*, concerning articles by Béaslaí on the Irish revolution and the Land Commission.
15 items, 1957-64 and undated.
- (4) MacLellan, Seán, Department of Education, principally concerning the translation of books into Irish for schools. Written in Irish.
21 items, 1930-53.
- (5) MacLellan, Seán, Department of Education, principally concerning Irish books for schools. Written in Irish.
17 items, 1936-52.
- (6) Mac Maghnus, Proinsias / MacManus, Francis, Radio Éireann, concerning Béaslaí's radio broadcasts.
30 items, 1931-58.
- (7) Ní Moráin, Nuala, *The Leader*, concerning Béaslaí's contributions to *The Leader*, payment for his articles, and the reprinting of some of his *Leader* articles in the *Irish Digest*.
27 items, 1941-52.
- (8) Oates, Austin, *Catholic Fireside*, concerning Béaslaí's contributions to the journal. Subjects include requests for editing length of articles, rejection of some contributions, complaints about the delay in receiving articles from Béaslaí, and relations between Béaslaí and Oates.
24 items, 1904-07.
- (9) Ó Faracháin, Roibeárd, *Éire* and the Broadcasting Station [Radio Éireann]. Subjects include plans to publish a lecture by Micheál Mac Laimmóir in *Éire*, Béaslaí's contributions to *Éire*, radio plays written by Béaslaí and talks broadcast by him on radio. Written in Irish.
23 items, 1939-44.
- (10) Ó Faracháin, Roibeárd, Broadcasting Station, principally concerning Béaslaí's radio talks.
27 items, 1945-47.
- (11) Ó Gríobhtha, Cathal, Radio Éireann, principally concerning Béaslaí's radio broadcasts.
18 items, 1947-59.
- (12) Ó Núalláin, Ciarán, *Éire* and *Indiu*, concerning Béaslaí's submissions to *Éire* and *Indiu*. Written in Irish.
15 items, 1940-51 and undated.
- (13) 'Sceilg' [J.J. O'Kelly], concerning Béaslaí's articles in the *Evening Telegraph*, O'Kelly's use of the name 'Sceilg', a letter written by Sceilg to the *Evening Telegraph*, Sceilg's opinion of Béaslaí's plays,

Gill's publishers and the Catholic Publishing Company in Liverpool, and some Gaelic League issues. Written in Irish and English.
16 items, 1907-15 and undated.

II.ii.2. Writings correspondence: minor correspondents

- (14) Letters from ? Sheridan, *New Ireland*; Uilliam Ó Riain [W.P. Ryan]; *Liverpool Daily Post* and *Liverpool Echo* Charles S. Hope, *The Journal*, Rochester; J.M. Denvir, *The Morning Leader*, London; B.M. Murphy, Liverpool; A. Detroumal?, *La Liberté*, Fribourg; editor, *Temple Bar*; F. Parry SJ, Liverpool; James Nugent; J.J. Doyle, Derry; Edward C. Strutt, *Giornale di Roma*, Rome; Patrick M. Donahoe, *The Pilot*, Boston, USA; editor, *The Idler*; Seán Ó Caoimh, *Freeman's Journal*; P.T. Daly, Dublin; and Sylvanus Urban, *The Gentleman's Magazine*.

Subjects include acceptance and rejection of articles submitted by Béaslaí to various newspapers and magazines, Béaslaí's applications for work as a journalist, his articles for the *Catholic Fireside*, arrangements to write letters on British affairs for newspapers in Fribourg and Rome, requests to review books, and the publication of a lecture by Kuno Meyer in the *Freeman's Journal*. Written in English, Irish and French.

21 items, 1899-1904.

- (15) Letters from F. Parry SJ; D.P. Moran, *The Leader*; J.D. Collins, *Daily Express*, London; editor, *Irish Independent*; W.J. Brewster, manager, Independent Newspapers Ltd; J.P. Gahan, Dalkey Urban Council; F. Doyle, *Irish Independent*; Sisters of Charity asylum for female blind, Dublin; Joseph Green, Dublin, and H. O'Connor.

Subjects include Béaslaí's articles in the *Catholic Fireside*, and his freelance work for the *Freeman's Journal* and *Irish Independent*.

12 items, 1905

- (16) Letters and telegrams from his father; H. O'Connor, *Freeman's Journal*; W.T. Brewster, *Independent Newspapers*; Uilliam Ó Riain [W.P. Ryan], *Irish Peasant*; Oisín ?, George J. Daly, Independent Newspapers; W.H. Brayden, *Freeman's Journal*; R.J. O'Dwyer; H. O'Connor; Charles S. Hope, Rochester & Chatham Journal Co. Ltd; and Pat Meade, *Evening Telegraph*.

Subjects include Béaslaí's relations with Austin Oates, payment for articles written for Independent Newspapers, Béaslaí's contributions to the *Irish Peasant*, job offers from Independent Newspapers and the Rochester and Chatham Journal Co, and requests to investigate and write reports on various incidents in Dublin.

24 items, 1906.

- (17) Letters and telegrams from Domhnall Ó Loingsigh, Dublin; Cathal MacGarvey, Dublin; 'Beirtfhear' [J.J. Doyle], Doire [Derry]; J.W. O'Keefe, *Freeman's Journal*; B.J. Molloy; Wm. Stewart, *Irish Times*;

Béaslaí's parents and brother; U. Mac Aodhgáin; B. Mulvaney, Kells, Co. Meath; the manager, *Freeman's Journal*; P Ua Gallcobair, Doire [Derry]; Dónal, Coláiste Múinteóireachta Laighean, Dublin; Seaghan Ó Curtáin, Béal Féirste; Robert Gradwell; Margaret O'Reilly, Irish Book Company, Dublin; and Fiachra, Dublin.

Subjects include submissions to the *Evening Telegraph* and *Freeman's Journal*, rehearsals for Béaslaí's play, the withholding of an article of Béaslaí's by the *Freeman*, the production of Béaslaí's play *Cormac na Cuille*, and book reviews. Written in English and Irish. 21 items, 1907-08.

- (18) Letters from F. O'Leary, Liverpool; Margaret O'Reilly, Dublin; *Freeman's Journal*; J. Murphy, Sandymount, Dublin; Peadar Ua Laoghaire, Cork; S. Tóibín, Cill Áirne; Béaslaí's father; Irish Association of Journalists; P. Cullen, Dublin; W.H. Brayden, *Freeman's Journal*; Thomas J. Coleman & Co; Brandon Long, Clonmel, Co. Tipperary; D.P. Moran, *The Leader*; Diarmuid Ua Cruadhlaoidh; An tSiuir Imelda [Sr Imelda]; Liam, Dundrum; Michéal MacA?, Dublin; J. Mac Aonghusa; and Kyriakos Mikhail, Egyptian Information Bureau.

Subjects include newspaper submissions, book reviews, *Cormac na Cuille*, the proposed Irish Association of Journalists, Béaslaí's Irish articles for the *Freeman's Journal*, a request to translate verses into Irish, a letter for the *Freeman's Journal* and *Evening Telegraph* from the Gaelic League in London, a request for a paper from the committee of the Wolfe Tone Clubs. Written in English and Irish. 25 items, 1909-11.

- (19) Letters from William Martin Murphy, Dublin; Seán Mac Diarmada, *Irish Freedom*; W.N. Watts, National Union of Journalists; M.E. Morrissey, Chapelizod, Dublin; Eoin Ó Searcaigh, Tír Chonaill [Co. Donegal]; and the Irish Journalists' Association.

Subjects include Béaslaí's application for the sub-editorship of the *Herald*, a committee meeting of *Irish Freedom* (a statement of accounts for *Irish Freedom*, 1911, is attached), an invitation to attend the annual meeting of the National Union of Journalists, requests to insert reports in the *Freeman's Journal*, and a meeting of the Irish Journalists' Association. 12 items, 1912.

- (20) Letters from Shán Ó Cuív, Dublin; *Freeman's Journal*; Cathal Brugha; John J. Murphy, New York; Eoin Ó Searcaigh Tír Chonaill [Co. Donegal]; P. Montford, *Weekly Freeman*; Risteárd Mac Crócaigh, Killarney; 'Pádraig na Léime' [Pádraig Ó Séaghdha], Cathair Domhnall [Cahirdaniel], Co. Kerry; P.J. Kelly, *Freeman's Journal*; Irish Journalists' Association; S.M. [Sr] Fionnbarra, Dominican College, Eccles St, Dublin; Seumas Ua Brannagáin, Bayswater; Wolfe Tone and United Irishmen Memorial Committee; Cumann Gaedhealach na h-Oll Scoile [University Gaelic Club]; Nich Walsh, *Irish Freedom*; and Margaret O'Reilly, Irish Book Company.

Subjects include a request to mention the movement for simplified Irish spelling in *Irish Freedom*, Béaslaí's resignation from the editorial staff of the *Evening Telegraph* and his new position as contributor in Irish, a lecture on Irish by Claude Chevase, submissions for the *Freeman's Journal* and *Evening Telegraph*, translation of prayers from Irish into English, a request to write a report on the Gaelic League Oireachtas for the *Freeman's Journal*, the position of the Irish Journalists' Association on home rule, a request to stage *Cluiche Cartáí* in the Dominican College, and Fr Peter O'Leary's *Bricriú*. Written in English and Irish.
21 items, 1913.

Ms 33,933(1) Letters from Margaret O'Reilly, Irish Book Company; M. Hall, *Freeman's Journal*; W.H. Brayden, *Freeman's Journal*; Patrick Montford, *Weekly Freeman*; Seán Ó Muirtuille; R.J. O'Dwyer, Independent Newspapers; Wm. Sears, *Enniscorthy Echo*; M.F. McGrenahan, Independent Newspapers; and John T. Magee, *Freeman's Journal*.

Subjects include Fr Peter O'Leary's *Bricriú*, Béaslaí's dismissal from the *Freeman's Journal*, the lack of Irish in the *Freeman's Journal*, Béaslaí's play *Cluiche Cartáí*; and Béaslaí's casual work for Independent Newspapers. Written in English and Irish.
12 items, 1914.

(2) Letters from C.J. O'Leary, Gaelic Dramatic Club, University College Galway; D.P. Moran, *The Leader*; P.J. Kelly, *Freeman's Journal*; Hanna Sheehy Skeffington; J Lester; Eilís Mc Abháird, Beann Eadair [Howth]; Eoin Ó Draighneáin, New York; Pádraig na Léime [Pádraig Ó Séaghdha], Kerry; Micheál Ó Droighneáin, An Spideál [Spiddal], Co Galway; Pádraic Ó Gormain, Dublin; Wm. Rabbett, Ballinrobe, Co. Mayo; Miss E. Merrick, Cashel, Co. Tipperary; and Maggie McGloine, Omeath, Co. Louth.

Subjects include requests to perform Béaslaí's plays *Fear an Sgéilín Grinn*, *Cluiche Cartáí*, *An Sgaothaire*, *Fear na Milliún Punt* and *Beirt na Bodhaire Bréige*, a request for a review of Sceilg's *Beatha Breándain* for *The Leader*, Béaslaí's transcript of Francis Sheehy Skeffington's court case, and his casual journalistic work. Written in English and Irish.
19 items, 1915.

(3) Letters from Rev J. Bradley, Co. Antrim; Patrick O'Riordan, Millstreet, Co. Cork; M. Ua Sabháil, Mungret College, Co. Limerick; Bro. Pius, Co. Kilkenny; Tomás Ó Ceallaigh, Galway; Mrs Treacy, Tuam; Denis J. ?, Dublin; R.J. O'Dwyer, Independent Newspapers; Margaret O'Reilly, Dublin; Mairéad Nic Dhonnchadh, Co. Galway; Seamus Ó hAodha, Cork; M.H. Gill & Son Ltd, Dublin; Colm Ó Lochlain, Rathgar; M. Ó Catháin, Daingean [Dingle]; Irish Journalists' Association; Seán Ua Ceallaigh, Glasnevin, Dublin; Fergus O'Connor, Dublin; Móirín Ní ?, Galway; Shán Ó Cuív; Cáit Ní Fhlannchuidhe,

Co. Portláirge [Co. Waterford]; Daniel Corkery, Cork; and Browne & Nolan Ltd.

Subjects include Béaslaí's plays *Fear na Milliún Punt*, *Cluiche Cartaí*, reporting of a court case, reporting of the Gaelic League ard fheis, the publication of *Eachtra Peadar Schlemihl*, publication of a book of Béaslaí's poetry, the possible dissolution of the Irish Journalists' Association; a request for Béaslaí to compose Irish greetings for Christmas cards; request for permission to use material by Béaslaí in the preface to a book. Written in English and Irish.
21 items, 1916-19.

- (4) Letters from Bob (written in Béaslaí's handwriting); R.A.M., *Guth na Bliadhna*, Perth, Scotland; Máire Nuadh, Dublin; Maunsel & Co. Ltd publishers; E. Curtis, Trinity College Dublin; Pádraig, Cill Áirne [Killarney]; ? Brunicardi, *Sunday Independent*; Máire Ní Raghallaigh, Dublin; 'Torna' [Tadhg Ó Donnchadha], Cork; Séumas Ó hAodha, Cork; G.Ó.L.; Eibhlín Ní Giollafhionntáin, Dublin; SÓC [Shán Ó Cuív], *Freeman's Journal*; Liam Ó Rinn; Tadhg Ó Scanaill, Dáil Éireann; and Micheal Ó Cionnfaolaidh, Coláiste na Rinne [Ring College, Waterford]

Subjects include various articles written by Béaslaí, publication of his book of poems *Bealtaine 1916 agus dánta eile*, plans for anthologies of contemporary Irish poetry and Gaelic poetry from schools, and productions of Béaslaí's plays. Written in English and Irish.

17 items, 1920-23.

- (5) Letters from Micheal Ó Cionnfaolaidh, Ring College, Co. Waterford; 'A Kerriman'; Seán Ó Floinn, Carrick-on-Suir; Seán Milroy, Dáil Éireann; Frank Saurin, *The Nation*; Elias Maguidir, Dublin; Mahon's Printing Works; Pádraig Ó Glasáin; Seán Lester, Department of External Affairs; An tS [Sr] Columban, Clochar Lughaidh [St Louis Convent], Rath Ó Máine [Rathmines]; and León Ó Broin, An Roinn Oideachas [Department of Education].

Subjects include productions of Béaslaí's plays, his newspaper and journal articles, printing of *Fear an Sgeilin Grinn*, and the Department of Education's book committee. Written in English and Irish.

13 items, 1924-26.

- (6) Letters from William J. Neenan; Uinsion Ó Briain, Department of Education, Dublin; Phroinnsias Ó Dubhaigh, An Roinn Oideachas; Domhnall Ó Ceocháin; Wm. Sears, *The Freeman*; Éamonn Comartúin, Cill Chainnig; An tAthair [Fr] S. Ó Loingsigh, Dingle; C. Mulcahy SJ, Clongowes Wood College, Co. Kildare; Cathal Ó Tuathail, Cahill Printers, Dublin; Enri Ó hAnluain, Portarlinton; Una O'Connell, Tailteann Games; Peadar Ua Néill, Stillorgan, Co. Dublin; Criostóir Ó Raghallaigh, Drumcondra, Dublin; Lúise Gabhanach Uí Dhubhthaigh [Louise Gavan Duffy], Dublin; and León Ó Broin, Dublin.

Subjects include a recitation by Béaslaí, publication of *Astronár*, activities of the Department of Education's book committee, a request

for a copy of *Fear na Milliún Púnt*, plans by Béaslaí and Torna to publish a book, a request for an Irish translation of a French Serenade, a request for permission to reproduce a poem of Béaslaí's in a school book, plans to establish a Catholic publishing house, requests for contributions of articles, a request to use extracts from *Eachtra Peadar Schlemihl* in a book for schools, Béaslaí's success at the Tailteann Games, Louise Gavan Duffy's and León Ó Broin's views of *An Bhean Chródha*. Written in English and Irish.
21 items, 1927-9.

- (7) Letters from An tSuir M. Uinnsean [Sr Vincent], Mary Immaculate College, Limerick; John J. Ryce, *Irish Independent*; An tAth [Fr] Mícheál, Cork; Barney Mulligan, London; James Duffy & Co. Ltd, Dublin; Pádraig Ó Congalaig, Waterford; *Irish Digest*; and Seán Ó Coisdealbha, Cork.

Subjects include Béaslaí's article on Fr Peter O'Leary, productions of Béaslaí's plays, a request to write an introduction to an abridged edition of Charles Kickham's *Knocknagow*, payment for an article reproduced in *Irish Digest*, a request to reproduce poems of Béaslaí's in a school text. Written in English and Irish.
14 items, 1930.

- (8) Letters from Tomás Ó Mannacháin, Portlaoise; S.M. [Sr] Cairtriona, Dublin; Máiréad Ní Ghráda, Ranelagh, Dublin; Pádraig Ó Dálaigh, Educational Company of Ireland Ltd; Séamas Ó hAodha; Máire Ní Cheallacháin, Dublin; Diarmuid Breathnach, Cork; Hannraoi Ó Cathasaigh, Galway; M. Brennan, *An tÓglach*; James Duffy & Co. Ltd; Lughaidh Breathnach, Donegal; T. Mac Cionaith, Department of Defence; Seamus; T. Quilty, editor, *Irish Independent*, and Shán Ó Cuív.

Subjects include requests for permission to perform Béaslaí's plays, plans to publish *Eachtra Pheadair Schlemihl*, permission to reproduce a poem by Béaslaí in a school text; a request for articles on the Easter Rising for *An tÓglach*, Béaslaí's introduction to an abridged edition of Charles Kickham's *Knocknagow*; articles on the history of *An tÓglach*, and a proposal for contributions to the *Irish Independent*. Written in English and Irish.
24 items, 1931.

- (9) Letters from Máire Ní Ghráda, Dublin; 'An Seabhac' [Pádraig Ó Siochfhradha]; Shán Ó Cuív; K. Whelan; Séamus Ó hAodha; Donncha Ó Donnchú, Cork; E. Ó Suilleabháin, Enniscorthy; J.M. Denvir, London; and Brian Mac Giolla Phadraig, Coláiste Múinteóireachta Laighean.

Subjects include requests for permission to perform Béaslaí's plays, a request to give a lecture, an introduction to the editor of the *News Chronicle*, an article by Béaslaí in the *Cork Examiner*, a request for permission to reproduce some of Béaslaí's poems, plans to publish *Eachtra Peadar Schlemihl*, a vacancy with the *Manchester Guardian*,

and Béaslaí's book *Eigse Nua Ghaedhilge*. Written in English and Irish. 20 items, 1932-3.

- (10) Letters from Máire Ní Áinle, Dublin; Sr M. Kevin, Tuam; S. Ó hAodha, Broadcasting Station; I.W. Pitman, *Liverpool Echo* and *Merseyside Spectator*; Matthew Anderson, *Merseyside Spectator*; M.S. Ó hAmhracháin, Kilkenny; P.E. Ó Súilleabháin, Dublin; 'Cu Ulad' [Peadar Mac Fhionnlaoich]; Séamus Mac Cathmhaoil, Coláiste Múinteóireachta Laighean, Dublin; T.J. Kiernan, Broadcasting Station; Proinsias Mac Giolla Iosgaidh, Limerick; Mike, Liverpool Press Club; and Noël Hartnett, Dublin.

Subjects include requests for permission to reproduce some of Béaslaí's poems and to perform his plays, Béaslaí's radio broadcasts and lectures, his Irish notes for the *Merseyside Spectator*, his contributions to the *Cork Examiner*, and a request to review a book. Written in English and Irish.

25 items, 1934-5.

- (11) Contents of envelope 'File of correspondence re *Independent* Feb. 1934'

Letters from Risteárd Ó Maolcatha [Richard Mulcahy], Fionán Ó Loingsigh [Fionán Lynch], William T. Cosgrave, J.J. Mooney, Dr Lombard Murphy, Eoin Ua Dubhaigh [Eoin O'Duffy] and Diarmuid Ó hEigceartaigh [Diarmuid O'Hegarty], concerning Béaslaí's unsuccessful application for a post with the *Irish Independent*. Handwritten note describing Béaslaí's journalistic experience and notes containing addresses of Béaslaí's acquaintances. Written in English and Irish.

10 items, 1934.

- (12) Letters from Noël Hartnett; S. Breathnach, Department of Education; James Melody, Chicago, USA; Seán Ó Lionán, Loch Garman [Wexford]; Thomas Hurley SJ, Clongowes Wood College; Tadhg Ó Murchadha, Dublin; Seán Ó Sioradáin, *Irish School Weekly*; Alasdair Mac Caba, *Irish Year Book*; Uinsionn Ó hEichthigharn, Dublin; S. Ó hAodha, Broadcasting Station; An Br [Brother] P.F. Ó Doláin, Athy; T.J. Kiernan, Broadcasting Station; Browne & Nolan Ltd; Domhnall Ó Ceicháin; B. Hass, Denmark; Seán Ó Briain, Dublin; P. Ó Gallchobhair, Broadcasting Station; Brian Gore-Booth; ? Lamb, Dublin, Domhnall Ó Briain, Limerick; ? Ní Chráimhín, Limerick and Proinsias Mc Giolla Iosgaidh, Limerick.

Subjects include Béaslaí's radio broadcasts, a short biographical note on Béaslaí for a book on the history of modern Gaelic literature, Béaslaí's play *Blúire Paipéar*, requests for permission to perform some of Béaslaí's plays, his articles for the *Irish Year Book*, unauthorised use of one of Béaslaí's plays, requests to reproduce Béaslaí's poems, his radio broadcasts, and a contradiction of his article in the *Kerryman* on 'The Volunteers of 1916 had no Intelligence Service'.

25 items, 1936-7.

- (13) Letters from Uinsíonn Ó Briain, Broadcasting Station; An Br [Brother] Cuitbeirt, Dublin; T.A. Grehan, Independent Newspapers; Joan Garland, Abbey Theatre; S. Ó hAodha, Broadcasting Station; T.J. Kiernan, director, Broadcasting Station; C.J. Fallon Ltd; E.C. Hodges, Church of Ireland Training College; Pádraig Ó Congalaigh, Port Láirge; *Éire*; and S.C. Ó Faoilleacháin, Stationery Office, Dublin.
Subjects include the publication of 'An Fuiseogin', *Éigse Nua-Ghaedhilge*, a request to give a talk on Irish drama, Béaslaí's radio broadcasts, requests for permission to reprint some of his poems and perform his plays, an agreement between Béaslaí and the Abbey Theatre, and the payment of royalties. Written in English and Irish. 21 items, 1938-9.
- (14) Letters from Aindrias Ó Muinneacháin, Dublin; Áine Nic Giollabhrichte, Tír Chonaill [Donegal]; *Irish Digest*; Detta Ní Mhaonaigh, Limerick; Proinsias Mac Giolla Iosgaidh, Limerick; Wood Printing Works, Dublin; Cahill & Co. Ltd, printers, Dublin; P. Soden, Dublin Literary Society; and Eibhlin Ní Dómhnaill.
Subjects include a request for permission to reproduce a poem in a school text, requests for permission to perform some of his plays, the reproduction of an article in *Irish Digest*, remaindered copies of *Bealtaine 1916*, payment for an article in *Éire*, an invitation to give a talk to the Dublin Literary Society, and comments on an article by Béaslaí in the *Irish Independent*. Written in English and Irish. 11 items, 1940.
- (15) Letters from Shán Ó Cuív, Dublin; Kerry Poets' Monument Committee; *Irish Digest*; Brian Ua Ceallachair, Béal Feirisde [Belfast]; C.J. Fallon Ltd; Desmond Ryan, Dublin; Riobárd A. Bramham, *An Glór*; Mícheál Ó hAmhracháin, Kilkenny; J. O'Sheehan; Máirín Ní Fhionnacháin, Limerick; Pádraig Ó Móráin, Cork; Earnan de Blaghd [Ernest Blythe], An Comhar Dramuiochta and the Abbey Theatre; and Brighid Ní Ghrianáin, Limerick.
Subjects include comments on an article in the *Leader* by Béaslaí, requests for permission to reproduce some of his articles, requests for permission to perform some of his plays, a request for advice on publication, a lecture by Béaslaí, and a request for an autographed book. Written in English and Irish. 25 items, 1941-2.
- (16) Letters from Brigid Bean Uí hUallacáin, Dublin; Earnan de Blaghd, Abbey Theatre; Máiréad Ní Ghráda, Dublin; Noël Hartnett, Dublin; Brighid Ní Ghrianáin, Limerick; Major-General Aodh Mac Neill, Dublin; Pádraig Óg Ó Conaire, Translation Office, Leinster House; Seamus O'Neill, Dublin; N.P. Muimhneachain, Dublin; John MacDonagh, Broadcasting Station; Florrie O'Donoghue, *An Cosantóir*; and the *Irish Digest*.
Subjects include royalties for the production of *An Bhean Chrodha* in the Abbey Theatre, a request for a loan of *Eachtra Peadar Schlemihl*, an article on prison escapes, requests for permission to

perform some of his plays, requests for articles for various journals, plans to publish selected writings of Liam Ó Rinn, a request to review a book of poems, and payment for an article reproduced in the *Irish Digest*. Written in English and Irish.

20 items, 1943-4.

- (17) Letters from Breandán Ó Beacháin, Co. Kildare; Séamus Ó Néill; M.A. Walsh, National Press publishers; Paddy Walton, Dublin; Con Lehane, Dublin; Noël Hartnett, Dublin; and F.J. Geary, editor, *Irish Independent*.

Subjects include *Cúirt an Mheadhon Oidche*, Béaslaí's review of Séamus Ó Néill's poems, requests for permission to reprint a poem, a request for a short article on Arthur Griffith, a request for permission to republish Béaslaí's stories about his escape from Strangeways prison, and an article on Irish drama for the *Irish Independent*. Written in English and Irish.

12 items, 1945.

- (18) Letters from William Blake, Dublin; A.T.H. Blanch, Dublin; Dómnall Ó Níodhráin, Dublin; Aindreas Ó Muimhneacháin, Dublin; Dóirín Ní Dhuibhginn, Limerick; 'An Seabhac' [Pádraig Ó Siochfhradha], Educational Company of Ireland; Máireád Ní Ghráda, Browne & Nolan Ltd; M. Ni Mheachair, Broadcasting Station; Desmond Ryan, Dublin; Eibhlín Nic Choitir, Cork; John Crosbie, *Cork Examiner*; and the *Irish Digest*.

Subjects include Béaslaí's history of the Catholic Commercial Club, comments on articles by Béaslaí in the *Irish Independent*, a biography of Arthur Griffith, the inclusion of a poem by Béaslaí on the Intermediate Certificate curriculum, requests for permission to perform some of his plays, a radio review by Valentin Iremonger of *Earc agus Aine*, an article on Michael Collins for the *Cork Examiner*, and a request from the *Irish Digest* to publish a lecture by Béaslaí. Written in English and Irish.

19 items, 1946.

- (19) Letters from Niall Sheridan, editor, *Irish Digest*; *Cork Examiner*; Máire Bean Nic Fhearghail, An Uaimh [Navan], Co. Meath; M. Ó hAodha, Broadcasting Station; Aindreas Ó Muimhneacháin, Dublin; W.B. Noble, Trade Press; Stiophán Ó Curraidín, Limerick; Eilís Ní Mhathuna; Waltons', Dublin; Caitlín Ní Ceallacháin, Tralee; Brendan Gillespie, Tyrone; Mervyn Wall, Radio Éireann; Máire Ní Leanán, Brí Chualann [Bray], Co. Wicklow; Seán Mac Fheorais, An Carraig Álainn [Carrigallen], Co. Leitrim; Máire Ní Ghairbhíde, Tralee; and Charles Eade, *Sunday Dispatch*.

Subjects include articles for *Irish Digest*, requests for permission to perform some of his plays, Béaslaí's radio broadcasts, Béaslaí's history of the Catholic Commercial Club, book reviews, an invitation to deliver a lecture, a request for permission to include one of his poems in a school text, and a suggestion for a series of article on 1916 in the *Sunday Dispatch*. Written in English and Irish. 30 items, 1947-9.

- (20) Letters from M.A. Walsh, National Press; An Br [Brother] Tomás, Uachtarán [President], De La Salle Brothers, Dundalk; *Comhar*; Independent Newspapers; Eamon Horan, Tralee, Co. Kerry; Caoimhghin Ó Góilidhe, Dublin; Brigid Dudley Edwards; Proinsias Ó Conluain, Radio Éireann; Séamus Ó Céilleachair, Inis [Ennis], Co. Clare; and J.B. Kearney, Cork.

Subjects include permission to reproduce some of his poems, a request to write an essay on the Oireachtas for *Comhar*, payment for contributions to Independent Newspapers, a request for an article on Arthur Griffith, comment on an article by Béaslaí on Patrick Pearse, and radio broadcasts. Written in English and Irish.

19 items, 1950-51.

- Ms 33,934(1) Letters from Proinsias Ó Conluain, Radio Éireann; Treasa Nic Aodhain, An Réalt; Aingeal Nic Aongusa, An Réalt, Léigiún Mhuire [Legion of Mary]; F. Kirwan and A. O'Donnell; Michael Glazier, publisher, Co. Kerry; F.J. Geary, editor, *Irish Independent*.

Subjects include radio broadcasts, invitations to lecture, Béaslaí's history of the Catholic Commercial Club, a request to write a biography of Arthur Griffith, articles for the *Irish Independent*. Written in English and Irish.

13 items, 1952.

- (2) Contents of file 'Letters re *Independent* articles':

Letters from Seamus Ó Píotain, An Tostal; 'Old IRA Man'/Seán O'Brien; M.V. Marron, Manchester; J. Thompson, Dublin; Edwin A. Bosonnet, Dublin; Cormac Halpin, Clare; P. Byrne, Waterford; 'A Young Reader', Banagher, Co. Offaly; M. O'Beirne, Dublin; Mary Purcell, Dublin; Thomas Cleary, *Irish Independent*; Pat Margetts, Galway; Denis O'Connor, *Irish Independent*; Cecil Lavery, Dublin; and Esther May, Co. Kildare, concerning Béaslaí's articles 'A Nation in Revolt' in the *Irish Independent*.

Galley proof of letters to the editor of the *Irish Independent*, from Seoirse Mac Niocaill [George Nicholls], Owen P. Cullen and Liam S. Gogan, commenting on Béaslaí's articles.

A handwritten draft of Béaslaí's reply to Liam S. Gogan's letter.

22 items, 1953.

- (3) Letters from C.P. Bodkin, Dublin; P.A. Bowles, Dublin; Eamon Morkan, Dublin; Fionntáin [Fintan Murphy], Dublin; James McAuliffe, Cork; Paddy Cashman, Cork; F.J. Geary, editor, *Irish Independent*; J.M. MacCarthy, Dublin; J. O'Sheehan, Dublin; Riobard Mac Gabhráin, *Comhar*; Máirín Ní Mhuirgheasa; Aistin Ó Lorcaín, Friends of the Language; Laoiseach Ó Deá, Dublin, and some unsigned postcards.

The letters are principally concerned with Béaslaí's series of articles 'A Nation in revolt' which appeared in the *Irish Independent* in 1953. Other subjects include his article on the Anglo-Irish War in *With the IRA in the fight for freedom*, lectures, a radio broadcast, and a request

for details on Béaslaí for a biographical note. Written in English and Irish.

18 items, 1953-4.

- (4) Letters from Charles Eade, *Sunday Dispatch*; Diarmuid Ó hAlmhain, Dublin; Micheál Ó hAodha, Radio Éireann; Finghín Ó Muimhneacháin, Killarney; Áine Ní Fhearghail, Legion of Mary; Séamus Kavanagh, Radio Éireann; Michael R. Heffernan, Dublin; Brian Mac Giolla Phádraig, Dublin; Con Feehan, Carrick-on-Suir; Liam T. Mac Cosgair [William T. Cosgrave]; Nora O'Dwyer, Co. Clare; Tomás Ó Sionoid, Loch Garmain [Wexford]; May (Joyce) Monaghan, Rathfarnham, Dublin; F.J. Geary, editor, *Irish Independent*; editor, *Evening Herald*; Jack Murdoch, Wexford; Proinsias Ó Conluain, Radio Éireann; and W.J. White, *Irish Times*.

Subjects include Béaslaí's articles on Michael Collins in the *Sunday Dispatch*, a request for permission to use an extract from a story by Béaslaí, a radio broadcast of Béaslaí's play *Beirt na Bodhaire Bréige*, lecture invitations, radio broadcasts, Béaslaí's series of articles 'A Veteran Remembers' in the *Irish Independent*, and requests for articles. Written in English and Irish.

22 items, 1955-7.

- (5) Letters from Marion FitzGerald, *Irish Times*; Nita Coffey, *Sunday Dispatch*; Brian Ó hUiginn, Leacht Uí Chonchubhair [Lahinch], Co. Clare; Proinsias Ó Conluain, Dublin; Ruairí Ó Cuagáin, Béal Feirste; Micheál Ó Rian, An Comhchaidreamh; Séamus Caomhánach, Radio Éireann; W.J. White, *Irish Times*; Padraic Ó Néill, Radio Éireann; Pádraig Ó Matháin, Ordnance Survey Office; Marguerite Murphy, Radio Éireann; Micheál Ó hAodha, Radio Éireann; Leo Dillon; Domhnall Mac an Ulatigh; 'An Seabhad' [Pádraig Ó Siocfhradha]; Máireád Ní Ghrada, Browne & Nolan Ltd; and L. Cassidy, Irish & Overseas Publishing Co. Ltd.

Subjects include articles for the *Irish Times* on Osborn Bergin and Oliver St John Gogarty, permission to perform some of Béaslaí's plays, radio broadcasts, lectures, the inclusion of one of his poems on the Intermediate Certificate curriculum. Written in English and Irish.

25 items, 1958-9.

- (6) Letters from F.X. Martin, Department of History, University College Dublin; Bean Nic Chearbhaill, Dublin; Brother Francis Fitzsimons, Galway; John Dunne, Co. Kildare; Kathleen Clarke, Dublin; and E.J. MacDonnell, Bray. The letters are principally concerned with Béaslaí's articles in the *Irish Independent*. Written in English.

7 items, 1961.

- (7) Letters from F.X. Martin, Department of History, University College Dublin, D. Brennan, Dublin; Jim O'Sullivan, Co. Sligo; Patrick Kelly, Co. Clare; May Hennebry, Tasmania; F.J. Magee, Co. Monaghan; Esther Dixon Ayres, Dublin; [no name], St Kieran's College, Co. Kilkenny; C.J. Fallon Ltd; A. MacD., Dalkey; T.N. Mac Donnchú,

Cork; Síle Ní Reámoinn, Radio Éireann, Telefís Éireann; Paddy Cashman, Co. Cork; M. Masterson, Galway; Jim O'Leary, Dublin; P.C. Kennedy, Dublin; Mrs M. Ryan, Cashel, Co. Tipperary; Stanley J. Clarke, Dublin; Brighid Breatnach, Co. Clare; Catherine Reilly, Co. Meath; Jim Walsh, Co. Kilkenny; Margaret Mary Mathews, Drogheda, Co. Louth; Robert Cussen ?, Co. Kerry; J.V. O'Brien, Co. Clare; Breandán Ó Longsigh, Co. Galway; and Patrick Moylett.

The letters are principally concerned with Béaslaí's series of articles 'Moods and Memories' in the *Irish Independent*. Written in English and Irish.

26 items, 1962.

- (8) Letters from 'Old Timer', Co. Donegal; Dick, Dublin; Seán Ó Mathghamhna, Co. Kerry; Proinseas Ní Conmaidhe [Frances Conmey], Glasnevin, Dublin; Ciarán Ó Caoinleáin, Dublin; John Lalor, Dublin; P. O'Reilly, Mayo; W.G. Fallon, Dublin; Miss Dowling, Wicklow; Seán Óg Ó Cathasaigh, Wakefield, England; Thomas Taylor, Dublin; Séamus Ó Dúgáin, Dublin; Patrick Keogh, Killarney; Michael R. Heffernan, Dublin; Radio Éireann; James N. Healy, Southern Theatre Group, Cork; Críostóir P. Mac Cuinn, Co. Carlow; F.X. Martin, Department of History, University College Dublin; Fionán [Fionán Mac Colum]; J. Austin Harbison, Dublin; Dr John Fleetwood, Dublin; and M. Kearney, Dublin.

The letters are principally concerned with Béaslaí's series of articles 'Moods and Memories' in the *Irish Independent*. Written in English and Irish.

24 items, Jan.-Aug. 1963.

- (9) Letters from Fionán Mac Colum, Cillorglan [Killorglin], Co. Kerry; James Pitman, London; Seosamh S. Ó Reaseoil, Dublin; Eibhlín Ní Raghnaill, Dublin; D. McInerney, Co. Clare; P. O'Connell, Cork; Seán Ó Cofaigh, Killarney; Maighread McGrath, Co. Limerick; Eoghan Ó Tuairisc, *Feasta*; F.X. Martin, Department of History, University College Dublin; Florrie O'Donoghue, Cork; Tomás Mac Domhnall, Dublin; Edmond Foley, Youghal, Co. Cork; William J. Galvin, Cavan; Nicholas Savage, Dublin; Seán Clifford, Co. Kildare; Aileen M. Coyne, Co. Mayo; W.J. Gaynor, Dublin; and J. Browne, Thurles, Co. Tipperary.

The letters are principally concerned with Béaslaí's series of articles 'Moods and Memories' in the *Irish Independent*. Other subjects include F.X. Martin's book on the Irish Volunteers, and a request for a contribution to *Feasta*. Written in English and Irish.

21 items, Sept.-Dec. 1963.

- (10) Letters from Liam S. Campion, Dublin; T. Ó Muimhneacháin, Dublin; Micheál Mac Aodha, Ceannanas Mór [Kells], Co. Meath; Ursula Ní Dhálaigh, Dublin; Brian Mac Giolla Phadraig, Dublin; Brian J. McCaffery, Dublin; C.J. Fallon Ltd; E.J. Fitzpatrick, Dublin; W. St. J. Glenn, London; Robert Mc Cullagh, St Patrick's Hospital; Wm Mc Kearney, Lurgan, Co. Armagh; Art Ó Laoghaire, Dublin;

L. O'Donnell, Co. Sligo; T.M. FitzGerald, Co. Waterford; John D. O'Dowd, Galway; Roland Burke Savage SJ, Dublin; Liam T. Mac Cosgair [William T. Cosgrave], Dublin; C. Higgins, Cork; Patrick J.N. Bury, Dublin; R. Moran, Dublin; Frances O'Connor, Cork; John Kingston, Wicklow; Dick, Dublin; Conchubhar Ó Laoghaire, Glasgow; C.J. Wisdom, Glasgow; Michael J. Rooney, Co. Galway; Rev J. Hanley, Co. Kerry; Paddy Cashman, Co. Cork; G? Muldoon, Co. Roscommon; Michael Walsh, Dublin; Helena Roynane, Cork; and *Irish Digest*.

The letters are principally concerned with Béaslaí's series of articles 'Moods and Memories' in the *Irish Independent*. Other subjects include requests for permission to publish some of Béaslaí's poems in a school text, to perform his play *Beirt na Bodhaire Breige* and to reproduce an article in *Irish Digest*. Written in English and Irish.

34 items, 1964.

- (11) Letters from Sister Laurence Murphy, Moate, Co. Westmeath; Máire Ní Aodha, Dublin; Kathleen Harold, Co. Cork; Patrick McElhinney, Co. Donegal; Jack MacGarvey, Ballymena, Co. Antrim; T.M. FitzGerald, Co. Waterford; Anne Kerr, Co. Tyrone; Seosamh Ó Dónaill, *Inniu*; Maire Ní Ghiolla Easbuig, Leirir Ceanain [Letterkenny], Co. Donegal; Cahir Healy, Enniskillen, Co. Fermanagh; Bernadette Moynihan, Dublin; M. Ó Dubhghaill, Dublin; C.J. Fallon Ltd; J.J. Gallagher, Co. Leitrim; W.J. Byrne, Bray, Co. Wicklow; Ann Burgess, BBC, London; and C. O'Brien, Rathgar.

The letters are principally concerned with Béaslaí's series of articles 'Moods and Memories' in the *Irish Independent*. Other subjects include an article for *Inniu*, the inclusion of a poem by Béaslaí on the Intermediate Certificate syllabus, and a recording with the BBC for the fiftieth anniversary of the Easter Rising. Written in English and Irish.

21 items, Jan.-May 1965.

- (12) Letters from An t-Ath M. Éanna, Roscrea; Maura Chisholm, Ontario, Canada; Stephen McCullagh, Dublin; Liam Brosnan, Co. Kerry; Josephine O'Gorman, Dublin; Henry Hall, Dublin; Tomás Ó Fiaich, Coláiste Phádraig [St Patrick's College], Mánut [Maynooth]; Bridie Tuohy, Dublin; F. Breen, Dublin; W.J. Gaynor, Dublin; Siubhán Toibin, Dublin; Georges Sandes, Dublin; Risteárd Mac Stiopháin, Dublin; Brian Mac Giolla Phádraig, Dublin; and 'Nemo', Mallow, Co. Cork.

The letters are concerned with various article by Béaslaí in the *Irish Independent*. Written in English and Irish.

18 items, undated.

- (13) Letters from Eilís Nic a Bháird, London; Tomás Parthalán, Dublin; P. Ua Flannagáin; Bean Ui Mhuirgheása, Dublin; P. Ua Dubhthaigh; editor, *Irish Independent*; Micheál Mac Aodha; P. Ua Gallcaboir, Doire [Derry]; Micheal Ó Maoláin, Dublin; and the *Freeman's Journal*.

Subjects include Béaslaí's plays *Fear an Sgeilín Grinn* and *Cormac na Cuille*, requests to include items in the *Evening Telegraph*, the Irish

Journalists' Association (IJA), and Béaslaí's Irish column in the *Freeman's Journal*. Written in English and Irish.
16 items, undated, c1900-15.

- (14) Letters from Shán Ó Cuív, Brighid Ni Murthuile, London; editor, *Household Words*, London; Nich Walsh, Wolfe Tone and United Irishmen Memorial Committee; Independent Newspapers; *Daily Express*; P.M. [Patrick Montford], *Sunday Freeman*; H. O'Connor, *Freeman's Journal*; A.J. Murphy, *Freeman's Journal*; Nich Walsh, *Irish Freedom*; and Hanna Sheehy Skeffington.
Subjects include requests to include items in the *Freeman's Journal*, rejection of manuscripts, request for a lecture, Béaslaí's journalistic work, his work for *Irish Freedom*, and a shorthand report of Francis Sheehy Skeffington's trial.
17 items, undated, c1900-15.
- (15) Letters and notes relating to Béaslaí's work for the *Freeman's Journal* and *Evening Telegraph*, from Pat Meade, H. O'Connor, P.J. Kelly, A.J. Murphy, F. Doyle, and Wm Barrett?.
21 items, undated, c1906-16.
- (16) Letters from C.F. Shannon, Co. Derry; Aodh Mac Neill, Dublin; Micheál Ua hAnnracháin; An t-Suir Imelda [Sr Imelda], Dublin; Pádraic Óg Ó Conaire, Dublin; Gearóid, Coláiste an Chnuic Bhigdan [Knockbeg College], Carlow; P.J. Quinn; Margaret Burke Sheridan, Bruges, Belgium; editor, *Macmillan's Magazine*, London; editor, *English Illustrated Magazine*, London; editor, *Cornhill Magazine*, London; editor, *Chamber's Journal*, Edinburgh; Séamus Caomhánach, Radio Éireann; Treasa Nic Aodhain, Dublin; J.V. Mahony; and Frank?, Dublin.
Subjects include Béaslaí's play *Cormac na Cuille*, miscellaneous writings, a book of writings by Liam Ó Rinn, a request to report a courtcase in the newspaper, request for a copy of *Fear na Milliún Punt*, Béaslaí's articles in the *Manchester Guardian*, rejection of manuscripts, radio broadcasts, and lectures. Written in English and Irish.
17 items, undated.
- (17) Letters from Independent Newspapers, C. Mac Fhionn Laoich; Liam Ó Treasaigh, An Realt; John Hudson, Lancashire, England; Seaghan Mac Aodha, Duke St.; Parkside Press Ltd, Dublin; editor, *Ireland's Own*, Wexford; Radio Éireann; 'Indignant '98', Wexford; L. McQueen, Kent; Brian Ó h-Uiginn, Co. Clare; International Press-Cutting Bureau, London; Fionán Mac Column; and *Comhar*.
Subjects include an article on Smuts for the *Irish Independent*, requests for permission to perform some of Béaslaí's plays, his articles in the *Irish Independent*, invitations to lecture, an article by Béaslaí on his escape from prison, and time regulations for radio broadcasts. Written in English and Irish.
13 items, undated.

- (18) Drafts of letters written by Béaslaí. Correspondents include James Aitken, Austin Oates, his father, and Mr Hall, *Freeman's Journal*.
Subjects include submission of articles and stories to various newspapers and journals, his articles for the *Catholic Fireside*, his posts with the *Liverpool Daily Post*, *Rochester Journal*, *Evening Telegraph* and *Freeman's Journal*, job applications, his dismissal from the *Freeman's Journal*, plans to stage *Fear an Sgeilín Grinn*, the Irish Journalists' Association, and Béaslaí's introduction to Pat Fleming's book on prison experiences.
25 items, 1899-1919.
- (19) Drafts of letters written by Béaslaí.
Subjects include his novel *Astronar*, plans for a book on Gaelic prose, an Irish translation of *She Stops to Conquer* for the Department of Education, *Éigse Nua-Ghaedhilge*, an Irish letter for the *Merseyside Spectator*, publication of *An Fear Fógraidheachta*, permission to reproduce a poem, and articles for the *Kerryman*. Written in English and Irish.
20 items, 1928-58.
- (20) Drafts of letters written by Béaslaí. Correspondents include Athair Peadar [Fr Peter O'Leary ?], Mr O'Connor, *Freeman's Journal*, Willie, Austin Oates, Pat Meade, editor, *Evening Telegraph*, Jim, and Mr Brayden, *Freeman's Journal*.
Subjects include job applications, the history of the Catholic Commercial Club, Béaslaí's relations with Independent newspapers, the Irish Journalists' Association, his articles for the *Catholic Fireside*, his jobs with the *Freeman's Journal* and *Evening Telegraph*. Written in English and Irish.
29 items, undated.
- (21) Drafts of letters written by Béaslaí. Correspondents include Treasa Nic Aodhain; editor, *The Kerryman*; 'Quidnunc', *Irish Times*; Dan Nolan; and F.J. Geary, editor, *Irish Independent*.
Subjects include an application for the post of editor of *Irish School Weekly*, lectures, articles for various newspapers and journals, a biography of Arthur Griffith, the Irish translation of *She Stoops to Conquer*, payment for his article in *Dublin's Fighting Story*, Béaslaí's play on Robert Emmet, and radio broadcasts. Written in English and Irish.
30 items, undated.
- (22) Letters to editor, *Evening Telegraph* [Pat Meade]; editor, *Freeman's Journal*; and Sir John Arnott, chairman, *Irish Times*; Wm Stewart, *Irish Times*; Fionán Mac Coluim; Irish Journalists' Association; and P. Ua Murchadha.
Subjects include John Mac Neill, newspaper reports, an article by Béaslaí on the Irish language in the *Freeman's Journal*, a claim for a

salary increase for journalists with the *Irish Times* and *Irish Field*, and a newspaper vacancy in Wexford.
6 items, undated.

II.iii. Articles, lectures, broadcasts

Handwritten and typed drafts of Béaslaí's articles, lectures and radio broadcasts, a significant number of which are in Irish. Subjects include well known figures from politics and literature; literary issues, in particular relating to Gaelic literature; the Irish revolution; and his own reminiscences of Béaslaí's work as a journalist, his involvement in the Irish Volunteers and the Gaelic League.

- Ms 33,935(1) 'Cáirde Dhom, I. Torna', 3 handwritten drafts of an article on Torna [Tadhg Ó Donnchadha]; 'Cara Dhom "Fiachra Eilgeach"', 1 handwritten article on Risteárd Ó Foghludha / Richard Foley. Written in Irish.
- (2) 'Mo Chara, Seán an Chota' [Seán Caobhanach / Kavanagh]; 'Mo Chara, Steafán Mac Éanna'; 'Mo Chara, Osborn Ó hÁimhirgín' [Osborn Bergin]; 'Mo Chara, Colm Ó Murchadha'. Handwritten and typed articles. Written in Irish.
 - (3) 'Mo Chara, Seán Mac Diarmada'; 'Mo Chara, Pádraic Mac Piarais'; 'Mo Chara, Tomás Ó Cléirigh'. Handwritten articles in Irish
 - (4) 'Beatha Phádraig Uí Dhuinnín'; 'Chara Dhom, Pádraig Ó Duinnín, sagart'. Handwritten articles in Irish.
 - (5) Four articles on Pádraic Ó Conaire. Written in Irish and English.
 - (6) 'A Comrade's Tribute', by Piaras Béaslaí. Obituary of Michael Collins.
 - (7) Articles and notes on James Clarence Mangan.
 - (8) Articles on Canon Peter O'Leary.
 - (9) 'Muirteí Lairí Ó Súilliobháin agus Tuath Ó Siosta'. Handwritten article in Irish.
 - (10) Excerpts from various writings on the Irish revolution.
 - (11) 'Cúirt gan ceart'. Handwritten article in Irish on the 1916 courts martial.
 - (12) 'Nuachtóin Fadó'; 'Eachtraí Eagarthóra'; 'Eagarthóireacht Fé Thalamh'. Handwritten articles in Irish on Béaslaí's experiences as a journalist and newspaper editor.

- (13) 'Mar Tugadh an Bhrathach Slán'; 'How he saved the flag'.
Article in Irish and English on the Irish revolution.
- (14) 3 untitled handwritten articles in Irish on the Irish revolution.
- (15) Exercise book containing lecture or article on Irish independence.
- (16) Contents of file 'Battle of North King Street':
Text of article on the 'North King Street Battle'; letter from Jack Shouldice, recounting his memories of the battle; letter from Béaslaí to Col Joyce, concerning the Irish Volunteers in Dublin; 'Four Courts and North King Street Area in 1916' by John J. Reynolds, typed article; assorted handwritten notes by Béaslaí.
- (17) Contents of file 'Disappearance of Connolly':
Letters from Eugene Lacy, Eamon T. Dore, Cathal O'Shannon, Desmond Ryan concerning Béaslaí's articles on James Connolly in the *Irish Independent*, Jan.-June 1957; handwritten and typed copies of Béaslaí's articles 'A Connolly Mystery'; notes by Cathal O'Shannon on Béaslaí's article about the disappearance of James Connolly, 15 Nov. 1956; newspaper cuttings containing letters by P.S. O'Hegarty and Denis McCullough about James Connolly; 'Statement of Frank Daly' concerning James Connolly; assorted handwritten notes by Béaslaí.
- (18) 'Church St in Easter Week'. Handwritten article.
- (19) Galley proofs of *Cúirt an Mheádhan Oidche* with an introduction by Béaslaí.
- (20) Proofs of a book of poems by James Clarence Mangan.
- (21) Contents of file 'Foclóir Beurla-Gaedhilge':
Handwritten notes for an English-Irish dictionary.
- (22) Documents concerning the translation of books into Irish for the Department of Education. c1930-33

Ms 33,936(1) 'Irish Literature – Past and Future'. Handwritten article.

- (2) Contents of file 'History of Modern Irish Literature In a series of essays. 1924':
Extracts from newspapers containing Béaslaí's articles on Irish literature; handwritten notes by Béaslaí.
- (3) 3 exercise book containing a handwritten article entitled 'The Future of the Gael'
- (4) Contents of file 'Essays on Contemporary Gaelic Literature (Arranged for publication)': Newspaper cuttings, typed and handwritten articles.

- (5) Contents of file 'Article on Gaelic Type':
Extracts from the *Cork Examiner* containing articles by Béaslaí on Gaelic type and spelling; extract from unidentified publication containing an article by 'P.B.' on 'European Type for Irish'; handwritten article by Béaslaí on the debate over Gaelic and Roman type; newspaper cuttings concerning Scots Gaelic, the standardisation of written Irish and text-books in Irish; assorted handwritten notes by Béaslaí.
- (6) Contents of file 'Essays on Contemporary Gaelic Literature':
Articles by Béaslaí, typed and newspaper extracts.
- (7) Contents of file 'Essays on Contemporary Gaelic Literature' (contd.):
Newspaper cuttings with articles by Béaslaí.
- (8) Contents of envelope 'Turus na nAisteoiri 1914':
Handwritten article in English on 'Gaelic Thespians Touring Munster in 1914; handwritten article in Irish on 'Na hAisteoirí'.
- (9) Contents of file 'Articles on Literary Subjects in Irish 1918-21':
Newspaper cuttings containing articles by Béaslaí.
- (10) 2 exercise books entitled 'Éire so aguin' and 'Stair na hÉireann' containing notes on Irish history.
- (11) Exercise book containing notes entitled 'Litridheacht na hÉireann, Béal Átha an Ghaorthaidh, 1910, 11, 13'. Notes for lectures delivered in the Munster College, Ballingearry.
- (12) Exercise book containing untitled lecture in Irish on Conradh na Gaeilge.
- (13) Exercise book containing details on Béaslaí's involvement with the Gaelic movement in the early 20th century.
- (14) 'Coláiste na Mumhan'. Handwritten article in Irish.
- (15) Newscuttings containing various article in Irish by Béaslaí.
- (16) 'Oireachtas na Gaillimhe, 1913'; Mar Chailleamhair an Craoibhín. Oireachtas Dhún Dealgan, 1915'; two untitled article in Irish on the Gaelic League Oireachtas.
- (17) 3 exercise books containing an article on 'Reachta na hÉigse'.
- (18) 2 exercise books containing articles in Irish.
- (19) 'Moltóir Litríochta. Gnóthaí a Chéirde'. Handwritten article in Irish.

- (20) ‘Bunscoileanna agus Gaeilge’. Handwritten article in Irish.
- (21) Article entitled ‘Rambles in Bookland’.
- (22) ‘Géibheann’ [Bondage], ‘Oileánachas’ [Insularity] and 3 untitled short articles in Irish concerning islands and conversation.

Ms 33,937(1) Contents of file ‘Nation Articles’:

Newspaper cuttings containing articles in Irish by Béaslaí on various Gaelic topics. 1924-5.

- (2) ‘“Battles Royal” in Gaelic movement. A veteran remembers heated controversies and stormy scenes’.
Article by Béaslaí in *Irish Independent*, 22 May 1957.

- (3) Issue of the *Wicklow People*, 19 Sept. 1953, containing Béaslaí’s oration at Tom Kehoe’s funeral; handwritten and typed drafts of the oration.

- (4) File of newspaper cuttings containing articles in Irish by Béaslaí on various Gaelic and Irish literary subjects.

- (5) Contents of file ‘Freeman Essays & Book Reviews, 1923-4’:
Newspaper cuttings containing articles and reviews by Béaslaí on literary subjects;

- (6) Contents of file ‘Articles in *Sunday Chronicle*, July-Sept. 1932 with File of Action Against *Sunday Chronicle*, 1932’:

Extracts from the *Sunday Chronicle* containing articles by Béaslaí on various Irish subjects, Aug.-Sept. 1932.

Correspondence between Béaslaí and the *Sunday Chronicle* concerning his articles, July-Aug. 1932.

Extracts from the *Sunday Chronicle* containing ‘The True Story of Michael Collins’ by Seán Ó Faolain, and reports of an injunction taken by Béaslaí to prevent the publication of further instalments in the series, June-July 1932.

Extracts from the *Irish Independent* containing letters from Mary MacSwiney and Seán Ó Faolain concerning the banning of Ó Faolain’s book in the Irish Free State, undated.

- (7) 2 notebooks of extracts from the *Freeman’s Journal* containing articles in Irish by Béaslaí, writing under the names ‘Seamus Óg’, and ‘Pilib an Chleite’. 1906
- (8) ‘Mise agus Craobh an Cheitinigh’. Handwritten article in Irish.
- (9) Assorted newscuttings containing articles by Béaslaí and references to his writings.

- (10) Miscellaneous articles by Béaslaí. Handwritten and newspaper cuttings.
- (11) Extracts from drafts of miscellaneous articles. Written in Irish.
- (12) Extracts from drafts of miscellaneous articles. Written in Irish.
- (13) Miscellaneous lectures, articles and speeches. Written in English and French.
- (14) 'The Religiousness of Shelley'; 'A Forgotten Genius'; 'A Forgotten Realm'. Handwritten articles.
- (15) Assorted handwritten articles and notes for memoirs.
- (16) 'Eachtraí i dTigh Ósta'; 'Tuille Eachtraí I dTigh Ósta'. Handwritten articles in Irish.
- (17) 'Mise agus an Stáitse'; 'Mise agus na hAisteoirí'. Handwritten articles in Irish.
- (18) Contents of exercise book 'Litríocht na Nuadh Ghaedhilge' Newspaper cuttings of articles in Irish.
- (19) 2 notebooks with newspaper cuttings of articles in Irish.
- (20) 'Mo Rogha Shaothar – Fleadh na Realtann'. Typed text of broadcast in Irish.
- (21) 'Na Mná Syracusacha'. Handwritten article in Irish.
- (22) 'Eachtraí Nollag, 1915-21'. Handwritten article in Irish.
- (23) 'Ceannairí Eile na Troda 1916'. Handwritten article in Irish.
- (24) 'Cogadh na Rinncí'. Handwritten article in Irish.
- (25) 'On Worming Dogs'. Handwritten and typed copies of an article.
- (26) 'Boxing and Wrestling'. Handwritten article.
- (27) 'The Magic Lake'. Handwritten and typed copies of an article.

Ms 33,938(1) 'Walter Scott and the Gael'. Lecture delivered to the Dublin Literary Society, 21 Nov. 1941.

- (2) Contents of file 'Lectures in English': Handwritten lectures on Gaelic literature.

- (3) Exercise book entitled 'Summary of Lectures':
Notes on Gaelic literature.
- (4) Exercise book entitled 'Seanchaidheact'. Notes on ancient Ireland.
- (5) 'Lectures on Gaelic Literature, 1910'. Exercise books with notes and lectures in Irish.
- (6) 3 exercise books containing a handwritten article on the activities of the Irish language movement. Written in English.
- (7) 'Drámaí Gaeilge Fadó'; 'The Freeman's Journal'; 'Bunú Óglach na hÉireann, 1913'; 'Bráithreachas na Poblachta'; 'Aisteoirí Fáin san Ghaeltacht'. Handwritten texts of talks given by Béaslaí, Jan.-Mar. 1952.
- (8) 'Ard-Staf Airm na Poblachta'; 'Dáil Eireann, 1919-21'; 'An Peann 's An Gunna'; 'Mar d'éaluíos as Príosún Mountjoy'; 'Mar d'éaluíos as Príosún Manchester'. Handwritten texts of talks given by Béaslaí, Apr.-June 1952.
- (9) Exercise book containing lecture 'Some Neglected Irishmen'.
Delivered to the Celtic Literary Society, Liverpool, 10 Feb. 1903.
- (10) 'Drámaíocht na Gaedhilge'. Lecture delivered at the Gaelic league Oireachtas, 27 Oct. 1941. 2 copies.
- (11) 2 exercise books containing handwritten political speeches; manuscript of a speech.
- (12) Notebook containing handwritten speech on Irish nationality.
- (13) Handwritten speech in Irish on the Irish in Liverpool.
- (14) 6 speeches on the Irish revolution.
- (15) Handwritten draft of speech in Irish to Club na Múinteoirí.
- (16) Handwritten article or speech entitled 'The Barricades'.
- (17) 'Stair Éamuinn Uí Chléire'; 'An Sluagh Sidhe'; 'Páirliament na mBan'.
Handwritten texts of broadcasts, 1934-5.
- (18) 'Litríocht Gaidhilig na hAlban', 'Peictúrlanna agus Drámuíocht',
broadcasts delivered in 1936-7; notes for broadcasts, 1936-8.
- (19) 'Drámuidheacht na Ghaedilge'; 'Bunú na nÓglach'; 'Ag Ollamhú Chun Comhraic'; 'Fuasgailt an Bhrataigh'; 'Ar Mo Choimeád, 1918-21'. Broadcasts, 1940-41.

- (20) ‘Shán Ó Cuív’; ‘“Faust” le Goethe’; ‘Bás na Bábóige’; ‘An Mongánach Mar Aistritheoir’; ‘Brí agus Feidhm an Éirí Amach’. Broadcasts, 1942-54.
- (21) ‘Cointinn na bhFile’; ‘Aislingí’; ‘Ainmneacha Fileata ar Éirinn’; ‘An Daor Chlann’; ‘Pádraigín Haicéad’; and 2 untitled articles. Handwritten articles in Irish.
- (22) 3 exercise books containing handwritten articles on ‘The Makings of Revolution’ and ‘The Escape of Red Hugh’ and handwritten notes.
- (23) ‘The Gaelic Middle Class. Ignored phase of Social history’, handwritten article in English; extracts from articles in English and Irish.
- (24) Contents of files ‘Broadcasts’ and ‘Radio Talks’: Letters from the Broadcasting Station concerning Béaslaí’s lectures and notes for broadcasts.

II.iv. Literary work

Contains handwritten and typed drafts of Béaslaí’s plays, including plays which he translated into Irish, arranged in alphabetical order by title. Also contains extracts from a number of unidentified plays, written in Irish and English; drafts of poems and short stories; and a draft copy of Béaslaí’s book on Irish poetry, *Éigse Nua-Ghaedhilge*.

Ms 33,939(1) *Ar Thóir Mhichíl Uí Choileáin*, play by Béaslaí. Written in Irish.

- (2) Galley proofs of *Astronar* for the *Weekly Freeman*.
- (3) Typescript of play *Beirt na Bodhaire Breige*.
- (4) Galley proofs of play *Beirt na Bodhaire Breige*.
- (5) Handwritten script of play *An Bhean Chródha*.
- (6) Handwritten script of play *Ceanndánacht*.
- (7) Handwritten script of play *Ceanndánacht*.
- (8) *Na Cearrbhaigh*. Handwritten script of play in Irish by ‘Racaire’ for the 1913 Gaelic League Oireachtas.
- (9) Exercise book containing handwritten script of play *Cormac na Cuille*.
- (10) Handwritten script of play *Cormac na Cuille*.
- (11) Typescript of play *Cúigeachas*.

- (12) Handwritten script of play *Cúrsaí Fiaigh*.
- (13) Handwritten extracts from play *An Danar*.
- (14) Handwritten extract from play *An Danar*.
- (15) Typescript of play *An Dochtúir Breige*.
- (16) Handwritten script of play *El Viaje Par Mai*. Written in English.
- (17) Extracts from Béaslaí's translation of *Faust* into Irish.
- (18) Handwritten script of play *Fear na Foidhne*.
- (19) Handwritten script of radio play about Michael Collins.
- (20) Typescripts of plays *Hearcuileas* and *Fé Bhrí na Mionn*.
- (21) 'First draft of Pe in Eirinn I', a play in Irish.
- (22) Notes and extracts from a draft of *Philocetes*, a play in English.
- (23) Handwritten draft of *Philocetes* (pp. 1-6 missing).
- (24) Contents of file '*Philocetes*':
Correspondence with the Dublin Magazine and F.R. Higgins concerning the play; notes on the play and a typescript of it. 1935-7.

Ms 33,940(1) Typescript of a play about Robert Emmet.

- (2) Notes for play on Robert Emmet.
- (3) *An Sgaothaire*, handwritten script of play for 1914 Gaelic League Oiraehtas.
- (4) Extracts from *An Sgaothaire*.
- (5) *An tOllamh Dearmadach*, handwritten script of play by Ernst Wichert translated from German to Irish by Béaslaí.
- (6) Typescript of radio play *The Truce of 1921*.
- (7) Handwritten script of play *An tUghdar*.
- (8) Handwritten script of untitled play in Irish.
- (9) Handwritten script of untitled play in Irish.
- (10) Typescript of untitled play in Irish.

- (11) Handwritten script of untitled play in Irish (p. 1 missing).
- (12) Exercise book containing extract of unidentified play in English.
- (13) *Astronár*, p. 1 only; exercise book with extract of unidentified play in Irish.
- (14) Typed extracts from *The Rivals*.
- (15) Handwritten extract from untitled play in English.
- (16) Handwritten script of untitled play in English.
- (17) Handwritten script of untitled play in Irish (p.1 missing).
- (18) Handwritten script of untitled play in Irish.
- (19) Miscellaneous extracts from plays in Irish and English
- (20) Advertisements, programmes and tickets for Béaslaí's plays.
- (21) Poems and extracts from poems.
- (22) Exercise book containing poems and material for the Gaelic League Oireachtas.
- (23) 3 exercise books containing poems.

Ms 33,941(1) *A Delightful Deputation, Marmion's Revenge, Last of Seanchas.*
3 handwritten short stories.

- (2) *The Infatuation*, handwritten short story.
- (3) Exercise book containing story *The L[onely?] Place*.
- (4) 3 exercise books containing short stories and one loose short story.
- (5) Short stories and excerpts from miscellaneous short stories.
- (6) Exercise book containing story in Irish entitled *Francois Rabelias Alcofribas Naiser ?*.
- (7) Exercise book containing untitled story.
- (8) 2 exercise books containing short stories.
- (9) Typescript and handwritten script of untitled short story in English.

- (10) Exercise book containing miscellaneous stories and extracts from stories.
- (11) Typescripts of short stories in Irish, including an Irish translation of a story by Hans Christian Andersen.
- (12) Handwritten scripts for short stories in English and Irish, and notes for stories.
- (13) 'The Dark Woman of the Glen'; 'The Singing Woman of the Temple'; 'The Changes of Twenty Years'; 'The War of Brothers'; 'The Berber's Justice'. Handwritten scripts of short stories.
- (14) 'The Old Sea Wall'. 2 typescripts and 1 handwritten script of a short story.
- (15) 'The Demon Lover'. 2 typescripts and 1 handwritten script of a short story.
- (16) 'The Ghost Song'. 3 typescripts and 1 handwritten script of a short story.
- (17) 'The Devil's Dilemma'. 2 typescripts and 1 handwritten script of a short story.
- (18) 'The Veiled Image'. 2 typescripts and 1 handwritten script of a short story.
- (19) 'Reincarnation'. 3 typescripts and 1 handwritten script of a short story.
- (20) 'The Old Sea Wall', 'The Bell', 'The Boy' and two untitled short stories.

Ms 33,942(1-10) Handwritten drafts of *Éigse Nua Ghaedhilge – I*, a study of Gaelic poetry and poets, 1600-1850, written by Béaslaí.

(2-32) Drafts of *Éigse Nua-Ghaedhilge – II*.

II.v. Notes

Exercise books and notes made by Béaslaí for his writings, including a number of small shorthand notebooks. Subjects include his history of the Catholic Commercial Club, the difficulties Béaslaí encountered in having his novel, *Astronár* published, suggested topics for articles, and notes for writings on the Irish revolution and Gaelic drama.

Ms 33,943(1) 2 notebooks with miscellaneous notes and writing in Irish, English and shorthand.

- (2) 3 exercise books with notes and writing in Irish.
- (3) Assorted notes and extracts from writings on the Irish Revolution.
- (4) Exercise book entitled 'Suggestions for articles, sketches & tales'.
- (5) Exercise book entitled 'Lit Scribbling Book'.
- (6) File containing assorted notes and extracts from writings on the Irish revolution.
- (7) Notes for Béaslaí's history of the Catholic Commercial Club.
- (8) Contents of file 'Articles for Independent, List of Subjects, Notes from diaries & other material', contains notes, newscuttings and handwritten drafts of articles.
- (9) Exercise book with various writings; appears to have been written by Béaslaí when he was a child. c1891.
- (10) Contents of exercise book 'Leabhar na Léirmhas':
Letters from the Department of Education concerning the publication of *An Danar*, notes concerning the difficulty encountered by Béaslaí in publishing *Astronár*, and newscuttings containing reviews of *Astronár*.
- (11) Contents of jotter 'Filidheacht', contains drafts of poems.
- (12) Contents of file 'Notes for essays, poems etc. Also radio play':
Contains assorted handwritten notes.
- (13) Contents of exercise books 'Piaras Béaslaí, Baile Átha Cliath, 1905' and 'Piaras Béaslaí, "Giolla na Léirge":
Miscellaneous handwritten notes and writing in Irish.
- (14) Exercise book which appears to be a writing diary, contains some notes on Conradh na Gaeilge.

- (15) Contents of file 'Items of Interest (for writings or radio talks)':
Contains newscuttings.
- (16) Contents of envelope 'Novel ab[ou]t Sally':
Contains notes and handwritten draft.
- (17) Shorthand notebooks.
- (18) Shorthand notebooks.
- (19) Shorthand notebooks.

Ms 33,944(1) Lecture programme for the Technical Students' Literary & Debating Society, 1951-2, including a lecture by Béaslaí; catalogue of Brain Gore-Booth, literary agent; statement of royalties paid to Béaslaí, 1963.

- (2) 'Summary of Lit. work, Jan.-April 1942'.
- (3) Contents of file 'Memories of Men of Note':
Notes on Patrick Pearse, Thomas MacDonagh, Liam Ó Rinn and Seán Mac Diarmada.
- (4) Contents of file 'Short articles material and suggestions':
Contains assorted handwritten notes and newspaper cuttings.
- (5) Contents of files 'Articles' and 'Memories and Vistas':
Contains miscellaneous handwritten notes.
- (6) Exercise book containing miscellaneous handwritten notes and writings.
- (7) Exercise book with notes on 'Litridheacht na hÉireann'; list of Irish printed books from 1571-1820.
- (8) Exercise book entitled 'Lit Note Bk', containing handwritten notes.
- (9) Contents of file 'Proposed Gaelic Book on Foreign Classics':
Contains assorted handwritten notes.
- (10) Contents of file 'New Ego-Book First Episode March 1911':
Contains notes, newscuttings and draft of text.
- (11) Contents of file 'Material & draft for Ego-Book (first plan) & Summary of Diary 1909-11':
Contains numerous handwritten notes.
- (12) Contents of file 'Records of time taken over various books':
Diary outlining time spent by Béaslaí on writing.
- (13) Notes outlining time spent by Béaslaí on various writings.

- (14) Contents of envelope 'Material and dates about Luke Wadding & Ireland, 1641-9':
Contains handwritten notes.
- (15) Exercise book entitled 'Dramai':
Contains handwritten notes.
- (16) Contents of file 'Ceol-Dhráma Grinn':
Contains handwritten notes.
- (17) 3 notebooks containing writing in Irish, handwritten script of play *Philaster* with shorthand notes, and extract from poem in Irish.
- (18) Contents of file 'Horatius':
Contains handwritten notes.
- (19) File containing notes, possibly refers to time taken over his writings. 1940s-50s.
- (20) Contents of exercise books entitled 'An Ghealach' and 'Páipéirdheacht':
Contains handwritten notes in Irish.
- (21) Exercise book containing notes on Béaslaí's plays.
- (22) Large hardback exercise book containing notes on writing and literature.
- (23) 2 jotters containing handwritten notes.
- (24) Notes on Gaelic poetry

Ms 33,945(1) Contents of file 'Miscellaneous matter, cuttings etc':
Drafts of stories and articles and newspaper cuttings, including *Fáinne an Lae*.

- (2) Exercise book containing handwritten notes.
- (3) 'Diary 1880', used as a notebook, contains miscellaneous notes and writings.
- (4) Jotter containing miscellaneous notes.
- (5) 2 exercise books containing miscellaneous notes.
- (6-14) Folders of loose sheets of paper containing miscellaneous notes.

III. Organisations

Letters and documents relating to organisations and societies of which Béaslaí was an active member, in particular those related to the Old IRA and the Irish language, such as the Association of the Old Dublin Brigade, 1916-21 Club, Conradh na Gaeilge/Gaelic League, Na hAisteoirí, An Fáinne, Comhdháil Náisiúnta na Gaeilge, and Cumann na Scribhneoirí, as well as a number of literary organisations, such as Irish P.E.N. and the Irish Playwrights Association, and Béaslaí's club, the Catholic Commercial Club. Also contains a significant number of documents concerning Military Service Pensions.

III.i. Old IRA

Documents relating to Association of the Old Dublin Brigade, of which Béaslaí was president for many years, including letters dealing with the association's activities, documents concerning its annual Collins-Griffith commemoration, minutes, rules, membership applications and financial statements of the association. Béaslaí was also an active member of the 1916-21 club, and there are a number of letters concerning it, as well as programmes for its annual dinner, and copies of speeches delivered at the annual dinner by Béaslaí.

There is a considerable correspondence from various old IRA and Cumann na mBan organisations throughout Ireland and also in Britain, and from the Organisation of National Ex-Servicemen (now the Organisation of National Ex-Servicemen and Women), which are principally concerned with unemployment among members, their financial difficulties, and Military Service Pensions. There is a distinct section dealing with pensions, which consists of letters, newspaper cuttings and other documents, principally concerned with the campaign for an increase in MSPs during the 1940s-50s.

From 1960 until his death in June 1965, Béaslaí edited a newspaper for old IRA and Cumann na mBan, entitled *An tÓglach*, after the Volunteer journal of the War of Independence. There are some letters dealing with the production of this newspaper, as well as drafts of a number of its articles by authors including Kevin O'Shiel, Cathal O'Shannon and Vinnie Byrne.

III.i.1. Association of the Old Dublin Brigade (AODB)

Ms 33,946(1) Letters from A.S. Ó Muireadhaigh, Micheal Allman, Cuad [Charlie Dalton], Alfred O'Brien, Patrick B. Whitty, T. Cullen, J.J. O'. [J.J. O'Connell], Seoirse R. Ó Liathain [George Lyons], James Saurin, P.S. Ua Dubhghaill, Patrick Caldwell, and Diarmuid Ó Riain.

Subjects include AODB meetings, formation of a housing sub-committee, memorial parade at Glasnevin cemetery, Tom Kehoe memorial, funds, unemployment among members of the association, reception for W.T. Cosgrave, Béaslaí's success at the Tailteann Games, and the unveiling of a memorial in Tipperary.

17 items, 1924-8.

- (2) Letter from T.C. Cooney, Dick Hegarty, F. McCormack and James Mallon, Martin Gleeson, Brendan, M. Brennan, John Kent, F. Saurin, Risteard Ua Maolcatha [Richard Mulcahy], R.L. Daly, Aodh Ua Cinnéidigh [Hugh Kennedy], and Owen P. Cullen.
 Subjects include a vote of sympathy on the death of Béaslaí's mother, AODB meetings, appeal for funds, establishment of a benevolent fund, and a complaint about the AODB trading with a Jewish merchant.
 16 items, 1930-34.
- (3) Letters from John Williams, Marcus A. Lynch, John F. Shouldice, Seán de Priondargás and Seoirse Ó hEireamoin, Eamon Ó Brou? [Ned Broy], P. Lamb, F.X. Coghlan, P.S. Doyle, Jack Toomey, and Michael Noyk.
 Subjects include a reunion, a dispute between the association and a supplier, the 1916 roll of honour, a 1st battalion memorial, a tribute to F.X. Coghlan, a court case involving the AODB, *Brigade Review*, and a complaint about the attendance of members of the AODB at a high mass in the Pro-Cathedral 'in thanksgiving for the victory of the Catholic cause in Spain'.
 17 items, 1935-9.
- (4) Letters from P.S. Doyle, Seán Collins, John Williams, Jack Shouldice, Séamus Ó Cathail, Victor Carton?, ? Kinsella, Thomas R. Atkins, Patrick F. Donovan, Risteárd Ua Maolcatha [Richard Mulcahy], Seamus Breathnach, E. Lipman, George Reddin, and Joe Murray.
 Subjects include the Collins-Griffith commemoration, contributions to the benevolent fund, translation of names into Irish, reunions, Béaslaí's talk to the youth section of the 4th battalion, refusal of a request for use of the Iveagh Gardens, Joe Murray fund, and efforts to find premises for the association.
 19 items, 1941-3.
- (5) Letters from J.P. Karney, Alec McCabe, Patrick C. Moore, Seán Collins, L. Robinson, Michael Noyk. T.J. Barrington, Jerry Golden, Risteárd Ua Maolcatha [Richard Mulcahy], W.T. Cosgrave, George P. Walsh, Alec McCabe, P.S. Doyle, Cathal Ó Tuathail, Thomas P. Sherrin, Maurice Fitzsimons and John Williams, Robert Monteith, Seán Ó Ma'l Cathaigh [Seán Mulcahy], and Fuel Importers (Eire) Limited.
 Subjects include subscriptions to the house fund appeal and benevolent fund, reunions, application for new premises, a request to help find a cottage for a former volunteer returning to Ireland from USA, and efforts to find employment for members.
 23 items, 1944-46.
- (6) Letters from Kevin O'Shiel, J. McCoy, Jerry Golden, F.X. Coghlan, Jack Toomey, Liam, P. McGilligan, Patrick J. Walsh, Aodh Mac Neill, Peadar Mac Mathghamhna, Hibernian Bank Ltd, and T? Gilhooly.

Subjects include the twenty-fifth anniversary of the deaths of Michael Collins and Arthur Griffith, lectures to the association, the history of the AODB, Collins-Griffith commemoration, celebrations for the proclamation of the republic. 15 items, 1947-9.

- (7) Letters from Joe Guilfoyle, Tomás [Tomás Gay], John Williams, Jimmy Mallon, F.X. Coghlan, F. Stynes, J. Boland, and H. MacNeill.
Subjects include the eligibility of a member, reunions, a presentation to Liam Daly, meetings, increased subscriptions, the Collins-Griffith commemoration, and a recruiting drive.
20 items, 1950-51.
- (8) Letters from Tomás Gay, Aodh Mac Néill, J.N. Kerrigan, Piaras Mac Lochlainn, Donnchadh Mac Domhnaill, Eoin O'Sullivan, Seumas Mac Brádaigh, Kevin O'Shiel, M. Cremen / M. Ó Cruimín, Michael Noyk, D Mac Colla [Denis MacCullagh], Eamon Broy, Seán Mac Liam [John Williams], Liam Tobin, Peadar Mac Mathghamhna, and P.S. Ó Raghallaigh.
Subjects include Béaslaí's illness, receptions, an effort to seek employment for a member, the Collins-Griffith commemoration, legal affairs of AODB, a lecture to the AODB by Eamon Broy, and an appeal for contributions to the benevolent fund.
20 items, 1952-4.
- (9) Letters from Louis Robinson, Brian Schweppe, Mícheál [Michael Cremen], Seán Collins Powell, Seán Mac Eoin, John Williams, Jack / Seán Mulhall, Risteard A. Ó hUaithe?, Peadar Mac Mathghamhna, and M. Cla?.
Subjects include subscriptions to the benevolent fund, AODB meetings, Collins-Griffith commemoration, and the AODB's accounts.
16 items, 1955-7.
- (10) Letters from J. Mulhall, Peadar Ua Nualláin / Peter Nolan, Liam O'Hora, Cathal Ó Seanáin, John M. Heuston, P.J. Stephson, Jas Nolan, Joseph Doyle, J.J. Burke, Eamon Martin, and William O'Connor.
Subjects include lectures delivered to the AODB, commemorations, the Michael Noyk portrait fund, Collins-Griffith commemoration, a dispute over elections at the AODB AGM, 'Old IRA notes' for newspapers, and the Thomas Traynor memorial.
20 items, 1958-65.
- (11) Letters from Seumas Mac Bradaigh, Eamon Martin, John Williams, T. Lynch, S.S. Ó Raghallaigh, Paddy Dalton, and Jerry Golden.
Subjects include reunions, lectures, meetings, a request for the use of Iveagh gardens, Collins-Griffith commemoration, the fund for unemployed members, commemorations, and the history of 1st battalion.
13 items, undated.

- (12) Letters written by Piaras Béaslaí. Correspondents include Imperial Tobacco Co, Liam Ó hÓra, and Honorary Secretary AODB.
Subjects include the twenty-fifth anniversary of the deaths of Michael Collins and Arthur Griffith, Stephen O'Reilly's candidacy for municipal elections, 'IRA notes' in newspapers, the annual Collins-Griffith commemoration, Béaslaí's view that the AODB 'has outlived its usefulness', Seán MacMahon memorial, lectures to the AODB, plans to publish *The Dublin Brigade Review*, the Organisation of National Ex-Servicemen, and a request for a loan for the AODB.
28 items, 1947-57 and undated.
- (13) Documents relating to the Collins-Griffith commemoration: lists of people invited; programmes of proceedings; and a report on it for *An tÓglach* [Old IRA journal].
19 items, 1953-7 and undated.
- (14) Association of Old Dublin Brigade stationery.
- (15) Documents relating to the Association of Old Dublin Brigade:
Details of a lecture on James Connolly by Cathal O'Shannon; notes on the history of the AODB; a report on the financial situation of the AODB in 1934; reminiscences of 1916 Rising; a report by the secretary dealing with efforts to recruit members, the non-political stance of the association, efforts to secure premises for the association, and unemployment among members; suggestions for structural reform; report of the investigation committee appointed to investigate the association's accounts; a list of names for a senior officers reserve course.
14 items, 1927-55 and undated.
- (16) Contents of file 'After Four Courts':
Appeal for funds for AODB; programme for AGM of AODB; poster containing draft rules and proposed amendments to rules of AODB; notes on history of AODB; notes on an EGM of AODB; receipt; copies of Dublin Brigade orders, 1916; invitation to memorial mass for Dick McKee, Peadar Clancy and Conor Clune; application forms for membership of AODB.
15 items, 1916-52 and undated.
- (17) Balance sheets and accounts of AODB. 5 items, 1950-55.
- (18) Tickets and programmes for events organised by AODB.
14 items, 1925-58.
- (19) Minutes and agendas of AODB meetings.
14 items, 1928-55 and undated.
- (20) Application forms for membership of AODB.
5 items, undated.

III.i.2. 1916-21 Club

- Ms 33,947(1) Letters from Thomas R. Atkins / Tomás Aidcion, Tomás Gay, and R. Somerville, concerning the annual commemoration dinner, committee meetings, and social functions organised by the club.
22 items, 1943-9.
- (2) Letters from Thomas R. Atkins / Tomás Aidcion, Tomás Gay, and Ben Byrne, concerning committee meetings, social functions, and the annual commemoration dinner.
18 items, 1950-52.
- (3) Letters from Thomas R. Atkins, Ben Byrne, F. O'Doherty, and D. Mackey, concerning social functions, committee meetings, the annual commemoration dinner, reviews of a book by O'Hegarty, and lectures.
19 items, 1954-9.
- (4) Letters from Thomas R. Atkins, D.E. McCarthy, and D. Mackey, concerning committee meetings, Béaslaí's illness, and lectures delivered to the club.
4 items, 1962-5 and undated.
- (5) Documents relating to the 1916-21 club:
Programmes for annual 1916 commemoration and annual 1916-21 commemoration dinner; balance sheets and accounts; notices of social functions.
12 items, 1942-61.
- (6) Programmes for the 1916-21 annual commemoration dinner.
11 items, 1942-61.
- (7) Handwritten copies of speeches delivered by Béaslaí at the annual 1916-21 commemoration dinner.
11 items, 1942-58.

III.i.3. Old IRA organisations and members

- Ms 33,947(8) Letters from J.P. Peurose; P. Ó Cadhain, Liverpool; Liam Tobin, Dublin; P.O.L., Curragh Camp; Joseph Claffey and Thomas J. Keenan, Athlone; Charles Dalton, Dublin; Harry Heeney, Dublin; Tomás Gay, Dublin; Peadar Mac Raignall / Peter J. Reynolds, London; and Matthew O'Connell and James Power, New York.
Subjects include a supplementary grant for a demobilised soldier, unemployment among former volunteers, formation of Old IRA organisations, Tom Cullen memorial fund, and claims for financial assistance from former volunteers and their families.
20 items, 1924-31.

- (9) Letters from John Hurley, Cork; Martin Gleeson, Dublin; S. Mac Raghnaill and Proinsias Ó Cearnaigh, Easter Week Memorial Committee; D.P. Walshe; P. Lamb, National Association of Old IRA; Thos B. Byrne, Dublin; and Dan Breen
 Subjects include formation of an Old IRA club for volunteers from Liverpool, formation of a Four Courts garrison committee, meetings of Easter Week Memorial Committee, plans to publish a journal entitled *Dublin Brigade Review*, and memorials for Seán Heuston and Seán Treacy.
 15 items, 1934-9.
- (10) Letters from C. Mac Cartaige, Dublin; Thomas P. Irwin, Old IRA Widows and Orphans Fund; Thomas R. Atkins, National Association of Old IRA; Easter Commemoration Committee, Joint Conference of Old IRA and Kindred Organisations; Caitlín bean Uí Cléirigh [Kathleen Clarke]; P.S. Doyle, Lord Mayor of Dublin; T. Donnolly; Pádraig de Brún, Mágh Nuadhat [Maynooth]; D. Mac Con Uladh [Denis McCullagh]; Seamus Ó Bráonáin; Seosamh Ó Traighthigh?, United Conference of Old IRA Organisations; and Risteárd Ua Maolcatha [Richard Mulcahy].
 Subjects include a request for Béaslaí's autograph, an appeal for funds for the Old IRA Widows and Orphans Fund, Old IRA reunions, 1916 commemorations, unemployment among old IRA members, Joe Murray testimonial, and lectures to the Old IRA Literary and Debating Society.
 14 items, 1940-44.
- (11) Letters from T.C. Cooney, United Conference of Old IRA Organisations; Frank Thornton, Dublin; Seán O'Sullivan, Cork; Mollie H. Lalor, Old IRA Literary and Debating Society; John Murphy, Liverpool; Arklow branch, '98 Commemoration Association; Ben Byrne, Dublin; Seamus Ó Braonain, United Conference of Old IRA; Aodh Mac Néill, Dublin; James Byrne, Carlow; and Ed. Lane, 1916 Veterans' Association.
 Subjects include 1916 commemorations, reunions, Patrick Madden Dependants' Fund, unemployment, lectures to the Old IRA Literary and Debating Society, plans to form an Old IRA association in Liverpool, 150th anniversary of 1798 rebellion, and a presentation to Mick McDonnell.
 17 items, 1945-9.
- (12) Letters from James Brennan / Seamus Ó Braónain, United Conference of Old IRA Organisations; Stephen O'Brien, O'Donovan Rossa memorial; Pádraig Quinn, chairman, Co. Kilkenny executive Old IRA; M. Somers, Associated Pre-Truce Irish Republican Army; Mrs Ellen Leddy, Cabra West, Dublin; Jack Lynch, Scotland; P.V. Hoey, Cavan; Seamus Ó Cearbhaill, National Association Old Fianna; Paddy Barry, Tipperary; Alex; and M. Cremen, Federation of IRA 1916-1921.

Subjects include 1916 commemorations, O'Donovan Rossa memorial; claims for financial assistance for families of former volunteers, a claim for decoration as an IRA member, formation of old IRA organisations, unemployment among old IRA, Seán MacMahon memorial fund, activities of the Old IRA Literary and Debating Society, and a meeting with the Minister for Defence to express old IRA grievances.
19 items, 1950-55.

- (13) Letters from Seámus Ó Bráonain / James Brennan, United Conference of Old IRA; Peadar Ua Nulláin, Federation of IRA 1916-1921; Kathleen, Seán and Terry MacMahon; Herbert O. Mackey, Dublin; Riobard Mac Gabhrain, Frank Casey, Federation of IRA 1916-1921; and P. Boyd, Blackrock.

Subjects include 1916 commemorations, meetings with the Minister for Defence, the national convention of the Federation of IRA 1916-1921, the campaign for the return of Roger Casement's remains to Ireland, and the Michael Noyk portrait fund.
14 items, 1956-9.

- (14) Letters from Pádraig Ó Cathail, Dublin, M.A. Nevin, Galway; Liam Ruiséal, Cork; Piaras F. Mac Lochlainn, Dublin; Frank Thornton, Dublin; J.P. Dillon, Old IRA Widows and Orphans Fund; S. Ó Braonáin, 1916 Veterans' Association; and M. Cremen, National Association of Old IRA.

Subjects include a posthumous testament for an IRA member, reorganisation of East Galway Brigade Old IRA, plans for the 50th, anniversary of the Easter Rising, an appeal for funds for the Old IRA Widows and Orphans Fund, and the formation of the 1916 Veterans' Association.
9 items, 1961-5 and undated.

- (15) Documents relating to Old IRA organisations; ticket for collection of 1916 medals; ticket for lecture to the Old IRA Literary and Debating Society; announcement of masses for Dick McKee, Peadar Clancy and Conor Clune, and Michael Collins; tickets, menus and programmes for reunions and commemorations; handwritten reports on the IRA Federation 1916-1921; programme for National Association of Old IRA concert; programmes for 1916 commemorations; documents relating to Seán MacMahon and O'Donovan Rossa memorials; draft constitution of the Association of Pre and Post Truce Old IRA.
20 items, 1934-62 and undated.

- (16) Handwritten text of radio appeal for contributions to the Old IRA Widows and Orphans Fund.
1 item, 1941.

- (17) Gearoid O'Sullivan memorial.
Letters from Eoin Ó Suilleabhain, W. O'Dowd, T. Donovan, Gearóid O'Sullivan, and Kathleen Napoli McKenna, concerning a memorial for

Gearoid O'Sullivan; Biographical note on Gearoid O'Sullivan; and drafts of the Irish wording of the memorial.
22 items, 1950-59

- (18) Contents of file 'Joe Murray', including a plea for subscriptions for a benevolent fund for Joe Murray; lists of names; receipt for Béaslaí's subscription; and a note on money spent by Joe Murray on munitions, elections and defence of prisoners during the Irish revolution.
7 items, undated.
- (19) Newspaper cuttings containing reports of Old IRA activities.
4 envelopes.

III.i.4. Organisation of National Ex-Servicemen (ONE)

Ms 33,947(20) Letters from Aodh Mac Neill, Tomás Holt, Peter Duffy, J. O'Hanlon, Patrick Comer, P.J. Horrigan, James Boyle, and Seamus Redmond.
Subjects include commemoration of the Truce, memorial masses for deceased soldiers, and invitations to ceremonies and lectures.
23 items, 1952-62.

- (21) *Rank and File*, journal of the Dublin branch of the Organisation of National Ex-Servicemen.
1 item, 1952.

III.i.5. Military Service Pensions (MSP)

Ms 33,948(1) Letters from Eamon Morcan, Army GHQ; Margaret, London; Patrick Roche, Co. Kerry; D.P. Walshe, Co. Tipperary; Diarmuid Ó hEigceartuigh [Diarmuid O'Hegarty], Dublin; L. Brennan, Department of Defence; Gearoid O'Suilleavain, MSP Board; Thomas Gorman, Army Finance Officer; Peadar Mac Mathghamna, Department of Defence; Domhnall Mac Cionaith, Department of Defence; Seán Boylan, Co. Meath; and J.T. Daly, Department of Defence.
Subjects include applications from former Volunteers and Cumann na mBan for MSPs, grants and disability pensions, Béaslaí's pension and his evidence to the Board of Assessors.
25 items, 1924-8.

- (2) Letters from Patricia Hoey [Béaslaí's secretary in the Censor's Office, 1922-3] concerning her application for a MSP.
13 items, 1927 and undated.
- (3) Letters from Tomas McEvoy, Dublin; Gearóid Ó Griobhtha, Dublin; E. de Burca, Griffith Barracks, Dublin; Diarmuid Ua Loingsigh, Mallow, Co. Cork; Jack Shouldice, Dublin; James Hendrick; and J. Lawless, Cabra, Dublin.

Subjects include applications from former Volunteers and Cumann na mBan for MSPs, and requests for Béaslaí to provide references for applicants.

19 items, 1934-5.

- (4) Letters from Phyllis Morkan, Dublin; Maurice [no surname given], Dublin; Seán Ó Conaill, Dublin; Máire Ní Rignigh, Bray; Joe Stanley, Drogheda; John Morrissey, Liverpool; Jim O'Sullivan, Limerick; Mrs Neil Kerr, Dublin; and E. De Burca, Griffith Barracks, Dublin.

Subjects include applications for MSP from former Volunteers and Cumann na mBan, requests for references from Béaslaí, and appeals against awards made.

17 items, 1936-9.

- (5) Letters from E. de Burca, Griffith Barracks, Dublin; Eilis Ní Conaill, Clontarf, Dublin; J. O'Sullivan, Dublin; Peadar Mac Mathghamhna, Department of Defence; P. Kelly, Department of Defence; Joe Murray Dublin; M. Cremen, Dublin; Edmund L. Byrne, Arbour Hill, Dublin; Owen Farrell, Liverpool; and Joe Curran, Dublin (letter addressed to Major B. McMahan).

Subjects include Béaslaí's provision of references for pension applicants, commemorative medals for the 25th anniversary of the Easter Rising, and income tax deducted from Béaslaí's pension.

21 items, 1940-45.

- (6) Letters from Muirgheal bean Mhic Suibhne [Muriel MacSwiney], widow of Terence MacSwiney, concerning efforts to have a pension granted to Laurence Ginnell's widow.

12 items, 1944-6 and undated.

- (7) Letters from Esther May, Athy, Co. Kildare, concerning Béaslaí's assistance with her pension application.

15 items, 1946.

- (8) Letters from Pádraig Ó Cúgáin, Athlone, Co. Westmeath, and Clontarf, Dublin, concerning his application for an MSP for his service during the Easter Rising.

12 items, 1946-56.

- (9) Letters from Eilís Ní Conaill, Clontarf, Dublin; D.B. Cogley, Dublin; F. Egan, Griffith Barracks, Dublin; Joe Murray, Dublin, Seán Mac Eoin, Minister for Justice; and N. Fennell, Department of Defence.

Subjects include references provided by Béaslaí for pension applicants, Béaslaí's application under the 1934 MSP act, Joe Murray's pension application, and a meeting with Seán Mac Eoin.

17 items, 1946-9.

- (10) Letters from Ciss Golden, Cheshire; Fergus O'Connor, Merrion, Dublin; Seán Mac Eoin, Minister for Justice; Muirgheal bean Mhic

Suibhne [Muriel MacSwiney]; P.S. Doyle, Dublin; and Eamon Rooney, Dublin.

Subjects include enquiries about eligibility for a pension, Béaslaí's provision of references for applicants, meetings with Seán Mac Eoin, Muriel MacSwiney's application for a pension, and the adjustment of Lily Mernin's pension.

13 items, 1950.

- (11) Letters from Tomás Gay, Dublin; Kathleen Napoli McKenna; Seán C. Ó Fogludha, Wexford; and D. Mac Grioghair, Dublin.

Subjects include efforts by Old IRA organisations to seek increases in IRA pensions, and Kathleen Napoli's pension application.

19 items, 1951.

- (12) Letters from Tomás Gay, Dublin; Owen Farrell, Armagh; ? Griffin, Department of Finance; Muirgheal bean Mhic Suibhne [Muriel MacSwiney]; Paddy ?, Dublin; Kathleen Walsh, Waterford; M. Cremen, Dublin; Tomás Ó Maoláin, Howth, Co. Dublin; and Catherine Munnelly, Dublin.

Subjects include the Old IRA's campaign for an increase in IRA Pensions, a request for assistance with a pension application, and Muriel MacSwiney's pension.

16 items, 1952-3.

- (13) Letters from P. Mac Gabhann / Frank J. Smith, Cheshire; Míchéal Ó Cruimín / M. Cremen, Dublin; S. Mac ?, Department of The Taoiseach; Ristéard Ua Maolcatha [Richard Mulcahy]; C.D. McEntee ?, Dublin Board of Assistance; Margaret McNestry, Phibsboro, Dublin; Peadar Ó Máille, Connamara; Bríd Ní Foghludha, Cork; and James ?.

Subjects include claims for increases in IRA pensions and some personal pension cases.

24 items, 1954-5.

- (14) Letters from Proinnsias Mac Gabhann [Frank Smith], Cheshire; Dick ? (letter addressed to 'Frank'); Peadar Ó Máille, An Clochán [Clifden], Co. Galway; Margaret McNestry, Phibsboro, Dublin; Frank Casey, Federation of IRA 1916-1921; Muiris Ó Cléirigh, Tralee; and Thomas J. Nolan, Department of Defence.

Subjects include personal pension cases, meetings of the IRA composite pensions committee, and claims for increases in IRA pensions.

12 items, 1956-61.

- (15) Letters from Joe Murray; Frank Casey, Federation of IRA 1916-1921; M. Cremen; John [no surname given], Galway; Finance Officer, Department of Defence; Floss O'Doherty, Dublin; Cuad [Charlie Dalton]; Eilís Ní Conaill; and D.P. Walshe.

Subjects include personal pension cases and the campaign for increases in IRA pensions.

13 items, undated.

(16) Letters written by Béaslaí, concerning income tax deducted from his pension, references for pension applicants, and personal pension cases. 11 items, 1939-42 and undated.

(17) Contents of file 'Miss L. Mernin':
Drafts of letters by Béaslaí, statements outlining Lily Mernin's work for Michael Collins's intelligence service, letters to Béaslaí from Risteard Ua Maolcatha [Richard Mulcahy], Seán Mac Eoin?, and Lily Mernin, concerning Lily Mernin's claim for an increase in her pension. 35 items, 1916-52.

(18) Documents relating to Military Service Pensions:

Envelope containing Béaslaí's MSP certificate.

Copy of pamphlet 'Federation of Old IRA associations, suggested amendments to Military Service Pensions Act, 1934'.

Pamphlet 'Claims of the Old IRA', prepared by the Old IRA pensions committee.

Typed draft of petition calling for increases in MSPs.

'What Ireland owes to the Old IRA', typed article outlining the Old IRA's claims for increased pensions.

Handwritten minutes of a meeting of the IRA Federation pensions committee.

Handwritten summary of 'Claims of the Old IRA'.

Documents relating to Margaret McNestry's claim for an allowance in respect of her brother.

'Military Service Pensions (Amendment) Bill'.

17 items, 1924-54.

(19) Documents relating to Military Service Pensions:

Handwritten draft of appeal by Béaslaí on behalf of Joseph Curran, who forfeited his pension when dismissed from the army.

Handwritten notes by Béaslaí on Dáil Éireann discussions of MSP bills.

Typed and handwritten drafts references by Béaslaí in support of pension applications of Mrs D. Barnard Cogley, Kathleen Napoli, Máire O'Neill, Patricia Hoey, and Lily Mernin.

Documents outlining pension claims of Peter Gough, Patrick Fleming and an unnamed applicant.

Handwritten draft of resolution concerning the employment of 1916 veterans in government posts.

Statement outlining the level of support for the Old IRA's claims for increased pensions.

Handwritten copies of speeches/articles by Béaslaí outlining the Old IRA's pension claims.

Handwritten notes by Béaslaí on the various MSP Acts.

Handwritten notes.

24 items, 1948-52.

(20) Contents of file 'IRA Pensions File':

'Pensions (Increase) Act, 1950'.
'Military Service Pensions Act, 1924'.
Typed extract from Dáil Éireann debate on Military Service (Amendment) Bill.
Typed extracts from 'Pensions (Increase) Act, 1950'.
Typed lists of pensions granted under various acts and value of pensions.
Handwritten and typed accounts by Béaslaí concerning various Military Service Pension Acts.
Resolution concerning the work of an Old IRA pensions committee.
Typed report of a meeting of the Old IRA pensions committee.
Typed copy of Béaslaí's speech to the 1916-21 Club dinner.
Handwritten notes by Béaslaí on the contents of his MSP file.
Assorted handwritten notes.
41 items, 1924-50 and undated.

(21) Contents of file 'IRA Pensions File' (contd.):

Letters concerning IRA pension claims written by Leo Duffy, William Norton, C. Casey, M. Ó Cathain, the Association of the Old Dublin Brigade, Tomás Gay, Séamus Ó Braónain, M. Cremen, Chairman Old IRA pensions committee, J. O'Connor, Liam D?, and J.J. Brennan. Correspondents include Seán Mac Eoin, newspaper editors, election candidates, A.J. Mulhall, honorary secretary AODB, and James Mallon.
Handwritten drafts of letters by Béaslaí. Correspondents include the President of the Executive Council.
'Statement by the Military Service Pension Protection Association. Extract from estimates outlining compensation and pension payments'.
AODB application form.
Certificate granting a military service pension to Béaslaí.
Resolutions proposed at an IRA pensions meeting.
Draft constitution for the 'Old Volunteer Association'.
List outlining number of pensioners per county.
31 items, 1928-55.

(22) Contents of file 'IRA Pensions File':

Assorted newspaper cuttings relating to IRA pensions.
4 envelopes.

III.i.6. *An tÓglach* (Old IRA journal)

- Ms 33,949(1) Letters from P. Boyd, Dublin; M. Lynch, Dublin; Tom O'Rourke, Rathfarnham; James J. Brennan, Kilmainham Jail Restoration Project; Kevin O'Shiel, Dublin; Jack Dufficy / Seán Ó Dubhghusa, Dublin; Seán FitzPatrick; Eamon Lynch, Co. Wicklow; Frank K. Lee, Association of Old IRA and Cumann na mBan (London); Kathleen Clarke, Dublin; Earnan de Blaghad [Ernest Blythe], Dublin; Eliz. Bateman, England; J.M. McCarthy, Dublin; Robert Brennan, Dublin; Éamonn de Barra, Dublin; Bob Somerville; Dan Rooney, Dublin; B. Cassian; Patrick Farrelly, Dublin; and Jack Mulhall, Association of the Old Dublin Brigade. Some of the letters are addressed to Bob Somerville M.L. McGuinne and Martin Walton. The letters are principally concerned with the production of the Old IRA journal, *An tÓglach*, and with readers opinions of it.
29 items, 1960-63 and undated.
- (2) Handwritten notes, extracts from drafts of articles and advertisements for *An tÓglach*.
17 items, [c1960-65].
- (3) Articles and reports for *An tÓglach*:
'Lectures in AODB'; 'A Song of Portland'; 'Kilmainham Jail Restoration'; 'Bloody Sunday' (editorial); 'Our Programme'; 'Do Lucht na Gaeilge'; 'Joe Gleeson' (obituary); 'Colonel Joe Leonard' (obituary); 'Wolfe Tone Memorial'; 'Wolfe Tone Memorial'; 'Consequences of the "Orange Card"'.
11 items, [c1960-65].
- (4) Articles and reports for *An tÓglach*:
'Outside a cordon at Liberty Hall' by Cathal O'Shannon; 'Waterford Brigades'; '1916-1921 Club'; 'The return of the "orange card"' by Kevin O'Shiel; Untitled article on the Irish Volunteers in Glasgow; 'The attack on Lord French – a survivor's narrative' by Vinnie Byrne; 'Death of Thomas Ashe, Art O'Donnell's story'; 'Inside the Custom House by one who was there' by Vinnie Byrne; 'Kilmichael' by Jack Dufficy; 'IRA Federation'; 'Bloody Sunday' by Patrick J. Young.
11 items, [c1960-65]
- (5) Galley proofs of *An tÓglach* (Old IRA journal).
- (6) Notepaper for *An tÓglach* (Old IRA journal).
- (7) *An tÓglach*, September 1960 (page proofs); *An tÓglach*, Summer 1961.
2 items, 1960-61.

III.ii. Conradh na Gaeilge/Gaelic League and other Irish language organisations

The correspondence relating to Conradh na Gaeilge, containing almost 700 letters, is principally concerned with the activities of Conradh na Gaeilge in Liverpool, the Keating branch in Dublin, the Oireachtas, and *An Claidheamh Soluis*. The letters, the majority of which date from 1900-1920, when the league was at its most active, are divided into principal (at least 20 letters) and minor correspondents. The former is arranged in alphabetical order by surname, while the latter is ordered chronologically. Among Béaslaí's correspondents were Douglas Hyde, Pádraig Mac Piarais, Éoin Mac Néill and J.J. O'Kelly.

In addition to Conradh na Gaeilge, there are letters and documents relating to other Irish language groups and organisations, including Na hAisteoirí (a troupe of Gaelic players in which Béaslaí was involved in the 1910s), An Fáinne (an organisation for Irish speakers which Béaslaí helped to found), Coláiste na Mumhan (Munster College, Ballingeary), Cumann na Scribhneoirí and Comhdháil Náisiúnta na Gaeilge. There are also approximately 200 letters which deal with miscellaneous Irish language issues and events. Given the nature of the subject, most, though not all, of the letters and documents in this part of the collection are written in Irish.

III.ii.1. Conradh na Gaeilge: correspondence, principal correspondents

Ms 33,950(1) Ó Cathasaigh, Séamus, principally concerning the production of plays at the Oireachtas. Written in English and Irish.
22 items, 1906-19.

(2) Ó Dubhghaill, León, principally concerning the Oireachtas.
Written in Irish.
20 items, 1939-43.

(3) Ó Dubhghaill, León, principally concerning the Oireachtas.
Written in Irish.
20 items, 1944-7.

(4) Ó Dubhghaill, León, principally concerning the Oireachtas.
Written in Irish.
16 items, 1948-55.

(5) Ó Foghludha, Risteárd / Richard Foley / 'Fiachra Eilgeach'
Subjects include Cumann Oisín, and meetings with Béaslaí and other prominent figures in the Irish language movement. Written in Irish.
18 items, 1906-15.

(6) Ó Foghludha, Risteárd / Richard Foley / 'Fiachra Eilgeach'
Subjects include the editorship of *An Claidheamh Soluis*, the production of *An Claidheamh Soluis* and *Fáinne an Lae*, the Gaelic League's liability for entertainment duty, An Comhar Dramaíochta, Written in Irish and English.

16 items, 1917-55 and undated.

(7) Ó hAlmhain, Diarmuid.

Subjects include plans of Craobh an Céitinnigh [Keating Branch] to perform some of Béaslaí's plays, a request for permission to publish Béaslaí's 'Comhgháir na Laoch' in a book for Irish learners, and the formation of a new branch of An Fáinne in Dún Laoghaire. Written in Irish.

17 items, 1933-50.

III.ii.2. Conradh na Gaeilge: correspondence: minor correspondents

(8) Letters from John A. Smyth, C.J. O'Callaghan, Mícheál Breathnach, Frank O'Callaghan, Seághan Ó Cionarth, Pádraic Mac Piarais [Patrick Pearse], Peadar Mac Fhionnlaoidh, 'An Craoibhín' [Douglas Hyde], Tomas Ó Murchadha, S. Ua Ruadhrí, Seaghan Ó Dromaigh, Kuno Meyer, and Seaghan Mac Eoin.

Subjects include the activities of Conradh na Gaeilge in Liverpool and London, information on how to obtain a copy of *Casadh an tSugáin*, and Pearse's view of a misleading circular about the league. Written in Irish and English.

20 items, 1900-03.

(9) Letters from A. Brophy, Séoirse [Seartan / George Shorten], H. Moriarty, Stiophán Bairéad, Pádraic Mac Piarais [Patrick Pearse], F. Burke / Proinnsias Búrca, Mícheál Ó Dubhlaighe, Uilliam Ó Riain [W.P. Ryan], U.L. Mac Cumhaill / Walter L. Cole, Mícheál Ó Corgraihe, Kuno Meyer, Mícheál Ó hAodáin, Seaghan Ó Droma, P. Ó Cadháin, Seaghán Ua Foghludha, Peter Cowell, Aodh Mac Giolla Íosa, and Seaghan Mac Eochaidh.

Subjects include the activities of Conradh na Gaeilge in Liverpool, plans for Patrick Pearse to lecture in Liverpool and London, language classes, a lecture by Kuno Meyer on Irish language and literature, and the organisation of a feis [Irish music and dancing competition]. Written in Irish and English.

25 items, Jan.-Sept. 1904.

(10) Letters from Uilliam Ó Riain [W.P. Ryan], U.L. Mac Cumhaill / Walter L. Cole, J. Drennan, Michael O'Mahony, Seoirse Seartan [George Shorten], Mícheál Ó Corgraihe, Pádraig Ua Dálaigh, T. O'Byrne, Pádraig Mac an tSagart, J.A. Wilson, J.A. Smyth, Seaghan Ua Ruadhrí, Seagan Ó Droma, Kuno Meyer, Boys' Refuge Industrial School, Mícheál Ó hAodáin, Mícheál Ó Foghludha, Murtagh Farragher, P. Ó Broinacáin, Cormac Ó C., Mat F. O'Callaghan, Domhnall Ó Croinin, T. Mahony, W. Geraghty, Máire Ní Concubhair, and S. Mac Eocaidh.

Subjects include the activities of Conradh na Gaeilge in Liverpool and London, Kuno Meyer's lecture, and a dispute concerning a dance performed in the Liverpool feis. Written in Irish and English.

35 items, Oct.-Dec. 1904.

- (11) Letters from Seoirse [Seartan / George Shorten], Pádraig Mac Piarais, Michéal Ó Foghludha, Murtagh Farragher, Seumas Bairead, Joseph North, Alice L. Milligan, John Clinton, Seóirse Mac Cairbleóra, Olive Barry, Seaghan Ó Briain, Art Ua Bríain, and Boys' Refuge Industrial School.

Subjects include the activities of Conradh na Gaeilge in Liverpool and Manchester, *An Claidheamh Soluis*'s coverage of the Liverpool feis, Alice Milligan's lecture to the league in Liverpool, and plans for an Irish music concert in Liverpool. Written in Irish and English.

26 items, Jan.-Feb. 1905.

- (12) Letters from Seaghan Ó Briain, Olive Barry, 'An Craoibhín' [Douglas Hyde], Pádraig Ua Dálaigh, W. Geraghty, J.A. Smyth, Micheál Ó Corraige, Murtagh Farragher, Micheál Ó hAodháin, Boys' Refuge Industrial School, Alfons Ó Labharaigh, Seamus Mac Ranaigh, and P. Ciárog.

The letters are principally concerned with the activities of Conradh na Gaeilge in Liverpool, especially their Gaelic concert. Written in English and Irish.

20 items, Mar.-May 1905.

- (13) Letters from M. Ó Foghludha, Boys' Refuge Industrial School, S. Mac Ranaigh, Tomás Ua Marchadha, Micheál Ó hAodáin, Seóirse Mac Coirbleóra, Murtagh Farragher, Mat F. O'Callaghan, and Cormac Ó Ceallacháin.

Subjects include the activities of Conradh na Gaeilge in Liverpool, Irish language classes in Liverpool, the ard fheis and Oireachtas of Conradh na Gaeilge, and the death of T.F. Murphy. Written in English and Irish.

19 items, June 1905-May 1906.

- (14) Letters from Seumas Ó hEochaidh, 'An Giolla Deachair', Boys' Refuge, Cathal Mac Aodhagáin, Seamus Mac Ranaigh, Seosamh Mac Giolla an Righ, Frank O'Callaghan, Éamon Ó Néill, Stiophán Bairéad, Seóirse [Seartan / George Shorten], Liam Ua Domhnaill, Tomás Ó Cléirigh, Micheál Ó Briain, and ? Ó Muirgheasa.

Subjects include a feis in Kildare, reports of the activities of Liverpool Conradh na Gaeilge, Béaslaí's election to the committee of Craobh an Chéitinnigh [Keating branch], the Oireachtas, elections for the Coiste Gnótha, and meetings and activities of Craobh an Chéitinnigh and Ard Craobh. Written in English and Irish.

21 items, June-Dec. 1906.

- (15) Letters from Seán Ó Foghludha, 'Beirtfhear' [Séamus Ó Dubhghaill], Seamus Mac Ranaigh, B.J. Molloy, Pádraig Ua Duinnín, Seosamh Mac Aonghusa, Liam Ua Domhnaill, S.P. Mac Énrí, Micheál Mac Aodha?, Tomás Ó Muirgheása, Micheál Ó hAodáin, and Síghile Ní Aibgheasa.

Subjects include a lecture by ‘Sceilg’ [J.J. O’Kelly] to Conradh na Gaeilge in Manchester, the activities of Coiste na dTearmaí, Ard Craobh, Coiste an Oireachtas, Coiste Gnótha and Craobh an Chéitinnigh, praise for Béaslaí’s protest against *The Playboy of the Western World*, rehearsals for a play, and the production of Béaslaí’s play *Cormac na Cuille* at the Oireachtas. Written in English and Irish. 17 items, Jan.-July 1907.

- (16) Letters from Michel, Seaghán P. Mac Énrí, ‘Tórna’ [Risteárd Ó Foghludha], Pádraig Ó Dálaigh, Éamón, Seamus Mac Ranaigh, Micheál Mac Anairchinnigh?, Micheál Ó Caomhánaigh, and T. O’Donoghue.

Subjects include the ard fheis, Feis na Mumhan, the activities of Coiste an Oireachtas, Coiste Ceanntair Baile Átha Cliath and Ard Craobh, Béaslaí’s success at the Oireachtas and his election to Coiste Gnótha, Liverpool Conradh na Gaeilge, and the *Gaelic Journal*. Written in Irish and English.

15 items, Aug.-Dec. 1907

- (17) Letters from Eibhlin Nic Aitcin, Deóra Frinseach, Máire Byrne, ‘An Craoibhín’ [Douglas Hyde], Eóin Mac Néill, Pádraig Ua Dálaigh, Earnán de Blaghad [Ernest Blythe], ‘Sceilg’ [J.J. O’Kelly] Tomas Craven, Cormac Ó Ceallacháin, ‘Cluad a Cheabhasa’ [Claud Chavasse], Mícheál Mac Aodha, and Pilib Ó Neill.

Subjects include a testimonial for Douglas Hyde, payment for teachers to teach Irish, the activities of Coiste Gnótha and Coiste Ceanntair Baile Átha Cliath, Béaslaí’s relations with the Coiste Gnótha, and *An Claidheamh Soluis*. Written in English and Irish. 17 items, 1908-09.

- (18) Letters from Micheál Ó Loingsigh, P. Ó Láininn?, Sheán Ó Conaill, Diarmaid Ua Guadhlaioich, Séamus Clannoliúin [Séamus Clandillon], ‘Sceilg’ [J.J. O’Kelly], Mícheál Ua Liatháin, Pádraig Ua Duinnín, Conán Maol [Pádraig Ó Séaghdha], J. Allen, Seamus Ua Dubhghaill, T.J. Loughlin, ?, and Mícheál Ó Gríobhtha.

Subjects include the activities of Coiste Gnótha, Béaslaí’s attendance at the ard fheis as representative of Craobh Uí Ghramhnaigh, Manchester, and a presentation to Richard Foley [‘Fiachra Eilgeach’] on his wedding. Written in Irish and English. 16 items, 1910.

- (19) Letters from T. Clarke, Seán Mac Giolla anáin ?, Micheál Ó Loingsigh, Micheál Ó Foghludha, Dómhnall Ó Murchadha, ‘Cú Culainn’ [Peadar Ó Dubhda], ‘Torna’ [Tadhg Ó Donnchadha], Deóra Frinseach, E. Ní Ceallaigh, Seumas Deakin / J.A. Deakin, Micheál Ó Curráin / Michael Carey, Máirín Spares, and Joe Murphy.

Subjects include the activities of Craobh an Chéitinnigh, Coiste an Oireachtas, Béaslaí’s role as a judge at the 1912 Oireachtas, a motion of sympathy from Craobh an Chéitinnigh on the death of Béaslaí’s brother Fred, Béaslaí’s election to the committee of Cumann

Dramaíochta to represent Craobh an Chéitinning, a request from the American Committee of the Gaelic League for Béaslaí to provide an Irish letter for publication in US newspapers, and a feis in Kilkenny. Written in English and Irish.
19 items, 1911-Mar. 1913.

- (20) Letters from Pádraig Ó Dálaigh, E. Ní Ceallaigh, Máirín Spares, Conchubhair Ó Coileain [Con Collins], Seán Ó Bróin, Deóra Frinseach, Enrí Mac Niocail, Micheál Ó Loingsigh, Shán Ó Cuív, and Seán Ó Muirthuille.

Subjects include the accounts of Craobh an Chéitinning, meetings of An Cumann Dramaíochta, the Oireachtas, and Béaslaí's candidacy for Coiste Gnótha. Written in Irish and English.
15 items, Apr.-Dec. 1913.

- (21) Letters from Seán Ó Muirthuille, R. Mac Coitir, Jenkin James, Pádraig Ó Dálaigh, Uilliam Ó Rinn [W.P. Ryan], Máirtín Ó Rodaigh, Micheal Ó Foghludha, Aindrias Ó Maolagáin, Eoghan Ó Briain, and Stiophán Bairéad and Deóra Frinseach.

Subjects include drama, Béaslaí's election to Coiste an Oireachtas, and a request for copies of Béaslaí's plays *Cluiche Cartaí* and *Beirt na Bodhaire Bréige* from Conradh na Gaeilge in London.
16 items, 1914.

- Ms 33,951(1) Letters from Eileen McGrane, Uilliam Ó Rinn / Liam Ó Rinn [W.P. Ryan], Art Ua Bríain, Micheal Ó Foghludha, Pádraig Ó Dálaigh, Pádraig Ua hUigin, S. Bairéad, Caitlín de ?, Fionán, Liam Ruiseal, and Seaghán T. Ó Ceallaigh.

Subjects include Béaslaí's Irish translation of a French text, a request for translation of words into Irish, Conradh na Gaeilge in London, the Oireachtas, seachtain na Gaeilge, a lecture invitation from Conradh na Gaeilge in Cork, the activities of Coiste Gnótha, and a request for copies of Béaslaí's plays *Cluiche Cartaí* and *Fear an Sgeilín Grinn*. Written in Irish and English.
15 items, 1915.

- (2) Letters from Liam Ruiseal, Seaghán T. Ó Ceallaigh, P. Ó Dubslaine, Thomas Walsh, Bee Dixon, Stiophán Bairéad, Tadhg Ó Scanaill, Seán Ó Góráin?, Mícheal Ua Cúill, Seosamh Ó Riain, and 'An Seabhac' [Pádraig Ó Siochfhradha].

Subjects include expenses for Béaslaí's trip to Cork, the activities of Coiste na Timthreacha, the committee of the Gaelic League choir, an invitation to attend a St Patrick's Day demonstration in Limerick, the 1917 ard fheis, an invitation to speak at an aeraíocht in Cork, and Béaslaí's candidacy for Gaelic League committees. Written in Irish and English.

16 items, 1916-Aug. 1917.

- (3) Letters from Ó Dubhain, D. Ua Braoin, Seán Ó Broin, Art Ua Bríain, Michael O'Mahony, Brian Ó hUiginn, Mairéad Nic Donnchadh, Deóra

Frinseach, Seán Ó Luara, Seaghán T. Ó Ceallaigh, Mícheál Ó Foghludha, Pádraig Mac an tSagairt, Seamus Ó hAodha, M.H. Gill & Son Ltd, Tomás Ó Raithile, Seán Mac an tSaoi [Seán MacEntee], Fionán Ó Loingsigh, and S. Browne.

Subjects include invitations to feiseanna and concerts, a meeting of the Gaelic League in London, the death of Béaslaí's brother Langford, meetings of Coiste an Airgid and Coiste Gnótha, a presentation to Mícheál Ó Loingsigh, Béaslaí's appointment and work as editor of *An Claidheamh Soluis*, and an invitation to give a lecture to the Gaelic League in Belfast. Written in Irish and English.
20 items, 1917.

- (4) Letters from Seán Mac an tSaoi, M. Ó Cathain, Cormac O'Callaghan, 'Torna' [Tadhg Ó Donnchadha], Mícheál Ua Cuill, D. Ua Braoin, Liam Mac Goúan?, Micheal Ó Foghludha, Brighid, S. Ó hAodha, Gearóid Ó Lochlainn, Deóra Frinseach, Fionán, Liam Ó Rinn, Daniel Corkery, Máire Ní Duinn, E.J. Duggan and Seán Ó Conchubhair.

The letters are principally concerned with Béaslaí's work as editor of *An Claidheamh Soluis* and *Fáinne an Lae*. Written in English and Irish.

23 items, 1918-19.

- (5) Letters from Seán Ua Conchubhar, Seán Ó Tuama, Deóra Frínseach, Micheal Ua Foghludha, Seán [no surname given], Pádraig Mac an tSagairt, Labhras Breathnach, Eadmonn Ó Maitiú, Seán Ó Muirthuille, Diarmuid Ó Drisceóil, Máighréad Níc Cumail, León Ó Broin, and Séamus Ó Glasáin.

Subjects include the production of *An Claidheamh Soluis*, Béaslaí's appointment to represent the Coiste Gnótha on Coiste Cumann Leictiuirí na nDaoine, Béaslaí's candidacy for president of Conradh na Gaeilge, his play *An Sgaothaire*, Irish language classes in Liverpool, a request for an Irish translation of 'Ministry of Fine Arts', the Waterford feis, Sinn Féin's plans to start a Gaelic League branch in Kenmare, Béaslaí's lecture to the Gaelic League in Dublin, and the efforts of a Gaelic League organiser to get a job with the government. Written in Irish and English.

16 items, 1920-21.

- (6) Letters from Seán Ó Muirthuille, Seamas [no surname given], Séamus Ó hAodha, Peadar Ua Dubhuidhe, Mícheál Ó Foghludha, 'Torna' [Tadhg Ó Donnacadh], and Mícheál Ó Cuill.

Subjects include the activities of Coiste Gnótha, Coiste Buan and Craobh an Chéitinning, the Oireachtas, an invitation for Béaslaí to lecture to the league in Colloney, Co. Sligo, a dispute between the leadership of Conradh na Gaeilge and its members in Cork, an advertisement in *Misneach* for a league organiser/teacher, an invitation from 'Torna' to lecture in UCC, and requests for copies of some of Béaslaí's plays. Written in Irish and English.

14 items, 1922-3.

- (7) Letters from Seumas Mac Conglinne, M. Ó Foghludha, Tomás Ua Duinneacha, Pádraig Ó Cochláin, F. Ó Dubsláine, Proinsias Ó Fataigh, Seamus de Bilmot, C. Mac Carthaigh, B. Ní Dhubhthaigh, and Seán Lomasna?.
- Subjects include the Oireachtas, a feis in Dublin, a lecture on Irish music in Dalkey (Deilginis) branch of Conradh na Gaeilge, Béaslaí's nomination for Coiste Gnótha, drama, and Gaeltacht scholarships. Written in Irish and English.
17 items, 1924-9.
- (8) Letters from Donnchadh Ó Briain, Tomás Ó Fiannachta, Eibhlin Ní Chathailriabhaigh and León Ó Dubhghaill, 'An Craoibhín' [Douglas Hyde], Seoirse [George Shorten], Tadhg Ó Murchadha, Tomás Ó Léimhín, Cathal Ó Seanáin, Seán Ó Gruagáin, Seamus Mac Congluinne, Séosaimh Mac Crosain, and Conchubhair Ó Coileain.
- Subjects include a vote of sympathy on the death of Béaslaí's mother, an Cumann Dramaíochta, the Dublin feis, Douglas Hyde's nomination as president [of Ireland], an enquiry about the identity of 'Failbhe Fionn', memories of Conradh na Gaeilge in Liverpool, drama, an Oireachtas exhibition, and the fiftieth anniversary of Conradh na Gaeilge. Written in Irish.
21 items, 1931-42.
- (9) Letters from Eoin Ó Maolchalainn, Tomás Ó Muircheartaigh, Muiris de Prionnbhíol, Riobárd Mac Gabhrain, Liam Ó Luanaigh, Seamus Mac Conglinne and Conchubhar Ó Coileain.
- Subjects include the fiftieth anniversary of Conradh an Gaeilge, a request for Béaslaí to write an article on Liam Uí Rinn, the foundation of Craobh an Chéitinnigh, Oireachtas na Mumhan, Douglas Hyde's presentation of his house to Conradh na Gaeilge, and a commemoration for Fr Eugene O'Growney. Written in Irish.
12 items, 1943-9.
- (10) Letters from Proinséas Ní Pléamonn, Brian Mac Giolla Pádraig, Seán Mac Gearailt, Tomás Ó Muircheartaigh, D. Ó Suilleabhain, Seán Ó Graogain, Áine Ní Bhroin, Proinsias Mac an Bheatha, Bríd Ní hAmhain, Gearóid de Búrca, and Cathal O'Shannon.
- Subjects include meetings, the 1915 ard fheis of Conradh na Gaeilge, a presentation to Séamus Mac Conglinne, Thomas Ashe's involvement in Conradh na Gaeilge, 'Torna', the Oireachtas, drama, Conradh na Gaeilge elections, and Béaslaí's election as vice-president of Craobh an Chéitinnigh in 1964. Written in Irish and English.
14 items, 1951-65.
- (11) Letters from Diarmuid, O'Brien and Ards, Liam Ó Lochraigh, Thomas Richard, P.L. Regan, Seagán Ó Briain, Cormac Ó Ceallachain, M.F. Dowley, Pádraig Ciaróg, Séamus Mac Ragnaigh, Síle Ó Suilleabháin, Micheál Ó Dubhlaighe, Feidhlimidh Ó Cinneide, and Earnán de Blaghad [Ernest Blythe].

Subjects include the editorship of *An Claidheamh Soluis*, activities of Liverpool Conradh na Gaeilge, submissions for *An Claidheamh*

Soluis, religion and Gaelic drama. Written in Irish and English.
17 items, undated.

- (12) Letters from E. Ní Ceallaigh, ‘Sceilg’ [J.J. O’Kelly], Liam S. Gogán, Eóin Mac Néill, E. Nic Aiticin, Alice L. Milligan, Agustín Ó hAodha, Siobhán Ní Dhálaigh, Fionán, ‘An Craobhín’ [Douglas Hyde], ‘Cluad a Cheabhasa’ [Claude Chavasse], Anne Mac Bride, Conn, Mícheál Ó Cuileanáin, Pádraig Ua Duinnín, Deóra Frinseach, Seán Ó Deagha, M?, and ‘An Duibhneach’ [Tadhg P. Ó Séaghdha].

Subjects include the activities of Conradh an Gaeilge in Liverpool and Dublin, Irish language classes for the Irish Volunteers, the Oireachtas, *An Claidheamh Soluis*, and An Cumann Dramaíochta. Written in Irish and English.
21 items, undated.

- (13) Letters from Mícheal Eoghan [Ó Suilleabháin], Tomás Ó Muircheartaigh, Mícheal Ó Foghludha, Kathleen O’Toole, Liam Ua Domhnaill, Seán Ó Cíoráin, E. Ní Ceallaigh, Liam S. Gogán, Deóra Frinseach, Stiophan Bairead, Seaghán T. Ó Ceallaigh, Tomás Ua Duinneacha, and Liam A. Colbáird.

Subjects include the Oireachtas, the activities of Craobh an Chéitinnigh, Ard Craobh, and Coiste Gnótha, Gaelic drama, and the production of Béaslaí’s play. Written in English and Irish.
14 items, undated.

- (14) Drafts of letters written by Béaslaí. Subjects include Liverpool Conradh na Gaeilge, a dispute between *An Claidheamh Soluis* and Coiste Gnótha, the Oireachtas, Béaslaí’s offer of an Irish letter for Conradh na Gaeilge in New York, and a request from Conradh na Gaeilge in London for a copy of Béaslaí’s play. Written in English and Irish.
31 items, 1901-23 and undated.

- (15) Exercise books containing drafts of letters written by Béaslaí concerning the activities of Conradh na Gaeilge in Liverpool and Dublin.
3 items, 1904-13.

- (16) Letters addressed to George Shorten, J.A. Smyth, editor, *Evening Telegraph*, T. O’Donoghue, ‘Sceilg’ [J.J. O’Kelly], and ‘Tórna’ [Tadhg Ó Donnchadha]; from Seumas Bairead, Murtagh Farragher, Olive Barry, U. Mac Aodhgáin, T.J. Loughlin, ‘Pádraig na Léime’ [Pádraig Ó Séaghdha], Domhnall Ua Loingsigh, Tomás Ó Raihili, Mícheál Ó Súilleabháin, John Neligan, ‘Lorga Liathbhán’ [Peadar Ó hAnnracháin], P. Madigan, ‘Feargus Finnbhéil’ [Diarmuid Ó Foghludha], and ‘Beirtfhear’ [Séamus Ó Dubhghaill].

Subjects include the activities of Conradh na Gaeilge in London and Liverpool, Craobh an Chéitinnigh, and a presentation to Richard Foley [‘Fiachra Eilgeach’]. Written in Irish and English.
18 items, 1904-10.

- (17) Letters addressed to Gearóid, Deóra Frinseach, Brady, Seán T. [Ó Ceallaigh], and the Governor, H.M. Prison, Belfast; from Peadar Ó hAnnracháin, Seán Ó Cathasaigh, S. Mac Artúir, James Moran, P.J. Doris, and R.A Foley.

Subjects include Gaelic drama, Conradh na Gaeilge in Bantry, an introduction for Béaslaí to meet members of the league in Birmingham, and *An Claidheamh Soluis*. Written in Irish and English.
9 items, 1913-18.

III.ii.3. Conradh na Gaeilge/Gaelic League documents

- Ms 33,952(1) Minute book of Coiste Ceanntair of Liverpool Conradh na Gaeilge. Also contains handwritten notes by Béaslaí.
1 item, Dec. 1903-Apr. 1904.
- (2) Minute book of Coiste Ceanntair of Liverpool Conradh na Gaeilge.
1 item, May 1904-Apr. 1905.
- (3) Exercise book containing details of branches of Conradh na Gaeilge in Liverpool.
1 item, 1904.
- (4) Exercise books containing handwritten notes on Conradh na Gaeilge in Liverpool.
2 items, c1904.
- (5) Assorted items relating to Liverpool Conradh na Gaeilge, including Béaslaí’s membership card, tickets, accounts and receipts.
12 items, 1904-06.
- (6) Posters and notices for Gaelic League events in Liverpool.
16 items, c1904.
- (7) Contents of file ‘Old Gaelic League Stuff’, containing a ticket for 1912 Ard Fheis, ‘memorandum on Teaching Irish in National Schools’, agenda for a meeting of Coiste Gnótha.
3 items, 1908-12.
- (8) Assorted documents relating to Conradh na Gaeilge in Dublin, including tickets, invitations, concert programmes, advertisements, an agenda for a meeting, and a booklet about Douglas Hyde.
17 items, 1905-54.
- (9) Assorted documents relating to Conradh na Gaeilge in Dublin, including Béaslaí’s nomination papers for election to Coiste Gnótha, a

short account of the activities of Craobh an Chéitinningh, a subscription form for *Feasta*, a concert programme, minutes of meetings of Coiste Gnótha and Coiste an Oireachtas, memoranda on teaching Irish in schools. 11 items, 1907-20 and undated.

- (10) Assorted documents relating to Conradh na Gaeilge, including minutes of meetings of An Buan Coiste and Coiste na Foillsighthe, a list of national organisers, and lists of members and activities of the league in Kerry.
14 items, 1921-2.
- (11) Programmes and notices for Conradh na Gaeilge events.
6 items, c1905-16.
- (12) *An Claidheamh Soluis* material, including envelopes, headed notepaper, accounts, and reports on *An Claidheamh Soluis*.
9 items, c1915-17.
- (13) Extracts from *An Claidheamh Soluis*.
17 items, 1900-14.
- (14) Extracts from *An Claidheamh Soluis / Fáinne an Lae*.
14 items, 1915-25 and undated.
- (15) Newspaper cuttings concerning Conradh na Gaeilge in Liverpool, Scotland and Dublin. 3 envelopes and 1 loose item, c1900-10s.
- (16) Envelope containing newspaper cuttings principally concerning Conradh na Gaeilge in Liverpool.
1 item, c1900s.
- (17) Envelope containing newspaper cuttings principally concerning Conradh na Gaeilge.
c1900-10s.

III.ii.4. An Fáinne

Ms 33,953(1) Letters from Tadhg Ó Scanaill, Pádraig Ó Suibhne, Móirín Ní Shithnaigh?, Cormac Ó Cadhlaigh, Cormac Ó Ríoghbhardáin, Seaghán Ua Ealuighthe, Tomás Ó Seaghdha, P. Ó Maoileiaráin?, Earnán de Blaghad, and Áistin Ua Murchadha.

Subjects include meetings of Comhairle and Fáinne, the formation of new branches of An Fáinne, and invitations for Béaslaí to visit branches. Written in Irish.

23 items, 1917-21.

- (2) Letters from Seaghán Ua Ealuighthe, Sr. M. Filemíne, Seán Mac Garbhaigh, 'Torna' [Tadhg Ó Donnchadha], Seán Mac Enri, Peadar Ó Muircheartaigh, and F. Ó Dubhsláine. Letters from Béaslaí to Seán Ua

hEaluighthe, Sr. M. Filemíne, and Micheal Ó Riogbardain are also included.

Subjects include meetings of Comhairle an Fáinne, the activities of local branches, the issue of acquiring a patent for the Fáinne, applications for the Fáinne, the New York branch of An Fáinne, invitations to lecture, the establishment of An Fáinne branches in the army, and the formation of new branches. Written in Irish.
16 items, 1922-6.

- (3) Letters from Bail Ní Dhubhaigh, Seosamh Ó Dubhghaill, Donnchadh Ó Muireagain, Fiontan Ó Dubhshláine and Eamonn Ó Cuirc, Mícheál Mac Cuinn, Aindrias Ó Muimhneacháin, Art Ó Riain, Seán Ó Luara, Seagan Ó Cadhain, John F. Honohan, Dónall Ó Móráin, Eibhlín Ní Donnchadha, Seán Ó Ceallaigh, S. Ó hAodha, and Caitlin Nic Gabhann.

Subjects include a presentation to Fionntán Ó Dubhshláine, invitations to lecture, the activities of branches, meetings, and the origins and history of An Fáinne. Written in Irish.
20 items, 1929-65 and undated.

- (4) Documents relating to An Fáinne, including rules. Application forms, a programme for the Oireachtas of An Fáinne, a list of branches, and handwritten notes.
8 items, 1922 and undated.

III.ii.5. Na hAisteoirí/Gaelic Players and An Comhar Dramaíochta

Ms 33,953(5) Letters from Máire Ní Síthe, Caitlín Dehilb, E. Ní Ceallaigh, M. Hall, Margaret O'Reilly, Toirdhealbhach Mac Suibhne [Terence MacSwiney], P. Ua Donnchadha, P. Mac Gearailt, Gearóid, Máirtín Ó Rodaigh, and Seán Ó Muirthuille.

Subjects include the production of Máire Ní Síthe's play *Beart Nótaí*, rehearsals, requests for payment of an advertising account with the *Freeman's Journal*, Gaelic drama and Na hAisteoirí's tour of Cork and Kerry. Written in Irish and English.
22 items, 1913-14.

- (6) Letters from Caitlín Dehilb, H.E. Watson., Gearóid, Una McClintock Dix, J. Burkinshaw & Sons Ltd, Herbert V. Fleming, Nora O'Kelly, Máire Ní Dhíscín, Máire Beastabl, S. Ó Laoghaire, and Seán Mac Giollanáin. Drafts of letters by Béaslaí are included

Subjects include rehearsals, costumes, accounts and performances by Na hAisteoirí. Written in Irish and English.
18 items, 1915-34 and undated.

- (7) Documents relating to Na hAisteoirí and An Comhar Dramaíochta, including a list of committee members and plays produced, tickets, notices and programmes.
31 items, 1928 and undated.

III.ii.6. Miscellaneous Irish language organisations and Irish language issues

Ms 33,953(8) Letters from E. Ó Morthuill, Micheál, Mícheál Breathnach, Osborn Ó hAimhirgin [Osborn Bergin], Micheal Ó Síothcháin, Shán Ó Cuív, An tSuir M. Alabhaois [Sister Aloysius], Tomás Ó Rathile, Tadhg Ó Murchadha and T. Ó Cléirigh, N. Ní Shiadhail, Cailíní an Choláiste, Diarmaid Ó Muimneachain, Eoghan Ó Neachtain, Treasa Ní Mhurthuile, S. Ó Murthuile, Ó Cathasaigh, and Máirín Nic Chraith.

Subjects include the opening of the Leinster College of Irish, Béaslaí's application for a lectureship in Irish, meetings of various Irish language organisations, aeraíochtaí, and Gaelic drama. Written in Irish and English. Letters from Shán Ó Cuív are written in phonetic Irish. 12 items, 1904-14.

- (9) Letters from Tomás Cogar, E?, Conchubhar E. Ó Laoghaire, S. Ó Laoghaire, Pádraig Ó Glasáin, Micheál Ó Murchadha, J.E. Lyons, Shán Ó Cuív, and Muiris [no surname given]. Names of two correspondents are illegible.

Subjects include Gaelic drama, a dispute about payment for Béaslaí's teaching, and a discussion of Muiris's writings. Written in Irish and English. Letters from Muiris and Shán Ó Cuív are written in phonetic Irish. 10 items, 1915-19.

- (10) Letters from E. Ní Cheallaigh, Micheál Ó Foghludha, Neilí Ní Bhriain, Peig Ní Dhubhghaill, R. Dyboski, Pavilas? Mickiewicz, Seán Lester, Séoirse Mac Clúin?, and Shán Ó Cuív.

Subjects include the activities of Cumann Lectiuiri na nDaoine (Popular Lecture Society) and Cumann Gaedhealach na hEaglaise (Irish Guild of the Church), plans to establish an Irish college, an invitation for Béaslaí to speak at a debate on Patrick Pearse, the production of a new Irish language paper, *An Sguab*, Liam Ó Rinn's Irish translation of Adam Mickiewicz's *Book of Polish Pilgrims*, plans to form a writers' society, and an invitation to lecture to the Dublin College of Modern Irish. Written in Irish and English. 20 items, 1920-25.

- (11) Letters from León Ó Broin, Patricia Hoey and Padraic Ó Maille, Shán Ó Cuív, Tomás Ó Rathile, Seán Ó Catháin, Monica Ní Chléirigh, Eibhlín Ní Chróinín, P. McCartan, R. Ó Cinneide, Mícheál Ó Ciardubháin, Eamon Ó Dochartaigh, Meadhbh Ní Ghréagóir, Máire Ní Ghríobhtha, Áine Ní Chuiltéar, Máire Beastabl, Tomás Luibhéid, C. Ó Ceallaigh, Diarmuid Ua Mathghamhna, and Tadhg Mac Firbhisigh.

Subjects include *An Comhar*, invitations to lecture, Tomás Ó Rathile's poetry, *An Comhar* Drámaíochta, Gaelic drama, and a

scoraíocht [an Irish language social evening]. Written in Irish and English.

30 items, 1926-9.

- (12) Letters from T.C. Murray, M. Breathnach, Diarmuid Ua Mathghamhna, Eoghan Ó Neachtain, S. Cruadhlaoidh?, Domhnall Ó Ceocháin, Patrick Traynor, M. Mac Braith?, Proinsias Mac Giolla Iosgaidh, Máire bean Uí Mhurchadha, and Barra Ó Briain, Aindrias Ó Caoimh, Shán Ó Cuív, P. Mac Sithigh, Tomás Ó Rathile, Proinnseas Ó Suilleabhain, Séamus Mac Cathmhaoil, Padraig Ó Croinin, M. Ó Murchu, Annraoi Saidléar, Tomás P. Ó Siaghail, and Tadhg Ó Murchadha. Some of the letters are addressed to Annraoi Saidléar.

Subjects include Gaelic drama, invitations to speak to various Irish language societies, Béaslaí's subscription to Clann na nGaedheal, plans for a series of lectures in Irish, a request for advice on research for a thesis on Irish drama, the School Drama League, an aeraíocht in Tralee, and simplified Irish spelling. Written in Irish and English.

31 items, 1930-39.

- (13) Letters from Earnán de Blaghad [Ernest Blythe], [Annraoi Saidléar], Uinseann Ó Fearachtáin, Seán MacLellan, Áine Ní Cheallaigh, Tomás Ó Leatháin, Earnán P. de Blaghad, Ite Ní Fhoghludha, and Pádraig Ó hInnse. Some of the letters are addressed to Annraoi Saidléar.

Subjects include drama, invitations to lecture to various Irish language societies, Clan na Phiarsaigh, Béaslaí's invitation to judge of a competition organised by Cumann Liteardha na Gaedhilge in University College Dublin (Coláiste na hIolscoile Baile Átha Cliath), and Brian Merriman. Written in Irish.

16 items, 1941-6

- (14) Letters from An tAthair Ró-oirmh Ó Móráin et al, Eamonn de Bhaldron, M. Ó hAiseadha, Peadar Ó Ceallaigh, Tomás Mac Anna, Shán Ó Cuív, 'An Seabhadh' [Pádraig Ó Siochfhradha], Seán Ó Súilleabháin and Caoimhin Ó Danachaidh?, Earnan de Blaghad [Ernest Blythe], D. Ó Scanaill, Déirdre Ní Laoire, Eoghan Ó Loingsigh, Shíghle Bairéad, and Michéal Ó Murchú.

Subjects include a benevolent fund for Muiris Ó Suilleabháin's family, the revival of the Irish language, Fr Peter O'Leary, a presentation to Fionán Mac Colum, Irish courses organised by the Irish National Teachers' Association, Gaelic drama, a lecture by Domhnall Ó Móráin on the Gaeltacht, and Shíghle Bairéad's father. Written in Irish.

16 items, 1950-64.

- (15) Letters from Conchubhar Ó Griain, Máire C. Mac an tSaoi and Valentin Iremonger, Treasa Ní Mhuirthuile, Stióphán Mac Eanna, M. Ó Seaghdha, Aindrias, Tomás P. Ó Siaghail, Seán Ó Súilleabháin, S. Ó Ceallaigh, E. Ní Cheallaigh, Máire Ní Chomatun, Próinsias Mac Énrí, John J. Cahill, Shán Ó Cuív, Cluad a Cheabhasa [Cluade Chevasse], S. Ó Néill, Liam Ó Rinn, and Seamus de Bhilmot.

Subjects include a collection for Sheosamh Mac Grianna, Cumann Liteardha na Gaedhilge, An Coláiste Ollsgoile Áth Cliath (University College Dublin), Fionán Mac Colum presentation, Cumann Lectiuiri na nDaoine (Popular Lecture Society), a scoraíocht [Gaelic social evening], the Munster College in Ballingearry, the use of Irish language in newspapers, meetings, simplified spelling of Irish, and Irish books for schools. Written in Irish and English.
21 items, undated.

- (16) Letters written by Béaslaí. Subjects include a debate on Patrick Pearse, a Gaelic competition, Cumann na Drámathóirí, translation of terms into Irish, the Gaeltacht, a testimonial for Ernest Blythe, Béaslaí's work with the Munster College, An Chlub Leabhair, Coláiste Connacht, and Gaelic drama. Written in Irish and English.
31 items, 1907-59 and undated.

Ms 33,954(1) Letters concerning Comhdháil Náisiúnta na Gaeilge, from Donnchadh Ó Laoghaire. Written in Irish.
21 items, 1949-65.

- (2) Letters concerning Comhdháil Náisiúnta na Gaeilge, from Eibhlín Ní Chathailriabhaigh, Earnan de Blaghad, Máire Ní Chailín, Cormac Mac Cárthaigh, and ? Ó Liatháin,. Written in Irish.
6 items, 1943-56 and undated.

- (3) Documents relating to Comhdháil Náisiúnta na Gaeilge, including programmes, rules, and membership lists.
9 items, 1950-54.

- (4) Letters concerning Taibhdhearc na Gaillimhe (an Irish language theatre), from Íde Ní Mhathúna, Máirín Nic Alasdair, and Seán Mac Cathbhaid,. Written in Irish.
6 items, 1947-9.

- (5) Letters concerning An Comhar Drámuíochta, from León Ó Broin, Seán Ó hUadhaigh, Proinnsias Mac Shítigh, and Sorcha Ní Guairim,. Written in Irish.
25 items, 1925-45.

- (6) Letters from Seán Seártan, W.B. Yeats, P. Mac Síthigh, Seán Ó Dubhghaill, Pádraig Ó Bróithe, M. Bean Nic Fhearghail, Eibhlín Nic Choitir, Cáit de Bhailís?, A. Sadlier, Nora bean Uí Cheallaigh, S. Ní Chnaimhín, and Riobárd Ó Fuadacháin, concerning Comhar Drámuideachta Chorcaighe, Yeats's play *The Hawk's Well*, Cumann Drámathóirí Gaedhilge, and Cumann Drámuideachta na Scol (School Drama League). Some of the letters are addressed to Annraoi Sadlier. Written in Irish and English.
23 items, 1924-49.

- (7) Letters concerning Coláiste Múinteoireachta na Múmhan (Munster College), Ballingearry, Co. Cork, from Liam de Róiste, S. Ó Conaill, and Séamus Ó Séaghdha,. Written in Irish.
21 items, 1910-54.
- (8) Letters concerning Cumann na Scríbhneoirí, from Labhrás Mac Bradaigh. Written in Irish.
11 items, 1946-8.
- (9) Letters concerning Cumann na Scríbhneoirí, from Máirín Ní Mhuirgheasa. Written in Irish.
38 items, 1928-52.
- (10) Letters concerning Cumann na Scríbhneoirí, from Donchadh Ó Céileachair. Written in Irish.
11 items, 1955-8.
- (11) Letters concerning Cumann na Scríbhneoirí, from Máirtín Ó Direáin. Written in Irish.
26 items, 1940-63.
- (12) Letters concerning Cumann na Scríbhneoirí, from Mícheál Eoghan Ó Súilleabháin. Written in Irish and French.
31 items, 1941-53 and undated.
- (13) Letters from Liam Ó Rinn, Séamus Ó Néill, Annraoi Saidléar, Máire Bhreathnach, An Runaí [secretary], Pádraig Ua Maoileoin, and Ursula Ní Dhálaigh, concerning Cumann na Scríbhneoirí. Written in Irish.
26 items, 1932-63.
- (14) Drafts of letters written by Béaslaí, concerning Cumann na Scríbhneoirí. Written in Irish.
3 items, 1948 and undated.
- (15) Documents relating to Cumann na Scríbhneoirí, including programmes for events, newspaper cuttings, applications for membership, programmes of activities, membership lists, and handwritten notes.
39 items, 1939-60.

Ms 33,955(1) Documents relating to feiseanna (Irish music and dancing competitions), including tickets and programmes for feiseanna in Cork, Blackrock, and Waterford.
4 items, 1907-21.

- (2) Mock warrants in Irish. 2 items, undated
- (3) Documents relating to miscellaneous Irish language and Gaelic organisations, including Coláiste na Mumhan, An Club Leabhar, An Comhairle Náisiúnta, Sgoil Éanna / St Enda's, Cumann Léigheach an

Phobail, Cumann na Píobairí, Éigse Áth Cliath, Lucht na bPeann, An Cumann Éigse, and Cara / Friends of the Language.
20 items, 1908-63.

- (4) Material relating to Gaelic dictionaries. 4 items, 1932-3.
- (5) Miscellaneous notes on Irish language organisations.
21 items, undated.
- (6) Miscellaneous notes on Irish language organisations. 8 items, undated.
- (7) Contents of file 'Cumann Dramathóirí na Gaedhilge', containing newspaper cuttings, letters, membership lists, notices, programmes, and handwritten notes.
30 items, c1942-9.
- (8) Contents of envelope 'Cumann na nUghdar', containing newspaper cuttings and handwritten notes.
17 items, undated.
- (9) Incomplete handwritten lecture on 'The Gaelic Theatre'. The author is not identified.
1 item, undated.
- (10) Assorted newspaper cuttings relating to Irish language issues, written in Irish. 1 envelope.
- (11) Assorted newspaper cuttings relating to Gaelic and Irish language issues. 1 envelope.
- (12) 'Cúinne na nGaedheal', from *The United Irishman*. Newspaper cuttings in Irish. 1 envelope, 1904.
- (13) 'I bhfochair na nGaedheal', from *Freeman's Journal*. Newspaper cuttings in Irish. 1 envelope, undated.
- (14) Issues of Irish language newspapers and journals: *An Peann*, *Féile na nGaedheal* (Aug. 1917), *Indiu* (22 Nov. 1946, 22 Aug. 1947), *An Lóchrann* (Aug. 1908, July 1917), *An Glór* (3 July 1943).
7 items, 1908-47.
- (15) Issues of Irish language newspaper *Glór na Ly*. Written in phonetic Irish.
16 items, 1911-12.

III.iii. Literary and miscellaneous organisations

Letters and documents relating to organisations such as Irish P.E.N., Irish Playwrights Association, Irish Texts Society, and Catholic Commercial Club. There are three files

of letters from a number of miscellaneous organisations and societies. There is also a small number of newspaper cuttings concerning literary societies.

- Ms 33,956(1) Letters from the Consul General of Poland, Seán Ó Faoláin, Andrew E. Malone [Laurence Patrick Byrne], Dorothy Day, Gerald Harris, Mervyn Wall, and Franéz de Backer, concerning Irish P.E.N. [Playwrights, Poets, Editors, Essayists and Novelists].
20 items, 1935-42.
- (2) Letters from Thomas King Moylan, concerning the Irish Playwrights Association and Authors Guild of Ireland.
14 items, 1938-52.
- (3) Documents relating to the Irish Playwrights Association and Authors Guild of Ireland, including pamphlets explaining copyright regulations, and lists of fees for performing plays.
12 items, 1936-48.
- (4) Letters from T. Mac Gearailt / T.D. FitzGerald and Maurice O'Connell, concerning the Irish Texts Society.
18 items, 1923-39.
- (5) Letters from E. Shanley, J. O'Mara, P.A. Bowles, and B. Maguire, concerning the Catholic Commercial Club and Béaslaí's membership of it.
18 items, 1940-65.
- (6) Documents concerning the Catholic Commercial Club, including a members ticket dated 1884, a copy of the club's rules, notices of meetings, headed notepaper, the club's memorandum of association, and an election ballot paper dated 1886.
33 items, 1881-1952.
- (7) Letters from Patrick Purcell, T.J. Kiernan, H. & M. Rayne, John E. Kenny, M. Ó hAiseadha, and Francis Sheehy Skeffington, concerning the Catholic Writers' Association, Celtic Congress, Celtic Literary Society, Club na Múinteoirí, and the Contemporary Club.
15 items, 1903-55.
- (8) Letters from Henry B. Fottrell, Peggy Soden, Seán Mac Cormac and Máire Comerford, Liam Burke, J.N. McGovern, and M.J. O'Shea, concerning the Dublin Blue Terrier Club, Dublin Literary Society, Dublin '98 Commemoration, Fine Gael, and the Gaelic Co-operative Home Industries Society.
18 items, 1909-49.
- (9) Letters from Lennox Robinson, Helen S. Chevenix, Jas Moran / Seumas Ó Móráin, J.E. Lyons, and P.J. Merriman, concerning the Irish Academy of Letters, Irish Campaign for Nuclear Disarmament, Irish

National Foresters, Liverpool, Irish Financial Relations Committee, and the Iverian Society.
10 items, 1904-58.

- (10) Letters from Aodh Mac Néill, R.S. Ó Cochlain, Thomas Donnelly, Patrick Meehan, Patrick Mahon, R. Leonard, Joseph Stanley, Seumas Ó Braonain and Eamon Ó Duibhir, and Thomas Richard, concerning the Military History Society of Ireland, Morning Star Literary and Debating Society, Old Dublin Society, St Joseph's Catholic Boys' Brigade, United Ireland Club, United Irishmen, and the Young Wales Society, Liverpool.
16 items, 1907-64.
- (11) Letters written by Béaslaí concerning the Irish economy, the Catholic Commercial Club, and the Goethe bicentennial.
6 items, 1926-44 and undated.
- (12) Letters concerning the Carl Hardebeck memorial fund, Stephen Holland testimonial, James Moran memorial, and the Tom Warner fund.
5 items, 1914-35 and undated.
- (13) Documents relating to Irish P.E.N., Club na Múinteoirí Náisiúnta, North Dublin Rifle Club, Cumann na gCleas Lúith nGaedhealach, Cumann Gaedhealach na Stát-Sheirbhíse, Clann na nGaedheal, National Literary Society, Old Dublin Society, Irish Campaign for Nuclear Disarmament, Thanksgiving Mass Committee for the Spanish Civil War, and the Military History Society of Ireland, including membership lists, notices, dinner menus, programmes of events, tickets, and membership cards.
13 items, 1905-50.
- (14) Newspaper cuttings relating to literary societies. 1 envelope, undated.

IV. Personal material

The personal material consists mainly of correspondence from friends, family and acquaintances, and Béaslaí's diaries. Both the correspondence and the diaries cover most of his life, from the 1890s-1960s. Also contains an array of personal material, including financial documents, theatre programmes, and newspaper cuttings. A collection of photographs, including some of Béaslaí, listed here, is held in the National Photographic Archive in Temple Bar.

IV.i. Diaries

Béaslaí was a dedicated diarist who recorded his life in a number of different types of diary. Among his diaries for the early years of the twentieth century are those in series entitled 'Agallamh na Seanóirí' and 'Eachtra na Rabhaire'. This type of diary appears to have ceased in 1906, about the time he began working full-time as a journalist in Dublin.

The articles which Béaslaí wrote for the Irish Independent during the 1950s and 60s on the history of the Irish revolution were based largely on entries to his diary during this period. In one article he refers to the journal which he kept while in jail. However, the diaries covering the period of the Irish revolution which are in this collection are sporadic and not very detailed. His principal diaries for this period are not in this collection. Efforts have been made to locate them but their whereabouts is unknown. It is not even known if they still exist.

From the 1920s until his death Béaslaí kept two types of diary. The first, entitled 'Cúntas Cinn Lae', was a more general account of his daily activities, containing factual descriptions of his life and surroundings. This was quite often written in French, with sections in English and Irish. In his later years it was more often written completely in English. The second diary, 'Leabhar na gCogar', was a book of confidences, containing his thoughts, analysis of his lifestyle, reports on the progress of his work, and personal relationships, especially his relations with women. This was generally written in English, with large sections in Irish and some references in French. Among the other diaries which he kept were 'Leabhar na hOibre', which kept a record of the progress of his literary work, and 'Utterances', in which he recorded many of his thoughts. The various types of diary overlap to some extent.

Ms 33,957(1) Diary containing brief account of daily activities. Incomplete.
1 item 1897.

(2) Diary containing detailed account of daily activities. Enclosed with the diary are theatre programmes and newspaper cuttings relating to events mentioned in it.
1 item, 1898.

(3) Diary, probably that of Béaslaí's brother, Fred.
1 item, 1898.

(4) Diaries. Written in Irish. 3 items, 1903-04.

- (5) 'Agallamh na Seanóirí' (1-5). A handwritten account of events in Béaslaí's life, his thoughts and his memories.
5 items, Sept. 1903-June 1904.
- (6) 'Agallamh na Seanóirí' (6-10).
5 items, June 1904-Aug. 1905.
- (7) Diary. Written in Irish.
1 item, 11 Aug. 1905-4 Jan. 1906.
- (8) 'Eachtra na Rábaire'. Continuation of 'Agallamh na Seanóirí', containing accounts of his life and his thoughts on various subjects. Written in English and Irish.
2 items, c1906.
- (9) Diary. Written in Irish.
1 item, 1 Jan.-18 June 1906.
- (10) 'Diary', includes newspaper cuttings and theatre programmes relating to events mentioned in the diary. Written in English.
1 item, 4 July 1910-27 May 1911.
- (11) 'Diary'. Written in English.
1 item, 1 June-1 Oct. 1911.
- (12) Diary, containing numerous newspaper cuttings relating to events mentioned in the diary. Written in English.
Small weekly diary containing some brief handwritten notes in English and Irish.
2 items, Nov. 1911-Feb. 1913, and 1912.
- (13) Diary. Written in English. 1 item, Jan.-June 1913.
- (14) Diaries. Written in English and Irish. 3 items, 1915-Apr. 1916.
- (15) Diary. Written in Irish. 1 item, May 1917-Mar. 1918.
- (16) 'Diary'. Written in Irish. 2 items, Apr.-Dec. 1918.
- (17) Contents of file 'Dates from my Own Diary, May 1917-Dec. 1918, Feb. 1919-April 1920'. Handwritten notes by Béaslaí taken from his diaries, and typed documents concerning the business of Dáil Éireann, Jan.-July 1921.
- (18) 'Diary'. 2 handwritten pages in Irish. Sept. 1921.
- Ms 33,958(1) 'Diary'. Written in Irish. 1 item, 22 Sept. 1922-20 Feb. 1923.
- (2) Diary. Written in English. 1 item, Nov. 1922-Apr. 1923.

- (3) 'Cúntas Cinn Lae'. Enclosed are 3 London theatre programmes from his trip to London in February. Written in Irish.
1 item, Feb.-Dec. 1923.
- (4) 'Leabhar na gCogar'. Written in English. 1 item, 18 Aug-8 Oct. 1923.
- (5) 'Cúntas Cinn Lae', contains newspaper cuttings and theatre programmes. Written in Irish.
1 item, Jan.-Dec. 1924.
- (6) 'Leabhar Oibre'. Written in English. 1 item, May 1923-May 1924.
- (7) 'Leabhar Oibre I'. Written in English. 1 item, May 1924-Aug. 1925.
- (8) 'Leabhar Oibre II'. Written in English. 1 item, Aug. 1925-Mar. 1927.
- (9) 'Cúntas Cinn Lae'. Written in Irish. Jan. 1925-Apr. 1926.
- (10) [Leabhar Oibre ?]. Written in English, refers principally to Béaslaí's writing. Written in English.
1 item, 15 Feb. 1927-20 Nov. 1933.
- (11) [Leabhar na gCogar]. Written in English and Irish.
1 item, Jan.-Dec. 1927.
- (12) Diary with brief notes. 1 item, c1927-31.
- (13) ['Leabhar na gCogar]. Written in English and Irish.
1 item, Jan.-Oct. 1928.
- (14) 'Leabhar na gCogar'. Written in English. 1 item, Oct. 1928-Apr. 1929.
- (15) 'Cúntas Cinn Lae'. Written in Irish and English.
1 item, April 1928-Dec. 1929.
- (16) 'Leabhair na gCogar'. Written in English. 1 item, Sept. 1929-Apr. 1930.
- (17) 'Leabhar Gnótha'. Written in English. 1 item, July 1929-June [1931 ?].

Ms 33,959(1) [Cúntas Cinn Lae], includes newspaper cuttings and programmes relating to events mentioned in the diary. Written in Irish.
1 item, Jan. 1930-May 1931.

- (2) 'Leabhar na gCogar'. Written in English and Irish.
1 item, Apr.-Aug. 1930.
- (3) 'Leabhar na gCogar'. Written in English and Irish.
1 item, Aug-Oct. 1930.

- (4) 'Leabhar na hOibre'. Written in English and Irish. 1 item, Oct. 1930.
- (5) 'Leabhar na gCogar'. Written in English and Irish.
1 item, Oct. 1930-June 1931.
- (6) 'Leabhar Gnótha'. Written in English and Irish.
1 item, Aug. 1931-Apr. 1934.
- (7) [Cúntas Cinn Lae]. Contains some newspaper cuttings relating to events referred to in the diary. Written in Irish and French.
1 item, May 1931-Apr. 1932.
- (8) 'Leabhar na gCogar'. Written in English and Irish.
1 item, Oct. 1931-Apr. 1932.
- (9) 'Leabhar na gCogar'. Written in English and Irish.
1 item, Apr. 1932-Jan. 1934.
- (10) [Cúntas Cinn Lae]. Written in French and Irish.
1 item, Apr. 1932-May 1933.
- (11) [Cúntas Cinn Lae]. Written in French and English.
1 item, May 1933-Apr. 1934.
- (12) [Cúntas Cinn Lae]. Written in French, Irish and German.
1 item, Apr. 1934-Aug. 1935.
- (13) 'Leabhar na gCogar'. Written in English and Irish.
1 item, Jan.-July 1934.
- (14) 'Leabhar na gCogar'. Written in English, French and Irish.
1 item, July 1934-Jan. 1935.
- (15) [Cúntas Cinn Lae]. Written in Irish, English and French.
1 item, Aug. 1935-Apr. 1936.
- (16) 'Leabhar na gCogar'. Written in English and Irish.
1 item, Nov. 1935-Aug. 1936.
- (17) 'Leabhar na gCogar'. Written in English and Irish.
1 item, Aug. 1936-Mar. 1937.
- (18) [Cúntas Cinn Lae]. Written in Irish, French and English.
1 item, Apr. 1937-Aug. 1938.

Ms 33,960(1) 'Leabhar na gCogar'. Written in English and Irish.
1 item, Sept. 1937-July 1938.

- (2) 'Leabhar na gCogar'. Some handwritten notes on loose sheets are enclosed. Written in English, Irish and French.
1 item, July 1938-May 1939.
- (3) 'Leabhar na gCogar'. Written in English, French and Irish. Leabhar na gCogar and his diary appear to be written simultaneously in parts of this volume.
1 item, May-Aug. 1940.
- (4) 'Leabhar na gCogar'. Written in English, French and Irish. Leabhar na gCogar and his diary appear to be written simultaneously in parts of this volume.
1 item, Aug-Dec. 1940.
- (5) ['Leabhar na hOibre ?]. Written in English.
1 item, Dec. 1940-Feb. [1942?].
- (6) 'Utterances'. Written in English. 1 item, Dec. 1941-Dec. 1942.
- (7) 'Leabhar na gCogar'. Written in English and Irish.
1 item, Jan.-Aug. 1942.
- (8) 'Cúntas Cinn Lae'. Written in French. 1 item, Aug. 1942-Oct. 1943.
- (9) 'Leabhar na gCogar'. Some loose pages enclosed, including first page of 'Leabhar Oibre' 1943.
1 item, Aug. 1942-Dec. 1943.
- (10) 'Cúntas Cinn Lae'. Written in French.
'Leabhar na gCogar'. Written in English.
2 items, Oct. 1943-Jan. 1944; Oct.-Dec. 1943.
- (11) 'Cúntas Cinn Lae'. Written in French. 1 item, Jan.-Dec. 1944.
- (12) 'Leabhar na gCogar'. Written in English. 1 item, Jan.-Sept. 1944.
- (13) 'Leabhar na gCogar'. Written in English, Irish and French.
1 item, Sept.-Dec. 1945.
- (14) 'Leabhar Nua-Chogar'. Written in English.
1 item, Sept. 1944-Feb. [1946?].
- (15) 'Utterances'. Written in English. 1 item, Jan. 1946-June 1952.
- (16) [Cúntas Cinn Lae]. Written in French. 1 item, Jan.-Nov. 1946.

Ms 33,961(1) 'Leabhar na gCogar'. Written in English. Includes programme for 1946 dinner of 1916-21 club. 1 item, Jan. 1946-Jan. 1947.

- (2) Blank 'Every Hour Diary'. 2 items, 1947-52.

- (3) 'Leabhar na gCogar'. Written in English with some references in Irish and French. Contains newspaper cuttings and Old Dublin Brigade documents which relate to events referred to in the diary.
1 item, Jan.-Dec. 1947.
 - (4) 'Cúntas Cinn Lae'. Written in French and English. Contains newspaper cuttings relating to events mentioned in the diary.
1 item, Jan.-Dec. 1947.
 - (5) 'Leabhar Oibre'. Written in English. Jan.-Dec. 1947.
 - (6) 'Leabhar na gCogar'. Written in English. 1 item, Jan.-July 1948.
 - (7) 'Cúntas Cinn Lae'. Written in French. 1 item, Jan.-Sept. 1948.
 - (8) [Leabhar na gCogar]. Written in English and Irish. Includes newspaper cuttings and various programmes relating to events mentioned in the diary.
1 item, Sept. 1948-Aug. 1949.
 - (9) 'Cúntas Cinn Lae'. Written in English, Irish and French.
1 item, Sept. 1948-July 1949.
 - (10) 'Cúntas Cinn Lae'. Written in English, Irish and French.
1 item, July 1949-Aug. 1950.
 - (11) 'Leabhar na gCogar'. Cúntas Cinn Lae appears to be written simultaneously with Leabhar na gCogar in parts of this volume. Written in English and French.
1 item, Sept. 1949-Dec. 1950.
 - (12) Untitled diary extracts. Written in English. 2 items, Jan.-July 1950.
 - (13) Untitled diary extracts. Written in English. 1 item, Apr.-Nov. 1951.
 - (14) 'Leabhar na gCogar'. Also appears to include Cúntas Cinn Lae. Written in English.
1 item, Jan.-Dec. 1951.
 - (15) 'Leabhar na gCogar. Written in English. 1 item, Feb.-June 1952.
- Ms 33,962(1) 'Cúntas Cinn Lae'. Written in English. 1 item, Jan.-Dec. 1952.
- (2) 'Utterances'. Written in English. 1 item, June-Nov. 1952.
 - (3) 'Cúntas Cinn Lae'. Written in English. 1 item, Jan.-Dec. 1953.
 - (4) 'Utterances'. Written in English.
3 items, Mar.-Dec. 1953; Mar.-Nov. 1954; and Jan.-Aug. 1955.

- (5) 'Cúntas Cinn Lae'. Written in English. 1 item, Jan.-Dec. 1954.
- (6) Cúntas Cinn Lae. Written in English and Irish. 1 item, Jan.-Dec. 1955.
- (7) [Cúntas Cinn Lae]. Written in English'. 1 item, Jan.-Sept. 1956.
- (8) [Cúntas Cinn Lae]. Written in Irish and English.
1 item, Jan.-Dec. 1960.
- (9) [Cúntas Cinn Lae]. Written in Irish and English. 1 item, Jan.-Dec. 1961.
- (10) [Cúntas Cinn Lae]. Written in English and Irish. 1 item, Jan.-Dec. 1962.
- (11) Untitled diary. Written in English. 1 item, undated.
- (12) Assorted diary extracts. 11 items, 1907-38.
- (13) Assorted diary extracts. 5 items, undated.
- (14) Notes in file 'Dates of First Battalion History Taken from Diary.

IV.ii. Additional Diaries

- MS 49,546 (1) Diary, containing photographs, written in English
1 item, 1897
- (2) Diary, written in English and containing loose cuttings of theatre advertisements and newspaper cuttings
1 item, 1899
 - (3) Diary, written in English, with cuttings of theatre advertisements.
1 item, Jan. – Dec. 1900 (cover missing)
 - (4) Diary, written in English with newspaper cuttings relating to the Gaelic League and Gaelic Athletic Association.
1 item, 1901-1902
 - (5) Diary, written in English.
1 item, 1903
 - (6) Diary, written in English
1 item, 1903
 - (7) Diary, written in Irish.
1 item, 1905 (Fragile – binding loose and pages detached)

- (8) Diary, written in English.
1 item, 1908-1909
- (9) Diary, written in Irish, containing stubs of theatre tickets. Entries mentions plays he has seen including “Hedda Gabler”.
1 item, 1908
- (10) Diary, written in English, containing theatre programmes, stubs of theatre tickets, newspaper cuttings and invitations.
1 item, 1909-1910
- (11) Diary, written in English.
1 item, 1909-1910
- (12) Diary, written in English.
1 item, 1913
- (13) Diary, written in English, containing theatre programmes.
1 item, 1913
- (14) Notebook entitled “Diary Cuttings 1913” containing loose pages of notes in English and Irish, receipts, stubs of theatre tickets, newspaper cuttings, election ephemera, and a copy of *An Claidreamh Soluis*, July 19th 1913.
32 items, 1913.
- (15) Diary, written in English, with loose pages of notes in English and Irish, and newspaper cutting.
1 item, 1914
- (16) Diary, written in English, containing photographs of Béaslaí’s family and trip to County Kerry, dated July 1914, theatre programmes, and loose pages of notes.
1 item, 1914-1915.
- (17) Diary, written in English and Irish.
1 item, 1915
- (18) Diary, written in Irish, containing correspondence in English and Irish, newspaper cuttings, and loose pages of notes in English,
1 item, 1919-1920
- (19) ‘Leabhar na gCogar II’, written in English.
1 item. Oct. 1923 to Dec. 1926.
- (20) ‘Cuntas Cinn Lae 1926’, written in English, containing theatre programmes, newspaper cuttings (mostly relating to the death of Major General Thomas J. Cullen who drowned while swimming in Lough Dan, Co. Wicklow, 20th June 1926), and three photographs of the burial of Major General Thomas. J. Cullen.

- 1 item, 1926-1927
- (21) 'Leabhar na hOibre III', written in English.
1 item, 1927
- (22) Diary, written in English.
1 item, 1929
- (23) Diary, written in English.
1 item, 1931
- (24) Diary titled 'Ego-Book', written in English.
1 item, 1932
- (25) 'Leabhar na gCogar', written in English and Irish, with newspaper cuttings and theatre programmes. Included is an invitation to Roll of Honour for Easter Week, 1916, sent to Béalaslaí from the Easter Week Memorial Committee, undated [ca. 1935].
1 item, 1935
- (26) Diary, written in English, with newspaper cuttings, notes and programmes for music events inserted.
1 item, 1937
- (27) Diary, written in English.
1 item, 1938
- (28) 'Leabhar na gCogar', written in English, Irish and French, with loose sheets of notes and newspaper cuttings inserted.
1 item, 1939
- (29) 'Leabhar na gCogar. 30 Jan – 30 May 1940. Poetry', written in English, Irish and French, with music programmes and newspaper cuttings inserted.
1 item, Jan. – May 1940.
- (30) 'Leabhar na gCogar', written in English, Irish and French, with loose sheets of notes, music programmes and newspaper cuttings inserted.
1 item, 1940 – 1941.
- (31) 'Leabhar na gCogar. Feb. – December 1941', written in English, and pages numbered (377 pages).
1 item, Feb. – Dec. 1941
- (32) 'Club Library. Methods of Work etc. Leabhar Oibre', written in English, pages loose.
1 item, [1941-1942?]
- (33) 'Cuntas Cinn Lae July 17, 1941 to Aug 5, 1942', written in French, English and Irish, with newspaper cuttings, programmes relating to

events mentioned in the diary, envelope containing a ring, relic and cross, and photograph of a commemoration ceremony at Arthur Griffiths' grave in Glasnevin, Dublin. Loose pages.
1 item, July 1941–Aug. 1942.

- (34) Diary (cover missing), written in English.
1 item, 1942 – 1945, & 1948.
- (35) 'Ego-Book', written in English, containing loose pages of notes.
1 item, 1943, 1945, 1948–1950.
- (36) Diary, written in French and English on loose sheets of paper, and "bound" within the covers of 'The Dublin Magazine'. Pages numbered (93 pages).
1 item, 1945.
- (37) 'Utterances Jan. 1943 – Dec. 1954', written in English. Pages numbered (111 pages).
1 item, 1943-1954.
- (38) 'Utterances 1956', written in English, with loose pages inserted.
1 item, 1956
- (39) 'Briatha 1957', written in English. Loose pages inserted into a copybook cover. Pages numbered (14 pages).
1 item, 1957
- (40) 'Briatha 1958 & 1959', written in English. Loose pages inserted into copybook cover. Pages numbered (15 pages).
1 item, 1958-1960.
- (41) 'Atharach Saéil', written in English. Loose pages inserted into a copybook cover.
1 item, 1955, 1960-1963.
- (42) Diary, written in English. Loose pages inserted into a copybook cover.
1 item, 1960 & 1963.
- (43) Diary, written in English. Loose pages inserted into a copybook cover. Pages numbered (137 pages).
1 item, 1964-1965

IV.iii. Personal correspondence

Consists of approximately 5,000 letters, telegrams, post-cards and greeting cards, dating from the 1890s, the majority from 1920 onwards. The subject matter is largely of a personal nature, however, there are also references to political events, literary issues and organisations, and Béaslaí's career as a writer. Correspondents include

members of Béaslaí's family; in particular there is a large correspondence from his father, and numerous friends and associates. A number of draft letters written by Béaslaí are also included. While most of the letters are written in English, many are in Irish, often in Gaelic script, and there are also some in French and German. Some of the letters from the revolutionary period are addressed to Tom Connolly and Mr Bradley, aliases used by Béaslaí at the time.

The correspondence is arranged as follows: (1) principal correspondents (at least 20 letters), ordered alphabetically by correspondent, with the letters from each correspondent arranged by date, in ascending order; (2) minor correspondents, arranged in alphabetical order; (3-4) letters from people whose names are incomplete, divided between principal and minor correspondents; (5) letters from Béaslaí's parents; (6) copies of letters written by Béaslaí; (7) miscellaneous letters; (8-9) post-cards and Christmas cards.

IV.iii.1. Personal correspondence: principal correspondents

- Ms 33,963(1) Beazley, Andrew, cousin, Co. Kerry. The subjects are mainly family matters, including requests for help in finding jobs for Andrew and members of his family, and the deaths of Father James Beazley, Anne Beazley and Sarah Beazley (Béaslaí's uncle and aunts).
21 items, 1923-45.
- (2) Beazley, Fr James, uncle, Tuosist, Co. Kerry. Subjects include Fr Beazley's appointment as Parish Priest of Tuosist, invitations to spend holidays in Tuosist, the Irish language movement, requests for copies of the *Catholic Times* and *Freeman's Journal*, Béaslaí's appointment to the editorial staff of the *Freeman's Journal*, Fr Beazley's appointment as chairman of the local branch of the Irish National League [probably the United Irish League], his views on the land question, and the Civil War.
23 items, 1897-1924 and undated.
- (3) Beazley, Langford, brother, Liverpool and Dublin. Subjects include Langford's journalistic career, the outbreak of World War I, Langford's health and general family matters. One of the letters written to Béaslaí in prison also contains letters from Eileen O'Sullivan, Liam, and Fiachra.
26 items, 1906-17.
- (4) [Beere], Mabel, cousin, Dublin. Subjects include the success of Béaslaí's biography of Michael Collins, Mabel's job as a typist with the AOH [Ancient Order of Hibernians], Béaslaí's mother's health, a request for a loan from Béaslaí, holidays, Béaslaí's writings, and the Eucharistic Congress.
21 items, 1914-32.
- (5) [Beere], Mabel, cousin, Dublin. Subjects include the death of Aubrey Clancy (a relative of Béaslaí and Mabel Beere), the 1933 general election, Béaslaí's attempts to get a job, arrangements to meet Béaslaí, Béaslaí's income tax, the defeat of the 1934 Military Service Pensions

bill, Mabel's job as a typist, Mabel's marriage plans, and news of the Beere and Clancy families.
21 items, 1933-4.

- (6) [Beere], Mabel, cousin, Dublin. Subjects include Christmas, Béaslaí's dog, Roisín, arrangements to meet Béaslaí, Béaslaí's efforts to get a job in the Irish Hospital Sweepstakes for Mabel's sister Florrie, Béaslaí's and Mabel's health, a request for a loan of money from Béaslaí, Béaslaí's play, and arrangements for meetings with Béaslaí.
19 items, 1935-7.
- (7) [Beere], Mabel, cousin, Dublin, concerning personal and family matters.
22 items, 1938-43.
- (8) [Beere], Mabel, cousin, Dublin, concerning personal and family matters.
30 items, 1944-58.
- (9) [Beere], Mabel, cousin, Dublin, concerning personal and family matters. 20 items, undated.
- (10) [Beere], Mabel, cousin, Dublin, concerning miscellaneous family and personal matters.
16 items, undated.
- (11) Mollie Dunne / Máire Ní Duinn/ Mollie O'F, Waterford and Dublin. The subjects in the letters from 1918 include the Irish Volunteers and Cumann na mBan in Waterford, by-elections in Waterford and Tyrone, the prospects for Sinn Féin in the general election in Waterford, the possibility of a by-election in Tullamore, Co Offaly, and Béaslaí's imprisonment. The remainder of the letters are concerned with general personal matters. Some letters are addressed to 'Mr Connolly'.
17 items, 1917-36.
- (12) Mollie Dunne / Máire Ní Duinn / Mollie O'F, Dublin and Waterford. Some of these letters are clearly from the 1917-1921 period and discuss subjects such as Sinn Féin's prospects in Waterford in the 1918 general election, the activities of Cumann na mBan in Waterford and Béaslaí's imprisonment in 1918. Most of the letters are concerned with personal matters. Some letters are addressed to 'Mr Connolly'.
26 items, undated.
- (13) Grimes, Eilís, Shanakiel, Sunday's Well, Cork, written in English and Irish. Subjects include the Irish language, Béaslaí's imprisonment in 1918, the signing of the Anglo-Irish Treaty, Béaslaí's trip to the USA in 1922, a visit by Michael Collins and Seán McKeown [*sic*] to Cork seeking support for the Treaty, the 1922 general election, the Civil War, Béaslaí's biography of Michael Collins, and the theft of the manuscript of the biography during a burglary at his home in 1925.

21 items, 1917-25.

- (14) Grimes, Eilís, Shanakiel, Sunday's Well, Cork, written in English. Subjects discussed include Béaslaí's biography of Michael Collins, his interest in botany, his plays, and the illness and death of his mother. 22 items, 1926-48.
- (15) Long, Floss, cousin, Clonmel, Co. Tipperary. Subjects include Béaslaí's holidays, a review of *Michael Collins and the Making of a New Ireland*, the murder of Kevin O'Higgins, the 1927 general election, charges made by opponents of Fine Gael during the 1951 general election that Michael Collins was responsible for starting the Civil War, and general family matters. 19 items, 1924-1956.
- (16) Long, Vi, cousin, Lusk, Co. Dublin and Clonmel, Co. Tipperary. Subjects include Béaslaí's articles in the *Catholic Fireside*, the deaths of Vi's mother and Béaslaí's father, Béaslaí's mother's health, and general family and personal matters. One letter, dated 29 Dec. 1923 includes a hand-written note from Béaslaí's mother. 24 items, 1902-24.
- (17) McGuinness, Frank, a student at All Hallows College seminary, Dublin, and later a priest in England. The majority of the letters are concerned with making arrangements for Béaslaí to visit Frank McGuinness in All Hallows College. 22 items, 1934-50.
- (18) Mhic Suibhne, Muirgheal Bean [Muriel MacSwiney], widow of Terence MacSwiney. Subjects include custody of Muriel MacSwiney's daughter, Máire [custody of Máire had been granted to Terence MacSwiney's sister, Mary, during the 1930s], relations between the IRB and the Catholic Church, Béaslaí's articles in the *Irish Independent* in 1957, plans for the erection of a memorial to Terence MacSwiney in an English Cathedral, and plans for a book on Terence MacSwiney to be written by Laurence Roche, Owen Dudley Edwards and others. Muriel MacSwiney lived in Paris at this time and her letters often refer to the political situation in France in addition to international affairs such as the Suez crisis. An item of particular interest is the reference, in the letter dated 13/6/58, to Muriel MacSwiney's second daughter, Alix. 20 items, 1948-58.
- (19) Mhic Suibhne, Muirgheal Bean [Muriel MacSwiney], widow of Terence MacSwiney. Subjects include plans for a book on Terence MacSwiney, Muriel MacSwiney's dislike of Eamon de Valera, and her Irish pension. International political developments are also referred to, such as the crises in Algeria and Cyprus, and the political activities of Krushev, Nixon and Harold MacMillan.
Also included in this file are: a letter to Muriel MacSwiney from Pádraig Ó Conchubair concerning the proposed book on Terence

MacSwiney, readers dockets from the National Library for books requested by Muriel MacSwiney, and hand-written notes by Muriel MacSwiney relating to her husband's life.
22 items, 1959.

- Ms 33,964(1) Maguire, Seán / John, Dublin. Most of the letters refer to Béaslaí's efforts to help Seán Maguire get a job.
18 items, 1944-46.
- (2) Maguire, Seán, Dublin, referring to his job with Aer Lingus, his efforts to find a new job, the death of Lily Mernin, and his marriage.
24 items, 1947-57 and undated.
- (3) Mernin, Lily, Waterford, Dublin and London. Lily Mernin was a distant cousin of Piaras Béaslaí, who worked as a typist in Dublin Castle. During the War of Independence Béaslaí introduced her to Michael Collins and she became an important link in Collins's intelligence network.
Subjects include Lily Mernin's efforts to get a typist's job, Béaslaí's trip to the USA in 1922, the political situation in Ireland in 1922, the birth of Lily Mernin's son John/Seán, her efforts to find a house the death of Béaslaí's father, and his biography of Michael Collins.
22 items, 1908-26.
- (4) Mernin, Lily, Dublin. Subjects include her job in the Department of Defence and the death of Béaslaí's mother.
23 items, 1927-32.
- (5) Mernin, Lily, Dublin. Subjects include her job as a typist with the Department of Defence, the education of Seán, Béaslaí's applications for jobs with the *Irish Independent* and Leinster College, and Lily's pension.
Also enclosed are 3 letters from Sylvester V. O'Farrell, Patrician College, Ballyfin, Co. Laois, where Seán was at school for a time and letters from Seán to Lily, which are addressed 'Dear Aunty'.
27 items, 1933-9.
- (6) Mernin, Lily, Dublin. Subjects include Seán's attempts to join the army, Lily Mernin's attempts to dissuade Seán from joining the priesthood, and Béaslaí's attempts to get a job for Seán.
22 items, 1940-44.
- (7) Mernin, Lily, Dublin, containing general news about herself and Seán.
17 items, 1945.
- (8) Mernin, Lily, Dublin. Subjects include demobilisation of the army after World War II, Seán's job in Aer Lingus, Military Service Pensions, Béaslaí's expectations of having one of his plays produced in Hollywood, Seán's French classes, and general news about Lily and

Seán. A reference from the army for Seán (John Maguire) is attached.
18 items, 1946.

- (9) Mernin, Lily, Dublin. The principal subject discussed is Seán, in particular his job with Aer Lingus and his relationship with Béaslaí. The question of Lily's pension is also mentioned.
22 items, 1947-8.
- (10) Mernin, Lily, Dublin, mainly concerning her pension and Seán's job.
22 items, 1949.
- (11) Mernin, Lily, Dublin. Subjects include her pension, her statement to the Bureau of Military History, her retirement from the Department of Defence, and Seán's efforts to get a job. 17 items, 1950-53.
- (12) Mernin, Lily, Dublin, containing general news about Lily and Seán.
18 items, 1954-6.
- (13) Mernin, Lily, Dublin, concerning miscellaneous personal matters.
12 items, undated.
- (14) Mulhall, Vida, Dublin, concerning personal matters. Attached to the letter dated 10/4/22 is an extract from a newspaper featuring a picture of Béaslaí on his arrival in New York in April 1922.
20 items, 1922-6 and undated.
- (15) [Murphy], May, cousin, Liverpool, [sister of Lily Parkes, Nellie Murphy, Norah Murphy, Kitty Murphy, and Lal Kelly]. Subjects include news of May's family, Béaslaí's mother, May's holidays in Ireland, Béaslaí's efforts to find a maid, his attempts to buy a house, his acting, and Béaslaí's biography of Michael Collins. Some of the letters from 1921 are addressed to Tom [Connolly], Béaslaí's alias.
21 items, 1921-6.
- (16) [Murphy], May, cousin, Liverpool. Subjects include news of May's family, Béaslaí's acting, holidays, his writing, the death of Béaslaí's dog, May's plans to get married, Béaslaí's mother's illness, Béaslaí's effort to give up cigarettes, and the correspondence between Béaslaí and May.
26 items, 1927-9.
- (17) [Murphy], May, cousin, Liverpool. Subjects include Béaslaí's mother's illness and death, theatre, news of May's family, holidays, Béaslaí's play, and his efforts to find a place to live.
24 items, 1930-31.
- (18) [Murphy], May, cousin, Liverpool, Stockton-on-Tees, England, and Clonskeagh, Dublin. Subjects include May's departure from Liverpool, news of May's family, Béaslaí's copyright action against the *Sunday Chronicle* holidays, arrangements to meet Béaslaí, a disagreement

between Béaslaí and the *Irish Independent*, Béaslaí's writings, May's music recitals, the illness of May's sister, Lal Kelly.
25 items, 1932-3.

- (19) [Murphy], May, cousin, Liverpool and Dublin. Subjects include news of May's family, the correspondence between May and Béaslaí, arrangements to meet Béaslaí, and Béaslaí's writing.
20 items, undated.
- (20) [Murphy], Nellie, cousin, Liverpool, East Derby, and Tanga, East Africa. [Sister of Lily Parkes, May Murphy, Norah Murphy, Kitty Murphy, and Lal Kelly]. Subjects include Nellie's studies, the death of Béaslaí's father, Béaslaí's writing, holidays, Nellie's family, her life in Africa, and her early life in Liverpool. 19 items, 1914-38 and undated.
- (21) [Murphy], Norah, cousin, Stockton-on-Tees and Liverpool. [Sister of Lily Parkes, May Murphy, Kitty Murphy, Nellie Murphy and Lal Kelly]. The letters are principally concerned with news of Nellie's children. One of the letters, dated 25 September 1940, was opened and examined by the military censor as World War II was in progress.
23 items, 1935-61 and undated.

Ms 33,965(1) Naughton, Eileen, Clonmel and Mullinahone, Co. Tipperary, mainly concerning general personal and family matters. Other subjects include the 1927 general election in Tipperary. Attached to the letter dated 2 Feb. 1937 is a letter of sympathy to Eileen Naughton on the death of her father, from her cousin Annie Kickham White, a niece of Charles Kickham.

30 items, 1923-44 and undated.

- (2) Noyk, Michael, Dublin, Béaslaí's solicitor, concerning his legal affairs, including a defamatory action against *Waterford News* and an action taken against Browne and Nolan for allegedly publishing his work without his permission.
33 items, 1924-35.
- (3) Noyk, Michael, Béaslaí's solicitor, concerning his legal affairs. Also included are some personal letters from Noyk to Béaslaí.
26 items, 1940-63.
- (4) Ní Éigcheartaigh / Hegarty, Eilís, Ballina, Co. Mayo and Dublin, written in Irish and English, concerning her Irish exams in University College Galway, her job as a teacher, and making arrangements for meetings with Béaslaí.
36 items, 1936-9 and undated.
- (5) Ní Fhógartaigh, Lil, Cill Choinigh [Kilkenny] and Mullach Íde [Malahide], Co. Dublin, written in English and Irish. Subjects include the arrest of E.T. Kean [editor of the *Kilkenny People*], Piaras Béaslaí's work as editor of *An Claidheamh Solius* and *Fáinne an Lae*,

submissions by Lil for *Fáinne an Lae*, the 1918 by-election in Waterford, Béaslaí's proposed book on the history of Gaelic poetry, Cumann na Scribhneoirí, literature, Béaslaí's writings, Scots-Gaelic, and Béaslaí's imprisonment in 1919.

22 items, 1917-19.

- (6) Ní Fhógartaigh, Lil, Mullach Íde [Malahide], Co. Dublin and Cill Choinnigh [Kilkenny], written in English and Irish. Subjects include a lecture on Dante by Béaslaí, the death of Harry Boland (H.B., referred to in the letter dated 4.8.22), Gaelic poetry, Béaslaí's imprisonment, *Fáinne an Lae*, and the proposed formation of Cumann na Scribhneoirí. 18 items, 1920-23 and undated.
- (7) Ní Floinn, Caitlín, Dublin and Baile an Muilinn [Milltown, Co. Kerry], written in Irish and English, concerning the health of her mother, the death of Béaslaí's mother, and arrangements for meetings with Béaslaí. A draft reply from Béaslaí to one of the letters is attached. 27 items, 1925-37.
- (8) Ní Mhuirthille, Cáit, Brúigh Ríogh [Bruree], Co. Limerick, written mostly in Irish with some in English. The subject matter is primarily the Irish language movement, in particular Béaslaí's writings in Irish and the Munster College in Ballingearry, Co. Cork. 21 items, 1913-14.
- (9) Ní Sheiriodáin, Máire, Seacombe/Wallasey, Cheshire and Holyhead, Wales, written in English and Irish. Subjects include the activities of the Gaelic League in Liverpool, the annual Oireachtas of the Gaelic League, national loan certificates, and Béaslaí's radio broadcasts. 35 items, 1905-49 and undated.
- (10) Ó Briain, Liam, University College Galway, written in Irish. Subjects discussed include Arthur Griffith, the history of the Irish revolution, and books by Dorothy Macardle and P.S. O'Hegarty. 19 items, 1925-58.
- (11) O'Sullivan, Eileen / Ní Shúilleabhain, Eibhlin, Lohart, Kenmare, Co. Kerry, written in English and Irish. Letters from 1919-20 are addressed to T./Tomás, i.e. Tom Connolly. Most of the letters are concerned with general personal matters. Other subjects include the deaths of Béaslaí's brother, Langford, and of Thomas Ashe. 21 items, 1914-20.
- (12) O'Sullivan, Eileen / Ní Shúilleabhain, Eibhlin. Some of the letters are addressed to T. Connolly. Subjects include the political situation in Ireland in 1922, Béaslaí's trip to the USA in 1922, reaction to the death of Michael Collins, the Civil War in Kerry, and general personal matters. 20 items, 1921-4.

- (13) O'Sullivan, Eileen / Ní Suilleabháin, Eibhlin, Kenmare, Co. Kerry, written in English and Irish, concerning general personal matters, especially Eileen O'Sullivan's health and her job as a teacher.
25 items, 1925-30.
- (14) O'Sullivan, Eileen / Eibhlin, Kenmare, Co. Kerry, written in English and Irish, concerning Béaslaí's holidays, his trips to Kerry, the death of Seán Mac Diarmada, Béaslaí's trip to the USA, Béaslaí's health, requests for help in getting jobs for some friends, a meeting in Kenmare to be addressed by Béaslaí, and arrangements for meetings with Béaslaí.
17 items, undated.
- (15) O'Sullivan, Eileen / Eibhlin, Kenmare, Co. Kerry, written in English and Irish, concerning her teaching job in an Irish college in Waterford, plans to visit Béaslaí in Dublin, and the written correspondence between Eileen and Béaslaí. The contents of some of the letters are obscure, and on one of them Béaslaí has written 'ceann de na leitreaca sgríobh Eibhlín (1930-31) agus í as a meabhair' [one of the letters written by Eileen (1930-31) when she was out of her mind].
20 items, undated.
- (16) O'Sullivan, Eileen / Ní Súilleabhain, Eibhlin, Kenmare, Co. Kerry, written in English and Irish, concerning the Munster College in Ballingearry, Béaslaí's holidays in north Kerry, his articles in the *Weekly Freeman*, opposition to recruitment in Kerry, and Eileen's job as a teacher.
20 items, undated.
- (17) Reynolds, Lily / Baeur, Lily, The Bailey, Duke St, Dublin, and London. Subjects include Béaslaí's plans for visits to London, the break up of Lily Baeur's marriage, Béaslaí's articles in the *Sunday Dispatch* in 1937, and general personal matters. A reply from Béaslaí is attached to one of the letters.
19 items, 1929-38.
- (18) Swastika Laundry Ltd, Ballsbridge, Dublin, concerning Béaslaí's laundry.
22 items, 1948-58.
- (19) Tully, Mary, Portrush, Co. Derry. Subjects include Mary Tully's jobs in various hotels, the end of World War II, and the shortage of alcohol and cigarettes.
22 items, 1940-46.
- (20) Tully, Mary, Portrush and Portstewart, Co. Derry, concerning tourism in Derry and Donegal, news of Mary's parents, the hotel business and Mary's boarding house.
24 items, 1947-57 and undated.

IV.iii.2. Personal correspondence: minor correspondents

Ms.33,966(1) Letters to Béaslaí from:

Aitken, James, Ayr and Greenock, Scotland. Subjects include the proscription of a meeting by Maud Gonne to be held in Liverpool, the journalistic careers of Béaslaí and James Aitken, extracts from Scottish newspapers concerning Shakespeare and Maud Gonne are attached. 6 items, 1900-04.

Allen, Fred, Dublin Corporation, concerning a lecture to be given by Béaslaí to the Wolfe Tone Club. 1 item, 1911.

Allen, George, London, announcing the cessation of publication of *The Argosy*. 1 item, 1904

Allman, Michael, Drumcondra, Dublin. Subjects include the death of Béaslaí's mother and requiem mass for Timothy Costello. 5 items, 1931-7.

Baker, Arthur, London concerning Béaslaí's comments on *The Invisible Army*. 1 item, 1932.

Barnard Cogley, D., Rathmines, Dublin, to organise a meeting with Béaslaí. 1 item, 1942.

Barrett, J., concerning funeral arrangements for Fr James Beazley. 1 item, 1924.

Barry, Jack, Cheshire, concerning Barry's trip to Dublin, and returning money borrowed from Béaslaí. 1 item, undated.

Bayer, E. (written in French), India, concerning church missions in India. 1 item, 1924.

Beatty, Rita, Dublin, looking for a typist's job for her sister. 1 item, 1923.

Beatty, Mrs, Phibsboro, Dublin, advertising a room for rent. 1 item, undated.

(2) Letters to Béaslaí from various members of the Beazley family:

Beazley, [no first name given], telegrams arranging to meet Béaslaí at Kingsbridge station, and giving details of a funeral and a motor accident. 2 items, 1906-26.

Beazley, Andrew Jnr, Cistercian College, Roscrea and East Wall Rd, Dublin. Subjects include a request for information on the 1916 Rising, the appointment of Richard Mulcahy's brother as abbot of a Cistercian monastery in Scotland, and general family matters. 3 items, 1947 and undated.

Beazley, Aunt Anne, Ballybunion, Co. Kerry. Subjects include an invitation for Béaslaí and his mother to visit Kerry, a request for Béaslaí to use his influence to secure a Free State grant for the Beazleys to build a cottage, to help get a job for Andrew, to help secure military service pensions for cousins who served in the Irish Volunteers, and general family matters. 5 items, 1926-8.

[Beazley], Fred, brother, Yorkshire and Kansas City, Missouri, USA. Subjects include Fred's studies, his life in the USA, his poor health, and his writings for the *Catholic Fireside*. 11 items, 1900-10.

(3) Letters to Béaslaí from various members of the Beazley family:

Beazley, Hanna, Killarney, Co. Kerry, requesting help from Béaslaí in getting jobs for family members and friends. 12 items, 1923-45.

Beazley, Jack, Clontarf, Dublin, concerning his efforts to get a bank loan. 3 items, 1929-32.

(4) Letters to Béaslaí from:

Beazley, Jack / John, Beaufort and Killarney, Co. Kerry. Subjects include Hanna Beazley's hospitalisation, requests for Béaslaí to ask Eoin O'Duffy to give a position in the Gardaí to a friend of Jack's, to help secure compensation for a neighbour, to assist some cousins who were looking for military service pensions; the deaths of Béaslaí's parents and Fr James Beazley; and general family matters.

9 items, 1922-48.

Beazley, John, Belfast, seeking Béaslaí's help in getting permission to visit the Free State. 1 item, 1928.

Beazley, Leonora, Dublin, thanking Béaslaí for his efforts to get her a job with the Irish Hospital Sweepstakes. 1 item, 1946.

Beazley, M., Killarney, asking if Béaslaí has any influence with the Irish Hospital Sweepstakes. 1 item, 1945.

Beazley, Nan, Dublin, concerning the sale of Béaslaí's house. 1 item, 1931.

Beazley, Sarah, Ballybunion, Co. Kerry. Subjects include the death of Béaslaí's mother, his biography of Michael Collins, and general family matters. Béaslaí's reply to one of the letters is attached.

4 items, 1924-31 and undated.

(5) Letters to Béaslaí from:

Bell, Mrs C., Dún Laoghaire, Co. Dublin, seeking a letter of recommendation for the Irish Hospital Sweep Stakes. 1 item, not dated.

Bell, J.A., Great Southern & Western Railway, concerning the refund of a fare. 1 item, 1904.

Bennett & Son Ltd, Auctioneers, Dublin, concerning the sale of Béaslaí's books. 1 item, 1924.

Bennett, Charles, Leeds, concerning Béaslaí's time in London in 1902, and general personal matters. 2 items, 1902 and undated.

Bergin, Patrick. Only one page of this letter exists; it refers to a photograph given to Béaslaí by the writer. 1 item, undated.

Birch, Rev Peter, St Kieran's College, Kilkenny, concerning James Clarence Mangan. 3 items, 1943.

Bond, Dicky, St Joseph's Seminary, Blackrock, Cork, requesting Béaslaí's help in securing clerical jobs for two girls in Victoria Barracks, Cork. 1 item, 1923.

Bond, T.G., auctioneer, Liverpool, concerning the rental of premises. 1 item, 1904.

Bourke, Marcus, Terenure, Dublin, concerning the publication of Bourke's biography of John O'Leary. 1 item, 1964.

Brabazon, Thomas, Dublin, seeking a recommendation for employment. 1 item, 1929.

Bracken, Thomas J., Glasnevin, Dublin, seeking a reference from Béaslaí for his niece, who is seeking employment with the ESB. 2 items, 1948.

Brady, Lilian, Phibsboro, Dublin, concerning Béaslaí's domestic affairs. 4 items, 1922 and undated.

Brady, Mrs Mary, Carrickmacross, Co. Monaghan, concerning the imprisonment of Mrs O'Flaherty. 1 item, 1932.

Breathnach, M., Cluain Tarbh [Clontarf], Dublin, written in Irish, requesting the return of his manuscript *Dhraoidheacht Chaitlín*. 1 item, 1930.

Breathnach, Seamus, Elgin Road, Dublin, expressing sympathy on the death of Béaslaí's mother. 1 item, 1931.

(6) Letters to Béaslaí from:

Brennan, J.P., Dún Laoghaire, Co. Dublin, requesting Béaslaí to recommend some books for a hospital library. A draft of Béaslaí's reply, turning down the request, is enclosed. 2 items, 1940.

Brennan, Maire, Phibsboro, Dublin, concerning the death of her mother. 1 item, 1915.

Brennan, Mary, Wallasey, Cheshire, concerning the death of her father. 1 item, 1961.

Brennan-Whitmore, W.J., Gorey, Co. Wexford, concerning an unidentified, possibly political, matter. 1 item, 1938.

Brown, Stephen J., SJ, seeking Béaslaí's help organising an exhibition of Catholic activities for the holy year. 1 item, undated.

Burgess, H.G., London & North Western Railway, seeking payment of a fare. 1 item 1904.

Burke, Grace, Dublin, concerning a play. 2 items, undated.

Burke, James, Ranelagh, Dublin, concerning an injury to his foot. 1 item, 1923.

Byrne, Ben, Ballsbridge and Mount Merrion, Dublin. Subjects include a request from Frank Saurin to translate the title of the Irish Hospital Sweepstakes into Irish, Béaslaí's articles in the *Irish Independent*, and his efforts to get a job for Miss Dearle. 3 items, 1957.

Byrne, C.M., Ballykilavane, Glenealy, concerning his bid for election to the Dáil in 1927. 2 items, 1927.

Byrne, William P., fragment of a letter inviting Béaslaí to give a lecture in Liverpool. 1 item, undated.

(7) Letters to Béaslaí from:

Callaghan, T.J. & Co. Ltd, Dublin, advertising the 'AutoStrop' razor. 3 items, undated.

Cane, Frank E., London. Subjects include Béaslaí's time in London in 1902 and advice to look elsewhere for journalistic work as it is too difficult to get in London, and the production of phonographic records to assist the teaching of Irish. 7 items, 1901-1909.

Carey, John, London. Subjects include the cessation of censorship in Britain after World War I, attempts to acquire an Irish translation of a Polish book, an Irish law suit heard in the Strand High Court in London, Béaslaí's decision to leave politics in 1923, the death of Béaslaí's father, a request for the text of a poem, a request for Béaslaí's help for a Polish friend writing an article about Ireland, the Shannon hydro-electric scheme, Béaslaí's biography of Michael Collins, and James McNeill's appointment as Governor General in succession to Tim Healy. 14 items, 1919-27.

Casey [no first name given], telegram to Béaslaí at the Munster College, Ballingearry, the subject is unclear. 1 item 1915.

(8) Letters to Béaslaí from:

Chillingworth, Charles, Dublin, concerning the death of Béaslaí's mother. 1 item, 1931.

Clancy, Dublin, telegram expressing sympathy on the death of Béaslaí's father. 1 item, 1923.

Clancy, Aubrey, cousin, Dublin, concerning general personal and family matters. 4 items, 1905-23.

Clancy, Bridie, cousin, Dublin, concerning general personal and family matters. 2 items, 1936-55.

Clancy, Charlie, concerning an arrangement to meet with Béaslaí. 1 item, 1936.

[Clancy] Maggie, aunt, Sandycove, Dublin. Subjects include Béaslaí's visit to Maggie, Maggie's illness, general family news, plans to organise lectures on Irish literature in Liverpool. 'Uncle John' refers to her husband, John J. Clancy, a barrister, journalist and Irish Parliamentary Party MP for North County Dublin from 1885-1918. 2 items, 1905-6.

Clancy, Maude, cousin, Dublin and Antrim. Subjects include the death of Michael Collins, Béaslaí's biography of Collins, the death of Béaslaí's mother, and general personal and family matters. 14 items, 1910-31 and undated.

(9) Letters to Béaslaí from:

Clancy, T.L., Dublin, concerning Clancy's attempts to get a house and various personal matters. 8 items, 1934-45 and undated.

Clanndioliún / Clandillon, Séamus, Clonmel and Broadcasting Station, Dublin, written in Irish and English, concerning meetings between him and Béaslaí. 3 items, 1905-33.

Clifford, Madge, Clontarf, Dublin, concerning Béaslaí's imprisonment, enquiring about Béaslaí's activities, and apologising for being unable to attend a ceili. 10 items, 1920.

Coffey, T., Glasnevin, Dublin, concerning the letting of a room.

1 item, 1914.

(10) Letters to Béaslaí from:

Collins, [no first name given]. Telegram arranging to meet Béaslaí in the Old Dublin Brigade headquarters. 1 item, 1946.

Collins, E.D., Manchester, Connecticut, USA. Subjects include the 1954 general election in Ireland, newscuttings sent to Béaslaí by Collins, the film *Shake Hands With the Devil*. 4 items, 1954-62.

Collins, Maurice, Dublin, expressing sympathy on the death of Béaslaí's father, Béaslaí's efforts to get positions in the civil service for a cousin and a friend. 3 items, 1923-31.

Collins, Seán, Booterstown, Dublin [brother of Michael Collins]. Subjects include a proposed tombstone for Michael Collins's grave in Glasnevin and a request for Béaslaí to compose an Irish inscription for it. 3 items, 1938-9.

Collins-Powell, Seán, Custume Barracks, Athlone, Co. Westmeath, concerning a request for the transfer of Béaslaí's cousin, Noel Clancy, from Mullingar Barracks to Dublin. A letter from Béaslaí to Collins-Powell is included. 4 items, 1923-55.

Colwell, Una, Rathgar, Dublin, inviting Béaslaí to the marriage of her daughter to Mairtín Ó Direán. 1 item, 1945.

Commercial Banking Company Ltd, Dún Laoghaire, Co. Dublin, concerning the payment of a debt. A newscutting concerning litigation over a debt is attached. 2 items, 1929.

Conmey, Frances / Ní Conmaidhe, Proinseas, Dublin. Subjects include a request for Béaslaí's help to get a job in the Irish Hospital Sweepstakes, a request for Béaslaí to autograph one of his books for a friend of hers, and Béaslaí's motor accident. 5 items, 1922-54.

(11) Letters to Béaslaí from:

Conwell, Anthony, Swinford, Co. Mayo, concerning the 1902 Gaelic League Oireachtas, a request for information on Irish affairs, and Conwell's opinions on the Irish education system. 1 item, 1927.

Corrie, F., concerning an appointment with Béaslaí. 1 item, 1940.

Corrigan & Co, auctioneers and estate agents, Dublin, containing details on various houses for rent and purchase. 14 items, 1923-30.

Cosgrave. Telegram expressing sympathy on the death of Béaslaí's father. 1 item, 1923.

Cowman, P.A., Dublin, concerning a copy of an unidentified script. 1 item, 1955.

(12) Letters to Béaslaí from:

Crean, Liam, Dublin, requesting Béaslaí's help in getting a job for his son. 1 item, 1959.

Crofton, W.M., Dublin, Béaslaí's doctor, concerning his health. 4 items, 1913.

Cronin, Denis, Cronin's Hotel, Cork, concerning a reservation for Béaslaí to stay in his hotel. 1 item, 1943.

Crowley, Jim, Listowel, Co. Kerry, concerning arrangements to meet Béaslaí. 1 item, 1924.

Cuddy, Jack, Whitehall, Dublin, cancelling an appointment with Béaslaí. 1 item, 1925.

Cullen, Delia, Dublin, Wicklow and London. Subjects include a dog given to Béaslaí by the Cullens, the death of her husband, Tom Cullen, Béaslaí's biography of Michael Collins, and the death of Béaslaí's mother. 5 items, 1925-31.

Cullen, Joe, telegram expressing sympathy on the death of Béaslaí's mother. 1 item, 1931.

Cullen, John, Carlow, concerning an Irish language biography of St. Theresa. 2 items, 1926.

Cullen, P., St Vincent's College, Castleknock, Dublin, concerning a meeting with Béaslaí. 1 item, 1910.

Cullen, Tom, The Lodge, Phoenix Park, Dublin, concerning a dog. 1 item, undated.

Cullen, T.J., concerning his efforts to get Béaslaí a newspaper post in Dublin. 2 items, 1906-7.

Curran, Denis, Sneem, Co. Kerry, concerning the Druimionn Donn Dílis, a breed of cow from Kerry. 1 item, 1962.

Curtis, P.P., Dublin, concerning the payment of Béaslaí's account. 1 item, 1914.

Cussen, Robert, Newcastlewest, Co. Limerick, concerning the local history of Newcastlewest, of which Béaslaí's mother was a native. 1 item, 1960.

(13) Letters to Béaslaí from:

Dalton, Charlie / Cuadabáin / CFD, Dublin, concerning a life assurance policy, and Charlie Dalton's brother, Emmet. 3 items, 1925-58.

Dalton, Emmet, London, concerning Jerry Wall, who would appear to be a mutual acquaintance of Béaslaí and Dalton. 1 item, 1958.

Daly, Carrie / Uí Dhálaigh, Cearaí, Limerick, enclosing the address of Miss Morrissey, expressing sympathy on the death of Béaslaí's brother, Langford, and sending food to Béaslaí. 3 items, 1913-18.

Daly, Seán, Drumcondra, Dublin, sending an apology to Béaslaí. 1 item, 1949.

Davis, Richard, seeking information on William Rooney and Sinn Féin, 1891-1910. 1 item, 1957.

Dawson, Fr Thomas, Kilburn, London and Montreal, Canada, seeking a position in the Free State for Canon J.O. Murray, and requesting information on Irish affairs. 2 items, 1923.

Deane, Herbert Z. & Co, solicitors, London, concerning the estate of the late Anne Beazley, his aunt. 2 items, 1929.

Dearle, Harriet, Drumcondra, Dublin, concerning Béaslaí's holidays and the weather. 1 item, undated.

De Barra, Tomás, Inis Corthaidh [Enniscorthy], Co. Wexford, concerning the marriage of Risteard [Richard Foley / 'Fiachra Eilgeach']. Written in Irish. 2 items, 1910.

De Bhillot, Seamus, concerning his application for an inspector's job. Written in Irish. 1 item, 1938.

De Brún, Liam, Co. Kerry, seeking a copy of the play *The Cardinal*. Written in Irish. 1 item, 1949.

De Brún, Mairghreád, St Stephen's Green, Dublin, arranging to meet Béaslaí at Nelson's pillar. Written in Irish. 1 item, 1913.

De Brún, Pádraig, Tralee, seeking help with his MA thesis on poets and poetry of north Kerry. Written in Irish. 1 item, 1962.

(14) Letters to Béaslaí from:

De Búrca, M, arranging a trip to Bray. 1 item, undated.

Dee, Michael, cousin, Ballylongford, Co. Kerry, seeking Béaslaí's help to get a position in the Gardaí for his son. 1 item, 1924.

Denvir, J.M., arranging to visit Béaslaí. 1 item, 1932.

De Paor, Brigid / Paor, Brigid / Power, Bridie, Drumcondra, Dublin, inviting Béaslaí for a visit, and extending Christmas greetings. 3 items, 1925.

De Piondargás, Eibhlin, Glasnevin, Dublin, concerning her inability to attend a rehearsal, and her poor health. Written in Irish. 3 items, 1928-9.

Devlin, L., Stillorgan, Dublin, expressing sympathy on the death of Béaslaí's mother. 1 item, 1931.

Dick, William, Liverpool, concerning Beaslaí's health. It is unclear whether this letter was for Béaslaí or his father, as it is addressed to P. Beazley Esq. 1 item, 1901.

Dillon, Leo D., Dublin, concerning Béaslaí's radio broadcast on Colm Ó Murchadha, and containing references to Gearóid O'Sullivan, Diarmuid O'Hegarty and Kitty Kiernan. 1 item, 1959.

Dillon, M., Gardiner St, Dublin, arranging to meet Béaslaí. 1 item, 1939.

Dockerell, Thomas, Sons & Company Ltd, auctioneers and valuers, Dublin, containing particulars of houses for sale in Dublin. 4 items, 1924 and undated.

Doherty, E., concerning a charge for a telegram. 1 item, undated.

Doherty, John, Derby, England, writing on behalf of ex-National Army comrades to 'convey our heartfelt congratulations to Dr Higgins & our late comrades for the stand they are taking in the present crisis'. The subject in question is unclear. 1 item, undated.

(15) Letters to Béaslaí from:

Donn, Máire, Bhrí Cuallann [Bray, Co. Wicklow], arranging to meet Béaslaí in Dublin. 1 item, 1920.

Donnelly, T., SJ, Chesterfield, a former prefect of studies at St. Francis Xavier's College, Liverpool. Subjects include the provision of a reference for Béaslaí, his interest in classics, languages, reading and Irish history while at school in Liverpool, and Béaslaí's change of name in 1909. The word 'xtian' is possibly an abbreviation for Christian. 2 items, 1909.

Donovan, Robert, Dublin, concerning the Dublin Commission (Irish Universities Act, 1908). 1 item, 1909.

Doody, Kay, Richmond Hospital, Dublin, concerning her illness. 1 item, 1946.

Dowdall Brothers, Buttapat Dairy Co, Liverpool, concerning the death of their manager, Thos A. Murphy. 1 item, 1906.

Doyle, J., Great Southern Railways, refusing a refund to Béaslaí. 1 item, 1930.

Doyle, John, Dublin, inviting Béaslaí to visit him. 1 item, undated.

Doyle, P.S., Dublin, concerning attempts to get a job for a friend of Béaslaí. 1 item, 1939.

Dunne, Margaret M., Abbey Hotel, Dublin, concerning arrangements to meet Béaslaí, and containing a reference to Béaslaí's appearance in bed. Written in English and Irish. 3 items not dated.

Dunne, Sallie, Abbey Hotel, Dublin, replying to a letter from Béaslaí. 1 item, 1926.

Dunne, Mrs Thomas, Tullamore, Co. Offaly, concerning the imprisonment of Mrs O'Flaherty. 1 item, 1932.

(16) Letters to Béaslaí from:

Ellman, Richard, Killiney, Co. Dublin. Subjects include James Joyce's *Ulysses*, Ellman's biography of Joyce, a poem entitled *On Looking for the Loan of a Tanner*, and Béaslaí's car accident. 6 items, 1953-64.

Enright, James I., Dalkey, Co. Dublin. Subjects include the illness and death of Béaslaí's mother, Béaslaí's attempts to sell his house, and holidays. 3 items, 1930-31.

Electricity Supply Board, concerning Béaslaí's ESB bills. 2 items, 1952-5.

Farrell, M., Queen's Rd, Liverpool, concerning a leaflet. 1 item, 1905.

Faulkner, James D., Bootle, Liverpool, concerning a photograph. 1 item, 1938.

Feeney, William J., concerning his research in Ireland. 2 items, 1952.

Fenton, S. Fragment of a letter, apparently concerning Kerry Poet's Monument Committee. 1 item, undated.

Ferris, William, Ballymullen Barracks, Tralee, Co. Kerry, concerning his book, *The Gaelic Commonwealth*, and attempts to have it reviewed in the *Catholic Times* or *An tÓglach*. 1 item, 1923.

Finnegan, May, Seacombe, Cheshire, concerning holidays. 1 item, 1908.

Fitzgibbon, J.J., Dún Laoghaire, Co. Dublin, informing Béaslaí of a meeting in Vaughan's Hotel. 1 item, 1930.

Flynn, Michael J., Liverpool. Subjects include P.L. Beazley [Béaslaí's father]'s desire to retire as editor of the *Catholic Times*, P.L. Beazley's poor health, Flynn's holidays plans, and opposition to partition. 2 items, 1923 and undated [possibly 1922].
Furlong, S.V., Dublin, concerning Béaslaí's health problems. 2 items, 1941-2.

(17) Letters to Béaslaí from:

Gallda, Máire, Navan, Co. Meath and Bootle, Liverpool, concerning the correspondence between her and Béaslaí, and Gaelic League activities in Liverpool. 3 items, 1905-06.
Galvin, E., seeking a reference for Mrs Rogers. 1 item, undated.
Galvin, Mick, Liverpool, concerning his attempts to get a job in Liverpool. 1 item, 1938.
Gannon, D., Mercer's Hospital, Dublin, concerning the account for Béaslaí's x-ray. 1 item, 1955.
Gannon, Stephen, J., Killeshandra, Co. Cavan, concerning Percy French's *Eileen Óg*. 1 item, 1963.
Gamble, Joan, Grace Park Gardens, Drumcondra, Dublin, returning a book borrowed from Béaslaí. 1 item, undated.
Gavin, J.J., Galway, looking for a book on Arthur Griffith and Michael Collins. 1 item, 1942.
General Post Office, concerning the delay in a letter sent by Béaslaí to Bruree. 1 item, 1914.
[Gentleman], Arthur, cousin, Lixnaw, Co. Kerry, concerning an unidentified business transaction with which Béaslaí was helping him. 2 items, 1952.
Geraghty, N., Fairview, Dublin, concerning a meeting at the National City Bank. 1 item, 1941.
Gibney, Frank, Dublin, concerning a photograph of Michael Collins. 2 items, 1958.
Gill, Edward A., Southport, England. A brief note of greeting. 1 item, undated.

(18) Letters to Béaslaí from:

Gill, Moira, Dublin, concerning her writings – plays, poems and a novel. A satirical poem by Moira Gill, entitled *Pig's Head and Cabbage* is attached to the letter dated 29/10/34. 9 items, 1934-43 and undated.
Gilley, Lily, Farrenferris, Cork. Subjects include the time she spent with Béaslaí in the Munster College, Ballingearry, Béaslaí's imprisonment in Lewes in 1917, Sinn Féin's victory in the South Longford by-election in 1917, and the death of Béaslaí's brother, Langford. 7 items, 1915-17.

(19) Letters to Béaslaí from:

Gleeson, [no first name given], telegram with notification of a meeting. 1 item, 1931.

Glendon, Eileen, Dublin, seeking Béaslaí's assistance in getting a job. 2 items, 1927 and undated.

Glenville, H., Dublin, concerning the hire of theatrical costumes. 1 item, 1907.

Goggins, J.J., Phoenix Park, Dublin, concerning books belonging to Béaslaí and arranging to meet Béaslaí. 2 items, 1919.

Golden, Ciss, Cheshire, England. Subjects include Béaslaí's trips to Liverpool, Ciss's trips to Ireland, the death of Béaslaí's brother, Fred, in 1912, Béaslaí's writings, and the death of Ciss's mother. There is a gap in the correspondence between 1915 and 1940. 13 items, 1910-51.

(20) Letters to Béaslaí from:

Goodwin, Katie, Dublin and Fermanagh, concerning parcels sent to Béaslaí in prison, arrangements to meet Béaslaí, and the exchange of Christmas greetings. 8 items, 1919-47 and undated.

Green, R.N., concerning National Army officers' records. 2 items, 1952 and undated.

Grey, William J., concerning payment of an account. 1 item, 1926.

Griffin, Isabel, fragment of a letter concerning reminiscences of Co. Kerry. 1 item, undated.

Griffith, Maud, Dublin, widow of Arthur Griffith, concerning Arthur Griffith, and a lecture by Béaslaí. 2 items, 1945.

Griffith, Nevin, Dublin, son of Arthur Griffith, accepting a dinner invitation. 1 item, 1948.

Ms 33,967(1) Letters to Béaslaí from:

Halpin, J.J., Tipperary (a former reporter with the *Nationalist* newspaper, owned by Béaslaí's cousins, the Longs), seeking Béaslaí's help in putting him in contact with American newspapers which would be interested in contributions from him. Other subjects include the Irish Journalists association and the Long family. 2 items, 1952.

Harford, Austin, Liverpool, concerning the Liverpool St Patrick's Day banquet in 1938. 8 items, 1937-8.

Harmwood Banner & Son, Liverpool, concerning the departure of Béaslaí's mother from her house in Liverpool. A draft response from Béaslaí is attached. 3 items, 1924.

Harrington, Dan, Dublin, concerning a friend of Béaslaí's with tuberculosis. 1 item, 1925.

Harrison, T.J., Todd Burns & Co. Ltd, Dublin, concerning Béaslaí's suit. 1 item, undated.

Hassett, Teachers' Club, Dublin, inviting Béaslaí to the club's annual dinner. 1 item, 1952.

Haughney, James P., Kingstown [Dún Laoghaire], concerning Christmas, Haughney's efforts to find a new job, and the murder of Kevin O'Higgins. 3 items, 1925-7.

Hayes, James, SJ, St Francis Xavier's College, Liverpool, concerning the use of the school hall, Béaslaí's lecture, and an article on St Francis Xavier from the *Catholic Fireside*. 3 items, 1902-14.

Head, Dorothy, Dublin, concerning her dissatisfaction with Béaslaí's behaviour, and arrangements to meet Béaslaí. 4 items, 1925-6.

(2) Letters to Béaslaí from:

Heagney, K., Sandymount, Dublin, looking for Béaslaí's help in getting a job for her husband. 3 items, 1924.

Hegarty [no first name given], Dublin, concerning a newspaper advertisement. 1 item, 1914.

Hely's Ltd, Dublin, concerning the printing of private Christmas cards. 4 items, 1914.

Hospitals Trust Ltd., concerning a job application from an acquaintance of Béaslaí. 1 item, 1950.

Herlihy [no first name given], Liverpool. Telegram concerning travel arrangements. 1 item, 1932.

Herlihy, John, Dublin. Subjects include the economic war between Britain and Ireland, Béaslaí's efforts to secure a position with the *Irish Independent*, and efforts to get a job for Herlihy's brother. 13 items, 1932-63 and undated.

(3) Letters to Béaslaí from:

Hoare, M., Dublin, mainly concerning M. Hoare's efforts to get a job. 5 items, 1937-8.

Hodges, E.C., Principal of the Church of Ireland Training College, Dublin, inviting Béaslaí to the College's dramatic entertainment. 2 items, 1939.

Hoehn, Rev Matthew, New Jersey, USA, seeking a biographical note on Béaslaí for a biographical encyclopaedia of Catholic authors. 4 items, 1939-44.

Hogan, Col M ? and O'Reilly, Col Joe, concerning a trust fund for Gen. Tom Ennis. 1 item, 1938.

Hogan, M., Aer Lingus, concerning applications from John Maguire and Seán O'Sullivan for jobs with Aer Lingus. 2 items, 1946-8.

Hogg, Aileen, Sandymount, Dublin, concerning the death of her mother. 1 item, 1957.

Hohlbaum, Dr Robert, Vienna, concerning his book on Austria. 1 item, 1922.

(4) Letters to Béaslaí from:

Hughes, Clement Aston, Liverpool. Subjects include Béaslaí's writings, articles in the *Catholic Times*, Hughes's university exams, the Boer War, and Hughes's work in the Coombe Hospital in Dublin. Letters and postcards, 7 items, 1898-1909.

Hughes, Felix, Dún Laoghaire, Co. Dublin, concerning rent for a garage. 2 items, 1928-30.

Hughes, Hector, Sandymount, Dublin, inviting Béaslaí to his house. 1 item, 1924.

Hughes, J.J., Dorset St, Dublin, concerning the sale of a premises. 2 items, 1943-4.

Hughes, T.E., Waverley Book Company Ltd, O'Connell St., Dublin, seeking a reference for a prospective employee. 1 item, 1931.

Hurley, Delia / Meskill, Delia, Bootle, Walsall and Wolverhampton, England, and Massachusetts, USA. Subjects include mutual acquaintances in Liverpool, John Redmond, the Irish revolution, support for De Valera in Massachusetts, the Friends of Irish Freedom, Hugh Martin's journalistic writings on the Anglo-Irish War, the treaty split and the Civil War. 6 items, 1904-23 and undated.

(5) Letters to Béaslaí from;

Irish Book Company, Dublin, concerning the book *Séadna*. Written in Irish. 1 item, 1907.

Irwin, J.M., London Midland and Scottish Railway, concerning a rail ticket. 2 items, 1938.

James, F.N., Cheshire, England, concerning an outstanding debt. 1 item, 1911.

Jennings, Margaret, Dublin, concerning efforts to get jobs for her and her daughters. 9 items, 1933-56 and undated.

Jennings, Patricia, Glashule, Dublin, concerning her efforts to get a job in the Irish Hospital Sweepstakes. 2 items, 1945-6.

Jennings, Rita, Glashule, Dublin, concerning her efforts to get a job. 5 items, 1931 and undated.

(6) Letters to Béaslaí from J.E.J. Jurry, Netherlands. Subjects include books on Irish history, the similarity between the surnames Jurry and Jury, the theft of Jurry's books by the Germans during World War II, John Mitchel's *Jail Journal*, and Huguenot history. 10 items, 1931-52.

(7) Letters to Béaslaí from:

Kavanagh, Francis J., fragment of a letter only. 1 item, undated.

Kavanagh, 'Kruger' [Muiris Kavanagh], Ballyferriter, Co. Kerry, telegram concerning Kruger Kavanagh's brother Seán ('Seán an chota'). 1 item, 1959.

Kavanagh, Matt, concerning a 1798 commemoration in Arklow. 1 item, 1948.

Kavanagh, Peter, Dublin, concerning research into the history of the Gaelic League. 1 item, 1945.

Kavanagh, Séamus, arranging to meet Béaslaí. 1 item, 1954.

Keane, Mary F., Dublin, concerning her efforts to get a house from Dublin Corporation. 2 items, undated.

Kearney, Cecil, cousin, Clontarf, Dublin, requesting Béaslaí's help in getting jobs for acquaintances. 4 items, 1926-42.

Kearney, Paddy, cousin, Sandycove and Clontarf, Dublin, concerning Béaslaí's mother ('Aunt Nan'), Béaslaí's dog, Paddy's attempts to get a job in the civil service, Béaslaí's efforts to get a new house, and the deaths of Paddy's mother and his brother, Cecil. 6 items, 1929-41 and undated.

Kearney, T.J.?, Dublin, concerning his efforts to get a job as a proof reader with a Dublin newspaper. 1 item, 1911.

Keenan, O.G., Monkstown, Co. Dublin, seeking a meeting with Béaslaí. 1 item, 1962.

Kelleher, D.J., Dublin, returning a manuscript lent to him by Béaslaí. 1 item, 1959.

Kelleher, Josie, Cork. Subjects include Béaslaí's writings, his visits to Cork, his biography of Michael Collins, and poetry. 4 items, 1932-8.

(8) Letters to Béaslaí from:

Kelly, Brian, Mountmellick, Co. Laois; Killarney, Co. Kerry; and Bray, Co. Wicklow, concerning Tomás Ó Criomhthain's autobiography [*An tOileánach*]. 3 items, 1923-6.

Kelly, C., Leeds, England, concerning photographs. 1 item, 1938.

Kelly, Kitty, Boston, USA, and North Circular Road, Dublin, concerning Gaelic activities in Dublin, and Béaslaí's trip to the USA in 1922. 3 items, 1916 and undated, probably 1922.

[Kelly] (née Murphy), Lal, cousin, Crooksling Sanitorium, Brittas, Co. Wicklow. [Sister of Lily Parkes, May Murphy, Nellie Murphy, Norah Murphy and Kitty Murphy; wife of P. Paul Kelly; mother of Pauline Lambert.] Subjects include Lal's illness [tuberculosis], news of Lal's family, Lal's marriage problems, her husband's difficulty in finding a job, and their financial problems. 6 items, 1933-4 and undated.

Kelly, P. Paul [husband of Lal Kelly], Liverpool. Subjects include Kelly's marriage, a request for Béaslaí's help in finding a job, the death of his wife, stamp collecting, and news of Kelly's family. 12 items, 1923-46 and undated.

Kelly, Peter, Dublin, concerning his success in getting a job with Béaslaí's help. 2 items, 1942.

(9) Letters to Béaslaí from:

Kennedy, Laura, Liverpool, expressing sympathy on the death of Béaslaí's mother. 1 item, 1931.

Kennedy, Rita, Dublin. Subjects include arrangements for meetings with Béaslaí, the death of Béaslaí's dog, Roísín, Béaslaí's health, and the correspondence between her and Béaslaí. 16 letters, 1934-6 and undated.

Kennelly, J.P., Mill Hill Fathers, Kilkenny, concerning a Mass offering. 4 items, 1954.

Kevans, Mrs L., Drumcondra, Dublin. A reference for a housekeeper, Mrs Rogers. 1 item, 1926.

King, J., London, concerning the sale of his books. 1 item, undated.

Kohn, Leo, London, and Frankfurt am Main, Germany, concerning his research on the Irish revolution and the Free State. Also included are a letter to Béaslaí from Seosamh Ó Néill, written in Irish, and a draft reply from Béaslaí to Kohn. 4 items, 1932.

Kopp, Aug., SJ, St Asaph, extending new year greetings.
2 items, 1898-9.

(10) Letters to Béaslaí from:

Lacey, Dora, concerning Dora's plans to visit Ireland and meet Béaslaí, Béaslaí's book (possibly his biography of Collins), and his health.
2 items, 1924 and undated.

Lackey, Norah K., Dublin, asking Béaslaí to help her find a job, and referring to her relationship with L.M. (possibly Lily Mernin).
2 items, undated.

Lafayette Ltd (photographers), Dublin, seeking a studio portrait of Béaslaí. 1 item, 1923.

Lambert, Pauline, Liverpool, concerning her visits to Dublin, Béaslaí's radio broadcasts, his biography of Michael Collins, and the death of Pauline's father [P. Paul Kelly]. The letters are addressed to Uncle Pierce – Pauline Lambert's mother, Lal Kelly, was Béaslaí's cousin.
3 items, 1958 and undated.

Lane-Joynt, A., Dublin, concerning a bus trip to Lucan. 1 item, 1907.

Langford, Lena, Dublin, concerning the death of Béaslaí's mother.
2 items, 1931 and undated.

Larrans ?, James, manager, Wynn's Hotel, Dublin, concerning Béaslaí's hotel account. 1 item, 1910.

Lavery, Lulu, Monkstown, Dublin, concerning a match box, and inviting Béaslaí to lunch. 2 items, 1947 and undated.

Lavery, Philip, Dún Laoghaire, Co. Dublin, concerning the Chichester family and the ancestry of Captain O'Neill (possibly Terence O'Neill, then Prime Minister of Northern Ireland), and the disagreement between Arthur Griffith and Seán T. O'Kelly over the Anglo-Irish Treaty. 2 items, 1964-5.

Lawless, J.V., Cabra, Dublin, concerning his application to the Land Commission for a grant of land. 1 item, 1938.

Lawlor, James, Monkstown, Dublin, cancelling an appointment with Béaslaí due to illness. 1 item, 1905.

Lenahan, Charles B., Pennsylvania, USA, concerning his visit to Ireland. 1 item, 1926.

Lennon, Michael J. / Ó Lionan, Micheál. Terenure, Dublin, concerning Tom Clarke's candidacy for clerkship of Rathdown, the Irish language, and a request for information on James Lysaght Finnegan. Written in English and Irish. 5 items, 1947-57.

Le Roux, Louis N., Dublin, concerning arrangements for a meeting with Béaslaí. 2 items, 1935.

Lillis, William, Dublin, concerning a prize for a history of the *Freeman's Journal*. 1 item, 1964.

(11) Letters to Béaslaí from:

Llewelyn Davies, Moya, Raheny, Dublin, inviting Béaslaí to the theatre. 1 item, 1925.

Lodge, Frances, god-daughter, Sandymount, Dublin. Subjects include her ill health, Béaslaí's articles in the *Irish Independent*, and a request for a loan of some money from Béaslaí. 4 items, 1957-64.

Lodge, George, Dublin. Subjects include a request for Béaslaí to help secure a commission in the army for an acquaintance, an invitation for Béaslaí to act as god-father to his daughter [Frances Lodge, see entry above], and Béaslaí's articles in the *Irish Independent*. 4 items, 1923-64.

[Long], Ag, Béaslaí's cousin, Clonmel, Co. Tipperary. Subjects include the death of Ag's father, Béaslaí's mother, Vi Long's illness, amateur drama in Clonmel, and an invitation for Béaslaí to spend Christmas in Clonmel with the Longs. 7 items, 1909-53.

Long, Brandon, Béaslaí's cousin, Clonmel, Co. Tipperary. Subjects include Christmas greetings, publication of the proceedings of the inaugural meeting of Dáil Éireann in 1919, Floss Long's job as an army typist, and Béaslaí's biography of Michael Collins. 11 items, 1911-26 and undated.

(12) Letters to Béaslaí from:

[Long] Ellie, Aunt, Clonmel, Co. Tipperary. Subjects include holidays, Val's [Long] accident, the Clandillons, Ellie's health, Béaslaí's mother, Ellie's father's ill-health, and a request for Béaslaí to give a job to a relative. 7 items, 1904-1909 and undated.

L[ong], Eva, Béaslaí's cousin, Clonmel, Co. Tipperary. Subjects include Béaslaí's mother's health, the sale of his house, Béaslaí's legal action against the *Irish Press*, the death of a family member, the death of Béaslaí's mother, and Eva Long's dissatisfaction with the Irish government. 7 items, 1930-38 and undated.

(13) Letters to Béaslaí from:

Long, James / Uncle Jemie, Clonmel, Co. Tipperary. Subjects include Béaslaí's plans to become a journalist, the *Catholic Times*, John Morley, Maud Gonne, the writings of Béaslaí and his brother Fred, Irish politics, Béaslaí's eye problems, James Long's health, the Gaelic movement in Clonmel, and general news about the Long family. 11 items, 1899-1901 and undated (probably 1890s).

Long, John, Clonmel. Telegram containing funeral arrangements. 1 item, 1924.

[Long] Peg and Val, Charles St, New Ross ?, concerning their visit to Béaslaí and his mother, and a friend of Val's who would like to write for the army's journal. 1 item, 1924.

[Long], Val, cousin, concerning information on Irish folklore. 1 item, 1912.

Lynch, Diarmuid / Ua Loinsigh, Diarmuid, Dublin and Cork, concerning a play by Béaslaí, arrangements for meetings with Béaslaí,

and a 'Statement of Easter Week Operations in the GPO Garrison Area' compiled by Lynch. 10 items, 1913-45 and undated.
Lynch, James, Office of the Revenue Commissioners, Dublin, concerning duty payable on imported books. 1 item, 1935.

(14) Letters to Béaslaí from:

McAlpine, Elizabeth, Dublin, requesting Béaslaí's assistance to help her purchase a car. 2 items, 1924.

Mhic Amhlaoibh, Nel Bean, Herbert Park, Dublin, sending Béaslaí a religious medal. 1 item, undated.

Macanghoill & a Mhac, Teór [Macanghoill & Son Ltd], Upper O'Connell St., Dublin, concerning printer's proofs. Written in Irish. 1 item, 1946.

Mac Aodha, Tomás, SCR [South Circular Road], Dublin, seeking a letter of recommendation from Béaslaí for his nephew who is looking for a job. 2 items, 1926.

Mac Aodhgáin, ?. A short note to arrange a meeting with Béaslaí. 1 item, undated.

Mac Bradaigh, Seamus, Dublin, concerning the return of books, Una Tynan O'Mahony, the Collins-Griffith commemoration, and the identity of the author of a poem about Michael Collins. 5 items, 1952-3 and undated.

MacBride, Annie. Telegram inviting Béaslaí to visit her. 1 item, 1905.

MacCabe, Charlie, Monaghan, seeking a reference from Béaslaí. 1 item, 1929.

McCabe, Henry, concerning an unidentified matter. 1 item, 1920.

MacCabe, M.J., Drumcondra, Dublin, concerning a disagreement with Béaslaí. 1 item, 1913.

Mic Caolite [Forrestal], Brigid bean, [Marguerite Road, Glasnevin, Dublin, concerning the death of Seán, and a bank account in the USA. 3 items, 1923.

(15) Letters to Beaslai from:

McCartan, Dr Pat, concerning plans for the publication of a republican journal. 1 item, 1930.

MacCarthy, Cecelia T., Clontarf, Dublin, concerning the death of Dan. 2 items, undated.

MacCarthy, Hannah, extending Christmas greetings. 1 item, 1934.

MacCarthy, Jack, Lixnaw, Co. Kerry, concerning names of people who died in 1916-21. 1 item, 1958.

MacCarthy, Kit, Fore, Castlepollard, Co. Westmeath, concerning her efforts to get a local authority house in Castlepollard. 1 item, 1923.

MacCarthy, Liam, seeking Béaslaí's assistance to help him get a job with the Department of Agriculture. 1 item, 1924.

Mac Coitir, L.S., Cook St, Dublin, concerning his mother's illness. 1 item, 1907.

Mac Coluim, Padraig, concerning a play. 1 item, 1900/06?.

Mac ConUladh, Donnchadh [McCullough, Denis], Dublin, concerning Peadar Kearney and the *Soldier's Song*. 2 items, 1947.

Mac Cosgair, Liam T. / Cosgrave, William T., Dublin, concerning the deaths of Béaslaí's parents and Cosgrave's wife, a book lent to him by Béaslaí, and Béaslaí's role in Cosgrave's official trip to the USA in 1928. 5 items, 1923-59 and undated.

MacCourt, Gerard, Drumcondra, Dublin, concerning the publication of his poems. 1 item, 1940.

(16) Letters to Béaslaí from:

Mac Diarmada, Proinnsias, Galway, looking for the words of opera songs. Written in Irish. 1 item, 1934.

Mac Eoin, Seán, Department of Defence and Dáil Éireann, concerning meetings with Béaslaí. 2 items, 1954-9.

Mac Fírbhisigh, Tadhg, Dublin, seeking Béaslaí's help to get a job for his sister. 1 item, 1932.

Mac Gabhann, Proinnsias / Smith, Frank, Cheshire, England. Subjects include Béaslaí's health, changes in Liverpool and Cheshire, Irish newspapers, and Mac Gabhann's view of Ireland in the 1950s. Written in Irish. Photographs of various landmarks in Liverpool were enclosed with the letter dated 23-10-61.

[These have been transferred to the National Photographic Archive in Temple Bar.]

11 items, 1954-61 and undated.

MacGarvey, Cathal, a brief note sending an unidentified item to Béaslaí. The item referred to does not accompany the note. 1 item, 1907.

McGilligan, P., Department of Finance, Dublin, concerning foreign currency regulations. 1 item, 1949.

Mac Giolladosacta, Liam, Limerick, concerning vaccine treatment from catarrh. 1 item, 1917.

McGrath, Joe and MacCarthy, Dan. Telegram expressing sympathy on the death of Béaslaí's father. 1 item, 1923.

McGreal, Mary, Dublin, concerning Béaslaí's mother's entry to a nursing home. 1 item, 1930.

McGuinness, Kevin, Wallasey, Cheshire, England. Subjects include Kevin McGuinness's visits to Dublin, his efforts to learn Irish, his involvement with the Gaelic League in Wallasey, Frank McGuinness's ordination, the 1937 edition of Béaslaí's biography of Michael Collins, Kevin McGuinness's engagement, his family, and his job as a teacher. 5 items, 1937-53.

(17) Letters to Béaslaí from:

McKenna, Maurice / Mac Cinneadh, Muiris, Dublin, concerning Béaslaí's efforts to help him recover goods taken by the Customs officers in Rosslare. Written in English and Irish. 2 items, 1938.

McLoughlin / Mac Lochlainn, P., Dublin, concerning a jacket and a suit. 2 items, 1915 and undated.

Mac Maghamhna, Peadar, Secretary of the Department of Defence, Dublin, concerning Béaslaí's change of address, an application from Béaslaí's cousin for release from the army, and John Maguire's application for a post as temporary clerk. 3 items, 1931-44.

McMahon, Liam, Dundrum, Co. Dublin, concerning the death of McMahon's wife, his friendship with Béaslaí, and Béaslaí's escape from Manchester prison in 1919. 2 items, 1945.

McMahon, William, concerning payment for tickets. 1 item, 1905.

MacManus, H.J., educational Building Society, inviting Béaslaí to the unveiling of Leo Whelan's portrait of Alec McCabe. 1 item, 1950.

McMullen, Willie, Roehampton, London, concerning Béaslaí's jobs with the *Catholic Times* and *Wallasey News*, McMullen's life in London, and his clerical studies. 4 items, 1898-1901.

Mac Néill, Aodh, Dublin, concerning arrangements for a meeting with Béaslaí and a case involving the army, the nature of which is unclear. Written in French and English. 3 items, 1920-46 and undated.

McNestry, Margaret, Dublin, concerning arrangements to meet Béaslaí. 1 item, undated.

(18) Letters to Béaslaí from:

Marshall, Henry J. / Marshall & Macaulay Solicitors, Listowel, Co. Kerry, concerning the estate of the late Anne Beazley (Béaslaí's aunt) and the transfer of stock in Guinness to Michael Beazley. 8 items, 1929-50.

May (née Dooley), Esther, Athy, Co. Kildare. Subjects include requests for Béaslaí to help her husband secure a salary increase, to use his influence to help get jobs for various members of her family, and to get an introduction to Dr Wyse Power for her brother. References for her daughter, Esther May, are included. 17 items, 1942-64.

May, Esther, South Circular Rd, Dublin (daughter of Esther May, Athy, Co. Kildare), concerning her efforts to get a job and arrangements to meet Béaslaí. 3 items, 1948-50.

(19) Letters to Béaslaí from:

Meade, Kathleen, Sandymount, Dublin, concerning Béaslaí's efforts to help her niece get a job. 1 item, 1950.

Metropolitan Laundry, Dublin, concerning Béaslaí's laundry. 3 items, 1907-14.

Mikhail, K., Surrey, England, concerning Irish newspapers, and Mikhail's time in Dublin in 1912. 2 items, 1949.

Milroy, Seán, expressing sympathy on the death of Béaslaí's mother. 1 item, 1930.

Molloy, W.J., Killybegs, Co. Donegal, concerning a letter sent by him to Béaslaí. 1 item, 1965.

Monks, E.J., Victoria Hotel, New Brighton, Cheshire, concerning Béaslaí's visits to the hotel. 3 items, 1932-9.

Moriarty, Annie / Graham, Annie, Dingle, Co. Kerry. Subjects include an Irish college in Dingle, a request for Béaslaí's help in getting a job for her husband, Annie Moriarty's life in Kerry and her desire to move to Dublin. 5 items, 1929-36.

Moriarty, E., Eden Quay, Dublin, seeking Béaslaí's help in getting a job for Annie, and arranging to meet Béaslaí. 2 items, 1926 and undated.

Morrisson, E., Fairview, Dublin, concerning a housekeeper for Béaslaí. 1 item, 1929.

- (20) Mulcahy, Seán, Phibsboro, Dublin, concerning Mr Murray's ill health, and use of the Mansion House for a function. 4 items, 1947-51.
Murdoch. Telegrams arranging meetings with Béaslaí. 3 items, 1955
Murphy, A.J., Shannon Airport, Co. Clare, concerning his efforts to learn French. 1 item, 1962.
[Murphy], Kitty, cousin, Liverpool. Sister of Lily Parkes, May Murphy, Nellie Murphy, Norah Murphy, and Lal Kelly.] Subjects include news of Kitty's family, the armistice in November 1918, Kitty's music, and Béaslaí's writing. 6 items, 1918-50 and undated.
Murphy, W.R.E., Office of the Garda Commissioner, Dublin, concerning the case of Garda Hallinan. 3 items, 1942.
Murray, James, concerning money. 1 item, undated.
Murray, T., Dublin, concerning a postal order, and domestic bills. 2 items, 1914 and undated.

- (21) Letters to Béaslaí from:

Napoli McKenna, Kathleen, concerning her desire to meet Béaslaí before her return to Italy. 1 item, 1951.

National Land Bank Ltd / National City Bank Ltd, Dublin, concerning Béaslaí's financial affairs. 18 items, 1924-41.

Newman, Alec, *Irish Times*, concerning a pair of glasses belonging to Béaslaí. 1 item, undated.

Nolan, C., Inchigeela, Co. Cork, concerning a parcel posted to Béaslaí. 1 item, 1912.

- (22) Letters to Béaslaí from:

Ní Aodha, Caitlin, arranging to meet Béaslaí. 1 item, undated.

Nic Aodhabhúidhe, Ide, Limerick, concerning a fete. 1 item, 1917.

Ní Aodagáin, Máire, Bootle, Liverpool. Subjects include the Gaelic League in Liverpool, Béaslaí's departure to Ireland in 1905, Máire's holidays in Ireland, and news of mutual acquaintances in Liverpool. 9 items, 1905-6 and undated.

Ní Áinle, Máire, Ranelagh, Dublin, expressing sympathy on the death of Béaslaí's brother, Langford, thanking Béaslaí for papers and cards sent to her, and looking for Béaslaí's help in getting a job for a relative. Written in Irish. 3 items, 1917-44.

Ní Bhraonáin, Máire, Dublin. Subjects include the weather, the Oireachtas of the Gaelic League, the 1917 by-elections, and Béaslaí's imprisonment. 4 items, 1915-18 and undated (probably 1919).

Ní Bhriain, Neans / bean Uí Choileáin, Neans, Mount St, Dublin and Clonakilty, Co. Cork, concerning the death of Béaslaí's father, an introduction to Béaslaí for a friend, and a play about Michael Collins. While the handwriting in both of these letters is very different, and the name of the correspondent is also different, they were written by the same person, Nancy O'Brien, a cousin of Michael Collins, who later married Collins's brother, Johnny (Seán). 2 items, 1923-63.

(23) Letters to Béaslaí from:

Ní Charthaigh, Áine, Co. Cork, concerning the deaths of Béaslaí's brother, Langford, and of Thomas Ashe, the Munster College in Ballingearry, Béaslaí's editorship of *An Claidheamh Soluis*, news of mutual acquaintances, and arrangements for a meeting with Béaslaí. Written in English and Irish. 4 items, 1917-24.

Ní Cheallachair, Eiblin, Liverpool, sending a manuscript to Béaslaí. 1 item, 1906.

Ní Chinnéide, Máire, Dalkey and Drumcondra, Dublin, concerning a death in her family, and inviting Béaslaí to her house. Written in Irish. 2 items, 1959 and undated.

Ní Chinneide, Máiréad, Rathgar, Dublin, concerning her friendship with Béaslaí, arrangements to meet with Béaslaí, her study of Spanish, and Béaslaí's health. Written in Irish. 6 items, 1921-56.

Ní Chonaill, Máire, Eccles St, Dublin, concerning a photograph. 1 item, undated.

Ní Chonchubhair, Bríd, Donnybrook, Dublin, inviting Béaslaí to call to her house, and loaning a manuscript to Béaslaí. 2 items, 1924 and undated.

Ní Chonchubhair, Eibhlín, Batt O'Connor, builder and contractor, Donnybrook, Dublin, concerning glass for windows and Béaslaí's account. 2 items, 1930.

Nic Chumhaill, Máighreád, London, concerning songs from Faust translated into Irish. 2 items, 1912-21.

Ní Cléirigh, Aighne, University College Cork, concerning the Munster College in Ballingearry, and Béaslaí's imprisonment. 1 item, undated (probably 1919).

(24) Letters to Béaslaí from:

Ní Dhíscín, Brighid, Cabra Road, concerning arrangements for Béaslaí to visit her, and the death of Béaslaí's brother, Langford. One of the letters is signed by both Brigid and Gráinne Ní Dhíscín. Written in Irish and English. 3 items, 1912-17.

Ní Dhómhmaill, Éibhlin, Delgany, Co. Wicklow, concerning the term 'barm brack'. 1 item, 1941.

Ní Dhonnchadha, Cáit, Drumcondra, Dublin, concerning her writings, and the *Freeman's Journal's* weekly prize scheme. Written in Irish. 2 items, 1909-10.

Ní Duibhir, Máire, Leacht Uí Concubhair [Lahinch], Co. Clare. Subjects include Béaslaí's imprisonment, Máire's visits to Dublin, Michael Collins, and a request for Béaslaí to write something for the annual magazine of St Louis convent, Monaghan. The letters from 1920 are addressed to Tomás, i.e. Tom Connolly. 6 items, 1919-20 and undated.

Ní Éigeartaigh, Bríghid, Cabra Park, Dublin, concerning a job. Written in Irish. 1 item, 1919.

Nic Eoin, ?, Upper Dorset St, Dublin, concerning her health and her writings. 1 item, 1917.

Ní Fhaircheallaigh, Máire, Sasana [England], Brí Culann [Bray], Co. Wicklow, and An Uaimh [Navan], Co. Meath. Subjects include the sale of tickets, the *Irish Peasant*, Máire's job as a teacher, Seán Mac Eoin, and Máire's sister, Cáit. Written in English and Irish. 5 items, 1906-22.

Ní Fhaircheallaigh, Úna [Agnes O'Farrelly], Brighton Road, Rathgar, Dublin. Subjects include an invitation to lunch, a letter written on Béaslaí's behalf to an Doctúir Uí Mhurchadha [Murphy] (possibly Dr Lombard Murphy of Independent newspapers; at this time, 1934, Béaslaí had applied for a vacancy in the *Irish Independent*), and a request for Béaslaí to act as a judge for a competition in University College Dublin. Written in Irish. 3 items, 1934-44.

(25) Letters to Béaslaí from:

Nic Gearailt, Máire, Dublin, concerning her plans to go to Ballingearry and hoping to see Béaslaí in Dublin. Written in Irish. 1 item, undated.

Ní Ghiolla-Éoin, Eibhlin Mhuire, Kilnaleck, Co. Cavan, concerning her dislike of her teaching job in Cavan and asking Béaslaí to help her get another job in Dublin. Written in Irish. 1 item, undated.

Nic Ghiollaruaidh, Mairéad / Kilroy, Mairéad, Ballygar, Co. Roscommon, concerning Mairéad's writing, her efforts to get a teaching position in France. One of the envelopes is addressed to Mr Bradley, one of Béaslaí's aliases during the War of Independence. 5 items, 1921-2.

Nic Giollaruaidh, Úna / Kilroy, Úna, Ballygar, Co. Roscommon. Sister of Mairéad. Subjects include Béaslaí's success at the 1920 Gaelic League Oireachtas, Mairéad's writing, the signing of the Anglo-Irish Treaty, the Treaty split, Béaslaí's trip to the USA in 1922, Úna's studies in University College Galway, the deaths of Béaslaí's parents and Úna's sisters, Béaslaí's writings, his health, and his dog. Written in English and Irish. 17 items, 1920-31.

Ní Glasáin, Brigid, Killarney, Co. Kerry, concerning the death of Béaslaí's brother, Langford. 1 item, 1917.

Ní Ghleathabhuir, Éilís, Liverpool, England, concerning the time she spent at the Munster College in Ballingearry. Written in Irish. 1 item, 1913.

(26) Letters to Béaslaí from:

- Ní Iffearnáin, Máire, Heffernan's Hotel, Killarney, Co. Kerry, concerning an autograph book of members of the first Dáil, and Béaslaí's account in the hotel. 3 items, 1921-4.
- Ní Pheadair, Eithne, Cork, concerning a song written by her. 1 item, 1923.
- Ní Phleinninn, Máiread, Liverpool, concerning the death of her mother, and her interest in Irish. 2 items, 1909 and undated.
- Ní Raghallaigh, Mairghréd, Dublin, concerning an advertisement in *Irish Freedom*, and an unidentified piece of work which she wishes to discuss with Béaslaí. 1 item, 1913.
- Ní Ríoghghardáin, Aoife / Ebha / Eva, Victoria Hotel, Cork, and Wicklow Hotel, Dublin. Subjects include books written by Béaslaí, Aoife's efforts to get a job in a hotel in Dublin, her brother's illness, a trip to the Abbey theatre with Béaslaí, and arrangements for a meeting with Béaslaí. Written in Irish and English. 7 items, 1938-41.
- Ní Sheinchín, M., Father Mathew Hall, Church St, Dublin, asking Béaslaí to act as an adjudicator of an Irish drama competition. 2 items, 1948.
- Ní Siothcháin, Máire, Sandymount, Dublin, accepting an invitation from Béaslaí. 1 item, 1929.
- Ní Thighearnaigh, Pádraigín, Technical Students' Literary and Debating Society, Dublin, inviting Béaslaí to chair their annual Irish language debate. Written in Irish. 2 items, 1951-2.
- Ní Tuama, Eibhlín, Ballingearry, Co. Cork, concerning letters sent to Béaslaí. 1 item, undated.

Ms 33,968(1) Letters to Béaslaí from:

- O'Brien, Agnes, the Hospice, Harold's Cross, Dublin. A bill for nursing and maintenance of Béaslaí's mother at the hospice. 2 items, 1931.
- O'Brien, F.V., Co. Clare, concerning Aubrey de Vere. 1 item, undated.
- Ó Broin, León, Department of Posts and Telegraphs, Dublin, concerning a job for Capt. O'Sullivan, a letter from Béaslaí to Liam Ó Briain which was not delivered by the postal service. Written in Irish. 2 items, 1948-9.
- Ó Bróithe, Pádraig, Clontarf, Dublin, declining an invitation from Béaslaí, and expressing sympathy on the death of Béaslaí's mother. Written in Irish. 2 items, 1929-31.
- Observer* newspaper, London, concerning a book. 1 item, 1936.
- O'Callaghan, Charles J., Kingstown [Dún Laoghaire], concerning a reference from Béaslaí for a job. 1 item, 1909.
- O'Callaghan, Mat F., Liverpool, concerning the death of his father, Christmas, and the Irish Volunteers. 2 items, 1904-14.
- Ó Cathain, Muiris, Dublin. Telegram expressing sympathy on the death of Béaslaí's mother. 1 item, 1931.

Ó Ceallaigh, Brían. Brí Chuallann [Bray], Co. Wicklow, concerning writers from the Kerry Gaeltacht. Written in Irish. 1 item, 1923.

Ó Cearnaigh, Peadar, Inchicore, Co. Dublin, concerning a draft of an unidentified piece of writing by him. 1 item, 1938.

Ó Chéilleacair, Donncadh, Dublin. Fragment of a letter arranging a meeting with Béaslaí. 1 item, undated.

Ó Choinnigh, T, Secretary of the Department of Education, Dublin, concerning the appointment of a school principal. Written in Irish. 1 item, 1956.

Ó Chóir, Éamonn Óg, Ragnallach [Ranelagh], Dublin, concerning a meeting with Béaslaí. Written in Irish. 1 item, 1952.

O Cinnéide, Brendán, Lindsay Road, Dublin, requesting Béaslaí to help get a job for an acquaintance. Written in Irish. 1 item, 1922.

Ó Ciosáin ?, Seán, Cork, concerning an incident in a public house where Béaslaí believed money was taken from him. Written in Irish. 1 item, undated.

Ó Císfháin?, Dónal, North Frederick St, Dublin, seeking a loan of some money from Béaslaí. Written in Irish. 1 item, 1937.

Ó Coinín, P., concerning his biography of Seoirse Mac Fhlannchadha. Written in Irish. 1 item, undated.

(2) Letters to Béaslaí from:

O Colmain, Gearoid, Dublin. A short letter of greeting, written in Irish. 1 item, 1953.

Ó Conaire, Padraic, London, introducing a friend to Béaslaí. Written in Irish. 1 item, 1913.

Ó Conaire, Padhraic Óg, Dublin, concerning *An Chéad Chloch* (a book of short stories written by his father, Pádraic Ó Conaire), and an invitation to a lecture on Pádraic Ó Conaire. Written in Irish. 5 items, 1941-59.

Ó Conchubhair, Seán M., Droichead na Dothra [Ballsbridge], Dublin, concerning payment for an article by him which was printed in the *Irish Digest*. 1 item, 1940.

Ó Conchubhair, Tomás, Killarney, Co. Kerry, concerning Christmas, Langford Beazley, and the Irish language. Written in Irish. 1 item, 1908.

O'Connell, J.J. ['Ginger'], Dublin, concerning Professor Dyboski and links between Ireland and Poland. 1 item, 1923.

O'Connell, Jephson, Department of Defence, Dublin, concerning an Irish inscription for his family burial plot, and Béaslaí's efforts to get a job for Seán Maguire. 2 items, 1935-44.

O'Connell, Joan, Dublin, concerning books on the index (a list of books banned by the Roman Catholic Church). 1 item, 1946.

O'Connell, Sybil, Derrynane Abbey, Waterville, Co. Kerry, requesting a contribution for a Kerry stall at a bazaar. 1 item, 1910s (postmark not fully legible).

O'Connor-O'Duffy, Annie (sister of Batt O'Connor), South Circular Rd, Dublin, seeking Béaslaí's assistance to help a friend in the Gardaí secure four days leave of absence to get married. 1 item, 1923.

O'Connor, Batt / Ó Conchubhair, Partholán , Dublin. Subjects include an account held by Béaslaí, repairs to Béaslaí's house, Béaslaí's biography of Michael Collins, Batt O'Connor's health, and an editorial vacancy with a newspaper in Lifford, Co. Donegal. 9 items, 1926-38 and undated.

(3) Letters to Béaslaí from:

O'Connor, D., concerning the liquidation of the Gaelic Co-operative Home Industries Society. 1 item, 1910.

O'Connor, K., cousin, Boston, Massachusetts, USA, concerning family matters, and a meeting held in Boston by Mary MacSwiney.

1 item, undated (probably 1922 or 1923).

O'Connor, Sarah, cousin, Co. Kerry, concerning family matters, the deaths of Béaslaí's aunt Anne, and of his mother. 4 items, 1919-31.

Ó Corcaighe, Maire, concerning the death of Béaslaí's brother, Langford, and new year wishes. 2 items, 1917-19.

Ó Corcoráin, Reamonn, Dublin, seeking autographs of Irish revolutionary leaders and a photograph of Béaslaí. 2 items, 1963-5.

Ó Corcordha, Sergeant Diarmuid, Garda Síochana Headquarters, Phoenix Park, Dublin. Subjects include a request for Béaslaí's autograph, and an arrangement for a meeting with Béaslaí. Written in Irish. 2 items, 1938.

Ó Cuimín, P, Dublin, concerning a cycling trip. 1 item, undated.

Ó Cuinn, An Br. Cathal [Brother Cathal], Iona College, New Rochelle, New York, concerning his study of Irish poetry, and James Clarence Mangan. Written in Irish. 2 items, 1958.

Ó Cuiv [no first name given], Dublin. Telegram, the subject of which is not clear. Written in Irish. 1 item, 1925.

O'Doherty, E., Mayo and Dublin, concerning a feis in Ballina, and plans for a meeting with Béaslaí. 2 items, 1945.

Ó Donnchodha, Seán, concerning his efforts to get a job. Written in Irish. 1 item, undated.

O Donnchu, Tomas, Listowel, Co. Kerry, concerning the lack of Irish in newspapers in the Gaeltacht, including *The Kerryman*. Written in Irish. 1 item, undated.

(4) Letters to Béaslaí from:

O'Donnell, Joey, Dublin. Subjects include Joey's wedding, gifts given to her by Béaslaí, holidays, an invitation to play bridge, the possible impact of the proposed Mother and Child Scheme on her husband's medical practice. 5 items, 1938-50 and undated.

O'Donnell, Lt. John, Donegal, concerning his army transfer.

1 item, 1943.

O'Donoghue, M.J., concerning his efforts to get a job. 1 item, 1924.

O'Donoghue, Paddy, concerning history, and Béaslaí's efforts to get a job for a friend with Bord na gCon [the Irish greyhound board].

2 items, 1959 and undated.

O'Donovan, Michael, Ballsbridge, Dublin, concerning arrangements for meetings with Béaslaí. 3 items, 1936 and undated.

O'Dowd, John D., Galway, concerning Henry Dixon. 1 item, undated.

Ó Droighneáin, Muiris, College Road, Cork, concerning his study of Irish literature. Written in Irish. 2 items, 1927-9.

O Dubhghaill, L., Dublin, concerning a recitation by Béaslaí. 1 item, undated.

Ó Dubhgáin, N.P., Civil Service Commission, Dublin, concerning a vacancy in the Civil Service. 2 items, 1961.

Ó Dubhghusa, Seán, City Quay Schools, Dublin, seeking Béaslaí's opinion of a book. Written in Irish. 1 item, 1954.

O'Duffy, Eoin, Cáceres, Spain, concerning the Irish Brigade in the Spanish Civil War. 1 item, 1936.

Ó Duíbhí, Liam, concerning the Gaelic poet Liam Dall Butler. 1 item, 1923.

Ó Duibhne, Diarmuid, Dublin, concerning a letter. Written in Irish. 1 item, undated.

Ó Duinín, Micheál, Dún Dealgan [Dundalk], Co. Louth, concerning the Gaelic poet, Seamus Mac Cuarta. Written in Irish. 1 item, 1963.

(5) Letters to Béaslaí from:

O'Farrell, Thomas, Durham, England, concerning the purchase of Irish pipes. 1 item, 1905.

O'Farrelly / Ó Faircheallaigh, Brendan, Clontarf, Co. Dublin, concerning a memorial card of John O'Farrelly, and a picture of the Howth gun-running. 2 items, 1946-7.

Ó Fathaigh, Phroinnsias [Frank Fahy], Ceann Comhairle [Speaker], Dáil Éireann, concerning Patrick Thompson and the Department of Defence, and Florrie Beere. Written in Irish. 3 items, 1942-4.

Ó Fláithbheartaigh, Labhras, Liverpool and Dún Laoghaire, concerning his efforts to learn Irish, a vacancy in the *Irish Independent*, and an unidentified business matter. 4 items, 1905-29.

O'Flaherty, Mary, Mountjoy Prison, concerning her arrest and imprisonment. 1 item, 1931.

Ó Foghlú, Miceal, Beanntraighre [Bantry], Co. Cork, concerning the length of time since he last saw Béaslaí, and his desire to meet with Béaslaí's mother again. Written in Irish. 1 item, 1926.

Ó Foghlúdha, Seán, Dingle / Daingean Uí Chúise, concerning a play. Written in Irish. 2 items, 1931.

Ó hAllamhain, Dublin. Telegram concerning an arrangement to meet Béaslaí. Written in Irish. 1 item, 1950.

Ó hAodha, Micheal, Connaught St, Dublin, arranging to meet Béaslaí. Written in Irish. 1 item, 1943.

Ó hAodha, Séamus, Iona Park, Dublin, concerning camping and climbing in Kerry. Written in Irish. 1 item, 1931.

Ó hAodha, Seamus, Cork, concerning the book *Uaigneas*, and Ó hAodha's poetry. Written in Irish. 4 items, 1923-31.

(6) Letters to Béaslaí from:

[Ó hÉigceartaigh], Clár / Claire (wife of Diarmuid O’Hegarty), Dublin. Subjects include the deaths of Béaslaí’s father and Diarmuid Ó hÉigceartaigh. 3 items, 1923-58.

[Ó hÉigceartaigh], Diarmuid, expressing sympathy on the death of Béaslaí’s father. 1 item, 1923.

Ó hÉailídhe, Séamus, Department of Tourism and Fisheries, Dublin, expressing sympathy on the death of Béaslaí’s mother. Written in Irish. 1 item, 1931.

O’Keefe, H., Botanic Road, concerning a housekeeper for Béaslaí. 1 item, undated.

Ó Laoire Curtéis, Niall, North Great Georges St, Dublin, seeking a reference from Béaslaí. Written in Irish. 1 item, 1923.

Ó Laoghaire, Diarmuid, Drumcondra, Dublin, arranging to meet Béaslaí. 1 item, undated.

Ó Liathain, Seirse [Lyons, George], Dublin, expressing sympathy on the death of Béaslaí’s mother. 1 item, 1931.

Ó Lochlainn, Gearóid, Donegal and Drumcondra, Dublin. Subjects include holidays, the strength of the Irish language in the Donegal Gaeltacht, the production of Béaslaí’s play *Beirt na Bodhaire Breíge* in Gweedore, a radio broadcast by Béaslaí, and the Collins-Griffith commemoration. Written in Irish. 3 items, 1937-47.

Ó Loinsigh, Micheál, Baile Bocht, sending a cheque to Béaslaí. Written in Irish. 1 item, 1926.

O’Mahony [no first name given], Lancaster, England. Telegram concerning the death of Béaslaí’s father. 1 item, 1923.

O’Mahony, Eoin, Dublin, concerning the O’Hagans. 1 item, 1964.

O’Mahony, Michael, Liverpool, concerning to a meeting at his house, the death of Béaslaí’s mother, O’Mahony’s work on the history of the *Catholic Times*, the serious illness of O’Mahony’s friend, plans for a new newspaper in Liverpool and the editors request for Béaslaí to contribute a Dublin letter to it. 4 items, c. 1902-34.

Ó Máille, Padhraic, Galway, inviting Béaslaí to his wedding. Written in Irish. 1 item, 1921.

Ó Máille, Tomás, University College, Galway, asking Béaslaí to draw up a list of Irish language plays suitable for performance in the University for St Patrick’s Day. Written in Irish. 1 item, 1916.

Ó Maimneachain, Diarmaid, Dublin, concerning his son’s efforts to get a job. Written in Irish. 1 item, 1924.

(7) Letters to Béaslaí from:

O’Malley, Earnan [O’Malley, Ernie], arranging to visit Béaslaí. 1 item, undated.

O’Mara, Joesph, informing Béaslaí that he is otherwise engaged on 15 March. 1 item, 1905.

Ó Mórdha, Michéal, Limerick, concerning his desire to obtain a job as a school inspector. Written in Irish. 1 item, 1922.

Ó Muireagáin, Tomás, concerning an old friend of Béaslaí from Liverpool. Written in Irish. 1 item, undated.

Ó Muirgheasa, Énrí, Howth Rd, Dublin, concerning his forthcoming book *Dhá chéad de cheoltaibh Uladh*. Written in Irish. 1 item, 1933.

Ó Niarfhilactha?, D., Dublin, concerning tickets for Dáil Éireann. 1 item, undated.

Ó Nualláin, G., inviting Béaslaí to visit him. Written in Irish. 1 item, undated.

O'Reilly, Joe, Dublin, concerning a gun loaned to Béaslaí, and a receipt for Béaslaí. 2 items, 1925-7.

O'Reilly, M.W., New Ireland Assurance Company, Dublin, concerning Béaslaí's friend, Eamonn Lawler. 1 item, 1957.

Ó Riain, P., concerning the death of Mairtín Ó Glasáin. Written in Irish. 1 item, undated.

O'Shannon, Cathal, Dublin, concerning the cancellation of an appointment with Béaslaí, and Standish O'Grady. 2 items, 1955-64.

O'Shea, David, Dundalk, Co. Louth, seeking information on Fr Michael O'Flanagan. 1 item, 1965.

O'Shea [first name unclear], concerning the Irish Co-operative Home Industries Society. 1 item, 1909.

O'Shea, Maurice, Glashule, Co. Dublin, concerning the death of Béaslaí's mother. 2 items, 1931.

O'Shea, S., Greystones, Co. Wicklow, expressing sympathy on the death of Béaslaí's brother, Langford. 1 item, 1917.

O'Shiel, Kevin R / Ó Siadáil, Caoimgin, Dublin, concerning a misunderstanding between O'Sheil and Béaslaí, and inviting Béaslaí to visit him. 2 items, 1926-65.

(8) Letters to Béaslaí from:

Ó Sióthcháin, Seamáis, Dublin, concerning Béaslaí's accident, and a dinner. 1 item, 1955.

O'Sullivan, Edward, concerning his daughter's efforts to get a job with the Hospitals' Trust. 1 item, 1931.

O'Sullivan, Lt Gen [Gearóid O'Sullivan] and Mrs, Dublin. Telegram expressing sympathy on the death of Béaslaí's father. 1 item, 1923.

O'Sullivan, James, Ballinagh, Co. Cavan, concerning Béaslaí's trip to Cavan, and his expenses for the journey. 3 items, 1915.

O'Sullivan, Jim, concerning a friend who is looking for a job. 1 item, 1928.

O'Sullivan, N.B., South Circular Rd, Dublin, concerning O'Sullivan's efforts to get a job, and arrangements to meet Béaslaí. 3 items, 1955 and undated.

O'Sullivan, Seamus, Daly's Bakery, Limerick. Telegram concerning a christening. 1 item, 1922.

O'Sullivan, T., Glasnevin, Dublin, concerning 'Scelig's' [J.J. O'Kelly] illness. 1 item, 1913.

Ó Tearchair, B, Galway, concerning a prior engagement. 1 item, 1905.

Ó Tuama, Sean, Kimmage, Dublin, concerning his health, and the activities of 'The Prince'. 1 item, 1938.

Ó Tuathail, Pádraic, Metropolitan School of Art, Dublin, concerning Béaslaí's sitting for a portrait. 1 item, 1923.
Owens, G. ?, Dublin, concerning an Irish translation. 1 item, 1946.
Owens, M, Mountnugent Co. Cavan, concerning M. Owens's trip to Liverpool. 1 item, undated.

(9) Letters to Béaslaí from:

Parkes, Harold G. (husband of Lily Parkes, see following entry), Dublin, introducing himself to Béaslaí, and asking Béaslaí to help him get a job. 2 items, 1923-4.
Parkes [née Murphy], Lily, Dublin, Kerry, Cardiff. [Wife of Harold Parkes; sister of May Murphy, Nellie Murphy, Norah Murphy, Kitty Murphy, and Lal Kelly.] Subjects include the employment of a housekeeper for Béaslaí, the death of Gen Tom Cullen in a drowning accident, the death of Lily's brother-in-law, a request for Béaslaí to help get a job for an acquaintance, Béaslaí's mother, the success of Béaslaí's book (probably his biography of Michael Collins), and Béaslaí's efforts to buy or rent a house. A resumé of Harold Parkes's qualifications and employment as an engineer is also included. 16 items, 1924-30 and undated.

(10) Letters to Béaslaí from:

Peat, Robert, Western Australian Insurance Co. Ltd, Dublin, concerning an insurance claim against the LSE Motor Co. 1 item, 1922.
Pentz, Mrs L.T. / Gráinne, Hampstead, London, concerning her marriage, and her life in London. 1 item, undated.
Pickfords, insurance and estate agents, Dublin, concerning storage of Béaslaí's possessions. 3 items, 1924.
Pierce, T., Adare, Co. Limerick, concerning Béaslaí's mother's family, the Hickeys. 1 item, 1956.
Pinkman, John A., North Circular Road, Dublin, and Liverpool, concerning his efforts to get a job, and Michael Collins. 5 items, 1956 and undated.
Poole, A.H., Waterford, concerning photographs. 1 item, 1917.
Praideas, Leslí [Leslie Price], Dublin, inviting Béaslaí to her wedding [to Tom Barry]. 1 item, 1921.
Prendiville, Sean, Ardee, Co. Louth, concerning an Irish translation. 1 item, 1950.
Prim Brothers, Dublin, seeking a reference for Lily Mernin. 1 item, 1930.
Prior, Ursula L., Sussex, concerning the death of John Carey. 2 items, 1928.
Pugh, Tom, Ballsbridge, Dublin, concerning Mick Harte's 'Tanner' (possibly refers to the words of a song). 1 item, 1956.
Purtill, P.J., Dublin, concerning the death of his brother, and a book. 2 items, 1948 and undated.
Pyle, Hilary, concerning her biography of the poet, James Stephens. 1 item, 1961.

(11) Letters to Béaslaí from:

- Quaid, Anna J., Dublin, inviting Béaslaí to a party. 1 item, 1938.
- Quinn, P.J., Dublin Cemeteries Committee. A bill for the maintenance of a family grave. 1 item, 1950.
- Reddin, Kenneth, Dublin, seeking Béaslaí's opinion on a chapter of his book which deals with the funeral of Terence MacSwiney, and cancelling a meeting. 2 items, 1959 and undated.
- Reece, Holroyd, Paris. Telegram apologising for a delay. 1 item, 1934?
- Ring, Andrew, Kilkenny, concerning a biography of Justin McCarthy, and Béaslaí's articles in the *Irish Independent*. 1 item, 1965.
- Roche, M., Cabra, advertising a room for rent. 1 item, undated.
- Rogers, E., Goldsmith St, Dublin, applying for a position as a housekeeper. 1 item, 1926.
- Romeike & Curtice Ltd., Press Clipping Bureau, London, concerning newspaper obituary notices for Béaslaí's father. 2 items, 1923-4.
- Rooney, Daniel, Marino, Dublin, concerning his efforts to get a permanent post as a teacher and Béaslaí's efforts to intercede on his behalf with the Minister for Education, Gen Richard Mulcahy. 2 items, 1955.
- Rooney, Philip, Radio Éireann, arranging a meeting with Béaslaí. 1 item, 1956.
- Routt, Garland C., Public Affairs Officer, US Information Service, Dublin, seeking references from Béaslaí for two people who have applied for membership of the library of the US Information Service. Béaslaí's response is attached to one of the letters. 3 items, 1951.
- Rúiséal, Ath. Fionntán [Fr Fintan Russell], Athlone, Co. Westmeath, asking Béaslaí for his opinion on some poetry. Written in Irish. 1 item, 1941.
- Ruiséal, Liam, Cork, apparently concerning his attempts to become an official agent for the Irish Hospital Sweepstakes. Written in Irish. 1 item, 1938.
- Russell, George, editor, *The Irish Statesman*, Dublin, concerning the publication of a letter by Béaslaí in *The Irish Statesman*. 1 item, 1926.
- Ryan, [no first name given], arranging a meeting with Béaslaí. 1 item, undated.
- Ryan, [no first name given], Thurles, Co. Tipperary. Telegram concerning a person named Thornton. 1 item, 1928.
- Ryan, M. / Ní Ríán, Máire, Headford, Co. Kerry, concerning her efforts to get a job as a teacher. 1 item, 1922.
- Ryan, Michael F., St Kieran's College, Kilkenny, concerning a play about Michael Collins, and Collins's death. 2 items, 1963 and undated.

(12) Letters to Béaslaí:

- Saidléar, Annraoi, Crawford Avenue, Glasnevin, Dublin, and Guaire [Gorey], Co. Wexford. Subjects include Irish drama, efforts to get a job

for his sister-in-law, the sale of a piano, Saidléar's holidays, a vacancy for an editor with An Gúm [Irish language publisher], the scarcity of petrol during World War II, and the Irish government. Written in Irish. 9 items, 1930-51 and undated.

Sams, Valentine, London, concerning his eyesight, and the Old IRA newspaper, *An tÓglach*. 1 item, undated [c1961].

Sargent, Fay, Dublin. Telegram postponing a visit. 1 item, 1924.

Saurin, Frank, Dublin, concerning Rita Jennings's employment with the Hospital's Trust, Miss Beasley's [*sic*] efforts to get a job there, Béaslaí's request for an interview with Mr. McGrath [Joe McGrath], Leonora Beasley's efforts to get a job with the Hospital's Trust, the Irish translation for Irish Hospital Sweepstakes, and Béaslaí's articles in the *Irish Independent*. 7 items, 1931-57.

Sayers, Philip, Dublin, concerning the death of Béaslaí's father, furniture removal, and a rodeo exhibition to be held in Croke Park. 3 items, 1923-4.

(13) Letters to Béaslaí from:

Scurry, Margaret, cousin, Kansas City, USA. Subjects include Béaslaí's trip to the USA in 1922, the relationship between Béaslaí and Margaret Scurry, Béaslaí's brother, Fred, the deaths of Margaret Scurry's husband and Béaslaí's father, a meeting held by Mary MacSwiney in Kansas City, and Margaret Scurry's visit to Ireland. There is a gap in the correspondence between 1925 and 1955. 6 items, 1922-55 and undated.

Selton, P., Drumcondra, Dublin, concerning his candidacy in an election. 1 item, 1926.

Shanahan, J., concerning Seán Collins. 1 item, 1924.

Shanasy, N., Liverpool, concerning the death of Shanasy's father. 1 item, 1909.

Shaw, G., Royal Bank of Ireland Ltd., concerning Béaslaí's financial affairs. 2 items, 1924.

[Sheehan], Dick, Dublin, concerning Sheehan's job in a bank, and inviting Béaslaí to spend Christmas with him. 3 items, 1928-52.

Sheerin, J.W., Rathmines, Dublin, concerning his application for a job with the army ordnance, Béaslaí's case against the *Irish Press*, debts owed to Béaslaí by Sheerin, a list of his assets and liabilities, and arrangements for a meeting with Béaslaí. 4 items, 1938-42 and undated.

(14) Letters to Béaslaí from:

Sheridan, Teresa, Wallasey/Seacombe, Cheshire, England. Subjects include Béaslaí's efforts to get a housekeeper, his mother's ill-health, his dog, Teresa's visit to Dublin, and the death of Ciss Golden's mother. 6 items, 1929-40 and undated.

Shields, William, Cork, concerning his efforts to get land. 1 item, 1924.

Shorten, George / Seóirse, Liverpool, concerning a memorial for Thomas Murphy, Shorten's visits to Ireland, and his efforts to publish his song, *An Capaillín Báin*. 5 items, 1909-38.

Shouldice, Ena, Malahide, Co. Dublin, concerning her job. 3 items, 1923.

Simons, Frank, Roscommon, concerning his efforts to get a job as a tax collector, and Pat Madden's death. 2 items, 1929-40.

Skehan, John, Radio Éireann, Dublin, concerning his difficulties in using the Irish language. 1 item, 1956.

Skehan, John C., Newbridge College, Co. Kildare, concerning his studies, and his interest in becoming a Cadet. 1 item, 1940.

Skehan, Maurice, Dublin, concerning books. 2 items, 1924.

(15) Letters to Béaslaí from:

Sloane, K., National Cycling Association of Ireland, Athlone, Co. Westmeath, concerning Cathal Brugha's interest in cycling. 1 item, 1962.

Smarrt, Máire, Phibsboro, Dublin, asking Béaslaí to translate a song into Irish. 2 items, 1936.

Smith, A.H. ?, Dublin, enclosing his account. 1 item, 1954.

Smith, P., Glasnevin, Dublin, sending Christmas greetings. 1 item, 1939.

Smyth, John A., concerning theatre tickets. 1 item, undated.

Smyth, May, requesting a cheque from Béaslaí. 1 item, undated.

Smyth, P.J., Dublin, concerning arrangements to meet Béaslaí. 1 item, 1926.

Southern Irish Trust Ltd, Dublin, concerning a loan application. 2 items, 1929.

Spillane, Maura / Ní Spailan, Máire, Cork, concerning her school studies, and Christmas. 2 items, 1931-4.

Spillane, Nora, Killarney, Co. Kerry, apologising to Béaslaí for her 'seeming rudeness'. 1 item, undated.

Stephenson, P.J., Stillorgan, concerning the programme of the Old Dublin Society. 1 item, undated.

Stynes, Frank, concerning the Irish Anti-Partition Association. 2 items, 1951 and undated.

Sunday Times, London, concerning Béaslaí's letter to the paper on the subject of Desmond McCarthy's references to Becky Sharp. 1 item, 1950.

Sweeney, Joe, Dublin, concerning arrangements for a meeting with Béaslaí. 1 item, 1957.

Sweeney, Maire, Dublin, concerning her father. 1 item, undated.

(16) Letters to Béaslaí from:

Taggart, Pádraig, Liverpool, concerning Béaslaí's trip to Liverpool. Written in Irish. 1 item, 1938.

Talbot, W.A.G., Kingstown [Dún Laoghaire], Dublin, concerning Béaslaí's election as vice-president of the Sandycove Bathers' Association. 1 item, 1929.

Talbot Coall & Son, Estate Agents etc., Dún Laoghaire, concerning houses for sale in the Dún Laoghaire area. 2 items, 1924.

Texas Company (of Ireland) Ltd., seeking a reference for Harold Parkes. 1 item, 1929.

Thompson, Alex, Department of Defence, Dublin, concerning a debt owed to Béaslaí by [J.W.] Sheerin. A letter from Thompson to Michael Noyk, Béaslaí's solicitor, is also included. 4 items, 1941-3.

Thornton, Frank, New Ireland Assurance Co., Dublin, concerning John Maguire. 1 item, 1962.

Titterington, M., Dalkey, Co. Dublin, concerning the gas fittings in Béaslaí's house in Sandycove. 2 items, 1925.

Tobin, Liam, Dáil Éireann, Dublin, concerning the loss of Béaslaí's wallet. 1 item, 1950.

Tóibín, Seán, Farrenferris, Co. Cork, concerning his work for radio, book publication, difficulties with the Irish language publisher, *An Gúm*, Tóibín's health, the death of his sister, and his writing. Béaslaí's reply is attached to one of the letters. Written in Irish. 6 items, 1949-59 and undated.

Tom, Phibsboro, Dublin, concerning his efforts to get a job. 1 item, undated.

Toomey, Jack, Blessington St, Dublin, concerning Gearoid's [no surname given] illness, arrangements to meet Béaslaí, Toomey's illness, and the death of Luke Kennedy, an IRA veteran. 4 items, 1948-50 and undated.

Tozer, Louis, Dublin, arranging to meet Béaslaí. 1 item, 1929.

Trench, C.E., Sign of the Three Candles printers, Dublin, concerning a fund for the dependants' of Patrick Madden. 1 item, 1941.

(17) Letters to Béaslaí from:

Ua Braoin, D., Blackrock, Co. Dublin, inviting Béaslaí to visit him. Written in Irish. 1 item, 1934.

Ua Conchubhair, Liam, Essex Quay, Dublin, requesting two tickets for an unidentified event. 1 item, undated.

Ua Donnchadha, Tomás, London, concerning a song which he wrote. Written in Irish. 1 item, 1915.

Ua Duinn, Peadar, Liverpool, concerning his application for a job with the School Attendance Committee in Dublin. 1 item, 1905.

Ua Flannagáin, Pádraig, Maynooth, Co. Kildare, Priomh Eaglais [Pro Cathedral], Dublin. Subjects include the Irish language, an article by Grattan Flood in *New Ireland Review*, Béaslaí's poetry, the state of the Irish language in the college in Maynooth, drama, Pádraig's efforts to learn Irish, his holidays, the Long family of Clonmel, a writers' club, and the death of Béaslaí's brother, Fred. Written in Irish and English. 8 items, 1904-12.

Ua gClear ?, Miceal, Ráth Luirc [Charleville], Co. Cork, concerning a song, and Cáit, who is about to enter a convent. Written in Irish.

1 item, 1915.

Ua Maolchatha, Ristéard [Mulcahy, Richard], inviting Béaslaí to visit him. Written in Irish. 1 item, undated.

Ua Néill, Séamus, Drumcondra, Dublin, concerning Gaelic drama and plays written by Ua Néill. Written in Irish. 3 items, 1932 and undated.

Ua Rardhearn, ?, expressing sympathy on the death of Béaslaí's mother. 1 item, 1931.

(18) Letters to Béaslaí from:

Waistle, Elizabeth, Cheshire, concerning new year wishes, Béaslaí's plays, and Béaslaí's family. 1 item, 1908.

Walker, C., Drumcondra. A brief note stating: 'If you could return by Friday, you would oblige', the precise meaning of which is unclear.

1 item, 1950.

[Walsh], A.T., Meadow Lands, Churchtown, Dublin, encouraging Béaslaí to contest the Irish presidency. 1 item, 1945.

Walsh, B., Wallasey, Cheshire, concerning Béaslaí and his mother, and Béaslaí's father's books. 1 item, 1925.

Walsh, Eva, Fitzwilliam Square, Dublin, inviting Béaslaí to visit.

1 item, 1927.

Walsh, John T., Wallasey, Cheshire, concerning the deaths of a close relative or acquaintance of Walsh, and of Béaslaí's father.

1 item, 1924.

Walsh, Margaret / Peg / Mairead, Sunday's Well, Co. Cork. Subjects include Margaret's visit to Dublin, the friendship between Margaret and Béaslaí, Margaret's holidays, Béaslaí's mother's illness, and Margaret's engagement. 7 items, 1928-32.

(19) Letters to Béaslaí from:

Walsh, Nora, Dublin, concerning the rental of a flat. 2 items, 1931.

Walsh, Reginald, Dublin, expressing sympathy on the death of Béaslaí's father. 1 item, 1924.

Walshe, D.P., concerning his wish to speak to Béaslaí. 1 item, 1936.

Warner, William & Co. Ltd, London, seeking a reference from Béaslaí for William Herlihy. 1 item, 1946.

Warton, E., Hotel Victoria, New Brighton, Cheshire, concerning Béaslaí's hotel reservations. 4 items, 1953-5.

Waters, Tomas P., Haulbowline, Cobh, Co. Cork, concerning his efforts to get a job. 3 items, 1926.

Whelehan, J., Stationery Office, Dublin, concerning Béaslaí's efforts to get a job for an acquaintance. 1 item, 1944.

White, E.K., Phibsboro, Dublin, concerning her efforts to get a job. 2 items, 1930.

White, K., extending Christmas greetings. 1 item, 1935.

Whyte, Ethnea M. V., Sandymount, Dublin, concerning her efforts to get a job. 1 item, 1937.

IV.iii.3. Personal correspondence: principal correspondents, no surname

- Ms 33,969(1) Sr. Aloysius, Presentation Convent, Bagnalstown, Co. Carlow. Subjects include Béaslaí's imprisonment, Arthur Griffith's death, and Béaslaí's play *Cluiche Cartáí*. Written in English and Irish. 14 items, 1917-25 and undated.
- (2) Carrie, Ballsbridge and Sandymount, Dublin. Subjects include arrangements to meet Béaslaí, his biography of Michael Collins, his play, the death of Béaslaí's mother, a request for Béaslaí to use his influence to secure a job for an acquaintance, an obituary of Carrie's father, James Joyce's *Ulysses*, Carrie's health, and Béaslaí's accident. 33 items, 1926-55.
- (3) Gretta / Gretchen, Bushy Park Road, Rathgar/Terenure, Dublin. Subjects include an invitation for Béaslaí to come to a party for Gretta's friend from Germany, arrangements to meet Béaslaí, and books. Written mostly in Irish and partly in English, French and German. 21 items, 1938-43.
- (4) Gretta / Gretchen, Bushy Park Road, Rathgar/Terenure, Dublin. Subjects include radio broadcasts by Béaslaí, the end of World War II, literature, censorship of books, and Béaslaí's novel *Earc agus Áine*. Written in English and Irish. 21 items, 1944-6.
- (5) Gretta / Gretchen, Bushy Park Road, Rathgar/Terenure, Dublin. Subjects include radio broadcasts by Béaslaí, his translation of *Faust*, trips to the Gaiety theatre, teachers' pay, Béaslaí's articles in the *Irish Independent* in 1953, encouragement for Béaslaí to write his memoirs, and arrangements for meetings between Béaslaí and Gretta. Written in English and Irish. 21 items, 1947-57.
- (6) Gretta / Gretchen, Bushy Park Road, Rathgar/Terenure, Dublin. Subjects include James Joyce's *Ulysses*, arrangements to meet Béaslaí, the correspondence between Béaslaí and Gretta, Béaslaí's accident, Gretta's family, and Béaslaí's health. Written in English and Irish. 22 items, undated.
- (7) Lil, Clogherbrien, Tralee, Co. Kerry. The letters written during 1918, 1920 and 1921 are addressed to Tom Connolly, Béaslaí's alias. Many of the letters from this correspondent contain references to Frank Fahy (later a TD and Ceann Comhairle of Dáil Éireann) and his wife, which suggest that they may have been related to the correspondent. The letters are largely of a personal nature but also discuss such issues as the activities of crown forces in Kerry in November 1920, Béaslaí's trip to the USA in 1922 and his biography of Michael Collins. 20 items, 1918-23.

- (8) Lil, Clogherbrien, Tralee, Co. Kerry. Subjects include Lil's visit to Dublin, her interest in breeding Kerry Blue dogs, the correspondence between Lil and Béaslaí, Lil's family, her illness, Béaslaí's biography of Michael Collins, Lil's trip to Dublin, and her plans to visit the USA. 15 items, 1924-7.
- (9) Lil, Clogherbrien, Tralee, Co. Kerry. The principal subject is a pedigree Kerry Blue dog given to Béaslaí by Lil. 24 items, 1928-9.
- (10) Lil, Clogherbrien, Tralee, County Kerry. Subjects include the deaths of Lil's brother and Béaslaí's mother, and dogs. 19 items, 1930-32.
- (11) Lil, Clogherbrien, Tralee, Co. Kerry. Subjects include holidays, dogs, radio broadcasts by Béaslaí, the correspondence between Béaslaí and Lil, Frank and Anna Fahy, and the death of Lil's father. 11 items, 1933.
- (12) Lil, 225 Griffith Avenue, Dublin and Clogherbrien, Tralee, Co. Kerry. The address in Griffith Avenue was the home of Frank Fahy, TD. Subjects include Lil's time in Dublin, arrangements to meet Béaslaí, Anna Fahy's health, Lil's desire to leave Kerry and live in Dublin, Lil's illness, and Lil's plans to get married. 17 items, 1934.
- (13) Lil, Clogherbrien, Tralee, Co. Kerry. Subjects include the correspondence between Lil and Béaslaí, holidays, dogs, and a request for Béaslaí to ask Gearoid O'Sullivan to release the body of a prisoner who was executed in Tralee Jail. 11 items, undated.
- (14) Mollie, Gardiner St, Dublin. The principal subjects discussed are Béaslaí's health, and arrangements for meetings with Béaslaí. 21 items, 1939-44.
- (15) Mollie, Gardiner St., Dublin. The letters are principally concerned with arrangements for meetings between Mollie and Béaslaí. 19 items, 1945-7.
- (16) Mollie, Gardiner St., Dublin. The letters are principally concerned with arrangements for meetings between Mollie and Béaslaí. 14 items, 1948-9 and not dated.

IV.iii.4. Personal correspondence: minor correspondence, incomplete names

Ms 33,970(1) Letters to Béaslaí from:

A?, An tAth. [Fr A?], Franciscan Capuchin Friary, Church St, Dublin, concerning the recovery of items lost by Béaslaí. Written in Irish. 1 item, 1918.

Aileen, Abbey Hotel, Eden Quay, Dublin, arranging a time to meet Béaslaí. The letter is addressed to 'Mr Connolly'. 1 item, 1921.

Áine, Cloherbrien, Tralee, Co. Kerry. Subjects include Áine's desire to return to Dublin, and her visit to her family in Kerry. The letter is addressed to Tomás, i.e. Tom Connolly, and contains the line 'Will you see Percy [i.e. Béaslaí] & give him my love...'. 1 item, 1920.

Aingéal, An tS. M. [Sr. M. Angela], Dominican College, Eccles St, Dublin, asking Béaslaí to translate prayers into Irish. Written in Irish and English. 2 items, 1913.

Alice, Glasnevin, Dublin, concerning a ceilí [concert of Irish music and dancing]. 1 item, 1915.

An Árd Máthair [the Reverend Mother], Dominican College, Eccles St, Dublin, sending new year greetings to Béaslaí. Written in Irish. 1 item, undated.

Barra, S[r] M., Dominican College, Eccles St, Dublin. Subjects include Béaslaí's visits to Sr. M. Barra, Béaslaí's lectures on Irish literature in the Munster College, Ballingeary, a request for Béaslaí to translate some poetry into Irish, and the deaths of Béaslaí's brother and his mother. Written in Irish. 6 items, [1917]-1931.

Benedict, Sr. M., Convent of Mercy, Killarney, Co. Kerry, concerning arrangements for Béaslaí to visit her, and the desire of some of the nuns in the convent to obtain the Fáinne [a small gold ring symbolising the wearers ability to speak Irish]. 1 item, 1917.

Bridie, Inchigeela, Co. Cork, concerning bridge, and Bridie's planned visit to Dublin. One of the letters has been partially burned. 3 items, 1912.

Bridie, [no address], asking Béaslaí to phone her. 1 item, 1955.

(2) Letters to Béaslaí from:

Caitlin, Coláiste na Mumhan [Munster College], Ballingeary, Co. Cork, and, Kells, Co. Meath, concerning news of the Munster College, the start of World War I, the theatre, the Irish language and Béaslaí's relationship with the [British] authorities. 4 items, 1914-15.

Caoimhghín [Kevin], S[r] M., Dominican College, Eccles St, Dublin, expressing sympathy on the death of Béaslaí's father. Written in Irish. 1 item, 1931.

Cissie, Castlejordan, Co. Offaly; Glandore Co. Kerry; An Spidáel [Spiddal], Co. Galway; Castlepollard, Co. Westmeath; and Kells, Co. Meath. Subjects include Béaslaí's sprained ankle, his imprisonment, his work as editor of *An Claidheamh Soluis*, Cissie's efforts to learn Irish, and Michael Collins's death and funeral. Written in English and Irish. 8 items, 1918-22 and undated.

Clann [Family], Clonmel. Telegram stating 'An mbeadh seacht ngini an imoarcai', translation: 'Will seven guineas be sufficient'. Clann possibly refers to the Long family, Béaslaí's cousins, from Clonmel. Written in Irish. 1 item, 1905.

(3) Letters to Béaslaí from:

Delia, Seacombe, Cheshire, concerning a request for Béaslaí to buy her a Celtic cross, a whist drive, and Béaslaí's Christmas holiday in Liverpool. 3 items, 1907-10.

Edie [no address], concerning Béaslaí's mother. 1 item, undated.

Edith, Dún Laoghaire, Co. Dublin, concerning the death of Béaslaí's father, Shan's death, and Edith's illness. 2 items, 1931-44.

Eibhlin, Tuirín Dubh ?, concerning letters for Béaslaí. 1 item, undated.

Eileen, Kenmare Co. Kerry, informing Béaslaí of her safe arrival, and referring to arrangements, possibly to meet Béaslaí. Addressed to Tomas Connolly. 4 items, 1920.

Eilis, Mespil Rd, Dublin, accepting an invitation from Béaslaí. 1 item, 1940.

Eva, Whitehall, Dublin, concerning inviting Béaslaí to her wedding breakfast. 1 item, 1942.

(4) Letters to Béaslaí from:

Florrie, [apparently a cousin of Béaslaí], Sandycove, Dublin, Somerset; Bray, Co. Wicklow; London; and Cabra, Dublin. Subjects include Florrie's dissatisfaction with her job, Maurice's imprisonment in the debtors prison in Mountjoy, Florrie's financial difficulties, the death of Béaslaí's mother. 13 items, 1930-45 and undated.

Floss, Dublin. Telegram sent to Béaslaí in Lugano, stating 'apply cook = Floss'. The meaning is unclear. 1 item, 1927.

Geraoid, Knockbeg College, Carlow. Letters written to Béaslaí during his imprisonment. Also contains notes from Bee, J. Brennan?, E. Ryan, Liam Mac Airtchill, Cathal B., Máire Ní Chonaill, Breighid H., 'the Parson', and Claire Nic Airthcill. 1 item, 1917.

(5) Letters to Béaslaí from:

Gerald, Rathmines, Dublin; Curragh Camp, Co. Kildare; Cahir, Co. Tipperary; and Killarney, Co. Kerry. Subjects include thanks to Béaslaí for getting Gerald a job in the army's medical corps, asking Béaslaí if he could use his influence to have him posted to a field ambulance unit in Kerry, and his efforts to get exemptions from the army to study. 7 items, 1942-4.

Herbert, London, concerning newspapers. 1 item, 1912.

Imelda, An t-Suir [Sr.], Loreto Convent, St Stephen's Green, Dublin, apologising for not writing to Béaslaí. Written in Irish. 1 item, undated.

Jack, Drumcondra, Dublin, paying money to Béaslaí. 1 item, 1942.

Kathleen, Leo St, North Circular Rd, Dublin, inviting Béaslaí to call to see her. 1 item, undated.

Kathleen, Hollybank Rd, Drumcondra, Dublin, concerning a visit to the Gaiety Theatre with Béaslaí. 1 item, 1933.

Kevin, Birkenhead, England. Telegram giving the time of his arrival at Westland Row [train station]. 1 item, 1938.

Kevin, Sr. M., Convent of St John of God, Enniscorthy, Co. Wexford, asking Béaslaí to help get a job for her niece in the Irish Hospital Sweepstakes. 1 item, 1961.

L, [no address], subject of letter is unclear. 1 item, undated.

L.[B ?], [no address], concerning arrangements for an unspecified event. 1 item, undated.

(6) Letters to Béaslaí from:

Lamble, Liverpool. Telegram announcing the birth of a baby. 1 item, 1946.

Laura, Liverpool, concerning Béaslaí's mother's illness, his plays, and an invitation for Béaslaí to visit Liverpool. 2 items, 1930.

Liam, [no address], apologising for being unable to meet Béaslaí. There is also a mention of McCartan, this may refer to Dr Patrick McCartan. 1 item, undated.

Liam, Fairview, [Dublin]. A letter written to Béaslaí during his imprisonment, also containing notes from 'Fiachra Eilgeach', Maire, Gearoid, and Alice. 1 item, 1917.

Liz, Béaslaí's aunt, Portland Place, asking Béaslaí for a loan of money. 2 items, undated.

Lil, Southampton Row, London ?. Telegram stating 'Very worried. Received no letter. Write immediately. 1 item, 1922.

Lilly, Killarney, Co. Kerry. Telegram informing Béaslaí of the death of Doctor Sheehan. 1 item, 1926.

Mabel, cousin, Cabra, Dublin, concerning her efforts to find cheaper accommodation, her problems getting a job, and her financial difficulties. 1 item, 1926.

Máire, Ráthmhór/Rathmore, Co. Kerry. Subjects include the Munster College in Ballingearry, mutual friends from Gaelic League circles, a trip to Killarney, Seán Mac Diarmada, Béaslaí's imprisonment in 1917 and 1918, Fionán Lynch, and Laurence Ginnell. Written in Irish and English. 10 items, 1914-18 and undated.

(7) Letters to Béaslaí from:

Máire, Dublin, concerning mutual acquaintances, general person news, and some Gaelic League activities. Written in Irish. 1 item undated, c. 1910s.

Máire, Liverpool, concerning her visit to Dublin. 1 item, 1905.

Máire, Palmerston House, Dublin ?, concerning an arrangement to meet Béaslaí. 1 item, undated.

Máire, Upper Grand Canal St, Dublin, concerning an arrangement to meet Béaslaí. 1 item, 1913.

Máire, Cork, Dublin and Clare, concerning her efforts to learn Irish and Béaslaí's imprisonment in Manchester in 1919. 2 items, 1917-19.

Máire, Greystones, Co. Wicklow; Liverpool; and Holyhead, Wales. Subjects include Máire's return to Liverpool after a holiday in Wicklow, the correct pronunciation of the Irish name Blanaid, the death of a mutual friend and general personal news. 4 items, 1932-51.

Máire, cousin, London, concerning happenings in Kenmare, Béaslaí's mother, and fundraising for Sinn Féin. 1 item, undated.

Máiréad, Liverpool, concerning Gaelic League activities in Liverpool, Máiréad's family, and her studies. 3 items, 1906-11.

Máiréad, [no address], concerning a manuscript submitted by her to the editor of *Banba*, an Irish language journal. 1 item, undated.

(8) Letters to Béaslaí from:

Máiréad, Dublin and Belfast. Subjects include Gaelic League activities, na hAisteoirí, arrangements to meet Béaslaí, Seán Mac Diarmada, Máiréad's job as a teacher, her mother's death, Béaslaí's release from prison in 1917, and Seán Mac an tSaigh [Seán MacEntee?]. The majority of these letters are written in Irish. 16 items, 1915-17.

Máirín, Dingle, Co. Kerry, concerning the Volunteers, news of mutual friends from Gaelic League circles, and Máirín's fear of going to Dublin because of the outbreak of World War I. Written in Irish. 1 item, 1914.

Máirín, Killorglin, Co. Kerry, concerning Máirín's grandfather's illness, her failure to meet Béaslaí in Killarney, and Béaslaí's trip to London. Written in Irish. 1 item, 1921.

(9) Letters to Béaslaí from:

Margaret, Clogherbrien, Tralee, Co. Kerry, concerning her return home to Kerry, her trip to Dublin, and Béaslaí's dog. 2 items, 1924-8.

Mary, Seacombe, Cheshire. Telegram informing Béaslaí of her travel arrangements. 1 item, 1915.

Mary Patricia, Ainsdale, [Liverpool ?] concerning Béaslaí's holidays. 1 item, undated.

Mary Xavier, Sr., cousin, Mt St Helen's, expressing sympathy on the death of Béaslaí's father. The letter is addressed to 'My dear Cousins'. 1 item, 1923.

Maud, Killarney, Co. Kerry. A short note referring to Eileen, a friend of Béaslaí, and expressing the desire to meet Béaslaí in Dublin. 1 item, 1925.

Maura, [no address]. A short note stating 'Dear Pierce, I love you. xxxxxx from Maura'. The handwriting appears to be that of a child. 1 item, undated.

Maurice, [no address]. A short note sent to Béaslaí in Mountjoy Jail, concerning Madge. 1 item, undated.

May, [no address]. Fragment of a letter concerning a trip to Paris. 1 item, undated.

Michael, Sligo; Ballybunion, Co. Kerry; and Clontarf, Dublin, mainly concerning his efforts to get a job with the Board of Works. 4 items, 1952-4 and undated.

Mollie, Beaufort, Co. Kerry and Drumcondra, Dublin, concerning the death of her husband, Béaslaí's mother's illness, Mollie's daughter's efforts to get a job in the Irish Hospital Sweepstakes, and Béaslaí's efforts to find a new place to live. 3 items, 1926-30 and undated.

Mollie and Tim, Dublin. Telegram expressing sympathy on the death of Béaslaí's father. 1 item, 1923.
 Muiris, [no address], apologising for not being able to meet Béaslaí. Written in Irish. 1 item, undated.
 Niamh, Deilgonis [Dalkey], Co. Dublin, concerning the death of Máire. Written in Irish. 1 item, 1936.
 Nora, Liverpool, concerning Mr Carey, the change in the spelling of Nora's name, and some minor personal news. 1 item, 1914.
 Norah, Dublin. Telegram stating 'Previous city appointment. Returning Ross's 7 pm. writing'. 1 item, 1949.
 Nuala, cousin, Oxford, concerning her school and Béaslaí's mother. 1 item, 1930.

(10) Letters to Béaslaí from:

Ní t, Brigid, London. Subjects include Brigid's life in London, the Gaelic League in London, Dublin, and references to members of the Gaelic drama troupe, na hAisteorí – Fionán Lynch, Con Collins, Gearóid O'Sullivan and Diarmuid O'Hegarty. Written in Irish and English. 5 items, 1917-18 and undated.
 Ó C, Conchubhar, a short note to remind Béaslaí not to forget the gown. Written in Irish. 1 item, undated.
 O'D, M., concerning an essay competition on the life and work of Padraic Ó Connaire. 1 item, c1937.
 Ó F, M. A brief note concerning the return of items, and an unidentified suspicion. 1 item, undated.
 O'G, Dolly, Sandymount, Dublin, concerning the death of Béaslaí's brother. 1 item, undated.
 O'L, P., Rathfarnham, Dublin, concerning [Laurence ?] Sterne, and an Irish poem. 2 items, 1928-32.
 Olive, Blackrock, Co. Dublin, concerning an invitation for Béaslaí to come to dinner on Christmas night, Béaslaí's health, and Olive's holiday plans. 2 items, undated.
 O'S, G., Tralee. Telegram stating 'Impossible to go at present am writing explanation. 1 item, undated [c1922-3].
 Paddie, Phibsboro, Dublin, concerning Béaslaí's mother, Paddie's family, Béaslaí's purchase of a blackthorn stick, and the Clancy family (Béaslaí's cousins). 2 items, 1904.
 Paddie, Fairview, Dublin, concerning his efforts to get a job as a clerk. 1 item, 1920.
 Paddy, Dún Laoghaire, Dublin, concerning the death of Joe. 1 item, 1944.

(11) Letters to Béaslaí from:

Pat, Wallasey, Cheshire. Telegram addressed to Tom Connolly, informing him of Pat's travel arrangements to Dublin. 1 item, 1920.
 Philip, Dublin. Telegram inviting Béaslaí to dinner. 1 item, 1944.
 Philips, sending a cheque to Béaslaí. 1 item, 1944.

Polly, Glasnevin, Dublin, concerning a friend of hers who would like to meet Béaslaí. 2 items, 1937-9.

Rita, Talbot St, a short note apologising for not being able to meet Béaslaí for a chat. 1 item, undated.

S., Brendan, Howth, Co. Dublin, concerning Brendan's mother. 1 item, 1951.

Sadie, Kildare, her efforts to get a job. 1 item, 1940.

Sally, Abbey Hotel, Eden Quay, Dublin. Subjects include an apology for not replying sooner to Béaslaí's letter, her baby's illness, plans to meet Béaslaí. 9 items, 1922-3 and undated.

Sally, Dublin. Telegram inviting Béaslaí to visit. 1 item, 1925.

Sally, Commercial Hotel, Lahinch, Co. Clare and Clonaslee, Co. Laois, concerning Sally's dislike of life in Clare, her father's illness, her friendship with Béaslaí, and Béaslaí's motor accidents. 3 items, 1925.

(12) Letters to Béaslaí from:

Seamus, [no address], concerning arrangements to take Béaslaí to the Castle. 1 item, undated.

Sean, [no address]. A brief note concerning Gearoid's illness. 1 item, undated.

Sean, [no address], containing the address of Peter Kinnealy. 1 item, undated.

Seághan/Seán, Bootle, Liverpool, concerning the Young Wales Society, the Gaelic League in Liverpool, and Seán's trip to Dublin. Written in Irish. 2 items, 1908-09.

Sindie ?, concerning the production of a play. 1 item, 1938.

Una, Drumcondra, Dublin. Subjects include a friend of Una's who would like to meet Béaslaí, repairs to Una's house, and invitations for Béaslaí to visit. 8 items, 1953-64 and undated.

Vera, Phibsboro, Dublin, seeking a letter of introduction to Joe McGrath of the Irish Hospital Sweepstakes. 1 item, 1930.

Zita, Ebor Hall, Clonbur, Co. Galway. Subjects include Zita's interest in photography, the activities of the Black and Tans during the War of Independence, Béaslaí's escape from prison, Vaughan's Hotel, Zita's life in Clonbur, the deaths of Arthur Griffith and Michael Collins, and Béaslaí's promotion to the rank of General. 3 items, 1922.

IV.iii.5. Personal correspondence: letters from Béaslaí's parents

Letters from his father

Ms 33,971(1) Subjects include Béaslaí's efforts to get a job with a newspaper, his time in London, the correspondence between Béaslaí and his parents, the activities of the Gaelic League in London, enquiries about Béaslaí's health and well-being, the shipping industry in Liverpool, Béaslaí's finances, the Kerry society in Liverpool, newspapers in Liverpool, Béaslaí's mother's health, Patrick Beazley's job as editor of the *Catholic Times*, and the weather. 32 items, 1890? (possibly 1900)–1901.

- (2) Subjects include Béaslaí's efforts to get a job, his time in London, his finances, requests for Béaslaí to review Irish books for the *Catholic Times*, encouragement for Béaslaí to leave London and return to Liverpool, Béaslaí's mother's health, the Gaelic League in London, his parent's concern for his health and well-being, news of Béaslaí's cousins - the Clancys, and Fred Beazley's (Béaslaí's brother) job as a newspaper reporter.
22 items, 1902-3.
- (3) Subjects include Béaslaí's mother's health, Béaslaí's efforts to get a job with a Dublin newspaper, his articles for the *Catholic Fireside*, home rule politics, the Gaelic League in Liverpool and Dublin, Béaslaí's finances, the affairs of the *Catholic Times* newspaper, the Munster College in Ballingearry, and news of Béaslaí's brothers, Fred and Langford.
25 items, April-June 1905.
- (4) Subjects include the *Catholic Times* newspaper, Béaslaí's newspaper articles, his job with the *Freeman's Journal*, the Gaelic League in Liverpool, Béaslaí's mother's health, news of Fred and Langford, Béaslaí's brothers, Maud Gonne, and news of family friends from Liverpool.
21 items, July-Aug. 1905.
- (5) Subjects include Langford's holiday in Dublin, Béaslaí's finances, Langford's and Fred's work as reporters, the *Catholic Times*, Béaslaí's mother's health, Béaslaí's cousins - the Clancys, and Béaslaí's book reviews for the *Catholic Times*. One letter is written in shorthand.
19 items, Sept.-Dec. 1905.
- (6) Subjects include the 1906 general election, Béaslaí's efforts to get a job, his contributions to the *Catholic Fireside*, his finances, his mother's health, W.P Ryan, Béaslaí's parents' new house, an argument between Béaslaí and Austin Oates, editor of the *Catholic Fireside*, Fred Beazley's efforts to get a job, and his father's inability to read Irish. One letter is written in shorthand.
20 items, Jan.-Mar. 1906.
- (7) Subjects include W.B. Yeats, politics, Béaslaí's mother's health, his contributions to the *Catholic Times* and *Catholic Fireside*, his efforts to get a job, and the Oireachtas of the Gaelic League.
20 items, Apr.-June 1906.
- (8) Subjects include Béaslaí's mother's health, his contributions to the *Catholic Fireside*, the death of the proprietor of the *Catholic Times* and Patrick Beazley's fears for the future of the newspaper, and Béaslaí's new job with the *Freeman's Journal*.
18 items, July-Sept. 1906.

- (9) Subjects include Béaslaí's job with the *Freeman's Journal*, Béaslaí's use of the pen-name 'Seamus Óg' for his Irish language column in the *Freeman's Journal*, Fred's efforts to find a job, Béaslaí's illness, the controversy about the play *The Boys of Wicklow*, the reorganisation of the *Catholic Times* and Langford Beazley's resignation from the paper. Written partially in shorthand. 17 items, Oct.-Dec. 1906.
- (10) Subjects include Fred's emigration to the USA, a dispute between Cardinal Logue and the *Irish Peasant*, Langford's efforts to get a new job, Béaslaí's mother's health, Patrick Beazley's fears about his position as editor of the *Catholic Times*, Béaslaí's journalistic writings, D.P. Moran, the controversy surrounding the *Playboy of the Western World* and Béaslaí's appearance in court after the *Playboy* riots, Fred's life in the USA, the translation of Latin and Greek classics into Irish, and the plans for reorganising the Irish universities. 27 items, Jan.-Mar. 1907.
- (11) Subjects include Fred's life in the USA, Béaslaí's mother's health, the production of Béaslaí's play, Fr James Beazley's appointment as Parish Priest of Duagh, Co. Kerry, the Beazley family's roots in Co. Kerry, Fr Beazley's appointment of the local branch of the United Irish League, the Irish Parliamentary Party's rejection of the devolution scheme, and Béaslaí's lecture in the Fr Mathew Hall. 24 items, Apr.-June 1907.
- (12) Subjects include Béaslaí's mother's health, Langford's efforts to get a job, Patrick Beazley's fears for the security of his job as editor of the *Catholic Times*, Fred's life in the USA, a legal action taken against the *Freeman's Journal* arising from the publication of a letter by the Provost of Trinity College Dublin, Béaslaí's play, Patrick Beazley's holiday in Dublin, Béaslaí's election to the Coiste Gnótha of the Gaelic League, his job with the *Freeman's Journal*, John Redmond and home rule politics, and Patrick Beazley's difficulty understanding Irish. 23 items, July-Dec. 1907.
- (13) Subjects include the death of the Beazley's pet dog, the *Freeman's Journal* and its links with home rule politics, Langford's move to Dublin, relations between William O'Brien, Tim Healy and the Irish Parliamentary Party, devolution, Fred's life in the USA, Béaslaí's lecture to the Young Wales Society, Béaslaí's illnesses, his writing in the *Freeman's Journal*, St Patrick's Day in Liverpool, W.P Ryan and his relations with the clergy, Béaslaí's father's efforts to learn Irish, the University Bill, the Gaelic League, Béaslaí's translation of Faust into Irish, and Patrick Beazley's interest in applying for a leader-writership with the *Freeman's Journal*. 29 items, 1908.
- (14) Subjects include Langford's efforts to get a job, the *Catholic Times* newspaper, the imperial home rule movement, the actions of Tim Healy and William O'Brien, Béaslaí's intention to learn German,

Fred's illness and his desire to leave the USA, and Béaslaí's translation of *Peter Schlehmil*.
16 items, Jan.-June 1909.

- (15) Subjects include Béaslaí's trip to France and Belgium, Fred's desire to return home from the USA, riots between Orangemen and Catholics in Liverpool, Langford's efforts to get a job, Béaslaí's parents' visit to Dublin, Béaslaí's defeat by Agnes O'Farrelly for a lecturing post in Irish in the National University, news of the Long family, Clonmel (Béaslaí's cousins) and the death of James Long, and home rule politics.
19 items, July-Dec. 1909.
- (16) Subjects include an anti-home rule demonstration in Liverpool, the victories of O'Brienite candidates in the first 1910 general election, William O'Brien's new newspaper, the *Cork Free Press*, Béaslaí's plans to teach at the Munster College in Ballingearry, Langford's new job, post cards from Patrick Beazley's holiday in Germany, and a request for Béaslaí to write an article for the *Catholic Times*.
16 items, Jan.-June 1910.
- (17) Subjects include Béaslaí's lectures in the Munster College, Fred's life in the USA, Béaslaí's study of German, Hilaire Belloc, George Bernard Shaw, Val and Brandon Long's newspaper rivalry, *The Tablet's* opinion on home rule, the second 1910 general election, the relations between John Redmond and William O'Brien, and a discussion of the election written in German.
19 items, July-Dec. 1910.
- (18) Subjects include Patrick Beazley's efforts to learn Irish, the ownership of the *Freeman's Journal*, a controversy in Ireland concerning a mixed marriage and the *Ne Temere* decree, Fred's life in the USA, Béaslaí's health, Kuno Meyer's interest in establishing an Irish chair at Liverpool University, Béaslaí's lectures in the Munster College, the publication of Béaslaí's writings, and D.P. Moran . 26 items, Jan.-July 1911.
- (19) Subjects include industrial unrest in Liverpool, Béaslaí's mother's illness, municipal elections in Liverpool, Béaslaí's study of German, Béaslaí's use of his own name above his Irish articles for the *Freeman's Journal*, American Catholic newspaper attacks on Yeats for the production of plays such as the *Playboy of the Western World*, and Skeffington's attack on clericalism.
23 items, Aug.-Dec. 1911.
- Ms 33,972(1) Subjects include Béaslaí's articles in *The Irish Review* and *Irish Freedom*, Patrick Beazley's opposition to rationalism, the home rule bill, newspaper coverage of Churchill's speech in Belfast, Béaslaí's mother's health, the shortage of coal in Liverpool, the appointment of new directors to the *Freeman's Journal*, the sinking of the *Titanic*, and Fred Beazley's death from diphtheria.

21 items, Jan.-May 1912.

- (2) Subjects include the changes made by the new directors of the *Freeman's Journal*, Béaslaí's mother's health, 'the antics of the Dublin suffragettes', the Gaelic League Oireachtas, a request for Béaslaí to write some notes for the *Catholic Times*, and his parents' visit to Ireland.

18 items, June-Aug. 1912.

- (3) Subjects include the death of Béaslaí's aunt, the home rule bill, Béaslaí's desire to concentrate solely on Irish language journalism for the *Freeman's Journal*, and changes to the *Freeman's Journal*.

18 items, Sept.-Dec. 1912.

- (4) Subjects include general family news, Béaslaí's new arrangement with the *Freeman's Journal* to write Irish columns only, Béaslaí's health, a request from the Gaelic League in New York for Béaslaí to write articles for some US newspapers, Langford's job with the *Freeman's Journal*, and the Gaelic Dramatic Society (na hAisteoirí).

17 items, Jan.-May 1913.

- (5) Subjects include Béaslaí's mother's health, Kerry's victory in a Gaelic football match, opposition to Douglas Hyde within the Gaelic League, a by-election in Liverpool, disturbances in Dublin during the lockout, Béaslaí's trip to Limerick to visit John Daly, Béaslaí's appointment to the provisional committee of the Volunteers, the withdrawal of *The Playboy of the Western World* from the Repertory Theatre in Liverpool, and the controversy surrounding the dismissal of an employee from Gill's.

20 items, June-Dec. 1913.

- (6) Subjects include Béaslaí's dismissal from the *Freeman's Journal* and his efforts to get another job, the labour troubles in Dublin, the success of Béaslaí's play, and the progress of the home rule bill.

17 items, Jan.-Apr. 1914.

- (7) Subjects include the growth of the Irish Volunteers, Béaslaí's work as a freelance journalist, Béaslaí's financial position, Redmond's control of the Volunteers, na hAisteoirí's tour of southern Ireland, Béaslaí's election as captain of a Volunteer Company, the production of his plays at the Oireachtas, Béaslaí's election to the coiste gnótha of the Gaelic League, the outbreak of World War I and its impact on newspaper offices in Britain.

17 items, May-Aug. 1914.

- (8) Subjects include the progress of the war, reaction to the passing and suspension of the home rule bill, the Volunteer split, Béaslaí's finances, Irish-American opposition to the Irish Parliamentary Party, recruitment for the army, and the adverse effect of the war on British newspapers. Newspaper cuttings containing poems by T.M. Kettle, and

referring to 'seditious' Irish newspapers, are attached to some of the letters.

14 items, Sept.-Dec. 1914.

- (9) Subjects include Béaslaí's work as a freelance journalist, his appointment as secretary of the Irish Journalists' Association, Béaslaí's articles, the apparent lack of success in spreading the Irish language, the dispute between Germany and the USA over the sinking of the *Lusitania*, and the state of the Irish Parliamentary Party.
13 items, Jan.-June 1915.
- (10) Subjects include the danger of submarine activity in the sea between Ireland and Britain, the production of Béaslaí's play at the Oireachtas in Dundalk, Béaslaí's finances, the mental condition of Dr O'Daly of the Munster College, the publication of Béaslaí's play, and British opposition to Irishmen going to the USA instead of enlisting in the army.
10 items, July-Dec. 1915.
- (11) Subjects include employment opportunities for women during the war, the impact of the restriction of paper supplies on newspapers, the reduction in the size of the *Freeman's Journal* and the discontinuation of its Sunday edition, the fear of air raids in Liverpool, Béaslaí's articles for the *Catholic Times*, the imposition of a 'blackout' in the evenings, German bombing of towns in Britain, the need for newspapers to economise during the war, Béaslaí's newspaper and journal articles, and his parents' anxiety about his arrest and imprisonment after the Rising.
11 items, 1916.
- (12) Subjects include Béaslaí's release from prison, his financial situation, Sinn Féin's victory in the East Clare by-election, the inclusion of *Peadar Schlemihl* on the Intermediate programme, Béaslaí's victory at the Gaelic League Oireachtas, the arrest of Austin Stack and Fionán Lynch, Béaslaí's appointment as editor of *An Claidheamh Soluis*, Langford's illness and death, the Sinn Féin convention, the torpedoing of the *Ardmore* on a journey from Cork to Liverpool, Canon Peter O'Leary's intention to publish an Irish book in Roman, rather than Gaelic, type, Béaslaí's lectures, and the increase in prices due to the war. One of the letters is addressed to Mr Connolly, Béaslaí's alias.
27 items, June-Dec. 1917.
- (13) Subjects include the by-elections in South Armagh, Waterford and East Tyrone, reductions in paper supply, Béaslaí's work as editor of *Fáinne an Lae*, scarcity of food, Béaslaí's salary increase, the progress of the war, John Redmond's death, the Irish Convention, and Béaslaí's imprisonment. One letter is addressed to Mr Foley, probably an alias for Béaslaí.
21 items, Jan.-Apr. 1918.

- (14) Subjects include Béaslaí's ability to write for *Fáinne an Lae* while in prison, news of the Murphy family (Béaslaí's cousins), Patrick Beazley's plans to visit Ireland, the impact of the war on food supplies and labour, news of Béaslaí's mother, the jubilee number of *Fáinne an Lae*, the sinking of the *Leinster*, the influenza epidemic, the end of the war, the general election, and the payment of Béaslaí's ('the candidate for East Kerry') election expenses. Most of the letters are addressed to Mr Foley or Tom Connolly, Béaslaí's aliases.
19 items, May-Dec. 1918.
- (15) Subjects include the influenza epidemic, the League of Nations, Béaslaí's imprisonment, the Lord Mayor's visit to Béaslaí in prison, articles on Ireland in *The Round Table*, and British journalists in Germany after the war. Some of the letters are addressed to Tom Connolly.
11 items, 1919
- (16) Subjects include Béaslaí's mother, books, curfew in Dublin, Béaslaí's parents' holiday in Dublin, the success of the Dáil courts, the cessation of Béaslaí's Irish contributions to the *Freeman's Journal*, the threat of a miners' strike in Britain, the government's fear that the death of Terence MacSwiney will provoke a riot, and the disturbed state of Ireland. The letters are addressed to 'Mr Bradley' and 'Mr Connolly', signed simply P.L.B. (i.e. Patrick Langford Beazley), and no address is given.
24 items, 1920.
- (17) Subjects include the Anglo-Irish Treaty, Béaslaí's address to the Irish Race Congress in Paris, his speech in the Dáil in support of the Treaty, his trip to the USA, the Civil War, and Béaslaí's tribute to Michael Collins in the *Freeman's Journal*.
21 items, Sept. 1921-Dec. 1922.
- (18) Subjects include a request from Fr James Beazley for Béaslaí to recommend a relative for promotion in the army, the Civil War in Kerry, the death sentence imposed on the Archbishop of St Petersburg by the Bolsheviks, the 1923 general election in the Free State.
11 items, 1923.
- (19) Miscellaneous undated letters from Béaslaí's father. Subjects include municipal elections in Liverpool, Béaslaí's finances, and Béaslaí's mother.
10 items, undated.

Letters from his mother

- Ms 33,973(1) Subjects include requests for Béaslaí to visit, articles of clothing and food sent to Béaslaí by his mother, the loss of Fred Beazley's job with the *Wallasey Chronicle*, the relationship between Béaslaí and his mother, Béaslaí's mother and her sisters, Béaslaí's writing, his

mother's health, his involvement in the 'Playboy riots', a request for a loan of money from Béaslaí, and his mother's experiences in Peru. 21 items, 1901-09.

- (2) Subjects include Béaslaí's health, a review of Béaslaí's play in the *Sunday Independent*, the reception for the released prisoners in 1917, Langford's death, and the *Clonmel Nationalist's* (Brandon's paper) change of allegiance from the Irish Parliamentary Party to Sinn Féin. 18 items, 1910-17.
- (3) Subjects include rationing of food during the war, Béaslaí's imprisonment in 1918, shortage of staff at the *Catholic Times* because of conscription, John Clancy's (Béaslaí's uncle) defeat in the 1918 general election, the Treaty split, the decline of the *Freeman's Journal*, the death of Béaslaí's father, Béaslaí's efforts to buy a house, and the death of 'Aunt Ellie' [Mrs Long]. One of the letters is addressed to Robert, presumably an alias for Béaslaí. 24 items, 1918-24.
- (4) Miscellaneous undated letters, and fragments of letters from his mother, principally concerned with items sent to Béaslaí by her. 11 items, undated.

Letters from his father and mother

- (5) Letters written jointly by his parents, mostly during his imprisonment. Subjects include Béaslaí's imprisonment, a visit to him in prison from a bishop, the *Iliad*, J.J. O'Kelly and plans to publish a novel written by Béaslaí, Béaslaí's study of Spanish in prison, Langford's health, the activities of the Gaelic League and Na hAisteoirí, permission to send books to Béaslaí in Portland prison, the success of *Fear na Milliún Punt*, Béaslaí's transfer from Portland prison to Lewes, letters from friends and well-wishers, Béaslaí's life in Lewes prison, the revival of the *Weekly Freeman*, Béaslaí's father visit to see him in prison, and Christmas and birthday greetings from Béaslaí's parents. 14 items, 1916-23.

IV.iii.6. Personal correspondence: letters written by Piaras Béaslaí

Ms 33,974(1) Drafts of letters written by Béaslaí to:

Aileen, concerning the death of her mother. 1 item, undated.
Áine, concerning time spent together in Ballingearry. 1 item, undated.
Alec, concerning money owed to Béaslaí by Jim Sheeran. 6 items, 1940-41 and undated.
Alex, concerning Sheeran's loan. 1 item, 1941.
Anne, Aunt, concerning the production of Béaslaí's play at the Abbey theatre and vacancies in the Civil Service. 1 item, undated.

Assistant Assessor, Office of Assessor for Public Departments, concerning his tax assessment. 1 item, c1958.

Aunt, concerning Béaslaí's trip to Dublin. 1 item, 1901?

Batt, concerning a job vacancy at the *People's Press*. 1 item, undated.

[Beazley], Fred, concerning Béaslaí's trip to the Oireachtas in Dublin, his report of the Oireachtas for the *Catholic Times*, his expectations of a job with the *Wallasey & Wirral Chronicle*, and news of Langford. 2 items, undated.

[Beazley], Hannah, concerning Leonora Beazley's efforts to get a job, and the death of Jack Beazley. 1 item, undated.

Ben

Ben, introducing a woman who is looking for temporary work in the Irish Hospital Sweepstakes. 1 item, undated.

Bennett & Son Ltd., concerning Béaslaí's account. 4 items, 1924.

Bridie, concerning her departure from Hynes's. 1 item, undated.

(2) Drafts of letters written by Béaslaí to:

C., Mrs, concerning the death of her husband. 2 items, 1936 and undated.

Cahill, Mr, concerning car hire. 1 item, undated.

Cahill, Mr, concerning photographs. 1 item, undated.

Cáit, concerning Béaslaí's trip home for Christmas, and Cáit's letters. Written in Irish and English. 1 item, undated.

Cáit, concerning her toothache. Written in Irish. 1 item, 1914.

Caitlín, concerning a collar or cravat given by her to Béaslaí. Written in Irish. 1 item, 1905.

Clare, concerning the death of her husband, Diarmaid. 1 item, undated.

Clerkin, Mr, concerning a wedding invitation. 1 item, undated.

Collins, Mr [E.D.], concerning Béaslaí's car accident, the first inter-party government. 1 item, undated.

Collins, Mr [E.D. ?], concerning a copy of *Antiques*; and Ellman, Dr [Richard], concerning new year greetings. 1 item, undated.

Con, concerning a bereavement. 1 item, undated.

Cremin, Mrs, concerning Michael's death. 1 item, undated.

D., Mr, concerning an application made by Béaslaí. The nature of the application is not identified. 1 item, undated.

D., Mr, concerning a cheque given to Béaslaí; and Paddy concerning a lecture to the Old Dublin Society. 1 item, undated.

Dh., concerning a lecture. Written in Irish. 1 item, undated.

Dhomhnaill, concerning Béaslaí's visit to Cork. Written in Irish. 1 item, undated.

Dick, concerning the death of his brother. 1 item, undated.

Donnelly, Fr, concerning Béaslaí's job with the *Evening Telegraph*, his application for a lectureship in Irish in the National University, and his writing. 1 item, 1909.

Eamon, requesting help with a friend's pension. 1 item, undated.

Edwards, Dr [Robin Dudley ?], arranging a meeting. 1 item, undated.

Eibhlin, concerning Béaslaí's new digs and the death of his aunt; Ciss [Golden ?], concerning arrangements to meet. 1 item, undated.

Eileen, concerning the death of her mother. 1 item, undated.
Ellman, Dr [Richard], concerning his biography of James Joyce.
1 item, undated.
Eva, concerning her father's death, new year greetings, and John's
death. 3 items, 1948 and undated.

(3) Drafts of letters written by Béaslaí to:

F., Mrs, concerning Frank's death. 1 item, undated.
Fay, Mr, concerning an appointment to meet him. 1 item, 1910.
Fitzgerald, Fr, concerning Dick Fitzgerald's [Fr Fitzgerald's brother]
death.
1 item, 1930.
Fitzgerald, Miss, concerning the postponement of a visit. 1 item,
undated.
Fionán, concerning his mother's death. 1 item, undated.
Foley, Miss, concerning a statement made by her about Béaslaí and his
girl friends. 1 item, undated.
General Post Office, Secretary, concerning a delay in delivering a
letter. 1 item, 1913.
Golden, Ciss, a short letter enclosing a calendar; and Sadie, arranging
to visit her. 1 item, 1939.
Gráinne, concerning a short story. Written in English and Irish.
1 item, undated.
Grehan, Mr, concerning Florrie Beer's application for a job with the
Sunday Independent. 1 item, undated.
Gretta, concerning Béaslaí's writing, and arrangements to meet Gretta.
Written in Irish and German. 2 items, 1942-3.
H., Miss, concerning an appointment to meet her. 1 item, undated.
Hamish, concerning news of mutual acquaintances. 1 item, 1900.
Head, Miss, inviting her to visit him. 1 item, 1925.
Hess, M., concerning newspapers and journals sent to Béaslaí. Written
in French and German. 1 item, undated.
Hely's Ltd, concerning private Christmas cards ordered by Béaslaí.
1 item, 1914.
Hoehn, Fr, concerning a biographical sketch of Béaslaí. 1 item,
undated.
Hughes, Clement, concerning Clement's writing, Catholic doctrine,
and Béaslaí's trip to Dublin to attend the Gaelic League Oireachtas.
7 items, 1899-1905.

(4) Drafts of letters written by Béaslaí to:

Jennings, Mrs, concerning Béaslaí's influence in the Irish Hospital
Sweepstakes. 1 item, undated.
Joey, concerning a job application. 1 item, 1950.
Johnny, concerning a bereavement. 1 item, undated.
Jurry, Mr [J.E.J.], concerning John Mitchel. 3 items, 1950 and undated.
[Kearney], Paddy, Béaslaí's cousin, concerning the death of Paddy's
brother, Cecil Kearney. 1 item, undated.

[Kelleher, Josie] Letters addressed to 'Princess' and 'Miss Kelleher' concerning Béaslaí's visits to Cork, the death of his aunt, and photographs. 3 items, undated.

[Kelly], P. Paul, concerning stamp collecting. 1 item, undated.

Kitty, concerning Peter's visit. 1 item, 1950.

Lil, concerning Béaslaí's mother's entry to a nursing home. 1 item, undated.

Lily, concerning her removal to Raheny; and Mr [E.D.] C[ollins], concerning Béaslaí's articles for the *Irish Independent*, Irish emigration to Britain, rural depopulation, and the state of Ireland. 1 item, undated.

[Long], Aunt Ellie, concerning the death of her husband, James Long. 1 item, undated.

Long, Floss, Béaslaí's cousin, concerning Béaslaí's travels in Europe. 5 items, 1927.

[Long], Uncle Jemie [James], concerning Béaslaí's efforts to get a job on a newspaper in Liverpool, the Irish revival and the Gaelic League, his job with the *Wallasey News*, his eye problems, and his article on the Oireachtas in the *Catholic Times*. 4 items, 1899-1901 and undated.

(5) Drafts of letters written by Béaslaí to:

MacArthur & Co, Battersby & Co, Jas H. North & Co, & Dockerell & Co, concerning Béaslaí's efforts to find a house. 1 item, 1924.

McCabe, Miss, concerning lies reported about Béaslaí. 1 item, undated.

[MacNeill], Hugo, concerning a commission in the army for John Maguire. 1 item, undated.

MacSwiney, Mrs [Muriel], concerning arrangements to meet. 1 item, undated.

M., concerning Béaslaí's health, reservations for the Gate Theatre, Béaslaí's writing, and the relationship between Béaslaí and M. 3 items, 1949-50 and undated.

Mabel [Beere ?], concerning her search for new accommodation, Béaslaí's health problems, arrangements to meet, Béaslaí's loneliness. 8 items, 1926-39 and undated.

[Maguire], Seán, concerning Seán's efforts to get a job, Béaslaí's lecture on 'The Battle of North King Street', Lily Mernin's death, Béaslaí's inability to attend Seán's wedding due to ill-health. 6 items, undated.

(6) Drafts of letters written by Béaslaí to:

Margaret [Scurry, Béaslaí's cousin ?], concerning Béaslaí's visit to Kansas City and his health. 1 item, undated.

Maud, enclosing a ticket. 1 item, 1910.

Maude, concerning a disagreement between her and Béaslaí, and arrangement to meet. 2 items, 1911-25.

May, concerning Béaslaí's beard and moustache. 1 item, 1929.

May, Mrs [Esther], concerning her daughter's job. 1 item, undated.

Máire, concerning the death of Seán. Written in Irish. 1 item, undated.

Máiréad, concerning a name for a dog, and arrangements to meet. 2 items, 1942 and undated.
 [Mernin], Lily, concerning Béaslaí's efforts to get a job for Seán Maguire. 3 items, undated.
 Michael [Noyk ?], concerning Béaslaí's action against [Jack] Sheeran. 1 item, 1942.
 Michíl, a fragment of a letter written in Irish, the subject of which is unclear. 1 item, 1905.
 Michíl, concerning Seán Maguire's application for a job. 1 item, undated.
 Mollie, wishing her a happy birthday. 1 item, undated.
 Mollie, concerning a bereavement. 1 item, undated.
 Molly, asking her to meet him. 2 items, 1939 and undated.

(7) Drafts of letters written by Béaslaí to:

[Murphy] Nellie, Béaslaí's cousin, concerning her plans to live in South Africa, Béaslaí's plays, and news of her and her sisters' families. 4 items, 1927 and undated.
 Murray, Miss, sending cheques to cover expenses. 3 items, 1914.
 National City Bank, concerning Béaslaí's financial affairs. 3 items, 1926 and undated.
 Ní Shiordáin [Sheridan], Terésa, post-card containing a handwritten poem entitled 'Do Therésa' [To Teresa]. 1 item, undated.
 Nolan, Miss, concerning explaining his delay in writing to her, and Béaslaí's visit to Inchegeela; Miss Bridie Fitzgerald, concerning Béaslaí's visit to Inchegeela. 1 item, undated.
 Nolan, Mr. [Dan], concerning Béaslaí's desire to meet him; The Manager, *C[atholic] T[imes]*, concerning an obituary of Béaslaí's father. 1 item, undated.
 Nora, handwritten notes for a letter. 1 item, undated.
 Noreen, concerning an article written by Anthony. 1 item, undated.
 [O'Connell], Jephson, concerning a job for Seán Maguire. 1 item, undated.
 O'Connor, Mr, concerning material loaned to him by Béaslaí, and Gogarty. 1 item, undated.
 O Cuiv, telegram stating 'Ní fheudfainn bheith ann amaireach' [I am not be able to be there tomorrow]. Written in Irish. 1 item, undated.
 CO'D., Mrs, concerning the death of her son. 1 item, 1938.
 [Ó Direáin], Máirtín, concerning a copy of his book *Ó Mórna agus dánta eile*. Written in Irish. 1 item, undated.
 Ó Síochtáin, P., concerning a soldier's courtmartial. 1 item, undated.

(8) Drafts of letters written by Béaslaí to:

Paddy, concerning an advance of money for work undertaken by Béaslaí for him. 1 item, undated.
 Pádraig, concerning an appointment. 1 item, 1950.

Proinnsias [Mac Gabhann ?], concerning Béaslaí's illness and his motor accident. 1 item, 1954.

R., Miss, concerning a picture of her. 1 item, undated.

Risteárd [Mulcahy ?], concerning a primary school teacher. This letter was possibly written to Richard Mulcahy in his capacity as Minister for Education. Written in Irish. 1 item, undated.

Sally, concerning an arrangement to meet her. 1 item, 1926.

Séamus, concerning the manuscript of a play written by Séamus. Written in Irish. 1 item, undated.

Sheeran, J.W., concerning the repayment of a loan. 4 items, 1941-2.

Sherlock, Mr, concerning Florrie Beer's efforts to get a job. 1 item, undated.

[Shouldice], Jack, concerning the death of his son; O'H, Mrs, concerning the death of Terry. 1 item, undated.

Tadhg, concerning a presentation to Jim Brennan. 1 item, 1913.

Tomás, concerning the loan of a book. Written in Irish. 1 item, undated.

Willy, concerning Béaslaí's efforts to get a job with a newspaper, his eyesight problems, his job as a reporter with the *Wallasey News*, the activities of the Gaelic League in Liverpool, and his work on a play for the Oireachtas. A draft letter to James Long (Uncle Jemmie) is also contained in this; it concerns the general election, and the Liverpool branch of the Gaelic League. 3 items, 1898-1900.

- (9) Letters written by Béaslaí to his parents, concerning his imprisonment, the death of his father, and his holidays.
13 items, 1918-27.
- (10) Drafts of letters written by Béaslaí to unnamed correspondents. Subjects include the death of Seán [Seán Mac Caoilte/Forrestall], a US bank account, purchase of books, Béaslaí's opinion of an unidentified manuscript, his correspondence, his writings, purchase of a house, his application for a position as lecturer in modern Irish in a university, and his move from Liverpool to Dublin. Written in English, Irish, French and German.
31 items, 1908-52 and undated
- (11) 2 folders and an envelope, containing notes on letters written by Béaslaí.
3 items, 1930s-40s and undated.
- (12) Exercise book containing drafts of letters written by Béaslaí.
1 item, 1904-5.

IV.iii.7. Personal correspondence: miscellaneous letters

Ms 33,975(1) Illegible names

Subjects include arrangements for meetings with Béaslaí, attempted telegram delivery, a vacancy for a school inspector, Béaslaí's mother and a lunch invitation. Written in English and Irish.
8 items, 1914-48 and undated.

(2) Letters signed with pen-names:

'An Buachaillín Buidhe' [Earnán de Siúnta], Inchicore, Dublin, concerning a woman who wishes to get in contact with Béaslaí. Written in Irish. 1 item, 1930.

'Connachtach Béal-bhinn'. Fragment of a letter, the subject of which is not clear. Written in Irish. 1 item, undated.

'Marbhán' [Seán Ó Ciarghusa, South Circular Road, Kilmainham, Dublin, concerning an Irish translation of *The Story of Ireland*, and poetry. Written in Irish. 2 items, 1934.

'A Reader'. Fragment of a letter concerning the use of simple language. 1 item, undated.

'An Rí Liath' [Donnchadh Ó Liatháin], Springfield Road, Belfast, concerning the publication of a poem. Written in Irish. 1 item, 1907.

'An Seabhac' [Padraig Ó Siochfhradha]. A short note, the subject of which is not clear. Written in Irish. 1 item, 1927.

'An Spéir-bhean', concerning her trip to Dublin. 1 item, 1905.

(3) Unsigned letters, fragments of letters and telegrams

Subjects include instructions on how to perform a four-hand reel, lectures on 'Art and Literature', Béaslaí's intentions to leave the army, Béaslaí's biography of Michael Collins, an allegation that Dan Breen's memoir, *My fight for Irish freedom* was not written by him, a request for the return of some personal items, the re-instatement of a member of the Garda Síochána, the attitude of British Labour leaders to war, the rental of a room, the Young Wales Society, and announcements of deaths.

18 items, 1902-57 and undated.

(4) Printed Letters

City of Dublin Steam Packet Company, compliments slip
John Devoy Memorial Fund, Devoy Barracks, Naas, Co. Kildare
2 items, 1963 and undated.

IV.iii.8. Letters to others

(5) Letters to Béaslaí's father:

Correspondents include Fr. James Beazley (brother), Frances Beazley (niece), J.M. Bligh, Frank E. Cane, the Irish Book Company, John MacNeill, Frank Hugh O'Donnell, William O'Malley, Edward C. Strutt, and the *Wallasey News*. The letters are principally concerned with journalistic issues and P.L. Beazley's position as editor of the *Catholic Times*.

15 items, 1896-1921.

- (6) Letters to Béaslaí's mother:
Correspondents include John Carey, Maggie [Clancy] (sister), Liz, Ag [Long] (niece), Nell [Long] (sister), Eva [Long] (niece), Val [Long], and Sarah O'Connor (niece of P.L. Beazley). There is also a letter from Mrs Beazley to 'Kate'. The letters are principally concerned with family matters, including the death of P.L. Beazley.
18 items, 1904-29.
- (7) Letters to various people, including Jack [Beazley] (cousin), Fr James Beazley (uncle), Chief Executive Officer of Tralee Vocational Education Committee, Fr Dawson, Miss Dunne, Fionan, Dublin School attendance Committee, Patrick Keogh, G. Maguire, John (Seán) Maguire, 'Sceilg' [J.J. O'Kelly], Mr McGuire, P. Shanley, and fragments of letters and notes.
27 items, 1905-63.

IV.iii.9. Personal correspondence: post-cards and Christmas cards

- Ms 33,976(1) Post-cards from Clement Hughes, A.N. Clothier, and P.D. Stewart.
13 items, 1897-9.
- (2) Post-cards from Clement Hughes, Seóirse Mac C ?, Vi Long, Frank E.Cane, C.J. O'Callaghan, F. O'Callaghan, and Seán.
13 items, 1900-03.
- (3) Post-cards from Seághán Ó C., L. Mac Giobún, Clement A. Hughes, A. Brophy, Tomás Ua Murchadha, Míceál Ó hArdáin, J.M.D., Máire Ní Fhairchealla, and Pádraig Ua Flannagáin.
13 items, Jan-Aug. 1904.
- (4) Post-cards from Vi Long, Máire, Máire, Úna, P. Ó Cadháin, Mícheál Ó hArdáin, Pádraig Ua Flannagáin, 'A Kerry lass', Seaghan, Máire Ní Fhaircheallaigh, and 'An admirer'.
14 items, Sept.-Oct. 1904.
- (5) Post-cards from Mícheál Ó Foghludha, Féidlimidh Ó Cinnéide, Pádraig, Mícheál Ó Dubhlaighe, Seághán, Vi Long, and M.F.
10 items, Nov.-Dec. 1904.
- (6) Post-cards from 'Tomás na mbó', Féilimidh Ó Cinnéide, M.F., Seumas, Cathal Mac Garbhaigh, Ó Corcraighe, Pádraig Ua Flannagáin, and P Ó Cadháin.
11 items, Jan.-Mar. 1905.
- (7) Post-cards from Máire, Brighid, Pádraig Ua Flannagáin, Máire Ní Aodhagain, and Cormac O'Ceallachain.
9 items, Apr. 1905.

- (8) Post-cards from Máire Ní Faircheallaigh, M.F., Mícheál, Máire, Tomás, Teresa, Pádraig Ua Fanagáin, and Cáitlín, Seaghán
13 items, May 1905.
- (9) Post-cards from Seamus, M.F., Mairghéad, Seán, M. Gallda, Mícheál, Máire, and Liam.
2 items, June-July 1905.
- (10) Post-cards from Máiread, Clement A. Hughes, May F., Mícheál, Langford Beazley, An Flannagánach [Pádraig Ó Flannagáin], M.F., and Seán Ua Ceallaigh.
10 items, Aug.-Sept. 1905.
- (11) Post-cards from Maireád, Máire Gallda, Pádraig Ó Flannagáin, Úna, M.F., Aubrey Clancy, Máire, Labhrás Ó Flaitbeartaig, Cormac Ó Ceallacháin, Una Ní Seiriodáin and Treasa Ní Seiriodáin.
13 items, Oct.-Dec. 1905.
- (12) Post-cards from Treasa, Una, M.F., Máire, Jack, Maude, Mabel, M.F., Tomás, Pádraig Ua Flannagáin, and T.M.
18 items, Jan.-Mar. 1906.
- (13) Post-cards from Úna, M. Ní Seiriodáin, M. Murray, Máire Ní Faircheallaigh, Seághan, Pádraig Ua Flannagáin, and Máiread.
14 items, Apr.-June 1906.
- (14) Post-cards from Treasa, F. Doyle, Máire, Una, Cathal Mac Garbhaigh, Máire Ní Seiriodáin, and Máire Ní Fogludha.
9 items, July-Aug. 1906.
- (15) Post-cards from L. O'Flaherty, Una, Treasa, M. Murray, Máire Gallda, Maggie, and Seághan.
9 items, Sept.-Dec. 1906.
- (16) Post-cards from Delia, Máire, Pádraig Ua Flannagáin, M. Foley, Máire Ní Seiriodáin, Máire Gallda, Frances, Una, Seán, 'Tórna' [Tadhg Ó Donnchadha], and Seán Ó Floinn. 17 items, 1907.
- (17) Post-cards from M. Leamy, Mícheál Ó Corgraihe, Seán, Máire, T. Ní M., Cathal MacGarvey, M.J. Spillane, and Liam Seartan.
9 items, 1908.
- (18) Post-cards from Máire Ní C., Máire Ní Seaghdha, James Winstanley, Labhras Ó Muirgheasa, M. Nic D. Ní Mhathghamhna, F. O'Leary, Aggie, A.J.L., P. Ó Néill, Mícheál, Carrie, and Cormac O'C. The post-cards written in shorthand are from his father.
15 items, 1909.

- (19) Post-cards from Delia, 'Máire bocht', Miceal, Tereasa Ní Seiriodáin, M. MacA?, Sceilg [J.J. O'Kelly], Eamonn Ó Neill, Cathal MacGarvey, Osborn J. Bergin, and T. Ó Raihilí.
13 items, 1910.
- (20) Post-cards from Shán Ó Cuív, Bhrighid, Máirín, V.O'C., Ciss, Máire, Cathal Brugha, Brandon Long, E. Mac Gearailt.
11 items, 1911.

Ms 33,977(1) Post-cards from Máire Ní Sheiriodáin, Pater [Patrick Beazley], E. Mac Gearailt, Séumas Ó Lonsaigh, Gearóid Ó Nualláin, Cathal Brugha, Liam, Eileen O'Sullivan, and Bridie.
12 items, 1912.

- (2) Post-cards from Mother, Máire Ní Seiriodáin, Brighid, D.Ó. M., and Domhnall Ó Loingsigh.
10 items, 1913.
- (3) Post-cards from S. Tóibín, S. Ó h Eireamhóin ?, C. Ní M., E. Mac Gearailt, Seán Ó Cuill, and E.M. Duggan.
13 items, Jan.-July 1914.
- (4) Post-cards from Máirín, Fionán, Seárain, Seaghán Ua Maonaigh, Tadhg, C. Ní M., Máire Ní Discín, Tomás Ó hÓnáin, 'one of his privates', E. Mac Gearailt, and Máire Ní Chonnaill.
13 items, Aug.-Dec. 1914.
- (5) Post-cards from M Ó Foghludha, Cáit, M., S.Ó.C., and Hanna Sheehy Skeffington.
9 items, Jan.-July 1915.
- (6) Post-cards from Caitlín Ní S?, Mairead, Máire, 'Tórna' [Tadhg Ó Donnchadha], and Proinnseas Ó Suilleabháin.
10 items, Aug.-Oct. 1915.
- (7) Post-cards from Tomás Ó hÓnáin, Máire, Lily Doherty, Peadar Mac Loclainn, Shán Ó Cuív, M. O'K., Mollie D., Micheál Ó Conchubhair, A. MacSwiney, C. MacD., P. Ó C?, Brigid, and 'Tórna' [Tadhg Ó Donnchadha]. 19 items, 1916-18.
- (8) Post-cards from John Carey, Lidia Ní Cobhthaigh, Fr James Beazley, Michael Noyk, Shán Ó Cuiv, and Niamh.
12 items, 1920-24.
- (9) Post-cards from M.G., Shán Ó Cuiv, CuaD [Charlie Dalton], H.O'K., W. Ahern, and Lily Parkes.
13 items, 1925-6.
- (10) Post-cards from Shán Ó Cuív, Tomás, Maude, Lily Mernin, Brigid, Carrie, Eilís, and E. Naughton.

11 items, 1927.

- (11) Post-cards from Lily Parkes, Eileen Naughton, Enrí Ua hAnluain, Caitlín, Seán Tóibín, M. Ó Droighneáin, Caitlín Ní Chartaigh, Máire Ní Iórdáin, and León Ó Broin.
10 items, 1928-9.
 - (12) Post-cards from Brigid, Annraoi Saidléar, Annie, Michael Noyk, Maude, Carrie, Una, M. Pearse, M. Ní Sheiriodáin, and Tomás Gay.
17 items, 1930-32.
 - (13) Post-cards from Lily Mernin, Shán Ó Cuiv, John, Jimmy Mallon, Seán Maguire, Teresa Sheridan, R.S.R., Brighid, and P.S.
16 items, 1933-4.
 - (14) Post-cards from Seán Ó Faoláin, Dick, M.J., Máire, Brigid and Gráinne, John Herlihy, M. O'Mahony, Siobhán Ní Chearbhaill, Eva, Michael Noyk, Máiréad Ní Cinnéide, and P.S.
15 items, 1935-6.
 - (15) Post-cards from Mabel, K. Doody, P.S., Michael Noyk, J. Farquharson, Máire Ní Conaill, Liam Ó Briain, and Teresa.
14 items, 1937-June 1938.
 - (16) Post-cards from M[abel], Máiréad, Kathleen, Carrie, P.S., and Pádraig Óg Ó Conaire.
10 items, July 1938-1939.
 - (17) Post-cards from P.S., M. Tully, Eilís, S. O'Neill, Seán M. Ó Conchubhair, and Dick.
8 items, 1940.
 - (18) Post-cards from S. O'Neill, J.P. Brennan, Mícheál Eogan Ó Súilleabhán, Aoife, and Máiréad.
13 items, 1941.
 - (19) Post-cards from Michael Noyk, Gretta, C[arrie], Eva Long, Micheál Ó Leannáin, John Herelihy, Gretta, and Shan Ó Cuív.
14 items, 1942-3.
 - (20) Post-cards from Gearóid Ó L., Micheál Ó Leannain, Máirtín, Gretta, Tomás Gay, Máire, A.H.D., Harry Kernoff, and M. Tully.
11 items, 1944-46.
- Ms 33,978(1) Post-cards from Maeve C. MacDowell, M.T., Gretta, P.S., Norah, and Liam Ó Briain.
9 items, 1947.

- (2) Post-cards from Gretta, Dick, A.W. Allen, Annraoi Sadléar, Tomás, M. Ní Seiriodáin, Nell and Norah, Teresa Sheridan, Sr. Mary Pius, and Lily.
11 items, 1948-9.
- (3) Post-cards from John Herlihy, Kay D., Desmond C. Bourke, T.E. Corcoran, M. Ó Lónáin, A.J. O'Reilly, John, Tomás Gay, P. Smith, and M. Duggan.
13 items, 1950-52.
- (4) Post-cards from Richard Ellman, Agnes and Norah, Jean and Pearce, John, Kathleen, J.E.J. Jurry, Una and Mick.
11 items, 1953-4.
- (5) Post-cards from John, Gretta, R. Greene, Máiréad, M. Ó Lónáin, Seán Maguire, and Lil.
14 items, 1955-7.
- (6) Post-cards from Gretta, Muirgheal Mhic Suibhne [Muriel MacSwiney], Gearóid O'Sullivan, Seán Tóibín, M[abel], John, and Richard Ellman.
9 items, 1958-61.
- (7) Post-cards written by Béaslaí to his parents, the Secretary of the Liverpool Gaelic League, Éithne Ní Cheallaigh, Máiréad Ní Chinnéide, and Tomás Ó Murchadha.
5 items, 1904-06 and undated.
- (8) Post-cards from Fred Beazley, Cathal Brugha, Caitlín, Conchubhar, Cogar, Deóra Frinseach, Fionán, Gretta, Flo, Mabel, Mollie, Nellie, and Aindrias Ó Caoimh.
18 items, undated or postmark illegible.
- (9) Post-cards from Micheál Eoghan Ó Suilleabháin, J.W. Sheerin, Partalán, Michael Noyk, Máire Ní Cinnéide, Norah, Caitlín Ní Shiocfhradha, and Máirtín.
17 items, undated or postmark illegible.
- (10) Post-cards from Mabel, Lily Mernin, Shán Ó Cuív, Máire Gallda, Kitty, Kathleen, and Cathal MacGarvey.
16 items, undated or postmark illegible.
- (11) Post-cards addressed to other people, including P.L. Beazley, Mr Cunningham, Cáit Ní Dhonnchadha, Mr O'Donoghue, and Mr. Shanley. 5 items, 1904-06.
- (12) Blank post-cards. 15 items.
- (13) Blank post-cards. 12 items.
- (14) Blank post-cards. 16 items.

(15) Blank post-cards. 26 items.

Ms 33,979(1) Christmas cards, A-B. 15 items, 1904-17 and undated.

(2) Christmas cards, C-D. 14 items, 1911-17 and undated.

(3) Christmas cards, E. 13 items, 1912-14 and undated.

(4) Christmas cards, F. 9 items, 1908-10 and undated.

(5) Christmas cards, G-H. 12 items, 1898-1921 and undated.

(6) Christmas cards, K. 7 items, 1912 and undated.

(7) Christmas cards, L. 13 items, 1908-15 and undated.

(8) Christmas cards, M. 17 items, 1908-21 and undated.

(9) Christmas cards, M. 14 items, 1906-28 and undated.

(10) Christmas cards, N. 10 items, 1908-27 and undated.

(11) Christmas cards, Ní/Nic. The card from Máire Ní Aodhagain, which carries an illustration by Jack B. Yeats, is of particular interest. 15 items, 1912-18 and undated.

(12) Christmas cards, O, including a printed Christmas card from Mícheal Ó Choileán [Micheal Collins], from 1921. 11 items, 1908-27 and undated.

(13) Christmas cards, O. 10 items, 1910-30 and undated.

(14) Christmas cards, P-R. 10 items, 1916-25 and undated.

(15) Christmas cards, S. 11 items, 1900-23 and undated.

(16) Christmas cards, T-W. 16 items, 1904-33 and undated.

(17) Printed Christmas cards from Piaras Béaslaí. 9 items, 1928 and undated.

(18) Printed Christmas cards from Piaras Béaslaí. 13 items, undated.

(19) Blank Christmas cards. 11 items.

(20) Miscellaneous greeting cards. 5 items, undated.

IV.iv. Personal material

Includes passports, birth certificate, school certificates, and national health insurance contribution cards; financial documents, such as bank accounts, savings books, cheques, income tax documents, and receipts; theatre programmes, many relating to Béaslaí's plays which were produced in the Abbey Theatre during 1920s-40s; newspaper cuttings, concerning subjects such as the *Playboy of the Western World* riots, in which he was involved, literary matters, Irish history, and obituaries of acquaintances; copies of various newspapers and periodicals; and photographs, including many of Béaslaí.

IV.iv.1. Theatre programmes, financial documents, personal documents

- Ms 33,980(1) Theatre, concert and exhibition programmes for Liverpool and Dublin, including Gaelic League productions, Béaslaí's play *Cormac na Cuille*, productions of his plays *Beirt na Bodhaire Bréige* and *Cluiche Cártaí* by Na hAisteoirí.
15 items, 1905-17.
- (2) Dante Sexcentenary Commemoration programme, Mansion House, Dublin.
10 items, 6 Dec. 1921.
- (3) Dublin and Liverpool theatre and concert programmes, including production of Béaslaí's play *Cluiche Cártaí* and *Ísliú Chun Buadha*, his Irish translation of *She Stoops to Conquer*.
14 items, 1921-9.
- (4) Dublin theatre programmes, mostly for Amharclann na nGaedheal, includes productions of Béaslaí's plays *Cluiche Cártaí*, *Beirt na Bodhaire Bréige* and *An Dánar*. 7 items, 1930.
- (5) Dublin theatre programmes, mostly for Amharclann na nGaedheal, includes a production of Béaslaí's play *An Bhean Chródha*.
9 items, 1930-31.
- (6) Dublin theatre and concert programmes, includes a production of Béaslaí's play, *Fear na Fógraidheachta*.
21 items, 1932-5.
- (7) Dublin theatre and opera programmes, includes Gaelic League productions, and a production of Béaslaí's plays *Blúire Páipéir*.
16 items, 1935-9.
- (8) Dublin theatre programmes, mostly for Irish language plays in the Abbey Theatre, including Béaslaí's *An Bhean Chróda*.
13 items, 1940-45.

- (9) Dublin theatre and concert programmes. 4 items, 1950-53.
- (10) Theatre programmes. 11 items, undated.
- (11) Gaiety Theatre programmes. 11 items, undated.
- (12) Gaiety Theatre programmes. 9 items, undated.
- (13) Gaiety Theatre programmes. 9 items, undated.
- (14) *Proceedings of the Irish Race Congress*, Paris, January 1922. 1 item.
- (15) Programme for Celtic Congress, London, 1930. 1 item.

Ms 33,981(1) National Health Insurance contribution cards and documents.
16 items, c1911-14.

- (2) Dog certificates, gun licences, travel permit, and empty envelope entitled 'Insurance Policy'.
4 items, c1922-4.
- (3) Baptismal certificate, school certificates, draft copies of will, and handwritten copy of curriculum vitae.
9 items, c1895-1923.
- (4) Income tax documents, 1930s.
- (5) Income tax documents, 1940s.
- (6) Income tax documents, 1950s, 60s and undated.
- (7) School exercise books. 3 items, undated.
- (8) Science exercise book. 1 item, undated.
- (9) Assorted material relating to journalism, including agreements negotiated by the National Union of Journalists; a reference from J. Adam Holland, editor, *Wallasey News*; Irish Journalists' Association presidential address; telegraph slips, menu for *Freeman's Journal* staff dinner; Béaslaí's business cards for the *Wallasey News*; programme for *Freeman's Journal* presentation to Joseph P. Nannetti; and a handwritten draft of a newspaper report. 11 items, 1901-47.
- (10) Miscellaneous writings and extracts from writings of others, poems and short stories in English and Irish. 12 items.
- (11) Poems written by others, handwritten, typed and printed, in English and Irish. 27 items.
- (12) Music books and musical arrangements. 7 items, c1923-33.

Ms 33,982(1) Receipts, 1900-10.

- (2) Receipts, 1911-13.
- (3) Receipts, 1914-19.
- (4) Receipts, 1920s.
- (5) Receipts, 1930s.
- (6) Receipts, 1940-44.
- (7) Receipts, 1945-9.
- (8) Receipts, 1950-52.
- (9) Receipts, 1953-9.
- (10) Receipts, 1960s.
- (11) Receipts, undated.
- (12) Details of houses for sale in Dublin.
- (13) Educational Building Society documents.
- (14) Handwritten accounts and notes concerning money.
- (15) Used cheque books and cheques.
- (16) Miscellaneous banking documents.
- (17) Bank accounts, 1922-63.
- (18) British passport and Irish Free State passport. 2 items, 1922-7.

Ms 33,983(1) Contents of envelope 'Liverpool', contains handwritten notes by Béaslaí, cuttings from various Liverpool newspapers, printed copy of a 'Hymn to St Patrick', and a poster for a Labour Party rally in protest at Hitler.

- (2) Two copies of *Beart Nótaí*, a play by Máire Ní Shíthe and Eilís Ní Mhurchadha. 1904.
- (3) Carrying case, possibly for artist's pencils.

- (4) Firearms certificates. 6 items, 1926-33.
- (5) Contents of file 'Vacance'. Handwritten notes by Béaslaí on his holidays. 1943.
- (6) St Stephen's Green Loan Fund Society rule book. 1 item, 1926.
- (7) Contents of files 'Leabhar a Léigheas', containing details of books read by Béaslaí.
- (8) Life assurance receipt books. 2 items, 1935.
- (9) Contents of file 'Travelling Costs', containing handwritten notes and receipts for holidays, c1927-53.
- (10) Dance programme, medical prescriptions, advertisements, and a programme for Shelbourne Park greyhound stadium. 11 items, c1905-43.
- (11) Miscellaneous printed booklets and advertisements. 8 items.
- (12) Handwritten account by Béaslaí of a personal relationship with an unnamed acquaintance.
- (13) Election leaflets for Dr Patrick McCartan, 1945 presidential election. 2 items.
- (14) 3 pieces of jewellery.
- (15) Assorted business cards.
- (16) Western Union telegram book.
- (17) Assorted tickets and coupons.
- (18) Sympathy, bereavement acknowledgement and memorial cards, including people killed and executed during the Easter Rising, and Kevin O'Higgins. 23 items, 1904-57.
- (19) Sympathy and memorial cards for deceased members of Béaslaí's family. 14 items.
- (20) Invitations to weddings, dinners and receptions. 18 items, 1920s-30s.
- (21) Invitations to weddings, dinners and receptions. 15 items, 1940s-60s.
- (22) Travel brochures, timetables and maps Europe and USA. 6 items.

- (23) Miscellaneous loose pieces of paper.
- (24) Personal notebooks. 5 items.
- (25) Written account of dreams. 1938-46.
- (26) Copies of prayers. 6 items.
- (27) Contents of files 'An Eachtra Mhór', 'Leabhar Atharaigh Gaéil' and 'Caidreamh, Turais agus Saoirse', all containing handwritten notes by Béaslaí. 3 items.
- (28) Miscellanea. 4 items.
- (29) Pictorial material. 10 items.

IV.iv.2. Envelopes and folders

Ms 33,984(1) Empty envelopes. 11 items, 1897-1907.

- (2) Empty envelopes. 10 items, 1908-09.
- (3) Empty envelopes. 12 items, 1910-12.
- (4) Empty envelopes. 16 items, 1913.
- (5) Empty envelopes. 17 items, 1914.
- (6) Empty envelopes. 17 items, 1915.
- (7) Empty envelopes. 15 items, Jan. 1916-July 1917.
- (8) Empty envelopes. 16 items, Aug. 1917-Dec. 1919.
- (9) Empty envelopes. 14 items, Apr. 1920-Apr. 1922.
- (10) Empty envelopes. 12 items, May 1922-Apr. 1924.
- (11) Empty envelopes. 11 items, 1925-6.
- (12) Empty envelopes. 16 items, 1927-9.
- (13) Empty envelopes. 14 items, 1930-37.
- (14) Empty envelopes. 13 items, 1940-45.
- (15) Empty envelopes. 13 items, 1946-7.
- (16) Empty envelopes. 17 items, 1948-9.

- (17) Empty envelopes. 8 items, 1950.
- (18) Empty envelopes. 17 items, 1951.
- (19) Empty envelopes. 18 items, 1952-3.
- (20) Empty envelopes. 16 items, 1954-62.

Ms 33,985(1) Empty box for Irish vellum envelopes. 1 item.

- (2) Empty box for Irish vellum envelopes. 1 item.
- (3) *An Claidheamh Soluis* envelopes. 26 items.
- (4) Assorted empty envelopes, telegram envelopes, stamped addressed envelopes and a stamp. 19 items.
- (5) Assorted empty envelopes, no stamps or postmarks. 20 items.
- (6) Assorted empty envelopes, no stamps or postmarks. 20 items.
- (7) Assorted empty envelopes, illegible postmarks. 26 items.
- (8) Assorted empty envelopes. 24 items.
- (9) Assorted empty envelopes. 14 items.
- (10) Assorted empty envelopes. 24 items.
- (11) Assorted empty folders. 12 items.

IV.iv.3. Newspaper cuttings and periodicals

Ms 33,986(1) Newscuttings concerning Béaslaí. 1 envelope.

- (2) Newscuttings concerning the *Playboy of the Western World* riots. 3 envelopes.
- (3) Newscuttings concerning theatre. 3 envelopes.
- (4) Newscuttings concerning forestry. 1 envelope.
- (5) Newscuttings containing instalments of 'The Road to Stratford' by Frank O'Connor. 1 envelope.
- (6) Newscuttings of articles 'At the Play' by St John Irvine. 1 envelope.
- (7) Newscuttings of extracts from Arnold Bennett's diaries. 2 envelopes.

- (8) Assorted newscuttings labelled 'Nostalgia'. 1 envelope.
- (9) Newscuttings concerning language and literature. 3 envelopes.
- (10) Newscuttings concerning Irish history. 1 envelope and 2 loose items.
- (11) Newscuttings concerning assorted news about Ireland. 3 items.
- (12) Newscuttings: obituaries, A-H. 3 envelopes.
- (13) Newscuttings: obituaries, K-W. 2 envelopes.
- (14) Newscuttings: miscellaneous items. 3 envelopes.
- (15) Newscuttings: miscellaneous items. 2 envelopes.
- (16) Newscuttings: miscellaneous items. 2 envelopes.
- (17) Newscuttings: miscellaneous items. 3 envelopes.
- (18) Newscuttings: miscellaneous items. 4 envelopes.
- (19) Extracts from *Freeman's Journal* c1910. 1 envelope.
- (20) Miscellaneous newscuttings and newspapers. c1900-14.
- (21) Miscellaneous newscuttings and newspapers. c1930s-50s.

Ms 33,987(1) Extracts from *John O'London's Weekly*.

- (2) Extracts from periodicals. 3 items.
- (3) *Das Leben um Bild*, German magazine. 1917.
- (4) *Catholic Fireside*, 17 Sept. 1904.
- (5) *Times Literary Supplement*, 23 Oct. 1924; *New York Times Book Review*, 10 June 1956.
- (6) Programmes of Wolfe Tone Memorial Association; Arklow 1798-1948 Commemoration programme. 4 items.
- (7) Extracts from periodicals including *The Boy's Own Paper*, *An Cosantóir*, *The Dublin Magazine*, *The Gael*, *London Opinion*, *Iris an Fáinne*, *Irish an Phuist*, *The Irish Outlook*, *The Journalist*, *An Saorstát*, *The Spark*, *The Sphere*, *Waterfront*, and *Weekly Review of the German News Agency*.
17 items, c1903-61.

- (8) Copies of periodicals: *Catholic Bulletin* (Sept. 1915), *Irish Monthly* (Jan. 1929), *St Francis Xavier's College Liverpool Magazine* (1956), *Swinford Echo* (1962). 4 items, 1915-62.
- (9) *Irish Statesman*. 3 items, 8-29 Jan. 1927.
- (10) Extracts from *The Leader*. 1902-03.
- (11) Extracts from *The Leader*. 1907-17.
- (12) Extracts from *The Leader*, 1935-44.
- (13) *The Kerryman*, 11 Mar. 1939.
- (14) Newscuttings contained in folders and envelopes labelled 'Abbey Theatre Festival Lectures', 'Lit Hist Shaw, O'Casey, Abbey', 'Letters pending', 'List of old Irish printed books', 'Cuttings to be dealt with', 'Newspaper cuttings, some important', 'Blythe on Gaelic Drama', and 'Boswell's Journal'.
- (15) Contents of envelope 'Atomic bomb Hiroshima'; newspaper cuttings concerning the atomic bomb in Hiroshima and the Nuremberg trials.
- (16) Contents of files 'Cuttings re father' and 'File re *Catholic Times*', includes obituaries of Béaslaí's father; 3 letters from his father, Oct.-Nov. 1923; correspondence and drafts of correspondence between P.L. Beazley and Charles J.P. O'Dowd, concerning P.L. Beazley's plans to resign as editor of the *Catholic Times*, Sept.-Oct. 1923; and a letter from P.L. Beazley to Carey, Jan. 1922.

IV.v. Photographs

- (1) Assorted photographs of Piaras Béaslaí:
Envelope 1: Photographs and negatives of Béaslaí with other people. Names, dates and locations have been written on the back of some of them by Béaslaí. 15 items, c1938-40.
Envelope 2: Envelope containing assorted small photographs of Béaslaí and others. 21 items, undated.
Envelope 3: Assorted small photographs of Béaslaí. 21 items, undated.
Envelope 4: Assorted photographs, some of Béaslaí. 13 items, undated.
Envelope 5: Photographs of Béaslaí. 5 items, undated.
Envelope 6: Postcards with photographs of Béaslaí. 13 items, undated.
- (2) Envelope containing photos of Béaslaí with an unidentified lady. 5 items, undated.
- (3) Envelope containing photographs of people including Béaslaí. These photos were enclosed in his diary 'Leabhar na gCogar', Sept. 1948-Aug. 1949. 11 items.
- (4) Envelope 1: Envelope containing photograph of an unidentified man. 1 item, undated.
Envelope 2: Envelope containing photograph of an unidentified man. 1 item, undated.
- (5) Assorted post-card photographs, including the Gaelic League Oireachtas, Lily Reynolds, Gearóid Ó Lochlainn, Gerald Kelly, and Ciss. 18 items, 1914-38 and undated.
- (6) Envelope containing assorted unidentified photographs. 36 items, undated.
- (7) Envelope 1: A nun holding a baby. 4 items, undated.
Envelope 2: Walker's Pub, Liverpool. Photographs sent to Béaslaí by P. Mac Gabhann, 43 Albion St, New Brighton, Cheshire, 23 Oct. 1961. The letter which accompanied the photographs is listed in 'Personal correspondence, minor correspondents'. 5 items, 1961.
Envelope 3: Photographs of Seán Maguire ?. 8 items, 1932 and undated.
- (8) Envelope 1: Miscellaneous photographs of people. 6 items, undated.
Envelope 2: Miscellaneous photographs of groups of people. 9 items, 1915.
Envelope 3: Miscellaneous photographs of unidentified people. 7 items, undated.
Envelope 4: Miscellaneous photographs of people including Mrs Aubrey Clancy, Miss? Sheridan, and Mary & Nora. 11 items, 1909-53 and undated.
Envelope 5: Miscellaneous unidentified photographs. 17 items, 1915 and undated.

- (9) Envelope 1: Envelope containing two prints in very poor condition. 2 items, undated.
Envelope 2: Miscellaneous photographs, including Máire, L.G. and a child (possibly Seán Maguire). 6 items, 1913-17 and undated.
- (10) Envelope 1: Photographs of Máire, Rathmore, Co. Kerry, enclosed with letter dated 30 July 1915 (see personal correspondence: minor correspondents). 2 items, 1915.
Envelope 2: Photograph enclosed with letter from Lil, dated 21 Oct. 1921. Lil is on one of the donkeys, and her brother is on the other (see personal correspondence: principal correspondents). 1 item, 1921
Envelope 3: Photograph enclosed with letter from Eilís Grimes, Shanakiel, Sunday's Well, Cork, dated 24 Aug. 1926 (see personal correspondence: principal correspondents). 1 item, 1926.
- (11) Envelope 1: Set of negatives. 13 items, undated.
Envelope 2: Set of negatives. 6 items, undated.
Envelope 3: Plate (appears to be of Lily Mernin and Seán Maguire). 1 item, undated.
Envelope 4: Framed plates. In very poor condition. 3 items, undated.
Envelope 5: Negatives. 2 items, undated.

IV.vi. Other material

- MS 49,547 (1) Exercise copybook belonging to Piaras Béaslaí when he was a child, containing school work and drawings. 1 item, undated.
- (2) Correspondence between Piaras Béaslaí and Zita Boyd, Stephen McKenna, Lily Mernin, A. Moriarty, Elizabeth Moriarty, and Vida Mulhall. 12 items (including envelopes), 1922, 1929 & 1930.
- (3) Small green folder 'Proposed new literary weekly and Duffy & Sons' containing drafts of how the new newspaper would look, notes, and correspondence with P.J. Purtill, Purtill & Company, relating to James Duffy & Co. Ltd., 13 items including folder, 1933.
- (4) Exercise book 'Literary Work. Note and Suggestion' containing notes and diary entries for 1938 to 1940. Loose pages and newspaper cuttings inserted. 1 item, 1938-1940.
- (5) Exercise book 'Commdt-Genl. Beasley. Army Publicity Director' containing notes, with loose pages inserted. 1 item, 1941.

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