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Hibernian Mining Company Papers

(MS 29,767)

Papers of the Ryan and Hallows families concerning lands in counties Wicklow and Wexford, and in particular the mining activities of the Hibernian Mining Company in county Wicklow, 1617-1941.

INTRODUCTION

This collection comprises of leases, conveyances, agreements, marriage settlements and wills, legal papers and correspondence, relating to the Ryan and Hallowes families and concerning property in counties Wicklow and Wexford, and to the mining of copper and ochre, mainly by the Hibernian Mining Company, at Ballymurtagh and Ballygahan, county Wicklow. Other companies represented in this collection include the Wicklow Copper Mine Company, the Irish Ochre and Mineral Company, the Arklow Manure Company, the Via Cellia Colour Company and the Mineral Grinding Company.

The Library has received another accession of Hibernian Mining Papers which may be found at MSS 657-659 (Letters and minutes regarding copper and lead mining by the Hibernian Mining Company, 1824-1831).

Mss. 29,767 (1-97)

- Ms.29,767(1) Certified P.R.D.I. copy (Latin) of grant to Francis Edgeworth of Ballymurtagh and other lands.
[1617]
- Ms. 29,767(2) Lease by John Howard Ryan (Mount Howard, Wexford) to Anthony Manning (Ballymurtagh) of 105 ac. for 3 lives.
RD 319-306-214395
22 October 1772
- Ms. 29,767(3) Deed of conveyance of Ballymurtagh from John Howard Ryan, Turner Camac and John Camac to John Murphy. (Copy) (Trustee)
[10 August 1791]
- Ms. 29,767(4) Mortgage for £2,000 from the Hibernian Mining Company to Joseph Smyth (Skerries) of the Ballymurtagh Mines from the Hibernian Mining Company.
RD 498-21-315700
[24 June 1795]
- Ms. 29,767(5) Probate copy of John Howard Ryan's will (including draft of 30 October 1799).
[23 February 1801]
- Ms. 29,767(6) Lease by Hibernian Mine company of the Ballymurtagh mines to Cheyne Brady (Ballycorus) and Henry Hodgson (Ballycorus) for 31 years, for a royalty share of 1/12.
[13 May 1822]
- Ms. 29,767(7) Lease by Hibernian Mine Company to Henry Hodgson (Woodvale, Wicklow) of 40 acres of Ballymurtagh for 31 years or £40 p.a. (2 copies).
[29 September 1824]
- Ms. 29,767(8) Agreement of Henry Hodgson et al with the Hibernian Mine Company re the working of the mines. (2 copies)
[17 March 1827]
- Ms. 29,767(9) Deed of association between (1) Henry Hodgson, Nicholas Kempton and Joseph Wright and (2) Maziere Brady and William Armstrong. (2 copies)
[22 June 1827]
- Ms. 29,767(10) Lease by Viscount Powerscourt to Henry Hodgson (Woodvale) of the mines Ballygatian, Kilqueeney and Castlemacadam for 66 years for 1/16 royalty. (Included specification as to how the mine is to be operated).

[29 November 1836]

- Ms. 29,767(11) Lease by Hibernian Mine company to Maziere Brady, John Mollan, Richard and Edward Wright of the Ballymurtagh mines [includes detailed plan].
[12 May 1838]
- Ms. 29,767(12) Lease by Hibernian Mine Company to maziere Brady et al of 40 acres of Ballymurtagh at £40 p.a. for 46 years. (2 copies)
[14 May 1839]
- Ms. 29,767(13) Lease by John Howard Ryan (London) to Bryan Burke (miner) of 5 acres of Ballymurtagh for 10 years at £5 p.a.
[27 Jan 1841]
- Ms. 29,767(14) Lease by John Howard Ryan to Joseph Watson (farmer) of 2½ acres of Ballymurtagh for 10 years at £3 p.a.
[27 January 1841]
- Ms. 29,767(15) Lease by John H. Ryan to Anthony Manning (farmer) of 25 acres of Ballygahan for 21 years at £25 p.a.
[27 January 1841]
- Ms. 29,767(16) Lease by John H. Ryan to Anne Doyle (widow) and James Scully of 4 acres of Ballymurtagh for 10 years at £6 p.a.
[27 January 1841]
- Ms. 29,767(17) Lease by John H. Ryan to Thomas Hall (farmer) of 18 acres of Ballymurtagh for 21 years at £13 p.a.
[27 January 1841]
- Ms. 29,767(18) Lease of John H. Ryan to Timothy Kelly (farmer) of 1¼ acres of Ballymurtagh for 10 years at £2 p.a.
[27 January 1841]
- Ms. 29,767(19) Lease by Edmund Symes Bayley (Ballyarthur) to the Wicklow Copper Mining company of 6 acres of Kilcashel for 31 years at £6 p.a. (injunction not to build more than 12 "slated and permanent" cottages).
[27 March 1841]
- Ms. 29,767(20) Assignment of lease of 25 acres of Ballymurtagh from Anthony Manning (Ballymurtagh) to Patrick Cashion (Ballymurtagh) with approval of John Howard Ryan (Paris).
[9 December 1841]

- Ms. 29,767(21) Assignment of the lands of Ballymurtagh for £490 from John Howard Ryan (Paris) to Rev Wm. Edward Ryan (London).
[13 June 1844]
- Ms. 29,767(22) Mortgage of the mine of Ballymurtagh from the Hibernian Mining to John Barton et al.
[19 December 1844]
- Ms. 29,767(23) Abstracts of title of the Hibernian Mine Company and the Willow Copper Mine Company to Ballymurtagh mines.
[1850]
- Ms. 29,767(24) Reconveyance of Ballymurtagh mines to the Hibernian mine company (on repayment of mortgage) by John Barton et al. (2 copies)
[18 March 1850]
- Ms. 29,767(25) Lease by Rev W. E. Ryan (Chelmsford, Essex) to Bernard Burke (farmer and miner) of 5 ac. of Castlemacadam for £5 p.a. on a year-to-year tenancy.
[27 September 1851]
- Ms. 29,767(26) Memorandum of agreement to sell the lands of Ballymurtagh between Rev. Wm. E. Ryan and Edward Wright.
[21 October 1852]
- Ms. 29,767(27) Conveyance for £3,500 of the lands of Ballymurtagh (66 acres) by Rev. Wm. E. Ryan to Nathaniel Hone and Edward Wright. (2 copies)
[29 October 1852]
- Ms. 29,767(28) Negative search in the registry of deeds for acts of Rev. Wm. E. Ryan affecting the lands of Ballymurtagh.
[1852]
- Ms. 29,767(29) Note re judgement of £400 by a bank against Rev. Wm. E. Ryan (London)
[1852]
- Ms. 29,767(30) Assignment of the lands of Ballymurtagh from Nathaniel Hone and Edward Wright to the Wicklow Copper Mine Company.
[21 September 1851]
- Ms. 29,767(31) Assignment of leases of Ballymurtagh mines from Maziere Brady et al to the Wicklow Copper Mine Company.
[19 July 1861]

- Ms. 29,767(32) Memorandum of agreement between the Wicklow Copper Mine Company and the Hibernian Mine Company to amalgamate (2 copies)
[12 July 1862]
- Ms. 29,767(33) Abstract of title of the Hibernian Mine Company to the mines of Ballymurtagh.
[20 July 1863]
- Ms. 29,767(34) Lease by the Wicklow Copper Mine Company to Susan Grafton of dwelling house of Ballymurtagh for six months.
[11 May 1867]
- Ms. 29,767(35) Lease by the Wicklow Copper Mine Company to John Nolan (farmer) of 36 acres of Ballymurtagh for 21 years at £22 rent p.a.
[12 February 1869]
- Ms. 29,767(36) Statement re the Ballymurtagh mines and the Wicklow Copper Mine Company (especially re disputes between the Ryan family and the Hibernian Mine Company).
[24 October 1870]
- Ms. 29,767(37) Marriage settlement of Rev. Richard C. Hallows and Mary Coltis.
[25 September 1878]
- Ms. 29,767(38) Conveyance from Viscount Powerscourt to Thomas Ryan and K.H. Hallows, of Ballygahan, Kilqueeny and Ballymacadam for £12,367.
[26 April 1880]
- Ms. 29,767(39) Surrender by Rev. George Nicholson et al of their interest in Ballygahan to Thomas Ryan and K.H. Hallows.
[9 February 1881]
- Ms. 29,767(40) Surrender by James Wright and Henry Robinson to Thomas Ryan and K.H. Hallows of their licence to search for minerals at Ballygahan.
[29 September 1881]
- Ms. 29,767(41) Agreement by the Wicklow Copper Mine Company to sell these premises, lands and good will to the Arklow Manure Company.
[29 October 1886]
- Ms. 29,767(42) Conveyance by Wicklow Copper Mine Company to the Arklow Manure Company of Ballymurtagh, Ferrybank and part of Tinnahask (include maps).
[14 December 1886]

- Ms. 29,767(43) Certificate of incorporation of the Wicklow Copper Company.
[31 August 1886]
- Ms. 29,767(44) Winding up of the Arklow Manure Company.
[26 August 1887]
- Ms. 29,767(45) Will of John Hodge (Ballymurtagh) mining engineer. (Copy)
[1888]
- Ms. 29,767(46) Order fixing fair rent of James Kavanagh's holding from the Wicklow
Copper Mine Company.
[24 July 1888]
- Ms. 29,767(47) Conveyance of Ballymurtagh, Ferrybank and part of Tinnahask from Arklow
Manure Company to William Mulrooney (Hazelwood, Dundrum, Dublin)
for £11,000.
[25 August 1888]
- Ms. 29,767(48) Conveyance from Wm. Mulrooney to Edward Breslin (Bray) of
Ballymurtagh, Ferrybank and part of Tinnahask.
[17 February 1891]
- Ms. 29,767(49) Lease by Edward Breslin to Patrick Merrigan of 68 ac. of Ballymurtagh.
[30 December 1892]
- Ms. 29,767(50) Probate of the will of Edward Breslin (Royal Marine Hotel, Bray).
[30 September 1897]
- Ms. 29,767(51) Agreement by E.H. Breslin (Bray) to allow Edmund Spargo (Liverpool),
mining engineer to search for ochre of Ballymurtagh for 3 years, (2 copies).
[23 October 1897]
- Ms. 29,767(52) Renunciation by J. Cope and R. Valentine of their appointment in executions
of E. Breslin's will.
[12 August 1899]
- Ms. 29,767(53) High Court order in the case of Pim brothers vs. E. Breslin.
[7 November 1898]
- Ms. 29,767(54) Release by Royal Bank of Ireland of £200 charge on Breslin's Royal Marine
Hotel (Bray).
[26 April 1902]
- Ms. 29,767(55) Plan of the work of the Irish Ochre and Mineral Company (Ballygahan).

- [n.d] [c.1900?]
- Ms. 29,767(56) Abstract of title of Albert Breslin to the Ballymurtagh mines.
[1901]
- Ms. 29,767(57) Sale brochure of the lands of Shankill, Shanganagh, Ballymurtagh,
Ferrybank and Tinnahast (part).
[10 January 1902]
- Ms. 29,767(58) High Court order in the case of Cope vs. Breslin.
[31 January 1902]
- Ms. 29,767(59) Conveyance by Edward Breslin to Benj. Newgass of the lands of
Ballymurtagh and Ballygahan.
[14 May 1902]
- Ms. 29,767(60) Lease of mineral rights of Ballygahan from Mrs. Mary E. Hallowses to Benj.
Newgass.
[3 July 1902]
- Ms. 29,767(61) Negative searches of registry of deeds for acts affecting lands of
Ballymurtagh by E. Breslin or T. Ryan.
[1902]
- Ms. 29,767(62) Appointments of trustees in the case of Rev. R. C. Hallowses.
[3 April 1905]
- Ms. 29,767(63) Lease by Benj. Newgass to A.C. MacGregor of the mines of Ballymurtagh.
[3 April 1905]
- Ms. 29,767(64) Copy of Chancery Order re trustees of Rev. R.C. Hallowses.
[13 February 1905]
- Ms. 29,767(65) Conveyance by R.C. Hallowses and K.R. Hallowses to Benj. Newgass of the
mines of Ballygahan for £3,125.
[27 February 1906]
- Ms. 29,767(66) Acknowledgement of production of document, R.C. Hallowses to Benj.
Newgass.
[5 March 1906]
- Ms. 29,767(67) Agreement by B. Newgass to lease Ballygahan lower on 11-month system to
Julian Dunne (Tinnahask), for grazing only (and subsequent letters).
[6 June 1906]

- Ms. 29,767(68) Surrender of lease of Ballygahan from Mrs. Sarah Winder to Benj. Newgass.
[6 May 1907]
- Ms. 29,767(69) Negotiations with Edmund Spargo (Liverpool) re purchase of his ¼ share in
Ballygahan and Ballymurtagh mines.
[1899-1908]
- Ms. 29,767(70) Agreement by B. Newgass with the Irish Ochre and Mineral's Company, not
to raise ore at Ballygahan.
[30 March 1900]
- Ms. 29,767(71) Agreement between G.T. Usher and Irish Ochre and Mineral's Company to
form a new company.
[7 April 1915]
- Ms. 29,767(72) Memorandum and articles of association of the Irish Ochre and Mineral's
Company.
[15 May 1915]
- Ms. 29,767(73) Lease by Irish Ochre Via Cellia Company of right to raise ochre at
Ballygahan.
[6 June 1915]
- Ms. 29,767(74) Material concerning land commission and the Ballymurtagh mines.
[1927]
- Ms. 29,768(75) Correspondence re reversing lease of saw mills (Ballygahan) to Irish Ochre.
[1927]
- Ms. 29,767(76) Lease of the sawmills (Ballygahan) by Benjamin Newgass to Irish Ochre and
right to raise ochre.
[28 April 1927]
- Ms. 29,767(77) Deed of ratification and release re Ballymurtagh mines, between B.
Newgass, Lord French, Irish Ochre and General Investors.
[1 March 1928]
- Ms. 29,767(78) Irish Land Commission's and leases by General Investors to Andrew
Merrigan and Matthew Kavanagh (Ballymurtagh).
[26 October 1928]
- Ms. 29,767(79) Statement of claim in High Court, Irish Ochre vs. Mineral Grinding
Company.

- [17 February 1930]
- Ms. 29,767(80) Proceedings in case of Irish Ochre vs. Mineral Grinding Company
[29 September 1930]
- Ms. 29,767(81) High Court judgement in the case of Irish Ochre vs. Mineral Grinding Company.
[21 July 1931]
- Ms. 29,767(82) List of deeds and documents sent by Irish Ochre to Reeves & Son.
[26 October 1938]
- Ms. 29,767(83) Surrender of lease of Ballygahan by Irish Ochre to General Investors.
[14 December 1938]
- Ms. 29,767(84) List of properties (Ballygahan and Ballymurtagh) and tenants names, rents, and rates.
[31 March 1939]
- Ms. 29,767(85) Particulars of sale of (Ballygahan and Ballymurtagh) by General Investors.
[May 1939]
- Ms. 29,767(86) Further particulars of sale of Ballygahan and Ballymurtagh.
[14 June 1939]
- Ms. 29,767(87) Catalogue of the modern plant, machinery and accessories to be sold by public auction at the Avoca Ochre works.
[14 June 1939]
- Ms. 29,767(88) Statutory declaration of Henry Roper re General Investors.
[8 September 1939]
- Ms. 29,767(89) Sale brochures and associated material re Ballygahan and Ballymurtagh.
[1939]
- Ms. 29,767(90) Rates paid on Ballygahan and Ballymurtagh.
[1939]
- Ms. 29,767(91) Certified copy of O.S. 6" map (1900.ed) showing location of Ballymurtagh and Ballygahan copper mine.
[1939]
- Ms. 29,767(92) Miscellaneous correspondence of General Investors.
[1939-41]

Ms. 29,767(93)	Requisition of title, Via Cellia Colour Company.	[21 March 1940]
Ms. 29,767(94)	Probate of will of Benj. Newgass (Sussex).	[21 March 1940]
Ms. 29,767(95)	Conveyance of Ballymurtagh from executors of B. Newgass to General Investors.	[28 June 1940]
Ms. 29,767(96)	Undertaking by Frank Byrne (Ballygahan) to join in any conveyance of Belmont.	[1940]
Ms. 29,767(97)	Conveyance by Via Cellia Colour Company to Frank Byrne of lands in Ballygahan.	[1940]