

Papers of Br Jerome F. Byrne, Superior General, Patrician Brothers

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Administrative & Biographical History	Br Jerome (1864-1946) was born as Francis Byrne at Ballymacrow, Hacketstown, Co. Wicklow. He entered the Patrician Brothers at Tullow, Co. Carlow, in 1875 and was professed in 1882. He taught at several Irish primary schools before transferring to the Indian Province in 1893. Br Jerome was a member of the Indian Provincial Council for most of his time there and was elected Superior General in 1906, holding this position until 1919. Following this, he remained in Ireland and served as a teacher until retirement. Br Jerome died at Lombard Street Monastery, Galway, on 2 May 1946.
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Content & Structure	
Scope & Content	This collection mainly contains letters. There is a good deal of correspondence between Br Jerome and the leaders of the Indian and Australian Provinces. A frequent topic is the shortage of Brothers available to communities, which is given a number of times as the reason for declining filiation requests. The effects of the First World War on travel and the availability of male teachers are also touched on. There is also correspondence with Dr John Hagan (1873-1930), a past pupil of the Patrician Brothers and Vice Rector, Irish College, Rome, who was appointed agent to the Patrician Brothers in Rome. This role involved acting as an intermediary for the Brothers with the Holy See.
Arrangement	• Holy See ◦ Sacred Congregation for the Propagation of the Faith ◦ Popes ◦ Sacred Congregation for Religious ◦ Dr John Hagan, Agent to the Patrician Brothers in Rome • Filiation requests • Theatine Fathers • Centenary of the foundation of the Patrician Brothers

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