

Papers of Thomas (Tommy) Clarke

Identity Statement	
Reference Code	IE DA P9
Title	Papers of Thomas (Tommy) Clarke
Creation Dates	1805-2011
Level of Description	Fonds
Extent & Medium	292 items
Context	
Biographical History	Tommy Clarke was a native of Carlow town and a local historian. He worked for the Department of Posts & Telegraphs and An Post (1944-1994), where, amongst other roles, he was a postman and driving instructor. In 2001, he was made an honorary life member of Carlow Historical and Archaeological Society. Tommy Clarke died on 19 January 2011.
Immediate Source of Acquisition	Deposited by the Clarke Family, 2012.
Content & Structure	
Scope & Content	The collection reflects Tommy Clarke's interest in the history of Carlow town and county: principally, the medieval and early modern eras, placenames and archaeology. The collection includes many handwritten notes and copy material arising from research at various repositories, for instance, copies of excerpts from publications, manuscript documents and Carlow newspapers dating from the eighteenth-twentieth centuries. The collection contains memorials of Carlow-related indentures registered at the Registry of Deeds, Dublin; correspondence with National Museum of Ireland officials about archaeological remains and finds in Carlow; newspaper clippings on the themes of crime and justice, and some regarding Carlow Gaol; texts of Carlow-related poems; copies of Down Survey and other maps; copies of various published papers on the history of Carlow; issues of local history journals, including <i>Carloviana</i>, the journal of Carlow Historical

	and Archaeological Society; and an account of an ambush at Graney, County Kildare, October 1922.
Arrangement	The collection was largely arranged in files/folders on receipt by the Archive. Some files are thematic whereas others are varied. Original order has been maintained throughout. Many files contain undated copy items. Items have been assigned simple consecutive numbers.
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