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## A List of Dominicans in Ireland, 1817

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The list or *catalogus* of Dominicans in Ireland presented here is a type of document which is as useful as it is unusual. At one stroke it provides invaluable data for the local historian and lends a solid statistical basis to the formation of general historical judgments. Comparison of this list with the Netterville *catalogus* of 1767 (published in the last number of this journal) brings home forcefully the fact that the number of Dominicans in Ireland was halved in fifty years, dropping from 155 in 1767 to 77 in 1817. Every Order in Ireland suffered the same decline: they were unable to receive and train sufficient candidates; many of their members were placed in parishes by the bishops; and (for such as remained in community) life was made impossible by the withholding of faculties and prohibition of the quest.

The 1817 list was written by the provincial, Francis O'Shaughnessy, on the back of a long letter in Latin which he wrote to the Master General from Kilkenny on 17 June 1817. Since both the letter and the list bore on an Irish Dominican dispute then being considered by the Congregation de Propaganda Fide, the General forwarded them to the Congregation, in whose archives they are now to be found. The archival location of the list is APF, CP 152, f. 85r. The list has never been published before: indeed, until a few months ago, it was not known to exist.

It is noticeable that in 1817 a high proportion of the priests of the province bore the name John. Fr Luke Taheny suggests that Fr O'Shaughnessy, like a later provincial in 1832, called his subjects John when ignorant of their proper names. For this reason, whenever there is no doubt of identity, the correct name has been supplied in brackets after "Joannes". The religious names of some other priests have likewise been added or corrected. Another helpful comment has come from Fr Benedict O'Sullivan who noticed the omission of Fr Bartholomew Shine, nominally of the Tralee community, who in 1817 was pastor of Brosna near Castleisland, Co. Kerry. Obviously,

one cannot be certain that the list is complete, nor even that everyone named in it was still alive when it was compiled.

### **Catalogus Fratrum Ordinis Praedicatorum Provinciae Hiberniae**

#### **IN NATIONE LAGENIAE:**

In Conventu Dublinii sunt sex:

Fr Gulielmus Vincentius Harold, P.G. et Prior.

A.R.P. Patritius Gibbons, S.T.M. et ex-Provincialis.

Fr Patritius A. Walsh, Supprior et P.G.

Fr Stephanus O'Kelly, Fr Joannes Gavan, Fr Joannes Brookes.

Et extra Conventum sex:

Fr Dyonisius O'Ferrall, S.T.Praes. et Monial. Pontan. Vicarius.

Fr Laurentius Plunkett. Fr Joannes Cunningham.

Fr Petrus Magennis, S.T.M. Fr Edmondus Cruise, S.T.M.

Fr Joannes Walker, S.T.Praes.

Missioni saeculari in Dioec. Dublinii inserviunt 5:

Fr Joannes Smith, S.T.Praes. Fr Joannes [Rochus] Macabe.

Fr Jacobus Carey. Fr Thomas Murray. Fr Josephus Ham,  
S.T.M.

In conventu Nasensi 1:

Fr Patritius Moore, S.T.M.

In conventu Athyensi 2:

Fr Joannes Kennelly, P.G. et Prior. Fr Joannes [Guala] Brenan.

In conventu Kilkenniae 2:

Fr Joannes Prendergast, Vic. Fr Edmondus Magrath.

Missioni saec. in comitatu Midensi inserviunt 5:

Fr Patritius Hitchcock. Fr Joannes [Jacobus] Hope.

Fr Bernardus Coffy, S.T.Praes. Fr Joannes [Laurentius] Shaw,  
et Fr Joannes Tighe.

In Collegio saeculari apud Carlow:

Fr Andreas Fitz Gerald.

In conventu Longfordensi duo:

Fr Bernardus Keenan, S.T.Praes. et Fr Joannes Bannon.

#### **IN NATIONE CONATIAE:**

In conventu Athenriensi sunt sex, nempe:

Fr Franciscus O'Shaughnessy, S.T.M. et Prior Provincialis.

Fr Jacobus Coghlan, S.T.Praes. et Prior.

Fr Edvardus Brown. Fr Martinus Pattoun, P.G. et Magister  
Novitiorum.

Fr Michael Calligy, P.G. Fr Augustinus Dwyer et Fratres  
Joannes [Patritius Thomas] Dunn et Patritius [Lucas D.]  
Dempsy, Novitii.

Missioni saecul. inservit:

Fr Lucas Lydon.

In conventu Galviensi sunt quatuor:

A.R.P. Jacobus French, S.T.M. et Prior.

Fr Joannes Fallon, P.G. et Supprior.

Fr Jacobus Langan, S.T.Praes. et Fr Franciscus Bodkin.

In conventu Portumnensi sunt tres:

Fr Petrus Rush, P.G. et Prior. Fr Ricardus Barry.

Fr Carolus . . . [Kelly] . . . [torn].

In conventu Sligoensi sunt duo:

Fr Edvardus Rochfort, P.G. et Prior.

Fr Joannes [Jacobus] Gilgan.

In comitatu Roscommonensi sunt duo missioni saecul.

inservientes, nempe:

Fr Bartholomaeus Kielty et Fr Joannes Byrne.

In conventu Stradensi sunt tres:

Fr Edmondus Clarke, Prior.

Fr Joannes Horan, et Fr Petrus MacNicolas.

IN ULTONIA:

In conventu Pontanensi sunt tres:

Fr Joannes [Jacobus] Connolly, S.T.Praes.

Fr Joannes [Patritius Thomas] Barron, Vic. Fr Marcus Noulan.

In conventu Coleranensi est unus:

Fr ——— Duffy, Prior.

Missioni saeculari inserviunt septem:

Fr Georgius Mohun, S.T.M. et ex-Provincialis.

Fr [Joannes?] McDonnell. Fr [Daniel] Conwell.

Fr [Michael?] Quin. Fr Higgins, Derriensis.

Fr R.P.Fr [Patritius] Halligan, S.T.M. Fr ——— McPherson.

MOMONIA:

In conventu Limericensi sunt quinque, nempe:

Fr Josephus Harrigan, P.G. et Prior.

Fr Joannes Ryan, P.G. et Rector Collegii Ulissip.

Fr Michael Quin. Fr Joannes O'Regan et Fr Patritius Mulquin.

In conventu Corcagiensi sunt quatuor, nempe:

Fr Dyonisius Lean, S.T.M. et Prior.

Fr Patritius Lonergan, P.G. et Supprior.

Fr Joannes O'Connor.

Fr Augustinus Tuohy—nondum ad Sacr. Ord. promotus.

Missioni saecul. inserviunt in Dioec. Corcagiensi quatuor:  
 Fr Edmundus Burke, P.G. Fr. Dominicus O'Gara, P.G.  
 Fr Joannes [Michael] Cavanagh. Fr Joannes Milqueeny.  
 In conventu Waterfordensi est unus, nempe:  
 Fr Bernardus McDermott, P.G. et Prior.

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