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## INTRODUCTION

The last two issues of *Collectanea Hibernica* contain biographical notices of friars associated with the Dominican colleges at Lisbon and Louvain before 1700. This third article attempts to do the same for the only other continental college of the province: the twin convents of SS Sixtus and Clement at Rome. Since the friars did not gain possession of these houses until 1677, some fifty years after their establishment at Louvain and Lisbon, the number of priests and students is accordingly less. However, on the recommendation of Fr Ignatius Fennessy, O.F.M., some notices of Irish Dominicans at Rome before 1677 are here included. They constitute a preliminary section of this article, their names appearing in chronological order to show which of them were in Rome at any given time.

From the study of these 'precursors' of the foundation made in 1677, it is evident that there were several Irish friars, mostly students, at the Minerva between 1627 and 1650. While details of their studies are known to survive in the archive of the Minerva, certainly in the *Liber Collegii, 1603-43*, this source of information is not at present open to inspection. One also notices, at least for the years 1627-50, an unbroken series of friars who were officially the Roman agents of the province. Others lived either at the Minerva, headquarters of the order, or at S. Sisto, whether as teachers, students, refugees, or delegates to general chapters. Irish friars who were certainly in Italy, though not at Rome, have been excluded from the following lists. They became quite numerous during the Cromwellian upheaval of the 1650s, the persecution of 1674, and following the defeat of James II at the Boyne in 1690. During the 1690s, there were at least ten Irish friars in various convents far from Rome, usually in northern Italy.

The best and most recent account of SS Sixtus and Clement is by the late Leonard E. BOYLE, *San Clemente Miscellany, I, The community of SS. Sisto e Clemente in Rome, 1677-1977* (Rome, 1977).

BOYLE offers a list of successive priors, far better than any earlier one and entirely original from the year 1770. Curiously he indicates that three of the early priors died in office, whereas in fact two survived the experience. His researches (up to 1700) are slightly improved upon in the new list of priors attempted below. The similar list of regents and lectors now supplied has not been attempted before. Both lists use scattered details from the registers of the masters general at S. Sabina (AGOP IV) but are still clearly open to improvement. For the general background the reader will also find some points of interest in an article of my own on Ambrose MacDermott, bishop of Elphin (1707-1717), who taught at S. Sisto and was closely involved in its affairs. The appropriate reference is given in the entry devoted to him below.

The earliest conventual records are unfortunately poor. The 'Book of receptions and professions, 1676-1792', already edited in *Collect. Hib.*, xiv (1971), 13-35, mentions only three Irish candidates for the habit prior to 1700, although there were several Irish witnesses to the reception of each. The council-book (now SCAR, no. 37) covers the years 1659-1749. This was used by the Italian community up to December 1671, but then unaccountably laid aside for seventeen years until their Irish successors made an entry of their own, on the same page, in July 1689. The house-council seldom met, and there is no entry whatever between 1691 and 1697. As for the *studium*, the earliest record dates only from 1701. One cannot even turn to Mass-books or account-books before 1700, since none survives.

For lack of good conventual records, one turns naturally to the ordination registers of the diocese of Rome. The list published from this source by B. EGAN, O.F.M. and others, ('Irish students ordained in Rome, 1625-1710', in *I.E.R.*, lxi, no. 8 (1943), 116-24), reveals no Irish Dominican ordained at Rome before 1678. Even personal research failed to discover any before 1636. More recent investigation found twenty-four candidates ordained between 1675 and 1699, thirteen of whom are not on Egan's list. It also enabled one to eliminate from EGAN's account no fewer than ten Dominicans who were in fact either English or Italian. These printed extracts from the registers are, from about 1683, so incomplete as to omit even a substantial number of friars from St Isidore's, and must be done again. All such entries from 1698 to 1800 have more recently been edited in *Archiv. Hib.*, l (1996) and li (1997).

If the Irish Dominicans acquired a house at Rome in 1677, so too did their English confrères who moved into the convent of SS John and Paul in the very same year. The two groups were almost next-door neighbours in what was then practically open country outside the city. Unfortunately, the English community were abruptly

expelled by the pope in September 1697, partly because their number had dropped to only five. The late Fr Godfrey Anstruther wrote an excellent biographical article on this community: 'The English Dominicans at Rome', in *Archivum Fratrum Praedicatorum*, xxix (1959), 168-99. He used an unusual source of information: the annual parish census returned to the Lateran by each parish priest of Rome. These are known as the *Libri status animarum sacrosanctae basilicae Lateranensis*, still available at the archives of the *Vicariato*, and now used with respect to S. Sisto, in the parish of S. Giovanni in Laterano, to compile the table set out below. The unusually high number of 'priests' in 1681 and 1699, and the corresponding absence of 'novices', is due to the fact that in those years the 'novices' were not listed separately. The same record notes only one priest and one brother – and often only a brother – resident at San Clemente. That church must generally have been served from San Sisto.

<i>Year</i>	<i>Priests</i>	<i>Novices</i>	<i>Brothers</i>	<i>Servants</i>	<i>Total</i>
1678	8	6	4	1	19
1679	6	4	6		16
1680	9	6	8		23
1681	18		7		25
1682	7	3	3		13
1683	8	4	3		15
1684	8	4	3		15
1685	8	4	2	1	15
1686	7	3	3		13
1687	7	3	3		13
1688	7	3	3		13
1689	10	4	2		16
1690	10	4	2		16
1691	6	6	3		15
1692	6	6	2	1	15
1693	11	1	1		13
1694	9	3	1		13
1695	4	6	3		13
1696	5	3	2		10
1697	7	3	1		11
1698	10	2	1		13
1699	17	2	3		22
1700	11	3	5	1	20

*Sources and abbreviations used:*

AGOP = Archivum generale ordinis praedicatorum, at S. Sabina, Rome.

ANSTRUTHER = G. ANSTRUTHER, *A hundred homeless years: English Dominicans, 1558-1658* (London, 1958).

APF = Archives of Propaganda Fide.

'Book of receptions': see FENNING.

BOYLE = L. BOYLE, *San Clemente Miscellany I* (Rome, 1977).

BURKE, Edmund, *Journal*. Unpublished MS of c. 1710 in AGOP XIII. 65159. Contains copies of documents from the archives of H. Cross, Louvain.

BURKE, W. P., *Irish priests in the penal times, 1660-1760* (Waterford, 1914).

Council-book = Council book of S. Sisto, 1659-1749. Used by the Italian community up to December 1671; continued by the Irish friars, on the same page, only from 26 July 1689. Now SCAR 37.

EGAN, B., C. GIBLIN and C. MCGRATH, 'Irish students ordained in Rome, 1625-1710' in *I.E.R.*, 5th series, lxi, no. 8 (1943), 116-24. No Dominican appears before 1678 in this edition; for the period 1675-99 it is quite incomplete.

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— — 'The book of receptions and professions of SS. Sixtus and Clement in Rome, 1676-1792' in *Collect. Hib.*, xiv (1971), 13-35.

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- — *The Irish Dominican province, 1698-1797* (Dublin, 1990).
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GIBLIN, C., ‘The *Processus Datariae* and the appointment of Irish bishops in the 17th century’ in Franciscan Fathers (ed.), *Father Luke Wadding commemorative volume* (Dublin, 1957), pp 508-616.

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*Hib. Dom.* = Thomas de Burgo, *Hibernia Dominicana* (Cologne, 1762); *Supplementum* (1772). Reprinted together in 1970 (Gregg, England).

IDA = Irish Dominican archives, St Mary’s Priory, Tallaght, Dublin 24.

IDP = FENNING, *Irish Dominican province*.

*Liber Provinciae* = Unpublished register in IDA. Annual lists of the personnel of every house in Ireland, 1683-8, and sporadically thereafter from 1691 to 1701.

*Liber studiorum* = *Liber de ratione studiorum SS Sixti et Clementis, 1701-43*. Unpublished register in AGOP XI. 3600.

MG = *magister generalis*: master general.

MOPH = *Monumenta ordinis praedicatorum historica*, xii (Rome, 1902).

NILIS, J., 'The Irish College Antwerp' in *Clogher Record*, xv, 3 (1996), 1-86.

O'HEYNE = A. COLEMAN, (ed.), *The Irish Dominicans of the seventeenth century by Father John O'Heyne. First published at Louvain in 1706* (Dundalk, 1902).

PG = *Praedicator generalis*: preacher general.

SCAR = Archives of S. Clemente, Rome.

*Spicil. Ossor.* = MORAN, P., *Spicilegium Ossoriense* (Dublin, 1874-84), 3 vols. Includes (iii, 359-61) a list by John T. Troy of the 'Priors of San Clemente, 1677-1777'.

STL = *Sacrae theologiae lector*: lecturer in sacred theology.

STP = *Sacrae theologiae praesentatus*: bachelor of sacred theology.

STM = *Sacrae theologiae magister*: master of sacred theology.

### Irish Dominicans at Rome before 1677

**1561. Crean**, Andrew, of Sligo, accompanied by **Eugene O'Hart**, also of Sligo, goes to Rome; the first to be named bp of Elphin; the second recommended by David Wolfe, S.J. at Limerick. Both recommended by their vicar provincial. (12 Oct. 1561). P. MORAN, *History of the Catholic archbishops of Dublin* (Dublin, 1864), pp 418-19.

**1571. O'Fergus**, Cormac, provincial. Attended general chapter at Rome, 1571. Arrested in Tipperary on his return. FLYNN, 53-7.

**1577. MacDuane**, Thaddeus. Came to Rome as prior of Sligo seeking redress for vexation at the hands of nobles and clergy. FLYNN, 83-6.

**1600-11. Burke**, John Chrysologus. Named penitentiary at St Mary Major's for the jubilee year, 1600. Passed to the Minerva in April 1602 but returned to the Penitentiary in Aug. 1605 and stayed there until his death in 1611. A. Zucchi, *La S. Penitenzeria Apostolica e l'ordine di S. Domenico* (Florence, 1942), pp 92-3.

**1613. MacTeig**, Patrick. Also MacKeige, Thaddei, Taighius. A son of Coleraire; student-priest at Salamanca, 1597-1601. Imprisoned both in Dublin and London [1602-04], from which exiled to the continent. Assigned to the Minerva, June 1613. Chaplain at Rome to the earl of Tyrone, 1615. FLYNN, 195-6. A witness at Rome, Jan. 1629, when Roch MacGeoghegan, O.P. was recommended for a diocese; MacTeig had known MacGeoghegan at Salamanca, in Ireland, and in Flanders. GIBLIN, '*Processus Datariae*', 550. At Antwerp on 9 Sept 1629. *Archiv. Hib.*, xv (1950), 3. Rector at Louvain, 1630-1; died soon after in Flanders. Notice in FENNING, 'Louvain', 159-60, to which add details from GIBLIN.

**1626-7. O'Connor**, Michael of the Holy Spirit, STM. Usually without a surname. Sent from Louvain to Rome, 8 Nov. 1626, as *relator et procurator* of the province: the first to fill that office. APF, SOCG 129, ff 313, 316. Propaganda attended to three of his petitions on behalf of Louvain (April-Nov. 1627). APF, SOCG 387, ff 146, 313-26, 403, 408. Assigned in Sept. 1627 as lector of philosophy to St Aegidius at Prague, but his Roman work continued into November and proved successful. Named STM, June 1629. FLYNN, 221, 329. Leaving Prague, passed through London *en route* to Connacht, 1631. Definitor for Ulster at the chapter in Kilkenny, 1643; often prior of Sligo. The general chapter of 1644 named him a judge of questing limits in Ulster. *MOPH*, xii, 162. Greatly praised by O'HEYNE (237-9): 'by his exertions our friars were restored in Ulster, despite a very strong resistance. He died a very old man.' His death noticed by the chapter of 1688. FENNING, *Acta*, 69. Notice in FENNING, 'Louvain', 129, to which add all details after 1637.

**1627-34. Burke**, Oliver, STM. A son of Galway convent; studied at Burgos in Spain. From 1627 a collegial student at the Minerva, Rome, while simultaneously negotiating with Propaganda Fide on behalf of the colleges at Louvain and Lisbon. In autumn 1632, conducted a visitation of the English province, paying a helpful visit to the provincial in the Clink at London. ANSTRUTHER, 135-6. Continued at Rome to 1634 as procurator of the province. APF, SOCG 388, ff 3-6; 389, ff 341-8. Vicar apostolic of Kilmacduagh, 28 Nov. 1629 to March 1647. Rector of the college at Louvain, 1634 to Dec. 1636. Brother of John Burke, bp of Clonfert, for whom acted as vic. gen. in the 1640s. Although opposed to Rinuccini's censures, sent from Galway in Mar. 1651 as an envoy to the pope. Died in 1672 aged seventy-four. Notice in FENNING, 'Louvain', 122-23. See also B. MILLETT, 'Ninety candidates proposed for Irish dioceses, c. 1665', in *Catholic Survey*, ii, no. 1 (Spring 1955), 123-4; and GIBLIN, '*Processus Datariae*', 549.



**1628-39. Burke, Dominic, STM.** Son of Athenry. Born c. 1603, 'of the family of Clanrickarde'. Studied at Bologna, according to his grand-nephew O'HEYNE, 173. Certainly a collegial student at the Minerva from 1628, where retained after studies as lector of theology and confessor. *Collect. Hib.*, xiii (1970), 36. One of four proposed by MG for the Scottish mission, Sept. 1633. *Archiv. Hib.*, xxii (1959), 74. Remained in fact at Rome as *procurator provinciae* in succession to Oliver Burke (*q. v.*) 1634-9. Petitioned Propaganda about Scotland (1635) and Louvain (1636). Submitted reports on the clergy of Connacht and Ardfert, 1637. Texts in *Archiv. Hib.*, xiv (1949), 18-22. Complained at length (1639) about harassment of Dominicans by Armagh, Kilmore and the Franciscans. APF, SOCG 400, ff 127, 140, 144, 570. Between 1638 and 1640 a candidate for Clonfert, Killala and Achonry. Sent to London (1639) to compose differences among English Dominicans; carried out a visitation and appointed a new vicar-general there. ANSTRUTHER, 158, 165-6. After two years in London, where patronised by the marchioness of Winchester, reached Ireland in 1641. FLYNN, 285; *Archiv. Hib.*, xviii (1955), 127-8, 135. By 1642 elected prior of his native Athenry, being now an STM, and had a second three-year term. Did much for studies and church-fabric there. Served also for a year as vicar-provincial. Confessor to Lord Ulick Burke, marquess of Clanrickarde. Considering the war unjust, signed at Dublin (Dec. 1646) his approval of the Ormond Peace and refused Rinuccini's citation to Kilkenny. Almost the only Dominican to oppose the nuncio, but repented of his opposition by Oct. 1648. M. J. HYNES, *The mission of Rinuccini* (Dublin, 1932), 128, 234; FLYNN, 303. Other details in O'HEYNE, his grand-nephew, 171, 173.

**1629, 1634. Lynch, Nicholas, STM.** Son of Galway. Son of Nicholas Lynch Fitzstephen Fitzarthur, head of Galway corporation in 1628; brother of Sir Henry Lynch, recorder of Galway. A student, firstly at St Patrick's, Lisbon, then at Salamanca before 1615. FLYNN, 100. Described in 1624 as 'the chief father' of the Dominican order 'a very learned man and of great estimation among them', just then come from Spain with money for a Spanish invasion. Prior of Galway, 1626. Elected provincial at Sligo, 1627. Applied to Propaganda for various favours for the province, autumn 1627. FLYNN, 275-6. Presided at a provincial chapter in Athenry, Feb. 1629. Travelled to Rome as provincial for a general chapter (June 1629) at which named STM. His term of office was extended to 1632. Never returned to Ireland but travelled to Louvain (Sept. 1629) and Lisbon (Jan. 1632). After a further extension of his term, remained in Spain and Portugal, 1632-3. Then set out for Rome where named prior of

S. Sisto, 1 Mar. 1634. Died soon after, being buried at the Minerva, July 1634. BOYLE, 20; other details in FLYNN, 290-2. Notice in FENNING, 'Lisbon', 54, where wrongly said to have died in 1639.

The Nicholas Lynch who read philosophy and theology at the university of Paris and was permitted (April 1620) to graduate in the university of Caen, (FLYNN, 143), was probably another of the name who died at St Malo c. 1639.

**1632, 28 Oct. Augustine.** Surname unknown. An Irish friar, assigned by MG to the Minerva as a collegial student; to take effect when Dominic Burke (*q. v.*) had completed his studies. FENNING, 'Irish material', 293.

**1633. O'Ryan, Henry.** Presumably a student at the Minerva. Author at Rome of a printed *Poema encomiasticon* in 250 stanzas on the arrival of the French envoy Mareschal Charles de Crequi to visit Urban VIII. FLYNN, 123. No other trace.

**1633. O'Connell, Theodore de Pietate, STL.** Also Connell, Terence. Usually without a surname. Son of Sligo. A priest, assigned for study to the convent of Lerida in Spain, 1629. FENNING, 'Irish material', 285. Collegial student at the Minerva from 1633; took the lectorate there, 1637. Submitted three petitions to Propaganda (1637) for leave to go to Scotland. Reached London by Dec. 1639, but turned back at the Scottish border because of war. Returned to London where chaplain to the Spanish ambassador until his death in 1668. Some of his letters to Propaganda survive: on 10 Dec. 1639, calendared in *Collect. Hib.*, xii (1969), 41; on 7 Aug. 1641, in APF, SOCG 84, f. 122-3, printed in *The Seven Hills Magazine*, iii, no. 1 (June 1908), 119-20; on 31 Jan. 1642, ed. by JENNINGS in *Archiv. Hib.*, xv (1950), 9-11; during March 1652, in APF, SOCG 297, ff 150, 161<sup>v</sup>. Died 1668, leaving £300 by will to his native convent. FLYNN, 110, 286-8; O'HEYNE, 245; C. GIBLIN, 'The 'Acta' of Propaganda Archives and the Scottish mission, 1623-70' in *Innes Review*, v, no. 1 (1954), 39-76.

**1638, 12 Jan. Brady, Ambrose.** At the Minerva, professor of theology and member of community, on this date. *Collect. Hib.*, xiii (1970), 36. No other trace.

**1644. O'Brien, Blessed Terence Albert, STM.** Born at Tuogh (Towerhill), Co. Limerick, son of Murchadh O'Brien Aradh, 1601. Entered the order at Limerick, 1622. Made all his studies in Spain, probably at Toledo. Twice prior of Limerick; prior also of Lorrha.

Elected prior provincial at Kilkenny, 1643. Attended general chapter at Rome, 1644, at which named STM. Bp of Emly from 1647. GIBLIN, '*Processus Datariae*', 575-7; the Dominican witness *Bernardinus* was not 'Beirne', as printed, but Thomas O'Brien, *q. v.* Hanged after Limerick fell to Ireton, 1651. One of the first group of Irish martyrs beatified in 1992. Quite a substantial document came to light soon after; said to be the only one of its kind relating to an Irish martyr. H. FENNING, 'The last speech and prayer of Blessed Terence Albert O'Brien, bishop of Emly 1651', in *Collect. Hib.*, xxxviii (1996), 52-8; E. Walsh, 'Terence Albert O'Brien's speech from the scaffold', in *Catholic Archives*, xvii (1997), 24-7. Notice in W. SKEHAN, *Bishops of Cashel and Emly* (1990), unpublished.

**1644. Rochford, Mark, STM.** Also de Rupeforte. Son of Dublin, but native of Kildare diocese. A pupil of Fr Patrick Cahill at Dublin and related to Luke Rochford, P. P., St Audeon's; witness (as a school-boy) of the row between regular and secular, 1626-7. Took the habit at Dublin, autumn 1627. A student at the College of St Thomas, Naples on 19 April 1631, when wrote at length about the Dublin disputes in surprisingly good Latin. JENNINGS, *Wadding Papers*, 503-07. A subdeacon by 20 Sept. 1631 when assigned by MG to the convent of Atocha, Madrid. AGOP IV. 66, f. 25<sup>v</sup>. Prior of Drogheda, 1639. FLYNN, 238. While prior of Dublin left for Rome on 28 Oct. 1643 in obedience to the provincial, Terence O'Brien, *q. v.* At Rome (1644), presented an address to the pope from the citizens of Dublin, assuring him of their constancy. *Spicil. Ossor.* i, 291. Also a second letter (20 Oct. 1643) from General Thomas Preston. Definitor at Roman chapter, May 1644, at which confirmed as STM. *MOPH*, xii, 101. On 28 July 1644 wrote to Ingoli of Propaganda from La Rochelle. APF, SOCG 89, f. 233. Already at Kilkenny by 23 Aug. 1644 when wrote to Cardinal Antonio Barberini. *Archiv. Hib.*, xv (1950), 15-17. His letter concerned peace initiatives with Ormond, and the sufferings of Catholics at Cork, Youghal and Kinsale at the hands of Inchiquin; recommended Dominic Nugent, O.P. for the diocese of Kildare. From Kilkenny, intended to go next day to serve in Dublin. Still at Dublin, Dec. 1646, when theologically caught between Ormond and Rinuccini. S. KAVANAGH (ed.), *Commentarius Rinuccinianus* (Dublin, 1932), i, 500-01; ii, 411-13, 453. No later trace.

**1644, 9 July. Humbert.** Surname unknown. An Irish friar assigned by the MG as a collegial student to the college of St Thomas at the Minerva. FENNING, 'Irish material', 314.

**1646-47. O'Brien**, Thomas, STP. Also Bernardinus. Born c. 1600 in diocese of Cloyne. In Spain from c. 1621, a fellow student of T. A. O'Brien (*q. v.*) whose parents and brothers he knew (probably in the 1630s) at Tuogh, Co. Limerick. At San Pablo, Burgos, April 1626, when applied for royal viaticum to go home. Yet still a priest in Spain, 1627. FLYNN, 186, 329. Later on the mission in Co. Tipperary, since he 'said Mass several times in the cathedral of Emly' before 1647. Knew Oliver Darcy, O.P. in Ireland from 1631, especially at Drogheda and Kilkenny, where Darcy was prior; also knew his parents in Westmeath. Came to Rome (already STP) by 18 Oct. 1646 when a witness to the profession of Thos. Howard at S. Sisto. *Supplementum Hib. Dom.*, 871. Roman procurator of the province by November 1646 when obtained from the MG the assignation of three friars to convents in Munster. Some weeks later, at his request, a Fr Terence O'Brien (perhaps not the provincial of the same name) was appointed procurator of the convent of Youghal, to ensure that offerings to the image of O. Lady were applied only to that convent. Witness on 25 Jan. 1647 at the *processus datariae* for T. A. O'Brien (*q. v.*) as coadjutor of Emly. Also on 30 January with respect to Oliver Darcy, O.P., proposed for Dromore. GIBLIN, '*Processus Datariae*', 576, 580. Permitted by MG in March 1647 to leave Rome for Ireland. FENNING, 'Irish material', 319-21. In June, Propaganda turned down his earlier petition, backed by the MG, to send five friars to Scotland. *Archiv. Hib.*, xxii (1959), 130; FLYNN, 288-9.

**1646. Darcy**, Arthur. In June 1644, still a cleric, removed from the convent of S. Severo in the province of the Abruzzi and assigned to S. Maria della Sanità, Naples. At S. Sisto on 14 Mar. 1646 when permitted to receive minor orders. FENNING, 'Irish material', 314, 318. Still at S. Sisto on 18 Oct. 1646 when witnessed the profession of Thos. Howard. *Supplementum Hib. Dom.*, 871. By 1650, again resident at S. Maria della Sanità, Naples. ASV, Conventi soppressi. A priest by June 1654 when assigned by MG to S. Catherina a Formello, Naples, of the province of Lombardy; soon after allowed to transfiliate to that convent from his original one in Ireland. AGOP IV. 106, f. 8<sup>v</sup>; 100, p. 353.

A priest named Arthur Darcy alias Clay was arrested at Dublin in July 1657; still a prisoner there, Oct. 1658. *Archiv. Hib.*, vi (1917), 180.

**1647. Hyacinth** de Santa Cruce, STM. Sometimes Hyacinth 'Croce'. Born c. 1619 close to Wardenstown, Co. Westmeath. On 30 Jan. 1647, a witness at Rome with regard to Oliver Darcy, O.P., proposed for Dromore, whom he had known since his youth. GIBLIN,

'*Processus Datariae*', 580. In March 1647, approaching the end of his studies at the Minerva, Rome. In Aug. 1648 assigned as a lector to any convent in Styria. After some time at Gratz and Pettau (Hungary) became private confessor to a nobleman at Szombathely, also in Hungary. Named STM in 1658 and assigned in 1663 to Louvain. By 1664 had written a book — *Manipulus devotionis* — which he hoped to print. Permitted in 1667 to return to Ireland; already on the mission, c. April 1669. Died in Ireland before 1675. Notice in FENNING, 'Louvain', 144, to which add details from GIBLIN, above.

**1647-8. Didacus de Mira.** Also de Mera. An Irish priest allocated the first vacant place for study at the Minerva, 18 Dec. 1647. Sent to the convent of 'Agnani' [Anagni?], 5 June 1648. FENNING, 'Irish material', 323-24. Buried in the sacristy of S. Clemente, 18 Sept. 1648. SCAR, 60. The order had acquired S. Clemente from the Ambrosian monks (after their suppression) only in Oct. 1645. Five friars died in that convent between 18 Sept. and 22 Dec. 1648, presumably of plague.

**1648-9, 1656-63. Ryan,** Ambrose alias Fabian, STM. Also O'Mulryan. Of Solohead, Co. Tipperary. Studies at Lisbon. Prior of Cashel, 1644. Already STP when licenced to come to Rome, 1648. His business was the erection of a college in Cashel, about which he was advised to consult St Vincent de Paul in Paris. Promoted STM by the general chapter of 1650. Present in 1651 at the siege of Limerick, of which wrote an untraced account. Postulated as coadjutor of the archbishop of Cashel, 1652. B. MILLETT, 'Fabian Ryan, O.P., postulated as bishop by the clergy of Cashel and Emly, 1652' in *Collect. Hib.*, xxix (1987), 14-33. Permitted on 4 May 1656 to stay at Anagni until it was time for him to come to Rome for the general chapter. Permitted in 1656 to print a book (untraced) entitled *Opusculum apologeticum contra calumniam qua moderni A catholici etc.*, under the pseudonym Ambrosius de S. Patritio. At Rome in Dec. 1657 as 'Roman procurator for the exiled Irish bishops', when recommended for his 'ability, noble birth, learning, virtue and sufferings for the faith'. Signed council-book of S. Sisto, 22 Feb. 1659. Assigned, June 1659, to the convent of Centocelle in the Roman province. Still in or near Rome, 1662-63. The chapter of 1669 noted his death. FLYNN, p. 126. Notice in FENNING, 'Lisbon', 62, to which add another in W. SKEHAN, *Priests of Cashel and Emly*, i, (1990), R61.

**1649-52. O'Heyne,** Cornelius, alias Cornelius or Vincent a Purificatione. A son of Limerick; brother of Thaddeus O'Heyne,

O.P., below. O'HEYNE, 87; *Hib. Dom.*, 579. In March 1647, before ordination, assigned for study to St. Paul, Valladolid. This may not have taken effect. At the Minerva by Feb. 1649; already a priest, 29 Dec. 1649, when allocated a place among students there. FENNING, 'Irish material', 322, 331. Bp T. A. O'Brien, O.P. of Emly twice referred to him in 1649 as 'Vincent of the Purification', his '*cognatus*' and Roman agent. APF, SOCG 298, ff 705, 707, 887, 893. A lector, apparently still at Rome, when sent in 1652 to teach at Prague. AGOP IV. 102, pp 18-19. Continued teaching in Prague, Gratz, Olomouc and Litomerice to 1672. Often prior, regent and master of studies in the Dominican province of Bohemia. Appears to have worked at London from c. 1672 as companion to Christopher de Rosario, the queen's Portuguese confessor, until obliged to quit because of persecution. Transfiliated in 1673 from the Irish province to the English convent of Bornhem in Flanders. AGOP IV. 140, p. 73. STM from 1679. Worked for two years in Hanover, 1680-2. AGOP IV. 160, f. 241. Died at London, 1685, while chaplain to Queen Catherine of Braganza. Notice in GUMBLEY, 38.

**1649-52. Primrose, Patrick, STM.** A Scot by birth, but of the Irish province. Born 27 Feb. 1614, son of David P., a lawyer of Edinburgh, and Marion Purdy. Graduated there, 1631. Thought to be the student 'Patrick Primrose' who donated two books to the university of Edinburgh, 1631. Admitted as a member of the Faculty of Advocates, 1635. Proceeded to Paris; joined the order in France after 1637. Wishing to work on the Scottish mission, travelled to Rome via Lucca to obtain the approval of the MG and of Propaganda, arriving before 27 Sept. 1649. APF, SOCG 297, ff 96, 218; 365, ff 750-4, 761-4. Described by the MG as '*Scotus ex provincia Hiberniae*' on his assignation to the Minerva, 29 Dec. 1649. FENNING, 'Irish material', 331. In one petition of 1650 styled himself bachelor in theology. Prevailed on some students in Scots colleges at Rome and Douai to become Dominicans. Named vicar-general of the order in Scotland, 8 Nov. 1650. Set out for Paris, March 1652; reached Scotland in the same year only to be briefly exiled. Spent the rest of his life on the mission. The superior of the Scots mission reported in 1655 that Primrose stayed 'in Lothian, never in Angus; he is eloquent and full of zeal'. Apparently then the only Dominican in Scotland. APF, SOCG 297, f. 329<sup>f</sup>. Used the *alias* Captain Ogilvy in 1661 when active in Aberdeen area. Named STM, 1668. Wrote, but did not publish, a *Life of St Rose of Lima*. Arrested in 1670 for saying mass regularly at Kinnairdy Castle, Banffshire; released on condition that he would live abroad, but died in Scotland soon after. The privy council (March 1672) ordered the demolition of a

'superstitious monument' placed over his grave in St Peter's Chapel, parish of Botary, Aberdeen. The Irish provincial chapter of 1672 noted his death. Full account by Anthony Ross, 'Dominicans and Scotland in the seventeenth century' in *Innes Review*, xxiii, no. 1 (Spring 1972), 47-69, illustrating the donated books of 1631 and an undated chalice bearing Primrose's name. (*See extra note on p. 55*).

**1650. Tyrrell**, Maurice, STM. Son of Mullingar according to O'HEYNE (45), who says no more about him. Named STP, 1644. Prior of Gratz in Austria, Mar. 1645, when named also regent there. FENNING, 'Irish material', 313, 316. Sole Irish representative at the general chapter in Rome, 1650. *MOPH*, xii, 329. Named STM by the chapter. In 1654 transfiliated from his original Irish convent to that of St Michael, Litomerice. Both prior and regent at S. Aegidius, Prague, June 1654. AGOP IV. 102, p. 107; 101, pp 248-49. No later trace.

**1650-76. Hackett**, John Baptist, STM. Son of Cashel; native of Fethard. Uncle of William Everard of Thurles who entered Irish College, Rome, 1668. A cleric at Limerick, 1627. Assigned as a professed novice from Paris (Annunciation) to Valencia, 14 Aug. 1627. AGOP IV. 64, f. 148<sup>v</sup>. Ordained deacon and priest at Barcelona, 1630. FLYNN, 118-19. Appointed to teach theology at the Parisian novitiate in Nov. 1638, becoming a year later conventual lector at Rennes. FLYNN, 285. By 1641, teaching at Grenoble. FENNING, 'Irish material', 305. From 1644, regent of studies at S. Eustorgius, Milan. Named STM by general chapter, 1644; that degree conferred (20 Aug.) after his successful examination at Bologna. In summer 1645 was said to have taught theology at Paris, Rome, Naples and Salamanca; still regent at S. Eustorgius, which he intended to leave shortly to teach at Padua. While at Milan (Easter 1645) influenced Philip Howard, son of the earl of Arundel (and later cardinal) to join the order. *Collect. Hib.*, i (1958), 68. Deprived in consequence of his regency at Milan on 7 Oct. Named regent of the convent of St Dominic at Cagliari in Sardinia, Jan. 1646. Colourful details in ANSTRUTHER, 204-05, 215. Resident at S. Sisto, Rome, by 1650. On 6 Nov. 1651 a member of the house council at S. Sisto. SCAR, no. 20, doc. 13. Again on 22 Feb. 1659 and 11 Dec. 1661. Abruptly ordered by the MG (Feb. 1663) to leave S. Sisto at once with an assignation to Todi in Umbria. AGOP IV. 113, f. 146; 121, f. 79<sup>v</sup>. Whether this took effect or not, Hackett never published another book. Confessor and theologian to various cardinals, including Altieri, later Clement X (1670-6), but was 'too humble to accept a bishopric'. O'HEYNE, 103. Author of seven theological works,



published at Rome, 1654-1663; titles in FLYNN, 119. Died at the Minerva, Rome, 26 Aug. 1676. *Hib. Dom.*, 542-4.

**1650, 1655. O'Daly, Dominic, STM.** Also Dominic of the Rosary. Son of Tralee. Born near Castleisland, 1595. In charge of the infant college at Louvain, 1626-8. Founder of a hospice at Lisbon, later a college, 1629. Described in 1640 as 'a very tall black man who speaks very big'. ANSTRUTHER, 175. First came to Rome, from Paris, in 1650 for the general chapter during the Holy Year; also then engaged in diplomatic business both for the exiled English court and that of Portugal. B. CURTIN, 'Dominic O'Daly, an Irish diplomat' in *Studia Hibernica*, v (1965), 98-112. Applied to the Pope to ensure that recent chapter legislation in his favour not be revoked; he had spent thirty years building up two Irish houses (of which one for nuns) in Lisbon, despite the Portuguese friars who did not relish the strict observance he insisted upon. Asked that similar places be established in other countries for Irish, English and Scottish Dominicans. In England, he said, there were not eight friars, and in Scotland not four. APF, SOCG 297, ff 94, 122b<sup>v</sup>. *Archiv. Hib.*, xxii (1959), 138. In Nov. 1650 set out for Paris with Br Thomas Howard (the future cardinal), carrying letters from the MG to the exiled Queen Henrietta Maria. ANSTRUTHER, 224. In 1655 again visited Rome as an envoy to the Pope from the court of Portugal. *Archiv. Hib.*, xxvi (1963), 44. Notices in FENNING, 'Lisbon', 42; and 'Louvain', 131, to which add several references in *Comment. Rinucc.*

**1651-60. Nolan, John, STM.** A son of Kilkenny. From 1627 successively a lector at Pamplona and Rennes (1632). When named STM in 1639, had been a lector for many years in various provinces. Rector at Louvain, 1639-40. From summer 1644 active on the MG's behalf in Lithuania, and as vicar in Poland and Hungary. Thereafter in France, chiefly at Bezance which he reformed, but also at Rennes where named *magister studentium*, 1646. In 1650, advised the MG on the state of Ireland. AGOP IV. 91, f. 70<sup>f</sup>. By 1651 present at the Minerva as the agent of dissident French friars, and by 1652 a member of the MG's council. AGOP IV. 88, ff 165-67; 100, p. 56; 98, f. 135<sup>f</sup>. Named regent at the Minerva, Aug. 1653, but committed to prison, Nov. 1653, by the Roman Inquisition 'because of his views on the efficacy of divine grace'. Released by 23 Jan. 1656 thanks to the intervention of the Marquis Dasserat. AGOP IV. 112, f. 328<sup>v</sup>. Definitor for Ireland at the general chapter held at the Minerva, 1656. On his repeated abjuration of Jansenism, permitted by the H. Office in Mar. 1660 to end his days in Brittany. Prior of Plancoët in June 1661, but died in 1662. Notice in FENNING, 'Louvain', 154, to which



add details on his presence at Rome from 1651-3 and release from prison.

**1652-5. O'Heyne**, Thaddeus, STM. Son of Limerick. Brother of Cornelius O'Heyne, above, and therefore also '*cognatus*' of Bp T. O'Brien of Emly. Ordained at Lisbon, 1648. Assigned to the Minerva, 1652. In 1655 named *lector artium* at Lisbon when the next vacancy should occur. Lifelong teacher at Lisbon. Died in Ireland after 1679 while seeking postulants for the nuns of Bom Sucesso. Longer notice in FENNING, 'Lisbon', 50.

**1655. O'Connor**, Felix, STM. A son of Sligo, active in Ireland by 1643. Escaped from Inishbofin, April 1653, reaching Louvain within a month. Came as an 'exile' to Rome, accompanied by Richard O'Kelly, before 29 Jan. 1655 when authorised by the MG to quest anywhere for the support of Holy Cross. AGOP IV. 102, pp 131-2. Also obtained from Propaganda an annual subsidy for four students at H. Cross. Prior of H. Cross, c. 1655-8. Returned to Ireland by 1662. Died in prison at Sligo, 1679. Longer notice in FENNING, 'Louvain', 128-9.

**1655-7. O'Kelly**, Richard, STM. Son of Rathfran, prior of Burrishoole by 1648. Attended the clergy meeting at Jamestown (1650) as prior of Rathfran. Already STM and prior of Strade when sent to Rome with Felix O'Connor (*q.v.*) by the provincial at Louvain. Arrived in Rome an 'exile' by 29 Jan. 1655 when permitted by MG to quest for Louvain. Attended the general chapter, 1656. Remained in Rome on business – partly in relation to Rinuccini's censures, partly 'for the continuation and increase of the Louvain subsidy' – until Nov. 1657. *Hib. Dom.*, 118, 690. Pleaded with the Pope for a continental place of refuge for 500 Dominican exiles, mentioning their 28 martyrs and the 80 still in Ireland. Got nothing for all his requests, except faculties as a missionary apostolic. Waited at S. Domenico, Bologna for an answer to his petitions. On receiving an unhelpful reply (dated 16 Jan. 1658) returned before September to Louvain. Set out for Ireland c. 1660, but died soon after. Notice in FENNING, 'Louvain', 146-7, to which add *Comment. Rinucc.*, iii, 362; iv, 425, and especially *Hib. Dom.*, 118.

**1655. Bermingham**, Thomas. Listed in 1622 as 'Brimigham' (the usual pronunciation) among friars in Ireland. FLYNN, 325. Probably of Athenry, founded by Bermingham. Studied in Spain. The general chapter of 1656 gave a long account of his career. *MOPH*, xii, 473. While prior of Athy [not 'Naas', as the chapter wrongly stated],

caused the siege of the town by General Preston [Sept. 1648] to be raised by prayer alone. This incident fully described in J. T. GILBERT (ed.), *A contemporary history of affairs in Ireland, 1641-52* (Dublin, 1879), i, 255-6; ii, 26, 46. A man of great holiness, austerity and learning. Later captured and brought in a Franciscan habit to a Dublin prison. Sentenced to deportation to the Barbadoes, but on payment by Constantine and Phelim O'Neill and Hugh O'Rourke, was exiled instead to Spain. Came old to Rome in 1655, visiting the Holy Places both there and elsewhere in Italy (Soriano, Loreto, Assisi). Propaganda gave him missionary faculties, 15 June 1655. APF, Acta 24, f. 30<sup>v</sup>. Withdrew to Anagni to avoid the summer heat, but died there in 1655. His laybrother companion, Thomas Keating, died of the plague in the convent of S. Spirito, Naples, to which he had been sent on 12 Nov. 1655. FENNING, '*Brevis relatio*', 48-9.

**1657-60. Gibbon**, Walter, STP. Also MacGibbon. Usually Balthazar a S. Thoma. Son of Burrishoole. Early studies in Spain; a theology student at Louvain, 1654-7. Called to the Minerva at Rome where spent three years (1657-60) as a *collegialis*. Named lector of philosophy at H. Cross, where arrived on 9 Jan. 1661. Sent from Louvain to Ireland, July 1668. Became at various times prior of Urlar, Strade and Burrishoole. Resident at Burrishoole, 1683-96. Notice in FENNING, 'Louvain', 139-40.

**1659-60. Heslenan**, Raymund, STM. Also Raymund of St Michael. Son of Longford. Perhaps identical with 'Raymund of St Michael', a priest at Athenry in 1627. FLYNN, 328. Named PG in Dec. 1654 when permitted to accompany Edm. Dempsey, O.P., bp of Leighlin († 6 Sept. 1658), during his exile in Spain. Attending that bishop at Madrid and later at Pontevedra in Galicia, Nov. 1656. *Comment. Rinucc.* v, 308. 'Assisting' in the convent of Logroño, July 1657. AGOP IV. 102, p. 206. Assigned to S. Sisto, Rome, 29 Nov. 1659, but may not have gone there. When appointed prior of H. Cross, Louvain in Oct. 1660, seems to have gone there directly from Spain. Resigned from office, April 1665. Dead by Nov. 1669. Notice in FENNING, 'Louvain', 143, to which add details on Athenry and Logroño, with reference to *Comment. Rinucc.*

**1659-78. O'Connor**, John of St Dominic, STM. Son of Galway, according to O'HEYNE (133-5) who describes him as a man of great learning, well versed in Hebrew and Greek, who was both austere and devout. May have entered the order after 1627, since not found on an excellent list of that date. A list of clergy (1636) born in the

diocese of Ardfert includes another (?) Dominican named John O'Connor, STD. *Archiv. Hib.*, xiv (1949), 22. Being stationed at Segovia, organised from 1636 the collection of books in Spain for transport to the brethren in Ireland. FLYNN, 283. Already at Rome from 1659 when he claimed to have been for the past 26 years (i. e. from 1633) procurator of the province at the court of Madrid. SCAR, Codex IV, doc. 1. One of his noble penitents in Spain, Eleonora Pimentel, came also to Rome in 1662 after her marriage to Duke Francesco Gaetani. Obtained permission from the MG in July 1667 to set up a house of studies for Irish, English and Scottish friars at Madrid, and to accept houses anywhere else in Europe for the same purpose. BOYLE, *Miscellany*, 20-26. For this he had gathered 50,000 scudi from noble donors. The MG commented ruefully (Aug. 1668) that O'Connor would not have prevailed on him nor on the Pope, but for the power of the King of Spain. AGOP IV. 115, pp 494-5. Involved in the establishment of an Irish convent at Tangiers, Mar. 1668. *Hib. Dom.*, 125-7. On 30 Mar. 1669 received wide powers, even of assignation, over all Irish friars on the continent; styled procurator general and vicar of the missionaries of England, Scotland and Ireland. AGOP IV. 115B, p. 218. Applied to Propaganda c. 1669 as Irish procurator and commissary for England, requesting a house of study in Rome for Irish and English friars. APF, SC Anglia 1, ff 472-3. A second petition concerning books, calendared in *Collect. Hib.*, vi and vii (1963-4), 40-41, must be dated 1669-70 because it refers to 'the present vicar general of the order'. Attended as definator the general chapter at Rome (1670) at which the question of a house of study was discussed; the chapter named him STM. Named prior of S. Sisto, 14 Dec. 1670; replaced by another in Nov. 1671. AGOP IV. 142, f. 266<sup>r</sup>. Shortly before Feb. 1677, the Council of Orders turned down (his?) proposal for a convent at Almager, yet offered funds for one at Madrid. SCAR, Codex IV, doc. 15. Achieved on 4 Aug. 1677 the final formal acquisition of SS Sixtus and Clement for Irish friars. First vicar and administrator of the twin convents. The simultaneous acquisition of SS John and Paul for the English friars also owed much to him, though more directly to Thos. Howard, O.P., named cardinal in 1675. Signed a testimonial at S. Clemente, Nov. 1677, as '*vicarius ultramarinus provinciae Hiberniae*'. APF, SC Irlanda 4, f. 209. The Irish provincial chapter of Sept. 1678 protested against his 'arrogation' of authority over the college at Louvain. FENNING, *Acta cap. prov.*, 18. Died Dec. 1678 in palace of the Duchess Gaetani; buried at S. Sisto in a grave as yet unmarked in 1756. *Hib. Dom.*, 372. O'HEYNE, 133-35. BOYLE, *San Clemente Miscellany I* (Rome, 1977), 23-26.

**1670-71. Burke, Dominic.** Bishop of Elphin, 1671-1704. Born c. 1623. Son of Athenry where professed, 1648. Studied for six years in Segovia, passing thence by 1655 to Italy where lived successively at Pesaro, Treviso and Milan, usually as master of novices. Among his novices at Milan was the Dominican historian Giovanni M. CAVALIERI. Stated c. 1661 that he had lived these four years past in [the province of?] Venice, was 38 years old, and now made chaplain to the Venetian ambassador at London. Yet seems not to have gone to London. *Collect. Hib.*, xxiv (1982), 49-50. Spent sixteen years in Italy. Definitor for Ireland at the general chapter in Rome, 1670. On leaving Rome, obtained a recommendation from the MG (20 Aug. 1671) to Thos. Howard, O.P., vic. gen. in England. MG later incensed to learn that his simple 'lector' was a bishop-elect. Consecrated bishop of Elphin at Ghent, 23 Nov. 1671. Wrote from London (27 Nov. 1671) to Propaganda. His report on Elphin (1672) and five early letters (1672-5) calendared by MILLETT in *Collect. Hib.*, xviii and xix (1976-7), 51-70 *passim*. St Oliver Plunkett did not much like him: 'extravagant, imprudent in word and deed'. More flattering account in O'HEYNE. Tireless on the mission until his exile in 1691, often writing from his 'cave'. Ordained many of the parish priests who registered in 1704. At Paris from 1692 and Louvain from 1695. Many of his appeals to Propaganda (1692-1701) printed in *Spicil. Ossor*, ii, 304-66 *passim*. Because of rebuilding at H. Cross, lived in poverty with the Franciscans of St Anthony's until his death, 1 Jan. 1704. O'HEYNE, 199. Notice in FENNING, 'Louvain', 122, to which add some details here.

**1675. MacDonnell, Charles.** Ordained a priest at Rome, 12 Sept. 1675. See Thomas MacDonnell in biographical register below.

### Priors of SS Sixtus and Clement, 1677 - 1700

1675, 14 Mar. - 18 Oct. 1677 at least. Andrea Trono, Italian, still prior after arrival of Irish friars.

1678, 22 March to 17 Sept. Thomas Craff *alias* Coffey and Creagh, prior and regent. Died in office.

1678, 4 Oct. Charles O'Connor actually vicar *in capite*.

1679, 23 Jan. - Oct. 1681. Felix MacDowell.

1683 - May 1686. Thomas Burke, STL.

1688, Aug. - 14 Feb. 1691. Charles O'Connor.

1691 - May 1693. William O'Dwyer. Struggle between provincial and MG over his appointment, but retained office. Hence intromission of a 'vicar'.

1691, 14 Feb. Christopher French named vicar *in capite*; deposed, 6 Apr. 1692.

1693, May - 21 Nov. 1694. George Nangle; resigned, but reappointed by MG two weeks later. This because Ambrose MacDermott, vicar provincial, named Thomas Naghten (Oct. 1694) to succeed Nangle.

1694, 11 Dec. - 1697. Gerard Weldon.

1697, 15 Dec. - 16 June 1699-. Dominic Mulfin alias Mulrunifin.

1700, by 3 July - 1703. Thomas Burke, STL.

### **Regents and lectors**

1677, 29 Sept. Richard O'Heyne (Ean) named *baccalaureus ordinarius*.

1678, 22 Mar. Thomas Craff *alias* Coffey, prior, named also first regent. † 17 Sept. following.

1679, from 1 July - 1681 - . Ambrose MacDermott, *lector theologiae*.

1684, 16 Sept. Thomas Burke, prior, named also *lector theologiae*.

1684, 16 Sept. John Dillon too named *lector theologiae*: to 1687.

1686, May. Ambrose MacDermott named *lector theologiae*.

1688, May. Laurence O'Ferrall named *lector philosophiae*: to July 1689.

1690, 9 Sept. Christopher French named *lector theologiae*.

1691, 5 Jan. Dominic Rochford named *lector philosophiae*:  
removed on 8 June.

1694, 8 June. Laurence O'Ferrall actually *lector theologiae*.

1694, 8 June. Clement O'Colgan actually *lector philosophiae*.

1698, Aug. Office of regent vacant 'for lack of students'.

1699, Jan. Peter MacDermott named *lector philosophiae*.

### **Biographical Register, 1677-99**

**Bartholani**, Gregory. Laybrother. Assigned to his native convent of S. Sisto, July, 1693. AGOP IV. 182, p. 144.

**Bermingham**, Peter. Son of Athenry where professed, 1684. FENNING, 'Athenry chronicle', 39. Assigned to S. Sisto, 17 Dec. 1695. AGOP IV. 182, p. 238. House-council decided, 26 Dec. 1698, to commit him to a lunatic asylum. Died at Rome very soon after.

**O'Berne**, Bernard, STP. Received all s. orders at Rome, 1682-4. Assigned on 13 June 1692 from S. Sisto to Ireland. AGOP IV. 182, p. 133. By 17 Mar. 1696 had been to Ireland and returned; MG ordered that he should be well received, for he had taught two courses of theology in Italy and spent another year at Ascoli. AGOP IV. 182, p. 251. Permitted to transfiliate to a convent of the Roman province, 1698. Having taught for 13 years was named STP and assigned to Ireland, Sept. 1708. *IDP*, 594.

Another of the name appointed prior of Carlingford, and presumably on the mission, Oct. 1702. *IDP*, 31.

**Berne**, John. Received clerical tonsure at Rome, 20 Dec. 1681. A printed error in EGAN for John Benn, an English friar.

**Burke**, Anthony. Also Antoninus. Son of Athenry, where professed, 1684. FENNING, 'Athenry chronicle', 38-39. Sent to the province of Lombardy, Feb. 1685. AGOP IV. 166, p. 72. Perhaps not effective. Received all s. orders at Rome, 1686-7. Sent back sick to Ireland after ordination, May 1687, with assignation to Athenry. AGOP IV. 176\*\*, p. 1. In community at Athenry (1689) where subprior, 1695-6. *Liber Provinciae*. After the exile of 1698 found work in a hospital

at Modena. O'HEYNE, 209. Yet Athenry chronicle notes: 'he died in France, 1727.'

Another (?) assigned by MG to St Dominic's, Cadiz, July 1688. AGOP IV. 176\*\*, *provincia Bethicae*, f. 6<sup>r</sup>.

**Burke, John.** Also de Burgo Mac Hobert. Son of Athenry where took habit, Aug. 1697. Novitiate year and profession at St Germain, Paris. FENNING, 'Athenry house chronicle', 39-40. Sent to study at S. Sisto where died, 30 Mar. 1699. *Liber Provinciae*. Five of this name occur in the same record.

**Burke, Thomas II, STM.** Son of Athenry. Styled 'of Clocraka' in house-chronicle there. Paternal grand-uncle of Thos. Burke, author of *Hib. Dom.*, 134, note. Received s. orders to subdiaconate (Feb. 1674) at Louvain. Further studies at Saint-Jacques in Paris and S. Sisto. Already resident at S. Sisto in Aug. 1677 when Irish friars came to occupy the convent. Witnessed professions there, Sept. 1678 and Nov. 1679. FENNING, 'Book of receptions', 16. Prior of S. Sisto, 1683-6. While prior, named lector of theology at S. Sisto, 16 Sept. 1684. AGOP IV. 166, p. 70. Named Irish procurator general 'in curia Romana', 1687. *Liber Provinciae*. Returned to Athenry, 1687. Prior of Athenry and definitor at provincial chapter, Dublin 1692. Probably the T. B. prior of Athenry, 1695. Still at Athenry, 1696. *Liber Provinciae*. Being exiled [1698] returned to Rome. Elected both subprior and master of novices, 16 June 1699. 'Council-book.' Again prior of S. Sisto, 1700-03. Living [in 1706] at the Minerva. O'HEYNE, 203. Named STM, 1706. Penitentiary at St Mary Major's from 1707 until his death on 15 Mar. 1724. *Hib. Dom.*, 583. Notice in FENNING, 'Louvain', 123-4, to which add some details given here. Another T. B., procurator of the province at Madrid, came to the end of his term in Feb. 1677. Five of the name occur in *Liber Provinciae*.

**Burke, Thomas III.** Received tonsure and all minor orders at Rome, March-April 1686. Otherwise untraced.

**Cantwell, John.** Presumably a son of Kilkenny, because of his name. Already a priest, 14 Oct. 1679, when sent to Ireland by MG with injunction never to return to Rome again. AGOP IV. 166, p. 35. His death, apparently 'on the mission', noted by the chapter of Aug. 1686. No other trace.

**[MacCarthy?], John** [*ms*: 'Michiety']. An Irish priest. After studies in convent of Casato, permitted to come to Rome for lectorate examination, 18 Apr 1693. AGOP IV. 180, p. 561. Untraced.

**Cluan**, Peter. From O'Clumhain, Cluvane. Son of Sligo. Born c. 1678. Seemingly already ordained (though described as a '*frater clericus*') when assigned to S. Sisto as a student of philosophy, Jan. 1699. AGOP IV. 182, p. 365. Did not receive s. orders at Rome. On finishing philosophy at S. Sisto, being at least now a priest, began his theology course, 1701. *Liber studiorum*, f. 42<sup>r</sup>. Permitted, Jan. 1706, to return to Ireland from S. Sisto; and in Aug. following to go to Scotland. In or about Sligo, 1734. In 1738, when 60 years old, was said to have spent seven years in Scotland. *IDP*, 37, 197, 146, 593. 'Peter Clowan', a friar at Sligo, 1744. BURKE, *Irish priests*, 437. The chapter of 1757 noted his death since 1753.

**Coffey**, Thomas. See Thomas Craff.

**O'Colgan**, Clement, STL. Born c. 1654. Son of Derry; studied in Spain. At Derry in 1683 when sent to study in Spain; on his return assigned to Dublin, 1689 *Liber Provinciae*. Left Ireland in 1691, crossing to France and thence to Rome where teaching philosophy at S. Sisto, 8 June 1694. SCAR, 28, no. 8. A witness at the *processus Datariae* for new bp of Derry, 1694. Stated that he was a native of Derry diocese; the son of Phelim O'Colgan; forty years old; had 'for many years' been stationed in Derry city where Dominicans then lived in private houses. GIBLIN, '*Processus Datariae*', 604. Sent to Ireland 'with papal privileges' late in 1694. AGOP IV. 182, p. 195. R. WALSH, 'Glimpses of the penal times: III', in *I.E.R.*, 4th series, xx (1907), 68, 83-87, identifies him (not perhaps convincingly) with John McColgan, a friar imprisoned at Derry, 1699. Captured and imprisoned for two years in Derry; died there in prison, 1704. O'HEYNE, 5.

**Collins**, James. Sent from S. Sisto to Ireland, Oct. 1700. *IDP*, 592, no. 10. On the mission by c. 1711. Witnessed a profession at Cork, Sept. 1722. IDA, Cork, book of receptions and professions. Proposed by chapter of 1724 as PG for Tralee; had been preaching for seventeen years; spent years in prison and suffered exile. *IDP*, 108. The chapter in May 1742 noted his recent death at Cork.

Alternatively, another J. C. (also Cullen) associated with Burrishoole, who took the habit there in 1684 and stayed until 1687. After a gap in the record he reappears at Burrishoole, 1695. If exiled in 1698, he may well have been at Rome in 1700. While again at Burrishoole (1702) named prior of Strade. *Liber Provinciae*.

**Colman**, John. Subprior of S. Sisto by Jan. 1677; hence already resident in Aug. following when the Irish took possession. Continued as



subprior; also master of novices by Mar. 1678. FENNING, 'Book of receptions', 16. Left Rome for Spain, May 1678, when the provincial of Bethica was told to assign him somewhere. AGOP IV. 159, f. 5<sup>r</sup>. Already at Cadiz, Feb. 1679. AGOP IV. 157, f. 177<sup>r</sup>. Permitted by MG, May 1692, to go to the W. Indies to gather alms for 'the installation and maintenance' of SS John and Paul, convent of the English friars at Rome. AGOP IV. 176\*\*, *pro toto ordine*, f. 1<sup>v</sup>. Returning by royal command from the Indies, assigned in July 1693 to S. Pablo de Peñafiel, and ordered by MG not to engage in commerce. AGOP IV. 176\*\*, *provincia Hispaniae*, f. 15<sup>v</sup>. The king had accused him of helping foreigners to escape from the W. Indies. Assigned from Peñafiel to Ireland, Dec. 1696, but did not go, claiming the king refused permission. AGOP IV. 182, p. 298. Permitted to live at Cadiz, 1699, because of persecution in Ireland. AGOP IV. 194, f. 46, 54<sup>v</sup>. Some other references in B. CURTIN, 'Irish material in Fondo Santa Sede, Madrid' in *Archiv. Hib.*, xxvi (1963), 45-6.

**O'Connor**, Bernard, STM. Also Bernard of St Thomas. One of this name received all major orders at Antwerp (1647-8) while a student at Louvain. NILIS, 52-4. Transfiliated to the convent of St Hyacinth, Seville, 17 Feb. 1680. AGOP IV. 159, f. 11<sup>r</sup>. Transfiliated to the province of Chiapa and Guatemala, May 1686. AGOP IV. 159, f. 1<sup>v</sup>. Appointed commissary and visitor of S. Sisto, 6 Mar. 1692. AGOP IV. 182, p. 126. Seems to have been present in Rome, for on the following day named STM by title of preaching. Then described as belonging to the province of Chiapa and Guatemala and named vicar of the house of St Paul, Rabinal [in Spain?]; also named procurator of the MG for the provinces of New Spain; actually resident in the convent of St Dominic (la Chacara), Guatemala. AGOP IV. 176\*, *provincia de Chiapa*, f. 1. Died at Seville before Nov. 1700. AGOP IV. 194, p. 90<sup>v</sup>. Notice in FENNING, 'Louvain', but for ordination only.

Another of the name was consistently at Portumna, (1684-95), with a brief assignation to Rosbercon (1688) and another to Lorrha (1696); again at Portumna, 1702. *Liber Provinciae*.

**O'Connor**, Charles, STM. Son of Sligo and for many years a student at Salamanca. From 1672, lector and master of studies at H. Cross. On being called to Rome [1678], taught theology for a long time at S. Sisto. Witnessed a profession at St Clement's, Sept. 1678; master of novices, Nov. 1679. FENNING, 'Book of receptions', 16-17. Vicar of S. Sisto, Oct. 1678. SCAR 21, doc. 52. Later prior. 1688-91. Named procurator and syndic, July 1691. AGOP IV. 182, p. 117. Ordered to Ireland, Jan. 1693. AGOP IV. 182, p. 136. But again

subprior at S. Sisto, June 1694. SCAR 28, no. 8. Signed council-book as STL, Nov. 1697 and June 1699. Named STM, Sept. 1703. AGOP IV. 182, p. 421. Still at Rome in 1706 as confessor to Dominican nuns. O'HEYNE, 253. On his death at Rome, 13 Jan. 1713, the MG gave his books to S. Sisto; books listed in *Liber studiorum*, f. 77<sup>r</sup>. Notice in FENNING, 'Louvain', 128, to which add some details here.

**O'Connor**, Dominic. Assigned for studies to S. Sisto, 10 Jan. 1699. AGOP IV. 182, p. 365. Yet not a student at S. Sisto, 1701. Perhaps D. O'C., a novice at Tralee (1686), still in that community in 1689 despite attempts to send him abroad for study. By 1701, a priest-student of philosophy at Louvain (1701) where he died. *Liber Provinciae*.

**O'Connor**, Martin. Received the lay habit at S. Sisto, 25 Mar. 1699. Professed there, 3 Aug. 1701. FENNING, 'Book of receptions', 17. No later trace.

**Costelloe**, Thomas. Also MacCostelloe. Son of Urlar. Received and professed at Louvain, c. 1663. Assigned from there as a student to St Aegidius, Prague, Mar. 1668. This may not have taken effect. O'HEYNE (229) states that 'on finishing his studies he returned home and was often prior of Urlar and once of Ballindoon'. Prior of Urlar, 1675. Secretary in 1675 to Bp Dominic Burke of Elphin. At Urlar in 1691 as *socius* of the provincial. On resigning his Irish priorship, assigned as an exile to S. Sisto, 12 Dec. 1698. AGOP IV. 182, p. 364. Sent back to Ireland (April 1699) but got no further than Louvain where he died, 1702. *IDP*, 592. Notice in FENNING, 'Louvain', 130, to which add details on his brief stay in Rome.

**Craff**, Thomas, STM. Also Coffey and Creagh. Early career unknown. Already STM, prior of Urbino and university lecturer there, 1672-5; again prior from May 1677. AGOP IV. 151, f. 88<sup>r</sup>. Permitted in Feb. 1676 to visit Rome for the H. Year. AGOP IV. 138, ff 129<sup>r</sup>, 163<sup>v</sup>, 210<sup>f</sup>. Called from Urbino to be the first Irish prior and (second) regent at S. Sisto; appointed 22 Mar. 1678. AGOP IV. 166, p. 13. Died 17 Sept. 1678. *Spicil. Ossor.*, iii, 359. By his death, left a vacant room at Urbino. AGOP IV. 151, p. 114. Also left S. Sisto owing money to Urbino.

**O'Daly**, Dominic, PG. Bishop of Achonry. Son of Dermot O'Daly of Killimor, Co. Galway, chief of the O'Dalys. Took the habit at Athenry, 1697; novitiate-year at St Germain-en-laye, Paris. *IDP*, 22.

Received all s. orders at Rome, 1699 - Dec. 1702. Examined at S. Sisto after first year of theology, Nov. 1703. Proceeded as *collegialis* to the Minerva, 1704. Applied to Propaganda in 1713 for a viatick on going to Ireland. APF, Acta 83, f. 424<sup>v</sup>. Prior of Athenry, 1714-17. Returned to Rome, by now PG, as definitor to general chapter, 1721. Named bp of Achonry, 1725; consecrated at Brussels by the nuncio. Died of a cold 10 Jan. 1735. *Liber studiorum*, f. 42<sup>r</sup>. For his episcopate, see L. SWORDS, *A hidden church: the diocese of Achonry, 1689-1818* (Dublin, 1997), 293-6.

**Delphin.** See Dolphin.

**MacDermott**, Ambrose, STM. Bishop of Elphin. A native of Boyle, son of Cornelius MacDermott, born c. 1651. Took the habit at Roscommon, Jan. 1667. Certainly in Spain, Feb. 1677. At S. Sisto by 23 Jan. 1679. SCAR 21, doc. 53. Named lector of theology there, 1 July 1679. Remained at S. Sisto until 1686, variously signing his name as *lector theologiae* and master of novices. Named penitentiary at St Mary Major's at the close of 1687. Definitor at the general chapter in Rome (1694), where opposed the MG's claim to immediate jurisdiction over S. Sisto. His own authority as vicar provincial to confirm prioral elections etc. firmly rejected by the MG in Nov. 1694. On his appointment as STP (July 1699) the MG praised him for his great work teaching philosophy and theology at S. Sisto. AGOP IV. 182, p. 373. When named STM in 1701 was said to have taught, apparently at S. Sisto, for twelve years. Named bp of Elphin, 1707. For his entire career and correspondence, see H. FENNING, 'Ambrose MacDermott, O.P., bishop of Elphin, 1707-17' in *Archivum Fratrum Praedicatorum*, xl (1970), 231-75.

**MacDermott**, Patrick. A novice at Roscommon, sent to study in Spain, 1686. *Liber Provinciae*. Sent to S. Sisto to study philosophy, 26 May 1688. AGOP IV. 182, p. 35. Received all s. orders at Rome, 17 Dec. 1688 - 25 Mar. 1690. Named subprior of S. Sisto, Nov. 1713. AGOP IV. 200, p. 43. At Mount St Mary, Roscommon, 1728. Still on the mission, 1735. *IDP*, 130, 197. The chapter of 1738 noted his death 'in the convent of Galway'.

Another of the name, a novice at Ballindoon (1688), was sent to France for study in 1689. Hence difficulty of identification after 1690.

**MacDermott**, Peter I, STM. Also Dermott. A son of Clonshanville who received all s. orders at Rome, Dec. 1681 - May 1684. Studies at S. Sisto to STL in 1688. After a brilliant examination before the

MG, named *lector philosophiae* at Louvain, Aug. 1688. Named *lect. phil.* for the English Dominicans at Bornhem, July 1691. Named *lect. phil.* at S. Sisto, Jan. 1699, and continued to teach there until 1707. Named second regent, Sept. 1701. AGOP IV. 182, p. 400. Prior of S. Sisto, 1703-07. Also second regent. Returned home (1707), leaving 23 books to convent library, and in 1709 became prior of Roscommon. In Aug. 1710, by now STM, named vicar general of the province. AGOP IV. 200, *pro Anglia*, p. 19. By June 1723, STM and vicar provincial for Connacht. Westminster diocesan archives, A38, doc. 189. Died shortly before Aug. 1728. O'HEYNE, 271. Notice in FENNING, 'Louvain', 132. Other details in *IDP*.

**MacDermott**, Peter II. A 'cleric' and student of philosophy assigned to S. Sisto, 10 Jan. 1699. AGOP IV. 182, p. 365. Seemingly without effect; not found in *Liber studiorum* from 1701, nor in Roman ordination registers. Probably the priest of that name earlier assigned for philosophy to Viterbo, 22 Nov. 1698. AGOP IV. 190, *provincia Romana*, f. 41<sup>r</sup>.

**Dillon**, Dominic, STL. A novice at Mullingar 1687. *Liber Provinciae*. Assigned to S. Sisto for philosophy, 26 May 1688. AGOP IV. 182, p. 35. Received all s. orders to diaconate at Rome. Dec. 1688 - Sept. 1689. A priest by April 1692 when it was intended he should go for studies to Faenza or Verona. AGOP IV. 180, p. 507. After studies at SS John and Paul's, permitted on medical grounds to go to Ireland, Oct. 1693; permitted also to take lectorate examination in any *studium generale*. AGOP IV. 182, p. 149. Permitted (Jan. 1698) to preach during Lent 'in countries near Ireland'. AGOP IV. 182, p. 355. At the Minerva, May 1700, styling himself 'STL, of Ripatransone', a place 15 miles south of Ancona. Rome, Irish College, *Liber XIX*, f. 29. O'HEYNE (269) remarked in 1706: 'living somewhere in Italy.' Appeared at the Spanish court in 1714: 'a son of the province of Lombardy' whom the Irish procurator thought was mad. *IDP*, 77.

**Dillon**, John, STM. A son of Mullingar who studied partly at St Maximin in France and partly at S. Sisto in Rome. Received all s. orders at Rome, Sept. 1678 - Dec. 82. Named lector at S. Sisto, 16 Sept. 1684; continued teaching to 1687. Returning home, taught philosophy and theology at Mullingar (1687-88) and was prior of Trim from June 1688. *Liber Provinciae*. Then embarked [1691] with the army which he served as a chaplain for seven years. Being afterwards [Sept. 1697] named first regent at Louvain, taught there for three years. Then made STM and prior of Louvain; both in 1701.

Afterwards for two years earned a living in France before returning briefly to Louvain. In 1706 was teaching at Hainault near Valenciennes. Summoned to Rome as prior-elect of S. Sisto, May 1707. AGOP IV. 166, p. 313. Prior to 1710. In Aug. 1713, proposed as Irish provincial. *IDP*, 70. Dead by April 1719, when his STM passed to another. AGOP IV. 200, p. 90. Notice in FENNING, 'Louvain', 132-33.

**Dillon**, Peter, STL. A novice at Mullingar (1686-91) sent as a priest to Rome for studies in 1691. *Liber Provinciae*. A student at S. Sisto, June 1694. SCAR, 28, no. 8. On 3 April 1700, after six years of formal study at the Minerva, assigned to Louvain as master of novices and lector of philosophy. AGOP IV. 182, p. 383. Died at Louvain before 1706. O'HEYNE, 45. Notice in *Ríocht na Midhe*, iv, no. 2 (1968), 27.

**Dillon**, Raymund, STL. A novice at Mullingar, 1686; sent in 1688 to study at S. Sisto, yet not ordained at Rome. Already a priest by Feb. 1693 when permitted to come to Rome from Aquila; and STL at Aquila, July 1693, when his role as teacher there was under discussion. Appointed master of students at Louvain, July 1696. Permitted (Oct. 1696) to serve as a missionary for five years 'wherever archbishops or others will allow him'. AGOP IV. 182, p. 295. Teaching scripture and philosophy at H. Cross, 1699-1701. Subprior at H. Cross by 1700. 'On beginning a new course of philosophy in the convent of Evreux, in France, he was stricken by fever and came to St Germain where he died [1701] after a lingering sickness.' Notice, with references, in FENNING, 'Louvain', 133.

**Dillon**, Thomas, STL. Son of Mullingar. Received all s. orders at Rome, Sept. 1678 - 20 April 1680. Permitted (Mar. 1684) to be examined for STL in College of Thomas, Naples. In Sept. 1684 allowed go to 'any *studium generale*' of the Abruzzi province. Sent to Ireland by the MG, Apr. 1685. AGOP IV. 166, pp 67, 69, 73. At Mullingar (1687-96) where *lector artium* in 1688. O'HEYNE (47) claims he was prior both of Mullingar and Strade. Exiled in 1698. Directed to live in the convent of Este, July 1702. Bologna, S. Domenico, *Registrum provinciae Venetiarum*, 1700-09, f. 32. Chaplain to the Irish bodyguard of the duke of Parma and Piacenza, 1706-07; an office later filled by two other Irish friars.

**Dolphin**, Martin. Also Delphin. Son of Athenry where took the habit, Aug. 1697. FENNING, 'Athenry house-chronicle', 39; the same record (39, 41) notes his later death 'near Rome'. From Athenry, in

1698, went into exile at Paris, where finished novitiate at St Germain. *IDP*, 22. Received all s. orders from subdiaconate to priesthood at Rome, Sept. 1699 - Sept. 1700. FENNING, 'Irishmen ordained at Rome', 36. Made all his studies at S. Sisto where took lectorate examination, Feb. 1705. *Liber studiorum*, ff 42, 74. Lector of philosophy 'here' [Louvain?], 1706. O'HEYNE, 207. Died 'near Rome'.

**MacDonnell**, John, STL. Also Donnell. A priest assigned (Mar. 1698) from St Dominic, Orvieto, to S. Sisto, but assigned back to Orvieto in July following. AGOP IV. 182, pp 356, 361. In 1714, by now STL, ordered home to Ireland. *IDP*, 595, no. 56, where 'Civitavecchia' wrongly given for Orvieto.

**MacDonnell**, Thomas. Baptismal name Reginald (Rághnall). Son of Gola. Studied at Louvain, Paris and S. Sisto according to O'HEYNE, 16. Yet not among the first group of Irishmen at S. Sisto, Aug. 1677. Sent to Ireland, presumably from Rome, Feb. 1678. AGOP IV. 166, p. 12. Two years a missionary in Scotland. A member of the Gola community (1683-8) of which prior, 1685-6; sent to Carlingford, 1688. *Liber Provinciae*. By 1693 an exile at Louvain where soon died. Notice in FENNING, 'Louvain', 134.

Perhaps identical with Charles MacD., ordained priest at Rome, 21 Sept. 1675. The surname was then common in the province.

**Dowd**, Phelim. Sent by MG to Ireland, June 1695, at the end of his studies 'in Italy'. AGOP IV. 182, p. 215. Untraced.

**Dowdall**, John. A cleric in the province of Aragon, April 1699. Permitted to come to Rome with an assignation to S. Sisto. AGOP IV. 176\*\*, *pro toto ordine*, f. 1<sup>v</sup>. Seemingly without effect; not among the students of 1701.

**MacDowell**, Felix Randall, STP. Also Douel. Son of Tulsk. Ordained at Dublin, c. 1668; studies at Valladolid. Taught philosophy in Sardinia. At Genoa in Nov. 1673, when MG wrote to him about the Irish friary at Tangiers to which Felix belonged, 1673-7. AGOP IV. 145, f. 319<sup>f</sup>. One of the first group to take possession of S. Sisto, Aug. 1677. Prior by 23 Jan. 1679; to at least Oct. 1681 and probably to 1683. FENNING, 'Book of receptions', 16-17. Also taught English friars at SS John and Paul to 1685. Named STP, April 1684. AGOP IV. 166, p. 68. Highly mobile on the mission from 1686. Stationed at Roscommon and at Drogheda where taught philosophy and theology (1686); at Arklow, Roscommon and

Rosbercon (1687-8). An army chaplain by 1689 but captured at Ballimor (Co. Westmeath?), tied to a horse's tail and forced to walk to Dublin. Escaped to England where chaplain to the Spanish ambassador in London, 1691-7(?). Again arrested but allowed go to Holland. Permitted by MG (July 1697) to be 'incorporated' into the English convent at Bornhem. AGOP IV. 192, f. 210. Returned to London by 1703 and to Ireland in 1706. Arrested on landing at Ringsend and lodged in Newgate where died 3 Feb. 1707. O'HEYNE, 267. *Hib. Dom.*, 586. Excellent notice, with references, by D. WALSH, in *Reportorium Novum*, iii, no. 2 (1964), 319-20. Documents (since destroyed in PRO) on his imprisonment in R. WALSH, 'Glimpses of the penal times -VII', in *I.E.R.*, 4th series, xxv (1909), 609-25.

**Doyle, Philip.** A priest assigned to S. Sisto, Sept. 1694. AGOP IV. 182, p. 180. Perhaps identical with Philip (Mac)Dowell, a novice at Roscommon (1688); ordered to the mission in 1698 on finishing his studies in Lombardy. Came to S. Sisto from Soriano in Calabria, 1708. *IDP*, 592.

**O'Dwyer, William, STP.** Also O'Doyer, O'Droyer. O'HEYNE (105) states that he was a son of Cashel who studied partly in France and taught philosophy at Louvain. Sent to Ireland, 1685. At Waterford from 1686, where prior 1687-89; vicar provincial of Munster, 1688. An army chaplain under James II. Appointed prior of S. Sisto (1691) by MG, but removed from office by the provincial. The hapless victim of a struggle between the provincial and the MG about jurisdiction over S. Sisto. Again permitted to come to Rome on 16 Feb. 1692; on 6 March named vicar *in capite* of S. Sisto by the MG, replacing Chris. French, *ipso facto* deposed. AGOP IV. 180, p. 496; 182, p. 128. Confirmed in office as prior by MG in May 1692, but ordered to Galway on 30 Aug. 1692. This seems not to have taken effect. Again prior of S. Sisto on 4 April 1693, but holding office from the provincial; hence deposed and reappointed by the MG on the same day. AGOP IV. 182, p. 138. Nonetheless, sent to Lisbon a month later as lector of sacred scripture. Named STP, June 1694. In Oct. 1698, the MG insisted on his removal from Lisbon, assigning him in December to the small convent of Nebuli in the Roman province. Died at Ostia before 1706. Notices, with references, in FENNING, 'Lisbon', 44-5; and 'Louvain', 134, slightly improved here.

**Ean, Richard.** Also Eano. *See* Richard O'Heyne.

**Eduard de S. Laurentio.** *See* Edward Laurence.



**Elcock**, Michael. Received tonsure and first two minor orders at Rome, 16 Mar. 1680. A cleric in poor health permitted in June 1680 to go [from Rome] to Louvain or to a convent in France. AGOP IV. 166, p. 41. Notice in FENNING, 'Louvain', 135, to which add detail about ordination.

**O'Ferrall**, Bernard. Received all minor orders at Rome, March - June 1680. Immediately assigned as a student of philosophy to the convent of St Dominic at Sienna (?) [MS: *conventum Senanum*], 28 Oct. 1680. AGOP IV. 166, p. 44. A priest by Sept. 1691 when permitted to come to Rome from Viterbo. No later trace.

**O'Ferrall**, Laurence, STL. Son of Longford. Born c. 1664; son of Roger and native of Longford town. Studied at Prague where received all s. orders, 1681-84. *Collect. Hib.*, xxxix and xl (1997-8), 31. At Rome from c. 1684. Intended going to Ireland on finishing his studies c. 1686, but accepted the invitation of Cardinal Howard to teach the English students at SS John and Paul; by 1694 had taught them the entire course of philosophy and theology. Named *lector philosophiae* at S. Sisto, May 1688. AGOP IV. 182, p. 34. Signed house-council book as *lector*, July 1689. Named *lector secundarius* at SS John and Paul, Sept. 1690. AGOP IV. 182, p. 80. Still teaching there, Jan. 1693. APF, SC Irlanda 5, f. 488. Lector of theology at S. Sisto, June 1694. SCAR 28, no. 8. A witness at Rome (1694), to the character of Fergus Lea, proposed as bp of Derry. Had known Lea since his boyhood in Longford, and again for ten years at Rome. GIBLIN, '*Processus Datariae*', 603-04. Sent to Ireland from S. Sisto, Sept. 1694. AGOP IV. 182, p. 180. Applied to Propaganda at that time for a viatick: text of petition in *The Seven Hills Magazine*, i, no. 4 (Mar. 1907), 651-2. Attended the peace-conference of Ryswick (1697) as chaplain to Prince W. von Kaunitz. *IDP*, 16. 'On his way home, imprisoned in London for more than a year. Then came sick to Belgium and proceeded to Spain where yet alive' in 1706. O'HEYNE, 57-9.

**Fiaghny**, James. Also Feighny and Fieghny. Son of Sligo. Assigned for studies to S. Sisto, Jan. 1699. AGOP IV. 182, p. 365. One of a new group intended to relaunch the *studium*. A priest by 1701, but not ordained at Rome. Sent to the mission on completion of all his studies at S. Sisto, 1705. *Liber studiorum*, f. 42. The prior applied to Propaganda for assistance on his behalf. Assigned by MG not expressly to Ireland, but to the convent of 'S. *Crucis Gionense*' [H. Cross, Sligo?], Sept. 1705. AGOP IV. 166, p. 91. An informant stated in 1712: 'he is or used to be prior of Sligo'. Listed as one of



the Sligo community on the mission, 1734-35. *IDP*, 37, 197. Again listed as a friar at Sligo, 1744. BURKE, *Irish priests*, 433-4, 437. The chapter of 1753 noted his recent death at Sligo.

**Fitzgerald**, Ambrose. A son of Roscommon. Student at H. Cross, Louvain, by 1676; received diaconate there, 1678. O'HEYNE (263) says he studied also at S. Sisto, 1681-c. 82. From 1684, stationed at Roscommon, where prior in 1686. Assigned to Drogheda, 1687; preached also occasionally at Dublin. Postulated by the chapter of 1688 as PG for Roscommon. Prior of Drogheda, 1692. Secretary of the provincial chapter, Oct. 1694. By Oct. 1697, procurator of the province at London. *IDP*, 9, 16. In March 1698 thanked by MG for his report on the zealous work of Irish friars in England. AGOP IV. 192, f. 232. Died shortly after 'at the court of London', before 1706. O'HEYNE, 263, 265. Longer notice in FENNING, 'Louvain', 137, to which add year of Roman residence and London detail of 1698.

**Fitzgerald**, James, STM. Also Geraldinus. Son of Mullingar where a novice, 1687. Sent for studies to S. Sisto, 1688. *Liber Provinciae*. Received all s. orders at Rome, Dec. 1688 - 22 Dec. 1691. Continued studies at Cagli (duchy of Urbino) where later taught and became prior. Named lector of scripture at Louvain, Nov. 1702. AGOP IV. 182, p. 412. Named second regent at S. Sisto, Oct. 1709. AGOP IV. 200, *pro Anglia*, p. 6. Actually prior of Cagli when confirmed as prior at Louvain, Oct. 1713. *Loc. cit.*, p. 43. Belonged to the province of Lombardy when made vicar *in capite* of Cagli, which lacked a prior, 1716. Bologna, S. Domenico, *Consilium Provinciae*, II, 74. Obligated by MG (Dec. 1722) to accept the priorship of S. Sisto. While in office (1724) gave the habit to Thos. Burke, later author of *Hib. Dom.* During this first priorship was also first regent. Returned in 1726 to Cagli, to which affiliated in 1731 when sent to Ireland at his own request. Yet still, or again in Italy, 1735. *IDP*, 601. Again made prior of S. Sisto (1740-6) where remained until death, April 1750. The first friar to be buried at S. Clemente under the altar of St Dominic. Sketch of his career in *Hib. Dom.*, 219; *Supplementum*, 847.

**Flynn**, Patrick I, STL. Also O'Flynn. Son of Athenry. Baptised Christopher. Took the habit at S. Sisto, 19 Mar. 1678, at the age of 23; professed there (Mar. 1679) for Athenry. FENNING, 'Book of receptions', 16-17. Received all s. orders at Rome, May 1679 - 20 April 1680. Assigned for theology to S. Maria della Quercia, Viterbo, June 1681. AGOP IV. 166, p. 48. In Nov. 1684, granted leave to be examined at S. Maria Novella, Florence. AGOP IV. 166,

p. 71. Permitted to return to Ireland, Nov. 1687. AGOP IV. 182, p. 17. Yet no evidence that he came to the mission. His transfiliation to the convent of Gibello approved by the provincial chapter of Lombardy, 1732. Made marginal notes on a pseudonymous work published at Rome (1680) by Cardinal Howard, mentioning the distribution in England of 6,000 copies, many of which were publicly burned; Flynn's copy in convent of Gibello noted by P. M. DOMANESCHIO, *De rebus coenobii Cremonensis ord. praed.* (Cremona, 1767), 327.

**Flynn**, Patrick II. A novice at Roscommon, 1688; sent to study in Spain, 1689. *Liber Provinciae*. Received tonsure and 'ostiarius' at Rome, Dec. 1691. No later trace.

**Flynn**, Thomas. Also O'Flynn. Son of Roscommon. A priest assigned for studies (Mar. 1671) from H. Cross, Louvain to St Aegidius in Prague. Resident in Spain early in 1677. SCAR, Codex IV, doc. 15; AGOP IV. 140, f. 22. Came to Rome as one of the first group of friars to take possession of S. Sisto, Aug. 1677. *Hib. Dom.*, 134, 371. Already occupied a cell at S. Sisto at the time of the official transfer. Master of novices at S. Sisto, in Mar. and Nov. 1679. FENNING, 'Book of receptions', 16-17. Sent to Centocelle, 3 Mar. 1680. AGOP IV. 161, f. 50<sup>v</sup>. Notice in FENNING, 'Louvain', 137, hereby replaced.

**French**, Christopher, STM. A son of Galway where professed; studies at Louvain where ordained. *Lector artium* at H. Cross by 1685 and master of novices by 1686. Later *studii magister*. Ordered out of Louvain by MG for 'bad behaviour', Sept. 1688, and told not to go back there. Assigned to S. Sisto, Dec. 1689, where named *lector theologiae* a year later. Vicar of S. Clemente from 14 Feb. 1691. Signs council-book as vicar and lector, Feb. 1691. MG deposed him as vicar (April 1692) probably because named by provincial. Then for eight years (1692-1700) at Osimo in Piceno where domestic theologian of Card. Sforza Pallavicini. O'HEYNE (153) dwells on his work at Osimo. Ordered by MG to return to the mission, Oct. 1700. Yet soon at Louvain as first regent, 1701. MG still hopeful in 1705 that he would go to Ireland. *IDP*, 37, 592. Complained to Propaganda in April 1707 about two friars at Louvain who had not returned to the mission. *IDP*, 45. Still at Louvain, 1713. Longer notice in FENNING, 'Louvain', 138.

**Geoghegan**, Bernard, STL. Also 'Geoghan'. Son of Mullingar where took the habit (1688) and was professed, 1689. *Liber*

*Provinciae*. Still merely 'frater' when assigned on 7 Nov. 1690 to S. Sisto for studies. AGOP IV. 182, p. 83. Yet not ordained at Rome. At Ferrara by Sept. 1693; studied later at the Minerva where took a place reserved for Irish friars, finishing his course with the STL, c. 1698. AGOP IV. 180, p. 580; 192, loose document at f. 238. Suggested (July 1700) as one available to teach philosophy at Louvain. AGOP IV. 192, p. 326. Permitted in 1713 to go to Ireland. Appointed by provincial chapter (1721) to interview postulants for the habit in Leinster. *IDP*, 595.

**Geoghegan**, Constantine, STL. Received s. orders at Rome to subdiaconate inclusive, March - Dec. 1680. Then, not yet a priest, ordered to Louvain to finish theology, Mar. 1681. Yet probably remained in Italy. Ordered from Fermo to Ireland, Mar. 1684. AGOP IV. 166, pp 45, 68; 182, p. 83. Assigned (May 1685) to the convent of S. Antonio, Rovigo, in the province of Venice; but permitted to leave that province two months later. Bologna, S. Domenico, *Registrum provinciae Venetiarum, 1650-88*. No later trace. Notice in FENNING, 'Louvain', 139, hereby replaced.

**Geraghty**, Edmund Thomas. Also Girraghty. Son of Burrishoole. Assigned to study philosophy, first at La Quercia, Viterbo, Nov. 1698; soon after at S. Sisto, Jan. 1699. AGOP IV. 190, *provincia Romana*, f. 41<sup>r</sup>; 182, p. 365. Permitted to leave S. Sisto, Oct. 1700. AGOP IV. 182, p. 394. At Lucca by July 1702 when refused permission to go to Ireland. AGOP IV. 166, p. 209. Listed c. 1735 as 'an absent son of Burrishoole now in St. Malo'. *IDP*, 197, 592. Died in France before 1737. AGOP IV. 217, pp 5, 46.

Perhaps the E. T. Geraghty, son of Burrishoole, who took the habit there (1684) and resided to 1689. Given dimissorials for s. orders, 1688. After a gap in the record appears again at Burrishoole (1695) and Cashel, 1696. *Liber Provinciae*.

**Gildea**, John, PG. Also Gusman, Guzman, Killdea. Son of Sligo. Assigned to study philosophy at S. Sisto, Jan. 1699. AGOP IV. 182, p. 365. Then described as a cleric, but seemingly a priest, and certainly one by autumn 1701 when began theology. Finished his course at S. Sisto, 1705. *Liber studiorum*. Permitted to leave S. Sisto for Ireland, Jan. 1706, with further permission in August to go to Scotland. Seems not to have appeared on the Scottish mission. Had a chalice made in 1716 for the convent of Sligo; name, without title, on inscription reads: 'John Guzman'. Named PG for Ballindoon, 1721. On that occasion curiously named in the MG's register as 'Gusman seu Gilde Mullghe'. At Sligo, c. 1735. *IDP*, 37, 91, 146,

197, 593. Still in community at Sligo, 1744, when styled Killdea. BURKE, *Irish priests*, 437-8. The chapter of 1753 noted his recent death, as though at Portumna.

**Glasgow**, Thomas, STL. A novice at Naas, 1685. *Liber Provinciae*. Received subdiaconate and diaconate at Rome, Dec. 1691 - Dec. 1692; hence likely a student at S. Sisto, 1691-3. Proceeded to *studium* of S. Maria di Castello, Genoa, where still resident in 1703. AGOP IV. 166, p. 234. His transfiguration to S. Pietro, Parma, approved by provincial chapter of Lombardy, 1710. Then taught dogmatic theology for some years to laypeople at Parma before taking his STL at Bologna, 1715. Bologna, S. Domenico, serie II, 21010, f. 41<sup>V</sup>. Later chaplain to the duke of Parma and Piacenza. Still at Parma when recommended (1729) for the see of Dublin. P. FAGAN (ed.), *Ireland in the Stuart papers* (2 vols, Dublin, 1995), i, 147.

**Guarenghi**, Andrea, laybrother. The MG directed in April 1678 that he was to be professed at S. Sisto. AGOP IV. 164, f. 15<sup>f</sup>. Not mentioned in the 'Book of receptions and professions'.

**Häck**, Marcellus. Laybrother of Brabant, assigned to S. Sisto, July 1697. AGOP IV. 182, p. 347.

**O'Haghan**, Andrew, STL. Also Haghan, Hegian. Son of Coleraine? A priest assigned to study philosophy at S. Sisto, Jan. 1693. AGOP IV. 182, p. 136. Dispensed from two months of formal study, July 1700, when permitted to sit the STL examination at Forlì. AGOP IV. 192, f. 328. In 1702 urged by the MG to stay in Italy, and permitted in 1706 to transfiliate to the province of Lombardy. AGOP IV. 166, p. 210; 186, f. 209<sup>f</sup>. By Oct. 1706, vicar of S. Domenico, Urbino; to which the provincial chapter of 1710 approved his transfiguration. Bologna, S. Domenico, *Cons. Prov.*, II. 31, 48. Perhaps identical with A. O'H., a member of the Coleraine community (1683-8) and again in 1694. If not, surely a relation. *Liber Provinciae*.

**Halloran**, Dominic a Santa Maria, STL. At Galway (1683-9) of which prior, 1686-9. Lector of theology there, 1687. *Liber Provinciae*. Named regent of the new *studium generale* at Galway (Nov. 1688) at the request of the provincial chapter. AGOP IV. 182, p. 40. Ordered on 20 Aug. 1691 to visit the master general at Rome. AGOP IV. 182, p. 119. Reached Louvain by October 1691 and carried out a visitation of H. Cross as vicar provincial. Edm. BURKE,

*Journal*, p. 25. His Roman visit intimately connected with the dispute between provincial and MG about jurisdiction over S. Sisto. Permitted by MG to leave Rome with an assignation to Galway, 28 Aug. 1692. AGOP IV. 182, p. 136. AGOP IV. 182, p. 133. Sent from Belgium to Ireland in Aug. 1695. Here styled 'a Santa Maria'. AGOP IV. 182, pp 222-3. Assigned to Corpo Santo, Lisbon, May 1698. AGOP IV. 176\*\*, *provincia Portugalliae*, f. 15<sup>v</sup>. Hence probably banished from Ireland in that year. Notices in FENNING, 'Lisbon', 49 and 'Louvain', 142; both hereby replaced.

**O'Hart**, Dominic Thomas, STL. Styled 'Michael' by O'HEYNE. A son of Sligo who made a brilliant course of studies at the convent of St Ildefonso at Toro in Old Castile, where taught philosophy for three years. Defended theses at Benevento. Sent then as master of students to Louvain and afterwards to teach theology at S. Sisto in Rome [before 1677?]. Returning home, as the persecution had declined, conducted a large school of philosophy and theology for many years, dying in the convent of Roscommon, 1688. O'HEYNE, 247, 249. This 'Michael' appears in no other source.

The *Liber Provinciae*, however, has a Dominic Hart (surely the 'Michael' intended), permitted in 1684 to conduct a school at Ballymote, Co. Sligo, in connection with the convent of Strade. Styled '*lector artium*' at Strade, 1685. Presumably the 'Thomas' Hart at Strade (1686), after which neither Thomas nor Dominic appear again in the record. Notice in FENNING, 'Louvain', 142, hereby replaced.

**Hegerty**, Peter. Also O'Hegarty. Son of Derry. Received all s. orders at Rome, Feb. 1682 - 1 April 1684. Sent back sick to Ireland with an assignation to Derry, May 1687. AGOP IV. 176\*\*, p. 1. One of this name stationed at Dublin, 1688-9. *Liber Provinciae*. Again ordered from Italy to Ireland, Dec. 1694. AGOP IV. 182, p. 195. No later trace.

**Heraghty**, James. Also Hirahty. A son of Longford where a novice (1685-86); sent to study in Bethica, 1686. *Liber Provinciae*. A priest assigned to S. Sisto, Sept. 1694. After some study, sent two months later to Ireland, Nov. 1694. AGOP IV. 182, pp 180, 184. Clearly he had made most of his studies elsewhere, probably in Italy. No later trace.

**O'Heyne**, Richard, STM. Also Eano, Eanin. Son of Burrishoole. O'HEYNE's fellow-student at Salamanca, c. 1670. Took STL at S. Maria della Salute, Naples. One of the first group to take possession of

S. Sisto, Aug. 1677. On 29 Sept. 1677 named *bacchalaureus ordinarius studii generalis S. Sixti*. AGOP IV. 165, p. 11. Yet had left the community by March 1678 when another was named first regent. Elected by provincial chapter (1678) as definitor for next general chapter. Teaching at Naples from c. 1686. In 1696, regent of the college of Monte di Dio, Naples. G. M. CAVALIERI, *Galleria dei Sommi Pontifici dell'ordine de' predicatori* (Benevento, 1696), 679-80. His STM confirmed, 1698. AGOP IV. 191, *congregatio Sanitatis*, f. 7<sup>v</sup>. MG declined in 1700 to appoint him to the Casanatensian Library despite recommendation of James II: there were better candidates for that honour. AGOP IV. 186, f. 103<sup>v</sup>. His STM confirmed by MG, 1703. AGOP IV. 191, f. 7<sup>v</sup>. Already affiliated to Naples by 1706, having taught there for twenty years. O'HEYNE, 225. Rather improbably said to have been offered in 1708 the see of Armagh, which he humbly declined. *Hib. Dom.*, 499. Wrote to MG from Nice in Provence, 1712. AGOP XIII. 48550. By 1723, first chaplain of the Spanish ambassador, London. APF, SC Anglia 2, f. 413-14, 435. At odds with the vicar apostolic of London District over his own publication of indulgences, 1724-6. APF, Acta 94, ff 261-3; SOCG 644, ff 420-31. Died at the Spanish embassy, London, in or soon after 1732. *IDP*, 59, 601.

**O'Heyne**, Vincent of St Thomas, STM. A son of Kilmallock where received the habit from prior Peter Kina, 1688; sent for studies to Spain, 1689. *Liber Provinciae*. A place sought for him as a formal student at the Minerva, c. 1698. AGOP IV. 192, loose document at f. 238. Examined for faculties at S. Sisto, April 1703. *Liber studiorum*. Described in 1706 as 'a good religious and a man of uncommon talent'. O'HEYNE, 101. Taught at Lisbon, 1704-30, though permitted at his own request to go to Ireland, Sept. 1725. *IDP*, 599. The provincial chapter of 1742 noted his death at Lisbon.

**John of St Dominic**. See John O'Connor.

**Joseph de Ancona**. A laybrother at S. Sisto, Feb. - July 1692. AGOP IV. 180, p. 533.

**Laurence**, Edward. Also Larence and *Eduardus a S. Laurentio*. Son of Portumna. A novice at Portumna, 1684: 'Larence'. *Liber Provinciae*. Received all s. orders at Rome, Mar. 1686 - 4 June 1689. In these Lateran entries always 'Laurence' until priesthood, when '*Eduardus a S. Laurentio*'. No later trace.

**Maguire**, John Baptist. Also MacGuyre, Guyer. Son of Gola. Probably related to Dominic Maguire, O.P., abp of Armagh (1683-

1707). Received diaconate and priesthood at Rome, 16 and 30 May 1677. One of the first Irish community at S. Sisto, Aug. 1677. Witnessed a profession at S. Clemente, Sept. 1678. FENNING, 'Book of receptions', 16. Signed council-book, Jan. 1679. Permitted by MG to go to Ireland, July 1679, after settling some business at Toulouse. AGOP IV. 166, p. 32. By 1686 reached Gola, Co. Fermanagh, where prior, 1687-94. *Liber Provinciae*. Died in Ireland before 1706. O'HEYNE, 17.

**MacMahon**, Gelasius, STM. Also Matthaeus, Mathews. Born c. 1642 in Tydavnet, Co. Monaghan. As a youth went to Spain but travelled then to Louvain where took the habit on 26 May 1663 in his 21st year. Left Louvain as a subdeacon to study in Valladolid. Recalled in 1669 to Louvain where held various teaching posts and was twice prior, c. 1676-82. Recommended for an Ulster diocese, 1678. Ordered back to Ireland, Sept. 1685. Became prior of Carlingford and later provincial (1688 - July 1694). On his escape from Ireland (1691) was retained in office as provincial *ad biennium* at request of Card. Altieri. In March 1693 or slightly earlier, carried out a visitation at S. Sisto. While he wished to name superiors, etc., the MG insisted on his own immediate jurisdiction. Hence the appointment of officials by the provincial and their suspension by the MG. Permitted to leave Rome, 11 July 1693. AGOP IV. 180, p. 358; 182, p. 143. Returned then to Louvain where resident as ex-provincial at H. Cross, Mar. 1695; the MG wished him to return to Ireland for opposing his own claim to direct jurisdiction over H. Cross. Still at Louvain, Jan. 1701. *Liber Provinciae*. Retired to teach theology at Revin-sur-Meuse where died of fever two years later on 11 Feb. 1703 aged 59. Longer notice in FENNING, 'Louvain', 150-1, to which add details of Roman visitation.

**MacNamara**, Matthew. Sent from Louvain to study in province of Lombardy, July 1690. Called from Milan to S. Sisto, Sept. 1691. Assigned from S. Sisto to Louvain as a priest-student of theology, May 1692. At Kilmallock (1694-5) and Dublin, 1695-6. By 1707, hospital chaplain at Compostella. Notice in FENNING, 'Louvain', 152-3, to which add: not ordained at Rome.

**Mulfin**, Dominic, STM. Also Mulrunifin. Born, c. 1661. Son of Sligo where a novice in 1685 and given dimissorials for s. orders, 1686. *Liber Provinciae*. Not ordained at Rome. Confirmed as prior of S. Sisto, 15 Dec. 1697. AGOP IV. 182, p. 353. Presumably brought or invited the students (at least four) from Sligo who began studies at S. Sisto during his term and so revived a languishing



*studium*. Still prior, June 1699, when signed council-book. Perhaps also regent of studies (1699-1700) since described to MG in 1713 as 'father regent, formerly prior of S. Sisto'. Named Irish procurator at Madrid, April 1700. AGOP IV. 182, p. 383. The MG, in March 1705, confirmed him in the office allotted to him by the Irish provincial in the residence of Bilbao; here styled STL. AGOP IV. 182, p. 460. At Bilbao (1709) when provincial wished to send him to Ireland. *IDP*, 58. Recommended by MG (Dec. 1711) to return all his papers to the procurator at Madrid. AGOP IV. 200, p. 34. Already on the mission in 1713 when proposed to MG as suitable for appointment as provincial. *IDP*, 70-1. Named PG for Sligo (1721) when apparently on the mission. STM by 1735 when listed first among the sons of Sligo in Ireland. *IDP*, 91, 197. Tombstone in Holy Cross, Sligo: † 23 March 1741 in his 80th year,

**Naghten**, Thomas, PG. Also Neaghton. Received all s. orders at Rome, April 1680 to Dec. 1681. Signed council-book, July 1689; again in March 1690. Deposed as syndic of S. Sisto, 2 Oct. 1693, because of fresh debts. AGOP IV. 182, p. 148. Named prior of S. Sisto (Oct. 1694) by the Irish vicar provincial, but deposed within a week or two by the MG. Signed council-book, Nov. 1697; again in Jan. and Dec. 1698. Secretary of the house-council, Jan. 1699. In Feb. 1699, already STL, named PG for the convent of Dublin, and permitted to leave Rome for Spain. AGOP IV. 176\*\*, *pro toto ordine*, f. 1<sup>v</sup>. By July 1699 already at Madrid where approached the king on behalf of Irish Catholics. Also wished to go to Holland to speak to William of Orange. Ordered by MG, 'and even by the Pope', to keep away from Rome, 13 Mar. 1700; then ordered in April to go to Ireland. *IDP*, 16. No later trace.

**Nangle**, George, STL. Son of Mullingar where professed. Born in the town of Longford, c. 1652; son of Bartholomew Nangle. A student-priest at Perugia, permitted in Oct. 1675 to visit Rome for the Holy Year. AGOP IV. 140, p. 132. One of the first Irish community at S. Sisto, Aug 1677. Sent as a student to S. Catarina, Naples, 1678. AGOP IV. 165, p. 33. Permitted to sit for lectorate examination in college of S. Thomas, Naples, Oct. 1680. AGOP IV. 166, p. 43. Permitted (Feb. 1681) to return to Ireland from Rome, but delay in France. AGOP IV. 166, p. 45. At Longford by 1683, but at once made prior of Naas (1683-5) and then of Longford (1685-8) where present also in 1689. *Liber Provinciae*. Thus knew Fergus Lea, later proposed for Derry diocese, 1694; Lea had earlier taught philosophy at Ballinalee north of Edgeworthstown. GIBLIN, '*Processus Datariae*', 604. Assigned to S. Sisto, Jan. 1693, perhaps to teach



there. AGOP IV. 182, p. 136. Named prior after May 1693 but fell a victim of the struggle for jurisdiction over the convent. Hence had to resign twice, definitively in Nov. 1694, upon which allowed go to Florence where the duke wished to employ him as confessor for English-speakers. Died in Florence before 1706. AGOP IV. 182, pp xiv, 184, 188. *Hib. Dom.*, 134. O'HEYNE, 47.

**Nangle**, Thomas, PG. Son of Trim. Studied in Italy and on his return (c. 1679) became prior of Trim: 1680, 1683-7, 1693-6. *Liber Provinciae*. On 26 Aug. 1680 signed a document concerning the redemption and custody of the conventual plate; original in TCD, F. 4. 14, p. 32. Engaged in minor dispute over faculties with Bp Cusack of Meath, 1686. Definitor at the provincial chapter at Dublin, Oct. 1694. *IDP*, 9. Permitted to return to Ireland (April 1699) from S. Sisto where he had taken refuge after his exile. *IDP*, 592. Applied to Propaganda for assistance for his journey. Died in Italy before 1706. O'HEYNE, 41. *IDP*, 9, 592.

**O'Neill**, Dominic. Also O'Neale. Born c. 1662 in diocese of Derry; son of Owen O'Neill. A cleric at Derry (1683) when given dimissorials to receive s. orders and sent to study in Spain. Yet still at Derry (1686), by now a priest, when sent to study in province of Bethica. *Liber Provinciae*. At Rome (1694), while testifying to the character of Fergus Lea, stated that he had been stationed in the Dominican convent of Derry 'for some years'. GIBLIN, '*Processus Datariae*', p. 605. Permitted in June 1696 to go to Spain for studies. AGOP IV. 176\*\*, *provincia Hispaniae*, f. 20<sup>r</sup>. No later trace.

**Nugent**, Dominic, STL. Probably the novice of this name who took the habit at Longford (1685) and was sent to study in Spain, 1686. *Liber Provinciae*. Received all s. orders, save tonsure, at Rome, May 1690 - 19 Sept. 1693. On finishing studies at SS John and Paul, permitted to return sick to Ireland and take lectorate examination in any *studium generale*, Oct. 1693. AGOP IV. 182, p. 149. Said to have been the only Irish student at SS John and Paul.

O'HEYNE (41) notes a D. Nugent 'son of Trim' on the mission in 1706. Another (?) of the name was a prioral candidate for H. Cross, Louvain, 1717. AGOP IV. 200, p. 71.

**Ogilonus**, Patrick. Also Ogilbeus. Ordained at Rome, 1680-1. A printed error for Patrick Ogilby, an English friar.

**Procter**, Vincent. Received minor orders at Rome, 1681-2. Wrongly identified in print as Irish, but in fact an English friar.

**Rochford**, Dominic Simon. Son of Richard and Elizabeth Bath of Vessingtown, Co. Meath. Baptised 'Simon'. Confirmed in 1664. Studied humanities in Ireland; went to Rome on advice of primate Oliver Plunkett. At Rome from Jan. 1675. Received into Irish College, Oct. 1675; took college oath, Aug. 1676. Showed particular aptitude for mathematics. Left the college after second theology to enter novitiate at S. Clemente on 9 Oct. 1680, taking the name Dominic. FENNING, 'Book of receptions', 17. Shortly after profession (1681), studying at S. Maria della Sanità, Naples. Many of these details in J. HANLY, 'Records of the Irish College, Rome' in *Archiv. Hib.*, xxvii (1964), 52, 55, 65. Assigned from S. Sisto to Dublin, Sept. 1688. AGOP IV. 182, p. 37. In Jan. 1691 assigned by MG back to S. Sisto and named lector of philosophy there. AGOP IV. 180, p. 100. Relieved of his lectorship at S. Sisto and sent to Ireland, June 1691. This was repeated, Jan. 1693, as though the former command had no effect. AGOP IV. 182, pp. 114, 136. No evidence that he ever returned to Ireland after 1674.

Went in 1704 to Dubrovnik in Croatia and liked the place so much that he asked to be made a member of the Dominican Congregation there. This was granted in 1709. Remarkable for his learning; translated and wrote various treatises in his own 'vernacular'. Published also some texts 'both in the vernacular and in the Etruscan [Tuscan?] languages'. Edited also a treatise on ancient coins of which he had a large collection and which he could identify, however old or worn, almost at a glance; this was preserved [1728] in manuscript in the conventual archive at Ragusa. Died of apoplexy at Gruz, 13 Mar. 1714. Long notice in Seraphinus M. CERVA, *Iconotheca illustrium fratrum Congregationis Ragusinae s. ord. praed.* (1728), 292-3: an unpublished MS in convent of St Dominic, Dubrovnik.

**O'Sullivan**, John. At S. Sisto, 23 Jan. 1679. SCAR 21, doc. 52. Received all s. orders at Rome, May 1679 - 21 Feb. 1682. While still a deacon, assigned for theology to S. Maria della Quercia, Viterbo, June 1681. AGOP IV. 166, p. 48. From Viterbo returned to Rome for priestly ordination. A member of the Glanworth community, assigned to Cork, 1683. Permitted to go '*ad alias regiones*', 1684. *Liber Provinciae*. The provincial chapter of 1685 noted his death, seemingly at the Chapel Royal, London. D. POCHIN MOULD, *The Irish Dominicans* (Dublin, 1957), p. 242.

**Taaffe**, James. A son of Drogheda where a novice (1686), sent in the same year to study in Spain. *Liber Provinciae*. Received all s. orders at Rome, June 1688 - Dec. 1692. Elected subprior of S. Clemente, Nov. 1697; still subprior, Jan. 1698. Council book. Sent from Rome

to Ireland, April 1701. AGOP IV. 182, p. 396<sup>b</sup>. No later trace. Identical with or related to the J. T. assigned (April 1699) as a formal student (from the province of Lombardy) to S. Catarina di Formello, Naples. AGOP IV. 190, f. 85<sup>v</sup>.

**Tessimer**, Giuseppe Maria. Also Tesimer, Tesmer. Laybrother. A native of Rome; received the tertiary habit at S. Sisto, Aug. 1664. SCAR 37, f. 19<sup>v</sup>. Already had a room at S. Clemente, 24 Aug. 1677, when the Irish took possession. By notarial instrument, dated 16 Nov. 1695, put in charge of all the temporal concerns of the two convents. SCAR 27, no. 8. Evidently enlisted to sort out debts, accounts etc. Assigned to S. Sisto from convent of S. Domenico, Orvieto, July 1698. AGOP IV. 182, p. 361. Elected bursar by house-council, 20 Jan. 1699. Appointed syndic *ad interim*, May 1704; here styled 'pater'. AGOP IV. 182, p. 429.

**Thomas** of Sancta Maria. Ordained a priest at Rome, 21 Dec. 1680. Listed in print as Irish, but more likely Italian.

**Tiernan**, Anthony. Also MacTeernan. Son of Sligo, where a novice from 1686; sent in 1689 to study in Spain. Again or still at Sligo, 1695-6. *Liber Provinciae*. Assigned to S. Sisto for studies, Jan. 1699, presumably after his exile. AGOP IV. 182, p. 365. Began theology at S. Sisto, 1701. Named subprior in 1705 on the completion of his studies. *Liber studiorum*, ff. 12, 42. Ordered by the provincial to Ireland and named prior of Sligo by the MG before he left Rome, 1707. Stationed at Clonshanville, 1728; still on the mission, 1735. *IDP*, 130, 197-98, 593. Perhaps identical with 'McTeere a friar in the parish of Achonry', 1731. *Archiv. Hib.*, iii (1914), 129. Not in the chapter obits of 1738 or later.

**Timone**, Thomas Maria. A novice who already occupied a room at S. Clemente when the Irish took possession of the convent, 27 Aug. 1677; but then left the house. So too did another novice, Domenico Maria Timone. BOYLE, 25. Thomas Maria received subdiaconate at Rome, March 1681. Both accepted in print as Irish (Timoney) by EGAN and BOYLE. They were more likely Italian, since they left the house when the Irish moved in and are not otherwise known.

**Vincent of St Thomas**. See Vincent O'Heyne.

**Weldon**, Gerard. A son of Trim who studied at S. Sisto. O'HEYNE, 41. Received all s. orders at Rome, Dec. 1681 - 1 Apr. 1684. His

election as prior confirmed, Dec. 1694. AGOP IV 182, p. 190. Signed council-book as prior, 28 Nov. 1697. Assigned to the house by the MG, Mar. 1698. AGOP IV. 182, p. 357. Still at S. Sisto, 1718, when he claimed to have lived there for thirty-eight years. SCAR 21, doc. 492. Died at Rome, June 1728, after a residence in S. Sisto of forty-seven years. *Hib. Dom.*, 406.

*Additional note on Primrose, Patrick, O.P. (pp 25-6 above):* The best and most recent study is by Fergus Kerr, O.P., 'Patrick Primrose: a Dominican in seventeenth-century Scotland' in *New Blackfriars*. lxxxiii, no. 979 (September 2002), 425-44.