

Leslie Papers (MIC606, T3827)

Summary

The archive at Castle Leslie, Glaslough, Co. Monaghan, amounts to 128 PRONI boxes, plus several outside albums, numerous rolled maps and the boxed patent of 1876 [F/2] creating the Leslie baronetcy. While the PRONI list and arrangement covers the entire archive, only a tiny fraction has in fact been copied by and is available in PRONI (MIC606 and T3827).

The material copied by PRONI is as follows: letters and papers, 1796-1819, of Charles Powell Leslie II as Colonel of the Monaghan Militia; political - mainly Co. Monaghan election – correspondence of Charles Leslie II, 1801-1831; correspondence of and between 'Minnie' Seymour and her husband, George Dawson Damer, 1820-1848; letters to their daughter, Lady Constance Dawson Damer, afterwards the wife of Sir John Leslie, 1st Bt, 1854-1855, from her brother, Seymour, writing from the Crimea; letters and newspaper cuttings of Charles Powell Leslie III, 1857-1866, about Co. Monaghan elections, election violence in 1865, etc; letters to John Leslie, later Sir John, 1st Bt, 1871, about his (successful) candidature for the Co. Monaghan by-election occasioned by the death of C.P. Leslie III; letters to Lady Constance from Sir John, March-April 1880, about his defeat at the Co. Monaghan election; correspondence and printed matter of Sir John, October-December 1883, about the Rosslea incident; letters to Lady Constance from the Leslies' second daughter, 'Consie', Lady Hope, 1890-1891, describing Viceregal life in India; correspondence, 1894-1958, between Sir Shane Leslie, 3rd Bt, and his parents, grandparents, wife (Marjorie) and siblings; correspondence, 1924-1972, between Sir Shane and Marjorie Leslie, on the one hand, and their children, Anita, John and Desmond, on the other (including letters to Anita from the Leslies' cousin, Clare Sheridan); and diaries of Marjorie Leslie, 1901-1934 (with many gaps) and her own 'Grangerised' copies of her book, *Girlhood in the Pacific*, 1942.

The rest – and the vast majority of - the archive is held in the National Library of Ireland.

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