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Freeholders Records

Search the index to pre-1840 Freeholders' Registers and Poll Books.

Name Search

Search the index to pre-1858 diocesan wills and administration bonds, and extracts from surviving fragments of the 1740 and 1766 religious census returns and 1775 dissenters petitions.

Will Calendars

Search Will Calendars indexes for the District Probate Registries of Armagh, Belfast and Derry/Londonderry, 1858-1965; and view copy wills c.1858-1909. Wills include information on the deceased (testator) and the property and goods they owned. Witnesses, beneficiaries and executors of a will (who are often related to the deceased) are also named.

Tithe Applotment Books

Browse the 275 Tithe Applotment Books compiled between 1824 and 1838 in respect of the various civil parishes in the six counties of Northern Ireland and view landholdings by name, acreage and valuation, decades before the Great Famine. Enter **FIN/5/A** in the box under the 'browse' button on the eCatalogue, click on the live reference **FIN/5/A** and examine these volumes parish by parish.

Hansard: Stormont, 1998-2016

Search and browse 114 volumes of the Hansard official reports of debates in the Northern Ireland Assembly from 1998 to 2016. Enter **NILA/7** in the box under the 'browse' button on the eCatalogue, click on the live reference **NILA/7** and examine the contents of each volume.

School Grant-Aid Application Books, 1832-1889

Browse the grant-aid application forms completed by local committees setting up national schools in various parts of the six counties of Northern Ireland, commencing under the Chief Secretary's Order of 1831. Enter **ED/1** in the box under the 'browse' button on the eCatalogue, click first on one of the live references **ED/1/(1-33)**, then click on the next live reference in sequence to view different school applications and discover the state of primary schooling in each neighbourhood.

Hogg Photographs of Inner-City Belfast, 1912-1915

View c.200 photographs of terraced housing due for demolition by Belfast Corporation between 1912 and 1915, taken on its behalf by Alexander Hogg, celebrated Ulster photographer. Enter **LA/7/8/HF/3** or 4 in the box under the 'browse' button on the eCatalogue to view either of two consecutive volumes of images.

Various PRONI Records digitised for Online Viewing

- Report of Ministry of Public Security on Belfast Air Raids, 1941 (**CAB/3/A/68**)
- Writings of Lady Londonderry on subject of women's suffrage (**D3099/3/6/1/1-8**)
- Nine posters advertising circuses in Europe and North America, 1963-75 (**D4577/6/1-9**)
- Prize-winning photographs of Northern Ireland (NIPA, 1994-2014) (**D4634/2**)



Report compiled by the Ministry of Public Security on the air raids on Belfast and their aftermath. PRONI Reference: CAB/3/A/68

- Recollections of the 'troubles', Northern Ireland, Lisburn Probus Club (**D4734/1/1 & D4734/2/1/1-10**)
- Photographs by Office of Public Works of various schools in Northern Ireland, 1907 (**ED/26/8/1**)

- War Casualties, Northern Ireland, 1939-45 (**FIN/17/2/25**)
- Treatment of wounded military, Royal Victoria Hospital, 1914-1916 (**HOS/2/1/4/1**)
- Ballintoy National School roll-book, 1903-1913 (**SCH/1724/2/1**), Ballintoy N.S. Inspector's Observations (**SCH/1724/5/1-2**), Ballintoy N.S. Daily Report Book, 1926-31.

To view the above records, enter PRONI reference numbers cited in the box under the 'browse' button on the eCatalogue.

PRONI on YouTube

www.youtube.com/user/PRONIonline

PRONI has a dedicated YouTube channel where you can keep up to date with PRONI talks. Our 'Your Family History' series provides valuable insights into researching family history sources.

PRONI Flickr Photostream

www.flickr.com/photos/proni

Images from the PRONI archives are now available to view on the photo-sharing website Flickr.

Other Online Resources

- *General Register Office of Northern Ireland (GRONI)*, Civil Births, Marriages and Deaths: www.nidirect.gov.uk/services/go-groni-online
- *General Register Office, Ireland*, Civil Births, Marriages and Deaths: www.irishgenealogy.ie/
- *National Archives of Ireland*, 1901, 1911 and 1926 (ROI only) Census: <https://nationalarchives.ie/collections/search-the-census/>
- *National Library of Ireland*, Roman Catholic Registers: registers.nli.ie/
- *Ask About Ireland*, Griffith's Valuation: www.askaboutireland.ie/griffith-valuation/