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Fwd: Event Recordings - George Berkeley, Colonialism, and Ireland

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Forwarded Conversation

Subject: Fwd: Event Recordings - George Berkeley, Colonialism, and Ireland

From: Takaharu Oda <odat@tcd.ie>
Date: Sat, Jun 26, 2021 at 2:12 PM
To: <ramie.leahy@gmail.com>

Dear Ramie,

Many thanks for the meeting and your reply last Saturday.

Whilst I forgot to mention, there is a new book, Berkeley's biography. Currently, valid until 1 July, it is 25% off to buy if you wish to buy from the link with the promo code below. The email also includes a recorded discussion between the author Tom Jones and my TCD supervisor Kenny Pearce (the last question about Jonathan Swift's influence in Q&A is what I did, albeit anonymous).

Now, one of my unresolved questions is whether he was born in 'Kilcrin near Thomastown', so says Jones in his new biography (ch. 1). Then, is it correct to say that Berkeley (and his five brothers) were all born there, rather than *in* Dysart Castle?

In passing, I would like to mention your name in my PhD thesis for your precious information. When the draft is done, I should digitally send it to you.

Is mise le maes,
Tadhg

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From: **Francesca O'Rafferty** <Francesca.O.Rafferty@tcd.ie>
Date: Thu, 20 May 2021 at 11:42
Subject: Event Recordings - George Berkeley, Colonialism, and Ireland
To:

Dear Attendees,

Thank you for your interest in 'George Berkeley, Colonialism, and Ireland: A Conversation with Tom Jones' webinar on the 19th of May 2021.

If you missed the event, you can **listen** back to the podcast below:

<https://soundcloud.com/tlrhub/george-berkeley-colonialism-and-ireland-a-conversation-with-tom-jones>

Or you can **watch** the back the discussion here:

<https://www.facebook.com/trinitylongroomhub/videos/197986618844499>

You can also purchase the book '[George Berkeley: A Philosophical Life](#)' by guest speaker Tom Jones [here](#) with a special discount of 25% valid until 1 July, using the promo code **TOM21**. [Visit the website here](#)

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Upcoming event from TLRH

[Beyond 2022 Research Showcase Marking the Centenary of the Custom House Fire](#)

Tuesday, 25 May 2021, 2:30 – 5pm

People, Place and Power: Grand Jury Records and Local History

Presented in association with Local Government Archivists and Records Managers

[Details here](#)

[‘Burning the Books’, Series Finale of the Out of the Ashes series](#)

Tuesday, 25 May 2021, 7pm- 8:30pm

An online lecture by Richard Ovenden, Bodley's Librarian, University of Oxford, and author of *Burning the Books: A History of the Deliberate Destruction of Knowledge* (John Murray Press).

[Details here](#)

Many thanks

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From: <ramie.leahy@gmail.com>
Date: Sat, Jun 26, 2021 at 8:10 PM
To: Takaharu Oda <odat@tcd.ie>

Hi Dadhg

Just a note on Kilcrin .. in Irish Kilcrin translates as the church in the woods . The church is to the rear of the castle . Dysart is normally associated with a isolated location or a dwelling place of a hermit in the this particular location it's Colman of the pigs , ref Leabhar Breach (the speckled book) . I believe it's in the Hibernian Academy.

Some notes to follow .

Best wishes

Ramie

Sent from my iPhone

On 26 Jun 2021, at 14:12, Takaharu Oda <odat@tcd.ie> wrote:

From: **Takaharu Oda** <odat@tcd.ie>
Date: Sat, Jun 26, 2021 at 10:47 PM
To: <ramie.leahy@gmail.com>

Dear Ramie,

Thank you very much for your replies and the attachment of William Tighe's book are so illuminating. There are three points to clarify, if I may.

1. What is the Irish/Gaeilge equivalent of 'Kilcrin'? Is it 'Cill Crainn' ('church in the woods')? If it's 'Coill Crainn', then 'wood of the woods'. Both Irish words are highly confusing to me! I'm checking the Irish-English dictionary online: <https://www.teanglann.ie/en/fgb/Crann>

2. If Kilcran is the 'church in the woods' as you translated, then do you think that Berkeley and brothers were indeed born on the church premises at the rear of Dysart Castle? I'm just confused whether the Berkeley family's house was next to the church, or they were on the same premises... (Tom Jones's new biography states that 'Kilcrin is just to the west of Kilkenny city' (2021, ch. 2), but it seems to me that he is confused with another place 'Kilcreen' near the city, not 'Kilcran near Thomastown' (Stock's 1776 biography). I think your account is the most trustable.)

3. I couldn't find the 'Leabhar Breach' reference on the archives of the Royal Hibernian Academy. But perhaps, I found it on the catalogue of the Royal Irish Academy as below:

https://www.isos.dias.ie/master.html?https://www.isos.dias.ie/libraries/RIA/RIA_MS_23_P_16/english/index.html?ref=https://www.isos.dias.ie/

However, I'm never trained to read the Irish manuscript (MS 23, P 16, p. 100), such that I couldn't find the location name 'Colman of the pigs' (no info on the internet). What is its Irish/Gaeilge equivalent? Were there so many pigs (*muc*) around Dysart in the woods or any metaphor...?

Many thanks for your help in advance,
Tadhg

PS. I found the microfilm of Tighe's *Statistical observations relative to the County of Kilkenny* in the TCD library. I'll read more around the page you sent to me.

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From: Takaharu Oda <odat@tcd.ie>
Date: Sat, Jun 11, 2022 at 11:41 AM
To: <ramie.leahy@gmail.com>
Cc: Shenhao Li <sli9@tcd.ie>

Dear Ramie

I hope this email finds you very well. Thank you indeed for your support last year after my visit to the castle ruins.

I have a Berkeleyan friend of mine, who currently writes on Berkeley's reception of Chinese philosophy for the MPhil dissertation. I wonder if he may visit your property of Dysart Castle. He may be emailing you today, so his email is cc'd.

In addition, attached is my doctoral thesis draft, soon to be submitted. I have mentioned you both in acknowledgements and footnote 1 of the Introduction (p. 1). If you have the time to read, I'd appreciate it if you can evaluate whether my description of the castle place '**Colman of the pigs**' is correct. I have referred to the *Leabhar Breac* that you suggested, but I couldn't find the exact page. I haven't included Tighe's *Statistical observations*, but it can be my further research!

Is mise le meas,
Tadhg

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From: Takaharu Oda <odat@tcd.ie>

Date: Fri, Jun 17, 2022 at 9:59 AM
To: <ramie.leahy@gmail.com>

Dear Ramie

Just a quick question. I was wondering the species of crops in your fields. Is it barley or wheat?

Also, please don't feel obliged to read my thesis draft. I can send you the better version after my viva voce.

Thanks in advance,
Tadhg

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From: <ramie.leahy@gmail.com>
Date: Fri, Jun 17, 2022 at 2:11 PM
To: Takaharu Oda <odat@tcd.ie>

Hi Tadhg this years crops around the castle is feeding Barley and on the heigher fields it's Malting Barley for making whiskey or Beer .

Keep well

Ramie

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From: **Takaharu Oda** <odat@tcd.ie>
Date: Fri, Jun 17, 2022 at 5:13 PM
To: <ramie.leahy@gmail.com>

Dear Ramie,
I thought wheat last year, but the crops this year are barley!
Thank you,
Tadhg

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From: <ramie.leahy@gmail.com>
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Dear Tadhg yes last year barley we try rotate for the ground so this year barley

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