

**Archival list**

**Papers of John Hagan, Irish College Rome  
(1904-1930)**

PART THREE: 1923-1926

## DOCUMENTS OF 1923

- 1  
no no.      June 1922- [early  
January 1923]      Handwritten memorandum by [Hagan] for [the Vatican  
Secretary of State] discussing in nine sections the pre-  
sent situation in Ireland and making a suggestion as to  
an intervention by the Holy Father. Condemning the rejection by the Free  
State of a settlement proposed by the republicans; the government is set to  
stay in power by virtue of martial law. Discussing the social and political  
consequences of that rejection; secret activities will abound. The republicans  
have lost all means of reaching the public, since press and pulpit are given to  
the other side. However, the bishops who are to meet in less than two weeks'  
time could still reach the people by means of a joint pastoral, leading them  
back to the principles of charity and advocating free elections; undoing the  
blunder of last October. The republicans are willing to tolerate, if under pro-  
test, the de facto government, as the Holy See did in 1870. Only the bishops  
can sway people's prejudices against republicans and open the way for elec-  
tions; a letter from the Holy Father could persuade them of this. Elections  
would have to be based, among other things, on mutual cessation of hostili-  
ties, an amnesty for prisoners, and a removal of the spiritual penalties against  
republicans. [Attached] a typescript copy (with handwritten title in unknown  
hand) of part of a letter of June 1922 from G.Barry Gifford, Berlin, to the Mi-  
nister of Foreign Affairs, Dublin: at length, setting down his reasons for se-  
rious accusations of treason and misappropriation of funds against (John)  
Chartres. (The first item refers to the bishops' meeting, possibly that on 16  
January. The Standing Committee meeting on 10 April would presuppose  
Luzio's presence in Dublin and no allusion is made to this.) (The two items  
do not seem to be connected but were at some time filed together.)
- 2 items
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was 25      [...] January 1923      Holograph letter from Thomas O'Sullivan, Milltown,  
Ballynacargy, County Westmeath, to Hagan, asking for  
the pontifical medal of the Pope. He is member of the  
Holy Childhood Society and has so far rescued twelve children.
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was 24      [1 January 1923]      Typescript draft letter with handwritten insertions from  
(Hagan), Rome, to Cardinal [DeLai, Congregation of  
the Consistory, Rome]. In reply, giving his opinion on  
the proposed successors to Raphoe: while having little knowledge of the first

two [Kennedy, Kelly] he overall recommends [William McNeely], a former student of his. Pointing to the importance of Irish in the diocese, and stating that the appointment of another member of a religious order may cause resentment throughout Ireland. Then commenting on a document (in French) forwarded by the Cardinal concerning Down and Connor: the hostile insinuations make it seem that the writer is not an Irish Catholic. He blames the bishop for alienation from an important section of Nationalists; in fact the bishop has dealt very successfully with the Hibernian Society which had given much trouble to his predecessors. The writer's second charge, that the diocesan does not support the new government, ought to be seen in the light of the oppression inflicted by that 'new protestant tyranny' on the local Catholics; moreover the bishop here 'has the warm approval of \practically/ the whole Irish Hierarchy'. Strongly discouraging the proposed transfer [of Bishop MacRory to Raphoe] since it would be 'a public slap in the face to the present Bishop'. (Marked 'confidential' and for translation with Hagan's signature.)

3 pp

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was 27

1 January 1923 Holograph card from Bishop Henry Cleary, Hillingdon Court, Hillingdon, Middlesex, England, to (Hagan), in thanks for the letters from Fr.Sinnott. Asking to retain further correspondence until he arrives in Rome.

2 pp

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no no.

2 January 1922  
[1923] Typescript (copy) letter from (Hagan), Rome, to Fr.Murphy (Enniscorthy, County Wexford), replying at length to questions posed about the proposed employment of religious sisters for the household of the Irish College. Discussing numbers and additional employees (six sisters, two menservants and a charwoman), the work, remuneration (suggesting £100 per annum), living and devotional arrangements.

2 pp

6  
was 28

2 January 1923 Typescript lettersigned Cardinal G.De Lai, Bishop of Latina, of the Congregation of the Consistory, Rome, to

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Hagan. Listing the three candidates for the coadjutorship of Elphin, named by Tuam (Frs.Crowe, Duignan, Doorley). Asking his opinion on each, and asking for other referees, preferably diocesans. [Italian]

1 p

7  
was 10

3 January 1922  
[1923]

Holograph letter from Bishop J.MacRory, St.Malachy's College, Belfast (County Antrim), to Hagan, in gratitude for his intervention which will benefit the diocese's poor. Asking for a few lines from the Pope on Catholic people's sufferings in Belfast to accompany the gift; he can use this in an appeal to America – 'there would be no need to blame the Orangemen or the expulsions from work'. Also stating that 'there is not the slightest danger of a no-Popery cry- it is a question of charity pure and simple'. Discussing money matters. Adding that Hagan's remarks about a possible delegate is new to him and stating that he would not expect more harm than good to come from it.

4 pp

8  
was 11

3 January 1922  
[1923]

Holograph letter from Bishop J.MacRory, St.Malachy's College, Belfast (County Antrim), to Hagan, having received his letter and expressing gratitude for Pope Pius XI's magnificent generosity in returning Peter's Pence and adding to it. The Orangemen, always claiming that Rome takes and gives nothing back, will hearken at this. Asking to impart his diocese's heartfelt gratitude. Should he still need to appeal to America to save workers from hunger, the Pope's example will help. (Pope Pius XI is named, though only elected 6 February.)

4 pp

9  
was 30

4 January 1923

Holograph letter from Bishop Charles McHugh, Bishop's House, Derry, to (Hagan), in thanks for dispensations and faculties; having lodged payments including a gift and a sum for Dr.McShane's brief. They are experiencing a lull at present, but it is hard to say what effect the executions will have on the situation.

3 pp

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- 10  
was 31
- 4 January 1923
- Printed form with handwritten insertions signed Cardinal De Lai of the Congregation of the Consistory, stating receipt of Bishop Cohalan's (Cork) diocesan report; certification of payment of fee. [Latin]
- 2 pp
- 11  
was 32
- 4 January 1923
- Typescript letter signed Art O'Brien, 3 Adam Street, Adelphi, London W.C.2 (England), to (Hagan), reporting on his interview with Bishop Amigo. The latter does not think he can approach friends at government about a suggestion that does not include recognition of the king. Hostilities in Ireland have to be halted first; O'Brien holding against it that hostilities hinge on English interference in the first place. Otherwise the bishop showed sympathy and a very clear understanding of the issue. Enclosing important note for Dr. Con Murphy concerning Cardinal Bonzano (not extant). Adding that the president had expected Count O'Byrne to maintain the republican property in Rome; they could have D.H.[McHales] come from Genoa to claim the property back but he would be asked to consult Hagan first.
- 2 pp
- 12  
was 34
- 5 January 1923
- Typescript letter with few handwritten corrections from [E.R.Morrissey, Dublin], to 'Carissimo' (Hagan), (partly in code using the Blue-Nun analogy). Replying to the puzzle in Hagan's letter of 27 (December), remembering that when their friend had gotten an important appointment their mutual friend P.W.[...] gave his opinion of O'D.[...] at length; the two are friends. He has not been able to see P.W. who he knows is anxious to talk about the novices question; he is seen to agree with M.[...] on this. The Second Visitor [...]'is heading for a H,&W,& Co, regime, and whether that will be an improvement on the R, &D, & Co, of happy memory, is a question time alone can tell'. Idolators are increasing daily but their victims ought to be able to tell flattery apart. Turning to politics, there is no change and 'soldiers and Civic Guards are as common as blackberries in August'. Monica's [...] friend C.[...] thinks an end is very near; both their friend in the south gives valuable help to the appellants [Republicans]. Diocesan appointments briefly listed. Sr.K.[eo-hane] knows little about Mother General [DeValera] at present; while Sr. Teacher [...] writes positively about the schools that does not mean much – the opposition is very strong. Commissioning mass intentions. They have around 140 pupils at their school, but no ladies – stating a preference for

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undisciplined boys to wild girls.

2 pp

13  
was 36

7 January 1923 Holograph card from Bishop A.B.[rownrigg], Kilkenny, to (Hagan), in thanks for faculties. Fr.Coghlan finished his retreat but because of differences over his chosen domicile Brownrigg will refuse him permission to celebrate Mass. 'It would be a very grave scandal before the priests and people if he were allowed... His presence in the place is resented by both priests (and) people more especially as another fallen priest has settled down [nearby]'.

2 pp

14  
was 37

8 January 1923 Holograph letter from Fr.Paolo [Giobbe], Rector of the Collegio Urbano, to Hagan. Stating that a student [of the Irish College] performed an act of disrespect towards a teacher of Hebrew, placing an object on his desk as a joke. Informing Hagan so that the student may be reprimanded. [Italian]

1 p

15  
was 38&39

8 January 1923 Holograph letter from Bishop Laurence Gaughran [Mullingar, County Westmeath], to (Hagan), enclosing cheque for fees and a subscription. Also enclosing sheet with details on fees due to the Congregation of the Sacraments.

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16  
was 40

9 January 1923 Holograph letter from D.F.McCrea, Kilrea, County Derry, to Hagan, offering more Mass stipends on behalf of the late Fr.McErlain. Giving account of payments to date. Asking about the nomination of the next Bishop of Raphoe.

2 pp

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- 17  
was 41
- 9 January 1923
- Holograph letter from Bishop D.Hallinan, Bishop's House, Corbally, Limerick, to (Hagan). Since the tone of the Cardinal's letter was friendly he does not need to interfere further. Mentioning Sr. Rosalie nominated superioress by Rome; Mother Ambrose consents to act in the Council [though offended]. Does not agree with Hagan's gloomy views on the future of the country- the executions were dictated by extreme necessity and the plan to assassinate members of the Dáil. He sees a certain improvement despite isolated outrages. Sending money for the Tivoli project.
- 2 pp
- 18  
was 42
- 10 January 1923
- Holograph letter from Bishop C.O'Sullivan, Aberfoyle, Orwell Road, Rathgar (Dublin), to (Hagan), sending separately his relatio. Pained that 'this poor man' Callaghan is in Rome; begging Hagan to move him to return home – 'you see he is absolutely unfit to manage a parish'; inviting suggestions. Enclosing cheque for the College and as a honorarium. In the country, although there is still damage to property, things are a little better than when Hagan was there. 'The opposing sections are quite as irreconcilable as ever'. He is in Dublin for a meeting of the C.D.B.
- 4 pp
- 19  
was 44
- 10 January 1923
- [Fragment] holograph letter from [Fr.P.Murphy], Enniscorthy (County Wexford), to (Hagan). He has discussed Hagan's points with the Reverend Mother who is very pleased with the proposals; asking him to write to Bishop Codd. Listing suggestions in addition to Hagan's proposals.
- 4 pp
- 20  
was 45
- 10 January 1923
- Holograph letter from Bishop M.Fogarty, Ennis (County Clare), to (Hagan), in thanks for letter and rescripts; enclosing cheque for fees and enclosing sheet listing fees for matrimonial dispensations (with reply from the Congregation of Sacraments). Then stating that 'the irregulars as far as rank (and) file are

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concerned are fast breaking up, and they are dwindling into a mere assassination club with a few clumps of desperadoes scattered through the country.' While the rank and file want peace, the leaders hold out 'for some trick of their own' in which they are unlikely to succeed. In his opinion, the worst is over. [partly Latin, Italian]

4 pp

21  
was 46

10 January 1923

Holograph letter from Bishop Laurence Gaughran, Bishop's House, Mullingar (County Westmeath), to (Hagan). Setting accounts right for congregational fees.

2 pp

22  
no no.

12 January 1923

Printed forms with handwritten insertions signed by Cardinal Secretary De Lai of the Congregation of the Consistory, stating receipt of the diocesan reports from the Bishops of Cashel and Limerick. (Reverse states payment of fees.) [Latin, Italian]

2 items

23  
was 51

14 January 1923

Holograph letter from Cáit bean Sheáin T.(Ó Ceallaigh), 91 Stephen's Green (Dublin), to Hagan. Wondering how Dr.Murphy's appeal to the Pope went; he must know that his papers were raided and seized. Mentioning Miss Taaffe's arrest as another example of high-handed justice. 'I don't know whether this deadly duel between the Republicans (and) the Free Staters is to be long or short.' The government at least acts optimistic; (Commander-in-Chief) told Mrs. O'Malley in Galway that she was not to count on a settlement. She herself had notes from their government, none pessimistic- 'deV[alera]'s chief wail was to have Seán T.free!' Fr.P.B.[rowne] is also more than hopeful. However, operationally they are not doing so well; two column boys were killed in action. A farewell letter from O'Malley was published in *Poblacht*. The shop of the McCulloughs – always turning their coats, foolishly – was blown up. Seán asks for Hagan often; his attempt to go on parole, making peace, failed for the conditions on the 'peace' to be brokered. Mc[Esmond]'s work in Rome

promises to be a success. Dr.McCartan [demonstrated the propaganda work going on in the States]; the company was depressed over Fr.Magennis writing so much on Liam Mellows and nothing on Hales and the other side. Believes that Irish America is theirs. Their biggest problem is a government that does not care about public approval or support: 'it will go on for a long time "regardless" even when it comes to be detested'.

2 pp

24 [...] -14 January  
was 52/ no no. 1923

**Little Company of Mary (London) and property**

Correspondence between Sr.(Mary) Theresa, 48 Oakhill Road, East Putney, London (England), and Hagan, and the Cardinal Prefect of Religious. On receiving advice from Hagan, three signing members complain to the congregation of their superioress Mother Mary Edith because of her purchase of grounds in Hillingdon, Middlesex, without prior consultation of the professed sisters. Listing their yearly liabilities for the property, stating that they fear bankruptcy, and that the large property calls the novices away from their spiritual exercises. Asking that the constitutions which they have not so far seen, be made provisional until the next chapter. Mentioning to Hagan that (Mary) Ambrose and the sisters also sent in their petition.

3 items

25 16 January 1923  
was 53

Holograph letter from Bishop Mulhern, Ardmaine, Newry (County Down). Enclosing document – fortunately nobody can accuse him of having favoured the project dealt with (document not extant). Also enclosing [cheque] for mass intentions. The boundary question will create a stir; there will be serious difficulties if the north east is deprived of any of its territory. Remark about the Catholic workers; the markets are unfavourable and employment slack everywhere.

2 pp

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- 26  
was 54
- 17 January 1923
- Holograph letter from Moya Healy [...], 13 Star of the Sea Terrace, Sandymount, County Dublin, to 'Reverend Father' [Hagan], asking for Lady Greville's current address in Rome.
- 2 pp
- 27  
was 55
- 17 January 1923
- Handwritten receipt from the Congregation of Rites, Rome, for [Irish College], over a sum as a Christmas gift. [Italian]
- 1 p
- 28  
was 56
- 17 January 1923
- Holograph letter from P.J.Walsh, Archbishop's House, Dublin, to (Hagan), enclosing three petitions, and a statement from Chicago which speaks for itself and which he might find useful (none extant). The value of the report by an American correspondent, claiming that the Vatican will send a delegate to the Free State should be clear to Hagan. There will be no publication issued from the bishops' meeting yesterday. Hagan's 'eminent friend' is out for uncompromising action but has been kept in restraint. Mentioning the sudden death of McSwiney, Meath Street; Morrissey is in great form.
- 4 pp
- 29  
was 58
- 18 January 1923
- Holograph letter from [H.Weldon] [Rome], to (Hagan), describing the problems with the cardinal, her financial straits, and refusal to be sent back to the Ursulines of the Roman Union; she has lost two years in Rome. Asking to intervene on her behalf.
- 4 pp

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- 30  
was 59
- 18 January 1923
- Holograph letter from Francis Hickey, The Presbytery, [McWare] Avenue, East St.Kilda, Melbourne (Australia), to [Hagan]. Asking to obtain permission to celebrate Mass on weekday mornings at his home in the Kildare and Leighlin diocese during his visit there. He will call on him in Rome in April.
- 2 pp
- 31  
was 60
- 18 January 1923
- Holograph letter from M.J.[Glancey] Vicar General, Archbishop's House, 6 Norfolk Road, Edgbaston, Birmingham (England), to Hagan, asking for a reference for a former student, Mr.Connick, who is asking to be adopted by their diocese
- 2 pp
- 32  
was 61
- 18 January 1923
- Typescript letter signed [P.C.][Cardinal] Gasparri of the Secretary of State of His Holiness, Vatican, to Bishop Patrick O'Donnell, Letterkenny (County Donegal). Giving thanks for receipt of £ 100 in charity for the Russian famine; transmitting the Pope's blessing for his diocese. [Latin]
- 1 p
- 33  
was 62
- 19 January 1923
- Holograph letter from [J.Phillips], also signed [P.Lornie], 6 Herbert Avenue, Merrion, Dublin, to Hagan, in gratitude for hospitality during their stay in Rome, with New Year's wishes.
- 2 pp
- 34  
was 64
- 19 January 1923
- Holograph letter from Bishop [Bernard] Hackett, Bishop's House, John's Hill, Waterford, to (Hagan). He feels his is being made a test case; adding an observation and asking advice, but since he has more or less maintained the status

quo as he found it he is little worried about the case.

2 pp

35  
was 56

19 January 1923 Holograph letter from [H.] Weldon, Hotel S.Chiaara (Rome), to (Hagan), describing the events since she saw him that morning. The Cardinal sent her to the Congregation but she wants nothing to do with them. Fr.[Cummins] was a true friend but cannot do anything now. Expressing strong indignation; 'with a stroke of the pen they put an innocent woman in the street'.

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36  
was 67

21 January 1923 Holograph letter from Margaret Pearse, St.Enda's College, Dublin, to Hagan. Asking if anything more can be done; there has been no answer from the congregation and since their numbers are increasing the matter is urgent.

1 p

37  
was 68

21 January 1923 Holograph letter from Peter J.Donohue, Holy Cross College, Clonliffe, Dublin, to Hagan, expressing his gratitude for kindnesses during his year at the College; and especially during his illness. Asking for necessary papers for minor orders from the Roman diocesan.

2 pp

38  
was 69

22 January 1923 Holograph letter from Bishop William Codd, Wexford, to (Hagan), approving of Hagan's plan to invite the nuns. Asking to pay an outstanding fee and enclosing packet for Fr.[Gallonghi].

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- 39  
was 70
- 23 January 1923
- Typescript letter signed by S.P.Conry, Ballyhaunis, County Mayo, to Hagan, enclosing a letter from Archbishop Gilmartin (not extant) – some opponents in the chapter use their influence to prevent his appointment to a curacy. Expressing his sore feelings over the British gloating 'at seeing the Irish at each [other's] throats': 'the ugliest thing in history I have known was the readiness with which the Irish World and the Gaelic American began slinging mud at each other the very moment the split opened at home. It was not for this the Hibernians in Rome gave and took hard knocks these six years'. His father is about to retire to Bray.
- 1 p
- 40  
was 66/71
- 20-23 January 1923
- Holograph letter and fragment from Patrick Murphy, House of Missions, Enniscorthy (County Wexford), to (Hagan). Enclosing a holograph letter from (Reverend Mother) (Mary) Visitation, Convent of St.John of God, Wexford, to (Fr.) 'Mattie', expressing the hope that they will not be bypassed for the Kilkenny sisters. Murphy supposes that they are now accepting the scheme as it stands; wondering if the case has to wait until the bishops' June meeting. Commenting on the Free State government which 'has gone to the devil entirely' in that it is said they will also shoot women. There are no public protests or appeals. According to the Republican press they are gaining ground; Murphy would sometimes prefer they would 'declare off' to some young men. They lack courage to side with the wrong party. He is leaving Ireland now since they have seven missions booked in England. Now attached fragment letter from Murphy to (Hagan), passing on opinions of the Reverend Mother about the sisters' work in Rome. Once articles are drawn up they will present them to the bishop; Hagan can be certain they will send 'a good selection of tried and true (sisters)'.  
3 items
- 41  
was 72
- 23 January 1923
- Holograph letter from Bernardine O'Halloran, 18 Avenue Gourgaud, Paris (France), to Hagan, asking for help in obtaining a post as governess or teacher; she holds a B.A. and a teacher's certificate; offering references; Bishop W.Keatinge could give her a personal reference (London address).
- 2 pp

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- 42  
was 74
- 23 January 1923
- Holograph letter from Bishop W.Hayden, Bishop's House, Forbes, New South Wales (Australia), to Hagan, introducing his parishioners Mr. and Mrs. Weaver, asking to obtain a papal audience for them in March. Stating that St.Patrick's day will be quiet in Australia; 'Dr.Duhig came out as a Free Stater, only to get an awful doing from Coonan V.S. (and) Monsignor Collins...So when Australia cannot settle the point, what's the use in talking?'
- 1 p
- 43  
was 75
- 25 January 1923
- Typescript letter signed Fr.Joseph A.Walsh, secretary, St.Jarlath's, Tuam (County Galway) on behalf of the archbishop. Enclosing a petition; the parties involved are not in a hurry (not extant).
- 1 p
- 44  
was 76
- 25 January 1923
- Holograph letter from Proinsias Ní Bhordaigh (Frances Grady), Belfast (County Antrim), to 'a chara' (Hagan). Enclosing the first number of their new paper. It is good that Gerard chose Rome over Maynooth; he is now learning against former experience that it is possible to be a good priest and a good Irishman.
- 3 pp
- 45  
was 77
- 26 January 1923
- Holograph letter from H.Weldon, Hotel S.Chicara, Rome, to (Hagan), elaborating on her financial straits and desperation. The Cardinal bears full responsibility; protesting that the allegedly congregational document sent to her in 1905 was false- Monsignor [Surmont] misled her to believe it true; giving further information.
- 4 pp
- 46  
was 78
- 26 January 1923
- Holograph letter from S.Luzio of the Apostolic Penitentiary, Rome, to Hagan, sending dispensation for [Fr.]

Coyne concerning the recitation of the office; he is to present it to a confessor who will carry out the dispensation.

1 p

47  
was 79

27 January 1923

Typescript letter signed [...] of the Tipografia del Senato, Via Dogana Vecchia 27, Rome, to Hagan, enclosing draft of the cover and frontispice of the book on Ireland; inviting comments; further questions. [Italian]

1 p

48  
was 80

27 January 1923

Holograph letter from Bishop William Codd, Wexford, to (Hagan), asking to pay fees to two congregations as listed.

2 pp

49  
was 81

28 January 1923

Holograph letter from Sr.(Mary) Vincent, [S.C.M.] London (England), to Hagan, advising him that Bishop Cleary of Auckland will call when in Rome next week to discuss the sisters' new house with him.

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50  
was 82

28 January 1923

Draft and typescript copy letter from Hagan to Reverend Mother, Convent of St.John of God, Wexford. Re-iterating the conditions under which the College would invite sisters from her house to work at the College (as in his letter to Murphy, 2 January). Also stating that they are following the examples of the Papal Lateran seminary, and the English College; they will still depend on approval from the ecclesiastical authorities in Ireland. The sisters 'must not expect to find everything in apple-pie order all at once'. Asking to show this letter to the Bishop of Ferns.

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- 51  
was 83
- 28 January 1923
- Handwritten card from Monsignor Giovanni Steinmann, Protonotary Apostolic and councillor of the German Embassy to the Holy See, Via dell'Olmata 9, Rome, to (Hagan), regretting that he is indisposed and will not attend lunch. [Italian]
- 2 pp
- 52  
was 84
- 28 January 1923
- Holograph letter from Sr.(Mary) Ambrose [Limerick], to (Hagan), in thanks for his letter. Although not much is to be expected of the constitutions it seems they have won the substance; she accepted the post of councillor and provincial secretary. Discussing other victories towards the Roman house; the bishop acted decisively and Sr.(Mary) John is superioress. Asking what they owe to [M.] Varelli; expressing their gratitude.
- 4 pp
- 53  
was 85
- 29 January 1923
- Holograph letter from Archbishop D.Mannix, Raheen, Kew, Victoria (Australia), to Hagan, introducing Mr. and Mrs. C.Ahern, Melbourne, asking to arrange a papal audience for the family. Mr.Ahern is a personal friend; he also rendered invaluable service in the governing body of the Newman College. Much gratitude for his letter.
- 4 pp
- 54  
was 86
- 29 January 1923
- Holograph letter from T.P.Gilmartin, St.Jarlath's, Tuam (County Galway), to (Hagan), enclosing a document that speaks for itself (not extant). Discussing financial matters.
- 2 pp
- 55  
was 87
- 29 January 1923
- Holograph letter from D.F.McCrea, Kilrea, County Derry, to Hagan, having lodged an amount for Fr. McErlain's Mass intentions on the College account, to be seen to by Sinibaldi. Glad to have had the good news about the College's

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advance and large number of students. Dr.McHugh seems to have brought a D.D. only for Fr.McShane, but no chapter.

4 pp

56  
was 88

29 January 1923 Holograph letter from Archbishop Michael (Kelly), St. Mary's Cathedral, Sydney (Australia), to Hagan, asking to arrange a papal audience for Mr.Lawrence Cotter, Sydney; recommending him.

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57  
was 89

30 January 1923 Holograph letter from Bishop B.Hackett, Bishop's House, John's Hill, Waterford, to (Hagan). Enclosing Latin document in reply to the Cardinal (not extant); Dr.Harty found the case clear. Discussing the stance taken in his reply; for example mentioning his right as bishop to provide the number of confessors. Asking also for an indult still outstanding.

3 pp

58  
was 90

30 January 1923 Holograph letter from 'Máirín' [Uí Riain], Dublin, to 'a chara' (Ha-gan). Her grandfather asks him to save his grandson whom Hagan met during his visit – he is very ill; 'one never knows how a chance prayer might succeed'. Doctors give depressing opinions. The grandfather thinks Hagan has great power with angels and archangels; humorous remarks. Regards from the family.

2 pp

59  
was 91

30 January 1923 Holograph letter from George Harding, bookseller, 64 Great Russell Street, London W.C.1 (England), to (Hagan), sending him the items as ordered; listing items out of print and those yet to be sent.

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- 60  
was 92
- 30 January 1923
- Holograph letter from M.J.Browne, St.Patrick's College, Maynooth (County Kildare), to Hagan, asking him to see to an extension of the dispensation from the Congregation of Studies. Browne is needed at the College. The trouble in Ireland is intensifying especially what attacks on property are concerned. The death penalty does not seem to act as a sufficient deterrent but ordinary people experience natural revulsion to such methods. Then adding that Hagan is mentioned with regard to a diocese of the eastern province whose diocesan is ill - 'prosit'.
- 4 pp
- 61  
was 1
- 1 February 1923
- Holograph letter from Denis F.O'Haran, Sacred Heart Presbytery, Darlinghurst, Sydney (Australia), to Hagan, introducing the bearer, his friend Mr. Laurence Cotter, President of the Hibernian Society of Australia. Adding information about the society of which O'Haran is Chaplain General. Recommending Cotter who worked closely with Cardinal Moran before.
- 1 p
- 62  
was 3
- 1 February 1923
- Holograph letter from Bishop C.O'Sullivan, The Palace, Killarney (County Kerry), to (Hagan), enclosing their catechetical instructions programme and diocesan report (not extant). Also enclosing synopsis of the case [concerning Fr.O'Callaghan], thinking it cannot be revived after three years unless it was referred to the Rota; elaborating this (not extant).
- 4 pp
- 63  
was 4
- 2 February 1923
- Typescript letter signed G.Bardi of the Tipografia del Senato, Via Dogana Vecchia 27, Rome, to Hagan, with a quotation for the 500 copies of the book on Ireland; recommending selling it at Lira 20. [Italian]
- 1 p

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- 64  
was 5
- 2 February 1923
- Holograph letter from Archbishop J.M.Harty, The Palace, Thurles (County Tipperary), to (Hagan), enclosing petition for [marriage] dispensation (not extant). Stating it is unlikely he will go to Rome this year since he is unwilling 'to leave the country while this strife lasts'. It is hard to tell whether the end is in fact rapidly approaching as according to general belief.
- 2 pp
- 65  
was 6
- 2 February 1923
- Holograph letter from M.J.Browne, St.Patrick's College, Maynooth (County Kildare), to Hagan, enclosing the petition endorsed by the Archbishop of Tuam and a note for Monsignor Tizi (neither extant).
- 2 pp
- 66  
was 7
- 2 February 1923
- Holograph letter from P.Dempsey, Blanchardstown, County Dublin, to Hagan. At some length giving an account of his appointment from Terenure, which he wanted to leave, to Blanchardstown; the new appointment leaves him very stretched and financially in a worse position. He could not accept Dr.Cleary of Auckland's offer now since it would look suspicious; indignantly pointing to his ten years of service in Avoca, the reasonable request he had made to His Grace for removal: he bears a grudge for Dempsey's friendship with Boylan, once a candidate for the Dublin see. Asking Hagan for guidance.
- 4 pp
- 67  
was 8
- 31 January-  
3 February 1923
- Holograph letter from Bishop B.Hackett, Bishop's House, John's Hill, Waterford, to (Hagan), concerning the right to determine the number of priests in religious houses belonging to his diocese. Enclosing [copy] typescript letter from Cardinal Michael Logue, Ara Coeli, Armagh; the case should be deferred until the bishops can all be consulted.
- 2 items

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- 68  
was 9
- 3 February 1923
- Typescript letter signed G.Bardi of the Tipografia del Senato, Rome, to Hagan. Stating that he cannot accede to Hagan's demand that the 30% discount on the books to be printed be paid out now; explaining the financial reasoning. [Italian]
- 1 p
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- 69  
was 7
- 4 February 1923
- Holograph letter from Angela Mullin, Strokestown, (County Roscommon), to the Holy Father. Having had no response for her urgent appeal of October, stating her charges at some length (in a rambling manner) – seeking to bring the bishop and parish priest before an ecclesiastical court for, calling to witness her former parish priest Fr.P.[Kelly] and various priests on missions. Mainly charging bishop and secretary with conniving at her husband's adulteries and brutality towards her, before her children. Elaborating on disturbing instances of domestic violence enacted by her husband. Also commenting on Ireland's loss of her soul in the current struggle. Warning against wolves in sheep's clothing in the church. Remarks about educating children according to the gospel and an altercation with the current priest.
- 20 pp
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- 70  
was 11
- 5 February 1923
- Holograph letter from M.J.[Clancey], Archbishop's House, 6 Norfolk Road, Edgbaston, Birmingham (England), to Hagan. The archbishop will adopt Mr.Connick and allow him to return to the College.
- 2 pp
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- 71  
was 12
- 5 February 1923
- Holograph letter from Bishop B.Hackett, Bishop's House, John's Hill, Waterford, to (Hagan), listing sums paid to the College, including Peter's Pence and fees.
- 1 p

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- 72  
was 13
- 5 February 1923
- Holograph letter from Bishop Laurence Gaughran, Bishop's House, Mullingar (County Westmeath), to Hagan, asking for acknowledgement of cheque sent in January; listing expenses payable with it.
- 1 p
- 73  
was 14
- 6 February 1923
- Typescript letter signed by Laurence Todd, Florence (but giving addresses in Berlin, and future addresses in Washington), to Hagan. In gratitude for courtesy and sympathy extended to him when in Rome 'and most of all [for] the help you have given me in understanding European affairs'. Offering his services to Hagan or friends in Washington.
- 1 p
- 74  
was 15
- 6 February 1923
- Holograph letter from [P.Lornie], Monmouthshire Asylum, Abergavennie (Wales), to (Hagan), having sent him a silver inkstand. Sketching their journey back through Italy.
- 2 pp
- 75  
was 16
- 6 February 1923
- Holograph letter from D.J.O'Doherty, Rector of the Colegio de Nobles Irlandeses, Salamanca, Spain, to (Hagan). Planning to reestablish the Irish ordo in their church, asking for missals with the Irish proper – it will be more expedient to order via Rome. Also asking for booklets on St.Peter's and copy of De Herdt, *Ceremonies*. Promising to send copy of Queen Margaret's letter to the Pope requesting foundation of an Irish college in Rome. (List of expenses for missal in Hagan's hand.)
- 4 pp
- 76  
was 17
- 7 February 1923
- Holograph letter from Bishop Bernard Coyne, St.Mary's, Sligo, to (Hagan), in thanks for transmitting Genti-

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li's views. Quoting from a letter by him to Fr.Sharkey of May 1922; stating that because of different factors he could now offer him a supernumerary position equivalent to a canonry.

1 p

77  
was 19

7 February 1923 Holograph statement from Professor G.Mòglie, Università di Roma (Malattie Nervose), Via Governo Vecchio 3,Rome, for Mr.Michael Dillon. Giving his opinion on Dillon's state of health on examining him; recommending a prolonged rest. [Italian]

2 pp

78  
was 20

8 February 1923 Typescript letter signed A.[rt O'Brien, London], to 'my dear Friend' (Hagan). Stating that although he is hopeful for victory they may have to contend with harder times before it comes. The 'rival company' had decided to send Mr.E.[s-monde]to [Rome] at first but now decided to close the agency. The young man they sent from Paris, J.M., to arrange matters with the landlord may have presented himself to Hagan. Their own director now asks for definite advice on whether or not to keep their establishment, and to appoint a manager – (Hagan's) opinion will be of the greatest value. The manager at Genoa has been advised to go to [Rome] and may have seen him also. Sorry to hear that he has been unwell.

2 pp

79  
was 22

10 February 1923 Holograph letter from Bishop C.O'Sullivan, The Palace, Killarney (County Kerry), expressing his relief and gratitude for the speedy termination of the case and for its result; unhappy it will appear in the *Acta*. He will treat 'the poor unfortunate' with all generosity. Enclosing list of dispensations granted by him over the previous year: not naming parties; mostly cases of marriage in consanguinity. [partly Latin]

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- 80  
was 23
- 11 February 1923 Holograph letter from, Dr.Erich Klitsche, Wieżowa 1 [D.Seminary], Poznań, Poland, to Hagan, giving his news three months after having met him in Rome. Explaining the division of the Poznań archdiocese between Poland and Germany; the German priests are subject to the Polish Cardinal Archbishop [Dalbor]. He is teaching Canon Law; there are few students in proportion to the size of the diocese. He plans to return to the German part, hoping to found a seminary. Prices [in Germany] are rising daily, especially for fabrics and books. In deep gratitude for his help during his studies in Rome. [Italian]
- 3 pp
- 81  
was 24
- 12 February 1923 Holograph letter from Bishop E.Mulhern, Ardmaine, Newry (County Down), to (Hagan), following up on his telegram, explaining that he could not have done anything in a matter concerning an author of a book [on Ulster]. Recounting the experience of an explosion heard the previous night the cause of which is still unclear. Commenting that 'Raphoe is dragging a "lengthening chain"' after a prolonged investigation; that Dr.O'D[onnell] can now appoint parish priests but might not care to exercise the privilege since the main parishes are endowed.
- 2 pp
- 82  
was 25
- 13 February 1923 Typescript letter from Bishop E.Mulhern, Ardmaine, Newry (County Down), to (Hagan), enclosing a document- believing that a faculty was not necessary but seeking it on advice (not extant). Glad that (for the Irish College) a solution was found for the difficulties. When the Holy Father visits his cathedral he is likely to take a look at the Irish College, 'his first love'; that would be a big thing. He does not know of a movement towards a pilgrimage to Rome despite the (Catholic Truth Society's) announcement. The delay over Down and Connor defuses talk about it. General Elias's visit last week caused people to ask questions; his speech was uninspiring. Commenting on the flu.
- 2 pp

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was 26

13 February 1923

Holograph letter from C.[ornelius] M.[urphy] [Cork], to 'a chara dhil' (Hagan). Stating that he returned safely, having seen Dr.A.[migo] on his way back; the latter is anxious to do good, understanding that England needs to stop meddling, and fearing a letter could be issued. Things are worse again in Ireland, Constance is now in Cork jail and a letter campaign to Cardinal G.[asparri], the hierarchy and government was to little avail though Dr.O'Dea's reply was more positive. Enclosing letter about his bad treatment by Free State troops for distribution in Rome (not extant). The Free State was forced to seize the *Daily Mail* this morning. Metaphorical remarks about an impending last effort to be made before April. An 'amnesty stunt' is tried again to have irregulars surrender by 18 February; Liam Deasy had given in under the strain of imprisonment and called on his fellows to do likewise- 'the meanest thing yet'. (Changing rhetorics sarcastically) The destructive rabble causing destruction throughout the country is misled to believe they can win despite the expressions of disapproval in the hierarchy's Lenten pastorals. Asking his and Dr. Curran's prayers. In deep gratitude for his kindness during the sojourn in Rome.

10 pp

84  
was 27

13 February 1923

Holograph letter from William Connick, Seaview Avenue, Rosslare, County Wexford, to Hagan. Glad about the news from Birmingham; advising him on his travelling plans. Everybody is in low spirits in Ireland; it is the saddest state of affairs in Irish history.

3 pp

85  
was 28

13 February 1923

Holograph letter from J.A.[H.] Irwin, Hôtel du Nord et des Anglais, Milan, to Hagan, in thanks for the invitation to the Pope's reception. Hoping he will come to see them if ever he is in the "'Black North'".

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86  
was 40

13 February 1923

Copy typescript letter from J.[Hagan], Rome, to 'my dear friend' [Art O'Brien, London]. H.[ales] has not

called so far; discussing at length the reasons for and against maintaining the establishment in Rome. M.[...] from Paris has made some arrangements to close it down, but rent is paid until June; this is a 'queer commentary ...on [Fitzgerald's] statements in parliament!' Hagan made clear to M. his low opinions of the continuation of a delegation, and his refusal to be involved: instead he could count on the support of all Irishmen who had been wavering or on the side of the English in the Black-and-Tan war. Also low opinion of O'B.[yrne], and of both his and G.[avan] D.[uffy]'s achievements when stationed in Rome; overall not believing that a delegation would be worth the money even if the country was united: examining the venture in turns as an information bureau, a trade or consular service, and a representative institution; finding none justified. H.[ales] would risk a fiasco were he to try and take over the establishment. Recommending to revise the situation if the struggle is resolved: 'should the elections result in the formation of a strong republican party, bent on changing or revising the constitution, a sort of diplomatic agency would have certain aspects well worthy of consideration...' This is further corroborated by recent events and Deasy's move which may entail the British re-examining the possibilities of Document No.2. Finally remarking: 'every day I find fresh reason to deplore what I consider to be the fatal want in Mulcahy - lack of initiative and big-ness. Had he these two qualities he could change the whole situation in an hour, and he could I think count [off] Cosgrave and afford to throw over O'Higgins and his crowd of Die-hards. But I greatly fear that he is in too far and cannot now draw back...'

2 pp

87  
was 29

14 February 1923 Holograph letter from Bishop B.Hackett, Bishop's House, John's Hill, Waterford, to (Hagan), he will pass on his letter to the Cardinal and welcomes Hagan's proposal to see Cardinal Laurenti. Remarking there is little hope of success; (oblique) comment about a reconsecration of one of the altars. Asking for one of the documents to do with the Franciscan case.

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88  
was 31

14 January 1923 Holograph letter fom D.McHales, counsel and diplomatic agent of the Irish Republic, Via San Nazzaro 3-8, Albaro, Genoa, to Hagan. Advising him he will call to

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the College when in Rome to seek Hagan's opinion before looking after certain Irish interests there.

2 pp

89  
was 30&33

14-15 February  
1923

Holograph letter from P.Murphy, House of Missions, Enniscorthy (County Wexford), to (Hagan), enclosing typescript letter signed Sr.(Mary) Visitation Keating, to Hagan, accepting his proposals for receiving sisters to work in the College; they can send five or six. Asking about travelling expenses of sisters when replaced after a period of around three years. Anxious to give the articles a sense of stability beyond Hagan's rectorship. Murphy comments briefly. Remark on the bishop's choice to have the Pope's pastoral read instead of writing his own; there was more 'coughing' than usual during the reading. The amnesty expires on Sunday and they are in for a rough time; he does not know of Fr.P.Browne; many women are arrested; there is a split within the republicans. He will not be back from England until Easter. The *Daily Mail* is now banned as is the *M.[orning] Post*.

2 items

90  
was 34

15 February 1923

Holograph letter from Richard J.D'Alton, St.Finbarr's College, Cork, to Hagan, introducing Miss Murphy, sister of the College dean. His appointment as substitute for Dr.Scannell C.F. is not certain, but he is very happy and grateful to Hagan. As 'a certain learned professor' here said "'the condition of the country is – in a very bad condition'".

2 pp

91  
was 36

15 February 1923

Holograph letter from Bishop Joseph MacRory, St.Malachy's College, (Belfast, County Antrim), to (Hagan); influenza prevented him from writing sooner. He advertised the Pope's gift to the diocese in his pastoral; the Catholics were charmed and the others impressed; sending his pastoral and a copy of the *Irish News* with Hagan's letter (not extant). Listing agency fees. Enquiring about period

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of validity of faculties granted. Intending to talk to republican leaders in the south; he goes to Dublin today. Highlighting importance of training of the teachers in the north east – Rome will not tolerate what is being attempted once they realise it. Also stating he does not plan to visit Rome this year.

2 pp

92  
was 37

16 February 1923

Holograph letter from Fr.D.Coyne, Clonmellon, County Westmeath, to Hagan, in thanks for the rescript and the confidentiality it was treated with; enclosing a cheque for fees.

2 pp

93  
was 38

16 February 1923

Typescript letter signed A.B.[Art O'Brien], London, to 'my dear friend' (Hagan), in thanks for his detailed opinions regarding their branch establishment in (Rome). In agreement with the necessity for precaution; some people at home are regretfully incautious; he is passing on the opinions given to the managing director. H.[ales] is likely to go to (Rome) this weekend and will pass on to the writer any arrangements made with Hagan.

2 pp

94  
was 39

17 February 1923

Holograph letter from John Hooke, St.Mary's, Haddington Road, Dublin, to (Hagan), introducing Mrs.Kilkelly and daughter Patricia and asking to arrange a papal audience for them. They are pleased with M.D.[wyer]'s genial companionship at Haddington Road.

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95  
was 41

19 February 1923

Copy typescript letter from J.[Hagan], Rome, to 'my dear friend' [Art O'Brien, London]. Reporting on the

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results of his talk with their Genoa friend [McHales]. They agree that it is desirable to have someone in Rome, chiefly for propaganda purposes 'and to counteract the present policy of silence or hostility which has been allowed to grow up for the past year'; also for the advantages it would have on trade. [McHales] could combine both interests, residing in Rome and visiting Genoa occasionally. Recommending renting new accommodation. Warmly recommending their friend's ability and energy; his connections in Genoa will help him. Adding that he sees few indications of peace though it is possible that the (Free State) has cold feet and may 'advance offers of a certain sort one of these days'.

1 p

96  
was 63

19 February 1923 Holograph letter from coadjutor Bishop James Downey, Bishop's House, Kilkenny, to (Hagan). Asking to obtain faculties for the bishop for conferring subdeacon- and deaconships, with power to delegate- explaining the expediency.

2 pp

97  
was 42

19 February 1923 Holograph letter from Sr.(Mary) Regis, Convent of the Holy Faith, Glasnevin, Dublin, to Hagan, enclosing sum for the Russian charity. Mentioning that Sr.Paulinus is very happy in the south.

3 pp

98  
was 43

19 February 1923 Holograph letter from Thomas O'Hagan, Via Terenzio 7, Rome, to (Hagan), enclosing a document from the western States- Crawford is having trouble as representative of the Free State; also enclosing newspaper cuttings (neither extant). A Protestant Irishwoman he met told him of conditions being worse in Ireland than known outside, pointing to the severe censorship of the press.

1 p

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- 99  
was 44
- 19 February 1923
- Printed form with handwritten insertions and signed by Cardinal DeLai of the Congregation of the Consistory, Rome, for Bishop Charles O'Sullivan of Kerry and Aghadoe, acknowledging receipt of diocesan report. (Reverse lists taxes paid.) [Latin]
- 2 pp
- 100  
was 45
- 19 February 1923
- Holograph letter from Cornelius Ryan, Dolphin Villa, South Circular Road, Dublin, to (Hagan), regretting that because of his protracted illness he has to further postpone work on the *Epistles of the Sundays*. Instructions for the printer; gratitude to Fr.Power.
- 1 p
- 101  
was 46
- 19 February 1923
- Holograph letter from Joseph Kearns, Hilltown, County Down, to (Hagan), enclosing cheque for Mass intentions for the late Mrs.Maryanne Hynes. Asking about Mr.McParland. Stating that conditions are quieter in the north but that the education question is very confused.
- 1 p
- 102  
was 47
- 20 February 1923
- Holograph statement from [P.M.] Dwyer, Rome, (for Hagan), undertaking to take up the privilege extended to students in major orders by observing its limitations—no student will be permitted to transact business or visit places not permitted to the students in camerata.
- 1 p
- 103  
was 48
- 20 February 1923
- Holograph letter from Bishop P.Morrisroe, St.Nathy's, Ballaghaderreen (County Mayo), to Hagan, enclosing

application for an indult for Kiltimagh concerning the holy week ceremonies (not extant). Also sending a cheque for Mr.Hannon's pension, for Peter's Pence and Mass intentions.

1 p

104  
was 49

[20-] 21 February  
1923

Typescript letter with few handwritten corrections from 'Sister John of the Cross' [Morrissey], No.1 Mercy Convent, Dublin, to 'my Dear James' (Hagan)(in code). The

sister that 'Isais' told him about is in very poor health. The 'New Code' put the other sisters into a frame of mind that is beyond reasoning. Comments on 'Teresa's companion' who mediates for (him) with the outside world and acts as a breakwater. K.[eohane] laughed hard over the actions and mannerisms of some of the people the writer made a study of, including (his) fellow worker 'Sr.Federico' [Fr.Gaynor]. As for the outside world, it is the first time since the war that everybody is hopeful because of the 'mad Irregulars' splitting and because of talk that they might hand in their weapons to a third party. Dr. Brown was released; indignation over his disgraceful behaviour; he promised to the bishops to be 'a good boy' in future. Reporting what is known of the newly employed chaplains for the Free State army; an S.J. is chaplain to the Governor General. Mother General [DeValera] is seldom heard of. The clergy speaks highly of the new (vicar general). Some comments on the reformed examinations for which summons are being sent; their friend is to write to (Hagan) on this matter but will need to be very discrete because of his present boss. 'M's' friends are 'as curious as ever' and it seems 'that the new Hymns have knocked the hearts across in them'.

2 pp

105  
was 50

21 February [1923]

Holograph letter from [P.M.S.S.] [Patrick Murphy], St. Mary's, Bacup Lancashire (England), to 'my dear Father' [Hagan], commenting that he may write more opi-

freely from England. Sorry he was ill after Christmas. Commenting on public opinion in Ireland –'no man is more eagerly sought for today than a peace-maker'. (Sr.) Emanuel in George's Street told him of Dr.Mulhern's visit – he made his views against the republicans very clear, blaming them for the troubles in the north. Dr.Codd promised to do everything to help (Hagan) [in the matter of employing the sisters at the College] - however, the bishops cannot do much because they have nuns in Maynooth; the Blue Nuns in Rome can be discounted. In Lancashire, he is having a difficult time with the ex-R.I.C. [priest] who is with him; people are out of hand because they know

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of his background – he is 'one of those saints that A.B.Kelly sent'. There are 2,000 Catholics and he often works very late. Giving his plans for travelling and returning home.

2 pp

106  
was 52

22 February 1923 Holograph letter from D.F.McCrea, Kilrea, County Derry, to Hagan, detailing the bequest by Fr.McErlain of masses and returning a document on the same matter. Copying list of sums payed to the College since December 1921.

3 pp

107  
was 53

[23] February 1923 Holograph letter from M.J.Browne, St.Patrick's College, Maynooth (County Kildare), to Hagan, in thanks for a document. Remarking that 'new boots are preferable to a dead man'. His illustrious namesake [Fr.P.Browne] returned after consenting th the bishop's pastoral; both sides expected that the other would be stung into action [by his release].

3 pp

108  
was 34

26 February 1923 Typescript letter signed B.Art.[Art O'Brien, London], to [Hagan]; he is sending both Hagan's letter and their representative's [McHales's] report to the managing director. The latter saw Hagan's last letter, agreed entirely for example where 'M.' [...] was concerned; sending kindest regards.

1 p

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- 109                    26 February 1923    Typescript letter (unsigned) from *The Tablet*, Henrietta Street, Covent Garden W.C.(London, England), to Hagan; reminder of an outstanding subscription fee.  
was 55  
1 p
- 110                    27 February 1923    Holograph letter from Bishop Bernard Coyne, St.Mary's, Sligo, to (Hagan), enclosing a cheque for agency fees. Fr.P.A.Sharkey has been appointed to a canonry in Boyle with all rights similar to his fellow canons.  
was 56  
1 p
- 111                    27 February 1923    Holograph letter from Bishop Bernard J.Mahoney, Bishop's House, Sioux Falls South Dakota (U.S.A.), to (Hagan), with Easter greetings for him and the circle at the five o'clock tea. Reporting easily on joys and problems connected with his new bishopric. To illustrate 'some of the culture out this way', recounting the rejoinder given by a priest whom he had to reprimand for violence against congregation members: "'Bishop, the man I hit called me a red-headed son-of-a-bitch". You can imagine the confusion of the ordinary at a subsumption of that kind'. Expressing loneliness for Rome; Hagan will find his successor, Mooney, alright.  
was 57  
4 pp
- 112                    27 February 1923    Holograph letter from Sr.Mary Magdalene, Franciscan Convent, Nsambya Mission, P.O. Kampala, Uganda, to (Hagan). Asking for the papal blessing for Sr. Kevin's silver jubilee in religion. Describing their efforts in making it a fitting celebration- Sr. Kevin has been in Africa for over twenty years and is known all over Africa for her good work.  
was 58  
2 pp

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- 113  
was 59
- 27 February 1923
- Holograph letter from Vicar General James Doyle, Kilkenny, to Hagan, in thanks for a document. The bishop emphasises that he has not in any way attempted to influence the Bishop of Waterford in the Coghlan case. Neither does he concern himself with the temporal affairs of the Coghlan family. He is grateful for Hagan's help in the case.
- 3 pp
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- 114  
was 60
- 27 February 1923
- Holograph letter from Bishop Robert Browne, Bishop's House, Cobh (County Cork), to Hagan. Enclosing a reply concerning chapter appointments (not extant). Also enclosing cheque for Cloyne burses; requesting a semi-annual financial statement. Approving of the plan to introduce nuns as nurses and household managers to the College; he will support it at the Standing Committee meeting on 10 April.
- 2 pp
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- 115  
was 61
- 28 February 1923
- Typescript letter signed Richard Aylward, President of St.Kieran's College, Kilkenny, to Hagan. Asking for dispensation for ordination of Mr.Michael Brennan (now Archdiocese of Wellington). 'Beir buaidh agus beannacht'.
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- 116  
was 62
- 28 February 1923
- Holograph letter from M.Kearney, 46 Bank Road, Bootle, Liverpool (England), to (Hagan), sending another sum in donation for suffering priests in the Salzburg archdiocese.
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- 117 was 63            28 February 1923    Holograph letter from Leo O'Corrigan, 16 St.Mary's Road, Dundalk (County Louth), to Hagan, in thanks for the information: now making plans to come to Rome week before Easter, asking whether that would be more suitable. 1 p
- 118 was 64            1 March 1923            Draft and printed letter from (Hagan) to [Archbishop Harty of Cashel], explaining to him the expedience of inviting nuns to take care of the nursing and overall domestic management of the College. Asking him to raise the matter with the Secretary of the Standing Committee so that arrangements could be made for October. Outlining the conditions agreed on by the nuns and approved of by the Bishop of Ferns. (Only in draft) adding draft clauses to be part of the proposed contract between the College and the sisters. 2 items
- 119 was 65            26 December 1922 - 1 March 1923    Holograph letter from Fr.John Gallagher, Collège des des Irlandais, Rue des Irlandais 5, Paris 5 (France), to Hagan. Hoping to be examined for a doctorate in Theology; asking whether his documents arrived and asking about further procedure. Now attached holograph letter from Gallagher to [Cardinal] Secretary of the Urban College [of Propaganda Fide], petitioning for permission to sit the examinations pursuant to his doctoral thesis in June since he could not travel to Rome before that month. He is currently teaching moral theology in the Paris College. Also typescript reference signed by Bishop Charles McHugh of Derry, for Gallagher, attesting to his character, intelligence, and status as graduate in Theology dated both December and March). [partly Latin] 3 items
- 120 was 68            2 March 1923            Holograph letter from Bishop (Vicar Apostolic) Alexander [Chulaparambil] of Kottayam (India), to (Hagan), referring to having met him during the Eucharistic Congress last year. He has enjoyed hospitality from Irish clergy when travelling in Britain. Inviting Mass stipends, should they have any to spare. 2 pp



- 124  
was 72
- 4 March 1923
- Typescript letter from 'Sr.Beatrice' [Fr.Morrissey], to 'my dear Thomas' [Hagan], (in code). Describing the situation at their school, where there are around 150 very intellectual children – 'of the class you have a fairly good idea'. The interview with the novice went very well and was enjoyed by 'Sister Kay' [Keohane]; a simple mention of 'Teresa's companion's' name always rallied the novice who otherwise held in contempt those Sr.Beatrice stood for. Commenting on great mixture of ages and backgrounds within the class. Smoking is a universal practice. Some of Thomas's friends will be implicated in the examinations that the clergy calls for January next; it seems strange they need to be tested to do work they have done for up to 33 years. Unhappy to hear of 'Monica's' heavy work schedule. Commenting that unrest in the city usually passes while it is heavier in rural areas. Then brief remarks on the patience required for girl pupils who are 'the last thing'; to be mistress of novices is a lonely and difficult position. 'Monica's' summer commission at home seems to become an unsatisfactory matter; she may go a step too far on some occasion. Finally commenting that Fr.Duggan was brought to Haddington Road which pleased everybody. Sr.Paulinus is doing very well in the new post.
- 2 pp
- 125  
was 73
- 5 March 1923
- Holograph letter from Coadjutor bishop James Downey Bishop's House, Kilkenny, to (Hagan), with further requests concerning the faculties for conferring deaconships; new faculty for using short form in consecrating altar stones.
- 2 pp
- 126  
was 74
- 5 March 1923
- Holograph letter from Canon Gaudenzio Bisetti, Rector of the Seminary at Bobbio and of the (committee for) Festeggiamenti pel XIII Centenario di S.Colombano Abate, Bobbio, to Hagan. Outlining the festivities planned for this year, beginning in September; the anniversary in 1915 could not be celebrated because of the war. Listing prospective guests, including Cardinal Logue and the papal legate. Asking to include him in the planning committee. Outlining plans for inviting guests from Ireland and also America. Remembering the festivities in 1894, asking for whereabouts of Monsignor Kelly and other attendants. [Italian]
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was 85

10 March 1923

Holograph letter from P.Dunne, Archbishop's House, Dublin, to (Hagan), having received a sum towards the papal charity for Russia. Remarking on the mortality among P.P.s, though Joe O'Dwyer was saved in the end. Morrissey was called to the examination for parishes next January 'and is only elated'. Giving long list of clergy who have been given new posts since the beginning of the year. Enclosing receipt, and a letter from Mr.Gallen (neither extant).

4 pp

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was 86

10 March 1923

Holograph letter from Sr.(Mary) Baptist, Convent, Monument Hill, Fermoy (County Cork), to Hagan, with news about the community. Thanks to the bishop their superior was removed; they expect the new appointment any day; she is doing locum in the meantime. The provincial is busy trying to get a novitiate. The situation with the English houses is worse now than with the Irish. In thanks for his past kindness; enclosing a small mite.

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was 80

[11] March 1923

Telegram from the editor, *Freeman's Journal*, Dublin, to Hagan. Asking for enlightenment on the subject of the appointment of a papal legate, since the *Daily Mail* announced such while Cardinal Logue received no such intimation.

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was 88

11 March 1923

Holograph letter from P.J.Walsh, Archbishop's House, Dublin, to Hagan, enclosing petition for dispensation

to have a student ordained despite his age. Questioning why the archbishop has no faculty for his own students; naming two more whose cases will come up in the summer (James Gough, Anthony [Camac]). The new colleague, J.O'Donnell, is very capable. He has talked to Morrissey as suggested; the latter is preparing for an examination for P.P.-ship. The archbishop much appreciates Hagan's communications and keeps the contents to himself. The latest concerning Luzio seems very well-founded despite dementis from Armagh; the attempt to establish a delegation harkens back to Persico. Politically, there are rumours of peace and various committees have been set up all over the country, but so far to no avail. Mentioning agency documents yet outstanding.

4 pp

140  
was 89

12 March 1923      Holograph letter from Bishop E.Mulhern, Ardmaine, Newry (County Down), to Hagan, sending a sum for the new Oliver Plunkett burse. Wholly approving of the scheme to bring the sisters of St.John of God to the College, naming their success in Maynooth. Concerning the 'bank affair', preferring to see the College on higher ground as in Via Boncompagni; any place that is not a college would call for major reconstruction. In politics, there is a slackening of trouble but the so-called efforts to effect a cessation are futile. Fails to see how the proposed method for peace in the north could be acceptable.

4 pp

141  
was 90

12 March 1923      Typescript letter signed by Henri Bourasse, *Le Devoir*, 43 Rue Saint-Vincent, Montréal (Canada), to Hagan. Enclosing letter for Mr.Thomas O'Hagan, now in Rome, who is an Irish-Canadian friend of his. Reminiscing about the kind hospitality he enjoyed at the College. He would be grateful for news about their poor dear Ireland since he has to take the reports from the Associated Press Agency with more than a grain of salt. Regards to the O'Byrnes. - Letter to O'Hagan thanking him for his contribution which was published on 8 March; enclosing cutting from *Le Devoir*. [Partly French]

3 items



land), to Hagan, in thanks for his letter about Mr.Denis O'Riordan. The latter was indeed with the Christian Brothers for a time, but will need no dispensation from vows; Brother Benedict attested he would make a good priest.

2 pp

147  
was 97

15 March 1923 Holograph letter from J.Sinnott, St.David's, Charles Street, Cardiff (Wales), to (Hagan). Writing on behalf of Fr.Healy to introduce Miss Duffy; asking to obtain a papal audience for her when in Rome. He came to Cardiff from Manchester with Frs.Murphy, Keating and Healy- the parish is large and they are working hard to call back those fallen away from the church. He goes to Aberavon on Saturday to open a mission. He remembers him at mass.

2 pp

148  
was 98

15 March 1923 Holograph letter from Angelo Mauri (Camera dei Deputati), Milan, to Hagan, with good wishes for St.Patrick's Day, expressing his deep sympathy as a Catholic and Italian for his people, and hoping for days of peace and glory for Ireland.  
[Italian]

1 p

149  
was 99

15 March 1923 Holograph letter from Bishop B.Hackett, Bishop's House, John's Hill, Waterford, to (Hagan), in thanks for a copy. He heard about Luzio's coming only from the *Daily Mail*- 'the whole business seems mysterious'.

1 p

150  
was 100

16 March 1923 Holograph letter from M.Martine [F.M.M.], Clinica Bartinnelli (Rome), to 'Reverend Father' (Hagan), sending a box of shamrock just received from Ireland.

1 p

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151  
was 101

16 March 1923

Typescript letter signed R.[oughneen], Kiltimagh (County Mayo), to Hagan. Since the letter has appeared he expects there will be a lengthy discussion over the next issues; he is restrained from participating himself. He found that the Bishop of Southwark 'has got a thorough grip of the situation', disliking the mission. It would be obvious that the cardinal and bishops had had no say, were a nuncio sent. '...what odds on Cyr? Could not there be pressure from this side? It would be a pity to entangle him with this rotten mess, as he is not likely to be thought [indispensable] if he comes up against the "big four"'. Reporting that the spouse of 'our friend' was found, a Mrs. S.[tanislaus] H.[ughes], that they had married in a Registry Office, were divorced, and that there is no trace of the groom. Remarking that the fifth soldier of the parish was buried, and his father's sentiment that "'sure the rotten country is not worth fighting or dying for'" is gaining currency. 'Sister Kay' [Keohane] at Gill's passes on the message that in a year's time the republic will be in full swing; adding his own strong reservations. Family matters; his bishop wishes him to take up a position of responsibility in Brighton in the autumn. He will cor-respond with Southwark concerning 'the missionary'. Greetings to the other clergy who are awaiting 'with pleasure the arrival of the organ of pure Cawthawlicism'.

1 p

152  
was 102

17 March 1923

Holograph letter from [Pizzardo], to [Hagan], with best wishes on the feast of the Apostle of Ireland. [Italian]

1 p

153  
was 103

17 March 1923

Holograph letter from Fr. John Tierney, St.Michael's, Enniskillen (County Fermanagh), to Rector and Vice-rector, Irish College, introducing Mrs.and Miss West, London. They are not Catholics, but wish to have an audience with the Pope.

1 p

154  
was 104

17 March 1923

Holograph letter from Art Ó Muireadaigh (Arthur Murray), Grand Séminaire de Saint-Sulpice, 857 Rue de Sherbrooke Ouest, Montréal (Canada), to (Hagan).

Arrangements for the sending of relics and crosses of his own design. Then at length commenting on the hopeless Irish situation: often asking himself why the hierarchy has been acting as they did since the 'so called' Civil War began; they could have leapt into the breach to save the pact, 'an unanimous Irish law binding on all Irish citizens'. Archbishops Mannix and Walsh would have done so. Also criticising their compromised statement with which they could have saved religion. Then listing incidents, in varying detail, where local clergy (Kerry, Dublin, Cork) refused dead republicans a place in the cemetery or the church, most prominently a young man of 19 in Tralee, and Cathal Brugha in Dublin. In the latter case, the Cathedral was given to Arthur Griffith – 'you know what a practical Catholic poor Arthur at least (God rest his soul) was- and had been for years'. Also commenting on the fact that Canon Waters, tending to the four republicans including Liam Mellows, did nothing to prevent 'that blood-thirsty trio (O'Higgins Mulcahy and Blythe)' from condemning them. The church has suffered and will not recover for a long time. Including (pasting) the conclusion of an article by Sceilig from *America*, stating that it must have been hard for him, an 'intense Catholic', to write words of criticism against the anti-republican Irish clergy like that. Hagan's position is not enviable. No Gael could ever approve of the four republican men's deaths; asking whether he know the Hales family's protest against the killings. Asking about the likelihood of a papal decision; seeing a glimmer of hope there; were Mannix called over he could do a great deal. Some of his family, including most recently his brother, are in jail; the latter has been badly ill-treated and the Free State chaplain even came to sympathise with their mother. Finding it hard to prepare for ordination on 26 May.

[Enclosing] three sheets with lists of [protector] saints for A.J.Murray, Patrick J.MacGuire, and Gaspar Stanford.

2 items

155  
was 105

19 March 1923

Holograph letter from Sister (Mary) Stanislaus Lynch, Convent of St.Louis, Middletown, County Armagh, enclosing payment and asking for a cross-shaped reliquary. Enclosing relic from St.Térèse for it.

1 p

156  
was 106

21 March 1923

Holograph letter from Margrieta Beer, 65 College Court, Hammersmith W.6 (London, England), to Ha-

gan, introducing Fr.J.T.Mullen. Warmly inviting news about the College.

2 pp

157  
was 107

21 March 1923 Holograph letter from W.Miller, Braganza House, Carlow, to Hagan, enclosing bank draft for mass intentions, and for the Pope's Russian charity. Also sending dimissorial letters for Mr.Doran (not extant). The Irish situation is unchanged despite the Archbishop of Cashel's peace efforts. Mentioning some speculation regarding Monsignor Luzio's visit; the Cardinal must feel put out that the Cardinal Secretary of State did not inform him. A message concerning a parcel for Mrs.Lucey.

2 pp

158  
was 108

21 March 1923 Holograph letter from Coadjutor Archbishop Patrick O'Donnell, Ard Adhamhnain, Letterkenny (County Donegal), to Hagan. Commenting favourably on the prospective move of the College to a fine house, and on the introduction of the nuns. Luzio has arrived; most bishops like him well since some were colleagues; he has a hard task if peace is indeed his mission. Things are worse on both sides – 'very undesirable things happen on the Free State side': mentioning the burning of his native home with no mercy for the inmates. It was in reprisal for the bishops caring little about how many were executed. They - 'the poor fellows'- did not know that he himself had made most earnest representations against the executions; he also sent priests to see could anything be done. He has discouraged publications about the burning. He read Monsignor Curran's long letter; both their letters make him feel strongly about the isolation of the Irish College.

4 pp

159  
was 109

22 March 1923 Holograph letter from Archbishop J.M.Harty, The Palace, Thurles (County Tipperary), to (Hagan), enclosing two petitions (not extant). His efforts to bring about a settlement have not been successful. Perhaps Monsignor Luzio will help.

1 p

HAG 1/ 1923/

- 160  
was 110
- 22 March 1923
- Holograph letter from T.H.Spence, Gleneden, Portadown (County Armagh), asking to arrange a papal audience for their son and daughter, and Miss Bentley, for mid-May. In Ireland, people are 'sick (and) tired of the strife although the [government] may not be their ideal – nor mine either – those in favour of law (and) order are rallying to the aid of the [government]. Although republicans get most of the blame for the burnings, property is insecure, 'especially if the Bolshevists think the [government] will have to pay Compensation'.  
2 pp
- 161  
was 111
- 22 March 1923
- Holograph letter from C.Ridgeway, Stella Maris, Sandymount (County Dublin), to (Hagan), in thanks also on behalf of Miss Healy for the papal blessing.  
1 p
- 162  
was 112
- 22 March 1923
- Holograph letter from Bishop James W.McCarthy of Galloway, Candida Casa, Maxwelltown, Dumfries (Scotland), to (Hagan), introducing his sister Mrs. Diamond and her husband Charles, Glasgow.  
1 p
- 163  
was 114
- 23 March 1923
- Holograph letter from D.J.O'Doherty, Colegio-Seminario de Nobles Irlandeses, Salamanca (Spain), to (Hagan), enclosing copy of Queen Margaret's letter (not extant). Asking if they should seek privilege of a Blessed Oliver Plunkett Mass and office. Asking for advice about the oratory in their summer villa where the priest has to binate.  
3 pp



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- 168  
was 121
- 24 March 1923
- Holograph letter from Séamus [Ua Deaghdha], Galway, to Denny [Hynes]. Stating that his forecast for the vote was correct, believing the votes fell 17, 7 and 1. Three names were sent on; (obscure) reference to the dignus, dignior and dignissimus. Expecting recipient is in last stages of studying for the exam. Then commenting that there is no prospect of peace; no peace-maker has a chance with the overall passive Free Staters. Denny will appreciate the standard of values seeing the two new Justices of the Peace appointed from his own parts, John McInerney and Dr.Peter O'Dwyer; justice will not be done by them.
- 2 pp
- 169  
was 122
- 25 March 1923
- Holograph letter from C.Deery, 4 Hardwick Street, Dublin, to Hagan, with good Easter wishes. Fr.Crofts has not been well but has recovered.
- 1 p
- 170  
was 123
- 26 March 1923
- Holograph letter from Sr.(Mary) Ambrose [Limerick], to Hagan. Mother (Mary) Hilda is on visitation in England, but when she returns they have to try to have their provincial replaced; she is entirely unsuitable and has not gained their An appeal to Rome succeeded in ousting Sr.Patrick as novice mistress. In Ireland, they can see the silver lining at last, and the Free State is 'winning hands down'.
- 2 pp
- 171  
was 124
- 27 March 1929
- Holograph letter from J.Rogers, Catholic Presbytery, Branxton, New South Wales, Australia, to Hagan. Asking him for a specific type of breviary. Hoping he is well, wondering how he fares with the Russian Bonds. Reporting that Dr.Sheehan has been very ill since arrival. Asking his Derry student to pray for him. Then urging him to take good care of his students' nutrition, since many health-or drink-related problems of later times go back to College food.
- 1 p

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- 172                    28 March 1929            Holograph letter from D.F.McCrea, Kilrea, County Derry, to Hagan; he has payed certain fees (letter is written on obverse of bank statement) and asks to use rest for Masses for Fr.McErlain. Also enclosing handwritten statement from the Belfast Banking Company, Kilrea, listing amounts payed for Hagan's credit by McCrea. 2 items
- 173                    11-28 March 1923        Two holograph letters from John Dunne, Castlebridge, Wexford, to Hagan. Grateful for his comments on Dunne's article dealing with localities known to or founded by Palladius. Explaining he needed to justify the nomination as president of the Kinsella Society. In reply, agreeing for instance that Tigroney and Donard were part of Palladius's missionary area, pointing to details on a map by Petty, showing a road to Wicklow; other points about boundaries, and the late medieval diocese of Glendalough. Reference to Healsy's *Journeys of St.Patrick*. Explaining then he stayed anonymous for lack of scholarly accreditation; expressing is appreciation of Hagan's critique and regard. Further discussion of local places. 2 items
- 174                    28 March 1923            Holograph letter from Bishop Patrick McKenna, Bishop's House, Monaghan, to (Hagan), enclosing his diocesan report and certificates of the ad limina visit for the Consistorial Congregation. Explaining the delay in doing so. 'Affairs in Ireland are still too heartbreaking to write about.' 1 p
- 175                    30 March 1923            Holograph letter from M.J.Merlehan, Newtown House, (Moone, Count Kildare), to Hagan. Her mother thanks him for his letters. They miss Katie, dead after a long illness. Dr.McKenna had 'visitors' lately who did not take anything of importance, however. 4 pp

HAG 1/ 1923/

- 176  
was 129
- 29 March 1923
- Holograph letter from Angelo Sinibaldi, Rome, to Hagan. Having been asked his opinion on the proposed move of the Irish College to a property offered by the Banca d'Italia in Via Buoncompagni, listing five reasons in favour of moving, but urging a good examination of the financial and legal implications.  
[Italian]
- 3 pp
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- 177  
was 1
- 2 April 1923
- Printed circular from the Irish Legation for International Justice and Peace, Hotel LaFayette, Washington D. C. (U.S.A.), signed Diarmaid O Cruadhlaioich, Dublin, and Laurence Ginnell [Washington], including President De Valera's St. Patrick's Day message and various articles, including the text of the DeVale-  
ra-Collins Pact of 1922, and a commentary on the circumstances under which the treaty was signed in 1921.
- 4 pp
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- 178  
was 2
- 3 April 1923
- Holograph letter from J.[Rogers], Branxton, New South Wales, Australia, to (Hagan), enclosing a specimen of the typescript for the breviary. Hoping the Derry Burse is in a good state; giving instructions.
- 1 p
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- 179  
was 3
- 3 April 1923
- Holograph letter from P.Dempsey, Blanchardstown, County Dublin, to Hagan. Neither His Grace nor their friend in James Street have replied yet; asking Hagan to help him likewise when he is at the Palace this summer. He and the parish priest get on very well. He will be due for examination after the next batch.
- 4 pp

HAG 1/ 1923/

180  
was 4

4 April 1923

Holograph card from G.Bardi of the Tipografia del Senato, Via Dogana Vecchia 27, Rome, to Hagan, reminding him of payment for the printed work on Ireland.

[Italian]

2 pp

181  
was 5

4 April 1923

Holograph letter from (Sr.Mary) Stanislaus, Loreto Hall, 77 St. Stephen's Green, Dublin, to (Hagan), with best wishes for Easter. Her sister has been following

Hagan's advice. Everyone is very sorry about Archbishop O'Donnell's family residence. Generally, things are growing still worse; during the novena there were eleven more executions and every southern county has now 'seen the gibbet so to speak'. The 'Roman "Ambassador"' is keeping quiet; it is good to know, however, that they have not been abandoned by the Holy Father. Then commenting on her sister Nell who has been on hunger strike for fourteen days; [Fr.]Brewer [Morrissey] keeps her informed.

2 pp

182  
was 6

4 April 1923

Holograph letter from P.J.K.[eohane] of M.H.Gill & Son Ltd., Dublin, to (Hagan). In deep gratitude for his sympathies on Mr.Richard Gill's death; they gave com-

fort to Mrs.Gill. The deceased held Hagan in high regard if he did not show it; his dislikes he was less able to conceal. The business was secured before he died. Brief discussion of Hagan's next contribution [to the *Bulletin*]. Mother Mary Brewer came with the usual story of woe; her friends in Rome were scandalously exposed by propaganda such as that by Hales; he must get the copy of the *Tablet*.

2 pp

HAG 1/ 1923/

- 183  
was 7
- 4 April 1923
- Holograph card from Bishop A.Brownrigg of Ossory, Kilkenny, to Hagan, enclosing petition for the Congregation for Religious. Hoping his last statement has caused an enduring quietus in the Coghlan case. Hoping Hagan will send back cured the now invalid Bishop of Ferns.
- 2 pp
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- 184  
was 8
- 4 April 1923
- Holograph letter from Professore Giuseppe Bravi, Via Mecenate 27, Rome, to Fr.J.Ryan. For another portrait of Ryan he will need a recent photograph.
- 2 pp
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- 185  
was 9
- 5 April 1923
- Holograph letter from W.Weldon, Via Boncompagni 93 Rome, to (Hagan). Again setting down her straits both financially and with the cardinal; bitterly blaming the Jesuit who encouraged her to pursue her case in Rome. Wishing to return to England, asking for help.
- 4 pp
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- 186  
was 10
- 5 April 1923
- Holograph letter from M.J.Merlehan, Newtown House, Moone (County Kildare), to Hagan, asking to obtain a papal blessing for Canon Doyle's golden jubilee on behalf of a nun in Kilkenny; enclosing fee.
- 4 pp
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- 187  
was 11&14
- [...]- 6 April 1923
- Miss Weldon seeking justice and charity**  
File of holograph and typescript correspondence between H.Weldon, Rome, and Hagan. She seeks an annuity from the Congregation for Religious; asking for assistance on her

own terms and ultimately a petition to the Holy Father. Since the case failed at the congregation, Hagan finally offers financial help despite her past ungrateful behaviour also to others; she refuses; planning to stay and work in Rome. Both state her Jesuit friend had been ill-advised who encouraged her to take the case to Rome. Bitter accusations to him for past want of charity and understanding with her case; the church has acted shamefully towards her. (See other items in 1923 and 1924, and also two undated items in HAG2.)

4 items

188  
was 12

6 April 1923

Holograph letter from Denis Gildea, Hotel de Mayo, Victoria 420, Buenos Aires (Argentina), to Hagan, introducing the bearer, Miss Brennan, travelling with a rich Argentine family. Other visitors posing as Irish-Argentines in Rome are 'not the right brand'. Brennan could tell him about St. Brigid's where she was educated; 'like other good Irish girls she may not say anything hard- but well deserved- about clerici'.

1 p

189  
was 13

6 April 1923

Holograph letter from F.A.C.Rebello, Chairman of the All-India Catholic Conference, Kalbadevi Road, Bombay (India), to [Hagan]. Sending a copy of the proceedings of the conference held in December and papers (not extant). Hoping their efforts are successful in helping the progress of the Indian church.

1 p

190  
was 15

7 April 1923

Holograph letter from Bishop Patrick McKenna, Bishop's House, Monaghan, to (Hagan), having lodged sums including Peter's Pence, agency fees and Mr. Duffy's pension. Naming the amount of dispensations granted in consanguinity. Enclosing petition to dispense in second degree of consanguinity for Louis Dalton and Catherine McAdam, Ballyshannon.

2 pp

HAG 1/ 1923/

191  
was 16

7 April 1923

Typescript letter signed Séamus Ua Ceallaigh (James Kelly), Dunedin (New Zealand), to Hagan, in thanks for his letter. Sketching his correspondence with Cattaneo which caused his uncle Archbishop (Kelly) to interfere; Kelly's readiness to go to Rome with his case put an end to it. As regards Ireland, he can only stand by the bishops even if they have blundered. DeValera proved a broken reed in the crisis according to a republican friend. Concerning the treaty, the threat from Lloyd George was 'all bosh' and it is dubitable whether the people- or even DeValera- wanted a republic. In New Zealand most Irish are Free Staters; agreeing but condemning the government for the 'murders' of Childers and Mellowes. Then commenting on the local bishops; only Bishop Whyte and O'Shea are acceptable if not laudable; regretting Coffey's death and the loss for Dunedin. Hoping to come to Rome with Michael O'Connor next year; he seems to have aged more than Kelly. Their 'present man' is a failure. Archbishop Sheehan seems to be an invalid; believing the rumour that tried discouraging him from accepting the appointment. Commenting briefly on Count O'Byrne's departure; then on Sr.(Mary) de Sales. Enclosing cheque for books sent; he is doing German and Irish. Recommending a good friend, Maurice Coughlan, who will visit Rome.

2 pp

192  
was 17

8 April 1923

Holograph letter from L.Cotter, Victoria Hotel, Via degna 34, Rome, to Hagan, in gratitude for his hospitality and valuable time.

1 p

193  
was 18

9 April 1923

Holograph letter from Denis Riordan, Mount Melleray Seminary, Cappoquin, County Waterford, to (Hagan), explaining why he had not apprised him of the fact he had spent some time in a religious house. Undertaking to follow the rules of the College to the letter, knowing that often admission was not easily given to those who had lived a religious life for a time.

3 pp

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- 194 no no. [post-10 April 1923] Typescript draft letter with handwritten additions (by Tizi) from Hagan to Cardinal [...], asking for approval of their scheme to introduce sisters of St.John of God to the College for domestic and nursing agencies; explaining the exigency and recommending the order. Pointing to the successful adoption of such a scheme at the Lateran and English Colleges. [Italian] 2 pp
- 195 was 19 11 April 1923 Holograph letter from Bishop Henry W.Cleary, S.S. "Ormuz", off Port Said, to (Hagan). Sketching the journey ahead; he will see Archbishop Clune on the way home. In deep appreciation for caring hospitality at the College at a time he was in need of fellowship. 2 pp
- 196 was 20 11 April 1923 Holograph letter from [Jeremiah] P.O'Riordan, Madoc, Hastings County, Ontario, Canada, to Hagan, asking for acknowledgement of a donation sent. He and Dean Quinn often talk of their visit. Commenting favourably on Dr.Magennis's work when he was in the States; sorry to have missed him in Rome. 3 pp
- 197 was 21 11 April 1923 Holograph letter from Archbishop T.P.Gilmartin, St. Jarlath's, Tuam (County Galway), to (Hagan). Reporting that Monsignor Luzio has met the prominent republicans and is about to meet the Free State representatives, so he should be able to appreciate the situation. Last Sunday the irregulars lost two men, killing three Free State soldiers in an attack at Headford; six men were executed in Dublin. Liam Lynch was killed yesterday. Dr.Harty has strong hopes for peace. Expecting to arrive in Rome in late April. The Bishop of Galway died after a week's illness and Gilmartin will have to leave Rome speedily because of the election. 4 pp

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| 198<br>was 22 | 12 April 1923 | Typescript copy and draft (with handwritten amendments) statement by the Irish College for [municipal authorities Tivoli]. Giving account of the College's relations with the Ronchetti family, residents and caretakers of the villa in Tivoli, and particularly of the problems with Domenico Ronchetti and his brother-in-law Rocchi over the last year. The eviction of the family could not be affected so far, and the College faces further legal action and expenses. Protesting against the protracted administration of the law and the discrimination of foreigners. | 3 items |
| 199<br>was 24 | 13 April 1923 | Holograph letter from [A.] Considine, College House, Galway, to Hagan, enclosing document for the Holy See.   | 1 p     |
| 200<br>was 25 | 16 April 1923 | Holograph letter from Bishop M.Fogarty, Ennis (County Clare), to Hagan, enclosing cheque for fees. Commenting that the irregulars are fast [failing] after having caused £ 16,000,000's worth of damage to property and having 'ruined our country for many a day in their attempt to bluff the nation'.  | 1 p     |
| 201<br>was 26 | 13 April 1923 | Handwritten card from Philippe Lajoie P.S.S., Rector of the Canadian College, 117 Quattro Fontane, Rome, to Hagan, inviting him to dine at the College on 18 April- Cardinal Vannutelli will preside. [French]  | 1 p     |

HAG 1/ 1923/

202  
was 27

13 April 1923

Holograph letter from P.J.Keohane of M.H.Gill & Son Ltd., Dublin, to (Hagan), enclosing twelve cuttings from the *Tablet* concerning the last abbot of [Whalem] and the actions at Lancaster 'in the days of our early persecutions'. Suggesting Hagan throw some light on this, drawing on archives.

1 p

203  
was 28

13 April 1923

Holograph letter from Cait bean Seán T.(Ó Ceallaigh), [Dublin] to [Hagan]. Feeling insecure about correspondence since a letter from her was apprehended during a very thoroughly conducted raid last night. Stating that the Mussolini document and translation was forwarded. Since then 'l'Espagnol et l'Italien have met without settling the Irish question so far'. Judging that Monsignor Luzio is most anxious for peace, which will mean the sacraments will cease to be a state monopoly. Judging him to be objective, even if thought to be leaning to the republican side 'because he attempts to be fair-minded'. He was very enthusiastic about a proposal for a complicated plebiscite with three questions about the acceptance of the treaty and of the Free State. He is liked, for instance by Miss MacS.[weeney], DeValera, though the latter is 'naturally ...not going to bash his peace moves'. However, as A.C.[...] says, 'he is more sympathetic than helpful – so far.' Then reporting on Nelly, Dr.C.Murphy, and the others on hunger strike; the Murphys are worried that he will be let die. 'If the F.[ree] S.[tate] imagines it has peace I don't know what we are in for. Mrs.McCullough stated they were dying for peace – 'to keep them peacefully in power...' Seán is completing his ninth month and suffers from being allowed only one letter a week. In this sad week there was a false press announcement of DeValera's arrest, and at the end Liam Lynch's death. There were renewed executions and murders; the raiders in her house wanted her money as prisoners' dependants' money - 'to resume, we feel very much in the grip of the most ruthless unscrupulous (and) indelicate band'.

4 pp

204  
was 29

13 April 1923

Holograph letter from Fr. [A.J.] Considine, College House, Galway, to Hagan. For the death of their bishop and of two priests, he regrets to recall Fr. Dean Hynes if at all possible.

1 p

- 205  
was 30
- 14 April 1923
- Holograph letter from Margrieta Beer, 65 College Court, Hammersmith W.6 (London, England), to (Hagan), in thanks for all the news. Expressing sentimental feelings for their leaving the College; asking whether it will not be very inconvenient having a church so far from their base. Then explaining that her coming to Rome would hinge on an alleged recent papal decree according to which Catholics are not to cooperate with non-Catholics; her Catholic Women's Suffrage Society was to travel to a congress there. Fr. Mullen, who recently visited the Irish College, was a travel companion of hers in Palestine, sharing a feeling of horror at some of the evils surrounding the holy places. She spent most time in Egypt; her study of the political situation will be used by Ramsay Macdonald in Parliament. Grateful for Hagan's opinions on Ireland; even she is sick of 'the people who constantly crow "I told you so!"'. Eva Gore-Booth tells blood-curdling stories of priests refusing absolution: 'the clergy in Ireland were all that was good before the Treaty ' now they are all that is evil!' Asking whether the young Mayor of Limerick O'Mara is still alive; he stayed with her when on the run.
- 4 pp
- 206  
was 31
- 16 April 1923
- Holograph letter from E.E.Laws, Church of St.Joseph, 50 Avenue Hoche, Paris (France), to Hagan, with news. He has not got proper accommodation yet. Cardinal Dubois gave him faculties and he is now confessor in English at St.Roch's, though not payed for his services. He proposed to say mass for the Irish dead at the Madeleine, but the Free State people, especially Fr.Logan and the Passionists, are not. He will hear Mr.Kerney lecturing on Ireland tonight.
- 2 pp
- 207  
was 33
- 16 April 1923
- Holograph letter from Bishop Patrick O'Donnell, Ard Adhamhnain, Letterkenny (County Donegal), to Hagan. The Archbishop of Tuam is coming to Rome and will bring all the news. He will know of the Standing Committee's opinions on the nuns for the Irish College. He met Monsignor Luzio when attending a meeting on the Education Bill in Armagh- beyond information-gathering there is not much he can do, though Dr.Harty has confidence in his scheme for peace. It seems that the fighting republicans are on the verge of collapse; a ceasefire is more likely than an effort to make terms. Mother Stanislaus is worried about her relatives yet hopeful for a way out; he enquired after Mrs. Childers. The purchase of a fine building (for the College) would be a great event.
- 4 pp

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| 208<br>was 94 | 17 April 1923 | Holograph letter from H.Boyle, Downpatrick (County Armagh), to Hagan, enclosing cheque for mass intentions.   | 1 p  |
| 209<br>was 39 | 18 April 1923 | Holograph letter from Bishop William Codd, Wexford, to Hagan. Assuring him he will guide the sisters as requested; they may have been nervous because of the reorganisation of public charitable institutions at the beginning of the Free State.   | 2 pp |
| 210<br>was 36 | 20 April 1923 | Holograph letter from Sr.(Mary) de Pazzi, Mainistir Naoimh Ursula, Thurles (County Tipperary) to (Hagan) enclosing their donation to the Pope's Russian charity. Commenting on Ireland's darkest hour; Pope Pius X's canonisation may help Ireland now, seeing that he loved their country. Remembering Lady and the Marquis of Headford's journey to Rome and their impression of great dignity held by the late Pope. | 6 pp |
| 211<br>was 37 | 20 April 1923 | Holograph letter from May [Baxter], Corso Regina Plena 2, Florence, to Hagan, hoping to return to Rome in May and to seeing him then.   | 2 pp |

HAG 1/ 1923/

- 212            21 April 1923            Holograph letter from A.J.Considine, College House, Galway, to Hagan, agreeing on Fr.Hynes staying until he secures his degree. 1 p
- was 38
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- 213            22 April 1923            Holograph letter from J.Phillips, 6 Herbert Avenue, Merrion, Dublin, to Hagan, asking acknowledgement of his last letter. 1 p
- was 40
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- 214            23 April 1923            Telegram from the Archbishop of Tuam (County Galway), to Hagan, 'not coming'. Handwritten commentary in ink by [Vice-rector Curran] suggesting the archbishop intended to come for the beatification of Sr.Teresa, and asking was his change of heart due to the new situation regarding the papal envoy Luzio. 1 p
- was 48
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- 215            23 April 1923            Holograph letter from Archbishop T.P.Gilmartin, St. Jarlath's, Tuam (County Galway), to Hagan. For health reasons he cannot travel for Rome. He has made a payment for Peter's Pence, the Pope's Russian charity, and a honorarium for Hagan. Commenting that the newspapers are all making copy out of Dr.Luzio. The war seems practically over, 'but I fear there will be bitterness for a long time'. The executions in Tuam horrified all round; he did not know about them but doubts he could have stopped them; they were in response to the insane attack in Headford. 4 pp
- was 42

HAG 1/ 1923/

- 216  
was 43
- 24 April 1923
- Holograph letter from Cardinal Michael Logue, Ara Coeli, Armagh, to Hagan. Recommending visitors to Rome, Mr.David Ferris and wife, Newry, Protestants who have done much privately for Catholic charities. Mr.William Gallagher and wife are also currently in Rome. Then observing they seem to be near the end of the strife since a great part of the irregular forces are in prison or killed – ' the misery is that so many young lives on both sides have been sacrificed'. Cordial argument seems unlikely, also some irregulars may not change their way of life for a while. The government seems unwilling for Monsignor Luzio's intermediary efforts, judging by the *Freeman's* questioning of his credentials. It was a mistake to think that he could conduct a private inquiry 'in the present world of newspapers'.
- 4 pp
- 217  
was 44
- 24 April 1923
- Holograph letter from Kevin K.Brady, Grand Hôtel de Russie, Rome, to Hagan. His friends were fortunate to gain the privilege of the papal mass; thanking him for obtaining the papal audience for themselves.
- 2 pp
- 218  
was 45
- 24 April [1923]
- Handwritten note by [Patrick Murphy], House of Missions, Enniscorthy (County Wexford), [for Hagan], listing masses to be said. Enclosing cheque for Tizi; Monsignor Finegan, Kilmore, will pay separately.
- 1 p
- 219  
was 46
- 25 April 1923
- Holograph letter from J.[Clans], St.George's, York (England), to (Hagan) in thanks for the document; enclosing postage. He did not know he had to reckon with such a lengthy document.
- 2 pp

HAG 1/ 1923/

- 220  
was 47
- 25 April 1923
- Holograph letter from J.P.Roughneen, Kiltimagh, County Mayo, to Hagan, reiterating question about a sculptor for their monument. Talking of the initial uncertainty about Luzio's visit; now it' may be a success ecclesiastically but not politically' and the Freeman's feelings are shared generally. To the man on the street it looks as though the Vatican were questioning the theological basis of the joint pastoral. 'A nice kettle of fish [boiled] by Del V.[al] De L.[ai] etc. etc.' Conry is taking the missioner about. Believing that the visit did no good for the Vatican or the bishops; the wavering points of view jeopardise their status in the eyes of the people. Then commenting that the men in the local garrison are very experienced soldiers – they are disciplined and call you to halt before shooting. Locals may replace them – 'so the Lord save us !!!'
- 2 pp
- 221  
was 49
- 23 April 1923
- Holograph letter from [M.Braschi...], [Tivoli], [for the Irish College, discussing the plot at Tivoli. A clause will be inserted preventing the building of a porter's lodge for the Villa Braschi. [Italian]
- 1 p
- 222  
was 50
- 26 April 1923
- Holograph letter from Margaret G.[Brumby], Boston Hotel, [Rome], in gratitude for tickets to the Holy Father's mass; asking for access to St.Peter's on Sunday afternoon.
- 1 p
- 223  
was 51
- 26 April 1923
- Holograph letter from E.E.Laws, Eglise Saint-Roch, 24 Rue Saint-Roch, Paris (France). Due to interference from the English, French, and Free State governments the memorial mass is not going to be held now. Reporting there was a mass for the Red Cross, extolling the glory of France and her clergy. The 'Rebels' are the only to welcome the undiluted gospel.
- 2 pp

HAG 1/ 1923/

- 224  
was 32
- 26 April 1923
- Holograph letter from [Jemina] S.M.O'Daly, Grand Hôtel Cavour, Florence, to Hagan, offering to take messages back for him. Monsignor Luzio had given her the impression he realised the justice of the Irish republican cause, saying explicitly 'he believed the Republicans to be the better of the two parties'. He offered to give absolution to republicans, realising the injustice of refusing it. Enclosing copy of a yet unpublished article sent to *America* (not extant).
- 4 pp
- 225  
was 53
- 27 April 1923
- Holograph letter from A.J.Considine, College House, Galway, to Hagan. Enclosing letter for Fr.Keran in connection with the archbishop's decree for names to be submitted to the Holy See (letter not extant).
- 2 pp
- 226  
was 54
- 27 April 1923
- Holograph letter from John J.Kennedy, secretary of the Association for the Propagation of the Faith, 22 Parliament Street, Dublin, to Hagan. Nominating him representative of Ireland to the general council of the Association. Enclosing bills for the general secretary, the 1922 report and a memorandum (only last extant). Memorandum itemises three parts of the complete sum of £ 5,843-4-7. [Also enclosed] handwritten statement from the Association, Dublin, naming John Hagan as their representative; recommending him. [Partly Latin]
- 3 items
- 227  
was 55
- 27 April 1923
- Holograph letter from [...Brew.] [Fr.E.R.Morrissey, Dublin], to 'my dear Tom' [Hagan]. He was able to help Sr.Teresa's friend who wil still take some time to improve; she is an extraordinary person and very strong-willed. Sr.Ka.[Keohane] has been very amused for the past months and is more interested than the writer in Sr.Monica, though disliking her, and prepares hymns for the mo-

ment Monica appears. None of the sisters are in touch with Mother General [DeValera] who is out on visitation; her next move is therefore unpredictable. Sr. Teacher is not doing well. As for Monsignor Luzio, he is working hard but his mission is a puzzle – no two can agree on it. The laity agrees on the need for peace. Within families, however, opinions are divided often. The Lay Sisters [Labour] are leaning altogether towards the side of Mother James [Cosgrave]. He leaves it to Hagan to understand his old friend Sister Maria. He himself is so used to being harrassed that it does not disturb his equilibrium anymore.

4 pp

228  
was 56

27 April 1923

Holograph letter from P.J.Keohane of M.H.Gill & Son Ltd., Dublin, to (Hagan); making arrangements for the visit with their mutual friend. Remarks about the Luzio mission; he knew how sceptical Hagan was about it and how he was kept in ignorance. After the attacks in the *Freeman* he himself met first Canon Conry, then Luzio. Sympathising over the way the latter was treated by the *Freeman* although no surprise given former instances of that type of language used in the Black and Tan-days. Offering Luzio space in the *Bulletin*, and generally co-operation for his peace mission; he seems to have many callers and is generally well informed. Commenting that the Cardinal's reply to the attacks 'was a peculiar document' though allowance must be made for his old age. Regretting strongly the bad impression the 'topsy-turvy' situation will make and the opportunities for gainsayers. He has decided, after long consideration, to include [Stannon's] notes [in the *Catholic Bulletin*]. Then commenting on the Reverend Mother who visited and amused him much by her description of some of her visitors- she is relieved one of the novices threw off the veil.

6 pp

229  
was 57

[28] April 1923

Holograph letter from P.M.[K.] [Patrick Murphy], House of Missions, Enniscorthy (County Wexford), to (Hagan), enclosing masses; he is going to Midleton and then to Ballinakil where he will meet Fr.Breen: asking about the latter's monstrence. Some local news; hoping their superior's, and also the bishop's health will improve. K[eahane] at Gill's told him interesting things about 'the American degree at the Shelbourne'.

2 pp



HAG 1/ 1923/

- 234  
was 65
- 2 May 1923
- Draft typescript letter with few handwritten corrections from Hagan to Mr. Good [Dublin]. Quoting at length from Good's article of last week's *New Statesman* which discusses the lack of discretion manifested by Cardinal Gasparri in sending Monsignor Luzio, apparently following advice from Irish clergy in Rome by not having him present his credentials to be more acceptable to the irregulars. Hagan counters, pointing to his lack of contact with any of those involved in the mission and stating 'that my views on the subject are sufficiently well known to be easily ascertainable'.
- 1 p
- 235  
was 62
- 2 May 1923
- Holograph letter from 'Sean Ghall', Ashville, Philipsburgh Avenue, Fairview, Dublin, to 'a chara dhil' (Hagan). After Hagan's and P.J.Keohane's encouragement he will write for the *Bulletin* on the question of the national ideal during the middle ages; agreeing with Hagan on English overlordship; enlarging at length on historic Irish leaders' views and programmes. Like other old Irish Republican Brotherhood members, taking Seán Ua Néill's view on the British monarch. Disagreeing with Hagan that their great leaders were inspired only by 'England's harrow, torch, sword and scaffold' to a greater national cause. Briefly discussing his published piece on (Ua Néill). Asking for help in obtaining copies of documents.
- 4 pp
- 236  
was 63
- 2 May 1923
- Holograph letter from Bishop William Codd, Wexford, to Hagan, listing sums paid, including Peter's Pence and one for 'Foreign Missions'. Some remarks about the Sisters of St. John of God; they seem not to intend to add conditions detrimental to the project; the Standing Committee has approved of it.
- 2 pp
- 237  
was 66
- 5 May 1923
- Holograph letter from S.[Ua Deaghdha] (O'Dea), Mount St.Mary's, Galway, to 'Denny' [Hynes]. Remark on his grief for the late bishop; the priests are

meeting on 16 May and seem unlikely to agree easily; sketching the man he himself is looking for. The education question is a difficult one; the bishops are to have no voice in the matter and their schools will experience a boycott because of the bishop's stance against the McPherson Bill; the hierarchy is not determined enough. There is need for a Catholic weekly 'if we are to hold the people'. Among other things, the new bishop ought to try and complete the cathedral. Then discussing merits and demerits of the three men mentioned, the Dean and Canons Fahey and Mitchell – not favouring any of them. While O'Doherty has been mentioned, as an outsider, his only support is with Fr.Hynes of the University College – 'a commercial shark'. The most popular one will be Dr.McCarthy of Sandhurst; praising his ability. Also 'your rector', Monsignor Hagan will get some support; the bishop always spoke very highly of him. Hoping they won't get an army chaplain, although Dr.McNeely might be an exception to the rule. 'Of course, our diocese is not very big or very important, though there is no limit to the opinion we have of ourselves.' Listing the late bishop's bequests. (Marked 'private and confidential').

16 pp

238  
was 67

5 May 1923

Holograph letter from J.Dunne P.P.V.F., Parochial House, Galbally, Tipperary, to Hagan, asking for the papal blessing for Dr.Michael J.Collins, Lurgan, and Margaret O'Donnell, Ballingarry. His new parish is in County Limerick.

2 pp

239  
was 35&68

18 April -  
7 May 1923

Holograph letter from E.Doorly, P.P., Cliffoney, County Sligo, to (Hagan). Enclosing holograph letter from Doorly to Archbishop Gilmartin of Tuam; reacting to false representations in the *Freeman* and protesting that he never sought any honours such as the coadjutorship of Elphin. The archbishop, not having been able to go to Rome, suggested he apprise Hagan of the matter; asking him to act according to his discretion.

2 items

HAG 1/ 1923/

240  
was 69

7 May 1923

Holograph letter from Cait bean Seán T.(Ó Ceallaigh), 91 St.Stephen's Green, Dublin, to Hagan, in thanks for his letters. Commenting on Nell's slow recovery; she 'almost goes so far as recommending hunger striking for a renewed interest in life'; wishing the strikes would end. Conditions in the prisons are very bad; suicides ought to abound- 'real suicide too (and) not hunger striking which is only suicide for certain theologians!' Observations about Monsignor Luzio's graciousness and the recourse taken to him especially by the ladies; his patience in trying to understand the republican grievances; the most frequent visitor from 'the other half' was Fr.Sweetman. She recommended to the disconsolate ladies that they could now turn to Jim Larkin instead. While she does not believe that Luzio came to console the republicans, he admitted himself to having been brutally treated by the governing section. In the face of all contradiction they continued saying that Hagan sent him. Wondering about Desmond Fitzgerald's journey to Rome; stating that in the end, they know nothing of what informed the government in their stance towards Luzio. Commenting on DeValera's peace move: it may be that the government is in contact with other republicans behind his back; some I.R.B. manoeuvring is going on, and they are only interested in power. Dick [Mulcahy] and 'his infamous army' think themselves too good for the Higginses and others and want 'an alliance with our fighting men'; after 79 executions they will not be met favourably. While Mary MacS[weeney] is disappointed, there does not seem to be serious opposition to DeValera's peace move. Doubting however the practicality of holding an election where some candidates refuse to swear the oath while others pretend to do so. Wondering when Seán and the prisoners will be released.

2 pp

241  
was 59&70

30 April –  
7 May 1923

Holograph letter from [C.] Curran, 15 Garville Avenue, Rathgar (Dublin), to Hagan, enclosing holograph letter from J.W.[Good], 24 Herbert Place, Dublin, to Curran, apologising for a mistake in the *Statesman*, explaining he had thought he could trust his source. [Harper] saw the *Statesman* and told him even before Curran's note about his mistake. (Unidentified addition in pencil identifying [Harper] as the editor of the *Freeman's Journal*.) – Curran defends Good's journalistic honesty; not believing the piece had a more malicious origin. Hagan need only make it clear that he has nothing to do with government or public. Enclosing other paragraph which may help to correct the matter (not extant). He will pass Hagan's letter on (probably HAG1/1923/234).

1 p ????



HAG 1/ 1923/

- 246  
was 75
- 9 May 1923
- Handwritten letter from [...] of R.D.Dickinson & Co. Booksellers, 89 Farringdon Street, London E.C.4 (England), to Hagan, having received cheque for Monsignor O'Riordan's account.
- 1 p
- 247  
was 76
- 9 May 1923
- Typescript letter signed G.M.Cardinal van Rossum and Archbishop [...] of the Congregation of Propaganda Fide, Rome, to Hagan. Following on the latter's complaint that Ireland was not represented at the celebration of the third centenary of the congregation and in honour of the Accademia Poliglotta, stating that it was not the intention of the committee to neglect Ireland, whose achievements for the faith are known to all. Also there was an Irishman present in the committee, and the Irish language was actually used in the Accademia. [Italian]
- 1 p
- 248  
was 77
- [10 May] 1923
- Holograph letter from S.Ua Deaghdha (O'Dea), Mount St.Mary's, Galway, to 'Denny' [Hynes], with latest speculations about the election; Dr.McCarthy and Dean Considine withdrew and there is opposition to Dr.O'Doherty and Tuam men. Many would be very proud to have Dr.Hagan but doubt he would come; Fahy is given most chances. [partly Irish]
- 4 pp
- 249  
was 78
- 10 May 1923
- Typescript draft letter with handwritten amendments from (Hagan) to Reverend Mother [Mary Visitation, Wexford], formally inviting a small community of five or six sisters to work in the Irish College, on foot of approbation from Ireland and Rome for the scheme. Reiterating terms and [enclosing] separate sheet of a draft contract for employment from October.
- 2 items

HAG 1/ 1923/

- 250  
was 79
- 10 May [1923]
- Typescript letter signed by J.Kelly, Bishop's Palace, Dunedin (New Zealand), to Hagan. Enclosing cheque, and enclosing jubilee issue of the *Tablet*, to be presented to the Pope; asking for a message they can publish and that may possibly take the wind out of Bishop Cleary's sails - 'should he talk of his activities when he returns'. Sr.de Sales is in Dunedin at present; her parish priest is not easy to deal with. Sketching his travel plans to Europe for next year; problems with finding a substitute at the paper. The present bishop and the directors are 'a damned nuisance' and 'several clowns' respectively who render the work cumbersome and unprofitable. Hoping to see O'Connor again in Ireland.
- 1 p
- 251  
was 80
- 10 May 1923
- Holograph letter from Thomas Hayden, St.Patrick's College, Manly (Australia), to Hagan, enclosing a cheque for a pension; explaining the parameters of the investment financing it. Dr.Leonard arrived and is a great blessing for them. Dr.Sheehan has not been well since he arrived; he is in New Zealand now.
- 1 p
- 252  
was 81
- 10 May 1923
- Holograph letter from Daniel O'Hagan, St.Colman's College, Violet Hill, Newry (County Down), to Hagan. Asking for the papal blessing for the wedding of William Hugh O'Boyle and Angela McCormack, Cork, to be imparted by Fr. T.O'Boyle.
- 1 p
- 253  
was 8
- 11 May 1923
- Holograph letter from Geoffrey O'Connell, Collegio Brignole Sale, Via Fassolo 29, Genova, to Hagan. Advising him that Donal McHales was arrested last Friday but was released, to be under surveillance 'till England's king leaves this country'. Strong articles were published in the *Cittadino* and the city has condemned the arrest. However, the cause stands to gain since McHales's love for justice has been made public. With regards from the other Irish students at the College.
- 3 pp

HAG 1/ 1923/

- 254  
was 84
- 11 May 1923
- Holograph letter from Denis Riordan, Mount Melleray Seminary, Cappoquin, County Waterford, to (Hagan), glad to have been accepted into the College. Settling practical points.
- 2 pp
- 255  
was 85
- 11 May 1923
- Holograph letter from Archbishop D.Mannix, Raheen, Kew, Victoria (Australia), to Hagan, introducing Captain [Dyatt] whom he owes a favour; he has been falsely portrayed as Mannix's nominee for a position among returned soldiers.
- 3 pp
- 256  
was 87
- 12 May 1923
- Holograph letter from E.Doorly, Cliffoney, County Sligo, to (Hagan), thankful for the congratulations given; asking to destroy previous correspondence. Enclosing cheque to cover a debt. Remarking on the reception given to the king in Rome; certain the Irish College would not be represented.
- 2 pp
- 257  
was 88
- 12 May 1923
- Holograph card from Bishop A.Brownrigg, Kilkenny, to (Hagan), asking him to expedite a certain matter so as to avoid publicity of a scandal ; the scandal is the subject of his petition. Thanking him for a permission obtained.
- 2 pp
- 258  
was 90
- 14 May [1923]
- Holograph letter from (Mary) Kevin, Convent, Nsambya (Uganda, British East Africa), to Hagan (her cousin). In thanks for the blessing; about to send purificators and corporals made by their black children. Their work is ever-increasing; they now have a training school for native girls for maternity work and the Irish doctor does splendid work.
- 1 p

HAG 1/ 1923/

259  
was 91

14 May 1923

Holograph letter from 'Seán Ghall' [...], 14 Philipsborough Avenue, Fairview, Dublin (on Dublin Castle letterhead), to Hagan. Responding to scholarly queries; many of his private papers were destroyed in [Goole], some by a German zeppelin bomb. He was appointed librarian to the Dáil, and finding premises will be a problem. Deploring the destruction of the Four Courts record office and much other cultural property through "idealism"; praising integrity of the leaders of the old I.R.B. and particularly Arthur Griffith who was 'the greatest enemy to British domination...that is what the Castle officials thought'. Those against the treaty 'became rebels only when the British soldiers were moving eastwards'; Fr.Flanagan is the only consistent republican. Commenting on Hagan's note on Wolfe (Tone); Fr.[Pollen] is to publish on this. He has been impressing on the government the necessity of a historical manuscripts commission; support comes, among others, from Eoin MacNéill; a translation of the Gaelic historical poems is most needed. Irish archivists ought to visit European record offices; English scholars inform him that where purely Irish manuscripts exist they are ignored. Then observing that he feels the same indifference to the English king as several historic figures, including Hugh (O'Neill); sure that the treaty 'is the surest road to absolute separation'.

8 pp

260  
was 75&93

15 May 1923

Handwritten draft and copy typescript letter from (Hagan), to Cardinal Prefect (van Rossum) of Propaganda Fide. Concerning his letter of 9 May, commenting on the circumstances in which his complaint had been made. Then stating that a payment from the Bishop of Kildare for the Opera della Preservazione della Fede had not been made yet; asking to rectify this. [Italian]

2 items

261  
was 94

16 May 1923

Printed card with handwritten insertion from the rector of the Collegio Beda, 67 Via S.Niccolò da Tolentino, Rome 5, to Hagan, inviting him for a dinner held on the feast of St.Bede to celebrate the opening of the College's new home.

1 p

HAG 1/ 1923/

- 262  
was 95
- 16 May 1923
- Holograph letter from J.O'Dea, Mount St.Mary's, Galway, to 'Denny' [Hynes], with last words on the election which is still underway; the terna system is mostly in-operative there. Profoundly disappointed with [Hynes's] letter and regretting that he did not have it earlier to warn some voters. Fahey is likely to get the majority of votes. Pledging to give the new bishop all his support, no matter how he is elected. Hoping that if they don't get the 'dignior' they will get the 'dignissimus'.
- 2 pp
- 263  
was 96
- 16 May 1923
- Holograph letter from J.Ward, Parochial House, Armagh, to Hagan, enclosing donation for the famine in central Europe. They seem to near an end to the southern troubles. Observing the sending of Luzio without previous notice to the bishops was a blunder; the cardinal knows the Irish College knew nothing of it. He saw Hagan did not present at the reception given to their majesties. Their altar is nearing completion. Asking why he did not give them a 'look in' for Raphoe; Quinn was talked about briefly. Inviting him to stay. Settling financial matter concerning a pension.
- 2 pp
- 264  
was 97
- 17 May 1923
- Typescript letter signed by Secretary Fr.G.Nogara of the Pontificium Opus a Propagatione Fidei, Propaganda Fide, Piazza di Spagna, Rome, to Hagan, in thanks for two payments. Pledging their useful application [in Ireland]. [Italian]
- 1 p
- 265  
was 98
- 19 May 1923
- Holograph letter from Thomas Hayden, St.Patrick's College, Manly (Australia), to Hagan, introducing Dr.Oscar Diethelm; asking to arrange access to a papal audience.
- 1 p

266                    19 May 1923                    Holograph letter from J.J.Malone, Sts.Peter & Paul, Ashby, Geelong (Australia), to (Hagan), asking whether he received a sum for the breviaries. Commenting on civil war; disgusted by both parties and now unwilling to die in Ireland whose soil is stained by the blood of brothers.

1 p

267                    27 April-                    Typescript letter (marked 'confidential') with handwritten additions signed by Éamon de Valéra, President's Office, Dáil Éireann, Dublin, to 'a chara' (Hagan), asking for suggestions and help in the current impasse. Explaining that the republican cause cannot be defended successfully by military effort any more; an order for a ceasefire will be issued in a few days. If the state decided to pursue their men the fight would persist and eventually all hope would be lost. Leaders, especially the moral leaders, have become too partisan to give useful advice; the people have cause to be disheartened if not cynical. 'Some special way of helping may occur to you'. The recent visitor and peacemaker (Luzio) 'came, unfortunately, at a bad time for us'; also he gave in to the temptation to exert pressure on the weaker side of two parties. He did not know his ecclesiastical mission but he received scant courtesy from the hierarchy. 'Some of our people seemed inclined to petition for a permanent delegation. I had some difficulty in pointing out to them that that might be very far from a blessing' – arguing that small nations always find it harder to secure friends: 'I know that these are your views on the matter'. They noted well and appreciated 'the absence of the representatives of a certain College at recent memorials'. Adding that while a 'peace "by understanding" would be by far the best in the national interest...our opponents want a "triumph"'. Also the people would probably at present vote against both sides. Enclosing authentic copies of recent attempts at negotiation, internal Sinn Fein correspondence and press interview:

1) dossier with copies of items of correspondence (27 April-9 May) between President Eamon De Valera of the Government of the Republic of Ireland, the Irish Republican Army and President Cosgrave, Andrew Jameson and James Douglas, senators of the Irish Free State, concerning peace negotiations. Including De Valera's and the army's statements suspending hostilities and declaring readiness to negotiate; correspondence between De Valera and the two senators regarding their meeting on 1 May; DeValera's reply to the government's proposals in the shape of new terms of settlement; Cosgrave's judging the reply 'a long and wordy document inviting debate where none is possible' (8 May); DeValera's expression of disappointment – 'my offer generously embraced every principle of national value that I could conceive our opponents to be honestly fighting for. I have been met by rigid insistence... in a form which is well known...to be impracticable' (9 May).

2) Copy of typescript circular letter from (unsigned) [Eamon DeValera], Sinn

Fein, Dublin, to (blank), soliciting the readers' views on proposals for the re-organisation of Sinn Fein. Explaining that his recent attempts to reach an agreement with their opponents failed; he had submitted principles that were meant to be 'a sort of national super-constitution' but their refusal makes it clear 'that the spirit of party is dominant amongst them'. Desire for peace is widespread, to avoid fragmentation into groups it is expedient to reform Sinn Fein to serve as a body that serves the national interest as a whole, despite negative associations with the name held by some. Listing five points of reform; detailing views on 'good government', the unalienable sovereignty of the nation, the importance of the Irish language, and the need for a social programme based on justice for all classes. Finally remarking that their opponents hope for civil war conditions up to the elections while aware that they cannot get back to power after an election campaign based on free speech.

3) Typescript copy with handwritten addition (in De Valera's hand) of an interview given (by him) to the Associated Press U.S.A. DeValera giving his opinions on the peace negotiations: the next move is with the people; the current one-sided truce cannot continue; the opponents only pretend his peace moves had not been sincere; elaborating on his proposals as an attempt to remove the obstacles created by the treaty by means of a substitute constitution; believing it would receive the people's support.

4) Typescript copy (different paper) with handwritten addition in ink by Eamon De Valera of the 'President's address to the army' which will probably be issued with the order of the day to cease fire and dump arms. Explaining that the republic cannot be defended by arms anymore; praising past efforts and urging hopefulness; explaining that the people's refusal of help is due to the 'overwhelming forces against them' and the general exhaustion after many sacrifices and sorrows. Once recovered 'they will then quickly discover who have been selfless and who selfish...'

(The various enclosures were not filed with the covering letter anymore; enclosure 3) had been found in a trunk labelled 'Hagan' in 1974. Internal evidence points to their forming a unit.)

5 items

268  
was 100

21 May 1923

Holograph letter from Bishop Peter (Amigo) of Southwark, Bishop's House, St. George's Road, Southwark, S.E.1 (England), to Hagan. Asking about young priests for temporary work in the diocese; praising Roughneen; Pierce Perkins used to belong to Southwark. Offering news about Stanislaus Hughes, whose wife, a convert, put up with his temper for a time and then left him. Professor O'Cleary, and Miss O'Daly, both called on him. Only prayer can bring peace in Ireland.

2 p

HAG 1/ 1923/

- 269  
was 101
- 21 May 1923
- Holograph letter from Bishop John Carroll, Bishop's House, Lismore, Australia, to Hagan, introducing Mr. and Mrs. Mason, and Miss Hague; recommending Mr. Mason for his endeavours on behalf of the church; asking to arrange access to a papal audience.
- 1 p
- 270  
was 102
- 21 May 1923
- Holograph letter from Bishop E. Mulhern, Ardmaine, Newry (County Down), to Hagan. At length discussing financial matters concerning Kearns burse and Mr. Parland. Enclosing document (not extant); asking for faculties in the matter and explaining awkward situation in the diocese where he often has to appoint a third priest where there is a living only for two. Then remarking on the difficulties arising in market towns like Newry from the rules regulating customs and the crossing of the border. The visit from (Luzio) ended 'not an hour too soon' - it was 'an unfortunate move on the part of the Vat.[ican]'.  
2 pp
- 271  
was 86&92  
&103
- 12, 15, 21 May  
1923
- Holograph letter from Bishop D. Hallinan, Bishop's House, Corbally, Limerick, to Hagan, enclosing two letters from students James Kelly and E.M. McCarthy, Irish College, Rome, to Hallinan, asking for permission to spend the holidays in Ireland. Stating he prefers them to stay with the body of the students; leaving the matter to Hagan's discretion.  
3 items
- 272  
was 104
- 22 May 1923
- Holograph letter from Cardinal Michael Logue, Ara Coeli, Armagh, to Hagan. Hagan is to use his discretion on whether Mr. Donnellan ought to spend his holidays in Ireland. There is no real peace by consent at the moment; the quiet is due to exhaustion, but De Valera keeps to his republican claim 'as stubbornly as ever'. Regretting that isolated groups will remain carrying out robberies and looting. Then inquiring after an indult not yet received regarding the waiving of a day of abstinence when two occur in a row. Enclosing bank note for charity.  
4 pp

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273                    22 May 1923                    Holograph letter from J.Gallagher, 5 Rue des Irlandais, Paris (France), to Hagan; advising him of his arrival in Rome on 5 June –asking about accommodation. He has prepared himself according to Hagan's advice.

2 pp

274                    22 May 1923                    Holograph letter from P.J.Roughneen, Kiltimagh, County Mayo, to Hagan, enclosing suggestions for the O'Hare memorial for the sculptor. Remarking that both appointments of McNeely and Doorly are popular. Commenting at length on the election of a bishop for Galway; since Roman students have been coming forward lately it is possible that Galway will introduce another; naming candidates that are not popular. Observing that 'the Luzio mission is as dead (and) as forgotten as Queen Anne'; the press is quiet about it. Giving his impression that the English College is completely neutral towards Ireland at present. The railways are open again after ten days. There is still unrest in the west. Neither side possesses 'horse-sense'. Asking whether he heard of the case of Fr.Ryan, Drumshanbo.

2 items

275                    22 May 1923                    Draft and typescript sheet, Irish College, listing the sums presented to the Pope in audience, including Peter's Pence for Tuam and Galway, and sums in charity for Russia. [partly Italian]

2 items

276                    23 May 1923                    Typescript letter signed Sr.(Mary) Visitation Keating, Convent of St.John of God, Wexford, to Hagan. Accepting Hagan's terms for the sisters to take over the domestic management of the College, on behalf of her council. Impressing on

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him that the sisters need to report to their superior and will thereby some times disclose incidents pertaining to the College that would otherwise not be discussed outside it.

2 pp

277  
was 110

23 May 1923

Holograph letter from T.Fahy, Professor of Latin, St. Patrick's College, Maynooth (County Kildare) to Hagan, asking to obtain papal blessing for the nuptials of Dr.P.J.Smyth, Mater Hospital, and Miss Dillon.

1 p

278  
was 112

23 May 1923

Holograph letter from the superioress and religious of the Ursuline Convent, St.Mary's, Waterford, to Cardinal (Secretary) of the Congregation for Religious, asking for permission to borrow a sum up to £5,000, for urgent refurbishments.

4 pp

279  
was 113

23 May 1923

Holograph letter from P.J.Walsh, Archbishop's House, Dublin, to Hagan, inquiring about a dispensational matter with the Congregation for the Sacraments. Hoping that when Hagan visits in August there will be no more shooting; however, there is no sign of an accommodation between Cosgrave and DeValera. The Luzio mission is an enigma; 'in the end he was very glad to get away from the cold of our climate and from the heat of our politics'; it is well-known that Hagan had nothing to do with the mission. Luzio called to them twice, but did not meet bishops apart from attending a meeting of the north-eastern bishops regarding their educational problems. Listing sums payed to the College for Mass intentions.

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- 280 was 114            24 May 1923            Typescript copy report by [Mr.G.Hamilton] giving account of his audience with Cardinal Gasparri on 22 May. The Cardinal gave his opinion on the reparations due to France from Germany; England and America ought to settle this by having debts owed to France cancelled and dealing with the rest by means of international loans. [Italian]
- 1 p
- 281 was 115            24 May 1923            Holograph letter from J.W.Good, 24 Herbert Place, Dublin, to Hagan. While willing to correct his article in the *New Statesman*, saying that the clerics mentioned were not of the Irish College, Curran informs him that a correction is not wanted.
- 2 pp
- 282 was 116&117        26 May 1923            Draft, and copy typescript letter from (Hagan) to [Archbishop Gilmartin of Tuam]. Having had unofficial information that he has been mentioned in association with the vacant see of Galway, taking the unusual step of listing his objections; he will also make representations to Cardinal DeLai. Reasoning that he has no wish to take up such a position; that his health 'is something worse than indifferent'; that he has 'no knowledge whatever' of Irish; that he is certain of the mischief created whenever an outsider is introduced to another province as bishop. (Marked confidential)
- 2 items
- 283 was 118            27 May 1923            Holograph letter from M.J.Clancey, Archbishop's House, 6 Norfolk Road, Edgbaston, Birmingham (England), to Hagan. Glad he has accepted Mr.Riordan, and that at the same time he taught him a lesson about his lack of candour. Inviting young priests since they are experiencing a shortage.
- 2 pp
- 284 was 60            [27 May 1923]            Holograph letter from (unsigned) (M.J.Curran), Genoa, to 'Carissimo' (Hagan). On arriving in Bobbio the 'fasci-

sti' mistook him for an official from Piacenza, the celebrations of 24 May being underway. The rector in his capitial vestments – 'sadly marred by a week's growth of beard'- rescued him. He discussed plans for September, and gave [Bisetti] the circular; the Irish visitors to Bobbio will be able to stay at Piacenza. Sketching his travel plans via Marseille; he will go to Wexford to see P.Murphy. Enclosing a document that may be useful (not extant). Bobbio is a charming place and 'ideally reposeful'. Apologising to the Bishop of Dunedin for his abrupt departure.

2 pp

285            27 May [1923]            Holograph letter from P.Murphy, House of Missions, Enniscorthy (County Wexford), to (Hagan). The one-sided truce, or general weariness, caused a certain lull in the fighting. Distrusting the Free State to take a firm stance against Ulster; the government is gearing up for elections and seems ready for a coalition. The country's only chance is unity within the old Sinn Fein party. Religion has not suffered, but the pastoral is not yet withdrawn – 'we are a funny people'. Reminding him of papal blessing for nuptials; Curran is about to visit; looking forward to Hagan's visit in August.

4 pp

286            31 May 1923            Holograph letter from Proinnseas Ní B.(Frances O'Brady), Strand Palace Hotel, Strand, London W.C.2 (England), to 'a chara dhil' (Hagan). She is in London because of her sister who may come to Rome soon. Hoping to send photographs soon. Hoping Hagan receives the paper regularly; Mrs.Brugha knows of it now. She sent word to the president about the situation 'out there'. Giving safe address of her cousin in Southport because of censorship. Asking his opinion about things now; they were defeated by overwhelming odds, but the main thing was 'to make acceptance of servitude impossible' and that succeeded. Of course they cannot expect to be the chosen generation.

was 124

6 pp

287            29 May 1923            Holograph letter from P.Dunne, Archbishop's House, Dublin, to (Hagan), urgently requesting canonisation faculties to continue the process. Then informing him that he lost his father in March. He just met two ex-alumni, Cooney and A. Ryan. The Bisleti story is getting 'quite sordid' and especially for Hagan; hoping his troubles will pass quickly.

was 120

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- 288  
was 121
- 30 May 1923
- Holograph letter from Eddie Gallen, Mill House, Balbriggan (Dublin), to Hagan. Sketching his journey via London, where he met Fr.[Linion]. He delivered Hagan's letters to the bank. The doctor gave him a favourable verdict. In Ireland, physical violence has almost disappeared from the contest – 'everybody is fed up to the teeth with politics and the weather'.
- 2 pp
- 289  
was 122
- 30 May 1923
- Holograph letter from Archbishop T.P.Gilmartin, St. Jarlath's, Tuam (County Galway), to (Hagan), responding that Hagan's poor health is borne in mind and commenting that he has acted wisely: when a man is sent, he must go, but he should not seek the responsibility. 'You may take it that the matter will rest with the Consistorial'. Asking him to pay Peter's Pence; leaving it to his discretion whether Mr.Glynn can return for the summer holidays. (Marked confidential)
- 2 pp
- 290  
was 123
- 31 May 1923
- Holograph letter from E.Doorly, Cliffoney, County Sligo, to (Hagan); the bulls have not arrived yet. Other arrangements; the consecration will take place on 24 June – inviting him.
- 2 pp
- 291  
was 125  
& no no.1925
- 31 May 1923
- Typescript letter signed Peadar MacFhionnlaoich (Peter McGinley) and Proinsias Ó Fathaigh (Francis Fahy) President and Secretary, Gaelic League, 25 Parnell Square, Dublin, to Cardinal [...]. Pleading the necessity to nominate an Irish speaker to the now vacant see of Galway. Offering statistics to prove that this is 'the most Irish-speaking Diocese in Ireland'; singling out Oughterard, Galway city, and the Aran islands. (Marked 'translation') Now attached handwritten draft letter from (Hagan) to Cardinal [...], presenting the facts speaking against the appointment of a non-Irish speaker to the Galway see. [partly Italian]
- 3 pp



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was 127

2 June 1923

Copy typescript [draft] letter from (Hagan) to Cardinal [Sbarretti]. Having heard that in the matter of the vacant see of Galway his own name was not only put on the terna, but that despite his representations some votes were cast for him, he lists five reasons rendering that appointment 'unwelcome and unacceptable'. Listing his lack of ambition for the mitre; his health; his lack of Irish, the inadvisability of introducing an outsider; and arguing that were he to join the body of Irish bishops his disapproval of their withdrawal of sacraments to republicans would place him in opposition to them. In his present position he has been bound by duty and delicacy to refrain from manifesting his misgivings in the matter. Asking the cardinal as the College's protector to acquaint Cardinal DeLai with these arguments.

2 pp

297  
was 128

4 June 1923

Typescript draft with handwritten corrections and signature from G.B.Hamilton, Hotel Excelsior, Rome, for [the Holy See], asking to use its influence on the Irish bishops who are to meet around 18 June. Submitting that of the two obstacles for a rapprochement between Free State and republicans, the oath is the lesser one; in the question of arms the republicans are ready to lay them down, but any demand for them to hand them over would prove that the Free State wishes to triumph. The Holy See could, in a letter to the bishops, encourage them to work towards an agreement. Peace ought to be held until the next elections, possibly in November, which must be held freely and for which it is essential to have a stable situation. The Free State deludes itself thinking it is the master in Ireland. At present, the priority is a cessation of all hostilities, and the bishops ought to work towards that. [French]

2 pp

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was 129

4 June 1923

Holograph letter from J.J.Kennedy of the Association for the Propagation of the Faith, 22 Parliament Street, Dublin, to Hagan, having sent his reply and the formula on to the (Archbishop). The latter is expected to bring the matter of national representatin before the bishops in Maynooth.

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in the U.S. and Canada. This extension of their service is partly due to 'the cooperation constantly vouchsafed us by our many influential friends'. Adding list of papers taking their service.

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was 135

7 June 1923

Holograph letter from Sr.(Mary) Stanislaus Lynch, Convent of St.Louis, Middletown, County Armagh, to Hagan. Enquiring about letter sent in March, ordering a reliquary; offering to send payment again and hoping the request was not too bold.

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304  
was 13

8 June 1923

Holograph letter from P.Daniel, 33 Kenilworth Square, Dublin, to Hagan. Enquiring about the dates in October at which their pilgrimage group should visit this year; they had previously agreed to make the visit a yearly event. In the forthcoming elections in September it may well be that voters are activated and will give both parties their nay. Some humorous comments about his choice of the 'royal' sport of golf. Congratulating him on not attending certain recent functions in Rome; it constituted an acid test. Observing that Luzio had been very disappointed; he is said to have stated he would not return to Ireland. He sees Fr.Morrissey regularly; he is worried about the ladies confined in Kilmainham again: 'sanguinary female dogs is a name often used to describe them though generally in less ornate language'.

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was 138

9 June 1923

Holograph letter from 'Seán Ghall', Ashville, Philipsburgh Avenue, Fairview, Dublin, to 'a chara' (Hagan), in gratitude for the transcripts; hoping he will be appointed to Dublin long-term in order to earnestly work on manuscripts. Reckoning that Hagan will one day come round to his own point of view, as he used to hold the one Hagan represents now; [enclosing] a review that will be of interest. Explaining his positivist approach to history as strictly based on facts. Praising his work on the national ideal; agreeing that the presently used history books are fit only for burning. Reiterating the need for

extensive work on the Irish national poems, like the Four Masters' eulogy on Seán Uí Néill. Inviting criticism on his forthcoming article. Commenting on the present divide of the Irish; grateful that 'the greater number in the divided camp are noble men and women'. Arguing he stands for the Treaty since it is 'the only possible road to the land of my Dream', while remaining 'a rebel to everything English that would hobble our feet on the way to complete self-realization'. Therefore he was not 'shocked' as Hagan opined since their views are alike.

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was 139

9 June 1923

Holograph letter from M.[J.Curran], House of Missions, Enniscorthy (County Wexford), to Hagan. Having met members of the community of St.John of God in Enniscorthy and Wexford, he is impressed with their work; the Reverend Mother will accompany the sisters to Rome and remain until they are settled; they would like to send six sisters to cover eventualities – they will send experienced yet active sisters; other arrangements. He told 'Matt' that he is expected to give the retreat. The bishop clearly has an ill heart; Curran has not seen him. Then praising the Papal allocution of 25 (May) – it will settle the *insula sanctorum*-issue as regards the documents of the Holy See, but he is also impressed with the positive political reference and the 'marked absence of condemnation of the dear sons on both sides'. Asking whether the Bobbio centenary would not be a good opportunity for working towards including Columbanus on the universal calendar. Observing that the association between the Luzio mission and the Irish College is made everywhere; urging that counter representations are made. There has been another confirmation of Fr.Connolly's likely return to Rome.

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was 137

9 June 1923

Holograph card from Fr.John Tierney C.C., Naas County Kildare, to Hagan, asking to obtain a papal blessing for Fr.M.Norris, parish priest at Naas, for his golden jubilee; enclosing fee.

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- 308            11 June 1923            Holograph letter from William McNeely, Letterkenny, County Donegal, to Hagan, in gratitude for the Bulls. The consecration is planned for 22 July. The appointment threw him 'into a state of alarm' since he was not prepared for it. Enclosing bill for Roman taxes; this is 'not in harmony with Irish anti-tax spirit'.  
was 140  
2 pp
- 309            12 June 1923            Holograph letter from Sr.(Mary) de Pazzi, Ursuline Convent, Thurles (County Tipperary), to (Hagan), asking whether their last charitable donation arrived. Inviting him to visit; their house is in its 136<sup>th</sup> year.  
was 141  
4 pp
- 310            13 June 1923            Holograph letter from J.[Hatton], Prince of Wales Hotel, Harrogate (London, England), to (Hagan). Introducing himself as 'the incumbent of Rathmines'. Repeating his enquiry for a papal prize for their bazaar; specifying an object be bought and blessed by the Pope. At home things are much better, but 'poor Luzio's visit was an unfortunate thing'.  
was 143  
4 pp
- 311            13 June 1923            Holograph letter from Robert Kane S.J., Milltown Park, Dublin, to Hagan, grateful for his letter. The positive message was very encouraging for Sr.Ignatia and Dr. Kerrigan for their case before the congregation. Informing him that two Loreto nuns are mentally ill; one is yet unprofessed and suffers from acute religious mania.  
was 142  
3 pp
- 312            14 June 1923            Holograph letter from Mother Mary Columba Sullivan, Superioress of Presentation School, the Presbytery, Quetta, Balushistan, India, to Hagan. Asking him to obtain the papal blessing for those Irish nuns that founded the first convent in Balushistan. Explaining that the Presentation nuns have been founding

convents on the frontiers of India; the house in Quetta could not be founded for a long time because of dearth of sisters. Enclosing a printed appeal with handwritten comment recently sent to Ireland and America for funds to allay the great difficulties in the province due to the bank failure; he could present this to the Pope in applying for the blessing. Adding that the Jesuits left their accommodation to them; listing the other three sisters on the mission; praying for postulants.

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313  
was 146

15 June 1923            Holograph letter from Hilda (Grennell), 55 Rathgar Road, Dublin, to Hagan (her cousin). Querying at length the practicalities of her travelling to Rome; Miss Nellie Gallagher would accompany her. Hoping he will come to Ireland this summer. Commenting on the wet and windy weather. The Free State is at last beginning to function since there is a sort of peace. However, thousands of prisoners are in jail and (the republicans) are continuing the war with the state for the freedom of the people. Regards from Aidan; brief family news; reflections about her own position in life. She heard Hagan's name at Loreto, Great George's Street, in connection with the see of Galway.

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was 145

15 [June] 1923            Holograph letter from Bishop Patrick O'Donnell, Ard Adhamhnain, Letterkenny (County Donegal), to Hagan. Dr.MacNeely's appointment is following its course; inviting him to the consecration ceremony. He is planning to move to Dundalk over the coming month. Stating that he felt for poor Dr.Luzio and for the Holy See 'in connection with things in Ireland', perhaps because he has been out of touch; 'the whole business seems a mystery at every turn'. Then observing that 'the only good result may be the restoration of the Irish College to its rightful position in things Irish'. He is leaving for Maynooth.

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was 157

[mid-June 1923]            Typescript letter from [E.R.Morrissey, Dublin] to 'Carissimo' (Hagan) (mostly in code). The wire arrived and he felt proud and disgusted at the same time; remarks on 'the whole crowd', 'Paddy' and 'Alphonsus'. Sr.Monica, for many reasons,

will not have a pleasant time here; one sister wrote to the papers, possibly on behalf of Sr.Daniel. At length commenting on 'him' [Sr.Daniel] who had made several mistakes about 'our late Visitor'. Then remarking that while there is peace now it is not certain how long it will last; elections in September augur that the republicans will have about the same number returned as last time. K.[eohane] is in good form, looking forward to the journey in September. M.[...] is leaving on 26<sup>th</sup>; her contingent is expected to carry the day. The school Hagan is interested in there are one-hundred boarders; the 'ancients' are all preparing their books now. Listing the judges, including Waters, Mackey, Cronin. Regretting Sr.C.[...] does not come home this year. Adding that the weather is more like March than June.

2 pp

316  
was 147

16 June 1923

Holograph letter from Bishop W.Codd, Summerhill, Wexford, to Hagan; explaining he is replying to the Congregation for Religious and inviting comments on the document (not extant); certain that Hagan and Monsignor Fidecicchi have 'kept vigilant guard'. Brief comment on their students; they were appointed to Maynooth.

1 p

317  
was 148

17 June 1923

Typescript letter signed Cardinal Secretary P.Gasparri, Secretariat of State, Vatican, to Hagan, having received various Mass stipends for the benefit of poor priests in Austria. Expressing thanks particularly to the group of priests in the diocese of Armagh for their contribution; offering an apostolic blessing. [Italian]

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318  
was 149

18 June 1923

Holograph letter from Sr.Mary J.Madeleine, Ursuline Convent St.Mary's, Waterford, to Hagan. Enclosing a holograph letter for the Congregation for Religious: asking leave to use two sums bequeathed to her for the community. (Three questions in Hagan's hand on the reverse regarding the nature of the bequest.)

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was 155

22-23 June 1923

Typescript letter signed by Éamon de Valéra, Oifig an Uachtaráin, Dáil Éireann, Dublin (marked confidential), 'a chara' (to Hagan). Hagan's visitor brought his note and gave him interesting details of the visit. The situation is still in flux; their opponents' minds are closed to his suggestions and only focussed on securing their position; their reverend friend's proposals are altogether impossible and he writes to him to that effect (see enclosure below). Expressing resentment towards those who now profess to be Free Staters holding that republicanism is an unrealisable ideal; Mulcahy holds a military display in Bodenstown 'claiming Apostolic succession no doubt'; the hypocrisy involved might, however, 'make for good in the long run, as hypocrisy very often does, being a public homage to virtue'. Their people are having a trying time since dithearing does not suit their temperament. To change the name from Sinn Fein would not do any good at present – 'tho' formally Republican, it is elastic enough' and when after the coming year the new national movement has been forged they can decide on a title. Agreeing on the position abroad; it is a reflection of what happens at home. Regretting deeply the attitude of the church since it gives England's victory much more substance; expressing hope once there are 'new "young men" on the bridge'. Then observing that partition is a much more serious matter than the crown; he sees no solution for it. Fearing that 'the Merrion St. company' will give way to England again; he had warned Griffith that 'he would be euchred on this boundary scheme'. Adding that there was no truth whatever in the slander current in Rome about their late Chief of Staff Liam Lynch breaking his parole – promising to have a document sent to a friend on the matter forwarded to Hagan (see next item). [Enclosing] typescript copy letter with handwritten addition 'for your information – Please destroy immediately' from [DeValera] to Monsignor Luzio (22 June). Explaining that they cannot make the proposals suggested by him regarding the surrender let alone destruction of arms or the taking of the oath – one would constitute recognising the legitimacy of the Free State government, the other would be paying homage to England. Setting down their views of that government as an usurpation; the sincerity of his proclamation of April which meant to provide a modus vivendi – 'it was our last word'. Their priority will be to put the relations with England on a satisfactory basis; pointing to his proposals during the treaty debate in January 1922 which went as far as possible and were made to avoid civil war. Republicans are not devoted to a form of government but to independence; observing they are more conservative than most of the Free State elements. Remarks on the importance of honesty and justice: invoking President Wilson's 'dicta', adding five quotations in postscript, including 'self-determination is not a mere phrase', and 'no people must be forced under a sovereignty under which it does not wish to live'. Asserting that 'the only agency which can get them translated into practice is the Catholic Church'. The Holy Father has the influence necessary to move the British to reconsideration of the situation. (Internal evidence and physical make-up suggest the enclosure.)

2 items



closing copy of reply from the bishops to the Congregation of Religious (not extant). Asking to obtain the papal blessing for [three] priests, and for Mother Angela at the Presentation Convent, Carrick-on-Suir.

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334  
was 170

25 June 1923

Typescript letter signed D. Hartigan, Prescott, Ontario, Canada, to Hagan, in a humouristic vein. Describing his eventually fruitless efforts to have the archbishop send a young scholar friend of his to the Irish College. Inviting young priests to come to the diocese of Kingston since they much need them. As for Ireland, praying her wounds will be healed and her faithless sons reclaimed in God's 'own good time'. Describing his beginnings in the parish where he came late in 1921; to explain his actions stating that two-hundred families and more can give employment to one priest. Praising his predecessor Monsignor Masterson. The town is situated beautifully.

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was 155

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1923

Typescript letter signed by Éamonn de Valéra, Oifig an Uachtaráin, Dáil Éireann, Dublin, to 'a chara' (Hagan). Officially stating that the suggestion that their late Chief of Staff General Lynch broke his parole is a slander. The Free State had released him knowing his eagerness for ending the civil war, but in full cognisance of the fact that he might return to armed conflict when returned to his important division. Lynch meanwhile had 'become convinced that the F. S. did not really desire any accommodation and were determined on a policy of "blood and iron" to enforce their own will'. [Enclosing] typescript copy letter from (De Valera), Dáil Éireann, Dublin, to 'a athair' [...] [New York] regretting he won't see him before he leaves; with regards to the community on 29<sup>th</sup> Street. At length assuring him of the integrity and honesty of their late Chief of Staff, General Liam Lynch; explaining the circumstances behind his release and return to the 1<sup>st</sup> Southern Division. By contrast, listing four instances in which their opponents broke undertakings: the breaking of the Pact of May 1922 being the most weighty; the breaking of the pledge by Mr. Griffith in December 1921; the broken agreement of the Sinn Féin Ard Fheis of February 1922 to present the nation with the constitution together with the treaty; the undertaking from General Brennan to General Lynch of July 1922. (The enclosure is mentioned in DeValera's letter of 23 June; the presumed covering letter may be for use with Vatican authorities.)

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held before December; one question is whether to free the prisoners before that time or not. There is little talk about the 'Home in the West'; 'M.' ought to be sent. More comments on Keohane's power of argumentation. Changes are in the air and all near 'the magic circle' are most anxious which is a good sign.

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29 June 1923          Holograph letter from Mother (Mary) Clara, Loretto Academy, Sault Ste. Marie, Michigan (U.S.A.), to Hagan. She last wrote to him two years ago and did not receive a reply. Asking to obtain papal blessings for her, Sisters Attracta and Regina, and Fr. William Gagnieur S.J. Praising their new Bishop Nussbaum.

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was 178

29 June 1923          Holograph letter from Bishop John Gallagher, Bishop's House, Goulburn (Australia), to Hagan. Enclosing draft (for a pension); expressing disappointment over an investment made by O'Riordan for a Goulburn burse which is not profitable. The student chosen by him was also not successful; Hagan was right to send Mr. Dillon back to Ireland. Although he had hoped O'Donnell would come to fill a vacancy this year it now seems better to leave their Catholics without a priest altogether.

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was 171/179

26-29 June 1923      Holograph letter from Bishop E. Mulhern, Ardmaine, Newry (County Down), to (Hagan). Enclosing type-script letter signed H.J.[C...], The Hibernian Bank Ltd., College Green, Dublin, to Mulhern acknowledging receipt of a sum for credit of Monsignor Hagan. – Listing the causes represented, concerning burse and a charity. Informing him that Dr. Kearns died; he left bequests typical for his pious and charitable nature. Approving of the proposed successor in the chapter. He only saw Curran briefly; his visit was during the busy time of confirmations. He is thinking of going to Bobbio but will not make commitments because of his elderly mother.

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- 30 June 1923
- Holograph statement from Dottore Ernesto Boni of the Casa di Salute R.Bastianelli, Viale della Regina 231, Rome, to Hagan, certifying that student James [Cullan], 22 years of age, has a weak constitution which suffers from the Roman climate; recommending he return to his native soil. [Italian]
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- 30 June 1923
- Holograph card (partly printed) from Fr.J. Martini of Prefettura delle Scuole del Pontificio Collegio Urbano, Piazza Mignanelli 23, Rome, to inform him of the grades achieved by students [Deering], Hannan, Murphy and O'Donnell. [Italian]
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no no.
- [June 1923]
- Typescript extract 'from a letter received by Sister K.' [P.J.Keohane] from [...], forwarded by [...] to (Hagan); with information [regarding the vacant see of Galway]. While the writer's own favourite refused to have his name put forward [identified in brackets as the Vicar General], a certain crowd supports 'the Ex-Roman I spoke of' [...] but their Roman friend [Hagan] is strongly mentioned and will find supporters. The writer himself will vote for him, but the Ex-Roman has done his best to run him down, citing instances of their shared student time together, but not being able to give evidence. Also stating that the former bishop's nephew [J.O'Dea] is also for [Hagan] and keen to 'beat' the others. The person writing to Keohane also remarks that the same correspondent thought [Hagan] would have had more support had they known he would accept; if he did not then Clonfert is preferable despite all. (Marked in pencil in unidentified hand, asking for acknowledgement; mentioning 'Brewery' [E.R.Morrissey.]
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no no.
- [June/July 1923]
- Holograph letter from Michael Dempsey [...], to 'Monsignor' (Curran). Having sent two missals to Salamanca, the remaining one can wait until September according to Monsignor O'Doherty. Mentioning the total cost. Hoping he had a pleasant time at home. (See letter 6 February from O'Doherty, Salamanca. Curran visited Ireland in June.)
- 1 p

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- 350  
was 4
- 1 July 1923
- Holograph letter from Bishop Charles McHugh, Bishop's House, Derry, to (Hagan). He does not object to [Fr.] McDaid remaining in Rome, if at his own expense. Inviting Hagan to visit; times are quiet now. Asking for a subscription for *Acta Sanctae Sedis*.
- 3 pp
- 351  
was 5
- 2 July 1923
- Holograph letter from Bishop Robert Browne of Cloyne, Bishop's House, Cobh (County Cork), to Hagan. Enclosing bill for Peter's Pence. Inquiring about a previous petition; asking about fees due. Then observing that their Blue Nuns are now settled and have their provincial; the Roman superiors have been taught a lesson. Also stating that he only heard of the sad loss of Bishop Hallinan of Limerick.
- 1 p
- 352  
was 6
- 2 July 1923
- Holograph card from F.Martini of the Prefettura delle Scuole del Pontificio Collegio Urbano, Piazza Mignagnelli 23, Rome, to the Irish College. Informing them of the grades obtained by students McCarthy, Crinion, and [Monahan].
- 1 p
- 353  
was 7
- 2 July 1923
- Holograph letter from Sr.(Mary) Baptist, Convent, Monument Hill, Fermoy (County Cork), to Hagan, with news about the deposition of their superior, and the appointment of the new one. The San Stefano heads must be badly beaten and must have seen how much they need the Irish. Hoping for a new house for the novitiate. The Bishop of Limerick is very ill and would be a great loss to them just now. The country is settling down, but they are a divided people now. Inquiring about his health after the last strenuous years.
- 2 pp



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- 358  
was 12
- 9 July 1923
- Holograph letter from Proinnsias Ní Bhradaigh (Frances Brady) [Lugano], to 'a chara dhil' (Hagan). Knowing from Gerard when Hagan would be free, suggesting a choice of locations in northern Italy for them to meet him; Lugano is too hot. Asking to give them all the details of arrival by wire. Now attached draft note from (Hagan) to (the Bradys), stating he is indifferent as to the choice of place; on arrival in Milan on Saturday they can make arrangements.
- 2 items
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- 359  
was 13
- 10 July 1923
- Printed permission to travel with handwritten insertions, signed by [F.Cardinal B...] of the Roman Vicariate, Office II, Section I. Issued to Hagan, for travelling within Europe. [Italian]
- 1 p
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- 360  
was 15
- 10 July 1923
- Holograph letter from Thomas Edward Devine, Greenlaw, Strabane, County Tyrone, to Hagan. A new student for the Derry diocese, asking about the practicalities of entering the Irish College (awkwardly phrased).
- 2 pp
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- 361  
was 17
- 10 July 1923
- Typescript letter signed P.Cardinal Gasparri, Secretariat of State, Vatican, to Hagan, having received two sums in charity, including Mass stipends for Austrian priests. Enclosing typescript letter to be forwarded, from Gasparri to the superioress of the Presentation Sisters, Carlow, thanking her for her contribution to the Russian charity. [Italian]
- 2 items

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- 362  
was 18
- 11 July 1923
- Holograph letter from P.Murphy, Imperial Hydro, Harrogate (London, England), to (Hagan). He is taking the waters to cure an attack of lumbago. He met Fr.Martin Ryan who expects Hagan in Wexford unless he goes to Galway – rumours are strong that that is the case. Galway is difficult because of factions; Limerick much nicer. Their own bishop is ill and may need help. They do not want the new man in Donegal on account of his youth. Recommending the nun who will go to Rome in charge of the others, also the nurse and cook. Asking for news- if Hagan escapes the mitre 'let us hope only for a time'.
- 2 pp
- 363  
was 19
- 11 July 1923
- Typescript draft letter from [Hagan], Rome, to 'my dear Friend' [P.Dempsey] Blanchardstown. Explaining that in cases of complaint against bishops for unfair behaviour, he often acts as a mediary between the cleric involved and the Congregation of the Council before the matter is brought before the ordinary. Pointing out that the case will probably not be listened to favourably, and quoting the [archbishop's] remarks about the curacy having never given rise to complaints. As a friend, recommending to bear the situation in patience and dignity until transferral to a better place.
- 2 pp
- 364  
was 20
- 12 July 1923
- Holograph letter from T.H.Pitt, St.Charles's House, Hatfield, Hertshire (England), to (Hagan), in gratitude for his offices concerning the Archbishop of Melbourne; he will call on him when he arrives in London. Hoping to be settled soon.
- 1 p
- 365  
was 21
- 14 July 1923
- Holograph letter from Robert Kane S.J., Milltown Park, Dublin, to Hagan. He and the Kerrigans are grateful the papers were sent by the congregation on to the bishop; Sr.Ignatia is now in good health. They have good medical evidence on their

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side; this should help, even seeing that the secretary of the congregation is a Benedictine abbot.

3 pp

366  
was 22

17 July 1923

Holograph letter from M.[J.Curran], Rome, to Hagan, having received his wire. Fr.Bolton has been diagnosed with typhoid but the case is not very serious; Connick's case is even lighter; McDaid is going to Innsbruck and has not been very settled in general; brief news of other students. Plans for going to Tivoli. He is paying a sum to Nazzareno. Summarising a letter from Daniel who received communications from both the cardinal and Fr.Blowick about Bobbio; they can leave it to Daniel's discretion. Hoping to send Hagan a copy of Mussolini's speech.

4 pp

367  
was 23

17 July 1923

Holograph letter from Sr.(Mary) Paulinus, Convent of the Holy Faith, 41 Lower Dominick Street (Dublin), to Hagan, with personal and family news. She spends five hours a day learning Irish. Lizzie and Michael Clarke are very well. Mentioning her retreat during the feast of St.Paulinus. Describing her difficulties in disposing of a legacy left to her by Mrs.Doyle; she decided to give it to the convent in [Mullinavat]. Sure that Michael Clarke will yet say mass for her. Hoping to see Dr.O'Gorman before she goes back; also wishing to sit against a haystack in [Mullinavat] 'and a big Irish Grammar in my hand'.

4 pp

368  
was 24

17 July 1923

Holograph card from Bishop A.Brownrigg, Kilkenny, Hagan, regretting he cannot send a student to Rome this year. Many priests wait to return to the diocese and they need to reduce the number of ordinations. There is peace in Ireland at least externally and were Hagan to come on holidays he would benefit from that.

2 pp

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369  
no no.            [...] -18 July            Typescript letter with handwritten additions from 'Jack' 1923            [E.R.Morrissey, Dublin], to 'Carissimo' (Hagan). K.[eo- hane] and he are now arranging to travel and meet Ha- gan in the north or Switzerland. The visitor did not come- asking the name. Three couriers are searching for M.[...], full of 'hymns'; the vivas ought to be begun in London; asking Hagan to inform 'Isais'. The novices are still posing problems, only one in a hundred being properly called and their friend 'of Rosl... was a John the Baptist'. His own work is rendered very difficult, al- though he is not lacking in sympathy or help from K. Asking who 'M.Com- ford' was, the hunger striker of the last weeks. Bobbio is on the horizon; ag- reeing that Daniel was right to let Blowick onto it. (Continuing two weeks later) Their annual was a success; Hagan's old friend Nolan is 'a wash out'. more arrangements for travelling with K. The elections have to be held be- fore December; there will be some trouble connected with them. Expressing his contempt for 'the Canary'; she and a friend could destroy anybody's hope for success. He and others disagree that the 'Visitors' should show more in- terest in the 'Novices'. Paulinus is growing young and has no bee in her bon- net despite her position.

2 pp

370                    18 July 1923                    Typescript letter with few handwritten insertions signed was 25                    C.[...], New York, to 'Tom' (ostensibly student in Irish College [Hagan], in code). Tom's uncle, the Colonel, could not find the news he required at home but Miss Cregan sent on the enclosed letter from the chief (not extant). There is no news about the telegram Tom wanted to find out about. Mother Brewer [E.J.Morrissey] is the most pessimistic woman ever met before. 'Sister Kay' [P.T.Keohane] only laughs at her although she also suffered. Could not see the Mother General [DeValera], but saw the enthusiastic faster of Christmas day. Mr.O'Callaghan is to mediate among the warring factions as official envoy; the plan is to re- strengthen the old movement and get people interested constitutionally. The problem is lack of funds especially for the dependents of prisoners. Also it will be hard 'to get this country into line again; every organisation of ours here is at every other such organisation's throat'. Hoping he attends his studies. All Ireland is sending his rector to Galway. (There is a remote possi- bility that the writer is C.F.Ronayne.)

1 p

371                    18 July 1923                    Holograph letter from Thomas McCarthy P.P., St.Char- was 26                    les Church, Read, Ontario (Canada), to Hagan, infor- ming him that their students would not go overseas to

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finish their course. Glad of the offer they received from Bank of Italy- the Venerable seems much out of place now with the mammoth buildings surrounding it. Hoping the worst is over in Ireland. Enclosing cheque for mass intentions.

2 pp

372  
was 27

18 July 1923

Holograph letter from Una Logue McClafferty, The Commercial Hotel, Dundrum, County Down, to Pope Pius XI, asking for assistance with their sale of work to raise funds for their churches. Her first cousin Cardinal Logue has supported them generously.

1 p

373  
was 28

18 July 1923

Typescript letter signed by M.J.Murray, editorial department of *The Catholic World*, 69 Middle Abbey Street, Dublin, to P.O'Donnell, Irish College Rome. Mr.Michael Walsh already wrote; reiterating their need for a correspondent for Rome and asking him to assist them in finding such. Enclosing an outline copy of the paper (not extant). (Comments in Curran's hand [for Hagan]; Manus O'Donnell is certain this is not for him. Hagan may think of Ronayne. This paper might do Irish national Catholicism a great service by killing the *Irish Catholic* if it sees the light of day.)

1 p

374  
was 29

18 July 1923

Holograph letter from J.F.D'Alton, Cannon House, Westbluff, Cromer, Norfolk (England), to Mr.Gaffney [...], some personal news. Approving of his choice of time for visiting Rome. Recommending writing to Vice-rector Curran to have access to a papal audience arranged. Also advising to call on the provincial of the Carmelites Fr.McGuinness. (Covering letter not extant.)

2 pp

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- 375  
was 30
- 19 July 1923
- Holograph letter from Mary F.de Sales Dargan, Loreto Abbey, Rathfarnham (Dublin), to Hagan, regretting he has been ill and may have to undergo an operation. Wishing him a complete recovery.
- 2 pp
- 376  
was 78
- 20 July 1923
- Cheque from James Kelly, drawable on Bank of New Zealand, Dunedin, for John Hagan over £5. (Covering letter not extant.)
- 1 p
- 377  
was 32
- 21 July 1923
- Holograph letter from Bishop Charles McHugh, Derry, Hagan, informing him of a sum lodged on their account for Mass stipends. Asking when he will be in Derry.
- 1 p
- 378  
was 161
- [21] July 1923
- Holograph postcard from Proinnsias and [Gearoidín] (Brady), Lucerne (Switzerland), to Hagan. They are leaving for Paris tonight; all seems very modern compared to Florence; hoping he had a good return journey. (Card bears photographic image of the Löwendenkmal Luzern.)
- 2 pp
- 379  
was 33
- 21 July 1923
- Holograph letter from J.MacCaffrey, St.Patrick's College, Maynooth (County Kildare), to (Hagan), in thanks for documents concerning Bobbio; there ought to be a fair representation from Ireland including Dr.Harty. He regrets he cannot go himself. Relating to Luzio, he did not in fact have the opportunity to urge the points Hagan himself mentioned; describing his very brief stay overnight in Maynooth when invited for dinner. He is leaving for Tramore today.
- 4 pp

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- 380  
was 34
- 23 July 1923
- Holograph letter from Bishop E.Mulhern, Ardmaine, Newry (County Down), to (Hagan). Sketching the problems attendant on finding a successor for Dr.Kearns. Glad his health has improved – 'when we all do our best in this way, we do our bit for God and Ireland'. Brief financial matter. He needs priests and at least looks forward to the men returning from Rome. He will not be able to send students even this year; the seminary has few students and a few went to the Chinese Missions. There is little to recommend Ireland at present for a holiday. They have little news from the Free State and the situation preceding the elections. The new Bishop of Raphoe was in good form on the big day. Brief dispensational matter. Then speculating whether the 'Council' will materialise; some of them will bring good faith and even a store of learning to it. Brief mention of Dr.O'Gorman.
- 4 pp
- 381  
was 35
- 23 July 1923
- Holograph letter from Bishop William Codd, Wexford, to Hagan, enclosing petition for an indult on behalf of the parish priest of Cloughbawn; it is to be an extension of an existing faculty and include all those celebrating more than one Mass on Sundays. Concerning the Congregation for Religious there has not been a reply to his latest 'fulmination'.
- 1 p
- 382  
was 36
- 23 July 1923
- Holograph letter from Robert Kane S.J., Milltown Park, Dublin, to Hagan. The case involving Sr.Ignatia and the Rathfarnham house will be delayed by a few months, in waiting for the return of the superioress and then of the archbishop. Discussing the nature of the sister's temporary breakdown, arguing that it ought to be classed as 'infirmity', contrary to what the archbishop says. Offering, as 'a scrap of gossip', the rumour that Hagan's name was mentioned in connection with the see of Galway.
- 6 pp

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- 383  
was 37
- 23 July 1923
- Holograph letter from M.J.C.[urran], Rome, to Hagan, with brief news concerning students and staff, including Fr.Dwyer. It is possible that the two typhoid cases may be followed up by the Roman municipal health authorities. Building works.
- 2 pp
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- 384  
was 38
- 24 July 1923
- Holograph letter from Dottore Alberto Cricchi, notary, Via S.Croce 10, Tivoli, to [Hagan], stating the amount outstanding to him in connection with the recent purchase of the Braschi land. ((Handwritten remark on reverse by (Hagan) pointing to an unspecified item on the account.) [partly Italian]
- 1 p
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- 385  
was 39
- 25 July 1923
- Holograph letter from Proinnsias Ní Bh.[radaigh] (Frances O'Brady), Hôtel Métropole, Dieppe (France), to (Hagan), having rejoined the family; sketching their and Gerard's onward journeys – he returns to Rome. Ironic comments on the August elections: the Boundary Commission representative has been appointed claiming to guarantee that the northern Catholics will be looked after, otherwise the elections might seem a rushed affair.
- 3 pp
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- 386  
was 41
- 26 July 1923
- Holograph letter from P.Daniel, 33 Kenilworth Square (Dublin), to Curran. Glad that his efforts for Bobbio are viewed favourably, and not as an unnecessary second pilgrimage, now that Fr.Blowick announced his. Enclosing his circular advertising it (not extant); he is planning for fifty participants. Discussing accommodation options. (Reverse bears short draft by (Curran) for a toast, to be given in Bobbio – 'The Clans have met in Colman's [hills], Republicans, Free Staters, all...')
- 5 pp

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- 387  
was 42
- 28 July 1923
- Holograph introduction from Bishop P.Morrisroe of Achonry, St.Nathy's, Ballaghadereen (County Mayo), to (the Irish College), recommending Mr.Gaffney and asking to arrange access to a papal audience. An Achonry student may also show the party the city.
- 1 p
- 388
- 27 July [1923]
- Holograph letter from James Sinnott, House of Missions, Enniscorthy (County Wexford), to Hagan, enclosing cheque for Mass intentions. Dr.Brownrigg promised to send only a good solid young man to Rome. In Cork he spoke to Lucey's family- he could not be dissuaded from going to Rome by anybody.
- 2 pp
- 389  
was 43
- 29 July 1923
- Holograph letter from M.[J.Curran], Rome, to Hagan (Tivoli), brief news of post; financial matter. P.Walsh is mentioned among the Galway 'episcopabili'. (Archbishop) Byrne urged those with ecclesiastical property to compose their wills; appealed for erection of children's sodalities and for personal service of priests in schools.
- 2 pp
- 390  
was 44
- 30 June 1923
- Holograph letter from John Gallagher, Castlederg, County Tyrone, to Hagan, in gratitude for his kindness during his visit to Rome and during the past year. Sketching his journey home. Wishing him a complete recovery.
- 2 pp
- 391  
was 45
- 30 July 1923
- Holograph letter from Michael Boyle, Hohenzollernstrasse 7 I, München (Germany), to Curran. Asking his assistance in having a painting of St.Columbanus executed by Bravi, for Fr.McCarthy, Nebraska, and eventually for Bobbio. He is on holiday in Germany, observing the inexorable rise of the currency; but while he saw a handbag advertised for 12 millions, cost of living is still a little below Italian or Irish standards. Customs prevents one taking out goods.
- 4 pp

- 392  
was 46
- 30 July 1923
- Typescript letter signed M.J.Murray of *The Catholic World*, 69 Middle Abbey Street, Dublin, to Hagan. In gratitude for his comprehensive reply about the matter. Commenting further on their newly conceived paper which is to 'fill a want, and always to be a guide to our people'. The epithet 'national' is to set it apart from the *Irish Catholic*, at present a conservative and nearly 'Tory' paper; their journal is to have a broad, liberal outlook. Then stating that, while personally opposed to the bishops' stance, the paper will not steer one particular course but encourage principle, honour and justice. Asking opinion on the sanction from the Archbishop of Dublin, withheld from them, but given to the Flanigan family and members of The Catholic Truth Society.
- 4 pp
- 393  
was 47
- 31 July 1923
- Holograph letter from Cait (Ó Ceallaigh), 91 St. Stephen's Green (Dublin), to Hagan. Commenting at length about the elections. They are beginning to work towards them though unsure whether to put up candidates. Polls are confusing; bringing hopeful results for both main antagonists. Judging there is more coverage on the (Free State side), and 'more enthusiasm in ours'. Class interests are strong and it is hard to get a "Republican" farmer find a worse enemy than Jim Larkin, though her side hopes that Labour candidates will be put up to oppose the presently sitting ones. Wexford seems to have a three-fifth majority and the Midlands are said to be the strongest nationally, but it is wiser to assume nothing. So far there has not been a release of prisoners although they are told that the release of five thousand will occur before the election: 10,000 would remain of 'the worst enemies of the Irish democracy. You know the type'. Her plans for working; 'as Seán is [going up] I can't well leave all his work to others'. Speculating that Hagan will be there for the elections, though the date is not yet clear.
- 2 pp
- 394  
was 49
- 31 July 1923
- Holograph letter from Michael Walsh, 24 Upper Dominick Street, Dublin, to [Hagan], having taken his name from the Catholic Directory. Asking about finding a contributor for their prospective Catholic weekly newspaper. They have correspondents in other major cities, and are financially secure.
- 2 pp

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- 395  
was 2                    [late July 1923]                    Handwritten draft letter from (Hagan), to Cardinal [...],  
inquiring about the Bulls for the newly elected Bishop  
of Galway, Thomas O'Doherty. [Italian]                    1 p
- 396  
was 3                    [July 1923]                    Handwritten drafts by (Hagan) for Monsignore [...],  
asking for approbation of his choice of Signore Costa as  
lawyer for the Irish Martyrs' cause. He is preparing a  
report on the process for the Irish bishops. [Italian]                    2 pp
- 397  
was 50                    1 August 1923                    Holograph letter from Leonora de Alberti, 306 Scott  
Ellis Gardens, London N.W.8 (England), to [Hagan],  
having been directed to him by Mrs.Beer. Offering her  
services as researcher at the Record Office; she already works on the Irish  
Martyrs and offers the same reduced rate.                    1 p
- 398  
was 51                    1 August 1923                    Holograph letter from M.J.C.[urran], Tivoli, to Hagan,  
with brief news of student Harry Dillon. Daniel wrote  
with news of the pilgrimage bookings; him meeting Fr.  
Heneghan of Dalgan will help to avoid friction. He told [Bisetti] that 28 are  
going to Bobbio from the College; Hagan's coming will depend on his health.  
Asking him to come to Tivoli for one day's relief; discussing building work.  
He saw that [the Bishop of] Clonfert goes to Galway.                    2 pp
- 399  
was 52                    1 August 1923                    Holograph letter from Gerald Hamilton, Villa Asgard,  
Lübeckerchaussee 42, Kiel (Germany), to Hagan. He  
had concluded there was no need for him to return to

Rome; he is attending to some business now. He would have liked to hear what reply came from Ireland. Offering his services; he will stay at the above address. Stating there were 'almost hopeful news as to the possible results of the elections'; regretting he cannot be more useful.

1 p

400  
was 53

2 August 1923 Holograph letter from S.M.McCaughey, 4 St.Vincent Street, Berkeley Road, Dublin, to [Hagan], enclosing a document on the advice of Canon Downing, asking to forward it to expedite matters.

1 p

401  
was 54

2 August 1923 Holograph letter from John Breen, The Seminary, Killarney, County Kerry, to Hagan. Asking for the prospectus; two students, both Moynihan, were offered places in the College. He is glad he is not coming to Galway as commonly reported. He is in Rome in late August, when Hagan is not there.

1 p

402

2 August [1923] Holograph letter from W.Miller, Braganza House, Carlow, to Hagan, enclosing cheque including sums in charity for central Europe. Asking to examine the matter of the private oratory for Mrs.Barbara Synott and son; the permission is outstanding. Also asking for a confirmation that Bishop Doyle sent his resignation to Propaganda in 1824, and for a copy of Dr.Healy's reply to Propaganda on the attempt to unite the Patrician Brothers with the Augustinians, of 1843. Adding also that there is little enthusiasm for the elections; but hoping for settled conditions to result.

4 pp

403  
was 40&55

26 July - Holograph letter from M.[J.Curran], Tivoli, to Hagan.  
3 August 1923 Enclosing holograph letter from Arthur W.Ryan, 75 Harcourt Street, Dublin, to (Curran), asking for documentation on his academic career from the rector; he was advised to apply for a vacant chair of Theology in Maynooth; asking their advice; wondering will Hagan go to Galway. – Curran encouraged him in it. Brief report on building works. Curran suffered some ill health but is better now. Also enclosing note to Fr.A.Crinion, instructing him to bring items from his room.

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- 404  
was 56
- 4 August 1923
- Holograph letter from Arthur H.Ryan, Downpatrick, County Armagh, to (Curran). Following encouragements, he will go to Bobbio and will be free afterwards. He will contact Curran's brother about the journey; sketching a 'real Irish route' including Luxeuil, (Bad Säckingén), St.Gall; expecting to arrive by 31 August. (Reverse with handwritten note from Hagan concerning accounts, in Italian.)
- 2 pp
- 405  
was 57
- 4 August 1923
- Holograph letter from Bishop Robert Browne of Cloyne, Bishop's House, Cobh (County Cork), to Hagan, in thanks for documents and for intervention with the Congregation of the Council. Concerning the elections, they hope for 'a good working majority for the government. The country is now quiet and orderly.'
- 1 p
- 406  
was 58
- 6 August 1923
- Holograph letter from Canice J.O'Gorman O.S.A., Drogheda (County Louth), to Curran. He is writing to Fr.Farragher about Bobbio. He met his brother and Mrs.Curran yesterday. (With note from Curran [to Hagan], [forwarding letter to Rome] 'all well. no news').
- 2 pp
- 407  
was 59
- 7 August 1923
- Holograph letter from Denis Hynes, Main Street, Ennistymon, County Clare, to Hagan. Having seen Dean Considine it seems that he will be retained for the diocesan College; they have a shortage of priests and he doubts another will be sent to Rome. It is uncertain until the new bishop takes up office; asking if he ought to write to Dr.O'Doherty; stating his own preference for Rome. The students seem to enjoy themselves greatly in Tivoli. Parties are beginning to be active for the elections; expecting the republicans to hold Clare again as the others have split into 'so many unrecognisable sections'.
- 4 pp

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- 408                    7 August 1923                    Holograph letter from Bishop T.O'Doherty, St.Brendan's, Loughrea (County Galway), to Hagan, in gratitude for wire and note; asking to see to the sending of the Bulls – for the fees they ought to take a few things into consideration. He leaves the question of Dr.Fair to the vicar capitular, though personally preferring his return to the College.
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- 409                    [7] August 1923                    Holograph letter from M.J.Dillon, Inchicronan, Crusheen, County Clare, to Hagan, in thanks for the letter of reference. He has been refused at All Hallows on account of the Italian doctors' statements and because foreign bishops are more exacting on health issues. He is puzzled why Dr.Gallagher has no more interest in him after paying his pension at the College. Asking for advice. (Dated by postmark in Curran's hand.)
- 4 pp
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- 410                    8 August 1923                    Typescript letter signed John Blowick of The Maynooth Mission to China, St.Columban's College, Dalgan Park, Galway, to Curran, informing him that an Irish pilgrimage was arranged to Bobbio, numbering about ninety participants. Asking to arrange access to a papal audience for them in late August when they are in Rome.
- 1 p
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- 411                    8 August 1923                    Holograph letter from Eddie Gallen, Mill House, Balbriggan (Dublin), to Hagan. Enclosing doctor's certificate of fitness; planning to return to Rome in October. The elections passed peacefully, though the lack of enthusiasm was regrettable.
- 2 pp



- 416  
was 69
- 13 August 1923
- Typescript letter with few handwritten insertions signed [J.P.] [E.R.Morrissey, Dublin], to 'Carissimo' (Hagan). His and [Keohane's] travel plans. Oblique comments on 'the Canary' and 'W.H.' [...]. He delivered Hagan's message though it came late via an 'American bouncer'. Daniel is anxious about Bobbio; hoping there will be 'no assaults around the Shrine'. 'Monica' returned from the very trying conclave; the opposition tried to involve him but he does not interfere in politics. He discussed the morality of their novices with Monica, who was doubtful about them, and 'blew that sky high'; she has more important secrets than before and hides them well. The Second Visitor [...] is away with two walking sticks and will be joined by others; fearing that the things they expected will not come true. More negative comments on [the Second Visitor] whose outlook is very narrow; she will be away for the elections. The republicans are lacking in energy; while many prisoners are being released there is no sign of a general amnesty. Expecting that the elections will see to the removal of men on both sides, and their substitution with business people. (Gavan) Duffy and more so, S.T. (Ó Ceallaigh), but also M.McS[weeney], have few chances. Kenna is supposed to be quite ill; Nolan, his neighbour, seems to be near death. He has seen much of Canavan, who lacks Monica's energy.
- 2 pp
- 417  
was 70
- 13 August 1923
- Holograph letter from A.O'R. (Arthur Ryan) Coláiste Mhaolmhaodhóg, Belfast (County Antrim), to (Hagan). He will try his best to be in Piacenza on 30 August, travelling via Strasbourg and then in the footsteps of Columbanus. Dr.Mulhern cannot go; Bishop (MacRory) is not certain yet. He will write to Carl Handebecke about the music; for now recommending as hymns the *Beanchuir bona regula* of the Bangor Antiphonary, and the (*Carmen Navale*). Mentioning three who could furnish melodies for these.
- 2 pp
- 418  
was 71
- 13 August 1923
- Holograph letter from M.J.Curran, Tivoli, to Fr.Hubert [St.Isidore's, Rome], describing in detail the travel arrangements for the group of clergy and students from Rome to Piacenza and on to Bobbio; there will be forty in all. Expecting to meet him in Rome or Piacenza. Regards to Fr.Luke.
- 2 pp



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- 423  
was 77
- 16 August 1923
- Holograph letter from Sr.(Mary) Stanislaus Lynch, Convent of St.Louis, Middletown, County Armagh, to Hagan, in thanks for his efforts to obtain a relic for her; apologies for the imposition.
- 1 p
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- 424  
was 78
- 16 August 1923
- Holograph letter from Michael Dwyer, St.Mary's, Had-dington Road (Dublin), to Curran, introducing the bearer as his cousin Mrs.Dolan who visits Rome before joining the Maynooth Mission's pilgrimage to Bobbio- asking to obtain access to a papal audience.
- 2 pp
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- 425  
was 79
- 16 August 1923
- Holograph letter from M.J.C.[urran], Tivoli, to 'Carissimo' (Hagan). Commenting on [B.]'s note which was quite short and late; the fact he did write changes the situation a little. He is coming through Rome on the way to Bobbio; asking Hagan's opinion on how to deal with this in the interest of smooth running at Bobbio.
- 2 pp
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- 426  
was 80
- 16 August 1923
- Holograph letter from A.J.Considine, College House, Galway, to Hagan. The information Hagan gave in his interesting letter is all correct. He would like to impart to the priests Hagan's appreciation of their action. It would be good if Hagan could convey the truth through another channel to counter unfounded rumours. He will mention Hagan's request concerning Dr.Hynes.
- 3 pp

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- 427  
was 81
- 17 August 1923
- Holograph letter from Bishop J. Whyte, Kilkenny, to (Hagan), glad to hear that he has recovered from his heavy illness. Congratulating him on having gained his wish with regard to Galway. He met Dr. Dempsey, newly installed at Clonliffe, who had just seen (John) McCormack in concert. He also met Fr. O'Neill and Monsignor Hickey. He is trying to recruit postulants for the Dominicans in Dunedin: 'in business parlance, there is a great deal of rivalry'. The republicans are very strong even in Kilkenny, while the government is a little complacent and certain of Cosgrave's success. His reticence on the party question pleased his hearers; he is glad Hagan agrees with that attitude. Inviting words of advice for Dr. Kelly.
- 2 pp
- 428  
was 82
- 17 August 1923
- Holograph letter from M.J. Dillon, Inchicronan Island, Crusheen, County Clare, to Hagan, enclosing documents from All Hallows and his doctor (not extant). Asking to change wording of the reference given to him; otherwise he will not gain admittance to another college. Elaborating on his prospects and his obligation to his superiors.
- 2 pp
- 429  
was 50
- 18 August 1923
- Holograph letter from Leonora de Alberti, 306 Scott Ellis Gardens, London N.W.8 (England), to Hagan, enclosing brochure from the company that carries out rotographs for the Record Office.
- 1 p
- 430  
was 65&84
- 10-18 August 1923
- Typescript letter signed A. Reali of the Istituto Italiano di Credito Marittimo, Rome, to Hagan, having received his letter with points of criticism. Agreeing that the question of the chapel is the most difficult one. He receives frequent visits from dubious middlemen claiming to be sent by the College, offering him sums, soliciting purchases of property. He visited a property with the engineer, the Hotel Vittoria in Via Sardegna; recommending it; it would be ready immediately. The bank has given an ultimatum, perhaps rightly so. [Italian]
- 2 items

HAG 1/ 1923/

- 430 was 85            18 August 1923            Telegram from (Rector) Bisetti, Bobbio, to the Irish College, Tivoli, [stating that the Papal Legate is Ehrle; listing five Irish bishops [who will attend]. [Italian] 1 p
- 432 was 87            18 August 1923            Typescript letter signed G.H.[amilton], Villa Asgard, Lübeckerchaussee 42, Kiel (Germany), to (Hagan), in thanks for his letter; sketching his plans for the next weeks and giving his Paris address. They had news of de Valera's arrest; speculating this will have the opposite effect to what the Free State expects. Stating that the cardinal's attack on independent candidates was uncalled for; German papers refer to the Bishop of Killaloe's activities for the Free State. He is horrified, though not surprised, by the possible nomination of McSwiney as the government's representative in Rome. With regards to Hales. 1 p
- 433 was 76            16-21 August 1923            Holograph letter from Archbishop T.P.Gilmartin, St.Jarlath's, Tuam (County Galway), to (Hagan), written on and referring to holograph letter from John Joe Hyland, [Bally...], Shrule (County Mayo), to Canon Ryder. Hyland accepts the conditions for the Gallagher scholarship to go to Rome; Gilmartin recommending him. Sketching his travel plans via Milan to Bobbio. The elections are so far passing very quietly. 2 pp
- 434 was 91            21 August 1923            Holograph letter from Archbishop Michael (Kelly), St. Mary's Cathedral, Sydney (Australia), to Hagan, in gratitude for kindness meted out to travelling clergy and laity; blessings. If there were more like Dr.Leonard and Fr.Nolan they would have no problem with native vocations. Their junior seminary will accommodate 120 students; stating need for good men. Then listing those deserving of papal honours and justifying his choice; James Thornton, Robert McDonald, John Bourke, Michael Condrick, Fr.Eugene Brauer. Asking to petition

for these; enclosing cheque in donation. Dr. Sheehan has been ill for several months. With regards to superiors of various religious communities.

4 pp

435  
was 92

21 August 1923

Holograph letter from M.[J.Curran], Tivoli, to 'Carissimo' (Hagan). News received from Joe Walsh are disconcerting in that a high profile government deputation including the president and Eoin MacNeill will go to Bobbio; the Marquis MacSweeney will be asked to accompany them. Larry Stafford is organising a special party for Sir John O'Connell. More speculations about the members of the hierarchy likely to go; [Canon Ryan, Thurles, will be there]. Conn (Murphy) commented that the arrest of (DeValera) more than jeopardises what was likely to be a peaceful election. More organisational points concerning Bobbio; the Gaelic-speaking pilgrimage is off. Then remarking that he can only believe Cosgrave going in order to make an impression on the Irish people in connection with Ireland's application for the League of Nations.

2 pp

436  
was 93

21 August 1923

Holograph letter from Bishop Patrick O'Donnell, Dundalk (County Louth), to Hagan. A donation from the Raphoe clergy will be used for the foundation of the St. Columba burse for the Irish College. Then responding to Hagan's letter and his discussion of the grave situation. Agreeing the College ought to have been consulted and the bishops' representative heard on such important matters. Giving two reasons why diplomatic relations between the Holy See and the Free State are inopportune at the present time: it would not help towards bringing the north into the national government, and the latter would obviously be a great service for Catholicity in Ireland. Also, republicans who are 'sufficiently [embittered] already, will be greatly annoyed at the establishment of such relations'. He will meet a northern bishop who might urge the subject of the north with President Cosgrave. While the bishops will not invite it, it can be seen as natural that Hagan would report on the matter; cautioning him not to discuss the 'general question'. He could strengthen his own position by pressing the point that the bishops ought to have been heard to have avoided the present regretful situation.

8 pp

HAG 1/ 1923/

- 437  
was 95
- 23 August 1923
- Holograph letter from P.J.Walsh, Archbishop's House, Dublin, to Hagan. Sketching the journey of (the Archbishop and his company) to Bobbio. There are various encouragements made for joining the pilgrimage and an appeal was made in the papers for financial assistance for Bobbio. Replying to a matter concerning P.Dempsey; the congregation had best refer the matter back to the archbishop – hoping for his sake that the matter will rest. Also replying that he has no knowledge of the Marquis McSweeney's prospective appointment. The elections are unpredictable. Brief mentions of Morrissey and Canice O'Gorman; Paddy Rowan's ill health. Then inquiring about two unresolved matrimonial cases before the Congregation of the Sacraments.
- 6 pp
- 438  
was 94
- 22 August 1923
- Holograph letter from Bishop Charles McHugh, Bishop's House, Derry, to (Hagan), having lodged a sum for Fr.Rogers's burse; deeply regretting his death. He and the [O'Neills] are disappointed Hagan cannot come to Ireland. Asking for a financial account; other commission. The elections are unpredictable.
- 3 pp
- 439  
was 96
- 23 August 1923
- Holograph letter from R.MacCullen, St.Finian's College, Mullingar (County Westmeath), to Hagan. On behalf of Dr.Gaughran, advising him that they will after all send a student, Michael Farrell- adding details.
- 1 p
- 440  
was 97
- 'Thursday'  
[24 August 1923]
- Holograph letter from M.[J.Curran], Tivoli, to 'Carissimo' (Hagan), mostly concerning correspondence about, and making further arrangements for, the Bobbio pilgrimage; in that connection also enclosing document to be read before he sees the Cardinal (not extant). Conn confirmed that an official delegation will be sent including the President and Eoin McNeill. Bisetti is better.
- 1 p



HAG 1/ 1923/

- 445                    27 August 1923            Holograph letter from Joseph P.Mullen, Hotel Royal, Rome, to Curran. Explaining that his group is a little lost without anybody knowing Rome well like Frs. Forrestal or Boylan, though they do go sight-seeing; in thanks for information. Enclosing list of over thirty priests from the Chinese Mission to celebrate Mass but cautioning that they will have to travel from Piacenza; some of them are eager to celebrate Mass at the crypt. In thanks for arranging the papal audience for them. 3 pp
- 446                    28 August 1923            Handwritten card from Monsignor Camillo Caccia Dominioni, Maestro di Camera of His Holiness, Vatican, to Hagan, giving instructions that the ladies attending the Irish pilgrimage ought to wear long sleeves. 1 p
- 447                    29 August 1923            Holograph letter from M.[J.Curran], Seminario, Bobbio to (Hagan), stating that the Bishop of Piacenza made 'most exceptional arrangements' in honour of the pilgrimage. Last arrangements for accommodation; listing attendants. Dublin and Galway University Colleges will be represented; Cosgrave is accompanied by six including McNeill and McSweeney- the sotto prefetto will accommodate them in Bobbio. Also the 'fascisti' of Piacenza telegraphed those of Bobbio 'to do all honour to the pilgrims as the Italians are friends of Ireland'. Monsignor J.J.Ryan is already complaining; Curran and the students stay at the 'ginnasio'. Asking to send on the lord mayor. Adding there will be the Bishops of Dublin, Tuam, Cork and (Down and Connor). 2 pp

HAG 1/ 1923/

- 448                    29 August 1923            Holograph letter from Joseph P.Mullen, Hotel Royal, Rome, to Curran, enclosing the list required (not extant). They had a splendid audience; His Holiness spoke for twenty minutes in French. 1 p
- 449                    30 August 1923            Fragmented telegram from Gill's [P.J.Keohane], Dublin, to Hagan, sketching outcome of the (general elections), with 33 seats 'Treaty' and 20 for the republicans; listing candidates returned like DeValera, Ruttledge, Aiken. 1 p
- 450                    30 August 1923            Holograph letter from Donal Hales, Via San Nazaro 1-10, Genoa, to Curran. Regretting that he cannot leave the city for the time being; he is under surveillance because of the arrival of some 'English personages', meaning Cosgrave's party. The news that reach them about the Irish elections are confused. [Italian] 1 p
- 451                    [August 1923]            Handwritten list by (Curran), Bobbio [for Hagan], of students going to Bobbio, of those remaining in Tivoli, and with added enquiry for a priest who could remain and celebrate Mass for them. 2 pp

HAG 1/ 1923/

452 [e.September 1923] Holograph letter from P.[Murphy], House of Missions,  
was 119 Enniscorthy (County Wexford), to (Hagan). Encouraging words about the election; despite the lack of funds for electioneering, it is obvious that Ireland is not conquered yet and the (Free State) is naturally not satisfied. It is generally agreed that DeV.(alera) must be released since 'he is the only man that can bring peace'. Current rumours. Cosgrave will find much to do on returning from the continent, with his party losing support to the republicans. 'The church has backed the wrong horse and it is time now to allow freedom in political matters...' The people are loyal as ever despite the one-sided political sermons they hear every Sunday.  
1 p

453 1 September 1923 Typescript letter signed by A.Reali of the Istituto Italia-  
was 109 no di Credito Marittimo (Rome), to (Hagan), explaining that he is heavily occupied at present, but that he will call to the College later that day. [Italian]  
1 p

454 2 September 1923 Holograph letter from M.O'F.[lanagan], Hôtel des Lé-  
was 110 gations, 34 Rue Marbeuf, Champs-Élysées, Paris (France), to Hagan. Explaining their plans for travelling to New York; asking for advice as to their planned sojourn in Rome - hoping to join a papal audience, and eager to see Hagan.  
3 pp

455 2 September 1923 Holograph letter from Cait Bean Seán T.(Ó Ceallaigh),  
was 111 [Tamcoole], to Hagan. Stating that they are in good humour mostly because 'the press and its general meanness' have been discomfited; the fourth gained in the elections cannot be the reason although they did very well considering the lack of help. The situation is of interest in that the government's ministers came out with huge polls, but so did their own 'gunmen (and) column leaders and "destructionists"'; listing the winners: could they assemble them in the Chamber it would be a wonderful collection. Bob Lambert's win in Wexford was hailed by the press as 'Dr.

Ryan reappears'. Not a dozen of those elected can actually appear. DeValera, in Arbour Hill, cannot even write a letter to his wife, and meanwhile Italy receives Cosgrave, the man 'that is mean enough to go register his nation as a vassal state in the League of Nations- if that assembly has any value or dignity'. Strongly disparaging remarks about 'that dirty old humbug MacSweeney'. The farmers begin to hope that prices will rise with a new war. She is sorry Hagan will not be able to come this year.

2 pp

456  
was 112

3 September 1923 Holograph card from Margaret Pearse, Sgoil Éanna, Rathfarnham, County Dublin, to Hagan. Asking whether their permission for a private oratory was sent from Rome – while Dublin is unwilling to assist them they are determined to press ahead until they succeed.

2 pp

457  
was 113

3 September 1923 Holograph letter from Proinnsias Ní Bhrádaigh (Frances Brady) [Strand Palace Hotel, London], to (Hagan). Asking for news about the post that was said to have been sent from Hagan with a messenger. Arthur R.[...] called on them before setting out for Bobbio; she questioned his contradictory attitude of advocating the 'old ideal' while not condemning the executions. Her enjoyment of Bobbio would be marred by thoughts of the executed and the imprisoned. Asking for his opinion on their friend Murray's speech on Romanism. Enclosing snaps (not extant).

3 pp

458  
was 114

3 September 1923 Telegram from Gill's [Keohane], Dublin, to Hagan, listing the election results and those returned to various constituencies – 'all ministers successful strangely large majorities'.

1 p

459  
was 115

3 September 1923 Holograph letter from P.J.Keohane of M.H.Gill & Co. Ltd, Dublin, to (Hagan), returning manuscripts concer-

ning the College, as well as a rough proof (not extant).

1 p

460  
was 117

3 September 1923 Holograph letter from M.[J.Curran], [Piacenza], to (Hagan). The 'festa' has been a success so far, and the Piacenza people have been very kind and helpful indeed.

Peter Clarke is not well; the Irish bishops as well as the Free State people have been creating trouble as to their scheduling. The choir was praiseworthy excepting a faux-pas when some members attempted the Irish hymn to St. Patrick in the crypt. The Bishops of Dublin, Tuam, Cork, and Down and Connor are present; he avoids home issues with them. 'Cronin', Larry Stafford, and McKeon are there. He had the election results and gave them out, with the result of some happy faces. Some remarks about [Stuckley] who works for the *Corriere d'Italia*; a 'small drama' on seating arrangements concerning the latter, MacSweeney, and the Bishop of Tivoli. The Bishop of Bobbio made a remarkable speech in Latin, designed to please both the Free Staters and the republicans. (The Archbishop of) Dublin replied in good taste, finishing with a positive remark about the government. MacS(weeney), with Cosgrave's approval, made a last gratuitous speech that made him look impossible and which gave offence to the Bobbio clergy and to the Partito Popolare deputy. Cosgrave and MacNeill appeared on the bishop's balcony by insistence of the sub-prefect; Cosgrave's two sentences in Irish were translated into ten by MacSweeney. Curran's single exchange with MacNeill is covered in the *Corriere della Sera*; the bishops did not pay the government special attentions. There were no political demonstrations. Advising him that he just burned Hagan's second letter.

4 pp

461  
was 118

5 September 1923 Holograph letter from Shane Leslie, Secret Chamberlain to His Holiness, *The Dublin Review*, 28 Orchard Street, London W.1, to (Hagan). Enclosing cutting from that day's *Morning Post* (not extant) concerning Monsignor O'Riordan. Stating he still has his Red Book which he had lent to the American Press. Also enclosing article on Dr.Patrick O'Hely for Hagan's martyrological work (not extant). In jest, adding a list of seven requisitives for 'my Irish solution', including the placements of Mannix in Armagh as apostolic delegate, of Hagan in Cashel and of Fr.O'Flanagan in Tuam; the proclamation of the Uí Néill dynasty and the restoration of modified Brehon Law.

1 p

HAG 1/ 1923/

- 462  
was 120
- 4 September 1923
- Holograph letter from (Patrick) McNamara C.C., Colemanswell, Charleville (County Cork). The see of Limerick is vacant, and the rumours that Hagan may be offered to succeed are very welcome. In case that Hagan is not interested, he recommends emphatically Fr.John Kelly, former Irish College student and fellow classmate of the Archbishop of Dublin and of Dr.Cronin at the College. Asking to use his influence on his behalf in view of his merits.
- 4 pp
- 463  
was 121
- 4 September 1923
- Holograph letter from W.Brosnan for Canon Breen, President of St.Brendan's Seminary, Killarney (County Kerry), to Hagan. The bishop nominated John Moynihan as a new student for the Irish College.
- 1 p
- 464  
was 122
- 5 September 1923
- Holograph letter from M.J.Curran, Florence, to Hagan, summing up that the pilgrimage went very well; there were no political demonstrations. There were only few 'definite' political opinions expressed in the Italian press on the Irish opinion in Bobbio – apart from Cosgrave's, and Desmond Fitzgerald's 'scandalous' one; one fathered on 'James J.', another on an anonymous Irish seminarian- assuring Hagan that none of their students were indiscreet in that way. Celebrating the election results; the bishops were taken aback and the republicans triumphant; the former are going to Genoa, asking him to warn their friend there. Fr.[Derring] will give Hagan the Bobbio news.
- 2 pp
- 465  
was 123
- 5 September 1923
- Holograph letter from Emily [Ferran], Vila Ferran, Rieti, to Hagan; stating readiness to help find their cook new employment. She herself is searching for two servants; asking for recommendations.
- 4 pp
- 466  
was 124
- 6 September 1923
- Typescript letter signed by A.Reali of the Istituto Italiano di Credito Marittimo, Rome, to Hagan. In thanks for

his letter; the telegram received privately by Hagan from Dublin, and the comparison with the *Osservatore*, were very interesting. Regretting he missed him at the bank earlier; he is at present much occupied. [Italian]

2 pp

467  
was 125

6 September 1923 Holograph letter from P.J.[Keohane] of M.H.Gill & Son Ltd., Dublin, to (Hagan), enclosing payment slip (not extant) for a sum lodged on the College account. Hagan is not to heed 'Brewer' [E.R.Morrissey] who is in bad form owing to the treatment received from the postulants. Then commenting the elections were 'pretty much of a farce this time', with registers far from perfect. While 'the gunman' has the people's ear it will be 'a puzzle for the Gods' how to turn him into an average politician let alone a statesman. Wondering whether the 'visitors' will be able to save themselves given the impossible situation created for themselves.

2 pp

468

6 September 1923 Holograph letter from Archbishop T.P.Gilmartin, Istituto Ravasco, Piazza Carignano, Genoa, to (Hagan). He arrived with the Bishop of Bobbio after a splendid drive through the Appenines. Expecting the Archbishop [...], while Cork and Down are there already. The celebration was a success. Cosgrave stressed the unpolitical nature of his visit. He thinks he put the writer for the *Corriere* on the right track. Sketching his travel plans. Having seen the polls, commenting the republicans could do a lot of good if they formed a constitutional opposition. 'A continuance of last year's tactics will destroy the country'.

4 pp

469  
was 126

7 September 1923 Holograph letter from Sr.(Mary) Ambrose, St.John's Hospital, Limerick, to (Hagan), deploring the loss of the bishop. Mother Hilda has been with them on visitation, instating Mother Rosalie as their provincial; this is a wonderful improvement. Sketching other changes in appointments and new facilities. Re-iterating deeply felt gratitude for his and Fr.Ronayne's assistance during their time in Rome.

3 pp

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- 470  
was 128
- 8 September 1923 Holograph letter from Archbishop T.P.Gilmartin, Istituto [Ravosco] [Genoa], to (Hagan), having received his letter. Sketching his travel plans via Aix-les-Bains. They had a great reception given by the mayor last evening; hopes to assist with the [pontifical functions]. Stating they will be in serious trouble as long as the extreme party does not recognise a government elected by the people; their winning 44 seats does not make them a government.
- 4 pp
- 471  
was 129
- 9 September 1923 Holograph letter from P.P.Dunne, St.Patrick's College, Maynooth (County Kildare), to (Curran); he is acting at present as secretary to the Trustees. Grateful for his promised assistance to his parishioners. Praising the achievements of the College, concerning student numbers and the three acres in Tivoli. Hoping they will publish an illustrated souvenir of the College for the [tridentenary] since it will likely have to move. The archbishop was very happy with his stay in Italy; the procession began at 3pm and ended at 11.10pm. Praising Hagan's work for the College.
- 4 pp
- 472  
was 130
- 9 September 1923 Typescript letter from M.Keating, House of Missions, Enniscorthy (County Wexford), to Hagan. Advising him of their travel plans; hoping to arrive in Rome on 13 October. Enclosing note with news from Fr.M.[...].
- 1 p
- 473  
was 131
- 10 September 1923 Holograph letter from K.[eohane] of M.H.Gill & Son Ltd., Dublin, to (Hagan), glad that all friends are well. Unhappy with a letter from [Stannous], Southampton. They have not heard from poor Seán Ó Corráin; his friends in Donnybrook for instance were very indignant over the attack but others, including eminent ecclesiastics wrote to Gill's taking the other standpoint, many of them

across the pond. The situation is uncertain but he doubts there are grounds to be alarmed. Passing on regards to Dr.O'Gorman who decided not to call on him. Reference to a 'great revulsion' felt, and the uncertainty as to which king will be reigning when the holidays come round. Commenting on the big 'hearing' he was given, and a warning to be 'blind to the world' (unclear).  
2 pp

474  
was 133

10 September 1923 Holograph letter from Donal Hales, Via San Nazaro 1-10, Albaro, Genoa, to Hagan. Encouraged by the election results; while there will be a year of hard fighting the republic is certain to win. Commenting that Desmond Fitzgerald seems to have paved the way for the Irish church's subordination to the British Embassy; he has sent pieces to the Italian press about this scandal. He also informed *Popolo d'Italia*, Mussolini's brother, of items in the Free State press condemning Mussolini's strong policy 'as it had been attacking other countries which were trying to rid themselves of English influence'. Hales will be glad to visit Bobbio alongside Fr.O'Flanagan and Mr.J.J.O'Kelly, now in Paris. The Italian press picked up on the fact that there were Irishmen in Bobbio recently who did not see eye to eye with Mr.Cosgrave.  
2 pp

475  
was 188

10 September 1923 Telegram from Morrissey, Dublin, to Hagan, advising him of [his arrival in Florence on Wednesday 19].  
1 p

476  
was 134

11 September 1923 Holograph letter from M.J.Dillon, Inchicronan, Crusheen, County Clare, to Hagan. Enclosing his doctor's certificate; he should be able to continue his studies in Ireland. Also the insinuation made to Dr.Gallagher that his parents were related is absolutely groundless.  
3 pp



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ber); after the chapter he will be visiting convents. He had 'no idea we were so numerous here'. Also commenting on changes in Stephen O'Mara, whom he met in Genoa: 'the prison will destroy most of these men.'

2 pp

480  
was 137

12 September  
[1923]

Holograph letter from K.[eohane], The Hydro Ltd., Douglas, Isle of Man, to (Hagan). Apologising for not having accompanied 'the Brewer' [E.R.Morrissey]; he came to Douglas for a holiday within reach should he be needed. Commenting on the presence of clergy in the same place. He is glad some friends would not believe the truth when he told it to them; they would think worse of him. [Morrissey] can tell him of Keohane's jacketting received for his attack on Propaganda- but he is satisfied Donnybrook will have to try again.

2 pp

481  
was 138

13 September 1923

Holograph letter from Bishop A.Brownrigg of Ossory, Kilkenny, to Hagan. Explaining that he has been negligent in treating the parish of St.Patrick's as incorporated in St.Mary's, following a permission from 1887 which he did not have renewed. Asking for intervention at the congregation, to condone his actions, and grant the fruits of the parish a sanatio. Coadjutor Downey will go on his visit ad limina in 1924 to see to the matter properly. Stating that in his advanced age, and after forty years in the episcopate, he is not able for much now.

4 pp

482  
was 83

13&14 September  
[1923]

Handwritten letter signed (Monsignor) Giuseppe Guerri, Monastero delle Murate di Città di Castello (Umbria), to Hagan. Recommending the monastery to be used for the College's 'villeggiatura'; offering to show Hagan the premises. The nuns only seek to place their monastery safely before Italian laws. Enclosing holograph letter from Abbess ((Maria) Francesca Bertelli of the Clarisse Murate), to Hagan, stating their great gratitude to the College, and offering prayers. [Italian]

2 items

HAG 1/ 1923/

- 483  
was 139
- 14 September 1923 Holograph postcard from [...] [engineer], Rome, to Monsignor [Tizi], Irish College, asking for instructions so that he can proceed (unclear). [Italian]
- 2 pp
- 484  
was 140
- 15 September 1923 Handwritten statement by Charles Daly, auctioneer, Coarchfield, Castlebar (County Mayo), valuing the interest in a field belonging to the Mercy Convent, Castlebar, at £ 1,350. (Covering letter not extant.)
- 1 p
- 485  
was 141
- 15 September 1923 Holograph letter from P.J.Ryan C.C., Fairview (Dublin), to 'my dear John' (Hagan), asking to obtain a papal blessing for John MacDonnell and Julia Quigley. There are great speculations regarding Francis Street. They will ask the archbishop to abolish parochial exams; it is unnecessarily humbling for the older men.
- 1 p
- 486  
was 142
- 16 September 1923 Holograph letter from John English, Rossmore, Goolds Cross (County Tipperary). Explaining that while Archbishop Duhig gave him permission to remain in Rome for another year, he has himself decided not to return there; asking Hagan to add his own word when writing to him. In gratitude for all kindness. He has been employed in Cashel in the dean's absence. Also remarking that Hugo O'Neill has left for America.
- 4 pp

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- 487  
was 143
- 16 September 1923 Holograph letter from Sr. Muire Ceallach (Mary Celsius), Sisters of Mercy, Golden Bridge, Inchicore, Dublin, to Hagan. In thanks for his kindness to her sister Hilda, when she was in Rome. Regretting very much he cannot come to Ireland. Asking for a papal blessing and relic of the Holy Cross for herself. Poor mother is not well at all. She herself is working hard at the Irish and the children are making progress. [partly Irish]
- 4 pp
- 488  
was 144
- 16 September [1923] Holograph letter from P.E.Magennis, Jerez de la Frontera (Spain), to (Hagan), in thanks for his letter. Commenting on the false representations of [the Irish election results] by the press, including 'their agent in Madrid'. However, it is encouraging that those he encounters are easily persuaded otherwise and in favour of DeValera; hatred of England is very great, especially in the country people. Also he has been given great receptions because of his nationality – 'once we get mixed up with the Saxon all the glamour is gone from us...' He was sorry but not surprised by 'the Cardinal in petto'; some people do not learn their lessons and do not draw the right conclusion from more than half of their fellow-countrymen of the same religion. Commenting the letter in the *Bulletin* was very bitter and that he was sorry for Johnny O'Curran. Reference to 'the Colonel' who would not try to improve on the editorial. Finally observing that there are many more (in Spain) than he knew; this is really a three months' job.
- 4 pp
- 489  
was 1922
- 17 September [1923] Holograph letter from W.Miller, Braganza House, Carlow, to Hagan. Again asking him on behalf of the bishop to look into Mrs.Synott's petition, now with the congregation, for renewal of permission for their private oratory; giving details. There are little news; in contrast to newspaper claims, nobody is excited about admission to the League of Nations.
- 2 pp
- 490  
was 145
- 18 September 1923 Holograph letter from P.E.Magennis O.C., Convento del Carmen, Jerez (Spain), to Hagan. He has engaged on a task much larger than he thought; sketching his itinerary ahead, with two nuns' convents near Osuna next. If he does not visit one there would be a rebellion and subsequent secession. He will not reach Rome before 2 October. Fr.Devlin of Dublin will come and give his

students exercises. Surmising Hagan will not stay in the north so long.

4 pp

491  
was 146

18 September 1923 Holograph letter from J.Ward, Armagh, to Hagan, enclosing cheque for the Russian fund, for Ruffinone and as a honorarium for Hagan; giving further account. The cardinal is better after his stay in Carlingford; Dr.O'Donnell has taken up residence in Dundalk.

1 p

492  
was 147

18 September 1923 Holograph letter from Bishop J.Naughton, St.Muredach's, Ballina, County Mayo, to Hagan, enclosing a petition for a dispensation (in matrimony) (not extant). Also enclosing cheque for Peter's Pence.

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493  
was 148

18 September 1923 Holograph letter from M.J.Curran, Tivoli, to Hagan, enclosing two letters (not extant). Three priests went to Naples for the feast of St.Januarius. They are expecting a return visit from the German Villa on Monday. Other news of priests of the College, including Fr.Bolton who leaves for Florence. The Canadian Bishop O'Brien visited in his absence. Brief news on repair works. From Ireland he only heard that the republicans are not taking the oath, as to be administered in the clerk's office.

2 pp

494  
was 150

19 September 1923 Holograph letter from M.O'[F.][lanagan] (Mr.Kallens, S.S.Providence C.77, Fabre Line, Almeria, Spain), to 'a chara dhilis' (Hagan), giving the above forwarding address. Genoa [Donal Hales] suspects a deal between the Free State and some important people in Rome besides those Hagan mentioned. They merely saw 'a hint of trouble between Mother (and) Daughter at Geneva re [mearing] and Registration of documents'. He would be grateful for more news.

1 p



gladly give Hagan's message to Archbishop Mannix.

2 items

499  
was 154

22 September 1923 Holograph card from Michael Hickey, Clonliffe College, Dublin, to (Hagan), informing him that six students passed the exams for the College. They are fair men, none brilliant.

2 pp

500  
was 155

23 September [1923] Typescript letter signed J.Kelly, Dunedin (New Zealand), to Hagan. Reproaching him for failing to reply. Commenting at length on Cleary's further misrepresentations of the situation when in Rome; he has the funds now to establish a weekly paper, allegedly with backing of the Pope. The paper will be practically banned in Wellington; Archbishop Redwood is the only dependable member of the hierarchy. Strongly disparaging words for Bishops Whyte and Sheehan. Kelly has had great satisfaction in confronting the delegate Cattaneo. Planning to go to Ireland next year. Enclosing [sketch] asking on behalf of Dan Buckley about statues from Rome (not extant).

1 p

501  
was 156

24 September 1923 Holograph letter from Luigi Silvestrini, hat-maker, Corso Vittorio Emanuele 225, Rome, to Hagan, offering his services. [Italian]

1 p

502  
was 158

25 September 1923 Typescript letter signed Art Ó Muireadaig (A.J.Murray), Collège de Sainte Térèse, Ste.Térèse, Canada, to (Hagan). Prior to ordination he is following his bishop's orders, improving his French. Inviting comments on the Irish situation; his only consolation was the return of some old friends in the 'recent "free" elections'. Then commenting on Monsignor [Luzio]'s sojourn in Ireland; he rightly felt his treatment very keenly: 'imagine the "Draper's Curate" Bill

Cosgrave requiring Credentials from The Holy Father's Representative'. In the proposed Irish legation to the Vatican, a lot depends on the man chosen – asking Hagan's opinion. Deploring that their fight in the field is over for a generation; hoping that education of the people will one time lead to a victory by constitutional means. Humorous speculations on the presence of a loyal Irish ambassador. Asking about hints in the press, including *Eire*, about a papal pronouncement along the lines of Luzio's report. Regretting the involvement of the Irish clergy, especially the Bishop of Killaloe, in the election, because the loss of power implied in the 17,000 votes for 'the Chief'. Finally inquiring about the relics ordered.

3 pp

503  
was 159

25 September 1923 Holograph letter from [L.J.S.Wood], 159 Via Quattro Fontane, Rome, to (Hagan), with regards from Mr.Mason, now in London; advising student Mr.Roberts of Mason's prospective sailing from Naples.

1 p

504  
was 157

25 September 1923 Holograph card from Michael Hickey, Clonliffe College, Dublin, to (Hagan), advising him of a late student for the College; Michael Farrell, Mullingar.

2 pp

505  
was 163

26 September 1923 Holograph letter from Sr.(Mary) Paulinus, Sisters of the Holy Faith, Mount St.Joseph's, Mullinavat, County Kilkenny. The letter from Fr.Morrissey about 'your own four bones' gave her great pleasure. Waterford is in a disturbed state, and the farmers are very discontent; they themselves live only by their schools. Asking for a number of relics, including of St.John Francis Regis, the Mother General's Saint.

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- 506  
was 160
- 25 September 1923 Holograph postcard from A.Rauch S.J., Villa San Pastore, Gallicano (Latium), for the Irish College: in thanks for their magnificent 'gita' to Tivoli and their hospitality. Added are expressions of gratitude from the camerata of the philosophers (18 signatures); enclosed another postcard with the same sentiments expressed by the camerata of the theologians (24 signatures). (Cards with photographic images of the Villa S.Pastore and of the German-Hungarian College, Rome.)[partly Italian]
- 2 items
- 507  
was 172
- 25 September 1923 Copy typescript *Bulletin no.102* issued by the Délégation Irlandaise, 4 Rue de la Terrasse, Paris (France). Quoting a statement [from the republican government] as published in the English press: condemnation of the (treaty) as it was imposed in December 1921, and of the present constitution which does not bestow any real power on the people. Rejecting likewise the British government's declaration of February 1922; only the resignation of the acting ministers can save the country; stating their dedication to full independence as opposed to the present dominion status. Likening the Irish situation to that of Egypt and India; Zagloul Pasha of Egypt has denounced British tyranny in both Egypt and Ireland. Then proceeding to briefly deal with topical questions regarding the Irish situation; President DeValera (bad treatment in prison and election success); the 'colonial parliament' (the recent election results and absentee members), the political prisoners (bad treatment), and the programme of legislation pursued by the Free State (there is no president of the state; all is done solely to counsel the Governor-General).
- 2 pp
- 508  
was 164
- 26 September 1923 Holograph letter from Sr.(Mary) Paulinus, Sisters of the Holy Faith, Mount St.Joseph's, Mullinavatt, County Kilkenny, to Fr.Morrissey, in thanks for news about John (Hagan); Fr. Morrissey's visit will do him good. They will pray for him on St.Edward's day. Their preparations for the 'Forty Hours'.
- 4 pp

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509                    26 September 1923    Typescript letter signed J.Kelly, Dunedin (New Zealand), to Hagan, enclosing the sketch of the angels which he meant to send with the last letter. The archbishop is reacting strongly to Cleary's proposed new paper, involving both Rome and the procurator of the Marists; Cleary may have gone too far. Nobody had had any expectation from Whyte. Presuming Hagan is in Ireland.

1 p

510                    23 January -            Typescript and copy letter both signed by Bishop Charles O'Sullivan, The Palace, Killarney (County Kerry), to Hagan. He is sending a student this year. Asking for copies of the diocesan report. In the case of Fr.O'Callaghan, formerly of Eyeries, enclosing copy of the rejection of the latter's claim by the Congregation of the Council and asking for the same in a form acceptable by Irish courts because he initiated proceedings against the bishop. Explaining the need to establish a common novitiate convent for the Presentation nuns of the diocese; listing their financial assets and asking for permission for a loan over £ 4,500. Then asking for absolution for Mrs.Kate Dunne who had been excommunicated for interfering with property left to the Cistercians; she is repentant. Finally enclosing list of faculties, asking for renewal (not extant). (One copy of the letter is for Tivoli, to expedite matters.)

3 items

511                    28 September 1923    Holograph letter from Bishop William Codd, Summerhill, Wexford, to Hagan. Hoping that his repeated 'Philippics' to Rome against the Benedictines will bear fruit. Recommending student Dunne who is sent to the College from Ferns this year.

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in June in relation to His Britannic Majesty's visit to Rome, portraying Propaganda Fide as inimical to Ireland. Propaganda is in no way a British institution; giving residence to 22 nationalities. A rescript mentioned by Stannous was never enforced. The *Freeman's Journal* was banned at Propaganda in the 1880s like all other newspapers. A distinction ought to have been made between Propaganda and the Central Council of the Propagation of the Faith in Lyons; the latter subsumed Ireland under 'British Isles' for administrative reasons. The omission of St.Patrick in a recent calendar was over-interpreted; also it included St.Columbanus. Other points. Querying the intentions behind Stannous' representations of Propaganda; they can be only detrimental to both the respect for the Holy See at home, and to the Irish cause as viewed by Roman authorities. (Published in *Catholic Bulletin* September 1923.)

5 pp

515  
was 125

[September 1922]

Holograph letter from J.McShane, Coláiste Chuilmcille, Derry, to Hagan, advising him that they are sending Thomas Devine as a new student to Rome.

Commenting that they are 'gradually reaping the fruits of the "Treaty" in this part of the country', having received copies of the oath of allegiance to be taken by all teachers. The Dublin press keeps quiet about this.

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was 149

'Thursday'  
[September 1923]  
day.

Holograph letter from M.[J.Curran], Tivoli, to (Hagan). The cook will call at the College; he seems to know what is on the cards. Mr.Ryan has to go on Friday.

2 pp

517  
no no.

[September 1923]

Handwritten memorandum by [Domenico Tizi], Rome, (on behalf of the Archbishop of Dublin) for [Vatican authorities]. Sketching the case of Fr.Dempsey whose case of excardination from the Dublin diocese is not clear. He had been infor-

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mally accepted in Brisbane, but following a disagreement with the bishop there he now claims his right to return to Dublin. [Italian]

2 pp

518  
was 1

1 October 1923

Holograph letter from Bishop Charles McHugh, Bishop's House, Derry, to (Hagan), requesting that Fr. Bernard O'Kane is appointed to the parish of Maghera, where he has been acting administrator for the now deceased parish priest for three years.

2 pp

519  
was 2

1 October 1923

Holograph letter from John Cooney P.P., St.Thomas's, West Hill S.W.18 (London, England), to Hagan, introducing Mr. Whittington, a Church of Ireland minister, and asking to obtain admission to a papal audience for him. Whittington has shown great sympathy to their hunger strikers; he had been chaplain in the hospital they were transferred to.

2 pp

520  
was 3

2 October 1923

Telegram from Presentation Convent, Maynooth (County Kildare), to Hagan, asking for papal blessing on their centenary. (Handwritten reply by (Hagan) with wording of blessing bestowed.)

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521  
was 4

3 October 1923

Holograph letter from Donal Hales, 'Console e Agente diplomatico della Repubblica Irlandese', Via San Nazaro 1-10, Albaro (Genoa), to Hagan. Stating that

the telegram to sour 'Dr.O.C.' [...] was sent in order to avoid compromising Hagan: according to Italian voices at Bobbio, Hagan had been absent to avoid meeting 'certain Staters'. The same put out that [Dr.D.C.] was dissatisfied with 'the discourse of the Gentleman styling himself President of Ireland'. According to an Irish bishop it was well known that the Irish College students were republicans, as those of Brignole Sale, Genoa. Acting President Rutledge suggested Hales represent the republic in Rome; the decision has to be postponed. Welcoming Seán T.O'Kelly's release. Hales's brother Tom was refused permit to see his ill mother. Behind the conduct of *Voce Repubblicana* he suspects the far-reaching English purse.

2 pp

522  
was 5

3 October 1923      Holograph letter from [B.] Ní B.[hradaigh] (Bláthnaidín Brady), Dublin, to 'a chara uasail' (Hagan), giving personal impressions of post-election Ireland. At her department they had to increase their energies; her superior officer Kathleen Barry talked to Cosgrave and to Gorey: the latter admitted to the Free State's uncertainty concerning the electorate, last pre-election measures to strengthen their count, and the 'rottenness of their administration' in general. They have reason to take a grave view of things. She has been dealing much with prisoners just released, whose condition and prospects are very grim; the Free State cannot even settle one strike. There is no sign of a rapprochement between the two sides; many Free Staters see that hope lies only in getting them in but the maltreatment of prisoners at Mountjoy recently contradicts such hopes. The governor was sacked, some prominent inmates were taken to Arbour Hill but returned again. A rumour says the Free State offers to give up the Boundary Commission arrangement in return for abrogation of the oath, to enable republicans taking seats. Disagrees with fighting partition from inside the constitution, since the election was fought on a constitutional basis. Expecting 'Frank' gave him news from the six counties. Hoping he has been keeping well since Florence.

6 pp

523  
was 199

[3] October 1923      Holograph letter from [N.] J.Murphy, 7 Eblana Avenue, Dún Laoghaire (Dublin), to (Hagan), introducing Miss Gilligan, the bearer of the letter.

2 pp

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was 177

4 October [1923]

Typescript letter signed Séamus Ua Ceallaigh (J.Kelly), Dunedin (New Zealand), in gratitude for his letter. Commenting that the Archbishop is fighting H.W.C.

[Cleary] fiercely in Rome. While their own ordinary [Whyte] did his part for the *Tablet*, he also placed a most sycophantic article in it on the *Otago Daily*- asking for advice how to treat him. Some remarks about Whyte's treatment of John and James Lynch; Kelly gave them good write-ups in the *Tablet* for their pioneer work which Whyte resented. The paper has become quite restrained politically since Whyte came. Blaming Liston for the latter's change of attitude; Liston is 'a conceited and vain little tyrant'. Generally positive remarks on Whyte's character and past dealings with him. Kelly will act on Hagan's advice and 'make the most of him'. Then sketching his travel plans, beginning after the archbishop's jubilee celebrations next year. Observing that 'the enemy in Sydney is indeed regarded as a joke'; he has had some amusing exchanges with him. Asking if the jubilee number reached him. Asking for information about Fr. Capere, acting for the archbishop. The latter has portrayed C.[leary] as a man unfit to control a Catholic newspaper; Kelly is contentedly looking on. News from Sr.(Mary) de Sales; O'Connor.

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525  
was 178

4 October 1923

Holograph letter from Proinsias Ní Bhradaigh (Frances Brady), Dublin, to 'a chara dhil' (Hagan), relieved to have received his letter. She has missed that number

of *Eire* of 25 August. Commenting that many so-called republicans are '26 county Republicans', not wanting to be bothered with the north; but defending the President and all people that count in the government. Wondering whether he is in Florence. Australia is doing well despite the deportations. Celebrating the election results which must have encouraged all exiles; some counties did very well, and as Hagan said, at a time when England had the stranglehold on the country. Contemptuous of arrest of (DeValera); hoping he is not to be executed as rumoured. Arthur told them Hagan was going on holiday. Then remarking that most of the younger priests could be said to be on their side; so are 40% even in Down and Connor. Fr.Gogarty, S.S.Argenta, resigned over the oath. 'Bernie' has been ill lately; she is writing herself. The case of [S.T.]'s mother dying was sad, but he unlike others was lucky to get out on parole. Teachers in the six counties are in a terrible predicament as to the oath- asking his opinion; refusal of giving the Free State oath at least does not involve penalties. With regards from her parents.

9 pp

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- 526  
was 179
- 4 October 1923
- Holograph letter from William Connick, Pensione di San Carlo, Frascati, to 'dear Father' (Hagan). His health is not much better; with his permission he will go and spend some time at Nettuno, as advised by the doctor.
- 3 pp
- 527  
was 127
- 7 September-  
4 October 1923
- Handwritten receipts from Lorenzo [Maschetti], Tivoli, for the rector of the Irish College in payment for work carried out by him.
- 1 p
- 528  
was 180
- 5 October 1923
- Typescript [copy] letter from (Hagan) to [Archbishop Mannix of Melbourne], enclosing ticket for a papal audience for Mr. Ahern; explaining how he failed to receive it. Then commenting at length on a letter from Ahern (22 September) who brought forth the usual arguments of Australians; remarking that Australia is undisturbed by England because of being at a far geographical remove- Mannix knows how these people reason. Discussing the Luzio episode which was 'unfortunate as it was ill-advised'- ironically he was taken to the bosom of those he had been sent out to crush while since his return he has expressed bitterness against most Free State ministers. Having seen the Pope a few times since Luzio's return it seems he is 'sick and tired of Ireland' -Gasparri has been severe on the bishops' behaviour towards Luzio; the Vatican is always going to appease Britain if it is seeking diplomatic triumphs. A deal seems on the cards to recognise officially a Free State representative at the Holy See; Hagan's position would be made much more difficult but especially if 'that adventurer Macswiney' is sent out. Comparing this with developments at the League of nations. Advising him of a series of articles in the *Morning Post* on 'The Papacy and politics' which praised the influence which the British legation at the Holy See has had so far; which state that Benedict XV caused Archbishop Mannix to remain quiet during his stay in Rome; which attacks O'Riordan, but not Hagan, because he had given the same reporter, Millar 'a protestant of course', more than he gave. The Holy See is bound to suffer in Irish public opinion; while it seems to have disapproved of the hierarchy's attitude it did nothing to upset Britain. More harm will be done to the Irish hierarchy when republicans can speak up again; referring to the prison experiences of Stephen O'Mara junior, who came straight to Rome on his release; recommending O'Donovan Rossa's works for every Irish cleric. Most Irish clergy think as their bishops do; deploring the resulting lack of charity for opponents – 'it is a poor ending up to all our dreams, and will I fear deter

many a man from bothering his head about his country in the days to come.' He is resigned now that the petty and egotistical character of the Irish people has been confirmed against his best hopes. Then stating that it does not seem as if republicans were ready to enter the Dáil by taking the oath; personally he would welcome that. Passive resistance on the basis of American funds may be their policy instead. Noting a degree of hope on their side, and of dismay on the other. (The letter ends without salutation.)

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529  
was 10

5 October 1923

Holograph letter from C.Ní Bh.[radaigh], (New York) (U.S.A.), to 'Monsignor' (Hagan), introducing herself as a member of the family he met in Lugano; giving her opinions on the difficult relationship of the Irish laity and the church in America and Ireland. Enclosing copy of a petition sent by them to the Archbishop of Chicago – asking him to follow Dr.Mannix's lead – and a cutting from the *New York Times* (3 October) on the result (neither extant). Deploing Archbishop Hayes's participation in welcoming Lloyd George to New York – the latter's government 'financed the massacres of hundreds of Catholics in Belfast from 1919 till 1922'. Observing with disdain that the church in America and in Ireland is alienating itself from the people: their long-standing loyalty 'is fast yielding to a modernistic outlook' and Ireland might at a future point stop producing missionaries. The Vatican is more concerned with Japan, Turkey, and England. Remarking that in the States the congregations are predominantly Irish still, but that increasingly the sacraments are not observed. Irish people who were refused the sacraments are loth seeking them when coming to America. A movement is on foot to proclaim these opinions; it would mean that 'Ireland will go farther than France'. Asking his opinion; advocating delegations of people to the Vatican. Apologising for her pessimism.

4 pp

530  
was 182

6 October 1923

Holograph letter from W.J.Browne, Westport, County Mayo, to 'Monsignor' (Hagan), advising him of his arrival in Rome at the end of the month. Fr.Fair might arrange lodgings for him at San Luigi or the French College. Things have quietened down in Ireland since the 'Address from the Throne'.

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| 531<br>was 184 | 8 October 1923   | Holograph letter from Bishop Laurence Gaughran, Mullingar (County Westmeath), to Hagan, <u>enclosing</u> letter presenting Peter's Pence, and bank draft. [partly Latin]  | 2 items |
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| 532<br>was 185 | 8 October 1923   | Holograph letter from John Finegan, Bishop's House, Mullingar (County Westmeath), asking for a relic of the True Cross.   | 1 p     |
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| 533<br>no no.  | 8 October [1923] | Holograph letter from P.Murphy, Roundwood (County Wicklow), to Dr.(Hagan). Commenting on the recent inaccurate and insulting article in the <i>Freeman</i> by Grat-tan Flood, connecting the arrival of the nuns in Rome with 'the glories of the F(ree) State'; advising to ignore it. [Fr.] Keating is leaving today with the nuns; recommending him. He saw Seán T. after his release; he is looking well; the Chief is being treated well. Commenting on James O'Connor whose letter was in the <i>Independent</i> . The country is very poor after the suc-cession of strikes; before the Republicans gain victory the country will be reduced to poverty. The country people will not support a loan before genuine peace exists between the gunmen. While the Protestants are the strongest supporters of the Free State they also will not hand in their money. | 4 pp    |
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| 534<br>was 187 | 9 October 1923   | Telegram from 'Ryan Fairview', Dublin, to Hagan, re-minding him of the papal blessing for MacDonnell and Quigley whose wedding is tomorrow.   | 1 p     |

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- 535  
was 189
- 10 October 1923
- Holograph letter from M.[J.Curran], Tivoli, to Hagan, with a query about a student's pension. Enclosing a typescript scheme for the accommodation of staff and for the six camerata, and a further handwritten set of comments, proposing to split the 'dangerous fifth camerata' for its volatile content. Singling out students Crinion or Roberts as possible prefects for that group. Also advising him of the arrival of Mr. and Mrs. McCann, Donnybrook, asking to give them assistance.
- 3 items
- 536  
was 190
- 10 October 1923
- Holograph letter from P.J.Ryan, Fairview (Dublin), to Hagan, in thanks for the blessing. Enquiring about receipt of his last letter since there are problems with mail to the continent. Fr. Johnny Ryan looks 'A1'.
- 1 p
- 537  
was 191
- 11 October 1923
- Holograph letter from William Connick, Pensione di San Carlo, Franscati. He is much improved and might not need the change to the sea. Hoping to join the others at the beginning of term.
- 2 pp
- 538  
was 193
- 11 October 1923
- Holograph letter from M.[J.Curran], Tivoli, to (Hagan), enclosing a document and asking him to deal with the matter [electricity board threatening to cut them off].
- 1 p
- 539  
was 194
- 11 October 1923
- Holograph letter from W.J.Kelly, second engineer S.S. Millgate (giving Genoa address), to Hagan, enquiring

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about his rosaries. Explaining he would like one for his wife, a convert, and for himself; praying his second child may be a girl.

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540  
was 195

11 October 1923

Holograph letter from J.Hatton, The Presbytery, Rathmines (Dublin), to (Hagan). Enquiring about the papal gift for their bazaar; enclosing cheque for expenses.

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was 196

11 October 1923

Holograph letter from Patrick Lynch, Kilgarvan, Ballylongford, Kerry, to Canon Waters, President of Clonliffe College, Dublin. Asking him to obtain from the rector of the Irish College permission for him to say Mass aboard ship. He has been ordained for the diocese of Ballarat. (Covering letter not extant.)

1 p

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was 197

12 October 1923

Typescript letter signed Ulrico Hoepli, publisher and bookseller, Corso V.E.37, Milan, to 'Professor' [...], sending complimentary copy of their sixth edition of the *Dante Ortofonico*; details of the edition. [Italian]

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543  
was 201

15 October 1923

Holograph letter from John Dunne P.P., Borris, County Carlow, to Hagan, introducing himself as a former colleague: Introducing two friends who are visiting Rome; they are the two brothers [Dundon]. (Pencil mark 'Hotel Boston Wednesday')

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- 544  
was 200
- 14 October 1923
- Holograph letter from James MacCaffrey, St.Patrick's College, Maynooth (County Kildare), to (Hagan), regretting that he has no worthy candidate for the Ryan scholarship. Welcoming his directing Dr.Dillon's studies towards sacred scripture. The chair of Theology will be subject to the bishops' June meeting. A national synod is planned for August 1926.
- 2 pp
- 545  
was 203
- 15 October 1923
- Holograph letter from Bishop B.Hackett, Bishop's House, John's Hill, Waterford, to (Hagan). It would help if Hagan could call on the cardinal. He lodged amounts for Mr.Kiely's pension and administrative expenses on their account.
- 1 p
- 546  
was 204
- 15 October 1923
- Telegram from O'Sullivan, Aberfoyle, Rathgar, Dublin, to Hagan, soliciting description of those documents used in the appeal; asking whether the diocesan report was also handed in.
- 1 p
- 547  
was 205
- 16 October 1923
- Holograph letter from Bishop James Naughton of Killa-la, St.Muredach's, Ballina, County Mayo, to Hagan, enclosing petition for a dispensation.
- 1 p
- 548  
was 202
- 15 October 1923
- Holograph letter from A.[H.] Ryan, St.Malachy's College, Belfast, to (Hagan), in thanks for his congratulation; his reference for him had been invaluable. Sketching the circumstances of his election by the bishops. He will teach

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first and second Divinity; offering comments. He knows few of his future colleagues; hoping he will be as happy as at the Irish College. Regretting that Hagan did not come to Bobbio, appreciating the reasons. With regards from his mother, and for colleagues in Rome.

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549  
was 208

16 October 1923

Typescript letter signed [...] for French, Lemon & Co. (money exchange bureau), 59 Piazza di Spagna, Rome, to Hagan, inviting business. [Italian]

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16 October 1923

Holograph letter from K.[eohane] of M.H.Gill & Son, Dublin, to (Hagan). 'Brewery' [Morrissey] has returned; he has gone south now. Promising to do what he can about the Chinese stock. Promising also to inform him immediately of any new developments. No pronouncement was made by the hierarchy concerning Sr.Frances de Sales- criticising their unanimous voting system. Asking on behalf of J.W. to examine Cardinal Gasparri's new *Fontes Codicis Juris*, and to order if advisable. Commenting that the feeling in the country is growing steadily. Also recommending Dr.Byrne, Provincial of the Holy Ghost order in Dublin, travelling to Rome.

2 pp

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was 210

17 October 1923

Holograph letter from Cáit Bean Seán T.(Ó Ceallaigh), 91 St.Stephen's Green (Dublin), to Hagan. Seán is now in Gormanstown but saw Hagan's letter; she [found a way to send mail there]. When out, he was there for his mother's death; of his brothers Michael was released but Matt is said to be sentenced. An extension of the parole was procured by Fr.Flanagan of the Pro-Cathedral. Many called on Seán while he was out, though nothing in the way of a peace offensive was started; some Free State officials were at the funeral. Many prisoners are being released; wondering if there is a system behind it. The general hunger strike called in Mountjoy includes even Ernie O'Malley despite his bad

health. The funeral for the 'ill fated' Noel Lemass was the largest since the treaty, not counting Griffith's and Collins's. Its coincidence with the Sinn Fein ardfheis meant that the press testified generally to the virulence of the anti-treaty, antigovernment element. Then observing that those prisoners that are released face very difficult conditions, scarce employment and shortages; a committee is set up to look after them. Doubting Hagan's surmise that the authorities begin to see their own fallibility- 'they all look sleek and prosperous (and) we are thin (and) haggard'. They bluff even to each other. Mother Stan found the bishops she met quite frivolous in their conversation; teasing her as to her rebel leanings. Only one man in Gormanstown goes to do what is required in confession under protest –'could anything be queerer'. The Irish are waiting for the moment to be 'extremely Republican' again; maybe the Mountjoy trouble will finish the fight, however.

2 pp

552 was 206	16-17 October 1923	Two copies of typescript <i>Republican Bulletin</i> (marked 'No.2' for 17 October). Both dealing with the all-Ireland hunger strike and the prisoners' manifesto of 13 October; second bulletin giving full text (signed Michael MacGhiollaruaidh) denouncing the military of the Free State for carrying on hostilities; the brutal conditions of prison life; not trusting any forthcoming acknowledgement of their non-criminal status they demand unconditional release.
		2 items

553 was 211	19 October 1923	Holograph letter from Bishop T.O'Doherty, St.Brendan's, Loughrea (County Galway), to Hagan, enquiring about his papal Bulls.
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554 was 212	23-24 October 1923	Typescript letter signed G.Hagan, Rome, to Cardinal [Secretary of the Congregation of the Consistory], enquiring about Bishop O'Doherty's Bulls; handwritten
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reply from [B.Freddi], Congregation of the Consistory, confirming that they were sent on [13] October. [Italian]

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was 215

26 October 1923 Holograph letter from Fr. Virgilio Giorgi, parish of S. Brigida a Parco, Florence, to 'Monsignore' [...] (asking him to forward this to the Scot or Irishman who is expert in this – addressing the bulk of the letter to the latter). Explaining that his parish is dedicated to the Scottish virgin St. Brigid, sister of St. Andrew; because he wishes to modernise both the church and the parish he asks for information about the saint. Also asking assistance in gathering funds for the project. Enclosing postcards from the parish (not extant), offering hospitality. [Italian]

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was 216

27 October 1923 Holograph letter from Bishop Charles McHugh, Derry, to (Hagan), confirming that Fr. McGurk was a domestic prelate. Unhappy that the vestments have not been sent yet by Tizzi. Comments on young [Fr.] Gallen who was home for a while for ill health, but presumably back in Rome now. Sending a good student by the name of [Devane]. At home things are in the same muddled state – predicting a collapse if no change to the better occurs. There is fear of unusual hardships for the coming winter.

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was 217

29 October 1923 Holograph letter from Bishop T. O'Doherty, St. Brendan's, Loughrea (County Galway), to (Hagan). The Bulls have arrived. Enclosing cheque for Mr. Keane's pension. Dr. Fair may remain in Rome until the work is finished unless recalled. O'Doherty is in the process of transferring to Galway. In Ireland there is 'a great hullabulloo' over the release of the prisoners- asking why the republicans do not hand in their arms. Some of the demoralised section are using these arms; they declared openly during elections that the war will be renewed. Their petition to the bishops for help comes after they tried to

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blacken their names in Ireland and all over the world. Were the bishops to pronounce he expects the consensus to be 'let the hunger-strikers strike, until they accept the very reasonable terms offered by the Government'. He is 'sick of the whole wretched business'.

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558  
was 218

30 October 1923 Holograph letter from Richard Aylward, President of St.Kieran's College, Kilkenny, to Hagan, asking to obtain faculty for priests [list attached but not extant] to celebrate Mass aboard the S.S. Orvieto, going to Australia. Also enclosing note for expenses.

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559  
was 219

31 October 1923 Holograph letter from Sr.Margaret Mary, Presentation Convent, Maynooth (County Kildare), to Hagan, in thanks for the papal benediction. Enclosing a document that mentioned this privilege; regretting the papers did not all do so (not extant). Offering hospitality when in Ireland.

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was 220

31 October 1923 Holograph letter from Bishop Robert Browne of Cloyne, Bishop's House, Cobh (County Cork), to Hagan, having received the laudatory acknowledgement of their Peter's Pence. Stating that while the political trouble has abated there is much labour unrest injuring trade, as in other countries.

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no no.

[October 1923] Typescript letter with a few handwritten corrections from 'Mary Joseph' [E.R.Morrissey] 'Convent 3' [Dublin], to 'Sr.Thomas' (Hagan), (mostly in code). Com-

menting at length on the very long retreat given to their novices; it was far too long; 'Sr.K.' [Keohane] was opposed to it from the first and was 'a wash out' with anxiety during the time. The novice of 29 [...] desires to become a fully-fledged member of an active community 'like myself or yourself'; recommending her very warmly. He has not seen Mother General [DeValera] but she is in her own quarters and in good health; both out of modesty and for the regulations he, and also K., do not seek out their 'Big Superiors' often. He has not been able to study yet. He called at the Second Visitators [...] with the First Assistant [...] acting as buffer, which went very well as far as the Visitators were concerned, but 'Mother James & Co. [Cosgrave and Executive] did not do all they were asked'. Protesting he knows nothing about politics, but the hunger strike is over after about 40 days; those involved were fools and had little support from people on the street. Observing then that sympathy is withheld despite the end of fighting because weapons were not handed in. The cardinal asked for a release of prisoners after the end of the hunger strike –'Xmas ought see all out'. Appointments in the clergy are not due until after Christmas. He will write about a dispensation for the novice of 29 if necessary.

2 pp

562  
was 223

1 November 1923 Holograph letter from P.J.Walsh, Archbishop's House, Dublin, to Hagan, enclosing the MacMahon brief (not extant). In thanks for the dispensation for student O'Carroll. Then listing enquiries concerning the career of the late Archbishop Walsh of Dublin; surmising that material exists at the Irish College that can clear up these points. Michael Dwyer and Tom Hill will be able to give Hagan all the gossip when in Rome.

2 pp

563  
was 224

1 November 1923 Holograph letter from Sr.(Mary) Baptist, St.John's Hospital, Limerick, to Hagan. She has come to Limerick from Fermoy; their novitiate house is being made ready outside Limerick. Commenting favourably on their provincial Mother Rosalie; it will be seen in how far the authorities will use their privileges over them. Asking for advice in relation to sisters in London who wish to return to Ireland and do not gain permission. Observing that Mother Hilda was very conciliatory when she was over. Should he see any of the 'Blues' he is not to mention she wrote to him. Comments on the help which the 'Blacks' or Sisters of St.John of God will give.

3 pp

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- 564  
was 225
- 1 November 1923
- Holograph letter from [S.] Fullen, Ellesmere, 1 Chlorine Gardens, Belfast (County Antrim), to Hagan. A gift of handkerchiefs is on its way to him; [she] had meant to give them to him when in Rome.
- 1 p
- 565  
was 226
- 1 November 1923
- Holograph letter from Archbishop T.P.Gilmartin, St. Jarlath's, Tuam (County Galway), to (Hagan), commenting that the late arrival of the last document was greatly inconvenient; arrangements for future dispensations. In Ireland things are quiet and people are sick of politics.
- 4 pp
- 566  
was 227
- 1 November 1923
- Holograph letter from (coadjutor) Bishop J.Downey, Bishop's House, Kilkenny, to Hagan, enclosing document for a congregation. Explaining the problem of reconciling the raised stipends for intentions and the existing foundations: sketching solution to the problem. Asking whether Dr.Hynes is back at the College.
- 2 pp
- 567  
was 229
- 3 November 1923
- Typescript letter signed Bishop Patrick Foley of Kildare and Loughlin, Braganza House, Carlow, to Mrs. Barbara Synnott [...]. Advising her of the rescript issued for her and her son Peter to establish a private oratory; listing exceptions when Mass may not be served, and regretting the exclusion even of domestic servants. (Covering letter not extant.)
- 2 pp

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was 189&230

4- [...] November  
1923

Holograph letter from Bishop Patrick Finegan, Bishop's House, Culliss, Cavan, to Hagan, enclosing cheques for Peter's Pence and for the collection for foreign missions held by Propaganda. Then explaining that Pope (Pius XI) had promised him last year a confirmation of a concession given by his predecessor, relative to a collection towards the construction of their new cathedral; enclosing Benedict XV's letter (not extant). Asking to obtain the confirmation. Now attached handwritten memorandum by [Tizi], Rome, for [...], asking on behalf of Bishop Finegan for said confirmation. [partly Italian]

2 items

569  
was 231

4 November 1923

Holograph letter from Thomas McCarthy, St.Charles Church, Read, Ontario (Canada), to Hagan, enclosing a number of Mass intentions. In gratitude for hospitality offered; reminiscing about his time at the Venerable. In their diocese the Irish among the priests are now in the minority. Deploring the fact that their present bishops are 'poor specimens'; Bishop Fallon is good in some ways but a British imperialist. Regretting the ordination of two men whose fathers were insane; in Detroit a priest was shot by his 'Crazy Curate'. Asking whether there are plans for a 'magnificent basilica' for Dublin.

3 pp

570  
was 232

5 November 1923

Holograph letter from [Pecorari], [...], to [...], [having finally finished a commission]- the negotiations will follow but he does not know the name of the person involved. [Italian]

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571  
was 233

5 November 1923

Holograph letter from George Harding, Booksellers, 64 Great Russell Street, London (England), to (Hagan), stating that his cheque had been received and regretting the bill was sent again.

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- 572  
was 234
- 7 November 1923
- Holograph letter from J.MacCaffrey, St. Patrick's College, Maynooth (County Kildare), to (Hagan). Asking him to treat as a priority case the dispensation sought for the ordination of student Francis O'Carroll. Recommending him as an excellent student, recently diagnosed with tuberculosis, who needs to be sent on his mission to Los Angeles as soon as possible.
- 4 pp
- 573  
was 235
- 7 November 1923
- Typescript letter signed [...] of the Nettezza Urbana, Rome, to [...] Enrico Poccioni, advising him that the engineer has been asked to deal with the effluent from the sewerage on Via Mazzarino. [Italian]
- 1 p
- 574  
was 236
- 7 November 1923
- Typescript letter signed Miss W.H.[Gorkiewicz] of the McAlpine Typing Bureau, 75 Via Condotti, Rome, to Hagan, offering their services, enclosing a list of prices for stenographic and typing work.
- 2 items
- 575  
was 237
- 8 November 1923
- Holograph letter from P.J.Roughneen, Kiltimagh (County Mayo), to Hagan, enclosing photographs of the late Fr.Denis [O'Horan] for the sculptor; further instructions. He has been to England; joking he did not wait for Bonar Law's funeral. Hughes is 'a lost number'; Bishop A.[migo] had no news of him. As for Ireland, commenting that things are quiet: the Republican Party's cause suffered from the hunger-strikes - seven leaders are in a precarious condition and Ernie O'Malley was expected to die last week. Dargan at Clonliffe is seriously ill. Rumours issuing from the Jesuits had it that the appointment of the new Bishop of Raphoe was an insult to Hagan; Roughneen was able to dispel these when somebody asked him about this in Dublin.
- 2 pp

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- 576  
was 238
- 8 November 1923
- Holograph letter from Kathleen Nally, Market Place, Ballymahon, County Longford, to Hagan, asking for assistance in gaining a dispensation for her to be married to a Protestant; Bishop Hoare has not given the case consideration.
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- 577  
was 239
- 9 November 1923
- Typescript letter signed Patrick Cleary for the Maynooth Mission to China, St.Columban's College, Dalgan Park, Galway, to Hagan, sending intentions and a cheque, on behalf of Fr.Blowick. Fr.Mullen gave a glowing account of the pilgrimage when in Rome.
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- 578  
was 222
- [c.9 November 1923]
- Handwritten draft memorandum [by Hagan] from the Mayor of Cork, for the Cardinal Secretary of State, on the basis of an interview with the latter in the preceding week. Reminding him that the appeal made last Christmas in protest over the Irish bishops' refusal of the sacraments to political activists has not had a response – the matter is rendered more urgent by the hunger-strikes proclaimed 27 days ago and pursued by several hundred men. Singling out for special note Ernie O'Malley, Seán T.O'Kelly, Seán Buckley and Brian O'Higgins. The republicans are convinced that the Free State could not have upheld its barbarous attitude without the spiritual weapons wielded by the Irish bishops, and the accompanying connivance by the Holy See; the latter failing to react to the report filed by its nuntio. Pointing to the reactions to the hunger strikes overseas in the shape of a message from Archbishop Mannix, and a mass meeting in New York. Appealing to the Holy See to raise its voice on behalf of the weak and suffering, lest people arrive at the conviction that the Cardinal Secretary favours the British envoy to their delegation.
- 3 pp
- 579  
was 240
- 11 November 1923
- Holograph letter from Brother E.George, De La Salle Retreat, Castletown, Mountrath (County Laois), to Hagan, enclosing booklet on the life of the Ballytore-born Eugene O'Connor; inviting commentary on him. Mentioning he met Hagan's friend Brother Charles Fortune.
- 4 pp

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- 580  
was 241
- 14 November 1923 Holograph letter from [M.A.] Kiely, Saints Peter and Paul's, Cork, to Hagan. On the strength of their student-day acquaintance, asking for advice on the purchase of a car in Italy. Remembering their last meeting in Maynooth when Hagan was C.C. there.
- 4 pp
- 581  
was 242
- 19 November 1923 Holograph letter from O.A.Diethelm, Genoa, to Hagan, enclosing letter from Monsignor Hayden of Sydney (not extant). Hoping to meet him during his stay in Rome; asking him to arrange access to a papal audience.
- 1 p
- 582  
was 243
- 19 November 1923 Holograph letter from W.Miller, Braganza House, Carlow, to Hagan, enclosing cheque for expenses; asking to have faculties for a private oratory for the Synott family extended. The Irish College does not seem to feature as prominently in this year's prize list. Expressing indignation that he was quoted as a source for the rumour that Hagan was responsible for the Luzio mission.
- 2 pp
- 583  
was 244
- 19 November 1923 Handwritten notification from [...], head of Construction, Amministrazione delle Poste e dei Telegrafi, Rome, to Hagan, asking permission to work on the telegraph lines on College premises.
- 1 p
- 584  
was 245
- 20 November 1923 Holograph letter from Michael Dooley, 8 Castlewood Park, Rathmines, Dublin, to (Hagan), introducing himself as nephew of the late Vicar General Dr.Michael

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Dooley. Explaining that he has been expelled from Maynooth for expressing strong misapprobation of the Free State's execution policy, the treaty, and the Free State's collusion with the British authorities. Asking for assistance in obtaining adoption by a Scottish bishop; offering references as to his character and ability. His desire is to be a good priest; he is convinced his vocation is sound.

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585  
was 246

20 November 1923 Holograph letter from J.Hatton, The Presbytery, Rathmines (Dublin), to (Hagan), in gratitude for obtaining a portrait of the Pope for their bazaar next May. Some sad news about colleagues, including Paddy Ryan who is terminally ill. Restoration of their church is progressing; they will celebrate the centenary of the parish in December.

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586  
was 247

21 November 1923 Holograph letter from Sr.(Mary) deSales Dargan, Loreto Abbey, Rathfarnham (Dublin) to (Hagan), glad that he seems to have recovered from his illness. Their mother general is on her way back; it is commonly known now that the Kerrigan family appealed to Rome. The 'doctor's' son joined the Jesuits at Tullabeg. Jokingly reminding him of that position as lady abbess. Instructions for sending her reply.

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587  
was 251

21 November 1923 Typescript letter signed Bishop Henry W.Cleary, Bishop's House, Ponsonby, Auckland, (New Zealand), to (Hagan), enclosing wrapper of *The Orange Society* (not extant), the copy of which he is sending separately. In his diocese the present problems stem from the growing population, need for social infrastructure, and the certainty of a lack of clergy for the next few years. He is very well; in deep gratitude for kindnesses during his stay in Rome.

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was 253

23 November 1923 Holograph letter from W.B.MacFeely, The Presbytery, Waterside, Derry, to (Hagan). Enclosing petition for dispensation with the approval of Bishop McHugh. Promising despatch of a copy of the *Annals of the Four Masters*; he had held off because of the past disturbed state of Italy. He expects to visit Rome when returning from a pilgrimage to Palestine, in March. Explaining it was expedient joining an English group.

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was 252

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1923

Holograph letter from Bishop E.Mulhern, Ardmaine, Newry (County Down), to Hagan, informing him of the sum collected for Peter's Pence, explaining it is less than usual and asking to hold over presentation until the occasion of the golden jubilee of their Confraternity of the Holy Family. Deploring the necessity for so many 'Latin letters'. Enclosing typescript letter signed by Mulhern for [the Pope], giving account of their financial situation, asking to declare their cathedral free from debt or else enable him otherwise to consecrate it. – Commenting on the 'rigmarole' regarding the cathedral, and [Gentile]'s involvement. Then observing that while they are at peace, there will be troubles as long as there are prisoners. It is not certain whether the cardinal's letter will help matters. Lord Londonderry promised to relieve clergy and religious of the oath of allegiance but nothing came of it. Mulhern takes the oath 'galling as it was. Otherwise we might close our Seminaries'. The grants are quite generous and would otherwise finance more 'Specials'. Commenting that 'the [general] election in England may be of momentous consequence as regards the Boundary question one way or the other. It might lead to a fusion of the North (and) South.' Comments on the intense cold. Then expressing confidence in Dr.Ryan who is starting off in Maynooth. Fr. [B.] is solely holding on still.

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was 250

21 November 1923 Holograph letter from P.J.Roughneen, Kiltimagh (County Mayo), to Hagan, enclosing handwritten instructions for the Fr.[O'Hara] bust, and enclosing photographs (latter not extant). Making arrangements for the payment. Disappointed with 'Power's' behaviour towards the Irish College. Passing on the rumour that 'our friend (Most Reverend) O'Gorman' is so far unpopular with the republicans that he received threatening letters and that his stay in

the Saorstát was unhappy. As concerns the daily press there are definite blunders in that the proposal of a boycott of the daily press is obviously entirely ignored. Observing that all politicians, on both sides, seem to do quite well out of their patriotism. Rome must be 'a rotten hole' for Irishmen; very regrettably there is no 'big man political or ecclesiastical at home, willing to right matters'. There is some scepticism as to the National Loan, to be floated on Saturday.

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591  
was 256

24 November 1923 Holograph card from Bishop A.Brownrigg, Kilkenny, to Hagan, in gratitude for looking after his 'matter of conscience'.

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592  
was 257

[24] November 1924 Holograph letter from Fr.J.Kearney, Garvagh, County Derry, to Hagan. Asking him to obtain plenary indulgences as requested previously; they are for friends 'in articulo mortis' (giving four names). Other members of his pilgrimage made similar requests and did not receive the documents, Miss Smullen and Miss Sutton.

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593  
was 258

25 November 1923 Holograph letter from Cáit bean Seán T.(Ó Ceallaigh), 91 St.Stephen's Green (Dublin), to Hagan, commenting on the hunger strike and situation of the prisoners in general. Despite the loss of two men and did not achieve what they hoped for, all feel relieved that the ordeal of the hunger strike is over. Explaining that the men meant to 'end it one way or another'. Deploring the fact that some men capitulated, equating capitulation by imprisonment in the first place with capitulation by signing allegiance to the state. Hoping it will not lead to permanent discontent in their ranks. Seán's camp in Gormanstown was 'called off'; Seán himself had been in the prison hospital by then, suffering from his usual rheumatic fever. Attempts to have prisoners unconditionally released to end the strike came to nothing but might still yield something. She is chairman of the Released Prisoners' Committee and very busy with it; so is Phyl-

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lis. Commenting on the 'continental winter' – in Gormanstown they had no fires at all.

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was 259

26 November 1923 Holograph letter from P.J. Walsh, Archbishop's House, Dublin, to Hagan, enclosing document nominating Hagan representative at the Superior Council of the [Pia Unione] of Propaganda Fide (not extant) for Van Rossum. It is the final court of appeal for the distribution of funds. Commenting that the Dempsey dossier must have amused him- Dempsey finds Blanchardstown unsuited to his musical tastes. Also referring to Paddy Rowan, seriously ill; a 'most admirable uomo di Dio'. Con Murphy and the other 'latest ambassadors' have not yet returned from Rome.

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was 260

20 November 1923 Holograph letter from Bishop P. Morrisroe, St. Nathy's Ballaghaderreen (County Mayo), to Hagan, enclosing petition for a dispensation for the Congregation for Religious (not extant); also a cheque for fees.

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was 261

27 November 1923 Holograph letter from Robert Kane S.J., Milltown Park, Dublin, to Hagan. In profound thanks for his assistance to Sr. Ignatia. Glad for the period of time she is to have before the final vows.

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597  
was 262

28 November 1923 Holograph letter from Cardinal Michael Logue, Ara Coeli, Armagh, to Hagan, enclosing draft for the diocese's Peter's Pence. Also paying agency fees and sub-

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scription. Enclosing list of things needed for [Gammarelli]'s. With good wishes for Christmas.

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was 263

1 December 1923 Holograph letter from [A.F.Costa] of the Floreria Apostolica (Rome), to 'Monsignor' (Hagan), asking to change his visit to Monday: assuring him that they will see good results and will begin printing the documents at the end of the month. [Italian]

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599  
was 265

2 December [1923] Holograph letter from W.Miller, Braganza House, Carlow, to Hagan, having lodged sums for Propaganda Fide and as a honorarium for himself. Asking to enquire into the bishop's petition to send Miller ad limina in his stead. The Irish situation is unchanged: 'we are still fighting among ourselves and executing one another by words and otherwise'. Regards from the 'Roman students' nearby. (Hagan was not in Ireland in 1923, but the context places this letter in 1923.)

4 pp

600  
was 266

3 December 1923 Handwritten memorandum by [M.J.Curran], Rome, 'on the conversation with Signor Costa'. Detailed summary of Curran's brief account to Costa of the Irish Martyrs' cause: discussing the number of causes there were; the specific evidence by Fr.Rushe; the difficulties of obtaining either obtaining documents or of properly authenticating them, because of the war. Curran's own past office as notarius actuarius; his confidence in his successor and his ignorance as to the merits or demerits of the present notarius, the vice postulator, or anybody else involved – stating that the conversation only reflected on the last mentioned. Also referring to their last meeting which included Gavan Duffy.

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- 601  
was 267
- 3 December 1923 Holograph letter from D.F.McCrea, Kilrea, County Derry, to Hagan, with another instalment of stipends from Fr.McErlain's will; asking that some needy religious houses be given a share. Then commenting on meeting Curran and students at Bobbio: the latter 'looked very neat and had none of that crushed appearance which formerly characterized them'. He did not go to Rome afterwards.
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- 602  
was 268
- 4 December 1923 Holograph letter from Michael Dooley, 8 Castlewood Park, Rathmines, Dublin, to (Hagan), in gratitude for his letter. Explaining that from the point of view of the president of Maynooth College it would not be 'intrusive' for the Irish College or another to accept Dooley; further comments on his expulsion; the same referred to many instances where expelled students went on "to become fine priests". He would be grateful for assistance; preferring a Roman college to others. Dr.P.Browne will write to Hagan on his behalf. Detailing the circumstances of his expulsion; his letters were along the lines of constitutional republicanism and he did not criticise the bishops. His letter to Mrs. Cathal Brughra was innocently connected with a charity. Recommending his own academic achievements, good discipline; defending cases where he had been reprimanded. While a committed republican, none of his letters were written for propaganda purposes, nor did he incite use of violence.
- 6 pp
- 603  
was 269
- 6 December 1923 Holograph letter from 'Barney' [...], Kilmainham Jail, (Dublin), to 'Mr.Con Little' [...] (in an oblique style).  
Congratulating him on his release on the anniversary of their adventures. The writer is just returning from 'the edge', taking food again but not with the ravenous desire of the first days. Regretting he was not able to see him before their 'hurried departure' to the city in June. Hoping he found Mrs.Cuffe well. Many friends left Little's last place of residence. In Kilmainham they are considered "'pivotal" men' and will certainly not be released before Christmas. Asking for news about various acquaintances, including Andy Whelan and Seán Nolan. He is smuggling this letter out.
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was 270
- 6 December 1923
- Holograph letter from [M.] O'Mara, Strand House, Limerick, to Hagan. Regretting that the photos of him 'in your grand purple' did not come out. Reminiscing about [her] and Stephen's visit to Rome in the spring. Turning to Irish affairs, their friends who were on hunger-strike for 35 and 40 days are on the mend. Limerick still has no bishop; reckoning the Vatican is busy with other things. Stephen is much better since the hunger-strike ended.
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- 605  
no no.
- 7 December  
[1923]
- Holograph card from [Pecorari] [Rome], to (Hagan), enclosing [a document] and recommending that Hagan sees Monsignor [Muchetti], President General of the Opera [della Propaganda] in person. He found no reference of the letter from [M.Kelly] about [M.Clery] at Propaganda. Brief mention of the *Tablet*. Adding that he wrote to Cardinal Logue and others about the nominee Irish representative at the general council of the Opera della Propaganda. [Italian]
- 2 pp
- 606  
was 21
- 8 December 1923
- Holograph letter from Sr.(Mary) Stanislaus Lynch, St. Louis Convent, Middletown, County Armagh, to Hagan, with season's greetings. Praising his work of 'schooling the hearts for heaven', though far from Ireland. Asking for a reliquary.
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- 607  
was 271
- 9 December 1923
- Typescript letter with few handwritten insertions from 'Sr.Mary Michael' [E.R.Morrissey] [Dublin], to 'my dear Sister' (Hagan), (mostly in code). He has not met 'H.' [...] yet since his return. Stating that the novice he is interested in is from the west – the one Hagan knows will probably not last. Observing that 'the last effort of Mother General [DeValera] was as mad a stroke as ever took place in any Community, and has ruined her cause' – resignations are common now. Then commenting (using another voice) on the Loan- 'Larkin's failure to injure the Government was a great blessing'; the 'misguided Irregulars' return home sadder men- they ought to have called an end to the hunger-strikes when the 'good old Cardinal' wrote the letter. Then remarking that the

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'Visitors' [...] took an interest in the novices but obviously could not do much - Mother General's contract was too big, suggesting that 'Mother James & Co.' [Cosgrave and government] should step aside. Now the latter have a new lease. Then commenting at length about his pet novice who deserves a rest after her recent retreat [hunger-strike]; she is now studying Latin. Morrissey is studying for the upcoming exams but has little motivation. Some comments about likely appointments in the clergy.

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608  
was 272

10 December 1923 Holograph letter from Kathleen Nally, Market Place, Ballymahon, County Longford, to (Hagan). She has written to the Roman address he gave her; also she asked Bishop Hoare to let the matter through. Inviting further assistance.

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609  
was 273

10 December [1923] Typescript letter signed by Seamus Ua Ceallaigh (James Kelly), Dunedin (New Zealand), to Hagan, asking him to pay a bill for books. The Archbishop (of Wellington) wrote to Rome to explain the dissention caused by Auckland. (Bishop) Whyte is still 'an absentee', visiting his diocese- while a kindly man he succeeds two very strong men. Regretting Kelly will be prevented from his holiday the coming year because of (Bishop Cleary's) journalistic move. Commenting that the latter will plunge the diocese in debt. Thinking little of Liston who is 'like all bullies, a coward'; not envying him his job.

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was 274

10 December 1923 Printed form with typescript insertions signed [W. J.Dwyer] of the Equitable Life Assurance Society of the United States, 346 Strand, London (England), to (Hagan), with a reminder that his last premium is due.

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ced the erection of their territory into a Prefecture Apostolic which will render their man an ordinary and without outside interference. The news were unexpected and very welcome. Then regretting that due to much work and some illness he has not been in contact, and could not come to Bobbio. Apologising for not having sent more Mass stipends; promising a number for the future. Then discussing a matter of books left by Monsignor O'Riordan, partly to the Irish College, partly to their Mission; practical considerations; enclosing typescript copy letter from O'Riordan's solicitor, Philip J.O'Sullivan, Limerick, to Blowick, explaining the distribution of the book legacy. Preparing a history of the Mission for *The Far East* in which the Irish College and Hagan will feature as benefactors. Grateful for the contact with Monsignor Pecorari.

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615  
was 278

13 December 1923 Holograph card from [Pecorari] [Rome], to [...], stating that the copy of the *Tablet* was presented to the Pope last Monday; he will give him his impressions in person. [Italian] (Although Pecorari is mentioned by Blowick, this items must be separate.)

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616  
was 179

13 December [1923] Holograph letter from W.Miller, Braganza House, Carlow, to Hagan, enclosing cheque for Mr.Doran's pension. The bishop will send a new petition regarding the Synott brief which arrived recently. Glad that Hagan did not think him guilty as regards the Luzio report- stating he does not know Fr.Barry, Middleton; the whole story is a mystery.

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617  
was 280

15 December 1923 Holograph letter from M.Sheehan, Juverna, Homebush, Sydney, to (Curran). Sympathising at length with him over his operation; he has had to undergo surgery many times himself. It is better to keep discretion on this since Australia is like Rome and news travel with ease as far as Wellington. In gratitude for Curran's letter on the Luzio mission: expressing sympathy for Luzio, a friend to

many of them, and probably not easily pardoned by Rome for his failure. A letter from him showed Sheehan he was 'cut to the heart'. As for politics, commenting that any assumption that Japan's expansionary will or ability is reduced by recent disasters is wrong – territories like North Queensland must be very enticing for its wealth and absence of earthquakes. 'When their chance comes, they will drop on to us like a spider from the ceiling'. Then commenting on the expense and effort needed for the extension of their University College and the building of a women's college. Dr.Mannix in Melbourne, by comparison, would find it easy to meet the expense both for his influence and for more wealthy givers. Remarks for Hagan's attention about 'Germia'; Don Domenico need not send a crozier of the telescopic kind.

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618  
was 281

16 December 1923 Holograph letter from Robert Kane S.J., Milltown Park, Dublin, to Hagan. Asking for advice concerning Sr. Ignatius's Mother General who neglects informing her of the contents of the decree; Ignatius is still in dismissal.

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619  
was 282

16 December 1923 Holograph letter from Canon Thomas MacDonald P.P., Portadown, County Armagh, to Hagan, enclosing sum in charity from Miss Marlay, for places in need where St.Francis Xavier preached - India or Japan.

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620  
was 283

17 December 1923 Holograph letter from J.M.Cregan, The Presbytery, Abbeyfeale, County Limerick, to Hagan. Monsignor O'Riordan's books have been despatched; explaining the delay. One box had been left at St.Munchin's College; discussing contents. Praising the developments at the Irish College; increase of students, extension of premises, employment of Irish nuns. In waiting for the appointment of a new bishop, wondering whether the system used in the U.S. and in Scotland will be introduced- preferring the old one.

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621  
was 284

17 December 1923

Typescript copy letter from [Mother] M.T.Raphael, Loreto Abbey, Rathfarnham (Dublin), to Sr.Ignatia, informing her of the decision by the Congregation for Religious to have her return to the convent. She may spend a year in simple vows before being admitted to take perpetual vows. (Covering letter does not exist.)

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622  
was 285

18 -19 December  
1923

Holograph letter from Seán T.(Ó Ceallaigh), 91 St. Stephen's Green (Dublin), to 'a chara dhilis' (Hagan), glad to be released for a while and to be able to write.

The release from Mountjoy came suddenly, on Friday; Jim Ryan has also been released from the Curragh; wishing his brother Mat were also let go. Commenting on two priests –'Dr.D.' and 'Dr.F.'[...]– whom he met while they were on duty in jail. Many are being released from the camps, fewer from the jails, although Ald.[erman] Tom K.[elly] was told all are going to be released, even Stack and DeV[alera]. Detailing at length the grave differences in the cabinet to which the releases are credited: Cosgrave and Mulcahy are countered by K.O'H[iggins], D.F.[itzgerald] and Hogan. O'Higgins agreed to releases on the strength of their acceptance of his Safety Bill No.3. Sketching the programme of the two sides as regards policy towards England. (Cosgrave's) side, supported by the (Irish Republican Brotherhood), want to return to the 'stepping stone'- approach, but have no distinct programme unlike O'Higgins who may win out yet with his pre-English policy, having the stronger character. Much dissatisfaction with the government is expressed by its supporters, in relation to their control of the civil service, and the number of masons entrenched there; he cannot cite examples but has heard much complaint. Discussing briefly the recent senate election to replace Sir H.P.[...]; his brother-in-law MacCullagh was defeated and the masons won. The 'Marchese' [McSweeney] canvasses for his delegation (to Rome); he feels entitled to it as a reward for past service. Cait has received 'very decent letters from Dundalk' [O'Donnell], but a 'very harsh letter' from Newry [Mulhern]. Expressing his regard for him; regretting they could not travel at Christmas. Glad that Michael (Curran)'s operation went well. He saw P.T.[...] who must have had a trying time. Uncertainty of the future. With regards also to the General [Magennis].

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was 286

18 December 1923

Typescript letter signed G.M.Cardinal van Rossum, Prefect of Propaganda Fide, Rome, to Hagan, nomina-

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ting Hagan councillor to the international agency of the Opera della Propagazione della Fede, conforming with Pius XI's recent motu proprio. [Italian]

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624  
no no. 18 December 1923 Holograph letter from M.Kilmartin, [Ardeath], Garristown, County Dublin, to 'dear Father' (Hagan), with seasons' greetings. Regretting Curran's illness. In Ireland, 'things seem to be getting warm every day, but the people are beginning to open their eyes' very slowly. Fond memory of the College.

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625  
no no. 18 [December 1923] Holograph letter from Pat.McNamara, Coleman's Cross, Charleville County Cork, to (Hagan), with season's greetings. Their see (of Limerick) is still vacant; Nolan's name has been mentioned but he would not be welcomed. Wishing Hagan would come himself. The situation in Ireland is still unsettled. Much depends on the six counties; the greatest cause of all the trouble is partition.

3 pp

626  
was 287 19 December 1923 Holograph letter from D.F.McCrea, Kilrea, County Derry, to Hagan, detailing the intentions paid for in his most recent lodgements; the bulk is for the soul of John Begley. Listing all remaining names. He refrained from sending more.

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627  
was 288 19 December 1923 Holograph letter from P.J.Roughneen, Kiltimagh (County Mayo), to Hagan, discussing proposed work on a marble (bust) of uncle O'Hara. He did not see all of the Cork letter; but the failure of the hunger-strike and generally good

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standing of the government on the basis of the loan makes it unlikely she will proceed. News on O'Flaherty in Sligo College; unclear reference to Hugh O'Neill and others as well as 'the Cork Theology'.

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628  
was 289

19 December 1923 Holograph letter from Máirín Bean Uí Riain, 73 Anglesea Road, Dublin, to 'a chara dhil' (Hagan). 'The air is full of release'; including her husband who has returned. Brief reference to 'finishing Einstein' but probably not before Christmas. Some comments on the released; Seán T. looks well, others less so. Wondering will 'the female wing ... rush back to the sock darning (and) the cookery ... only on the other hand things are so complicated and amusing that it would be a pity to miss them now'. Season's greetings.

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629  
was 290

20 December 1923 Holograph letter from Blanaid Ní Bhraidaigh (B. Brady), [Dublin], to 'a chara uasail' (Hagan), with season's greetings. Applauding the spate of releases. There are rumours of trials of internees of military importance, however- prisoners were informed their only hope is to face the Advisory Committee for cursory examination. Juxtaposing the recent appointment to the senate with Colonel Woods' being [lunched] on the Argenta and T.D. MacCurtain doing 'Penal Servitude' in Peterhead. Then stating that they are travelling to Rome before Easter; hoping to meet him.

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630  
was 291

20 December 1923 Holograph letter from Archbishop Michael (Kelly), St. Mary's Cathedral, Sydney (Australia), to Hagan, introducing the bearers as Gertrude and Lorna [Odillo-] Maher, Sydney, asking to arrange access to a papal audience for them.

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- 631  
was 292
- 20 December 1923 Holograph letter from Hilda (Grennell), 55 Rathgar Road, Dublin, to 'Father John' (Hagan, her cousin). She gave his message to Mr.Campbell. Then commenting on the National Loan- the Moloneys of Tipperary are quoted as receiving £ 5,000. Stating that the claims for O'Connell Street restoration work ought to be paid. Christmas will be very busy since they only get two days holidays this year.
- 2 pp
- 632  
was 293
- 20 December 1923 Holograph letter from [Canon] Gaudenzio Bisetti, Rector of the Seminary, of the (committee for the) Festeggiamenti pel XIII Centenario di S.Colombano Abate, Bobbio, to Hagan. Expressing great satisfaction with the festivities in September: 'all of Italy wondered at such great events unravelling in a place so small'. Grateful for Irish help, and having escaped death, he will dedicate his life to St.Columbanus's basilica. Explaining his health problems and his financial straits, asking for Irish Mass intentions. [Italian]
- 2 pp
- 633  
was 294
- 20 December 1923 Holograph letter from Proinnsias Ní Bhradaigh (Frances Brady) [Dublin] to 'a chara dhil' (Hagan), with seanson's greetings. Hagan may be even better informed than they are. There were many releases since the hunger-strike, but 'the really "big" people' are still in prison. Gerard probably told him of their plan to see him in the spring. 'K.[...] is quite successful over the water, and will be one of their most eloquent speakers. Asking if he receives *Sinn Fein*. She met Maureen Geegan (Mrs.Ryan) before Jim's release. Fr.Michael (Curran)'s brother-in-law and Margaret are going to Paris.
- 2 pp
- 634  
was 295
- 20 December 1923 Holograph letter from H.Weldon, Via Lucullo 3, Rome, to (Hagan). Protesting that Hagan has no right to interfere in her business with the Congregation of Religious, particularly after he took the cardinal's stance that the decree was valid. Elaborating further; expressing indignation.
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635  
was 296

20 December 1923 Holograph letter from Bishop William MacNeely, Ard Adhamhnain, Letterkenny (County Donegal), to Hagan, having transferred a sum for Peter's Pence. Certain that Hagan found the students O'Toole and Fullen more mature; further remarks. Welcoming the sisters being employed in the Irish College. The archbishop did 'the generous thing' for the College, having always had a special regard for it. Dr.Ryan is cause for pride; now going to Maynooth. Other brief news; season's greetings

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was 297

20 December 1923 Holograph letter from Bishop Denis Kelly, Bishop's House, Skibbereen (County Cork), to Hagan, after transferring the sum for Peter's Pence. Glad for the record number of students. Commenting on the Communists of Bergamo having learned an awful lesson – 'and they were big men when Benedict XV addressed them'. In Ireland the economy is not doing well; expecting worse because of the British election fiasco; 'we also are learning our smallness'. Glad student Flannery recovered his spirits. He himself now stays at home mostly – 'a kind of Diogenes'.

2 pp

637  
was 298

'Christmas' [20 December] 1923 Holograph letter from Bishop James Naughton of Killala, St.Muredach's, Ballina, County Mayo, to Hagan, with season's greetings. Enclosing [sum] for himself.

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638  
was 299

'Christmas' [20 December 1923] Holograph letter from (Sr.Mary) Celsus ('Vi'), Sisters of Mercy, Golden Bridge, Inchicore, Dublin, to Hagan, (her cousin) with season's greetings; reprimanding him for (not writing to her). Asking him to fulfil her commission, sent through Hilda.She would very much like to see him. She will tell Mother Paulinus off for not being in contact.

2 pp



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- 642  
was 304
- 22 December 1923 Holograph letter from (Sr.Mary) Ambrose, St.John's Hospital, Limerick, to Hagan, with season's greetings. Asking for news; Mother Baptist was appointed superior of their novitiate house which is nearing completion.
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- 643  
was 305
- 22 December 1923 Holograph letter from James MacCaffrey, St.Patrick's College, Maynooth (County Kildare), to (Hagan), glad that a decision was made for a separate volume. Work will begin when they return on 13 (January). Canon Carrigan's death is a great loss.
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- 644  
was 306
- 22 December 1923 Holograph letter from (Bishop) J.Whyte, Kilkenny, to (Hagan), with season's greetings. Sketching his itinerary from early January; unfortunately he cannot come to Rome en route as planned. The see of Clonfert is still vacant; giving low opinion on Irish people of the west – 'a mitre in the west is an uncomfortable article of apparel. It is, perhaps, a lucky skull that misses it'. Remarks on Dr. Cleary's projected new weekly paper allegedly by the Pope's command –'you told me how easy it is to drag the Pope's name into "commands" of one sort or another'. It might interfere with Dr.Kelly's holiday plans; more comments on the archbishop's involvement, and Dr.Brodie's low opinion of the paper. Then stating the General Council is likely not held in 1925; while some Italians were created cardinals, no Americans were. Expressing good wishes for developments in Ireland; he sees the 'island of saints (and) doctors' still. Mentioning Jim Crotty's departure from Rome after 25 years. Asking to tell Curran that his efforts to learn Irish brought only amusement to others.
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- 645  
was 307
- 23 December 1923 Holograph letter from P.Dunne, Archbishop's House, Dublin, to (Hagan), concerning their lodgement of Peter's Pence. Commenting on new appointments for clergy: 'Paddy' [P.J.Walsh] will be a great loss to them since it seems he will go to the College; wondering who will replace him.
- 4 pp

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- 646  
was 308
- 26 December 1923
- Holograph letter from Florence Teeling, Boulevard Montparnasse, Paris (France), to (Hagan), enclosing sum for a (Requiem Mass) on 3 January for Bartle. Her health has been quite poor this year. She would like to hear Hagan's opinion on the events of the last years in Ireland. Asking whether it is true that Dr.O'Gorman has died.
- 2 pp
- 647  
was 309
- 28 December 1923
- Holograph letter from W.C.Magill, Presbytery, James Street, Dublin, to Hagan, in thanks for the faculties and the rosaries. Enclosing a cheque for Mass intentions. The weather has been rough.
- 2 pp
- 648  
was 35
- 'Feast of the Holy Innocents' (28 December) 1923
- Holograph letter from Sr.(Mary) Lelia, St.Vincent's Convent of Our Lady of Mercy, Galway, to Hagan, asking for acknowledgement of a cheque; enclosing now sum for a Mass on the feast of St.Theresa of Lisieux. Advocating a national penance to 'induce the whole Irish race to ... restore the Peace of Christ (and) religious discipline in Ireland'. Their new bishop might laugh at the idea, however- they do not know him yet. Enclosing holograph letter to the Holy Father to the same ends.
- 2 items
- 649  
was 139
- 30 December [1923]
- Holograph card from (Sr.) Mabel (Mary) Perpetua, Loreto Convent, 43 North Great George's Street, Dublin, to Hagan, with season's greetings. Hoping to see him in the coming year. Hilda is in great form.
- 2 pp

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650  
was 310

31 December 1923 Holograph letter from P.J.K.[eohane], Wadena, Sutton, County Dublin, to (Hagan), with good wishes for the next year and confusion to his enemies. He met the 'General' [Magennis] who is his old self. Seán T. is as fit as a fiddle. Their friend 'Brewer' [Morrissey] is too pessimistic on the situation, but making allowances for the very difficult situation he is in with some of his associations positively inspiring fear in his friends. Commenting on Leslie's Doomsland – the convert can express himself more freely than 'one who was always a Papist'. Wondering will W.B.Yeats be the next convert to disclose experiences from convents and colleges. Adding that he had a satisfactory meeting with Fr.Blowick; not envying them their present situation.

4 pp

651  
was 20

[...] 1923 Typescript summary of a petition from W.Kruszka P. P., Delegate of the second Polish Congress, Milwaukee (U.S.), to Pope Pius XI, with handwritten addition by [...], S.Luigi (Rome). Kruszka protests against naturalization methods deployed by German and Irish American bishops on the Polish there. Emphasising the necessity to appoint Polish bishops, but also nuncios, and to establish Polish diocesan institutions. Asking the Pope act according to Pius X's promises; it would avoid a schism. – Handwritten addition identifies Kruszka as a priest who stayed at S.Luigi, then returned to Poland where he may have had an influence on the Polish Diet against American naturalization methods.

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652  
was 312

[late 1923] Typescript statement from [coadjutor bishop of Limerick], for the Congregation of the Holy Office, concerning the marriage dispensations granted in mixed religion in 1923, by virtue of the faculties previously granted. Enclosing cheque for fees. [Latin]

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653  
was 8/1921

[1923] Typescript [draft] letter signed by Hagan, Rome, to the delegate of 'P.S.' [local police], Tivoli. Informing him that an eviction was carried out on the 17<sup>th</sup> [...] against the heirs of the [late] caretaker Ronchetti, inhabitants of the College's

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villa in Tivoli. On leaving on the 27<sup>th</sup>, they misappropriated 15 metres of lead piping; asking for assistance in reclaiming it. [Italian]

1 p

654 [1923] Handwritten [draft memorandum] by [Hagan] for [...],  
no no. with observations on the Pope's recent reference to Ire-  
land. It marks a great advance on previous pronounce-  
ments. But while it is laudable that His Holiness does not condemn the re-  
publicans as criminals, it is still regrettable that 'the present struggle in Ire-  
land means nothing more than a split based on rival views as to the nature  
and [extent] of political liberty and independence'. Explaining the difference  
as lying in the Free Staters' resignation to foreign rule, and the republicans'  
willingness to risk all to avoid such. (This could be in reference to the Papal  
allocation of 25 May discussed by Curran on 9 June; HAG 1/ 1923/ 302.)

2 pp

655 [1923] Handwritten draft memorandum by [Hagan] for Reali  
was 1 (of the Istituto Italiano di Credito Marittimo, Rome),  
listing items to be discussed with the Capuchin fathers,  
concerning the details of a proposed bond to be given to them; a contract to  
be signed before the end of the year. [Italian]

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656 [1923] Printed page (flier) illustrating the passing of authority  
was 32 from the English government to the Free State officials,  
listing the Irish Republican soldiers executed in turn by  
both governments, up until November 1923.

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657 [1923] Holograph letter from [C.] O'Leary, Collegio Capranica  
was 31 Piazza Capranica 98, Rome, to Hagan, in gratitude for  
his kindness. Explaining that it is Dr.Cantwell's doing

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why he will not return to the Irish College; he passed his responsibility on to Monsignor Luzio. (There is no O'Leary registered in the College for the 1920s, but see 1923/ 146.)

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658  
no no.

[1923] Handwritten card from Figli Mario & Leonida Alessi, (dealers in furniture) Via dei Pontefici 10-10a, Rome, to Hagan, asking whether the furniture at their branch were indeed for purchase (unclear). [Italian]

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659  
was 17

[1923] Handwritten list by [M.J.Curran], [for Hagan], with code names for Irish and Roman personages, institutions, movements. Irish College is 'bank', Free State is 'shop'; personages usually have more than one equivalent (DeValera is 'sindaco', 'Postulator', 'the typist Cremonesi', 'Mrs.O'Hagan' and 'Fr.Stanislaus'. No overall unifying scheme. (Written on paper with head of the Grand Hôtel Isotta, Genoa.)

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660  
was 15

[1923] Typescript copy will (not certified) of Mary McNally 'Spinster and Spirit Retailer', Argyle Street, Londonderry, dated 30 November 1908, copied by John Tracy, Solicitor. After main bequests, mentioning five pounds for Mass intentions.

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was 14

[1923] Handwritten memorandum by [...] Irish College, for [postulator in the Killala diocese], describing the status quo as regards a certain [canonisation] pro-

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cess. S.Loftus asked the process be suspended in February 1923. Recommending a new lawyer, Fr.Arturo Wynen, Rome, for taking the course up again.  
[Italian]

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was 12

'Sunday'  
[1923]

Holograph letter from Mary [Ch.] Spence, Grand Hôtel Flora, Rome 25, to Hagan, asking him to include her brother in her request for tickets.

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was 10

[1923]

Holograph letter from [J.Rogers], Mater Misericordiae Hospital, Edith Street, Waratah, New South Wales, Australia, to (Hagan), in thanks for his letter and the breviaries. He is recovering miraculously from pylo nephritis. Enclosing document (not extant) and commenting that [Dr.McHugh] must be to blame for a payment that cannot be made as Hagan suggested (other matter unclear).

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664  
no no.

[1923]

Holograph card from Daniel [Berne], The Presbytery, City Quay, Dublin, to (Hagan), having received the vestments. Asking to order more and to see to their payment.

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was 7

[1923]

Printed appeal with handwritten instructions for despatch from Mrs.John McClafferty, The Commercial Hotel, Dundrum, County Down, for Pope Pius XI. Appeal for donations for the renovation of the churches at Ballykinlar and

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Dundrum; with Bishop MacRory's approval. Appeal signed Fr. James Mar-  
mion and Fr.Arthur Walsh.

2 pp

666 [1923] Typescript letter signed G.Humphreys, manager of  
no no. *Éire- The Irish Nation* (weekly journal), to 'a chara'  
[Hagan], soliciting subscriptions to aid the paper.  
Stating that many papers do not reach their destinations owing to the efforts  
of the Free State.

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667 [1923] Holograph letter from John O'Gorman, Casa di Cura,  
no no. Via Bolognese, Florence, to (Hagan), in thanks for the  
kindness shown to his party in Rome. Inviting him and  
the vice-rector to Australia.

2 pp

668 [1923] Typescript petition signed by thirteen students of the  
no no.1925 Irish College (Irish name-forms), represented by James  
Bastible and Edward Crinion, to Hagan, asking as  
members of the fourth-year class for the privilege to be absent from their  
camerate at fixed times and for given purposes, as previously given to fourth  
years.

1 p

669 [1923] Typescript letter from H.(agan), Rome, to Michael  
(Curran) [Tivoli]. Informing him that Conn Murphy  
and Donal O'Callaghan appeared as delegates sent on a  
clandestine mission from the ardfheis; they want to enquire about the pro- -  
mises made after their appeal nine months ago. He will send them to Curran.  
Stating the difficulty of keeping their visit quiet, with Hill and Dwyer around

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but that is 'the price people have to pay for doing anything'. Advising him Michael Brown, Maynooth, will arrive today – 'fortunately...one of the faithful undeparted'. The Sisters are doing very well and making grand plans. (Probably September 1923; was placed in 1925.)

1 p

- 670 [1923] Handwritten draft letter by [Tizi] Irish College, to Cardinal [...] [Congregation for Religious], asking for permission for Fr.Ronayne O.C.C. to hear the confessions of those sisters recently called to work at the College; explaining that they have only English and Irish, but no Italian.

1 p

- 671 3 October 1904- [1923] Typescript copy memorandum by [Bishop O'Sullivan of Kerry, Killarney] for [...], submitting the facts of the case Fr.O'Callaghan, now of Eyeries, made against him. Describing his untenable and obstreperous ways in dealing with his parishioners, curates, and with the bishop. He has since appointed a new parish priest but O'Callaghan refuses to budge. Enclosing handwritten copy letter from Fr.O'Callaghan, Caherciveen (County Kerry) to Bishop Mangan [Killarney], refusing to accept Eyeries parish except temporarily; copy also of bishop's reply insisting on the parish.

2 items

- 672 [1923] Handwritten draft letter from (Hagan), to Monsignor [...] [Congregation of the Consistory]. Concerning the case of the Bishop of Kerry against Fr.O'Callaghan, asking for a formal document with the congregation's sentence on O'Callaghan, who was in Rome earlier in the year to appeal against his removal from his parish. The bishop's lawyer needs the document since the case is now dealt with in a legal court.

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- 673 [1923] Holograph letter from M.(J.Curran), Tivoli, to Hagan, having heard that he has returned. Hubert Briscoe and McNerney, the London correspondent of the *Independent*, were with him. Inviting him to send Fr.Morrissey out for a few days. Advising him of the six students who presented for examination at Clonliffe. The Germans visited them and 'cleared us out of cigarettes'. Also mentioning *The Torch*, a new Catholic weekly. (The students listed enrolled at the College in 1923.)

2 pp

- 674 [1923] Typescript copy letter from [Catholic Appeal Committee, Rome] (no signature, possibly fragmented), to Cardinal [...], rendering account of their mission before departure for Ireland. As instructed by him, they had an interview with Monsignor Borgongini. Despite tendering a declaration of loyalty to Pope and Irish bishops ('our...anxiety to stand well with the bishops'), the Pope refused to receive them himself. Criticising Borgongini's 'new doctrine' that all military activity against a de facto government, whether or not imposed and sustained by enemy help, is a mortal sin. While ready to meet Cardinal Logue, as demanded, pointing to the cardinal's consistently pro-English stance and his late uncharitable and bitter approach to republicans. Entering emphatically a protest against refusal of access to the Holy Father where English envoys find ready entry. Pointing to grievances made known to the Holy See also by Monsignor Luzio, and in particular the unjust detention of republicans, currently on hunger strike. Warning that the loss of confidence in the Vatican will cause republican leaders to act with less constraint towards the bishops than up to now: the church could take grave wounds: quoting Archbishop MacHale on damage done to the faith by the political involvement of the hierarchy. There will be 'the cry that the time has clearly come for administering such a lesson to churchmen as will deter them once for all from ever again using spiritual bonds to tie the hands of the Irish people ...[fighting for] the God-given right of Ireland... to the liberty and independence which no churchman thinks of contemning in any other country.' (This belongs in October 1923; it was found in HAG 3 ('political'). It is connected to a delegation with Conn Murphy alluded to by P.Murphy, Enniscorthy, 1923/594, and Hagan, Rome, 1923/670.)

5 pp

- 675 [1923] Typescript postscript to a letter from [Hagan], Rome, to [...]. Having mentioned the *Morning Post* and its Protestant Rome correspondent, Millar, quoting at length from his recent series

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of articles entitled 'The Papacy and Politics' (5 September), dealing with the British legation to the Holy See. Quotations include points about the great support given to the legation by Cardinal Gasquet; the fierce opposition by the Irish College - mentioning 'the late Rector's clandestine 'Red Pamphlet"'; the British legation's success in winning the Italian press over; Benedict XV's reprimands for pro-Irish clerics who unadvisedly spoke against Great Britain; Pius XI's well-meant delegation to Ireland of 'an ecclesiastic who had played billiards with DeValera in his student days' [Luzio]- 'but we must not expect either the Vatican or our Legation to work miracles in the Irish question...' Also judging that the British clerics in Rome 'as at the time of the Spanish Armada...are in politics Britons first'. (Cf.letter from Hagan to Archbishop Mannix, 5 October 1923; because of repetitions this item is not likely a part of that letter.)

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- 1                   (1 January) 1924       Holograph letter from (Sr.Mary Francis) de Sales, Loreto Abbey, Rathfarnham (Dublin), to (Hagan), with good wishes. Comments on mortality among clergy of the diocese. Mother General is home between two long journeys; she is very grateful for his proof of friendship last June.
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- 2                   1 January 1924         Holograph letter from Thomas O'Hagan, 420 Church Street, Toronto, Ontario, Canada, to Hagan, with good wishes. He was in Ireland with his cousin, editor of the *Kerry People*. Welcoming the Holy Father's allocution declaring the prospects good for a peaceful solution. Opinions are divided in north America, but he found much support for DeValera when lecturing in Chicago; Fr.O'Flanagan was there at the time. Wondering about the number of bishops of Irish extraction in colonies besides America, for an article. Also trying to argue against those who exaggerate the number of Irish turning from the faith; asking about sources. Asking date of the centenary celebrations at the Irish College. Commenting on the hard task ahead for the newly appointed Bishop of Victoria, British Columbia, O'Donnell.
- 2 pp
- 3                   2 January 1924         Holograph letter from Sr.(Mary) Visitation, Convent of St.John of God, Wexford, to Hagan, in gratitude for the kindness during her stay. Hoping the sisters have recovered; two sisters are ready to go to Rome. She will send the petition later.
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- 4                   2-[6] January 1924     Two holograph letters from Archbishop D.Mannix, Raheen, Kew, Victoria (Australia), to Hagan, intro-  
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ducing Mr.and Mrs.Peter Lacey, asking to arrange access to a papal audience for them. Also introducing bearer W.Brady and W.Butler; the latter the son of the most generous Catholic layman in Melbourne.

3 pp

- 5            2 January 1924            Holograph letter from Archbishop T.P.Gilmartin, St.Jarlath's, Tuam (County Galway), to Hagan, with good wishes. Asking for list of expenses to set their accounts straight.

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- 6            4 January 1924            Typescript letter signed [Fr. Nagara] of the Pontificium Opus a Propagatione Fidei, Propaganda Fide, Rome, to (Hagan), inviting him to the council meeting next Wednesday; advising him of the points for discussion. [Italian]

2 pp

- 7            4 January 1924            Holograph letter from Bishop Patrick O'Donnell, Dundalk (County Louth), to (Hagan), in thanks for his letter; with a matter he has not been able to express so far. Firstly stating that there are no news concerning a Free State representative at the Vatican; also that leading republicans are not likely to be released now-the situation may depend on events in the north. Something he said recently was more fully refuted in Belfast than in Dublin; promising to send an Orange paper. Then informing him that there have been expressions of disapproval of Hagan both in Rome and in Ireland; the gravamen is probably 'that your name was too much mixed up with extreme Irish politics and that Irish politics and politicians have had too much contact with the College'. Reassuring him that his friends are legion, including the cardinal. Advising to stay indifferent for a while to 'our Irish political vicissitudes'. Brief message for Curran; asking for Mass celebrated for his salvation. (Letter is marked 'private and confidential'.)

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no no.                      5 January 1924                      Printed form with handwritten insertions signed [...] *Syngrapha*, Rome, acknowledging receipt for a sum in payment of [subscription]. [Latin] 1 p
- 9  
was 8                      5 January 1924                      Holograph letter from J.J.O'Kelly T.D.['Sceilg'] of Cumann na Poblachta, Irish Republican Headquarters, South East 41sth Street, New York, to Hagan, sending letter with Fr.Denis Gildea who will tell him the news. Stating the prospects for their cause 'brighten steadily'. Giving cover address with Mrs.O'Connell, Bronx. He just recovered from pleurisy. 1 p
- 10  
was 9                      6 January 1924                      Holograph letter from Robert Kane S.J., Milltown Park, Dublin, to Hagan. Informing him of Sr.Ignatia's case as regards the congregational decree; because of her health and the prospect of unpleasantness at the convent they have decided she will not return there. Enclosing copy items of correspondence between the Mother General and the sister (not extant). Asking for advice with regard to lodging copies with the congregation. 2 pp
- 11  
was 10&11                      7 January 1924                      Holograph letter from Patrick Barton, The Presbytery, Ardfert, County Kerry, to Hagan, enclosing cheque towards the building of the Sacred Heart church in Rome. Asking for a papal blessing for his sister, Sr.Mary Louis Barton. His curate Bill O'Riordan is in troubled waters. Then commenting on Fr.O'Callaghan of Eyeries taking the bishop to the civil court- were the old Bishop Mangan still alive then this would not have happened; Bishop O'Sullivan gives 'no quarter for a Manganite'. Inviting him to visit Ardfert, 'the ancient See of St.Brendan without the Crozier'. Enclosing list of [contributors to the charity]. 2 items



of views, and offering that 'I am ashamed of my country, I regret the bitterness, I deplore the absence of a truly national as distinct from a party spirit...' It will be best to stay aloof except when hoping 'to smoothe asperities and remove angles'. Antagonising serves nothing, especially seeing how quickly alignments change in Irish politics. '...who knows but that in a year or two the Church's best friends in Ireland may not be the present Republicans? ... Stranger things have happened.' Bitter reflection that Ireland is indeed a tribal entity but that against his hopes education and increased knowledge have not helped this. 'I am surprised at myself for not seeing that a land where the two Hughs tried and failed was not likely to afford a fertile field in which lesser man ... in baser ages could be expected to produce a better crop'. Curran leaves for Dublin; asking to talk to him particularly about the meanings of "We" and "He" and "I".

8 pp

14  
was 12

10 [January] 1924 Holograph letter from Ellen Stuffle, visitors' room of the American Express Company, Piazza di Spagna, Rome, to Hagan. Explaining her financial straits; asking for a loan since she cannot turn to Fr.Crotty anymore. The British consul might question her business in Rome and that is strictly to do with the church.

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was 13

10 January 1924 Holograph letter from Thomas Hagan, St.Patrick's College, Manly (Australia), to Hagan, (enclosing) cheque for Mr.[Dineen]'s pension. C.Nolan is doing well. Leonard's health is not too good; commenting on his academic ability and character: he is a good linguist but lacks in scripture. Nevin declined the invitation from Propaganda to be their English 'Padre Spirituale'. Archbishop Sheehan will edit the revived ecclesiastical record for Australia; one crux with this is the expected opposition from Melbourne. Sheehan is not a great administrator; he recently gave a lecture on Aristotle which had 'nothing Catholic in it' which was not in his favour. Dr.Kelly is most active, especially for his age. They expect Dr. Mannix en route to New Zealand. They are very quiet what Irish politics are concerned. Sorry that J.Cullen is not well and may have to return to them.

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- 16  
was 16
- 12 January 1924
- Holograph letter from Cardinal Michael Logue, Ara Coeli, Armagh, to Hagan, enclosing cheque for Gammarelli; offering to pay the student's pension.
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- 17  
was 18
- 12 January 1924
- Holograph letter from D.Canon Keane, The Villa, Glin, County Limerick, to Hagan, in thanks for his felicitations on his appointment to the Limerick see. He will contact the cardinal directly about the bulls.
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- 18  
was 17
- 'Saturday' [12  
January] 1924
- Holograph letter from C.P.Curran, 211 (North Circular) Road (also giving address in Rathgar) (Dublin), to Hagan. Giving detailed account of his father's recent attacks and health; since he seems to be improving he regrets that Michael has had to cancel his plans for Palestine by being called home.
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- 19  
was 19
- 13 January 1924
- Holograph letter from Bishop Robert Browne of Cloyne, Bishop's House, Queenstown (Cobh, County Cork), to Hagan. Enclosing names of two nuns who seek a papal blessing for their jubilee; Sr.Mary Borgia O'Brien, and Sr.Mary Alphonsus O'Flynn, Loreto Convent Fermoy. Asking for College account for the diocese. Praising the peace, and observing 'our own Government is going on admirably'.
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- 20  
was 21
- 14 January 1924
- Holograph letter from M.J.C.[urran], 211 (North Circular) Road (Dublin), to Hagan. Giving an account of his father's condition which is fairly serious but hopeful; the next day will be critical. Ecclesiastical Dublin 'is in ferment of excitement' for the forty-one changes that have been applied to the clergy; listing some of them; few comments. Hubert Briscoe has shown him much kindness; he is now 'the official (Government) stockbroker – I need not say how disgusted all the old bigwigs of the old days feel'. In the Archbishop's House, the appointment of 'O'Kelly' was averted; Paddy Dunne was not happy with the proposal. He will meet Boylan to fix matters [regarding their joint journey]. Brief message for [B...]; he will send a telegram. Fr.Magennis returns to Dublin on Thursday.
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- 21  
was 22
- 15 January 1924
- Holograph card from P.[roinseas] Ní Bh[rádaigh], [Dublin], to (Hagan), advising him of Arthur R.[...] calling on them and asking about "'this [Lyttle] F.S. envoy who is in Rome- did Bobbie mention him!'" . They did not know of him, and neither did Fr.M. [...] who was over at that moment.
- 3 pp
- 22  
was 23
- 15 January 1924
- Typescript letter signed [...] of Thomas Cook & Son, 54 Pizza Esedra, Rome, listing their expense for the missal; now sent off to Monsignor O'Doherty in Salamanca.
- 1 p
- 23  
was 24
- 16 January 1924
- Holograph letter from Bishop Daniel Cohalan of Cork, Farranferris, Cork, to Hagan. Firstly, approving of Mr. Monahan's ordination in Rome; believing it goes well with the sense of independence the priesthood gives to remain under the College rule for a while. Secondly, dealing out a reprimand for Hagan's and the vice-rector's perceived partiality for the Irish republicans: judging the question only in abstracto, he has been compromising his position as agent of the Irish bishops; he is doing himself harm if not being either on the bishops'

side, or else neutral. He has held Hagan in high regard since his days as a curate in Maynooth and is therefore frank with him.

4 pp

24  
was 25

16 January 1924 Holograph letter from Bishop B.Hackett, Bishop's House, John's Hill, Waterford, to (Hagan), glad that his 'subject' gives him satisfaction; also that the College is doing well. He would be pleased if the Franciscan case were settled if only as a question of principle. Asking to obtain the papal blessing for Sr.Mary Imelda Harrington and Sr.Mary Baptist Murphy, Ursulines.

1 p

25  
was 26

18 January 1924 Holograph letter from Archbishop T.P.Gilmartin, St. Jarlath's, Tuam (County Galway), to (Hagan). Hoping the vice-rector will return soon; he himself recovered completely from typhoid. Discussing the Gallagher scholarship, the Bishop of Pittsburgh's [renouncement] and the obligations on the beneficiaries; assuming Hagan has a copy of the will.

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was 75

18 January 1924 Holograph letter from Bishop E.Mulhern, Ardmaine, Newry (County Down), to Hagan, enclosing cheque for Kearns burse and asking for account. His mother surpasses doctors' expectations. Brief comment on the boundary question; much depends on the party in power in Westminster. Tyrone and Fermanagh would make a bad show were an election held before the Boundary Commission sits. Large numbers of 'Specials' have been deployed 'and people are sick of elections'. Comments on the new Bishop of Limerick; both he and Fr.Fahy met him. The Chinese Mission was not granted a vicariate [but he is applying for it himself and hopes for a good outcome]. (The Archbishop) of Dublin has been very busy with patronage lately. Expressing regret over Fr. Duggan's demise. Welcoming the idea of a national pilgrimage to Lourdes.

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was 27

19 January 1924

Typescript letter signed James O'Dea, diocesan secretary, Mount St.Mary's, Galway, to Hagan, having lodged Peter's Pence and congregational fees.

Discussing further obligations; enclosing Typescript list of dispensations granted both by the bishop and by the Holy See in 1922 and 1923 (no names listed).

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was 29

19 January 1924

Holograph letter from [M.J.Clancey], Archbishop's House, 6 Norfolk Road, Edgbaston, Birmingham (England), to Hagan, approving of plan for Mr.Carrick's ordination in March. Apologising he did not inform Hagan of the other student's failure to agree on terms with the archbishop. They will bear Hagan's offer to take an Irish student on in mind.

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was 30

19 January 1924

Holograph letter from Fr.Onorio Magnoni, secretary to Cardinal Bisleti, Congregation for Seminaries and Universities, Rome, to Hagan, in gratitude for the mass intentions sent to him; inviting more. [Italian]

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was 31

20 January 1924

Holograph letter from M.J.Merlehan, Newtown House [Moone, County Kildare], to Hagan, with family news-thankful that Hagan is in contact with [her] mother.

Brief news from Crookstown parish; since Hagan's time there much has happened in the country. Fr.O'Reilly is leaving them after 17 years, replaced by Fr. O'Flanagan; listing other changes within the clergy. In Waterford and Athy all are well. Mentioning Fr.Frederick Morrin, now in the International College. Sending Hagan the *Nationalist* (separate post).

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- 31  
was 32
- 21 January 1924
- Holograph letter from Patrick Dempsey C.C., Blanchardstown, County Dublin, to Pope Pius XI, in addition to his petition of May 1923. Illustrating that he has been penalised for the support he gave to the then vice-rector of Maynooth for the see of Dublin; quoting an encounter between Archbishop Byrne and his former rival. Despite the recent comprehensive series of new appointments in the archdiocese, Dempsey was not moved elsewhere. For the sake of peace, asking His Holiness to use his prerogative on his behalf.
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- 32  
was 33
- 21 January 1924
- Holograph letter from Mary Kelly, Barretstown Villa, Kilfinane, County Limerick, to Hagan, asking for confirmation or otherwise of a rumour that her son Jim, a student at the College, is ill.
- 1 p
- 33  
was 36
- 22 January 1924
- Holograph letter from Maurice J.Kelly, 52 Adelaide Road, Dublin, to Hagan, asking for news of his brother James, student at the College.
- 1 p
- 34  
was 37
- 24 January 1924
- Holograph letter from John Lee P.P., The Presbytery, Kilfinane (County Limerick), in thanks for the letters on James Kelly's illness; the news relieved the parents very much. Reminiscing of suffering from the same illness one time in Tivoli. Praising his dedication.
- 4 pp
- 35  
was 38
- 24 [January] 1924
- Holograph letter from Ellen Stuffle, visitors' room of the American Express Company, Piazza di Spagna, Rome, to Hagan. Regretting he objected to a further loan; laying down the expenses; veering between contempt for those who do not help her and a certain regard for Hagan. The superioress of a Sisters

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de [Clancy]-convent helped her unstintingly; recounting how they met in Lourdes. She will pay her debts to him next week.

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was 39

24 January 1924      Holograph letter from M.Moloney, Corbally, Limerick, to (Hagan), hoping that James Kelly's condition is improving. Enclosing cheque and particulars of matrimonial dispensations (not extant) for the Holy Office, for the faculties granted to them. Dr.Keane's appointment (to the see) has given 'the deepest satisfaction'; the name Hagan mentioned was indeed repeated but only in jest. The novitiate of the Little Company of Mary has been opened and they praise Hagan's work for them.

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was 40

25 January 1924      Holograph letter from [M.J.Curran], 211 (North Circular) Road (Dublin), to 'Carissimo' (Hagan). His father seems to be improving and is certainly very acute of mind. His mother suffers from extreme exhaustion. He had a bad bout of influenza himself; Dublin schools are closing because of the epidemic. Peter Monaghan is very happy with having [P.]Ryan for Wicklow with him now. Seán T. is very hopeful of the future. The Free State cabinet is further divided; Mulcahy's reputation was shaken much by the army scandals. P.Walsh's vicar-generalship came unexpectedly for most. Hoping that poor Kelly will improve; sure that [Minehan] will pull through. Hoping to return in mid-February. Giving regards (not signing off).

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38  
was 41

25 January 1924      Holograph letter from Bishop William Codd, Summerhill, Wexford, to Hagan. Discussing the situation concerning Fr.Sweetman's foundation of Mount St.Benedict; surmising that the decision of the Congregation for Religious puts Downside Abbey in a difficult position. With Sweetman resigning the English may have little motivation to keep the monastery.

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- 39  
was 42
- 27 January 1924
- Holograph letter from Bishop James Naughton of Killala, St.Muredach's, Ballina, County Mayo, to Hagan. Enclosing a document (not extant) which he replied to in 1921; asking to obtain information on how the case stands. The money of the parties involved are still kept on deposit.
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- 40  
was 44
- 28 January 1924
- Holograph letter from Mary Elizabeth D.O'Carroll, Hotel Jolanda, Venice (and giving Dublin address), to 'reverend Father' (Hagan), asking for advice on how to secure access to a papal audience; she is travelling with French friends from Paris; her parish priest might not have received her letter of enquiry in time.
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- 41  
was 45
- 29 January 1924
- Holograph letter from Diarmuid Ua Cathaláin (Jeremiah Cohalan), Bandon, County Cork, to Hagan, with suggestions for a new catechism for schools. Criticising the emphasis on memorising and on official examinations which do not create, for the child and adult later, 'an effective resource for self-guidance'. This applies especially to those who leave their usual environments and habits and have little knowledge to draw on abroad. Advocating, for primary schools, narratives geared to their audience, with prayers, and a section for reference.
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- 42  
was 46
- 29 January 1924
- Holograph letter from M.J.Curran, 211 (North Circular) Road (Dublin), to Hagan. Relieved about (student) Kelly. His father is improving and his mother is well again. Commenting on the influenza epidemic in Dublin; six-hundred of Guinness's staff are suffering with it. He is seeking to place an invalid aunt in a home; hoping to return by 23 February; his plans for the Holy Land are cancelled. Explaining why Boylan did not call at the College. The story of the College's 'Centenary' is copied in various papers; welcoming the advertisement and suggesting a belated correction. Mentioning the Cardinal Tittular and he will think of Hagan on 2 (February).
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- 43  
was 47
- 29 January 1924
- Holograph letter from Francis O'Reilly, Granard, County Longford, to Hagan, asking to obtain the privilege of a portable altar since he is a priest and invalid.
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- 44  
was 48
- 30 January 1924
- Holograph letter from Mary Kelly, Barretstown Villa, Kilfinane, County Limerick, to Hagan, in thanks for his letter and the good news about Jim. Her eldest son, a doctor, often saw operations for peritonitis done. Extending thanks to the nursing nuns. Her priest, Fr.Lee, kept her informed also.
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- 45  
was 49
- 30 January 1924
- Holograph letter from Archbishop Michael (Kelly), St. Mary's Cathedral, Sydney (Australia), to Hagan. Welcoming suggestion of a word in the ear of the Pope's secretary; the other honours can wait but not that of the (Cameriere Segreto) for Fr.Eugene Brauer of St.Columban's Seminary. Planning to provide for a second Sydney student of Hagan's choice; thanking him for advice on how to procure lecturers for their seminarians. Then commenting that the New Zealand *Tablet* will be vindicated by support from Archbishop Redwood. If Dr. Cleary's charge is that of violence of terms referring to government ministers then he has no grounds. Now attached handwritten draft and copy petitions by (Hagan) and (Tizi), Irish College, Rome, to the Pope; asking on behalf of Archbishop Kelly to grant dignities to Fr.Brauer and to four laymen; recommending their example and efforts for Catholicity.
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- 46  
was 72
- [January 1924]
- Holograph letter from Ellen Stuffle [Rome], to Hagan, with thanks for his loan which she is now repaying. She is on her way to Paris; not sorry to leave 'all you gay deceivers', though it is the Pope in his lack of charity who is most to blame. Fr.Crotty also is a poor specimen of true kindness 'and good riddens to you all'.
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- 47  
was 50
- 1 February 1924
- Holograph letter from Stanislaus Dempsey, St. Augustine's Rectory, 400 Alcatraz Avenue, Oakland, California (U.S.A.), to Hagan, introducing Dr. James Franklin Smith, a medical doctor, who has given his support to the Irish cause and is president of a (Catholic men's society) for the archdiocese of San Francisco.
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- 48  
was 51
- 1 February 1924
- Typescript letter with handwritten addition signed by Archbishop James Duhig of Brisbane, Archbishop's House, "Dara", Brisbane (Australia), to Hagan, enclosing draft for students' pensions; adding particulars. Expecting Frs. Bolton and English back in Australia at the end of the year. Hoping to send two or three students to Rome, including the very promising James Madden. While prospects for the Catholic faith are very good generally, they suffer from a shortage of priests: he could place twenty more as long as they are of the 'educated, zealous, hardworking' class.
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- 49  
was 52
- 2 February 1924
- Holograph letter from Archbishop Edward J. Byrne, Archbishop's House, Dublin, to (Hagan). Commenting very favourably on Paddy Walsh's promotion to vicar general; asking to see through an 'istanza' to gain the prelature for him. Hoping to gain the faculty of giving 'beneplacitum' for debts over £ 1,200; in a constantly progressing diocese as theirs there is always demand for refurbishments of or for new schools and churches. Some remarks (oblique) about mortality among priests; the [senior A.C.'s]; and the parish priests who blame the appointment of a curate bishop. In the canonisation process they are proceeding to the fifth period. Expecting to meet Curran this evening.
- 4 pp
- 50  
was 53
- 2 February 1924
- Holograph letter from (Mother Mary) Kevin, The Convent, Nsambya (Uganda British East Africa), to (Hagan, her cousin). Asking him to invite Bishop Biermans to stay at the Irish College when he visits Rome in May; he has been a very good bishop to them and friend to her for twenty-one years. Some family news concerning Stasia, and her sisters Annie and Lizzie. Expressing the

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joy and satisfaction the convent and the work give her: 'what goodness of God to call me to such a life dear Cousin!' Asking for a relic of Pius X. They will try, through the bishop, to set up a separate community of black sisters of whom they will have sixteen. The small number is still a sign of hope in a country riven by paganism and all sorts of wickedness. Inviting him to visit them to witness missionary life.

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Rome.

Holograph letter from Francis J.Macken, c/o Provincial Bank of Ireland, College Green, Dublin, to (Hagan), in gratitude for hospitality during his stay in

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was 55

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copate.

Typescript letter signed by William A.Pritchard, honorary secretary of the Organising Committee, 173 Upper Kennington Lane, London S.E.11 (England) to

'Reverend Father' (Hagan), asking to add his name to the committee; they are preparing a presentation to Monsignor Brown on his appointment to the episcopate.

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was 56

4 February 1924

ly of the student) yet. Further comments [about the slow disease]; hoping he will still pull through.

Holograph letter from John Lee P.P., The Presbytery, Kilfinane, (County Limerick), to Hagan, having received the upsetting news; he has not informed (the family of the student) yet.

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was 57

4 February 1924

own influenza are wearing off. He dined with (the Archbishop of Dublin) on

Holograph letter from M.J.Curran, 211 (North Circular) Road (Dublin), to Hagan, hoping Kelly will survive his illness. His father is improving, and the effects of his

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Saturday. He will allow William Murphy to stay in Rome if useful. (Byrne) also advising Dempsey to await an invitation before applying. P.W.[alsh]'s appointment is popular; he remains at the Archbishop's House for a while. (Byrne) is as favourable of the Irish College as ever and 'very friendly to you'. He missed Seán T. again; is ordering Churchill's article; Mr.Keohane also has influenza. Hoping there will be an end soon to the worries over the typhoid.

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was 58

5 February 1924 Holograph letter from M.J.Curran, 211 (North Circular) Road (Dublin), to Hagan, hoping they had a successful 'festa'. Enclosing note for A.Crinion concerning mass intentions. Further brief news; asking Tizi to see the sculptor Tonnini about the statue of the Sacred Heart.

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was 59

5 February 1924 Typescript letter signed Fr.[...Nogara], general secretary, Propaganda Fide, Piazza di Spagna 48, Rome, to (Hagan), advising him that the meeting regarding the contributions to the missions will take place on 1 April; details. [Latin]

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was 60

5 February 1924 Typescript letter from Bishop Hugh Boyle of Pittsburgh, Bishop's House, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania (U.S.A.), to Hagan, having received the report as stipulated by Fr.O.P.Gallagher's bequest.

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was 61

6 February 1924 Holograph letter from Thomas McCarthy, St.Charles Church, Ontario (Canada), to Hagan, asking for ack-

nowledgement of mass intentions. Fr. Thomas O'Donnell will be consecrated Bishop of Victoria in a week's time. Hoping to come to Rome next summer.

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was 62

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Holograph letter from Bishop William Codd, Summerhill, Wexford, to Hagan, asking to pay a fee to the Congregation of the Sacraments.

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Holograph letter from William Brennan P.P., Rathdowney, (County Laois), to Coadjutor bishop James Downey of Ossory, Kilkenny. Asking for a 'dispensation in radice' in a case where the new spouse of a local man (Elizabeth and David Cusack) was found not to have been baptized at the time of the marriage; they have a child. They do not need to know of the problems involved. (Covering letter not extant.)

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was 64

7 February 1924

Typescript letter signed Bishop C.O'Sullivan, The Palace, Killarney (County Kerry), to (Hagan). Proposing temporary provisions to be taken for the amalgamation of ten Kerry Presentation convents; valid until the Irish bishops have suitably modified regulations regarding the order as a whole. Giving details; adding information about a house in Tralee ear-marked for the noviceship. Enclosing a cheque for fees. Now attached draft letter by (Hagan) to the [Congregation for Religious] petitioning in this case. [partly Italian]

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was 65

8 February [1924]

Typescript letter signed J.K.[elly], Dunedin (New Zealand), to Hagan, welcoming his letter; [Cleary's new proposed paper] is no longer to be issued under 'papal command'. Van R.[ossum] is not likely to take official action. Archbishop (Redwood) wrote in two instances to Rome defending the *Tablet* and stating that a new paper could only be detrimental for Catholicity in the coun-

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try. His suffragans agree; however, Liston is 'powerless and spineless' as well as detested in his diocese. Further plans for action in the matter. Clergy and laity in Auckland are anxious over the likely financial loss, the former are 'a poor-spirited lot'. Buxton was employed for the *Month*; the first issue met none of the raised expectations.

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63  
was 66

8 February 1924 Holograph letter from Mrs.A.J.Smith, S.S."Damietta", Cook's Nile Service [Egypt], to Hagan. On recommendation from Dr.Mannix, contacting him with regard to obtaining access to a papal audience for early March.

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64  
was 67

9 February 1924 Holograph letter from J.J.Joyce, P.P.V.C., St.Brigid's, Portumna, County Galway, to (Hagan), enclosing draft for the Clonfert Peter's Pence. The Archbishop of Tuam wrote to Cardinal Merry delVal about the unfortunate O'Loughlin case; it would be a charity to restore him to faculties; very few know of the nature of his crime and he is most popular.

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was 69

9 February 1924 Holograph letter from Bishop Laurence Gaughran, Bishop's House, Mullingar (County Meath), to Hagan, paying expenses and dispensation fees. Enclosing handwritten account signed by himself for the Congregation of the Holy Office, listing amounts received for dispensations in two mixed marriage cases (male spouses James [Toffin] and William Webb). [partly Latin]

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- 66  
was 70
- 10 February 1924
- Holograph letter from (Sr.Mary) Celsus ('Vi'), Sisters of Mercy, Golden Bridge, Inchicore, Dublin, to Hagan (her cousin). Very disappointed he has not written or sent the papal blessing yet; urging him to do so. Asking whether their present mother bursar, Mother Malachy Mulherne, could become superioress again – she held the office for the penultimate term. They are relieved that the local superioress is not to leave; Sr.(Mary) [D...] Foster. Brief references to family members. The Archbishop held visitation in Carysfort recently.
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- 67  
was 71
- 10 February 1924
- Holograph letter from Robert Kane S.J., Milltown Park, Dublin, to Hagan, in thanks for his letter and his enquiry at the congregation. Sketching the agreement between [Sr.Ignatia Kerrigan's parents] and the archbishop concerning expenses. In gratitude for his assistance. Remarking on the next big trip that the Mother General is about to take.
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- 68  
was 72
- 11 February 1924
- Holograph letter from Sr.(Mary) J.Madeleine Morrogh, Ursuline Convent St.Mary's, Waterford, to Hagan, applying to the Congregation for Religious to use an inheritance for repairs to their church.
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- 69  
was 73
- 11 February 1924
- Holograph letter from H.Weldon, Rome, to (Hagan); giving account of her very difficult situation. Cardinal Laurenti does not want to help her; she cannot find work and is hungry and ill.
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was 76

11 February 1924 Holograph letter from James Sinnott, House of Missions, Enniscorthy (Wexford), to (Hagan); giving account of finances concerning Fr.Breen's monstrance and ciborium which arrived and are greatly admired. Brief news of the House and of locals, John's [...] appointment to the administration of Wexford was a surprise since he is quite junior. The bishop is quite ill. Ideals are at a low in Ireland at present and the farmers' prospects are bad especially since trade with Russia is to be opened.

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was 77

11 February 1924 Holograph letter from [Sr. John], [E.R.Morrissey] Number 2 Convent, Dublin, to [Sr.Thomas] (Hagan), Commenting at length on Sr.Patrick's [Patrick Walsh] rapid promotion; she takes all the accolade with a grain of salt; further promotion is likely. Hagan's friend looked very well and will receive the novice at any time; another of his friends is expected. Sr.K.[P.J.Keohane] is unhappy with Sister Stan's [...] rather bland political [contribution to the *Catholic Bulletin*]. Unfavourable remarks about 'the second visitor' [...] who was expected to be more popular. Having Fr.Brennan appointed to Chapelizod seems a peculiar move. Remarks on another friend [Dempsey] who is in money trouble and remains in his old post. Commenting on the superioress's [Archbishop Byrne] want of backbone and trouble with judging. Adding mass intentions; there are less these days for the high unemployment. Commenting on uncertainty [among Dublin clergy as to appointments]. 'Influenza is the order of the day here, cold, wet (and) no work'.

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was 80

13 February 1924 Holograph letter from M.J.Curran, 211 (North Circular) Road, Dublin, to Hagan, expecting to return in a week's time unless the docker's and railwaymen's strike interferes. His father is improving steadily. Glad that Kelly's severe fight is over. He saw Hagan's fellow invalid of 1920 [Seán T.Ó Ceallaigh] who is well. Brief remarks about other friends; Gus Farrell of Donnybrook is in a very bad way. Brief treatment of other matters.

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73 [14] February [1924] Holograph letter from E.G.[Kerrin], Hotel Beau Site,  
was 81 Rome, to Hagan, regretting Hagan was still laid up  
when [she] called. Seeking entrance to a papal audi-  
ence; hoping to see Hagan before departure.

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74 14 February 1924 Holograph letter from Michael Doorley, The Pass, Kin-  
was 82 nitty, Birr, County Offaly, to (Hagan). Asking for ad-  
vice on his application for acceptance into the Glasgow  
diocese; this is not as promising as it appeared; wondering whether he ought  
to apply to other dioceses.

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75 15 February 1924 Holograph letter from P.Dempsey, Blanchardstown,  
was 83 County Dublin, to Hagan. He had news about Hagan  
from his cousin-in-law, Mr.Nolan. Asking for news  
about his [application to the congregation]; Monsignor Fitzpatrick has been  
encouraging him; as the archbishop is against him, so the vicars general are  
in his favour. 'Terribilis est locus iste'. In gratitude for the interest he has  
been taking in the case.

4 pp

76 15 February 1924 Holograph letter from P.Dunne, Archbishop's House,  
was 84 Dublin, to (Hagan), enclosing documents for the Con-  
gregation of the Council (not extant) and asking, on  
behalf of a colleague, for the accounts. Curran still looks shaky after his  
bout of influenza.

3 pp

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- 77  
was 85
- 16 February 1924
- Holograph letter from Bishop-elect D.Keane, The Villa, Glin, County Limerick, to (Hagan), proposing two priests to promotion to his present parish, and to the one vacated by the other- Fr.Jeremiah O'Shea and Fr.Cornelius Mangan, since both need to be appointed by Rome. Glad that James Kelly is over the worst.
- 2 pp
- 78  
was 86/89
- 16 February 1924
- Two holograph letters from Bishop Bernard Coyne, St. Mary's, Sligo, to (Hagan), enclosing Peter's Pence for - Elphin; begging the Holy Father's blessing; also enclosing cheque for dispensational fees.
- 2 items
- 79  
was 87
- 16 February 1924
- Holograph letter from Michael McElligott, Keel, Killynn, County Kerry, to 'dear Father' [Hagan], asking about the petition he sent to the Pope concerning their parish priest Fr.O'Sullivan. If no action is taken in Rome, he will publish the story of the priest's neglect throughout the 'united kingdom'.
- 4 pp
- 80  
was 88
- 16 February 1924
- Holograph letter from Bishop Bernard Hackett, Bishop's House, John's Hill, Waterford, to (Hagan); he is missing the faculties from the Congregation of the Sacraments.
- 1 p
- 81  
was 90
- 17 February 1924
- Holograph letter from Bishop Laurence Gaughran, (Mullingar, County Westmeath), to Hagan, asking whether his letters to the congregations were forwarded. (Verso has handwritten memorandum by [Tizi] regarding [the approbation of a convent's constitutions]84, .)
- 2 pp

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- 82  
was 92
- 17 February 1924
- Holograph letter from Coadjutor Bishop J.Downey, Bishop's House, Kilkenny, to (Hagan), asking for a dispensation 'sanatio in radice' for Canon Brennan. Enclosing a letter from Brennan and asking him to return it.
- 1 p
- 83  
was 93
- 18 February 1924
- Holograph letter from M.[J.Curran], [near] Dover (England), to Hagan, expecting to arrive in Rome on Thursday. His father is on the mend but his mother fairly weak. Because of the death of two parish priests [in the Dublin archdiocese] it is likely that both Fr.Deering and A.Crinion will be recalled; he asked His Grace to leave them Murphy if possible.
- 2 pp
- 84  
was 94
- 18 February 1924
- Holograph letter from Bishop Patrick O'Donnell, Dundalk (County Louth), in thanks for his long and interesting letter; regretting he has not seen the vice-rector. Observing that hopes are not high over the boundary conferences, although the new Labour government might work against partition. Hoping that the plan of sending a Catholic of such distinction as ambassador to Russia will not be given up on. On Hagan's recent problems, assuring him of the prelates' warm personal liking for him and of their appreciation of his work [and his - difficult position]: the opinion gains ground that his difficulties arise from things that occurred before the treaty and the split, not recent events. Steering a middle path is advisable- 'you did the work of the republicans and Free-Staters when they were one'. O'Donnell himself is in the category of 'spent politician'; they do their best while there is light guiding their feet. While taking a deserved rest, the College and ancient history will keep Hagan going. Brief comment on the influenza epidemic.
- 8 pp

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85  
was 95

18 February 1924

Typescript letter from 'the editor' of *The Graphic*, Graphic Buildings, Whitefriars E.C.4 (London, England), to Hagan. Soliciting an article on the history of the Irish College on the occasion on its centenary; the photographer of renown, E.O. Hoppe, will take photographs when in Rome. Explaining that Archbishop Mackintosh suggested Hagan's name.

1 p

86  
was 96

20 February 1924

Holograph letter from Ellen Minahan, Raheen, Ballysheedy, County Limerick, to (Hagan). On advice of their parish priest, writing to find out news of her son who is ill at the College.

2 pp

87  
was 97

20 February 1924

Holograph letter from P.Boylan, on the S.S.Luxor (Anglo-American Nile & Tourist Company), with brief remarks about the journey; regretting Curran could not join. Asking to arrange access to a papal audience for an American family from Ohio, Laughlin and Warden, Protestants. Hoping to see him again on the return journey.

4 pp

88  
was 98

20 February 1924

Holograph letter from K.[P.J.Keohane] of M.H.Gill & Son Ltd., Dublin, to (Hagan). Commenting ironically on the Notes [for the *Bulletin*] by Stannous; some who could not get close to royalty now presume to at least lecture us on our civic responsibilities. Asserting that contrary to the general opinion 'the position is improving steadily and many stray sheep are coming back to the fold'. Enclosing an article by a Benedictine in Palestine; asking for somebody's comments to complement it, with regard to risks to the faith from English intrigues. They had trouble publishing the last number because of the flu. He saw the vice [Curran] but missed the General [Magennis]. Regretting the latter may take a pessimistic view, but while 'the poor lads are suffering' he believes that they have left the worst behind.

2 pp

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- 89  
was 99
- 20 February 1924
- Typescript letter signed [Fr.G.Nogara], General Secretary of the Pontificium Opus a Propagatione Fidei, Palazzo di Propaganda, Rome, to (Hagan), inviting him to a meeting of the general superior council; informing him of the points for discussion. Including aid for the New Hebrides after a cyclone, and for the new prefecture for Thsuapa. [Italian]
- 1 p
- 90  
was 100
- 25 February 1924
- Holograph letter from Mary Kelly, [Barrettstown] Villa, Kilfinane, County Limerick, to Hagan, reiterating request for news of her son; the suspense is very hard to bear.
- 1 p
- 91  
was 101
- 25 February 1924
- Typescript letter from Mr.Chickall, secretary of E.O. Hoppe (artist and author), Millais House, Cromwell Place, South Kensington, London S.W.7 (England), to Hagan. Hoppe has been asked to collect photographs of Hagan and the College, as well as taking notes about it. Asking to respond directly to Hoppe care of Senator Cippico.
- 1 p
- 92  
was 102
- 26 February 1924
- Typescript [copy] letter signed J.Hagan, Rome, to Archbishop [Michael Kelly, Sydney], advising him that by parallel post the nominations to ecclesiastical offices will be sent, including Fr.Brauer's chamberlainship; further discussion of fees; the actual crosses awarded will be brought by the Camelite general when he travels to Australia. Enclosing receipt for pension payment; the Sydney student Dineen is one of their most worthy students. Then commenting on the typhoid epidemic; they have reacted by inoculating the students in a manner that had good results during the war. Observing that if Dr.

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Leonard suffers from the nerves it is due to him having been left too long in Rome so that he 'had too much time to develop idiosyncracies'.

1 p

93  
was 103

26 February 1924 Holograph letter from P.Dempsey, Blanchardstown, County Dublin, to Hagan. Asking for advice on his case; wondering whether to travel to Rome to present his case to the congregation. Would like to see the archbishop's presentation of the case; doubting that even their friend the new Vicar General [Walsh] would want to get involved. He is suffering from influenza. Asking if there is any chance that Hagan goes to Clonfert.

4 pp

94  
was 104

27 February 1924 Holograph letter from Bishop J.Naughton of Killala, St.Muredach's, Ballina, County Mayo, to Hagan, enclosing dimissorial for Mr.Gallagher; regretting that Mr.McDonald is not giving satisfaction. He had his letter concerning the appeal; hoping Hagan is better.

1 p

95  
was 105

28 February 1924 Holograph letter from D.[Mc]Hales, Genoa, to Hagan. Stating that Ernesto Buonaiuti, receiving information from Cardinal Gasparri, is the Vatican correspondent for *La Stampa*, Turin. The editor is pro-English and anti-Mussolini; drawing conclusions for Gasparri himself. Believing it unwise for the Irish Republic to support the anti-government press such as the *Voce Repubblicana* – it is 'sometwimes senselessly hostile to Mussolini' and seems inspired at times by MacDonald's Labour government. Their Italian friends in Genoa trust their people in Rome too much and 'do not grasp the extent of the perfidious power of the Scotch Free Masonry'. If they are bribed they will destroy their own cause.

3 pp

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- 96  
was 106
- 28 February 1924
- Holograph letter from Ellen Minihan, Raheen, Ballysheedy (County Limerick), to [Hagan], in gratitude for the news, and for the good treatment given to her son; Fr.Hogan had told her he was out of danger.
- 3 pp
- 97  
was 107
- 28 February 1924
- Typescript letter signed by Richard Aylward, President, St.Kieran's College, Kilkenny, to (Hagan), enclosing a number of documents including a petition on his own behalf and the bishop's authorisation (none extant); asking to present the case at the Holy See.
- 1 p
- 98  
was 108
- 28 February 1924
- Holograph letter from Michael Boyle, The Maynooth Mission to China, St.Columban's College, Dalgan Park, Galway, to Hagan. In gratitude for his kindness in Rome. W.B.Murphy is still there but it seems he has a poor chance since the constitution is very explicitly against taking part in politics. Expressing his astonishment that, despite unsourced rumours to the contrary, all but two priests at Dalgan are on Hagan's side of things; only the superior never voices his opinion.
- 2 pp
- 99  
was 43
- 28 February 1924
- Holograph letter from Bishop B.Hackett, Bishop's House, John's Hill, Waterford, to (Hagan), having lodged Peter's Pence and a honorarium for Hagan on their account.
- 1 p



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| 104<br>no no.  | [post-1 March<br>1924] | Handwritten draft letter by (Hagan) to the Congregation of the [Holy Office]. Asking on behalf of Bishop John Barry of Goulburn for the privilege of a private oratory for one of his priests, Fr.Terence O'Shaughnessy, who is retiring. (Barry was nominated bishop 1 March 1924; the letter was among the 1924 papers.)<br>[Italian]  | 1 p  |
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| 105<br>was 113 | 3 March 1924           | Holograph letter from (Bishop) Joseph MacRory, Trench House,Belfast (County Antrim), to Hagan, enclosing Peter's Pence, apologising for the delay and the reduced sum. Grateful that they have complete peace now, but the poverty is great, especially among the Catholics since the employers are all non-Catholics. Enclosing copy of his pastoral (not extant), explaining that he had to write cautiously about the question of a reunion 'for fear of an outbreak of bigotry'. | 4 pp |
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| 106<br>was 115 | 5 March 1924           | Holograph letter from [Pietro] Dell'Olio, technical office of the Banca d'Italia, Rome, to Hagan. Promising a confirmation within the next few days; sending him the land registry maps of the grounds which the College is about to purchase at S.Giovanni; the maps for Via Mazzarino are being prepared.  | 1 p  |
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| 107<br>was 116 | 6 March 1924           | Holograph letter from Mary Kelly, [Barnetstown] Villa, Kilfinane (County Limerick), to Hagan, in deep gratitude for the news about Jimmie. Eddie McCarthy can keep her informed from now. Hoping he is improved himself.   | 2 pp |





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- 116  
was 78
- 12 March 1924
- Holograph letter from Miss Agnes G. Murphy, Alhambra Hotel, Avenue du Sospel, Menton, France, to (Hagan), asking for assistance for her and fellow travellers in gaining access to the mass celebrated by the Pope on Easter Sunday. They are all friends of Archbishop Mannix. Enclosing 'An Irishwoman's notable career' with press statements about her successful office and work in organising arts events and as a press correspondent.
- 2 items
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- 117  
was 35&114
- [12] March 1924
- Holograph letter from Bishop David Keane of Limerick, Bishop's House, Corbally, Limerick, to (Hagan), in thanks for agency matters. Hoping the bull for the new priest of Glin will not be delayed. Glad of the good news of James Kelly, and Minihan. Now attached draft petition to the Holy Father by [Hagan], stating that Bishop Keane of Limerick proposes Fr. Cornelius Mulcahy for the councillorship at the diocesan chapter which he has held himself up to now. [partly Italian]
- 2 items
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- 118  
was 125/127
- 13-14 March 1924
- Two typescript letters signed Joseph S. Walsh, St. Jarlath's, Tuam (County Galway), to Hagan; in reply to his kind letter. Enclosing students' pensions. The archbishop's trip to Spain is going very well. On events in Ireland commenting only that the latest crisis in the army has been very serious: the I.R.B. – 'a source of disaster from the beginning' – are getting all the higher positions in the army and that causes some of the trouble. Inviting him to stay with them. [Enclosing second letter] on behalf of Archbishop (Gilmartin), approving the proposal from the Bank of Italy for their purchase of the Irish College, and also the acquisition of the former Capuchin novitiate on Via Santi Quattro.
- 2 items
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- 119  
was 126
- 13 March 1924
- Holograph letter from Bishop Patrick O'Donnell, Dundalk (County Louth), to Hagan. Observing that the proposal from the bank has more pros than cons; offering

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assistance beyond the four archbishops' approval, which he believes will not be delayed. Remark on Curran's father's death; he is writing to Curran himself.

2 pp

120  
was 128

14 March 1924 Holograph letter from Bishop A.Brownrigg of Ossory, Kilkenny, to Hagan, introducing the bearer, Major [Loftus]'s wife and daughter. Asking to obtain access to a papal audience for them.

2 pp

121  
was 129

14 March 1924 Holograph letter from D.O'Kane, President of St.Mel's College, Longford, to Hagan, enclosing draft for Fr. Patrick McCarthy's burse. He has no applicant for the Fr.Murray burse, but for the seventh burse one of their students will apply to the Irish College. Detailing financial matters and the obligation which goes with the Murray burse.

4 pp

122  
was 130

14 March 1924 Holograph letter from Coadjutor bishop James M.Liston of Auckland, St.Benedict's, Auckland (New Zealand), to Curran, introducing Mr.William McHardy.

1 p

123  
was 131

14 March 1924 Holograph letter from M.J.C.[urran], 211 (North Circular Road), Dublin, to Hagan, enclosing letter from Tuam (probably one of the letters HAG 1/ 1924/ 116). Then commenting on yesterday's election which is 'a severe blow to the (Free State government)'. Although 60% abstained from voting it is clear that the republicans are gaining steadily with people 'openly deploring ever having signed the Treaty'; expecting a land-slide soon. Believing that the

army crisis is far from over. For the coming contest in County Dublin he would not be surprised were the Unionists to enter government on the old system; proportional representation 'works out strangely in such a contest'.

2 pp

124  
was 132

16 March 1924 Holograph letter from J.R.Moran, St.Jarlath's College, Tuam (County Galway), to Hagan, asking for a testimonial from the Irish College, for his application to University College, Galway, for the Chair of Classics.

1 p

125  
was 133

17 March 1924 Holograph letter from Bishop A.Brownrigg of Ossory, Kilkenny, to Hagan, enclosing cheques and asking for advice on how to pay the various congregational fees. Then asking about the possibility of an 'epistola laudio' from the Holy Father: 'personally I hope I care not a thrawneen for the praises of men, but I see that such a letter would come as a grateful acknowledgement and an inspiring influence for good to the worthy priests and people of Ossory'. Asking also whether a lady deserving recognition for acts of charity could be honoured with the medal 'pro ecclesia et pontifice'. Adding that Mrs.Loftus, wife of Major Loftus, will visit Rome soon; he believes she is Jewish. Enclosing a 'libellus supplex' for presentation (not extant).

4 pp

126  
was 134

17 March 1924 Holograph letter from John O'Reilly C.C., The Presbytery, Cavan, to Hagan, introducing Major Edward D. Smith of Cootehall, asking to gain access to a papal audience for him and his wife, who they hope might be converted to Catholicism while in Rome. Adding he is 'a major of the old order; Irish ones did not take to the Continent yet!'

2 pp

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- 127  
was 135
- 'Patrick's Day 1924' Holograph letter from B.Donnellan P.P., Stapleton Place, Dundalk (County Louth), to (Hagan). Asking for his support for their dedication of the new church in Blackrock to the Blessed Oliver Plunkett. The latter's thatched chapel was on a site very close; their foundation stone is taken from its ruins. There seems to be hesitation in Rome about the unusual request.
- 2 pp
- 128  
was 136
- 18 March 1924 Holograph letter from T.F.Cummins, 15 Henrietta Street, Waterford, to (Hagan). In thanks for his kind letter; regretting he will proceed with his appeal since he had previously acted according to the congregation's wishes, without receiving a reply from the bishop involved. (See petition 26 March-10 April.)
- 1 p
- 129  
was 137
- 18 March 1924 Holograph card from Bishop A.Brownrigg, Kilkenny, to Hagan; stating he approves of his scheme for the new College – adding a question about costs when comparing currencies, and further comment. Asking for a replica of St.Peter's prison chain for a watch guard, as a present to a friend.
- 2 pp
- 130  
was 140
- 18 March 1924 Holograph letter from Bishop Robert Browne, Bishop's House, Cobh (County Cork), to Hagan, enclosing cheque for [student pensions]. Stating he supports the College's bid for the new site.
- 2 pp
- 131  
was 141
- 19 March 1924 Holograph letter from Bishop T.O'Doherty, Mount St. Mary's, Galway, to (Hagan), supporting Hagan's plans for the College- the Archbishop of Dublin needs to act

himself, since the Standing Committee only meets in Low Week. Then commenting on the army troubles, which may be due to the number of officers demobilised, as well as to the (Irish Republican Brotherhood), supposed to be active in the army. Action needs to be taken soon if the latter is true- 'we cannot afford Mexican politics'. Adding that the Clonfert appointment is eagerly expected.

4 pp

132  
was 142

19 March 1924 Holograph letter from P.J.Walsh, Holy Cross College, Clonliffe, Dublin, to Hagan, acknowledging receipt of letter and document. Concerning the O'Donoghue case before the Congregation of Sacraments, naming the fee that they can afford to pay for the petitioner, 'a poor clerk'; expecting decision yet. Then settling payment of fees and of Mass intentions. Dempsey, Blanchardstown will not stay quiet for long; further comments. Promising confirmation concerning the archbishops' support for the new College site. Mentioning a pending matrimonial case, Murray versus White. Adding that the new American cardinals will be buzzing about for the next couple of weeks.

4 pp

133  
was 143

19 March 1924 Holograph letter from Bishop B.Hackett, Bishop's House, John's Hill, Waterford, to (Hagan), having payed Peter's Pence on the College account. He is supporting the sale of the Irish College. He only gave a mere outline of Fr.Mulcahy's case.

1 p

134  
was 144

19 March 1924 Typescript letter signed Bishop Charles O'Sullivan, The Palace, Killarney (County Kerry), to (Hagan). Making detailed statement countering the accusations from Mr. Michael McElligot against his parish priest at Abbeydorney, Fr.James O'Sullivan. There has been no neglect of duty on the latter's part; the relatives of MacElligott were buried outside the parish and the priest could not attend. Explaining the frequent cases in Kerry where burials take place in another parish, often involving the local priest. Surmising that the complainant is moved by personal animosity, stemming from Fr.O'Sullivan's opposition to some

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agrarian outrages which the former was probably involved in. Adding that he supports Hagan's plans for the new Irish College.

3 pp

135  
was 145

21 March 1924

Typescript letter signed Michael A.Kelly of the American Association for the Recognition of the Irish Republic, Park Avenue Hotel, 32<sup>nd</sup> Street and 4<sup>th</sup> Avenue, New York City (United States of America). Enclosing for his information a typescript copy, signed by [Monsignor D.F. O'Connor], of resolutions passed at the mass meeting of ten thousand New York citizens on 16 March 1924. Resolutions directed to Pope (Pius XI), submitting in eight points that the Irish bishops have perpetrated scandalous abuses in refusing the sacraments of Penance and of the Eucharist, and in cases also a Christian burial, to citizens of the Irish Republic. Stating belief that appointments to Irish sees are secured by influence exacted by the English government. Requesting His Holiness to 'inflict suitable punishment [referring to canon law] upon those Irish Ecclesiastics who have abused their Sacred Office for purely secular purposes, and in particular the Most Rev.Dr.Cohalan, Bishop of Cork, the outstanding offender in this respect'.

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136  
was 146

22 March 1924

Telegram from Archbishop of Dublin (Edward Byrne), Drumcondra, Dublin, to (Hagan), in the name of all four archbishops, entitling Hagan to sell the site in Via Mazzarino and acquire the former Capuchin noviciate on the [Coelian] Hill.

1 p

137  
was 147

23 March 1924

Holograph letter from M.[J.Curran], 211 (North Circular) Road, Dublin, to Hagan. Stating that after the archbishop's telegram he will receive also a letter from him. He spoke to O'Donnell mostly about the project; he is very keen on the matter, not less so than Dublin – "I would not leave it to the Romans to say that

there was a better college in Rome". Curran succeeded in extracting a promise from [Archbishop Byrne] that he will ask the bishops for subscriptions. Further comments on architect, title deed, and hope for completing the building in 1925. The recent elections leave people interested, but not enthusiastic, as illustrated also in the poor turnout. Republicans are 'quietly jubilant'; the mutineers are a bad lot – mentioning individuals – and are working on Aiken at present. Declaring the Cobh affair most disconcerting; the attack is due to a well-known east Cork malcontent Free Stater. Expecting that all reactionaries, Unionists, Ancient Order of Hibernians and Irish Party will rally round O'Higgins; the others will stay with McGrath and Tobin. Meanwhile there is no election in Limerick. Few local news. Enclosing a cheque. Adding finally that the priests are as silent as mice over the situation: 'you never hear the name of Collins mentioned except by republicans'.

2 pp

138  
was 148

24 March 1924

Holograph letter from Richard O'Daly D.D., Ursuline Convent, Blackrock, Cork, to Hagan, introducing the bearer, Mrs. Waters who is a relation of the superioress and who knew Monsignor Kirby; asking to arrange access to a papal audience for her and her son who is a convert.

2 pp

139  
was 149

24 March 1924

Handwritten letter from 'Ernie' [O'Malley], Isolation Hospital, No.3 Ward, Curragh (County Kildare), to ['Frank'] [...] in gratitude for his long letter, the postcards and other reading matter he was told about but has not asked for yet. Stating he would not like the Riviera; he loves the French cathedrals. During the strike he read Mark Twain's *Joan of Arc* where the author views the church without his usual 'fun'; recommending Anatole France's *Life*; he is presently interested in St. Francis. Hoping '[Kay]' is better; it must be hard for her to deliver lectures; she did much for him during the strike, and her companion 'Joan' can use her pen very well unlike some journalists. He has had postcards from 'Ben'; some comments on Palestine. The recipient should regard himself lucky to have to spend time in Rome; discussing his preferences in art; praising a new German process for colour reproductions; mentioning Hawthorne's *Marble Fawn*. Jail is bearable with plenty of reading. Regards to friends.

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- 140  
was 150
- 25 March 1924
- Holograph letter from J.R.Moran, St.Jarlath's College, Tuam (County Galway), to Hagan, in gratitude for the testimonial; he will write to Dr.Michael Browne. Adding in confidentiality that his 'lethargy of brain-power' when studying in Rome was due to an ailment for which he ought to have seen a doctor.
- 1 p
- 141  
was 151
- 25 March 1924
- Holograph letter from T.P.Gilmartin, St.Jarlath's, Tuam (County Galway). Approving of Hagan's plan for the new College; the Banca d'Italia offer seems very good. Not commenting on the dissension in the army and the terrible outrage in Cobh. Enclosing document (not extant).
- 2 pp
- 142  
was 152
- 25 March [1924]
- Typescript letter signed J.K.[elly] Dunedin (New Zealand), to Hagan. He has been very busy, covering the jubilee celebrations on his own; some comments on the profligate amounts spent on his friend Auckland's *Month*. [Archbishop Redwood] found he ought to have gone to Cattaneo before asking van Rossum directly to take action. Now the bishop concerned [Whyte] ought to act but he has a reputation of being timid; Kelly thinks him a fool. [Bishop Cleary] is desperate to raise funds; as for *The Month* he has not been able to do them (*The Tablet*) any harm. Illustrating how priests and people are suspicious of [Cleary] and 'his Prohibitionis capers'; [Redwood] publicly snubbed [Cleary] at the jubilee. Hoping to see Hagan around Christmas.
- 2 pp
- 143  
was 153
- 25 March 1924
- Holograph letter from M.J.Ryan, St.Augustine's Seminary, Kingston Road, Toronto (Canada), to Hagan, introducing himself as a former student who knew Monsignor O'Riordan. Asking about the upcoming centenary celebrations for the College; stating that O'Riordan always had a lively interest in its history. He knows Hagan was recently honoured by Propaganda. Enclosing articles that prove that in "'the Belfast of Canada'" they keep an interest in things truly Irish.
- 2 pp

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- 144                    25 March 1924            Holograph letter from P.J.Walsh, Archbishop's House, Dublin, to Hagan. Like the vice-rector [Curran] he has been suffering from influenza; a financial matter. Morrissey sustained an injury jumping over a ditch. Then sketching the Murray-White marriage case. The Congregation of the Sacraments suggested recourse to the civil courts for her to obtain perpetual separation; commenting this was odd; they have not given satisfaction for the last year and a half. 6 pp
- 145                    26 March 1924            Holograph letter from J.Moloney, The Presbytery, Donnybrook, Dublin, to Hagan, asking to obtain a papal blessing for Sr.(Mary) Philomena Carysford, Blackrock; enclosing fee. 2 pp
- 146                    26 March 1924            Holograph letter from Archbishop Michael (Kelly), St.Mary's Cathedral, Sydney (Australia), to Hagan, seeking approval for recital of their St.Patrick's Litany from the Congregation of Rites, and also indulgences in favour of the litany. 1 p
- 147                    26 March 1924            Holograph letter from Bishop E.Mulhern, Ardmaine, Newry (County Down), to (Hagan), in thanks for his message of sympathy; offering his own to Curran on his father's death. Enclosing payment for pensions; asking for account statement. Also enclosing documents (not extant), seeking papal recognition of certain men involved in a recent retreat that was very successful; this could be in the shape of a message and a blessing. Dr.O'Gorman addressed these men last summer. Applauding the plans for the new College site. Then commenting that in public affairs there is not much reason for pessimism since they are 'probably not worse than other countries emerging from [...]'; the siftings in the departments will help clearing the air. Their chief concern is the boundary question. There is little change in education despite the

new parliamentary act. Lord Londonderry claimed wrongly that the bishops had approved of the regulations for religious teaching; they had been careful neither to approve nor to disapprove of the draft [document]. They have seriously suffered from the influenza epidemic.

4 pp

148  
was 158

27 March 1924 Holograph letter from Mary F.[Evennett], 24 Cornwall Road, Bayswater, W.11 London (England), to (Hagan). Asking about obtaining access to a papal audience for herself and friends – all of the parish of St.Mary of the Angels- for April. Listing their names.

2 pp

149  
was 159

27 March 1924 Holograph letter from Archbishop J.M.Harty, The Palace, Thurles (County Tipperary), to Fr.Turley [Dublin]. He will inform him of the date for which the St.Vincent de Paul meeting is fixed. Asking him to apply for the additional privileges while in Rome. (No covering letter extant.)

2 pp

150  
was 160

27 March 1924 Holograph letter from Bishop Laurence Gaughran, Bishop's House, Mullingar (County Westmeath), to Hagan, asking for acknowledgement of receipt of a cheque.

1 p

151  
was 161

28 March 1924 Holograph letter from Bishop Charles McHugh, The Spa Hotel, Lucan, County Dublin, to (Hagan). Sorry for the return of Hagan's old illness. Asking to obtain special privileges for the pilgrimage to Lourdes in the autumn.

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edging receipt of donations from Irish dioceses for the cause, and one for the missions of the [Liguori Fathers] of the Philippines

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156  
was 166

31 March 1924      Holograph letter from Bishop Thomas O'Doherty, Mount St.Mary's, Galway, to (Hagan), in thanks for a faculty. The bishop elect of C.[lonfert] consulted him about acceptance; asking Hagan for an official confirmation so that matters can be made public.

2 pp

157  
was 139

[late March 1924]      Holograph letter from John Smith, The House of St. John of God, Stillorgan, Dublin, to Hagan. He has spent four years at the home because of being addicted to drink. Asking whether Bishop Finegan has a right to ask him to celebrate any number of masses for his intentions, listing instances up to 18 March 1924. Asking also about the matter of an inheritance which the bishop wants him to spend for his upkeep, while there is a fund for the support of invalid priests- he has no money for private use. Suspecting that his earlier criticism of the bishop now also prevents him from being given a mission.

4 pp

158  
was 1

1 April 1924      Holograph letter from Bishop William MacNeely, Ard Adhamhnain, Letterkenny (County Donegal), to Hagan, supposing the (arch)bishops have made their decision on the move of the College by now. Commenting on the future importance of the Lateran university for the College, transplanting the Apollinare. Then stating that the new burse was probably meant to stand by itself, attracting a student who would otherwise go to Maynooth; for the time being Rowan and Molloy can benefit from it. Transferring a sum as contribution to the 'Propagation of the Faith', and for fees- enclosing particulars (not extant).

4 pp

HAG 1/ 1924/

- 159  
was 2
- 5 February -  
2 April 1924
- Typescript letter signed Fr.[G.Nogara] of the Pontificium Opus a Propagatione Fidei, Propaganda Fide, Rome, to Hagan, fearing that Hagan forgot about the meetings held by their superior council this week- enclosing his original invitation. [partly Latin]
- 2 items
- 160  
was 3
- 2 April 1924
- Holograph letter from Mary Martin, Craigmore, Blackrock, County Dublin, in thanks for his reply; asking him to forward the papal blessing since the mail service is very uncertain.
- 3 p
- 161  
was 4
- 3 April 1924
- Holograph letter from Bishop David Keane, Bishop's House, Corbally, Limerick, to Hagan, in gratitude for expediting the new parish priest of Glin's appointment; asking for frequent statements of fees owed. Hoping James Kelly is completely restored to health.
- 2 pp
- 162  
was 5
- 4 April 1924
- Holograph letter from James O'Dea, Mount St.Mary's, Galway, to Hagan, enclosing petition for a dispensation (not extant). Commenting on the recent changes in the political firmament. Then offering that 'in a few months more, the Dáil will be only a row of legislating Aunt Sallies, (and) none will be found poor enough to do them reverence ! It is a consummation devoutly to be wished for.' Hoping Hagan has recovered.
- 2 pp

HAG 1/ 1924/

- 163  
was 6
- 4 April 1924
- Holograph letter from S.Wigmore C.C., Cathedral Terrace, Cobh, County Cork, to (Hagan), asking for a papal blessing for the nuptials of Collin Montgomery and Ellen Landers, Mitchelstown; the groom is a convert.
- 1 p
- 164  
was 7
- 4 April 1924
- Holograph letter from Sr.Mary J.Madeleine, Ursuline Convent St.Mary's, Waterford, to Hagan, in gratitude for the letter from the Congregation for Religious, and for the papal blessing. [Enclosing] holograph letter from Sr.Mary of the Sacred Heart, also Ursuline Convent, to Hagan, expressing their superioress's compliments and thanks.
- 2 items
- 165  
was 9
- 7 April 1924
- Holograph letter from Frederick W.Ryan, 85 Lower Leeson Street, Dublin, to Hagan, enclosing copy letter from Ryan, London (6 April) to Lord Parmoor, president of the Council in the Labour government and representative at the League of Nations: advocating that the Irish question be placed before a competent tribunal, acceptable to both peoples, with a view to amending the treaty along the –modernised- lines of Henry Grattan’s declaration of rights; inviting Parmoor to examine public opinion in Ireland; he himself ‘can feel the view-point of the Republicans and, I may say, that of the majority, and a large one, of the Irish people’ from a historical perspective. - Inviting suggestions as to who else to write to, further press publications and ‘if you have any ideas for action to produce PEACE, let me know’. Hoping he will try a rest cure for his complaint.
- 2 items
- 166  
was 11
- 7 April 1924
- Holograph letter from D.O’Donnell, Ventry Villa, 5 Brent Way, Brent Garden Village, Finchley, London N. (England), to Hagan. Asking why his nephew Manus O’Donnell cannot be ordained in the spring, as originally planned. His nephew’s recent letter does not explain the impediment that has arisen.
- 2 pp

HAG 1/ 1924/

- 167  
was 13
- 8 April 1924
- Holograph letter from Bishop Charles McHugh, The Spa Hotel, Lucan, County Dublin, to (Hagan). They are seeking privileges for the pilgrimage planned for 29 September to 10 October, including a plenary indulgence; asking that the privileges obtained by O'Riordan in 1913 are sought for again. As before, those unable to participate will become associates.
- 3 pp
- 168  
was 14
- 10 April 1924
- Holograph letter from Bishop elect John Dignan [O'D.] of Clonfert, Killimor, Ballinasloe (County Galway) to Hagan, in gratitude for Hagan's offer of help. Asking to obtain the Bulls necessary; enclosing cheque.
- 1 p
- 169  
was 15
- 10 April 1924
- Holograph letter from Maddalena Baroness [Tiesenhansen] (widow) Nisio, Via Otranto 45, Rome, to [Hagan], begging for financial assistance to her and her daughter. They lost all they had in Russia, and her son-in-law died suddenly at Genoa. They are forced to live by giving language tuition. [French]
- 3 pp
- 170  
was 156
- 26 March –  
10 April 1924
- Typescript letter signed T.F.Cummins, 15 Henrietta Street, Waterford, to (Pope Pius XI). Protesting against his bishop's treatment of him, after eighteen years of faithful service. The case was before the Congregation of the Council before, but came to nothing. Pointing to the breach of canon law, and to the scandal this gives in a city with many non-Catholics. (Handwritten codes of receipt by [the Congregation of the Council] of February and April.) [Latin]
- 4 pp

[Missing January 2008.]

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- 171 was 7            11 April 1924            Holograph letter from J.Ballesty, All Hallows' College, Dublin, to Hagan, having lodged a sum from the Fr.Rogers foundation on the College account. Enclosing receipt form for Hagan to sign (not returned). Then asking how to seek permission for the sale of property; the sum is too high for permission to be given by the archbishop.
- 2 items
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- 172 was 18            12 April 1924            Holograph letter from Bishop Robert Browne of Cloyne, Bishop's House, Cobh (County Cork), to Hagan, enclosing cheque for Peter's Pence; asking for acknowledgement of receipt.
- 1 p
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- 173 was 19            14 April 1924            Holograph letter from Bishop Patrick McKenna, Bishop's House, Monaghan, to Hagan, having lodged Peter's Pence and student Eugene Duffy's pension to the College's account. Then seeking to have validated two appointments to the diocesan chapter, made by him without recourse to the chapter itself after a new code was introduced; welcoming the new code. Also asking to inform the Congregation of the Council of McKenna's approval of the chapter's new statutes. Finally reiterating request for a papal prize; to be used for raising funds for their seminary; at the most he could spend £ 100. Now attached handwritten draft by (Hagan) [and Tizi] to Monsignor [...], petitioning for a gift. [partly Italian]
- 2 items
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- 174 was 20            14 April 1924            Holograph letter from Canon Gaudenzio Bisetti, Festeggiamenti pel XIII Centenario di S.Colombano, Bobbio, to Hagan. Reminiscing about his stay in Rome [last year]; praising the College's hospitality on the occasion and the introduction given to him for Cardinal Gasparri; their celebrations of St.Columbanus certainly went very well. Next year they will celebrate the beatification of Bishop Antonio Gianelli of Bobbio. Hoping that the typhus outbreak at the College finds an early end. [Italian]
- 2 pp

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175                    14 April 1924                    Holograph letter from Walter Rossiter P.P., New Ross, County Wexford, to Hagan), asking to be remembered to the Wexford nuns; hoping James Browne is doing well. Then asking to obtain the papal blessing for Mother Evangelist of Divine Providence, Carmelite Convent. Also asking to celebrate Masses for his intention.

1 p

176                    14 April 1924                    Holograph letter from Archbishop Michael (Kelly) of Sydney, St.Mary's Cathedral, Sydney (Australia), to Hagan. The crosses and diplomas arrived with Fr.Magennis; one cross is missing – asking to send another 'pro ecclesia et pontifice'. Congratulating him on [the College's] success. Monsignor Hayden will select an additional student for Sydney.

1 p

177                    15 April 1924                    Typescript [draft] letter from [Hagan] to [Pope Pius XI] - on behalf of the Bishop of Derry, asking that the national pilgrimage planned for early October be accorded the same privileges and indulgences as the pilgrimage to Lourdes in 1913; listing four points. [Italian]

1 p

178                    15 April 1924                    Holograph letter from Bishop E.Mulhern, Ardmaine, Newry (County Down), to Hagan, asking whether his last cheque arrived. Some remarks about his application for a tax refund on the Oliver Plunkett burse; the Free State deals with these things slowly. Concerning the boundary question, all sorts of reports are afloat. Hoping the settlement with the bank is making progress. Comments on the cold weather.

2 pp

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- 179  
was 25
- 15 April 1924
- Holograph letter from Domhnal Hales, Via S.Nazaro 1-10, Genoa, to Hagan. Reporting on the dubious activities of the new Società Cattolica Italia-Britannica, which works under the patronage of the Consul General Churchill, not a Catholic himself. Disparaging remarks about their first discourse on Lord Byron, and their press outlet, the Masonic daily *Il Lavoro*. Asking to pass this news on to their friends in Rome and Ireland. Then informing him that his painting of the Old Testamentarian Joseph is by Bartolomeo; it would be hard to export it although the Irish Gallery wished to have it.
- 2 pp
- 180  
was 26
- 15 April 1924
- Holograph letter from George W.[Turley], London London Midland and Scottish Railway Company, Euston Hotel, London N.W.1 (England) (of St.Andrew's Westland Row, Dublin), to (Hagan). Enclosing copy of an address from the Catholic Truth Society to the Pope which he hopes to present when in Rome; asking for approbation (not extant).
- 2 pp
- 181  
was 27
- 16 April 1924
- Holograph letter from H.Weldon, Via 4 Novembre, Rome, to (Hagan). She wants him to interfere in her case only if he sees a sure way to attain justice for her. The decrees of 1921 have been annulled and she is free to return to her Ursuline life in a Roman house. She has not had food for three days.
- 4 pp
- 182  
was 28
- 16 April 1924
- Holograph letter from Archbishop T.P.Gilmartin, St. Jarlath's, Tuam (County Galway), to (Hagan), enclosing a petition for dispensation (not extant) from the Congregation for Studies. Enclosing cheque for Peter's Pence. Arrangements for paying pensions for the Gallagher students. He is going to Salamanca for "'post Flu" holidays'.
- 1 p

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- 183  
was 29
- 17 April 1924
- Holograph letter from H.Weldon, Via 4 Novembre, Rome, to (Hagan). Having changed her mind, telling him he must not act on her behalf at the congregation. Thanking him for past help; some more details on her case.
- 3 pp
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- 184  
was 30
- 18 April 1924
- Holograph letter from Sr.Mary Paulinus, Sisters of the Holy Faith, Mount St.Joseph's, Mullinavatt, County Kilkenny, to Hagan, sorry she is late thinking of his jubilee. He far surpassed her and his mother's hopes for him. She has prayed for him; her own health has been poor. Asking for papal blessing and picture of Blessed Oliver for their new convent in Rosbercon. Asking him to write soon.
- 4 pp
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- 185  
was 31
- 21 April 1924
- Holograph letter from Bishop William Codd, Wexford, to Hagan, asking clarification on points concerning the celebration of Holy Thursday. Also asking for Vermeesh's *Moral Theology* and for the *Officium Maioris Hebdomadae*.
- 2 pp
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- 186  
ws 34
- 21 April 1924
- Holograph letter from Bishop Charles McHugh, Bishop's House, Derry, to (Hagan). Advising him that the pilgrimage to Lourdes is a national pilgrimage; the favours asked from His Holiness are therefore requested by all Irish bishops.
- 2 pp

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- 187  
was 32
- 21 April 1924
- Holograph letter from Sr.Mary Rose, Convent of Our Lady of Mercy of the Sacred Heart, Cookstown, County Tyrone, to Hagan, asking for a relic of Pius X; they are praying for their superioress's recovery. She is a cousin of Mr.Bernard Donnellan, now at the Irish College.
- 2 pp
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- 188  
was 31
- 22 April 1924
- Holograph letter from Mrs.Dorcas Birthistle, 5 Main Street, Arklow (County Wicklow), to Hagan. Asking for a donation towards their bazaar, in aid of their church building. Enclosing a letter of authorisation.
- 4 pp
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- 189  
was 32
- 22 April 1924
- Holograph letter from Bishop J.Downey, Bishop's House, Kilkenny, to (Hagan), enclosing cheque for tax on Canon Dunphy's appointment to the chancellorship.
- 2 pp
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- 190  
was 33
- 22 April 1924
- Holograph letter from Vicar Apostolic of the Upper Nile J.Biermans, Nsambya, Kampala, Uganda (British East Africa), to Hagan, gratefully accepting the invitation to stay at the College during his stay in Rome. He has been in Africa since ordination 28 years ago 'occupied with the darkies in darkest Africa'; he will need much help finding his way around Rome. Travel plans. Hagan's cousin, Mother Kevin, is well and does magnificent work. He will be accompanied by Fr.C.J.Kirk from Dublin.
- 2 pp

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- 191  
was 35
- 22 April 1924
- Typescript letter signed Art Ó Muireadaig, Collège de Sainte-Thérèse, P.Q. (Quebec, Canada), to (Hagan). Hoping Hagan's silence is not based on anything he said. Letting him know that his date for ordination is 14 June, at Montréal. He will baptise the first convert of Sainte Tèreise in 25 years at his first mass the following day; Protestants are rarely swayed from their faith in the country parts of the province. He might accompany his bishop to Rome in the autumn. Asking to obtain permission to give the papal benediction on 22 June. Thanking Hagan for all his support over all this difficult time; he does not now regret anything in the past.
- 2 pp
- 192  
was 38
- 23 April 1924
- Holograph letter from Thomas J. Maguire, Clara Villa, 31 Claremont Road, Sandymount, County Dublin, to (Hagan), asking for a copy of the Roman Missal in Latin and Italian, and for New Testament in Italian; or else a gospels edition by Alfred Weber. Pasted a sample print from newspaper to indicate size of typescript.
- 1 p
- 193  
was 12&37
- 8-24 April  
1924
- Holograph letter from J.[Weir-]Johnston, Venice, to Hagan. Regretting he received an introduction to him too late to use it when in Rome. He did, however, meet Curran who can tell him 'what sort of a [...] Irishman (and) black Protestant I am'. Enclosing holograph letter from Nancy K.O'Neill, Ard-Owen, Derry, to Hagan, asking to arrange access to a papal audience for friends, Major [Weir]-Johnston and wife; they are not Catholics. Hoping Hagan will come to Derry one day.
- 2 items
- 194  
was 39
- 25 April 1924
- Holograph letter from P.J. Walsh, Clonliffe College, Dublin, to Hagan, having received latest agency documents; fees are being paid herewith. P.D.[empsey] is still discontented on all sides with his situation in Blanchardstown. Morrissey is recovering. They must find good students to replace those just ordained; unfortunately there will be a big exodus to Maynooth this year.
- 4 pp

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- 195  
was 41
- 26 April 1924
- Holograph letter from (Sr.Mary) Celsus ('Vi'), Sisters of Mercy, Golden Bridge, Inchicore, Dublin, to Hagan (her cousin), reprimanding him for failure to write to her. Fr.Morrissey is now their confessor – 'he is very nice [...] so droll !!!' Remarks about the papal blessings she had sought from him. Commenting on their present reverend mother who is thought highly of also by Archbishop Byrne. Naming possible candidates for their elections in June; her dislike for one candidate's worldly spirit (Sr.Imelda). Celsus will have an Irish exam in August.
- 3 pp
- 196  
was 42
- 26 April 1924
- Holograph letter from D.J.McCrea, Kilrea, County Derry, to Hagan, asking for acknowledgement of a sum for mass intentions. He also asked for a privilege concerning masses for the intention of James Kennedy. Bishop McHugh read Hagan's letter about the pilgrimage at their conference. Offering more intentions.
- 2 pp
- 197  
was 43
- 26 April 1924
- Holograph letter from E.J.Gorman, Grand-Hôtel, Rome, to Hagan, in gratitude for access to the Pope's reception.
- 2 pp
- 198  
was 44
- 28 April 1924
- Typescript letter signed by P.C.Gasparri, Secretary of State, Vatican, to Bishop Denis Kelly of Ross, acknowledging receipt of Peter's Pence; extending papal benediction to him. [Latin]
- 1 p

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- 199  
was 45
- 30 April 1924
- Holograph letter from Hilda (Grennell), 55 Rathgar Road, Dublin, to Hagan, in thanks for the papal blessings, especially that for Violet. A [relative] has been transferred from Dundalk to Londonderry. Her own holidays had to be postponed. Violet came to see mother; she gets on well – so far- with their new confessor. The privileges bestowed by the Pope on the national pilgrimage and Hagan's audience with him were covered in the papers. Sr.Carmel may be the next head of the Mater Hospital; other news from the Loreto convent in George's Street.
- 2 pp
- 200  
was 46
- 30 April 1924
- Holograph letter from Bishop William Codd, Wexford, to Hagan, in thanks for dispensation and books. The intervention of Cardinal Bisleti is extraordinary; agreeing also with Hagan that the congregation ought to act on its own behalf concerning Mount St.Benedict; further comments on priests who could act as visitators if that was the path chosen, especially T.A.Molony O.F.M. now in Florence. Inquiries should extend beyond a visitation, however, because Fr. Sweetman would have everything in order for it, 'e.g.recitation of office in common etc.'; they now invite outsiders to three Masses.
- 2 pp
- 201  
no no.
- [pre-May 1924]
- Holograph letter from E.Buonaiuti [...], to 'caro amico' (Hagan), introducing the bearer as Aldo D'Ormea. He is going to Bombay this coming May, asking to furnish him with a letter of introduction to the numerous friends (Hagan) has in that area.
- 2 pp
- 202  
was 36
- [late April] 1924
- Holograph letter from Miss M.F.[Evennett], 24 Cornwall Road, Bayswater, London W.11 (England), to [Hagan]. On meeting in Rome they sent him a sum in charity; enclosing postal receipt and asking acknowledgement. Grateful for his obtaining access to the papal audience for them.
- 2 items

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- 203  
was 40
- [April/May 1924] Holograph letter from Arnaldo La Monaca [...], to Hagan. Asking for help for his family who are practically without food; particularly for his sick son. He had tried to ask Tizi previously for some wax. [Italian]
- 2 pp
- 204  
was 47
- 1 May 1924 Typescript letter signed by Cardinal van Rossum, Propaganda Fide, Rome, to Hagan. He will turn to the Ministry [...] in the matter of the inheritance tax; the Irish College belongs to those institutions exempted from such. [Italian]
- 1 p
- 205  
was 48
- 2 May 1924 Holograph letter from Bishop William Codd, Wexford, to Hagan, asking for clarification on the practice of a mass 'coram Episcopo'; quoting De Herdt and wondering if he needs further dispensation.
- 2 pp
- 206  
was 49
- 1 May 1924 Holograph letter from Blanaid Ní Bhraidaigh, Gran Hotel Ingles, Propietario José Tomé, Avila (Spain), to 'a chara uasail' (Hagan). Gratitude for his hospitality during their stay in Rome; in her nearly twenty-eight years' career these were the most happy days. Fearing that he would not approve of her stance were she to discuss it with him, but sure he would advise impartially, and the more grateful to him for his kindness. She used Hagan's letter with Monsignor O'Doherty at the Salamanca College; regretting he felt obliged to put her up which was not intended. They told her she should not have travelled to Spain on her own; only the lower classes get away with going as 'femmes seules'. They differed on fundamental aspects of politics, as expected. Expressing her own hope that the best will happen in Ireland. Inviting him to visit in autumn; asking his prayers for her family and the day for parting. Regards to Curran, Ronayne, and Sr.Zeno.
- 8 pp

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- 207  
was 50
- 2 May 1924
- Holograph letter from Bishop David Keane of Limerick, Bishop's House, Corbally, Limerick, to Hagan, granting Mr. Bluett permission to spend his holidays in Ireland.
- 1 p
- 208
- 2 May 1925
- Holograph letter from P.J.K.[eohane] of M.H.Gill & Son Ltd., Dublin, to (Hagan), apologising for delay in writing. The Brewer [Morrissey] has broken his leg while playing golf; he is very reticent but must know what the 'microbe' in his constituency is doing. Stating that Fr. Albert is being sent to America 'all for loving his country too well' - Church Street will be a favourite order for retreats and missions from now. S.T.[Ó Ceallaigh] might be worn but is full of optimism. Only a general election can change matters effectively; he does not doubt it would help the cause.
- 2 pp
- 209  
was 51
- 2 May 1924
- Holograph letter from Archbishop J.M.Harty, The Palace, Thurles (County Tipperary), to Hagan, having lodged a sum for Peter's Pence, for the Cashel burse, and in honorarium, to their account. The bishops asked Cardinal Logue to write to the Pope and Cardinal Sbarretti, concerning Cardinal Bisletti and certain 'extravagant claims' that were made. Hoping the scheme will go through, since it is the most favourable to the College. Planning to go to Rome for his jubilee next year.
- 4 pp
- 210  
was 52
- 3 May 1924
- Holograph letter from Bishop Laurence Gaughran, Bishop's House, Mullingar (County Westmeath), to Hagan, enclosing cheque for the monument to Benedict XV proposed for St. Peter's. Also enclosing application for dispensation for James Menton, Maynooth.
- 1 p
- 211  
no no. 1921
- [6 May 1924]
- Typescript statement of query with handwritten additions marked 'Rector'. Asking whether a bishop can subdelegate the faculty of erecting the Stations of the Cross in certain cases, citing law. Handwritten comment with date states that the Apostolic Penitentiary responded in the negative. [Italian]
- 1 p

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- 212                    7 May 1924                    Holograph letter from Bishop Patrick McKenna, Bishop's House, Monaghan, to Hagan, in gratitude for matters seen to. Advising him that the painting for their seminary bazaar is not urgent. Inviting him to visit- their parts are quiet, but the 'Boundary business' might cause trouble at any time. 2 pp
- 213                    7 May 1924                    Printed statement from [Telegram Office] stating that a telegram from Monaghan has been received. 1 p
- 214                    8 May 1924                    Holograph instructions from [Fr.] Lorenzo Kilger, O.S.B., S. Anselmo, Rome, to [Irish clergy], relating to the Missionary Exhibition at the Vatican 1925. The Irish section is to illustrate the significance of the country with regard to the missions – its own conversion and its missionaries during the middle ages. Laying down rules as to the types of objects to be offered for the exhibition; soliciting a list of these before July. [Italian] 3 pp
- 215                    12 May 1924                    Holograph letter from Proinnsias Ní Bh[radaigh] [Dublin], to 'a chara díl' (Hagan). Enclosing photographs of their time in Rome; joking about the content. Bee went on a very short trip to Spain. Grateful for all the friendship and kindness given to them during their very enjoyable time in Rome: likening the Irish College to Dublin, since Irish people from all parts gather there; only some remarks about the north, their own origin, were regrettable. The boundary question is the most important subject; some say the new party brought pressure to bear on the Free State to take action at once; others believe the thing is all arranged, or that England controls matters. She does not believe the Labour government would implicate itself like this in the matter. The "constitutionals" are said to have an impatient army of 30,000; she advocates scepticism: they became convinced all is not well through 'the loss of a good job' only. Charlie Dalton is disgusted with the republicans since

there was no rush when the standard was raised. It seems likely the Free State candidate will win the Limerick election. Commenting it would not be a bad idea, as proposed by some, if Frank Aiken were to join forces with Sir James Craig. Remarks on the case of the Ward children, Belfast, now to be brought up Protestants against their father's wish. Some family news; it will be very trying when Bee leaves them. There is no talk of release for E.O'Malley, but he is up and about.

8 pp

216  
was 56

12 May 1924

Holograph letter from Margrieta Beer, 65 College Court, London W 6 (England), to (Hagan), having returned from three months of 'wandering'. In deep gratitude for his renewed kindness and friendship shown in Rome. Commenting that the *Tablet* affected a rather sickening attitude to Professor Buonaiuti; he himself did not hold up much hope for things coming right. Asking prospects as seen in Rome. She sent Buonaiuti books important for his work because he has even been banned from some Roman libraries. Hoping to see the Bradys again some time. Inviting him to see her in London.

2 pp

217  
was 57

12 May 1924

Holograph letter from Archbishop Patrick O'Donnell, Dundalk (County Louth), to Hagan, with congratulations on his jubilee. The Archbishop of Dublin showed him Hagan's letter- it is not easy to see what could be done regarding the point raised by Hagan. With the happenings concerning the government in mind it is unlikely the Roman authorities will [advocate] diplomatic relations. Positive remarks about the new site for the College; the bishops agree on that. He is off for a month.

2 pp

218  
was 58

12 May 1924

Holograph letter from W.R.Ryan, St. Augustine's Seminary, Kingston Road, Toronto (Ontario, Canada), to Hagan. Regretting very much he cannot come and celebrate with them in 1928 for his health problems. Glad that Bishop MacDo-

nald was accompanied to the Pope by Hagan as Ryan recommended; there the bishop's character could be blackened by an accusation of heresy. Supposing the College will take O'Connell's heart with them when they move. Remarks on O'Riordan and publishing. Then counselling that Hagan do not despond over politics as he does; 'time and patience...heal old sores'; invoking the union of Scotland and England. Advising not to rely on the Americans since those Irish who have most influence are the Protestant Irish- 'the real Irish in America and the Americans hate one another'.

2 pp

219  
was 59

12 May 1924

Holograph letter from Archbishop Patrick O'Donnell, Cookstown (County Tyrone), to Hagan. He believes that the bishops would not be consulted were the appointment of a delegate contemplated. As for the College transfer he thinks the Cardinal will write to a higher authority.

2 pp

220  
was 60

13 May 1924

Holograph letter from Bishop Bernard Coyne, St. Mary's, Sligo, to (Hagan), asking him to present Peter's Pence for Elphin; they are in arrears.

1 p

221  
was 61

13 May 1924

Holograph letter from Mrs.D.Birthistle, 5 Main Street, Arklow (County Wicklow), to Hagan, in grateful acknowledgement for his subscription.

2 pp

222  
was 62

13 May 1924

Holograph letter from Diarmuid Ua Cahaláin (Jeremiah Cohalan), Droichead na Banndan (Bandon, County

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Cork), to Hagan. He has put his views on the catechism into formal writing; believing teachers generally in agreement with his opinions. [Enclosing typewritten sheet- not extant.]

1 p

223  
was 63

14 May 1924

Holograph letter from P.A.Enright, The Presbytery, Kapunda, South Australia, to Hagan, sending draft in establishment of the new Archdeacon Enright Burses. Asking acknowledgement.

1 p

224  
was 64

16 May 1924

Holograph letter from John Rogers, St.Patrick's Church, 765 Mission Street, San Francisco (U.S.A.), to (Hagan), introducing bearer, Mr.John [Keliher]; a non-Catholic to whom they are deeply indebted. Asking to arrange access to a papal audience. Rogers cannot come to Europe this year as planned but hopes to meet him in Rome in 1925.

2 pp

225  
was 65

16 May 1924

Holograph letter from Bishop Joseph MacRory, Trench House, Belfast (County Antrim), to Hagan, enclosing a petition from Canon Donnelly for permission to take liquids before a second mass (not extant). In thanks for the circular concerning the College.

1 p

226  
was 67

19 May 1924

Holograph letter from Sr.(Mary) Ambrose, St.John's Hospital, Limerick, to (Hagan); grateful for his letter.

Their heads at S.Stefano find matters in a bad way, but neither are things well in their English house where a visitation took place recently. Understands if Hagan is guarded in his comments. Sr. Theresa has joined them at last. The sisters in South Africa are seeking attachment to the Irish province. Comments on their new novitiate house in the country; there is no problem with recruits and they have ten already. Inviting him to visit.

3 pp

227  
was 68

19 May 1924

Holograph letter from J.McShane, Coláiste Chuilmcille Derry, to Hagan. Offering information about the conflict between their bishop and the Christian Brothers; the latter question his competence in educational matters – joking about a ‘grand finale in the Campus Martius or the Colisseum’. With the backing of their past pupils union, the Brothers have opened an intermediate school bar permission from the bishop. The ‘Sandy Row Parliament’ would back them and no bishop could fight both the Pope and Sir James Craig for his rights. Hoping the Derry student gives satisfaction; the bishop is keen to be well represented in Rome. Stating he offers merely unofficial information on the Christian Brothers; the times rather call for a united front. (Reverse bears brief list by Hagan of points in Italian concerning the problem.)

2 pp

228  
was 69

19 May 1924

Holograph letter from Patrick J.McGrath, St.Columba’s, Drumcondra, Dublin, to ‘my dear John’ (Hagan), asking for Pope’s blessing for nuptials of Valentine J.Murray and Mary Elizabeth O’Reilly. Brief points on local clergy appointments. Things are quiet. Cosgrave ‘has fallen into consumption’ and goes to the south of France. The republicans are thought to win the Limerick election. Asks to be remembered to Tizi. Enclosing cheque for taxes and for mass intentions.

3 pp

229  
was 69

20 May 1924

Holograph letter from Cardinal Michael Logue, Ara Coeli, Armagh, to Hagan, permitting Mr.Donnellan to spend his vacations in Ireland. He delegated the matter of the Irish College’s move and has not heard about it since.

3 pp

HAG 1/ 1924/

- 230  
was 70
- 21 May 1924
- Handwritten receipt from [...] of the Congregation of the Sacraments, Rome, for the Archdiocese of Dublin; stating taxes paid for the [dispensation] O'Donohue-O'Donohue. [Latin]
- 1 p
- 231  
was 71
- 21 May 1924
- Typescript letter signed T.J.Kivlehan, honorary secretary of the Sligo Carnival (in aid of Nazareth House), O'Connell Street, Sligo, to Hagan, asking to obtain a signed portrait of His Holiness.
- 1 p
- 232  
was 73
- 23 May 1924
- Telegram from 'Barry', Melbourne (Australia), to Hagan, stating that O'Donnell is not suitable [for] [Goulburn]; advising to select any [Q.Q.]
- 1 p
- 233  
was 74
- 23 May 1924
- Holograph letter from H.Weldon, Pensione [Laez], Via Francesco Crispi [Rome], to (Hagan), again protesting that he is not to interfere in her affairs. At length explaining an award of an annuity had been made to her through Monsignor Montanati, now deceased; she has no documentation. She refused an offer of compensation. She has not had food for two days; wondering if she still has the option of returning to her religious life.
- 4 pp
- 234  
was 75
- 24 May 1924
- Holograph letter from Dr.J.Dignan, Bishop-elect of Clonfert, Loughrea (County Galway), to Hagan, permitting Dr.Fair to remain in Rome for another year, thanks to Hagan's expressive pleading. He has to return to the Ballinasloe College in 1925, however. Leaving Mr.Keane's wish to spend the holidays in Ireland to Hagan's discretion.
- 2 pp



HAG 1/ 1924/

- 239  
was 81
- 28 May 1924
- Typescript letter from [unsigned] of the Pontificium Opus a Propagatione Fidei, Propaganda, Rome, to (Hagan), inviting him to the next meeting of the general council on 4 June; listing agenda of the day which includes a report about missions in the Philippines and several appeals to subsidise missionary efforts in Madagascar, France, the church of Chalcedon (Kadıköy), Chinese and Indian churches. (With few markings and comments in pencil by [Hagan]. [Italian])
- 1 p
- 240  
was 82
- 29 May 1924
- Holograph letter from H.Weldon, Pensione Saez, Via Francesco Crispi, Rome, to (Hagan), reiterating her strong objection to his interfering in her case. Having met him at the College in the morning, promising to repay the £ 400 as soon as she can.
- 2 pp
- 241  
was 82
- 29 May 1924
- Holograph letter from Bláthnaid Ní Bhradaigh [Brady], Tranquilla Convent, Upper Rathmines, Dublin, to (Hagan). One traveller reached port safely on Thursday. Very grateful for his good wishes for her 'march' – she owes it to herself that should she find this life unsuitable for her, or if it does not enable her to follow her purpose, she would leave it. Hoping his health is somewhat better.
- 2 pp
- 242  
was 83
- 30 May 1924
- Typescript letter with handwritten additions from Joseph Dwyer, University Church [Dublin], to Hagan, to report progress in the Talbot case for which he will give his remaining evidence before vacations. Most of the evidence in the case is in the replies to the charges against him; stating lacunae and inviting further documents. Asking specifically for a report by [Airoidi] on Talbot's connection with the queen's divorce.
- 2 pp
- 243  
was 1925
- 30 May [1924]
- Holograph letter from Patrick Murphy, House of Missions, Enniscorthy (County Wexford) to (Hagan), enclosing cheque for Masses, despite the great scarcity of intentions with the county near bankruptcy: in Cobh they witnessed much poverty; the Free State has done nothing about the dockyards closing. The one bright spot is religion; the cathedral held up to 3,000 worshippers last Sunday, including ex-interned who return to taking sacraments, without bitterness. They will take Dr.McDaid on trial; he would have to go to Scotland otherwise. Brief references to ordinations of new men, the upcoming retreat, dearth of good students.
- 4 pp

HAG 1/ 1924/

244 [May 1924] Holograph letter from Eileen Ryan, Clareville, Dolly-  
was 66 mount, Dublin, to Hagan. In gratitude for kindness to  
her and Eileen Coughlan when they were in Rome; they  
told Fr.Morrissey about it all. They enjoyed his Irish tea and bread 'in that  
tea-less desert of Rome', and they doubled their usual allowance of silk  
stockings for the audience, despite the heat. Jocos remarks about her skill in  
driving, inviting him to join them for a spin- 'with a Monsignor on board I  
must surely keep in line'.

4 pp

245 [early June 1924] Handwritten draft letter from (Hagan) to [Bishop Co-  
no no.1925 halan of Cork]. Fr.Monahan leaves soon; recommen-  
ding him as one of their most promising students. Then  
replying to a letter from the beginning of the year (see 16 January); explai-  
ning and apologising for the long delay. Defending his attitude at the outset  
when a frank and open approach appealed to him but hinting that Cohalan  
had not been acquainted with the facts of the case and that he had therefore  
not compromised his position; 'like many people I was not as bad as I was  
painted'. He could see on leaving Ireland two years ago that the conflict was  
likely to last: while both sides expected his support he decided rather than  
getting embroiled to stay aloof until he was 'in a position to say a [word] in  
favour of charity (and) understanding'. Unfortunately his reserve was seen as  
a cover for mischief, and harmless jocular remarks were interpreted to ex-  
press partisanship. His aloofness was the best expedient he could choose at  
the time, but admitting it was not necessarily the best one; stating it made it  
easier 'for palpable adventureres like the [Marquis] McSwiney or for boyish  
minds like [Desmond] Fitzgerald, to drag the country into the mire and to  
make us very much like a laughing stock in the city of Rome'.

5 pp

246 1 June 1924 Holograph postcard from Fr.Placido di Meester O.S.B.  
was 98 General Procurator of the Belgian Benedictine Congre-  
gation, Palazzo S.Calisto, Trastevere, to Hagan. Asking  
for points of information on Fr.Columba Marmion's stay in the College; his  
biography is presently being written. He wrote before and had no reply.  
[Italian]

HAG 1/ 1924/

- 247  
was 84
- 2 June 1924
- Holograph letter from [J.] Brady [...], to (Hagan). Expressing deep appreciation of Hagan's letter to B.[láthnaid], beautiful both for its sincere sentiments and the language. Asking about his holidays in Ireland; arranging to meet. Asking about 'Bobbie's' prospects of being ordained in jubilee year 1925. Describing how the family gathered to 'see B. in'. Commenting negatively about [the entering procedure] and the way the girls' parents are treated. Sending today's *Irish Independent*; Dr.Dignan's speech 'opens up I should say a new era in Irish affairs'. Regards from Mrs.Brady and Frank.
- 2 pp
- 248  
was 85
- 2 June 1924
- Holograph letter from H.Weldon, Pensione Suez, Via Francesco Crispi, Rome, to (Hagan), threatening him in case he interfered in her case against her wishes. Convinced that three Irishmen have done their utmost to counter her and with her, God's cause.
- 3 pp
- 249  
was 86
- 2 June 1924
- Holograph letter from Gaudenzio Bisetti, Rector of the Seminary, Bobbio, to (Hagan). His bishop will be in Rome and will visit the Irish College to thank all for the co-operation for the centenary celebrations. Relating that soon six men or four nationalities and coming from the Collegio Brignole Sale of Genoa, will be ordained at the tomb of St.Columbanus. 'Viva l'Irlanda! Viva il Collegio Irlandese...' [Italian]
- 1 p
- 250  
was 87
- 2 June 1924
- Holograph letter from M.G.C.[...], Dublin, to 'my dear Dottore' (Hagan), in gratitude for his kindness in Rome, and commenting on matters political and concerning mutual friends. Seeing evidence for a political conversion: though the republicans lost the Limerick election they increased their vote by 10,000. Although Cosgrave promised Tom Kelly to release prisoners there is little

prospect of such; the former was turned down in cabinet. Fearing that he, Craig and McDonnell will arrive at a settlement of some sort. S.T.[Ó Ceallaigh] refused McGrath an interview unless he clear himself of the suspicion of activities as head of the Free State secret service. Griffith's brother-in-law is gravely ill; he is all but republican now because his sister will receive nothing from the treasury in the end. Some news of Conry, whom he has not seen yet. 'Brendan' is transcribing manuscripts 'in our Library'; he made many transcripts in Bruxelles of documents bearing on Louvain. Fr.McErlean called; he is giving 'voluminous evidence' on Talbot. General and Lady MacKeon will accompany Archbishop Curley to Rome in September to spend the presentation money. Hoping he is well; expressing hope for the good times ahead – 'it will be well to be alive to see them!' He will look out for comments in the *Morning Post* on the new bishop's address. Adding that Dr.[McKeogh] told Cosgrave and others that he found republicanism rampant in Rome. 'The last message he received he said on leaving the Eternal City, was to perform an unspeakable operation on Fitzgerald!!'

4 pp

251  
was 88

3 June 1924

Typescript letter with handwritten additions signed by Hubert Briscoe of Butler & Briscoe, Government Stock and Share Brokers, 18&19 College Green, Dublin, to Hagan. Enclosing contract for the purchase of British war loan stock, giving particulars – the investment is made for 'self & Miss Elizabeth Hagan'.

1 p

252  
was 89

4 June 1924

Holograph letter from P.J.K.[eohane] of M.H.Gill & Son Ltd., Dublin, to (Hagan), having received his letters. He has not been well lately; making arrangements to meet Hagan. He pronounces himself satisfied with the state of affairs, having 'felt no disappointment whatever over Limerick'.

2 pp

253  
was 90

4 June 1924

Typescript letter signed P.Daniel, 33 Kenilworth Square, Dublin, to Hagan, inviting him cordially to stay with them if in Dublin next month, as advised by

Fr.Morrissey: 'like a dear good man come to a place where you can throw your legs up on a chair, twirl your spectacles, humbug everyone around you and generally do what you like'.

1 p

254  
was 91

4 June 1924

Holograph letter from Bishop E.Mulhern, Ardmaine, Newry (County Down), enclosing cheque for the Kearns burse and a tax refund; commenting on the dividends as affected by 'the Boundary Squabble'. Then observing that the new Bishop of Clonfert 'made speedy use of the gifts of the Holy Ghost', and that 'prophecy is a dangerous one to try in public'. Could not attend Dr. Gogarty's consecration in Dublin. Again regretting he has no students to send to Rome; the seniors are going to the Chinese Missions. Wondering about Hagan's plans for the new College; hoping the obstacles mentioned cannot thwart the whole transaction. Enclosing a sum for two of the recent petitions for donations to the Vatican- including the mallet to be presented to Pius XI. Then observing that there were no local government elections – 'all our people holding aloof, though all here in S.Down (and) S.Armagh could have secured majorities in spite of all efforts to put us down'. Inviting him for a visit since at least there is no danger anymore as in the past.

4 pp

255  
was 92

5 June 1924

Holograph letter from H.Weldon, Pensione Francesco Crispi (Rome), to (Hagan). A relative of hers demands a statement from Hagan affirming he has not had a hand in the criminal proceedings against her at the Congregation for Religious. Comments about rumours that circulate about her.

3 pp

256  
was 93

5 June 1924

Holograph letter from Archbishop T.P.Gilmartin, St. Jarlath's, Tuam (County Galway), to Hagan. Asking for confirmation of an appeal for financial aid allegedly from Cardinal Gasparri. Proposing lottery tickets; enclosing copy of appeal and suggestions for fund-raising (not extant).

1 p

HAG 1/ 1924/

- 257  
was 94
- 5 June 1924
- Holograph letter from Bishop A.Brownrigg of Ossory, Kilkenny, to (Hagan), thanking him for his help last April. Approving of his solution for the Epistola [Caerdis] proposal. Then stating that Ossory has a large stake in the amalgamation of the Sisters of St.John of God; he is assisting the Bishop of Ferns with this and poses questions concerning the draft of the new constitutions as sent by the congregation. Urging confidentiality.
- 4 pp
- 258  
was 95
- 6 June 1924
- Tyopscript letter from [R.] Peoples, Secretary, St.Mary's Cathedral, Sydney (Australia), to Hagan, stating that the cross which was thought to be missing from the consignment recently sent has been found.
- 1 p
- 259  
was 96
- 6 June 1924
- Holograph letter from (Sr.Mary) Celsus, Sisters of Mercy, Golden Bridge, Inchicore, Dublin, to Hagan (her cousin), in thanks for the papal blessing; missing the items she also asked for. Arranging to meet him in July; she will be at the Irish course in Carysfort Park. Fortunately Mother Malachy Mulhern has been elected their superior at Carysfort; at Golden Bridge they also have a 'darling... Motherly Woman', Sr.(Mary) Ursula [Mooney] whom Fr.Morrissey has a great sympathy for.
- 2 pp
- 260  
was 97
- 7 June 1924
- Holograph letter from Sr.(Mary) Ambrose [Limerick], to (Hagan). His information was correct: she has been accepted after their Mother General resigned. Wondering about the resignation and the summons to the General Chapter in November. Cardinal Bourne, their 'arch-enemy', is in league with S.Stefano; he commented dismissively on nuns wishing to join the Irish province and become 'Free State Nuns'. Asking for further information.
- 2 pp

HAG 1/ 1924/

- 261  
was 97
- 7 June 1924
- Holograph letter from M.[ichael] D.[wyer], St.Mary's, Haddington Road (Dublin), to Curran, in thanks for making negotiations about the statue. Enclosing a sum also for intentions. Wondering what Curran referred to as a calamity. Brief news of two colleagues.
- 2 pp
- 262  
was 99
- 7 June 1924
- Holograph letter from Bishop Bernard Coyne, St.Mary's Sligo, to (Hagan), sending him back his note and another enclosure as requested (not extant). Observing that the local priests were not invited to cooperate with the proposed 'carnival'; by some the event has been called a political stunt and certainly the organisers knew to choose a popular object for it.
- 1 p
- 263  
was 100
- 7 June 1924
- Holograph letter from P.Dunne, Archbishop's House, Dublin, to (Hagan), stating that they have paid Fr.Fair and that there must be a mistake. Clarifying other financial issues.
- 2 pp
- 264  
was 101
- 7 June 1924
- Holograph letter from Bishop B.Hackett, Bishop's House, John's Hill, Waterford, to (Hagan), in thanks for assistance with the Franciscan appeal. The Congregation of the Council stated that Fr.Mulcahy is to obey his bishop.
- 1 p
- 265  
was 102
- 9 June 1924
- Holograph letter from Maria Musumeci of Sanatorio Musumeci, Catania, to Mother (Mary) Zeno of the

Sisters of St.John of God, Irish College, Rome. Regretting Mother Zeno's negative answer to her request for nuns to work in their institution, and that there are no sisters who can speak Italian. (Addressee's name taken from envelope.)[Italian]

2 items

266  
was 103

10 June 1924

Holograph letter from Archbishop D.Mannix, Raheen, Kew, Victoria (Australia), to Hagan, in thanks for his letter and the enclosed from S.Kelly. Commenting in approval on the Bishop of Clonfert's bold statement, especially given the company and the occasion. Then explaining that the Australian chief justice Sir Adrian Knox, who is sent as impartial adviser on the boundary question, is an imperialist whose anti-republican leanings were made clear in two cases, including that of Fr.Barry versus the Melbourne City Council. Regretting he had little time with the Fr.General [Magennis]; finding the latter's outlook on Ireland too optimistic while sharing that on Rome with Hagan. He is not convinced that his own visiting Europe would be important. Much may depend on the boundary issue and another election: 'Ireland is sure to swing round and then Rome too will readjust its orientation'. Regretting that the two new American cardinals are now on opposite sides regarding Ireland. Not approving of a world-wide appeal for the monument for Benedict XV; offering generous personal contribution for 'the warm hearted and venerated' Pope. Hoping that Hagan can sometimes feel satisfaction for his own 'heroic fight'.

8 pp

267  
was 103

10 June 1924

Holograph letter from M.J.Curran, 15 Garville Avenue, Rathgar (Dublin), to Hagan. He had Arthur Ryan, Sean T. and Seumas O'Kelly over last night; they discussed a letter of denunciation received by Fr.Wall, Limerick, for republican leanings; [Eoin] McNeill's support for Fr.Sweetman and his school; [recruiting students for the Irish College]. The weather is wretched. He has ordered the maps; including a district map of Wicklow.

2 pp

HAG 1/ 1924/

- 268  
was 104
- 11 June (1924)
- Holograph letter from P.Murphy, House of Missions, Enniscorthy (County Wexford), to Hagan, making arrangements for Hagan visiting them in early July. 'John J.' passed through and together with the Fathers O'Byrne they settled all political matters agreeably. Commiserating on the absurd business with Bisleti and the connected claim. In the matter between Fr.Sweetman and the bishop the abbot has visited himself; on talking to the bishop he is 'more Sweetman-ite' still, out to defend him all the way. Only few Wexford priests take an interest; voicing his own opinion that the Benedictines would be in need of young Irish priests in order to render their missionary work, especially with the Irish, more successful. Sending thanks to Stannous for mentioning their House in the Roman Notes. Referring then to 'chit-chat' about the new Bishop of Clonfert; some would like him deposed. DeValera might be the last one to be released before the games in August.
- 4 pp
- 269  
was 105
- 11 June 1924
- Holograph letter from Leonard Peyton, Ospedale di S. Carlo, Piazza della Sagrestia 21, Rome, to (Hagan), asking him as a favour for a reference. Friends are endeavouring to obtain the Cross of Malta for him. It ought to say that he does Catholic journalistic work for an important syndicate. He is in hospital recovering from a painful operation.
- 1 p
- 270  
was 106
- 11 June 1924
- Holograph letter from Bishop Patrick O'Donnell, Dundalk (County Louth), to Hagan. Regretting that concerning the transfer of the College matters do not go so favourably: 'It would be a pity if in a business that however important is comparatively small the generosity of the Holy See in our day seemed to fall short of what in the past it was to Ireland. That would not serve either religion or the influence of the Holy See with our people.' Approving of Hagan's way of approaching Cardinal Sbarretti. Their own cardinal feels he cannot intervene. Hagan will at least receive an expression of the bishops' sympathy with his endeavours after their next meeting.
- 2 pp
- 271  
was 108
- 18 June [1924]
- Typescript letter signed J.K.[elly], Dunedin, New Zealand, to Hagan. Cardinal Gasparri congratulated him on the jubilee number [of the *Tablet*]; thankful for Hagan's

involvement. *The Month*, by comparison and although with special papal approbation, is not doing well; Auckland [Archbishop Cleary] lately tried for parliamentary support for a scheme to financially safeguard the paper and failed. His own ordinary [Bishop Whyte] sadly lacks solidity and prudence. Hoping to go on holidays before the end of the year. Recommending two New Zealanders about to visit Rome; Fr.Foley and Mr.John Farrell. Also Archbishop Redwood goes to Europe; he did not act further on the issue of *The Month*, as was to be expected. Two more priests about to visit Rome; Frs. O'Neill and O'Donnell- commenting favourably on the former. (Letter marked 'private'.)

2 pp

272                      11 June 1927                      Holograph letter from Bishop E.Mulhern, Ardmaine, Newry (County Down), to (Hagan). In thanks for the communication from Cardinal Gasparri. He will have employment for his five men immediately. Explaining he will send one of his Maynooth students to Rome. Comments on the proposed ten days' pilgrimage for the Holy Year; asking to have certain privileges extended. He hopes to visit Lourdes this year.

4 pp

273                      12 June 1924                      Typescript letter from [unsigned] of the Pontificium Opus a Propagatione Fidei, Propaganda, Rome, to (Hagan), inviting him to the next meeting of the general council on 18 June; listing agenda of the day (most points repeated from 28 May). Now attached typescript memorandum on conditions in which priests may join the Pontificium Opus as *sacerdotes zelatores*. (With few markings and comments in pencil by [Hagan]. [Italian and Latin]

was 81

2 items

274                      12 June 1924                      Holograph letter from Sr.(Mary) Baptist, Milford House, Limerick, to (Hagan). Inviting him to stay with them when he is in Ireland. Commenting that the late events at San Stefano are very interesting; the election is in November; enclosing Hagan the appendix (of unidentified document) but wondering what they can do about new novices before then and whether Rome will have power to send any women away from Ireland. The South African sisters are likewise worried. The English houses are at odds about Hillingdon Court; the sisters are unhappy with Cardinal Bourne's decision. Praise for their own Mother Provincial. Renewed thanks for Hagan's assistance in the past. (Letter marked 'confidential'.)

was 110

4 pp

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- 275 was 111            13 June 1924            Holograph letter from George W.Turley, The Presbytery, 47 Westland Row, Dublin, to (Hagan), asking whether his letter of May arrived; anxious especially about the mass intentions discussed. Enclosing cheque for more intentions. Hoping to write soon about the missionary exhibition. Listing intentions. 2 pp
- 276 was 112            15 June 1924            Holograph letter from Sr.(Mary) Visitation, Convent of St.John of God, Wexford, to Hagan, inviting him to visit them and to stay with their chaplain, Fr.Doyle. Glad that the sisters in Rome are giving satisfaction and are happy. 1 p
- 277 was 113            16 June 1924            Handwritten letter from the company Giovanni Romani (Parati Sacri e Ricami), Via Torre Millina 26&28, Rome, to Hagan. Informing him that two of the tapestries ordered will be ready at the end of the year, and the third at the end of June. [Italian] 1 p
- 278 was 115            16 June 1924            Holograph letter from Archbishop T.P.Gilmartin, St. Jarlath's, Tuam (County Galway), to (Hagan). He will not subscribe to the *Pes Pontificium*. In thanks for his report; noting what Hagan says about the College. 1 p
- 279 was 116            17 June 1924            Holograph letter from Sr.(Mary) Regis, Convent of the Holy Faith, Glasnevin, Dublin, to (Hagan), grateful for the papal blessing for their new house at Rosbercon. Enclosing donation for a German orphanage. 3 pp



HAG 1/ 1924/

- 283  
was 120
- 20 June 1924
- Holograph letter from Bishop James Naughton, St.Muredach's, Ballina, County Mayo, to (Hagan). Following on bad reports on student McDonald's conduct and studies he will ask him to explain himself before taking a drastic step and withdrawing him from the College.
- 1 p
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- 284  
was121
- (21 June) 1924
- Holograph letter from Mother Mary Columba Sullivan, Superioress at St.Joseph's Presentation Convent, Quetta, Balushistan, to Hagan, reiterating her wish for the papal blessing to aid her work. Stating that the nearest Catholic school is 500 miles away. She was encouraged to seek the blessing by her former Prefect-Apostolic D.[Nagur]. Enclosing a printed appeal to illustrate the scope of their work and a photo of the convent (neither extant). Some of the remains of Nano Nagle are buried in the foundations.
- 2 pp
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- 285  
was 125
- 22 June 1924
- Telegram from the Archbishop of Dublin, to Hagan, 'delighted presume no action required here'.
- 1 p
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- 286  
was 123
- 23 June 1924
- Holograph letter from J.M.Conry P.C. of John M.Conry & Son, Main Street, Ballyhaunis (County Mayo), to Hagan. Asking him for a testimonial for his son, Fr.James: he wishes to petition to the Archbishop of Dublin on his behalf because he has been filling a chaplaincy in Bray for a nominal recompense for the past year.
- 2 pp

HAG 1/ 1924/

- 287  
was 124
- 26 (June 1924)
- Telegram from Archbishops of Dublin and of Attalia (coadjutor O'Donnell of Armagh to Hagan, stating telegrams [were sent] to Cardinals Lucidi and Sbarretti from the Standing Committee, in thanks for their efforts to secure the Capuchin site 'on proper terms'.
- 1 p
- 288  
was 126
- 24 June 1924
- Holograph letter from Archbishop D.Mannix, Raheen, Kew, Victoria (Australia), to (Hagan), introducing the bearer Miss Hemsley; she wishes to attend an audience with the Holy Father.
- 1 p
- 289  
was 127
- 24 June 1924
- Holograph letter from D.F.McCrea, Kilrea, County Derry, to Hagan, asking whether he received the intentions; offering more. Asking also to have the time extended for the intentions for the late James Kennedy; they are overdue. When Hagan comes to Ireland he need not dread excessive heat.
- 1 p
- 290  
was 128
- 25 June 1924
- Fragment holograph letter from [Michael Dwyer], St. Mary's, Haddington Road, Dublin, to Curran. Asking him to help Fr.Louis Buttler O.P. regain the privilege of saying mass; he has been allowed by his order to retire to Boulogne; further details of the case. Thanks to the dispensation Curran sent, Miss Gerard is now married to her step-father. (Letter breaks off here.)
- 4 pp
- 291  
was 129
- 25 June [1924]
- Holograph letter from Fr.[J.Mulcahy], Curate's House, Ballylooby, Cahir, County Tipperary, to Cardinal (Logue). Letter of complaint about Bishop Hackett of Wa-

terford and Lismore, who took the writer off an annual retreat without good reason; he also on one occasion challenged Mulcahy, at the altar and in front of a number of people of the congregation, roaring "'Do you believe he is there at all'". Protesting his own good health and mental faculties.

4 pp

292  
was 131

26 June 1924 Holograph letter from Mary Kelly, [Barretstown] Villa, Kilfinane, County Limerick, to Hagan, asking where her son Jimmie is intended to spend his holidays, and about his general health.

3 pp

293

26 [June] 1924

Telegram from [...], Genoa, to Hagan, advising him [he] leaves on the Rembrandt on 30 June: 'wire whether sailing – Hollandia'.

1 p

294  
was 132

27 June 1924

Holograph letter from [P.A.] McCarthy, [Stevenston] Ayrshire (Scotland), to (Hagan). In thanks for arranging access to the papal audience; regretting that because of his retiring nature he did not accept their hospitality. Inviting him to Scotland. Then commenting that 'I did not see much of the religious spirit of Rome, but I presume it is there', comparing to Lourdes. 'The churches in Rome are fine, but I have seen one almost equal to any of then (and) that is Einsiedeln in Switzerland'.

1 p

295  
was 133

27 June 1924

Typescript letter signed Caesar D'Mello, Joint Honorary Secretary, Office of the Standing Committee of East Indian Catholics of Bombay, Salsette and Bassein, 12-14 Churchgate Street, Fort, Bombay (India), to Hagan. Asking him to support their case for the removal of the Portuguese Padroado; the rector of the Beda College already supports them. Offering details and background; the Holy See does not wish to move contrary to the Portuguese government. Asking to use his influence at the Vatican. Enclosing a report (not extant).

3 pp

HAG 1/ 1924/

- 296  
was 135
- 27 June 1924
- Holograph letter from [P.] O'Loughlin, Ballinasloe, County Galway, to (Hagan). Reiterating his case for reinstatement of his faculties, as petitioned before by Monsignor Joyce and Bishop Dignan. Asking how to progress the matter.
- 2 pp
- 297  
was 136
- 29 June 1924
- Fragment holograph letter from [P.J.Walsh], Holy Cross College, Clonliffe, Dublin, to Curran. He is sending their 'Costello' with the prize list. Two students will be sent to Rome, Brendan Harley and John Lambe; recommending the former particularly. The negotiations with Cardinal Bisleti must have been a hard struggle. (Letter breaks off here.)
- 4 pp
- 298  
was 138
- 30 June 1924
- Holograph letter from Donal Hales, Via S.Nazaro 1-10, Albaro, Genoa, to Hagan; he will meet him at the station. Noting it would be unwise to take sides though a change of government seems unlikely: the opposition speculated too much on the murder of Matteotti. The latter had received instructions in London a month ago where British interests were cast into a campaign against the Mussolini government.
- 1 p
- 299  
was 142
- 30 June 1924
- Holograph letter from Bishop Laurence Gaughran, Bishop's House, Mullingar (County Westmeath), to Hagan, enclosing application for a dispensation (not extant).
- 1 p

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300 [June 1924] Holograph letter from [Ginsbo De Luca], [Rome], to  
was 107 (Hagan), asking to further keep the book on St.Colum-  
banus, loaned to him because of the upcoming exams  
in July.

1 p

301 [early summer Typescript memorandum with ink underlinings by [...]  
was 221/1923 1924] for [Vatican authorities], entitled 'The Irish clergy and  
the Republican movement'. Giving introduction to the  
relationship between the hierarchy and the priests, the Free State, and the re-  
publican movement. The difference between the Free State and republican  
sections is political only but the government and bishops often find it conve-  
nient to portray the latter's opposition as 'an anti-clericalism, a new species of  
atheism'. The bishops' influence is quietly at work, only rarely surfacing as in  
Bishop Foley's recent political pastoral. Priests fall into three categories, the  
Free Staters being the most numerous, and some opting out of politics. Re-  
cently, the bishops have played strongly anti-republican roles, so also in the  
recent elections. Explaining the traditionally influential position of the priest  
in the popular mind, and the differences between clergy in rural areas and in  
cities. Republican priests are generally condemned to silence in their obedi-  
ance to their bishops. Pointing to the recently consecrated Bishop Dignan of  
Clonfert as an exception in the hierarchy. Summing up the situation in five  
points; 'unity between [the two camps] is not to be looked for until the Re-  
publicans have freed Ireland'; clerical influence will continue but while it  
might stay the republican process it will not defeat it – 'inherently the people  
feel that Christianity and liberty are not opposites'.

2 pp

302 1 July 1924 Holograph letter from Bishop David Keane of Lime-  
was 143 rick, Bishop's House, Corbally, Limerick. Hoping  
that student O'Byrne will not cause further trouble;  
it may be that the root is 'the twentieth century complaint of nerves'. Plea-  
sed with Archdeacon Enright's beneficence towards the diocese; O'Rior-  
dan's investments will sadly never amount to much. Glad also over the  
College's imminent transfer. Then asking to petition for Fr.Cornelius Mul-  
cahy as chancellor of the cathedral chapter.

4 pp

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- 303  
was 145
- 3 July 1924
- Holograph letter from Sr.(Mary) Ambrose, St.John's Hospital (Limerick), to Hagan, asking for advice on behalf of the sisters in England wishing to transfer to the Irish province. Also asking Fr.Ronayne if changes need to be made to the appendix [of their petition to the chapter].
- 2 pp
- 304  
was 146
- 3 July 1924
- Holograph letter from Bishop William Codd, Summerhill, Wexford, to Hagan, regretting the Cardinal Prefect's decision favouring Fr.Sweetman, but hoping to counter it yet. Thanking Hagan for neutralising Marquis MacSweeney's 'un-called for interference'.
- 1 p
- 305  
was 147
- 4 July 1924
- Typescript [draft] letter signed by Hagan, Rome, to 'my dear Lord' [Bishop Gaughran of Meath]. Stating that a letter from a certain J.Brown, Finea, with grave complaints against the moral character of Fr.Giles, Castlepollard, was referred back to Hagan by the Congregation of the Council. Assuming the statements are fabrications; asking for instructions to the congregation as to how to deal with such missives in the future.
- 1 p
- 306  
was 148
- 4 July 1924
- Handwritten card from Cardinal Ehrle, 26 Via G.Belli 3, Rome, to the Secretary of the Congregation of the Council. Enclosing one of many letters sent by an Irish priest in complaints against his bishop (not extant). Ehrle does not remember having met the writer as claimed. [Italian]
- 1 p



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which might not affect that institution because of its financial independence from the Mercy Convent. Giving reasons why he will probably not be able to visit Rome this year. Also remarking that Dr.Hynes is uneasy about the impending inspection of accounts.

8 pp

310  
was 152

8 July 1924

Holograph letter from Bishop B.Hackett, Bishop's House, John's Hill, Waterford, to (Hagan), asking to obtain a papal blessing for two religious. Stating that the decision on the Franciscan appeal should be imminent; it does not matter much, but Hackett had to make his protest.

1 p

311  
was 153

8 July 1924

Holograph letter from Bishop Charles O'Sullivan, The Palace, Killarney (County Kerry), to (Hagan), enclosing cheques for fees, a pension, a honorarium and as contribution to the monument for Benedict XV. The claim by Fr.O'Callaghan was [turned down] by the civil courts; enclosing a list of fees connected with the case. He had awaited this before approaching Rome; they may excommunicate him. A letter by him to O'Callaghan was used by counsel insinuating it contained a threat in case proceedings were taken up.

2 items

312  
was 154

8 July 1924

Typescript letter signed by J.P.Conry, Warwick Lodge Meath Road, Bray (County Dublin), to Hagan. Explaining why his father asked for assistance in obtaining a curacy for him; Conry wrote to Dr.Gilmartin there was no need for it. His father has aged much. Then commenting that the political situation has not improved since a year ago; he does not believe in the prophecies for imminent reconciliation.

1 p

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313  
was 144

1-8 July 1924

Typescript letter with handwritten insertions signed T. F.Cummins, 15 Henrietta Street, Waterford, Ireland, to Pope Pius XI, asking for justice in his case against the Bishop of Waterford. Explaining that he was unjustly deprived of occupation 18 years ago, without charges. Although acting on the advice of the Congregation of the Council, nothing has been done to be placed on the mission; calling his treatment a public scandal. He lives of the generosity of the people. (According to handwritten remark this document was returned from the Sacra Rota. Covering letter does not exist, but see Latin petition 26 March-10 April.)

2 pp

314  
was 155

9 July 1924

Holograph letter from Denis Hynes, St.Mary's College, Galway, to Hagan, regretting he cannot travel to Rome with Fr.O'Dea since their holidays do not coincide; grateful for the invitation. Reminiscing about Italian climate; good wishes for his health.

4 pp

315  
was 156

9 July 1924

Holograph letter from M.J.Curran, 15 Garville Avenue, Rathgar (County Dublin), to Hagan. On his journey he met Fr.Bernard O'Reilly of Brooklin; favourable impression. He sent Hagan's letter to Keohane on. Having met the archbishop, he can say with certainty that he will support the College [with the current plans for moving] all the way; he was content their letter helped the matter; asked many questions about Lucidi. Cardinal Logue seems to be 'fast going down the hill'. All friends are looking forward to meeting Hagan when he comes; including Seán T. and Conn - the latter 'will be glad to ...motor you about'. Concerning the prisoners, the release of Stack is said to be imminent; DeValera is now allowed to see his wife. He met [Prior] who seems a broken man whose work is finished. Regretting that Dr.Browne is ill; sending regards; hoping that when the time comes somebody else besides a Sassenach will be appointed to the [...] College. Poor Dan O'Neill died in the fire in his presbytery. Fr.Deering is now recovering from his fever. Mentioning two students for Rome from Clonliffe. Severe words ought to be spoken with Michael Murphy who will now return to Rome but who must act responsibly while living at the College. Directions where to find certain maps in his room. Wishing him enjoyment for the 11<sup>th</sup> in Tivoli.

4 pp

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- 316  
was 157
- 10 July 1924
- Holograph letter from Michael McHugh, The City Home, St.John, New Brunswick, Canada, to Hagan. Describing his present straits – hard work, poverty, financial obligations to a woman, thugs on the streets; contact with the dead through 'The Radio'. Expecting the Irish government will pay his way back since he helped them in getting what they now have; asking generally for assistance. The Protestants running the poor house will not let him back home. Remembering happy years in Rome. (Writer suffers from strong delusions; student in College 1909- 1917 and Register Book #764.)
- 6 pp
- 317  
was 159
- 12 July 1924
- Holograph letter from Cardinal E.Lucidi, Rome, to (Hagan). Cardinal Sbarretti has been informed that Hagan is in Tivoli, but there was no necessity for him to be present.
- 1 p
- 318  
was 158
- 12 July 1924
- Calling card with handwritten message from Giusto De Luca, Via della Vite 32, Rome, for (Hagan). Having graduated he wished to return the book by Reeves but that is now with Professor Buonaiuti and will be returned by him. [Italian]
- 2 pp
- 319  
was 160
- 17 July 1924
- Holograph letter from Archbishop T.P.Gilmartin, St. Jarlath's, Tuam (County Galway), to (Hagan); enclosing [a sum] for the opening of the Holy Door [contribution towards implements]. He is on the point of leaving for confirmations in Connemara.
- 1 p



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over [Devoy] is part of a plan to reunite the republican forces. A trustworthy source states that the prisoners are to be released within the next two days. Reiterating that there 'is sure to be a big revival of Rep.[ublican] sentiment with Dev's reappearance.' Making great efforts, they hope to start publishing their daily paper at the end of the year.

2 pp

323  
was 165

15 July 1924

Holograph letter from Archbishop J.M.Harty, The Palace, Thurles (County Tipperary), to (Hagan), enclosing petition for marriage dispensation (not extant).

While Dr.Hackett wished to have the document filled in he did not think it would do much good.

2 pp

324  
was 114

16 July 1924

Holograph letter from P.Dunne, Archbishop's House, Dublin, to (Hagan), asking for a financial statement.

Also asking to expedite the brief for the private oratory for John Murphy, Blackrock. Hoping the storms are passing over as they should.

2 pp

325  
was 165

16 July 1924

Typescript letter signed James J.O'Connor (Solicitor), Selskar, Wexford, to Hagan, asking him to obtain the papal blessing for his family, and also for his brother-in-law Charles J.Morris and his family. Because of a great devotion to the Little Flower, asking about relics. Inviting him to see them when in Wicklow.

2 pp

326  
was 166

16 July 1924

Holograph letter from Michael Dooley, The Pass, Kinnitty, Birr, County Offaly, to (Hagan). Explaining his latest disappointment with Glasgow and general problems in finding a diocese; asking for advice and asking to talk to the Archbishop of Glasgow, now in Rome. McCaffrey of Maynooth cannot understand the difficulty in finding a diocese.

2 pp



to his letter. Stating his remaining regard for their one-time Sydney aspirant; cannot believe he would do anything to injure Hagan. Brewer [Morrissey] is as sound as ever, if maybe nervous that Hagan be involved by some friends at home in their schemes. For despise of such methods Keohane has no more business with his former political 'hierarchical friends'. He can be as charitable but much more silent. Certain that Hagan never took 'the Canary' seriously; Keohane returned some articles to him recently; he and others are just like midges in summer time. Adding then that the *C.[atholic] B.[ulletin]* had better play slow at present; it was made plain that its attacks were much resented but the challenge was never taken up. At the same time he finds 'they have got out of their imperialistic associations very well indeed so far, though it is but a few short years ago that I was reminded by one of them that that connection was the greatest security we could possibly have.'

6 pp

331                    14-21 July 1924                    Holograph letter from Fr.Thomas Bowe, Parochial House, Castletown, Mountrath (County Laois), to [Archbishop Byrne], asking for marriage dispensation for Michael Colloton and Elizabeth Moore: they are second cousins, but he believes the marriage will be good for all parties. Asking how the couple had best comply with their obligation as regards the Holy Hour. [Enclosing] holograph letter from Elizabeth Moore, Glenbower, [County Laois], to Fr. Bowe [...], stating that her father and [her fiancé's] mother are first cousins. (Covering letter not extant.)

2 items

332                    22 July 1924                    Holograph letter from Seán T.(Ó Ceallaigh), 91 St.Stephen's Green (Dublin), to (Hagan), commenting on the release of Stack and DeValera: Hagan would have been 'charmed beyond measure' witnessing the thousands greeting DeValera and lining the streets; even the most optimistic did not expect such. Likewise thousands appeared when a reception was held that evening.. It must have been an eye-opener for 'Cosgrave & Co.'; DeValera spoke 'well and effectively' and he seems to have gained ground rather than lost it. Michael [Curran] met him in Ó Ceallaigh's house and presumably told him what they have been going through recently in Rome. Hoping to see their Carmelite friend soon; he did have a long talk with Dr.M.B[rowne]. Disheartened with the prospect of going to the United States, as advised by DeValera, since their

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people seem to have fallen into a dozen factions 'and it is being put up to me that I must try to clean up the mess'. Still hoping to have holidays with Hagan. Then adding that 'D.'[...] was pleased with a telegram from Sydney. Warm greetings from their friend who looks forward to a long talk.

2 pp

333  
was 172

22 July 1924

Holograph letter from Archbishop T.P.Gilmartin, St. Jarlath's, Tuam (County Galway), enclosing cheque for Propaganda lottery tickets. Hoping to meet Dr.Browne again soon; he told Gilmartin that Hagan was remaining in Rome. Also enclosing letter that explains itself (not extant).

1 p

334  
was 173

22 July 1924

Holograph letter from James Cullen, Main Street, Rathdrum, County Wicklow, asking for a letter of recommendation for entering All Hallows. Then stating that Fr.Bolton, together with two Sisters of Mercy and their 49 postulants left Dublin. Cullen and Bolton met Curran for dinner.

2 pp

335  
was 174

23 July 1924

Holograph letter from M.J.Browne, Westport (County Mayo), to (Hagan). Having met Seán T. he found him well and quite optimistic. DeValera is very busy, having to side-track holiday plans. He met a nun, a mutual acquaintance, at the Tranquilla convent. At Maynooth he met diverse people, all well informed on the Irish College-Bisleti affair and all indignant over it. Joking they will burn Paddy McSweeney at the stake as a heretic, having published an article by Leen C.S.Sp. on the doctrine of the Mass: while the bishop reacted mildly, Waters and others came down heavily. Then observing that the republicans are lacking in organisation, but that their spirit will improve greatly over the next week; at least the candidate for north Mayo ought to be finalised. Finding the clergy very mute in terms of politics; confused by the army mutiny. The bishops remain split; Dr.[Dignan] showed strong fearlessness at the general meeting. Dismissive of clergy's belief that 'the Vatican with shrewd

foresight will now appoint only Republican bishops'. Good wishes for his health and a certain other matter. In thanks for a memorable year.

4 pp

336  
was 175

23 July 1924

Holograph letter from M.J.C.[urran], 15 Garville Avenue, Rathgar (Dublin), to (Hagan), having received his three letters. Curran is to meet the archbishop on Saturday. In the north, he found the cardinal better than expected. O'Donnell ('Attalea' is very interested; the letter to Sbarretti was mostly by him, less by E.B.[Archbishop Byrne], though both will remain steadfast. Curran is making known the situation in Rome; while the cardinal is unhappy with leaving Via Mazzarino, but like the Pope and Gasparri he consents nonetheless. The task is to ensure the College will not go to the Coelian site 'crippled for want of funds grabbed by the Titular'. The bank's attitude is typical for Juvenal's compatriots; other points about the Guardia moving out. While they need the bishops' support, Hagan should also not underestimate Irish and especially Fine Gael opinion. Stating belief that a letter from archbishops ought to write to the Protector [Sbarretti] expressing indignation over the delay, and insisting on the preservation of the status of the College, and its relation to the Irish bishops. Asking about the Lombard College idea endangering their prospect of getting the half million; he always told them that the Vatican still expects the Irish to put their hands in their pockets. Urging him not to abandon his holiday plans and make them coincide with the October general meeting. Will await letter after Hagan has met Sbarretti and Lucidi. Remarks about keys of his safe in Rome. Adding that Fr.McErlean is coming to Rome in October.

6 pp

337  
was 176

27 July 1924

Holograph letter from M.[J.Curran], 15 Garville Avenue, Rathgar (Dublin), to Hagan. According to the archbishop nothing can be done before the October meeting. He will support them 'short of withdrawing the students', which tactic he said the bishops would never follow since it would be a direct attack on the Holy See. He also is for having the new College vested in the names of the Irish archbishops, and hopes nothing will happen to jeopardise the goodwill of the Irish clergy and people; adapting a *fortiter in re suaviter in modo*-line. He promised the College a sum for the site at Tivoli.

2 pp

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338                    28 July 1924                    Holograph letter from M. J. C.[urran], 15 Garville Avenue, Rathgar (Dublin), to Hagan. He has seen 'Attalea' (O'Donnell) who is of the same opinion as Dublin, advising the archbishop's letter to Sbarretti be used as justification for not signing any document for the time being. Believing that either would go to the extreme of not sending any more students on account of actions by Bisleti or the Holy See. Explaining his understanding of the motivation behind the withdrawal of the half million from the 'premio'; however it is now accepted Vatican practice to have property vested in non-Italians. Both archbishops are hopeful that Sbarretti's sense of justice will win through. Curran put the point strongly that Italian possession would mean disaster for the Irish College. Expecting to argue the same in Tuam. Brief remarks about local appointments. In Leinster the crops are good, but the potatoes threatened in the west.

4 pp

339                    29 July 1924                    Holograph letter from P.A.Vaughan, St.Andrew's, Werribee, Victoria, Australia, to Hagan. Asking for assistance in having relief sculptures of the Stations of the Cross made in Rome; his church is being renovated. Giving specifics for size and colouring (oil colour); he can offer £ 100. Remembering kindness received in Rome in 1921. The archbishop has been keeping quiet; Dr.Sheehan is much improved. Regards to Curran.

2 pp

340                    29 July 1924                    Typescript letter with few handwritten corrections signed Archbishop James Duhig of Brisbane, Archbishop's House, 'Dara', Brisbane, Queensland, Australia, to Hagan. Surprised that Fr.Bolton will stand for his degree in October and not return to Australia as planned, accompanying nuns and postulants. Then stating that he sends two students of promise, Mr.James Madden and Mr.Edward J. Doody; commenting on Madden's academic proficiency; arrangements for their arrival. Regretting James Cullen has to finish his studies at All Hallows. Grateful for the prospectus; offering to contribute to any fund for the Tercentenary of the College on 1 January 1928. Then observing that the Australian church is making wonderful progress, something that is not known or appreciated in Rome. Adding statistics on the foundation of schools, colleges, religious houses and churches; much the work of Irish missionaries.

3 pp



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- 344  
was 182
- 30 July 1924
- [Fragment] holograph letters from [M.J.Curran], 15 Garville Avenue, Rathgar (Dublin), to Hagan. He saw (the Archbishop of Dublin) to meet the [Bishop] of Bobbio', also in the presence of J.J.Ryan. Reiterating statements about the archbishop's approval of Hagan's strategy [concerning the Irish College move]. It could be proposed to the bishops that they refuse to fill student vacancies should such protest be necessary. It is gratifying to know that 'the Titular', Laudi, is not a persona grata in Sbarretti's books; it should be possible to get support from both the latter and from Gasparri. Commenting on further rumours issuing from Pacelli, and how Bisleti is likely to reply. Sbarretti should realise the importance of the College getting the money, and Bisleti only the Panisperna section of the building. Explaining that he put forward Hagan's argument and three options in the matter. (Letter breaks off here.)
- 2 pp
- 345  
was 183
- 30 July 1924
- Holograph letter from Mrs.Angela Scarisbrick, [Slenista], 20 South Parade, Ormeau Road, Belfast (County Antrim), to Bishop McRory. Reiterating her request for permission to take a certain medicine prior to Holy Communion. She feels that it will also benefit her husband, a convert, who might not keep to his monthly Communion without her. (Covering letter not extant.)
- 6 pp
- 346  
was 184
- 30 July 1924
- Holograph letter from George W.Turley, The Presbytery, Westland Row, Dublin, to (Hagan), enclosing mass intentions; specifying 20 of them are for Canon Burke. Asking about the privileges for the (Catholic Truth Society); also stating that there is little hope for organising anything for the missionary exhibition [at the Vatican] though he knows Hagan is keen on the matter. Some comments about the arrival of Brother Thayne whom he has not met himself.
- 2 pp
- 347  
was 185
- 30 July 1924
- Holograph letter from Sr.(Mary) Stanislaus, Sacred Heart Convent of Mercy, Mount St.Joseph, Cappo-

quin (County Waterford), to Bishop [Hackett], stating the amount to be borrowed for the purchase from Sir John, and giving other financial detail about the proposed loan. (Covering letter not extant.)

3 pp

348  
was 186

30 July 1924

Holograph letter from Archbishop Edward Byrne, Primate of Ireland, Archbishop's House, Dublin, to (Hagan). Asking to obtain faculties for him to be able to make appointments to vacant benefices; commenting on Monsignor Fitzpatrick's praiseworthy decision to retire from St. Kevin's. Enclosing a terna presenting three nominees for that parish in case the Dataria refuses faculties; recommending Fr. Lockhart out of the three. Concerning the College, stating that the bishops intended Sbarretti to use their letter as he saw fit to gain their end. Making his point strongly that were Irish property to pass out of Irish hands, of an institution regarded as a national heritage, then the prestige of the Holy See and religion itself would suffer in the country. It is to be hoped that the rector as representative of both the bishops and the cardinal protector would be the one to draw up the plans for reconstruction on the Coelian Hill. Adding that he did not mention the Tivoli removal scheme to the bishops to bide his time.

10 pp

349  
was 187

31 July 1924

Typescript letter signed Art Ó Muireadaigh (Arthur Murray), Sacred Heart Church, Sault Ste. Marie, Ontario, to (Hagan). He has been ordained; expressing his deep gratitude to Hagan who has had trust in him, along with Bishop Scollard. Hoping to travel to Rome with the bishop and to see Hagan again. Fr. Casey, of the Canadian *Freeman's Journal*, has 'converted' back to republicanism thanks to his brother (also Fr. Casey), but the Canadian Irish are lost to the cause: '...the myth of Canadian Status rejected by young Ireland seemed to hurt their amour propre'. Quoting Mrs. Green's *Making of Ireland* on the subject. Comparing to the French-Irish question; the religious houses in Canada tend to split up now and the Irish are in the same position 'as we knew existed in the Celio'. Also there is huge ignorance among Irish Canadians of their country. Reiterating Henri Bourasse's impressions last year; Sceilg did not publish them in the end. Murray saw Sceilg in New York at Christmas; the Major Kelly affair made him again ill; Fr. O'F[lanagan] urged everybody to stand by Sceilg.

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- 350 was 184            31 July 1924            Holograph letter from Bishop B.Hackett, Bishop's House, John's Hill, Waterford, to (Hagan), in thanks for past office, and enclosing cheques; asking to update accounts.  
1 p
- 351 was 185            31 July 1924            Holograph letter from James F.Hyland, Catholic Presbytery, Mornington (Melbourne, Australia), to Hagan. Explaining that due to unexplained hostility shown to him by Archbishop Mannix he will leave the diocese. Bishop Morrisroe is not likely to receive him warmly: 'he seems to think there are only Maynooth priests in the Irish Church'. Therefore he is contacting the Bishop of Los Angeles; asking for a letter on his behalf. He met former students of the College who are all doing their Alma Mater proud. Regretting his sister wrote to Hagan years ago on trouble with the bishop. Thanking him for past kindness.  
4 pp
- 352 was 186            31 July 1924            Holograph letter from Bishop Laurence Gaughran, Bishop's House, Mullingar, to Hagan. Regarding a lottery in aid of the Propagation of the Faith, he will pay for the tickets – sent unsolicitedly – himself; enclosing cheque and the tickets to be used at Hagan's discretion.  
1 p
- 353 was 1                2 August 1924            Holograph letter from John Cullen, Hill House, Maguiresbridge, County Fermanagh, to Cardinal Gasparri, Rome. Rambling letter aimed against priests amassing wealth which ought to be put to use for the Holy Ghost Missionaries, in need of funds- enclosing newspaper cutting from *The Universe* with petition for donations. Also expressing the danger imminent from a plotting 'Antichrist' [former Kaiser Wilhelm II], the Bolsheviks, and the English royal family who are really Prussians and in league with the leopard of the Apocalypse. Also enclosing text of the divine praises, criticising his local priest for neglecting the Holy Ghost in his benediction. (Covering letter not extant.)  
3 items

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354  
was 2&4

1-3 August 1924

Holograph letter from Bishop Laurence Gaughran, Bishop's House, Mullingar (County Westmeath). Enclosing holograph letter from Patrick Daly, St.Michael's, Castlepollard, to Bishop (Gaughran), informing him that no J.Browne lived in Finnea; suggesting that James Browne, organizer of Sinn Fein, wrote from Finnea.- Gaughran passing this on for the Congregation of the Council; believing that the name in question is a pseudonym.

2 items

355  
was 3

3 August 1924

Holograph letter from M.J.Curran, 15 Garville Avenue, Rathgar (Dublin), to Hagan, enclosing various Mass intentions, some meant for Lucidi. The opening of the Tailtean Games was held in good weather. Commenting on the diversity of flags all over Dublin, and especially those of 'the ex-Unionist establishments', such as the Stock Exchange's which has the crown cut out and a bright green patch in its stead. Sometimes the U.S.flag and the Union Jack complement the 'unfortunate Irish tricolour' but there are few Union Jacks all in all. Then observing that Dr.McCarton did not meet Devoy; the latter got a good reception at Croke Park. (The Archbishop of) Cashel seems to be pushing Dr. O'Neill, Maynooth, for Ross. Giving his travel plans; hoping Hagan will be able to go away for September and October.

2 pp

356  
was 5

4 August 1924

Holograph letter from James J.O'Connell C.C., The Presbytery, Dunsford, Ardglass, County Down, to Monsignor Colombo, secretary to Cardinal Sbarretti, Congregation of the Council, Rome. Urging that a case of debts owed to him by priests of Cushendall and [Antrim], be dealt with by the congregation. Bishop McRory is not acting in the matter. [Enclosing] another holograph letter from him to Cardinal [Prefect] of a congregation dealing with clerical matters, lodging a complaint against his bishop, Dr.McRory of Down and Connor. Pointing to the placement of young priests in senior positions and his own frequent reappointments in junior positions; mentioning two witnesses. Asking for immediate redress.

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- 357  
was 6
- 5 August 1924
- Holograph letter from Bishop William MacNeely, Ard Adhamhnain, Letterkenny (County Donegal), to Hagan, regretting that the negotiations are so drawn out in Rome; the 'enemy forces' seem to be 'preparing for a counter-attack'. Hoping that one of their students, Clinton, will prove to be worthy of a free place at the Irish College. His own holiday plans; looking forward to seeing Curran.
- 4 pp
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- 358  
was 7
- 5 August 1924
- Holograph letter from Sr.Mary of the Sacred Heart, Convent of Our Lady of Mercy, St.Michael's, Wexford, to Hagan (lodged at House of Missions, Enniscorthy). Asking to see him during his stay about a project approved of by her bishop. Remembering being in S.Maria Maggiore one time for this Feast of Our Lady ad Nives.
- 2 pp
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- 359  
was 9
- 5 August 1924
- Holograph letter from Michael Dooley, The Pass, Kinnitty, Birr (County Offaly), to (Hagan). Grateful for the advice; he will call on the archbishop and hopes for an end to the terrible suspense of months.
- 1 p
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- 360  
was 8
- 6 August 1924
- Holograph letter from Bishop William Codd, Wexford, to Hagan, in reference to Fr.Sweetman's school and the Benedictine house at Gorey. Quoting at length from a letter from Sir Thomas Esmonde who protests he made no efforts in favour of Sweetman. The Esmondes in fact once withdrew their son from the school; Codd finding room for diverse interpretation in the letter. Marquis McSwiney was also said to have interested himself in Mount St.Benedict. Hagan is to share this information with Fidecicchi. More details about strategy; he is overall hopeful in the matter. There might be a way for the Benedictines to leave without financial loss.
- 4 pp

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- 361  
was 10
- 6 August 1924
- Holograph letter from Bishop J. Shiel, St. Joseph's Cathedral, Rockhampton (Australia), to Hagan, glad of the good news about his two students, though regretting Lyden does not show more intellectual ability. Regretting it is not likely that he or other Australian bishops will be going to Rome before 1930 unless summoned to the Vatican Council. He is kept busy in his vast diocese; there is fast development taking place. Dr. Mannix's republican views are not shared by other bishops; the Irish question is not widely debated but is a private source for concern.
- 4 pp
- 362  
was 11
- 6 August 1924
- Holograph letter from M.J. Curran, 15 Garville Avenue, Rathgar (Dublin), to Hagan, commenting that the situation regarding the College is delicate and critical. Reiterating that the bishops' letter ought to be adhered to; an uncompromising attitude will make their Roman friends pause and make it impossible for them to tolerate Bisleti's attempts. He is glad that Reali was re-introduced. Further suggestions on how to react to further reductions [of the papal financial contribution] and shame the Vatican into assistance. Planning to see [Bishops Byrne, O'Donnell, McNeely, McKenna and Gilmartin]. Then observing that there is anxiety felt in the Free State camp 'over the inevitable English duplicity on the "Ulster" Boundary question.' Cosgrave is said to believe it may be the end of the Free State and that there may be a general election in October. Urging him to arrange for his holidays.
- 3 pp
- 363  
was 12
- 7 August 1924
- Holograph letter from Michael McDonnell, naval pensioner, Ballycastle, County Mayo, to Hagan, asking about his son Ronald who ought to have returned from Rome by now. Also worried about his general health.
- 3 pp
- 364  
was 13
- 7 August 1924
- Typescript letter with few handwritten corrections signed B. Donnellan, Stapleton Place, Dundalk (County Louth), in gratitude for his help to secure them the dedi-

cation of their church to Oliver Plunkett. The cardinal will hopefully preside at the opening, but his health is failing very fast.

1 p

365  
was 14

7 August 1924

Holograph letter from D.O'Kane, St.Mel's, Longford, to Hagan, enclosing account statement for the Dr.Murray burse (not extant). The student holding it, James Donohue, though not promising academically, will sit the College exam in September. Student Hugh P.Kearney will be nominated for the McGivney burse.

2 pp

366  
was 15

7 August 1924

Typescript letter with few handwritten additions from 'your affectionate Brother C.'[F.Ronayne], Dublin, to 'Carissime' (Hagan). He had Michael [...] over 'in a red tie, and a Stove pipe Hat'; all are interested in Hagan's 'battle' and want to see him win. Advising him he will send much work concerning the Blues [Little Company of Mary]. Detailing the results of his visit [to Limerick] in regard to their constitution; the need for the Irish sisters not to have their considerable property leave Irish hands; the necessity for separation and the sisters' determination. Adding he had no news from New York; he will see Mrs.Brewer and Catherine [Morrissey and Keohane]; planning to see 'Mother' at the convent; student Bluett is praising the Irish College.

2 pp

367  
was 16

8 August 1924

Holograph letter from Seán T.(Ó Ceallaigh), 91 St.Stephen's Green (Dublin), to (Hagan), in thanks for his letters. He gave Hagan's letter regarding 'Dr.M's' information to the Superior. Commenting at length on Devoy's visit; though the government is eager to recruit him he will not co-operate; he favours Mulcahy over the others. The latter told Devoy the 'National' party with McGrath were of no use, spending their time drinking or at race meetings. Although Devoy's following is such that it would be a boon to win him back over to the republican side, Ó Ceallaigh believes his violent dislike of DeValera will unfortun-

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ately be against such a rapprochement, although there is another man returning to the fold who could help winning him over. Stating again his misgivings concerning the projected trip [to the United States]; he will have to go for six months at least. Proposing to Hagan to meet him at the end of the month in Paris before his departure. Adding good wishes for an easing of Hagan's troubles: 'Please God the looters may yet be disappointed in all their efforts'. (Some markings in red ink by [Hagan]).

2 pp

368  
was 17

8 August 1924      Holograph letter from Bishop D.Mackintosh, Collegio Scozzese, 161 Via Quattro Fontane, Rome 5, to Hagan, asking for a character reference for Manus O'Donnell who applied for adoption by Glasgow.

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369  
was 19

9 August 1924      Holograph letter from Bishop Auxiliary Henry G. Graham, 3 Seton Place, Edinburgh, to Hagan. Asking for character and academic reference for Manus O'Donnell, now seeking to be incardinated in their diocese. Asking whether the only reasons preventing his ordination were smoking outside hours and speaking to junior students when the rules prohibited it. Adding that he is in want of priests very much.

3 pp

370  
was 20

9 August 1924      Holograph letter from P.Dunne, Archbishop's House, Dublin, to (Hagan), enclosing duplicate bank statement, having lodged sums for Dr.Fair and Hagan's expenses. Adding that they are off to Spain next Tuesday.

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- 371  
was 21
- 9 August 1924
- Holograph letter from Bishop P.J.O'Connor of Armidale, New South Wales (Australia), to Hagan, introducing Miss Muriel Sheldon; asking to obtain access to a papal audience for her and her sisters. Her brother is Sir Mark Sheldon, one of the foremost financial and commercial experts in Australia.
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- 372  
was 22
- 11 August 1924
- Holograph letter from Bishop Charles McHugh, Derry, to (Hagan), enclosing an urgent petition to the Pope from Fr.James Kearney, Garvagh parish (not extant).
- 1 p
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- 373  
was 23
- 11 August 1924
- Holograph letter from Bishop B.Hackett, Bishop's House, John's Hill, Waterford, to (Hagan). The decision by the Congregation for Religious to turn down his action (in order to limit the number of confessors) does not worry him; stating that the principal points were not touched on. A matter regarding a rescript for the Cappoquin nuns.
- 1 p
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- 374  
was 24
- 11 August 1924
- Holograph letter from M.J.Curran, 15 Garville Avenue, Rathgar (Dublin), to (Hagan), in reply to two letters. 'Attalea' [Bishop O'Donnell] was very pleased with Hagan's letter to Sbarretti. Reiterating (the Archbishop of) Dublin's stance; both he and O'Donnell would support him if he needed to reject the scheme and remain in Via Mazzarino. (Byrne) thinks it unlikely that the Pope would have Hagan sign a document 'in the Bisleti manner' but is shocked 'over the scandal (and) its revelation of the character of the Curia &Co.' If a gift from the Holy See then technically the College will be Italian property; stating his strong aversion to that. Explaining that he has only a short time to act in. Promising to get books; matter to be settled with Tonnini. Hoping to have game of lawn-tennis at Tivoli with Hagan.
- 4 pp



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- 378  
was 18&29
- 9-13 August 1924
- Holograph letter from Bishop J.Naughton of Killala, St. Muredach's, Ballina, County Mayo, to Hagan. Enclosing holograph letter from James Gallagher, Barrack Street, Belmullet (County Mayo), to Canon M.J.Munnelly, Ballycastle; stating Mr.MacDonald left the Irish College on 23 June and believing that he 'has finished with Rome' of his own accord. - Naughton asking for further information on MacDonald since his parents are worried; Hagan can take it for granted he will not return to the College.
- 2 items
- 379  
was 30
- 14 August 1924
- Holograph letter from Cesare Cascioli [Tivoli], to (Hagan), asking to connect his house on Via Cassiana up to their electricity line. [Italian]
- 1 p
- 380  
was 32
- 16 August 1924
- Telegram from (unsigned) [M.J.Curran], Dublin, to 'Hickey' (Hagan): (Cardinal Logue) and (Archbishop O'Donnell) prefer Via Mazzarino to the 'eviscerated scheme', deprecating the acceptance of charity. 'Carlingford' [Cardinal Logue] 'dislikes assigning diaconia to titular contracts'. Also stating 'must absent superintendents October'. Hagan has their absolute confidence.
- 1 p
- 381  
was 33
- 16 August 1924
- Typescript letter from (unsigned) [C.F.Ronayne], Dublin, to 'Carissime' (Hagan). Enclosing cutting from *Universe* of 20 June, asking to send it back: asking Hagan in that connection to send on certain information on Cardinal (Logue) since he was encouraged to write on the latter's thesis for the [*Catholic Bulletin*] Notes for October. he heard of the Cardinal's references to Italy and another country. 'Sister Katherine' [Keohane] and 'Miss Brewer' [Morrissey] have not fallen out, but the latter was a little indiscreet concerning the 'novices'. Ronayne will visit Kinsale, meeting (the Bishops of) Cloyne and Limerick on the way. Adding that New York instructed him to send [Morrissey's] novice over; the passport is a great difficulty.
- 1 p

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- 382  
was 34
- 16 August 1924
- Holograph letter from M.J.Curran, 15 Garville Avenue, Rathgar (Dublin), to Hagan, referring to his telegram of today. He gave the archbishop Hagan's letter about the interview with Pacelli. 'Attalea' [Archbishop O'Donnell] had spoken to the Cardinal about everything; recommending to Hagan to omit certain comments from correspondence that will be shared around; Logue would not like the allusion on the trespassing on 'Paul's' [...] privileges. Both Logue and O'Donnell are appalled at the reduction of the bank's offer; charity money from the Pope for a national institution is unthinkable. They both ask whether the Roman authorities push the new scheme because of the Italian government. Logue dislikes intensely writing over the diaconia to Bisleti. The Capuchin title-deeds ought to be examined, however. Decisions are to be staved off until the bishops' meeting in October. Both are also keen on Curran mediating between the archbishops, being unhappy with putting views on paper- planning to see (the Archbishop of) Cashel, then Tuam. Reiterating that Logue and O'Donnell are with them all the way, ready to take a very strong stance to the point of withdrawing students. Some remarks on a publication, maybe connected with Circaci, which caused O'Donnell much indignation. Commenting then on William Murphy, choirmaster, who might be given another year if Hagan tried the archbishop. Efforts to concert the entrance exams for Salamanca with those for Rome.
- 4 pp
- 383  
was 35
- 18 August 1924
- Holograph letter from M.J.Curran, The Palace, Thurles (County Tipperary), to Hagan). Hagan's telegram arrived; delight at the prospect of the affair coming to a satisfactory ending; he informed the other archbishop. Planning to return to Rome the following Monday. He met Canice (O'Gorman); [Dini] of the Propaganda is travelling through on the way to Limerick.
- 3 pp
- 384  
was 36
- 18 August 1924
- Holograph letter from D.Fortunato [Raspanzi], Rome, (Hagan), in gratitude for Mass stipends sent by Tizi. [Italian]
- 2 pp

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- 385  
was 37
- 18 August 1924
- Holograph letter from Cait bean Seán T.(Ó Ceallaigh), 91 St.Stephen's Green, Dublin, to Hagan, looking forward to seeing him. Their departure depends on DeValera returning from the west; she wants to be there at his return since there are some Americans waiting to see him. Making arrangements for meeting Hagan in Paris; he can contact Kerney on arrival, as will they.
- 1 p
- 386  
was 38
- 19 August 1924
- Holograph postcard from Maria [Musumeci], Catania, to Sr.Zeno, superioress of the Sisters of St.John of God, Irish College, Rome, with respectful greetings. (Postcard bearing photographic image from Aci Castello.)
- 2 pp
- 387  
was 39
- 19 August 1924
- Holograph letter from M.[J.Curran], 15 Garville Avenue, Rathgar (Dublin), to Hagan, on their recent communications. In contact with Seán T. concerning Hagan's holidays. Hagan must be relieved to have secured the main points, that is the securing of the Capuchin site, Irish proprietorship, and the plans. The opposition is not likely to move again: the bishops' solid support renders the Roman opposition 'stillborn'. 'Retirement would be a victory to more than Roman people.' Praising Reali.
- 2 pp
- 388  
was 40
- 20 August 1924
- Holograph letter from James F.Cullen, Mullaghboy, Magherafelt, County Derry, to Hagan, asking about the conditions for entering the College; he is in the seminary at Armagh. The matter of sending him is under discussion since he has no Irish.
- 3 pp

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- 389  
was 41
- 20 August 1924
- Holograph letter from Archbishop Patrick O'Donnell, Dundalk (County Louth), to Hagan. Glad of the result; hoping the strain is not telling on Hagan; Curran was very relieved. He received Hagan's memorial for the Pope very quickly; the main points seem fine and details are probably forthcoming. There is one point of regret (undecipherable) but it does not create a big difficulty. Thankfully Irish visitors will also be welcome at the Lombard College. Mentioning the fine church on the boundary of their new site. Glad the finances have been sorted out well; he would have opposed using the Holy Father's generosity; resigning would have been a last resort and has thankfully been averted.
- 4 pp
- 390  
was 42
- 20 August 1924
- Holograph receipt from Fr.G.Nogara, secretary to the Comitato Centrale per L'Anno Santo, Via Gregoriana 24, Rome, for sums received from the Bishops of Kerry, Dromore and Tuam. [Italian]
- 1 p
- 391  
was 43
- 21 August 1924
- Holograph letter from Pietro [Tacchi Ventini], Rome, to Commendatore [...], stating that the Irish College has obtained exemption from the [heritage tax] (tassa pel patrimonio). [Italian]
- 1 p
- 392  
was 44
- 21 August 1924
- Handwritten receipt from Fr. M.[Bozio], Comitato Internazionale per il tempio votivo al S.Cuore di Gesù, Viale Mazzini 14, Rome, for sums in charity from Monsignor [Hinpher] and Signora Costello, through the Irish College.
- 1 p

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- 393  
was 45
- 22 August 1924
- Holograph letter from J.Brady, 2 Princess Gardens, Belfast (County Antrim), to (Hagan). Offering him a gift, of Irish manufacture, from the whole family on his 25<sup>th</sup> anniversary, conveying their feelings on his great services to church and country. Hoping the College difficulty has been resolved; warmly inviting him to Belfast. Their own travel plans; they might also meet in London. News of mutual friends.
- 4 pp
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- 394  
was 46
- 22 August 1924
- Holograph letter from Francis Davin, St.Mirin's Rectory, Paisley, Scotland, to (Hagan). Asking to obtain permission for Fr.Thomas Byrne of Dr.Hannah's diocese (from Clonmel) to say Mass on board ship. Stating that of the old Irish College students he has only met Scanlon lately, now in Glasgow. Dublin priests, he finds, have 'some sort of Apostolic Vocation for the [defence] of the Free State which is bye the bye on the wane never the less'. Since the Free State has most of his family 'inside' he spent his holidays at home.
- 2 pp
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- 395  
was 48
- 22 August 1924
- Holograph letter from Bishop David Keane, Bishop's House, Corbally, Limerick, to (Hagan), in gratitude for having expedited Canon Mulcahy's appointment so carefully. Glad that his students' health is improving; commenting on the reduced number of students coinciding with the death of a number of clergy. Hoping that the affair in Rome regarding the College will soon be resolved.
- 3 pp
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- 396  
was 49
- 23 August 1924
- Holograph letter from [Pecorari], [Rome], to (Hagan), covering the final results about [patrimony import] by the College (not extant).
- 1 p

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- 397  
was 50
- 24 August [1924] Holograph letter from Patrick Murphy, House of Missions, Enniscorthy (County Wexford), to Hagan, advising him that two brothers, both Fr. [Drea] are going to be in Rome in the autumn; praising the first Fr. Drea as retreat master and stating that while he is of the right convictions he is overly careful. Some observations on the bad summer, and the bad prospects for the harvest. As to the boundary question, there might well be a general election before Christmas 'on the pretence that they are standing firm on the treaty clause and so try to dish the Republicans'. Regretting they have no student for Rome. Hagan must be busy getting the new house ready for the expected throng of pilgrims next year.
- 4 pp
- 398  
was 51
- 24 August [1924] Typescript letter signed J. Kelly, Dunedin (New Zealand), to Hagan. Advising him on his plans to be in Rome at the end of the year; sketching his itinerary via London, Italy, North America. The Archbishop of Wellington and two cousins of 'poor Coffey' are in Rome; the former is 'an old Trojan'. Commenting on *The Month* which in the general verdict is not a Catholic paper. He heard that not all was well with M. J. O'Connell. More details on his holiday plans in Ireland; his substitute for [the *New Zealand Tablet*]. His opinions, mostly favourable, of his bishop with whom he habitates. Asking for other priests now in Rome. (Mother Mary) de Sales has not been too well lately.
- 2 pp
- 399  
was 53
- 25 August 1924 Holograph letter from M. J. Browne, Westport (County Mayo), to (Hagan), with heartiest congratulations on resolving the struggle with his 'mail-gurt enemies'; much attention had been directed to that issue. He and the archbishop did not meet Curran in the end. The Tailtean Games were 'a wash-out'; people seem to have acted on DeValera's 'dignified letter of aloofness'. The northern question arouses strong emotions, as evidenced by Johnson's speech. The divorce question brews 'deep and dark' trouble: 'the bishops may yet assist in the unseating of their canonized government, unless the *Catholic Bulletin* is kind enough to develop its solution more fully for them'. Interestingly, Cosgrave quoted General Mulcahy in his panegyric on Collins. The President is gathering up the skeins and looks forward to the return of the young priests as a step on the road to victory. Others meanwhile are deeply suspicious of the clergy as a recent incident in the I.R.A. shows. The clergy take opposition as a form of "'bolshie"-ism'; also commenting on new books published by the

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literary movement which are usually hostile. Stating that (the Archbishop of) Tuam is in good health and very interested in St.Agatha; it is uncertain if he comes ad limina next year.

4 pp

400  
was 55

25 August 1924

Typescript letter signed for Butler & Briscoe (share brokers), 18&19 College Green, Dublin, to Hagan, enclosing contract for investment in British War Loan stock, having received his cheques. Regretting the anxieties he undergoes at present in connection with the College.

1 p

401  
was 56

26 August 1924

Holograph letter from Brother Aristide Donegan, Maison de Santé des Hospitaliers de Saint-Jean de Dieu, 19 Rue Oudinot, Paris, to [Hagan, Paris], begging to see him that afternoon; Fr.MacEwan mentioned him to Hagan.

2 pp

402  
was 57

26 August 1924

Holograph letter from Archbishop T.P.Gilmartin, St. Jarlath's, Tuam (County Galway), to Hagan, expressing gratitude for the great service Hagan did them [in settling the College transfer]. Financial matter. Mentioning an issue concerning a 'big marriage', and the ordinary of New York (unclear).

2 pp

403  
was 59

28 August 1924

Holograph letter from P.Lyons, Parochial House, Ardee (County Louth), to Hagan, asking to obtain a papal benedictin for Mother Dympna, Dundalk.

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- 404  
was 60
- 29 August 1924
- Typescript letter signed [C.] [C.F.Ronayne], Dublin, to 'Carissimo' (Hagan), asking whether his three letters to 'Hickey' [Hagan himself] arrived; he sent him a document concerning the Blues [Little Company of Mary]. Both bishops are keenly interested in the matter. Asking whether he will be in Rome to receive an important document from the sisters; asking for advice on communicating the matter to the Roman sisters. Then giving brief news on 'Mrs.Brewer' [Morrissey] and 'Sister Katherine' [P.T.Keohane]. Commenting that the affairs in the 'Convent' [Irish republican party] leave him nonplussed: 'the superiors seem to me to be living in dreams, and the rank and file...have had all the heart knocked out of them.' He could understand the old programme 'but this new-fangled stunt seems to me to be without meaning or direction or value of any kind.' [Keohane] reckons those in charge will not be ready for government for at least 12 months more. At least the new programme attracts many new followers. (Adopting ostensible tone) He knows little of politics. The Tailtean, or 'Tell Tale' Games went brilliantly. Adding he expects his chief around 1 or 12 (September).
- 1 p
- 405  
was 61
- 29 August 1924
- Holograph letter from Bishop Charles McHugh, Moville, County Donegal, to (Hagan). In relation to the pilgrimage to Lourdes, informing him there will be 4,500 participants in all, including 500 invalids. Asking to obtain permission for priests to celebrate Mass on board ship; further details.
- 2 pp
- 406  
was 66
- 'August 1924'
- Holograph letter from George Bolton, 'Iona', Harcourt Street, New Farm, Brisbane, Queensland, Australia, to Hagan, enclosing a bank draft for his son, Fr.Brian.
- 1 p
- 407  
no no.1925
- [c.August 1924]
- Holograph letter from B.P.Bolton, Harcourt Street, New Farm, Brisbane (Australia), to Hagan, following

on his father's letter. Stating his regret that Hagan should have ill feelings about him: detailing the circumstances surrounding each instance. In the case of four students dodging classes and frequenting a trattoria he followed the hint of a priest; asking him to have the matter confirmed by the prefect. In the case of the 'Blue Sisters', explaining he had asked them merely 'to leave the college alone' after they attacked the college. Then adding brief news about colleagues and former Romans in Australia. Some impressions from the journey via Cologne and Ireland. The 51 Irish girls arrived in Brisbane safely; however, recounting regrettable encounters with a group of musical actors on board ship: 'drunkenness was the order of the day', and once they entered the cabin of one of the postulants.

4 pp

408  
was 62

1 September 1924 Printed and typescript certificate signed 'Butler & Briscoe' of same firm, 18&19 College Green, Dublin, to Hagan, for the purchase of War Loan stock for Hagan, Curran, and Bishop David Keane.

1 p

409  
was 63

1 September 1924 Holograph letter from P.A.Enright, The Presbytery, Hassunda, South Australia, to Hagan. Enclosing bank draft for the newly-established burse in his name. Adding that he is very weak; his health is broken. Asking for prayers.

1 p

410  
was 64

2 September 1924 Fragment handwritten letter from [...], Post Office Street 32, Warrenpoint (County Down), to (Hagan), regretting delay in responding; he has been organising fund-raising activities for the new parochial buildings: the foundation stone was laid two weeks ago. Enclosing his transcripts of the documents; his part is now complete; the register was returned to the bishops. Explaining that some manuscripts had moth damage, or bore bullet marks. Dr.O'Hare is not

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making efforts to work on his share. Remarking that the bishop and rector came to Warrenpoint while staying in Newry. (Letter breaks off here.)

1 p

411  
was 66

2 September 1924 Holograph letter from M.J.C.[urran], Tivoli, to Hagan [Paris], glad that the Ó Ceallaighs have arrived. Listing visitors to Tivoli, including Don Patrick who is now going on visitation of Benedictine houses in France. The invalids progress well. Conn and his wife should be in Cherbourg now. News about the garden and the ball-alley. Advising him the Lourdes pilgrimage will be back on 6 [October]. An Arklow sailor called to the College who had walked from Naples, having missed his boat; 'a tough customer who had seen life'; other visitors: 'otherwise we might as well be in S.Helena'. Asking about the retreat.

2 pp

412  
was 67

2 September [1924] Holograph letter from [S.M.M.], Bertolini's Palace, Naples, to (Hagan), in gratitude for their hospitality. Commenting on Hagan's and Curran's strong stance if pessimistic outlook: the tide never goes out without coming in again.

1 p

413  
was 68

3 September 1924 Holograph letter from Bishop David Keane of Limerick, The Palace, Corbally, Limerick, to Hagan, enclosing petition for a marriage dispensation (not extant).

1 p

414  
was 69

3 September 1924 Typescript letter from Peter Doyle, Parochial House, Mooncoin, County Waterford, to (Hagan), in gratitude for hospitality in Rome, and regretting they did not meet in Paris; he returned via Lisieux. Hoping the matter concerning the College is resolved; praising the site at Santi Quattro and good wishes for erecting a College 'which in your own words "will be second to none in Rome"'. As for Ireland, there is some grumbling against taxation and jobbery. American money is collected in preparation for imminent elections. DeValera 'would sweep the Country from end to end' if there were not the Farmers' and the Labourers' parties to reckon with also. Recommending a hotel and

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doctor should Hagan go to Worishoffen. Arrangements for having his portrait painted in Rome.

3 pp

415  
was 70

4 September 1924 Holograph letter from Bishop Charles McHugh, Derry, (Hagan), asking for information concerning the Christian Brothers. They are giving 'a great deal of annoyance' and he is uncertain about any exemptions from episcopal control they might possess.

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416  
was part of 113

4 September 1924 Holograph draft letter from G.[John] Hagan, Hotel St. James, Paris (France), to 'Carissimo amico' [Tizi, Irish College]; he will return to Rome around 15 September. Then asking to see to an unresolved matrimonial matter which the Archbishop of Tuam enquired about. (The verso carries notes on a case of a [second marriage where the spouse of the first one had been believed lost]; see Archbishop Gilmartin's letter of 26 September.)

1 p

417  
was 71

5 September 1924 Holograph letter from [Ch.] Armstrong, Linden Lodge, Frome, Somerset, England, to (Hagan). He bears a letter of introduction from Bishop Brodie, Christchurch, New Zealand; expecting to be in Rome mid-month. Asking for access to a papal audience.

1 p

418  
was 72

5 September 1924 Printed circular letter from Kathleen O'Brennan and Dorothy Stopford (secretaries) of the Coisde cabhraighthe na Mac-léighinn n-Éireannach (Irish Volunteer Students' Aid Committee), to [Hagan]. Explaining their duty as supporting students in difficulty for their activities in the recent wars. Without assistance they will remain a burden on the nation or will emigrate. Soliciting the sponsoring of a student by loan, or general non-repayable subscriptions.

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- 419  
was 73
- 8 September 1924 Holograph letter from P.McCarthy, Farragh, Killoe, Longford, to (Hagan), asking for permission to celebrate Mass on board ship. He is going to Australia with the young All Hallows priests. Two students from his diocese will come to Rome this year.
- 1 p
- 420  
was 74
- 9 September 1924 Holograph letter from P.J.Walsh, Archbishop's House, Dublin, to Curran. Advising him that two Ardagh students will be put forward for the Irish College, James Donohue and Hugh Kearney, although neither is academically promising. Explaining arrangements for Rome and Salamanca examinations. Reminding Hagan of 'Canea's' [Archbishop Donnelly] complaint that 'people won't read'. Enclosing petition for the Murphy oratory (not extant).
- 4 pp
- 421  
was 59
- [between 6 and 10 September] 1924 Typescript letter with handwritten additions signed 'S.' [C.F.Ronayne, Dublin], to 'my dear Hickey' [Hagan, although ostensibly to College student]. Wondering whether he received his last letter with the newspaper enclosure [16 August]; reiterating request. His chief reaches Plymouth on Friday. 'Sister Katherine' [Keohane] will be disappointed that Hagan will not be able to visit Ireland. Concerning 'Convent number one' [the Blue Nuns] the papers are ready and will be brought to Paris by Fr.Moloney; they will wait until Ronayne himself comes to Rome. The nuns are in great spirits and ready for a hard struggle in the Upper House. Concerning 'convent number 2' [the Irish republican party], he will try to see Mother General [DeValera] and might see light then, as Hagan suggests. Agreeing that the 'poor nuns' have no other alternative right now; they are certainly getting recognition for having stuck to the 'cane and to the instruments' when the holy pious ones were for yielding. There was 'something to be said for the methods of punishment on which you and I and Uncle Elias [P.E.Magennis] were brought up'. (Compare other correspondence for 'Hickey', as of 16 August.)
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- 422  
was 75
- 10 September 1924 Holograph letter from J.Monahan, 79 Barrack Street, Cork, to Hagan, regretting he will not come to Rome. Asking for letter of recommendation for Dr.Browne.

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Brief news of colleagues. Congratulations on the College negotiations, and the new chapel in Tivoli. He asked about M.O'Donnell but has not had a reply yet.

4 pp

423  
was 76

11 September 1924 Handwritten memorandum by Hagan with pasted receipt for a telegram. One telegram received [from] 'Monsignor Derry' concerning dispensation for pilgrims. Response [from] Lockhart, Pro-Cathedral Dublin; a rescript will follow concerning the dispensation for the fast. [Italian]

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424  
was 77

11 September 1924 Holograph letter from H.Weldon, poste restante, Rome, to (Hagan), imparting a warning from her brother and forbidding Hagan strictly to touch any of her Convent's money. Determined to expose the scandal; Hagan and the others are a disgrace to the church and to Ireland.

3 pp

425  
was 78

11 September 1924 Holograph letter from Bishop William Codd, Wexford, to Hagan, enclosing application for a dispensation. Adding that Sir Thomas Esmonde went to America on private affairs; latter hopes that Marquis McSwiney was not mixed up in the (Mount St.Benedict) business. Own belief that McSwiney is involved.

2 pp

426  
was 79&82

12 September [1924] Holograph letter card and duplicate holograph letter from M.J.C.[urran], Tivoli, to Hagan, with news concerning the students, the building and gardening work. Also mentioning Fr.Robert who leaves for the Holy Land; Fr.Celsus leaves

France for the United States; two students are coming from Brisbane.

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was 80

12 - [...] September 1924

Two holograph letters and a postscript from [P.] Kearney P.P., Garvagh, County Derry, to Hagan, concerning the will of the late Mr.B.Kane, giving him details as requested, with the permission of Bishop McHugh. Making the point that the deceased's wife, a Presbyterian, did her best to influence her husband and was glad for the exclusion of the [...] congregation from his will. Enclosing postal money order receipt for expenses of the congregation in question. Kane promised Kearney £ 1,000 for 50 Masses when still of sound mind. Further details. Now also attached draft handwritten letter by [Tizi, Irish College] to the Pope, explaining that the parish priest of Boherlane incurred a debt for building work in the parish for promises, later not kept, of a large bequest by the now deceased Bernard O'Kane. (Marked 'personal'; longer letter, Italian draft and separate P.S. not dated.) [partly Italian]

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428  
was 81

12 September 1924

Holograph letter from Celsus O'Connell, Cîteaux, France, to Curran, regretting that neither Mount Melle-ray nor Mount St.Joseph's have suitable boys for the place offered at the Irish College; there may be a student ready for next year. Expressing gratitude for hospitality at Tivoli.

2 pp

429  
was 84

12 September 1924

Holograph letter from Thomas Hayden, St.Patrick's College, Manly (Sydney, Australia), to Hagan. Recommending the two Brisbane students, Doody and Mad-den, especially the latter despite his 'indifferent' handwriting. Brief mentions on B.Bolton who praises the Irish College; [their student C.M.] who is working hard; urging Hagan to find a clever student for Sydney. One day Dr. Duhig will open a seminary- plans for future staff. Dr.Leonard still suffers seriously from the nerves; he cannot fulfil his secretarial post for the Australian pilgrimage to Rome for 1925 very well. The College's transfer

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seems to be off; commenting that he does not think much of the Lateran university in any case- there are few students and most are Italian. News of the archbishop's and the coadjutor's health. Commenting on the impending appointment of a new prefect for Propaganda; in the end they fended them off in Manly by writing to Cardinal von Rossum. Soliciting an article for the *Record*. The pilgrimage is not too popular so far and there is no bishop ready to lead it yet.

3 pp

430  
was 85

15 September 1924 Holograph letter from M.J.C.[urran], Tivoli, to Hagan, welcoming him back (to Rome); asking him to come out soon to settle some domestic questions. Sr.Margaret Mary is not getting stronger. Expecting Fr.Browne for confessions; also a visit of twenty German students. Monsignor [Circaci] collects names of the bishops who studied at Propaganda. Lord Birkenhead seems to be causing a panic in the (Free State) camp.

2 pp

431  
was 86

15 September [1924] Holograph letter from M.J.Browne, St.Patrick's, Maynooth (County Kildare), to [Curran], regretting they neither met in the west, where Curran decided not to go, nor in Dublin, which Browne avoided because of the Games. In thanks for the memorandum on the College negotiations; the twists and turns of the intrigue would be very instructive. Enclosing a commission for Tizi (not extant).

4 pp

432  
was 87

15 September 1924 Holograph letter from Bishop James Naughton of Kilmalala, St.Muredach's, Ballina, County Mayo, to Hagan, advising him that he is replacing Mr.McDonnell with Mr.Edward Loftus who is of good ability and disposition.

1 p

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- 433  
was 31
- 15 September 1924 Holograph letter from [A.] Cricchi, notary, Via S.Croce 10, Tivoli, to (Hagan), returning a sum that was paid by mistake regarding the acquisition of land from the Duchess Braschi. (With handwritten explanatory comment in English.) [Italian]
- 1 p
- 434  
was 88
- 16 September 1924 Typescript letter signed Michael O'Dwyer of the Maynooth Mission to China, St.Columban's College, Dalgan Park, Galway, to Hagan, asking for accommodation for his visit to Rome in November.
- 1 p
- 435  
was 89
- 16 September 1924 Typescript letter signed Archbishop M.J.O'Doherty of Manila, Archbishop's Palace, Manila (Philippines), to Hagan. Asking for news about the canonisation of the Little Flower; since he is going to Rome in 1925 he may be able to concert this with the canonisation. Hoping Hagan has been well since they met in 1920; mentioning 'Fon' Ryan and Canon Lyons as his usual contacts in Rome.
- 2 pp
- 436  
was 90
- 18 September 1924 Holograph letter from Michael Dooley, St.Peter's College, New Kilpatrick, Glasgow (Scotland), to (Hagan). In deep gratitude for encouragement and help given in his recent difficulties of finding a diocese. Explaining the rules under which he was accepted; the pension is much higher than in Maynooth; he had to give an undertaking that he will not be engaged publicly in politics. He is very happy with the College; there are 15 Irishmen there.
- 2 pp

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- 437  
was 91/  
no no.1924
- 19 September 1924 Holograph letter from John Dunne P.P., Castlebridge, Wexford, to Hagan. Enclosing his letters on the subject of Palladius; they are going to publish the marked paragraphs in *The Past* (not extant); asking for comments. Informing him of their new editor Fr.Thomas O'Byrne. Wondering whether MacLugair the poet, whose lands were coextensive with Palladius's mission field, supported St.Patrick at Tara through Palladius's influence. Asking for information on Redcross. Now attached (copy) letter to the editor [...] by [Dunne], with some topographical points on the Palladian mission.
- 2 items
- 438  
was 94
- 19 September 1924 Typescript copy of 'Bulletin No.171', issued by the Délégation Irlandaise, 4 Rue de la Terrasse, Paris (France). Discussing under four headings the presidential elections in the United States (nominee Senator La Follette has spoken in favour of the Irish Republic); the Free State debt (a bankruptcy can be only avoided by further obligations to Britain); the generally pro-republican attitude of the Irish people (past elections were compromised by new placements by the "government" and Britain even supplies arms to suppress the voice of the people); the possibility of a treaty for trade between France and Ireland. [French]
- 1 p
- 439  
was 95
- 20 September 1924 Holograph letter from Innocent Ryan, The Presbytery, Cashel, County Tipperary, to Hagan, asking to obtain permission to celebrate Pontifical High Mass *in albis*, on Sunday 26 October. The preceding day their church will be consecrated; the Bishop of Limerick will give the sermon. Congratulations on his success in the negotiations with the government.
- 1 p
- 440  
was 96
- 20 September 1924 Holograph letter from R.Ranaghan, St.Columban's College, Dalgan Park, Galway, to Hagan. Asking for information about the Missionary Exposition in Rome next

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year since he is to represent St.Columbanus's mission. Inviting other points of advice; explaining that he will bring a film he took while in China, as well as still pictures; he will avoid 'curios' from the missionary field since others certainly will. Wishing him success; Dr.Ryan of Maynooth has told them about Hagan's difficulties. (Cf.film fragments found from Shanghai Synod of 1924; General Inventory.)

2 pp

441  
was 97

20 September [1924] Holograph letter from M.J.C.[urran], Tivoli, to Hagan, asking him to send an account book of 1791-1798 which contains names of Ludovisian students missing in Fr.Hogan S.J.'s list. Enclosing [a document] of interest (not extant). Some remarks about works in the gardens and unexploded mines; plants for the Santi Quattro site.

2 pp

442  
was 98

20 September 1924 Holograph letter from Arthur H.Ryan, St.Patrick's College, Maynooth (County Kildare), to Hagan, in congratulations on his jubilee year. Regretting Hagan has been ill on and off this year. Congratulations on the battle won for the College; he heard the news from the vice-rector. He is very happy in Maynooth now; it is a lonely life, but recently they had a small Roman reunion in Dublin; they often speak of Hagan. Hoping to travel to Rome both for the jubilee, and for the centenary- Dr.MacNeely could be relied on organising the alumni for the latter celebration.

4 pp

443  
was 93&99

19-20 September 1924 Holograph letter from James F.Cullen, Mulloughboy, Magherafelt, County Derry, to Hagan, expressing his wish to enter the Irish College; asking for directions. Enclosing holograph letter from Cardinal Michael Logue, Ara Coeli, Armagh, to Hagan. Advising him that he is sending Mr.James Felix Cullen to the College; he has to pay his own fees. Recommending his academic ability.

2 items

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- 444  
was 100
- 20 September 1924 Holograph letter from [titular] Bishop William F. Browne of Pella, Catholic Church, Vauxhall S.E. London (England) to Hagan. Fr.Monahan does not respond; they will have him as soon as he can come. Hoping that things in Italy will be resolved peacefully. Regretting that the bishop's state of health, though improving, might prevent him from going to Dublin for the C.[atholic] T.[ruth] S.[ociety] meeting.
- 2 pp
- 445  
was 101
- 20 September 1924 Holograph letter from Bishop Bernard Coyne, St.Mary's, Sligo, to Hagan, enclosing cheque [for the parishes' Irish College collection]. Regretting they have not been able to send students to the College lately; praising Drs.Duignan and O'Flaherty who give 'proof of the superior "training" and education you impart'. Enclosing application from Dean Hynes (not extant).
- 1 p
- 446  
was 102
- 21 September 1924 Holograph letter from Sr.(Mary) Ambrose, St.John's Hospital, Limerick, to Hagan. Anxious that Fr.Roynane and he will meet soon to discuss their affairs. Advising him of her and her superioress's journey to Paris and Rome; they expect to arrive in late [October] and will meet Mother Hilda there. Their business is now to safeguard the Irish province.
- 2 pp
- 447  
was 103
- 22 September 1924 Holograph letter from [Cardinal] E.C.Lucidi, [Montefranio], to (Hagan). The person in question cannot comment on the lawyer's memorandum alone, but recommends signing the document so as not to protract the matter. Encouraging Hagan to act, knowing that the Holy Father will supply what is missing; things will go according to their plans. He will return to Rome in mid-October. [Italian]
- 1 p

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- 448  
was 104
- 22 September 1924 Typescript letter signed by [William] Lockhart P.P., General Secretary to the Irish National Pilgrimage to Lourdes (September 29-October 10, 1924), Prosperity Chambers, 5 Upper O'Connell Street, Dublin, to Hagan, in gratitude for having obtained the dispensation for the pilgrims at short notice. They will have further questions about a presentation to the Holy Father.
- 1 p
- 449  
was 105
- 22 September 1924 Holograph letter from Cait Ó Ceallaigh, 91 St. Stephen's Green, Dublin, to Hagan. A positive message from the United States gave her relief; everybody in Dublin seems to have been aware of Seán T.'s journey there. Promising news; at the moment it is still reported that the Free State cabinet is to be remodelled. DeValera visited their house in her absence, mostly to interview Art O'Brien- 'that episode ended as we presupposed'. Brief mention of Fr. Magennis, now in Belfast; she and Phyllis remember with great pleasure and gratitude the time with Hagan [in Paris]. Remark about the Walshes; she amused her people with stories about them. Expecting he will hear from America soon: 'maybe before Fr. Magennis leaves something funny would have happened there'.
- 2 pp
- 450  
was 106
- 24 September 1924 Holograph letter from Bishop David Keane, The Palace, Corbally, Limerick, to (Hagan), enclosing fee for the dispensation. Regretting they cannot send a student this year; they are all going to Maynooth; encouraging him to use the Fr. Enright burse on another. Glad they can call on Mr. Kelly's services next year. Commenting [humorously] that it was not playing the game to try and kidnap his secretary.
- 2 pp
- 451  
was 107
- 25 September 1924 Holograph letter from K.[eohane], Wadena, Sutton, Dublin, to Hagan. Glad that Hagan had the news from such a reliable person as [Seán T. Ó Ceallaigh] in Paris. The latter's mission will be a great test; while their 'Brosna friend' [Fr. O'Flanagan] may create difficulties here or there his support will be indispensable at the general election, especially for the west: 'he can and will sweep Connacht any day for practically any side he champions.' He has talked to DeValera, and to Stack who

thinks most realistically. Very skeptical about the new paper venture which may actually destroy the republican party, bearing in mind the *Independent* paper experience. Regarding 'the Brewer' [E.R.Morrissey], all he talked to including Stack were in agreement with Hagan as to his outlook and his will to help. Further comments on Morrissey, 'the general' [P.E.Magennis] and a recent awkward moment for the former: 'it will be some time before all these ghosts are laid for some of the parties concerned, particularly those connected with Mountjoy'. As for the north, if Higgins rushed into a settlement without the Commission that would play into England's hands 'but where it will land Higgins and the Hierarchy is another question'. The republicans should let them fight it out between them. Cannot see how the south has let down the north, as the northerners say; the latter certainly lack unity. Puzzled the northern Catholics should not all be republicans to a man; also that the priests there who were early active republicans have all turned to 'the Castle of old'. At least Hagan knew his friends from his enemies; DeValera and others had to take people on trust; while Brosna and Sceilg [J.J.Kelly] were never good judges of men, Seán T. certainly has that instinct. Stannous will tell Hagan the latest; Keohane's cures were successful.

12 pp

452  
was 108

25 September [1925] Typescript letter signed J.Kelly, Dunedin (New Zealand), to Hagan. He will travel with two Wellington priests from Kilkenny; sketching there travel plans which will bring them to Rome for about a month at the end of the year. Speculating about the very recent visit of the Archbishop of Wellington to Rome. Concerning the 'enemy' [Bishop Cleary] there is no more need to worry since *The Month* has not made good and [*The Tablet*] is thriving. Explaining that he needs the holiday badly, after nine years' hard work. Not looking forward to visiting Ireland; planning to see the west and north. Postulating that as for politics in Ireland 'unity after the Treaty was signed would have been the shortest way home'.

1 p

453  
was 109

25 September 1924 Holograph letter from Sr.(Mary) Carmel [Rome, but normally stationed in Fiesole] to Mother [...], [Fermoy, County Cork]. Offering opinions on fellow sisters of the Italian province, both Italian and Irish, advice for her imminent sojourn in Rome, and the difficulties lying in store for them. (Covering letter not extant.)

5 pp

454  
was 110

25 September 1924 Typescript letter signed [...], director of Touring Club Italiano, Corso Italia 10, Milan, to Hagan, asking for information

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Year. [Italian] on the College for their guide of Rome, planned for the Holy

1 p

455  
was 111

12-25 September  
1924

Holograph letter from Bishop Charles McHugh, Llandridnod Wells, Wales, to (Hagan); he is on his way to join a section of the Lourdes pilgrimage. Then laying down at length the situation of the Christian Brothers in his diocese, as concerns the property they hold, and their late unsolicited move into secondary education. Explaining that when they were established in the diocese by Bishop Kelly this was not made their remit; for that purpose he built St.Columb's College which is also the diocesan seminary. They have transformed one house into a secondary school without his consent; countering their arguments and asking for canonical advice on his position. Armagh has not been in a position to guide him. [Enclosing] two copy typescript letters from Superior General P.J.Hennessey, St.Mary's, Marino, Dublin, to Bishop McHugh, furnishing reasons for continuing to give instruction to boys in intermediate level science, drawing, and manual instruction. Now attached two (undated) handwritten memoranda – one draft by [Hagan], one by [Tizi] fully stating the 'casus' [for the Congregation for Religious]. [partly Italian]

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456  
was 112

25 September 1924

Typescript letter signed by [George W.] Furey, Catholic Truth Conference, Veritas House, 7&8 Lower Abbey Street, Dublin, to Hagan, in gratitude for the rescript – enclosing payment of the fee-; he will soon send a petition for the enrolling of the scapulars which is 'a privilege much sought after by the priests in this country'. Regretting that Hagan did not come to Ireland – hoping he is keeping well but finding he is not giving himself much chance.

1 p

457  
was 113

26 September 1924

Holograph letter from Archbishop T.P.Gilmartin, St.Jarlath's Tuam (County Galway), to (Hagan). He will wait for the official document before telling the parties involved to separate. (See Hagan's draft letter of 4 September and verso; a case of adultery is briefly sketched there.) Commenting Hagan put up a big fight for the College. He met Dr. Browne and found his views very helpful. The divorce bill has not been introduced so far, and there is a welcome lull in domestic politics. It is said there is a strong section of the republicans willing to enter the Dáil. He met Fr.Ronayne.

4 pp

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- 458  
was 114
- 26 September 1924
- Holograph letter from Bishop James Naughton of Killala, St.Muredach's, Ballina, County Mayo, to Hagan. Returning the lottery tickets [from the Congregation of Propaganda Fide], explaining that another appeal in aid of the cathedral did not allow for another such donation. They have sent a sum to Propaganda recently for the foreign missions.
- 1 p
- 459  
was 109/1914
- 26 September [1924]
- Holograph letter from Archbishop Michael [Kelly] of Sydney, St.Mary's Cathedral, Sydney (Australia), to O'Riordan, notifying him of the despatch of a cheque and apologising for the previous error. Concerning the proposed change to Santi Quattro Coronati he states he will pray in the better interests of the College to St.Patrick, St.Agatha, and the Blessed Oliver – asking 'what of the Heart of the Liberator?'
- 1 p
- 460  
was 115
- 29 September 1924
- Holograph letter from John Ryan, St.Mary's, Foxrock (Dublin), to 'Carissimo' (Hagan). Glad about Hagan's success in his struggle 'with the great old gentleman'; he was very fortunate to have two such friends. Brief remarks ('breathless style') concerning colleagues; his C.C. McGrath gives him worry. The archbishop is on a cruise for a month 'and no one is sorry about it'. The population increase brings demand for a permanent church which at present prices will be a major project. Hoping Hagan will be able to take vacations in Ireland next year. (Oblique) comments on a printing project.
- 4 pp
- 461  
no no.1925
- [...]- 30  
September 1924
- Copy typescript circular letters from the Comitato Centrale per l'Anno Santo, Via Gregoriana 24, Rome, to the national councils. Discussing practical points concerning the reception, hosting, and transport of pilgrims to and in Rome; numbers of pilgrims and their accommodation have to be registered. Urging national councils to educate their co-nationals about the Holy Year, and about ceremonies and other features such as the Vatican Missionary Exhibition, for which information leaflets can be ordered.
- 462  
was 116
- 30 September 1924
- Holograph letter from E.Doorley, Cliffoney, County Sligo, to (Hagan), enclosing a card on which he furnished the information requested; asking to read over it and pass it on (not extant).
- 1 p

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- 463  
was 121
- [...] -  
1 October 1924
- Typescript letter signed [...], head inspector, Corpo Reale delle Foreste, Rome, to Hagan. They will send him a catalogue with the plants available in the next few days. Now attached a preceding handwritten letter from [Tizi], Irish College, to the Ispettatore Forestale, Rome, stating their wish to plant trees and render the soil on their land more fertile.
- 2 items
- 464  
was 122
- 1 October 1924
- Holograph letter from Archbishop T.P.Gilmartin, St.Jarlath's, Tuam (County Galway), to (Hagan). Concerning the tickets, promising to dispose of them by November and stating that the approach is a rather cool one. Asking for advice on the sum one ought to contribute for Cardinal Respighi's appeal.
- 1 p
- 465  
was 123
- 2 October 1924
- Holograph letter from M.J.C.[urran] [Tivoli], to Hagan, enclosing document concerning the new Killala student (not extant); enquiring if no other presented himself at Clonliffe. The archbishop returned; he is against the D.D. excepting candidates that are very good all round. Soliciting comments on building work. Fr.Fair will visit the Abruzzi. The visit from San Pastore went off well. Asking Hagan to talk to [J.Rowan] himself.
- 2 pp
- 466  
was 124
- 2 October 1924
- Copy typescript letter from (Hagan) to [Bishop McHugh of Derry]. Explaining that a definite answer from the Congregation for Religious concerning the Christian Brothers cannot be obtained before mid-month. After talks with one of their officials and also with Monsignor Sinibaldi of the vicariate, stating provisionally that when a school extends its activities into secondary level this should be regarded as a new school; that while it is the bishop's right to see to the proper provision of schools in his diocese the crux may be in the matter that the governmental body has already approved of the Brothers' activities. Also commenting on the likely support the Christian Brothers can count on from Cardinal Gasquet 'who is known to regard them as particularly well deserving of the Empire'. Then asking whether Derry will send a second student.
- 2 pp

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- 467  
was 125
- 2 October 1924
- Holograph letter from Sr.(Mary) Ambrose, St.John's Hospital, Limerick, to (Hagan), enclosing a letter originally from Sr.Carmel to Sr.(Mary) Baptist (not extant); asking his advice. Thanks to Sr.Carmel for putting them on their guard; comments on the general lack of trust and unity in the order. Hoping he and Fr.Ronayne could discuss the matter.
- 2 pp
- 468  
was 126
- 2 October 1924
- Holograph letter from [Virgili Luigi di Paolo], Castelnuovo, to Hagan, asking for help in finding work. [Italian]
- 1 p
- 469  
was 127
- 3 October 1924
- Holograph letter from M.J.Curran, Tivoli, to Hagan. Finding his note on the architect and Gasparri's attitude to the contract disconcerting. The bishops ought to protest over the draft since they were not first consulted. Sbarretti's name ought to be further bracketed with Bisleti's, advising him to quote Gregory's brief of 1837. Urging importance of a guarantee that the new premises will be vested in Irish names; mentioning the important interview with Gasparri tomorrow. A message for Sr.Zeno.
- 2 pp
- 470  
was 128
- 3 October 1924
- Holograph letter from Cardinal Michael Logue, Ara Coeli, Armagh, to Hagan. Enclosing a letter and a cheque concerning lottery tickets from Propaganda; though he could not sell the tickets he contributes to the cause. They are sending their best boy from the seminary, as well as one from Magherafelt.
- 4 pp
- 471  
was 129
- 4 October 1924
- Holograph letter from M.J.Curran [Tivoli], to Hagan. Stressing need for vesting the College site in the four archbishops' names; he would rather trust English politicians than the people Hagan has been dealing with. Reminding him that the Standing Committee meets for their Maynooth visitation next week.
- 2 pp

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- 472 was 130            6 October 1924            Holograph letter from M.J.Browne, St.Patrick's College, Maynooth (County Kildare), to (Hagan). He gave the enclosure to Canon Joseph Walsh, urging him to help the letter writer, nephew of the late Canon McHugh, Carna; discussing the case where a large charitable bequests were made and relatives of the deceased are in trouble. Commiserating on Hagan's drawn-out battle with Bisleti; many argue that Irish archbishops should go out themselves to assert their right. Brief comment on the way income tax arrears were collected; Hagan's young friend says nothing on this. Then commenting that among the students – reflecting wider society – the Irish language movement collapsed and that discussions of national questions are frowned upon: 'it is a symptom that the conductor of the retreat Fr.Fegan S.J.found it useful and even possible to insist strongly that Emmett the best of patriots died an atheist.'  
4 pp
- 473 was 131            6 October 1924            Holograph letter from John MacErlean S.J., Milltown Park, Dublin, to (Hagan). He is coming to Rome at the end of the month, to search for documents on the history of Irish society. Hoping to receive guidance from him.  
1 p
- 474 was 132            8 October 1924            Holograph letter from James Monahan, 79 Barrack Street, Cork, to Hagan, in gratitude for his help. Explaining his difficulties in obtaining a definite confirmation from (auxiliary) Bishop Browne of Southwark whether they will accept him there; asking for advice.  
4 pp
- 475 was 134            9 October 1924            Typescript letter signed P.Dunne, Archbishop's House, Dublin, to (Hagan), enclosing bank lodgement form for Peter's Pence and two other sums. The archbishop is annoyed over a passage in the documents sent but thinks it better to swallow it – after all, the Holy Father has taken the thing to himself. Then recommending an imminent visitor to Rome, Mrs.Rorke- Merrion- asking to obtain access to a papal audience: she comes with her ill son. Some comments on their holidays in Spain: 'bacherozzi' in trousers caused much interest; they were called 'pastores' which must be the equivalent for the Australian 'wouser'.  
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- 476  
was 136
- 9 October 1924
- Holograph letter from 'Frank' B.[Frances Brady], [...], 'a chara dhil' (Hagan). Enclosing letter to Dr.Magennis, and a photograph for Hagan which caught Magennis well while telling a story (neither extant). The whole family sends a good wish for the new college. Then commenting on the impasse concerning the Boundary Commission, where Cosgrave and Sir James are unwilling to compromise and DeValera cannot act lest he be accused of spoiling everything. Maybe it will be all fought out at the next Tailteann Games. 'Bee' [Blathnaid] is very happy in her new environs; Gerald is leaving for the continent.
- 4 pp
- 477  
was 137
- 10 October 1924
- Holograph letter from Muriel Sheldon, Hotel d'Angleterre, Rome, to Hagan, in gratitude for access to the papal audience; she will tell her godfather the bishop of his kindness.
- 2 pp
- 478  
was 138
- 10 October 1924
- Holograph letter from W.[L.] O'Farrell, Catholic Presbytery, Rosoman Street E.C.1 (London, England), to Hagan. Asking to obtain the papal blessing for his sister's wedding. Giving some impressions of his parish which is virtually all Irish, with some Italians who come because they find their own church too rough. The Fenian spirit, the same that caused the destruction of the Clerkenwell Prison nearby, is still alive; they are having some prayers in Irish every week.
- 4 pp
- 479  
was 139
- 10 October 1924
- Holograph letter from Bishop J.Hoare, Bishop's House, St. Michael's, Longford, to (Hagan), with apologies for having misdirected various commissions for congregations. Enclosing new document, asking to direct it to the proper quarter (not extant).
- 4 pp
- 480  
was 140
- 12 October 1924
- Two holograph letters from Bishop Patrick Finegan, Culiss, - Cavan, to Hagan. Enclosing cheques; sums are for Peter's Pence and for the Propaganda. Asking advice on the collection for the Propagation of the Faith; some bishops do not contribute. The committee sending lottery tickets for charity have been a little aggressive in their means to ex-

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tract their price- enclosing the tickets (not extant). Adding lotteries are not permitted by the laws of the Free State. – Separately petitioning for honours for deserving Kilmore priests; recommending Fr.Patrick Goden as protonotary apostolic, and Fr. Hugh Brady as domestic prelate. They would be the first of the diocese to receive papal honours.

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481  
was 142

13 October 1924 Holograph letter from Michael Drea, St.Canice's, Kilkenny, to Hagan. In gratitude for his kindness in Rome. He and Sr.Margaret Mary travelled back together for most of the way; in London they met the Lourdes pilgrims. He has written to his brother at the Irish College.

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482  
was 143

9-13 October 1924 Holograph letter from Archbishop T.P.Gilmartin, St.Jarlath's, Tuam (County Galway), to Hagan. Enclosing holograph letter from Peter Loftus, County Roscommon, to the President of St.Jarlath's College; recommending him although he failed to get into Maynooth. Then asking to obtain a definite counsel on how to proceed with the marriage case concerning a man previously married in New York- wondering is he to separate the parties, now living in Ireland.

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483  
was 144

13 October 1924 Holograph letter from Fr.William O'Neill, Kilanerin, Gorey (Wexford), to Hagan, asking to obtain a dispensation from reading the Divine Office for reasons of age and failing health. (Handwritten draft petition by [Hagan] asking on O'Neill's behalf that he be allowed to read the votive Mass for the Blessed Virgin instead.) [partly Italian]

3 pp

484  
was 145

14 October 1924 Holograph letter from J.Monahan, 79 Barrack Street, Cork, to Hagan, stating that Southwark has promised a definite decision soon. Otherwise he would have followed his own bishop's suggestion to go to Glasgow.

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- 485  
was 146
- 14 October 1924
- Holograph letter from Thomas Mahon, Dunboyne House Maynooth College, County Kildare, to Hagan, enclosing a document, asking to forward it.
- 1 p
- 486  
was 147
- 15 October 1924
- Typescript letter signed [...] of the Touring Club Italiano, Corso Italia 10, Milan, to Hagan, reiterating his request for information on the Irish College, to be included in their forthcoming guide to Rome. [Italian]
- 1 p
- 487  
was 148
- 15 October 1924
- Holograph letter from D.Reynolds P.P., Ballinahawn, Athlone (County Westmeath), to Hagan. Asking whether they can accept a bequest for Masses from Fr.W.Murray – it was left to Mount Melleray, the abbot cannot accept the bequest.
- 1 p
- 488  
was 149
- 15 October 1924
- Holograph letter from J.MacCaffrey, St.Patrick's College, Maynooth (County Kildare), to (Hagan), having forwarded his letters on to Cashel, Tuam, Derry and Dundalk. The three archbishops will be with them on Friday. Apologising about the neglect of the *Archivium*; Fr.P.Walsh will take on the work from next year.
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- 489  
was 119
- [mid-October 1924]
- Holograph letter from Sr.(Mary) Ambrose [Limerick], to Hagan, in thanks for his letter. the Australians or Americans are not likely to be of help at the general chapter. They are ready to fight their grievances and hope for justice; pitying the Irish sisters in Italian houses. She expects to arrive in Rome on 20 November. Sr.Carmel might be able to help them in San Stefano.
- 2 pp

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- 490  
was 150
- 16 December 1924
- Holograph letter from M.J.C.[urran], [Tivoli], to Hagan. Pointing out that dispensations may have to be obtained 'in interstitia' for the three subdeacons, because three months need to elapse [before their ordinations]; further details. Sr.Zeno takes responsibility about 'the girl' and he will make their points clear to the caretaker. Enclosing [list of students] and requesting information.
- 2 pp
- 491  
was 151
- 16 October 1924
- Holograph postcard from Cardinal E.Lucidi, Montefranco, to Hagan ('carissimo amico'). Cardinal Sbarretti has left for Rome. Lucidi sent a reply to Hagan's letter to Tivoli. Hoping to see him in Rome at the end of the month. (Official post office card, bearing quotation from Mussolini on the verso.)
- 2 pp
- 492  
was 152
- 17 October 1924
- Holograph letter from Bishop Patrick V.Rudden for Bishop Finegan of Kilmore, St.Patrick's College, Cavan, to Hagan. Enclosing bank bill in addition to sums already sent.
- 2 pp
- 493  
was 153
- 18 October 1924
- Holograph letter from M.J.C.[urran], Tivoli, to Hagan. Offering opinion that the pamphlet – discussing the Archbishop of Dublin - is too well written for the source Hagan suspected; suspecting that the other piece which talked about must mean a new edition. Believing that it is the result of more than one, including Curran's informant and the one suspected by Hagan; some will suspect the Irish College itself despite the Luzio reference and despite the fact that the style is not at all Hagan's. (Marked 'confidential'.)
- 2 pp
- 494  
was 154
- 18 October 1924
- Holograph letter from [Patrick Carton], Booterstown, Dublin, to Hagan. Fr.O'Mahoney speaks of the kindness with which he was received in Rome. Sending a cheque for Mass stipends.
- 1 p

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- 495  
was 155
- 20 October 1924
- Holograph letter from Bishop William MacNeely, Ard Adhamhnain, Letterkenny (County Donegal), to Hagan. Regretting that student Clinton is now going to the United States [and will not come to the Irish College]. He is going to Maynooth; the fact that he has to also preach at the (Catholic Truth Society) conference does not please him 'one bit'. Briefly remarking there is some excitement over threatened private divorce bills; 'it is possible that there will be some strong talking on that head at Mansion House'.
- 4 pp
- 496  
was 165
- 30 October 1924
- Holograph letter from Bishop Charles McHugh, St.Eugene's, Derry, to (Hagan). Stating preference for withdrawing Fr. Kearney's case for the commutation of Masses since the Orangemen would make great capital out of the matter. Expressing impatience over the Christian Brothers case; wondering if they ought to tolerate their conduct to avoid an adverse decision from Rome. Remarking that the Lourdes pilgrimage was a great success – it 'should bring a blessing on our poor country'. He dined with the Archbishop of Dublin who is a great supporter of everything Hagan does.
- 4 pp
- 497  
was 156
- 22 October 1924
- Typescript letter signed B.Donnellan P.P., Stapleton Place, Dundalk (County Louth), to Hagan, hoping he will accept Mass stipends left to him by the late Mrs.Richardson. Commenting that things are improving and that the bad season predicted for the farmers will not materialise.
- 1 p
- 498  
was 157
- 22 October 1924
- Holograph letter from Garrett Pierse, St.Patrick's College, Maynooth (County Kildare), to Hagan, enclosing a petition for the Holy Office seeking permission to read prohibited books (not extant); also sending a sum for fees.
- 2 pp
- 499  
was 158
- 22 October 1924
- Typescript letter signed Fr.Hubert Quinn O.F.M., Franciscan Convent, Merchants' Quay, Dublin, to Curran, in

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thanks for his letter of sympathy; Fr.Luke will be a great loss to St.Isidore's. Commenting on his recent stay in Louvain, making arrangements for the purchase and transfer of property of St.Anthony's: expecting to open the College formally in September 1925. Remarking that an article on the purchase in the *Irish Catholic* was a complete fabrication, and that it did them a lot of harm.

1 p

500  
was 159

25 October 1924 Holograph letter from Bishop J.Dignan, St.Brendan's, Loughrea (County Galway), to Hagan, asking to obtain permission for their student Thomas Murphy, now at Maynooth, to be ordained. Explaining that the president of their diocesan College was called off to Galway. They do need Dr.Fair now, but if he is further needed in Rome he may stay until August next.

2 pp

501  
was 160

26 October 1924 Holograph letter from Bishop C.O'Sullivan, The Palace, Killarney (County Kerry), to Hagan, enclosing petition for a dispensation (not extant). Wishing him and the College well in seeking to finalise the transfer; regretting they had such great trouble over it.

2 pp

502  
was 161

26-27 October 1924 Holograph letter from Cait Bean Seán T.(Ó Ceallaigh), 91 St.Stephen's Green, Dublin, to Hagan. Expecting that Seán wrote to him; she had only one telegram from him for a month. Although it is said constantly he is doing splendidly he has had to take stock of American ways, and could neither make or mar the situation so far. He knows of DeValera's arrest and subsequent release: 'he is the bravest man in European politics anyway (and) I suppose being brave enough to be logical lands people in extraordinary places (and) queer fixes. You know yourself something about that!' Brief mentions of the cardinal, Dr.O'Donnell, her brother Martin. Commenting on the distressing

stories concerning the north, where Catholics were loth to be seen to vote for Protestant neighbours and where the clergy made great efforts to prevent them voting against the Free State. Wondering if DeValera will be kept; the way the prisoners are left to rot up there is scandalous. There are good news from Cork, though not overwhelmingly so; Lord Mayor French made a great impression. They can be sure of Mayo. Fr.P.Browne will find it difficult to deal with Mrs.Erskine Childers's wish to have her husband buried with the Catholics; he cannot be taken to the church in Whitefriar Street. The Bartons on the other hand see it would be 'just as good to have one Protestant patriot and saint in a Protestant churchyard...' Adding that 'it is a tragic funeral for the Free State most of all' (unclear). Then commenting on their university inaugural Sunday and on the fact that the chancellor was not invited; he would have had to sit near the archbishop and Free State ministers; of course he has noticed their unfriendliness since his release. Recounting some 'stories' about Marquis McSweeney, insisting on his aristocratic place, resigning and finally being reinstated by Cosgrave. 'Isn't that all very promising for Free State progress?' Supposing that they will have the present cabinet until the end: Dick Mulcahy has ambitious but unrealistic notions for an independent party and the presidency for himself. 'I suppose they would all as soon see Craig as DeValera triumph in the North'. Seán needs help in his office already; the Walshes are all kind to him if some regret the failure of their own mission. Then adding that DeValera has since been arrested; wondering will he be kept until after the elections. According to the papers, Sceilg has made a farewell speech [in the U.S.] which brought very generous donations to the fund. Briefly mentioning having met Hagan's relative, Miss Grennell.

4 pp

503  
was 162

26 October 1924

Holograph letter from Bishop William Codd, Wexford, to Hagan. Reporting latest details concerning Mount St.Benedict, and Abbot Ramsay's report to the congregation. Canon Lee has been making enquiries for Codd, talking among others to Fr.Goolden O.S.B., and being met by a crowd in support of the school, including Mrs.Gavan Duffy. Some parishioners went back on what they had said before, including Mary Comerford. In Maynooth, the bishops disagreed with Abbot Ramsay's assertion that education and religion would suffer were the school closed. Reporting on the size of the congregation on a recent Sunday; 200 people attended both Masses combined; there are seven teachers and 45 boys. Oher supporters are John Dillon, Mrs.Stafford Greene, Eoin MacNeill, a Labour Party committee, and presumably McSweeney. Restating his stance that he opposes the continuation of the school under Fr.Sweetman's superiorship.

3 pp

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- 504  
was 163
- 27 October 1924
- Holograph letter from James MacCaffrey, St.Patrick's College, Maynooth (County Kildare), to (Hagan), agreeing on accepting the volume [of the *Archivium Hibernicum*] as it stands; still expecting corrected proofs from him. Proposing a table of 'errata'.
- 4 pp
- 505  
was 164
- 27 October 1924
- Holograph letter from Fr.Joseph Moreau, Namur, Belgium, to Hagan, introducing himself as a close friend of the late Joseph Marmion, abbot of Maredsous until his death 28 January 1923. Wishing to write on his life, begging to answer five questions regarding Marmion's dates and career in the Irish College and beyond; asking among other things what merited the gold medal that he received in the College. He is a missionary in Brazil where he will return shortly.
- 2 pp
- 506  
was 166
- 31 October 1924
- Holograph letter from Bishop E.Mulhern, Ardmaine, Newry (County Down), to (Hagan), having returned from Lourdes. Explaining why the students [will not come to Rome]. The summer has been very bad. Then commenting on the elections which passed quietly overall; 'some Catholics voted ... "to keep out the Protestants" [which] of course cannot be effected here'. Dr.MacRory is returning from Rome early; Dr.McKenna found his brother very ill on his return from Lourdes. Then recounting at length the dubitable tactics of the Roman charitable committee dealing with the lottery tickets. Finally urging a conclusion to the petition he sent; it might prolong 'the poor man's life for some time'.
- 2 pp
- 507  
was 168
- 31 October 1924
- Typescript letter signed Bishop Patrick Foley, Braganza House, Carlow, to Hagan, asking to obtain relics for the consecration of 20 or 30 marble altars; the coadjutor of Ossory can bring them back from Rome. Then asking for information on the lottery tickets; the diocese already contributed a large sum to the pagan missions. Finally asking about the delay in conferring

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honours on two priests of the diocese. Praising Hagan's firm stand in the interests of the College – 'a weak negotiator would have lost much'.

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508  
was 169

31 October 1924 Holograph letter from D.Reynolds, Ballinahawn, Athlone (County Westmeath), to Hagan; grateful the Irish College is accepting Fr.Murray's Masses- enclosing cheques. Recommending Mr.Donohue, a student; wishing him well. Begging his prayers – 'the country needs all the help it can get'.

1 p

509  
no no.

[late October 1924] Fragment typescript letter signed William Lockhart P.P., secretary of the Irish National Pilgrimage to Lourdes (September 29<sup>th</sup> -October 10<sup>th</sup> 1924), [Dublin], with handwritten postscript by Fr.C.Troy, assistant secretary, to Hagan. Reporting on the success of the pilgrimage, mentioning a bronze crown and cross brought by them for the dome of the Rosary Church. Enclosing sample of the medal given to each pilgrim; they will send Hagan a gold medal and letter to be presented to the Pope.

1 p

510  
was 167

1 November 1924 Holograph card from Primo Valente, secretary to Signore [Di Vasta], Partito Nazionale Fascista, Elena, to 'Padre' [...], asking for information on the negotiations regarding the acquisition of the Villa Di Vasta. [Italian]

2 pp

511  
was 168

1 November 1924 Holograph letter from Bishop William Codd, Wexford, to Hagan. Stating that Canon Lee has been repeatedly attempting to have him consent to a good working community at Mount St.Benedict, such as a 'domus formata'. Codd cannot see his way to agreeing to this. (Marked 'confidential to you and Monsignor Fidechicci'.)

2 pp

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- 512  
was 1
- 1 November 1924
- Typescript letter signed John Rogers, St.Patrick's Church, 765 Mission Street, San Francisco (United States of America), to Hagan. Introducing Miss Emma Cavanagh, visiting Rome as part of 'a trip of pleasure around the world'. Asking to arrange access to a papal audience for her. Recommending herself and her family. Hoping to be in Rome himself in May.
- 1 p
- 513  
was 2
- 1 November 1924
- Holograph letter from Sr.(Mary) Ambrose, St.John's Hospital, Limerick, to (Hagan), with a message for (Sr. Mary) Carmel. Planning to be in Rome on 20 November as advised by Rome; in best of spirits 'to face the music out there'. Regretting that Fr.R.[onayne] does not write; he is in Australia now dealing with Mother Xavier.
- 2 pp
- 514  
was 3
- 1 November 1924
- Holograph letter from Bishop William Codd, Wexford, to Hagan. Expressing doubts about the bishops' plan to register their statement about the school at Mount St.Benedict. He ought not to appear to the congregation as though he was building up a case. Canon Lee has left them after much hard work.
- 2 pp
- 515  
was 4
- 3 November 1924
- Holograph letter from M.Mooney, The Palace, Corbally, Limerick, to (Hagan), returning a dimissorial form for Mr.Kelly. Glad he latter is well again.
- 1 p
- 516  
was 5
- 3 November 1924
- Holograph letter from Bishop Patrick Finegan, Bishop's House, Culliss, Cavan, to Hagan, enclosing a cheque in payment of fees; enclosing particulars on dispensations obtained from the Holy Office
- 2 items

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- 517  
was 7                    3 November 1924    Holograph letter from Bishop B.Hackett, Bishop's House, John's Hill, Waterford, to (Hagan), asking for the papal blessing for John Duggan and May Egan. 1 p
- 518  
was 8                    4 November 1924    Holograph letter from Archbishop Michael (Kelly), St. Mary's Cathedral, Sydney (Australia), to Hagan, having received the document concerning the College transfer. Asking to present Peter's Pence. Their seminary, St.Columba's, is completed; the additions will cost £ 20,000. Urging to see to the approval of their litany in honour of St.Patrick. There is need to foster devotion to the Pope – 'Australian conditions may thus be kept truly Roman and Catholic amongst ourselves'. (Cf. reply letter of 3 February 1925 in archives (transcripts Sydney), among other things sketching the outcome of the problems over the new residence for the College.) 2 pp
- 519  
was 9                    4 November 1924    Holograph letter from James O'Byrne, Irish College, Rome, to 'dear Jim' [Thurles, County Tipperary]. Reporting on his misfortune of being sent back a year for having skipped classes at Propaganda 'for a good feed', along with Paddy Lee. Also, all privileges were stopped for them. 'Don't let out anything about this to the lads in Thurles' also for Lee's sake. Some comments on the hurling season; Limerick and Tipperary will play 'the rest'. He was 'rotten homesick' during the retreat 'but got out of it then T.G.' Some 4<sup>th</sup>-year Divines 'are a rotten crowd' taking it out on him and Lee in their misfortune. 2 pp
- 520  
was 10                    4 November 1924    Holograph letter from P.Dunne, Archbishop's House, Dublin, to (Hagan), enclosing bank lodgement slip for Mass stipends, to be distributed to the Bishop of Tivoli and others. Hoping they are still alive and that 'the Bishops' letter has not brought all evil on your head'. 2 items

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- 521  
was 11
- 5 November 1924
- Copy typescript letter from (Hagan), Rome, to Bishop [Charles McHugh, Derry], having made enquiries about the Christian Brothers case from Cardinal Lucidi, a competent canonist. The Brothers' establishment of an intermediary course is equivalent to a new school; the difference between intermediate and technical education needs to be studied, however. Awaiting further details also on the two propositions from the cardinal. The vestments will be sent soon. Adding that he is not sanguine about the reception by the Pope of the bishops' letter.
- 1 p
- 522  
was 13
- 5 November 1924
- Handwritten list by Bishop A.B.[rownrigg of Ossory, Kilkenny], for [Irish College], of taxes owed to congregations for indulgences, and of fees received for dispensations, likewise owed. (No covering letter extant.)
- 1 p
- 523  
was 12
- 6 November 1924
- Holograph letter from P.M.[urphy], House of Missions, Enniscorthy (County Wexford), to Hagan. Arrangements for publication of Hagan's piece on crosses [in local devotions] in *The Past*. Regretting he has no student to send. Asking him to look out for Drea's fondness of 'vino'. Then remarking that DeValera is holding great meetings; while especially the younger folk is behind him, the clergy are keeping aloof. The boundary dispute creates much uncertainty though at the moment it seems the republicans would gain from 10 to 20 seats. The Free State is likely to yield in the boundary question.
- 2 pp
- 524  
was 14
- November 1924
- Holograph letter from P.Dunne, Archbishop's House, Dublin, to (Hagan), returning brief to the Secretariate of Briefs (not extant). Asking for news from Sbarretti.
- 2 pp

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- 525  
was 15
- 7 November 1924
- Handwritten letter from Cardinal Sbarretti, Protector [of the Irish College], Rome, to Hagan, concerning the awarding of academic prizes to the students; in praise for their very good achievements this year. [Italian]
- 1 p
- 526  
was 16
- 7 November 1924
- Holograph letter from F.McConnell, St.Macarten's Seminary, Monaghan, to Hagan, sending bequest of Mass stipends for Mary Campbell's soul. Adding that a former Roman student is settled near them – Vincent Mallon.
- 1 p
- 527  
was 17
- 8 November 1924
- Holograph letter from George W.Turley, The Presbytery, 47 Westland Row, Dublin, to (Hagan). Enclosing petitions on behalf of the (Catholic Truth Society) (not extant). The bishops, at the recent conference, were taken with the very appropriate message from the Holy Father which Hagan was responsible for. In view of a proposed pilgrimage to Rome in 1925, he thinks of setting up a Catholic travel agency. Cooks should not be engaged again; suspecting they are Masons. Soliciting Hagan's assistance in advance for the undertaking.
- 3 pp
- 528  
was 18
- 8 November 1924
- Two holograph receipts by Maria Agnese Armellini, Monastero di Tor de Specchi, Rome, for the Bishop of Kilmore and Cardinal Logue; having been given tickets for the lottery run by Propaganda Fide.
- 2 items
- 529  
was 20
- 9 November 1924
- Holograph letter from J.MacCaffrey, St.Patrick's College, Maynooth (County Kildare), to (Hagan). Discus-

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sing the volume of Roman documents [for the *Archivum Hibernicum*], having discussed this with Fr. Walsh and Dr. Fair. Arguing against printing in Rome because of customs duties.

4 pp

530  
was 21

9 November 1924 Holograph letter from Archbishop J.M.Harty, The Palace, Thurles (County Tipperary), to (Hagan), having lodged sums for Peter's Pence and for their burse. Monsignor J.J.Ryan could not but agree on the course taken by the hierarchy with regard to the Irish College. Soliciting Hagan's and Curran's help for a proposed pilgrimage by the (Catholic Truth Society) to Rome next November.

4 pp

531  
was 22

10 November 1924 Holograph letter from M.Moloney, The Palace, Corbally, Limerick, to (Hagan), enclosing petition for the Congregation of Sacraments (not extant).

1 p

532  
was 23

10 November 1924 Typescript circular letter signed Clemente M.[D'Louza], Chairman of Committee of Bassein Catholics, Via B.B.&C.I.[Ry], Manickpur, Bassein, District Thana, Bombay, India, to Hagan. Soliciting his support for their aim to remove the Portuguese Padroado and, being British citizens, to be either placed under the Archbishop of Bombay or to have a separate diocese formed independent of the Bishop of Damaun. Sketching historical background of the Padroado, speaking in strong terms against the Portuguese means of taking control, and against the maladministration by and corruption of the Portuguese clergy. Asking him to petition at the Holy See on their behalf. Including typescript extract from *The Anglo-Lusitano* (16 August); discussing the economic difficulties borne by Portugal in maintaining the Indian colony, and with it its Padroado.

7 pp



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537  
was 29

13 November 1924 Holograph letter from W.J.Walsh P.P., Sts. Peter and Paul, Clonmel (County Tipperary), to (Hagan). Asking for guidance on a particular statute, one of a number drawn up by their cathedral chapter, which the bishop refused to approve as infringing on his rights – giving details. Stressing that this is not a matter of contention between chapter and bishop.

2 pp

538  
was 31

14 November 1924 Holograph letter from P.Dunne, Archbishop's House, Dublin, to (Hagan), asking on behalf of the archbishop to enquire at the Congregation for the Sacraments about the private oratory for President Cosgrave; their answer is much delayed. 'Batty' is rather bad after a stroke. Not surprised that Hagan has not written for a while.

3 pp

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no no./30/  
no no.1925

25 September 1923 **Irish Argentinians plead for their own chaplain**  
-14 November  
1924

File of original and copy correspondence between the Irish Catholic Association of S.Antonio de Areco, Giles and Baradero, their representative Fr.Denis Gildea, Buenos Aires, with the Congregation of the Council, petition by the Association's Ladies' Committee, and ensuing correspondence between the papal nuncio in Buenos Aires and the Bishop of La Plata (submitted to the congregation); also memoranda by [Gildea] and (Hagan). The Irish Association point to the need for a special ministry to face threats to their traditional faith and morals; quoting the late Bishop Terrero of La Plata for their case. This is corroborated by [Gildea], Rome, stressing the general dearth of clergy in Argentina, recommending the great beneficence of the Irish Catholics signing the petition; pointing to the unsuitedness of the Passionists for the work and advocating continued Irish secular chaplaincies. Following counsel from Bishop Alberti of La Plata through the nuncio, the Congregation of the Council (Cardinal Sbarretti) rejects the appeal, pointing to the many Irish priests, secular and religious of various orders. Justifying the decision firstly by stating that Irish secular priests often do not adapt well to local customs and furthermore often create dissent among the Irish settlers, and secondly by expressing the belief that the appellants are looking for a priest of a specific political colour: Francisco Morgan, president of the Association, told the bishop that the existing Irish priests inspired no confidence since they were not sufficiently republican. [partly French]

10 items

540  
was 32

16 November 1924 Holograph letter from Cait bean Seán T., 91 St. Stephen's Green, Dublin, to Hagan, observing that there is much happening. Seán T. is still unhappy, and complains about not being sufficiently apprised of current events by Dublin-mentioning the 'resignations en masse' among others. Ironic comment on the government not interfering with a certain demonstration from the right. (Ironic comments on) Poppy Day which passed with great splendour and 'even for the Republicans it was all sacred to the dead...' The 'poor corrupt' Unionists cannot have England re-established here, but the sudden rebirth is a sign of the times. DeValera is in a Belfast Jail for a variety but may be released within a week. The north east elections were 'unholy'; neither of the communities are a credit to the south, but 'I suppose we must keep them (and) fight for them'. Commenting at length, stating that while Seán was disappointed, DeValera foresaw the outcome precisely. Rutledge is making a very good impression in his stead. Surmising that it was pressure from within the Free State that caused the surrender of the republican dead, and of the prisoners. No convincing reasons were given for 'the McGrath crowd' resigning. Remark on the small Cumann na nGaedhal meeting, publicised out of proportion. Cosgrave has been effectively banished from public meetings; too many materialistic promises have been made and the Mayo elections are not certain anymore. The government eliminates "'independent" elements' and takes in less useful men believing these strengthening measures. Commenting that they themselves ought to 'develop a more down-to-earth programme too for elections' including details for instance on the land question and reconfiscation of land for those once evicted. As for the boundary issue, observing that the Conservatives in Britain cannot afford to take risks and 'will eat the (Free State)'. It is opportune to strike at England by propaganda when a conservative is in power- 'that is the real England (and) Labour cannot be blamed for her misdeeds (and) mismanagement'. Some comments on Esmonde in Turkey; the Free State representative in Paris, and the fact that one searching for such a representative would be likely directed to [Kerney]. Ironic comment on Gerald Hamilton's trial and enjailment in Italy. Giving impressions from the republican [funerals], timed to coincide with the northern elections; Clery's was the only shop that remained open. Wondering whether her side has in fact bought the *Freeman*; the *Evening Mail* seems to be near bankruptcy also. She and Phyllis are not as busy as with the hunger strikers last year. The Republican Newspaper Committee tried DeValera to recall Seán, but he hopes to release him only in March.

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541  
was 33

17 November 1924 Holograph letter from J. MacCaffrey, St. Patrick's College, Maynooth (County Kildare), to (Hagan), enclosing document for Patrick Clune concerning his stu-

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dies, having done 'as honest a report...as I can draft'. Stating that Clune was expelled for absenting himself from studies, and unsatisfactorily explained periods of absence through illness; suspecting a mental condition also for his rough and peculiar character. – Brief comments on the issue of the *Archivium* currently in preparation.

2 items

542  
was 34

17 November 1924 Holograph letter from Archbishop D.Mannix, Raheen, Kew, Victoria (Australia), to Hagan. He is to lead the Australasian pilgrimage, advising him of their route and departure in April. Regretting he cannot tell this Pope what he said to his predecessor about his countrymen being solid and united. Fr.Magennis brought him good reports about Hagan and that they entertain some six-county bishops at the College.

4 pp

543  
was 36

17 November 1924 Typescript [copy] letter signed [Bishop] Ambrogio [M.Ameli] O.S.B., vice-president of the Pontifical Commission for the Revision of the Vulgate, to [Irish College]. Soliciting contributions for an ornamental chalice, to be presented to Cardinal Gasquet on his 56<sup>th</sup> priestly jubilee.

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544  
was 37

17 November 1924 Holograph letter from Bishop Patrick McKenna, Bishop's House, Monaghan, to Hagan, with congratulations on the College students' magnificent achievements at the Propaganda courses, having for instance obtained half the prizes in dogmatic theology. Commenting in particular on Eugene and Joseph Duffy. Enclosing cheque for the painting of Pius XI, and a contribution towards the gold mallet for the opening of the Holy Door.

2 pp

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- 545  
was 38
- 18 November 1924
- Typescript letter signed Joseph S.Walsh, St.Jarlath's, Tuam (County Galway), to Hagan, enclosing document on a case; asking for advice on the procedure for the bishop's granting a 'sanatio'.
- 1 p
- 546  
was 40
- 19 November 1924
- Holograph letter from Archbishop J.M.Harty, The Palace, Thurles (County Tipperary), to (Hagan), in reply. Regretting that Lee is not giving satisfaction –urging caution, since 'we don't want priests who may not do us credit'. Thankful for his readiness to assist with the (Catholic Truth Society) pilgrimage. All are utterly disgusted with the way the transfer of the College has been treated; placing hope in their letter.
- 4 pp
- 547  
was 41
- 19 November 1924
- Holograph letter from Sr.Mary Lelia Mangan, St.Vincent's, Convent of Our Lady of Mercy, Galway, to Hagan. Enclosing letter of petition for the Holy Father, explaining that her aim is to distribute devotional material among the clergy and seminarians in France; her brother will give material help. (Very confused mind.)
- 2 items
- 548  
was 44
- 20 November 1924
- Holograph letter from (Sr.Mary Francis) de Sales Dargan, Loreto Abbey, Rathfarnham (Dublin), to Hagan, with season's greetings; she had news about him from Fr.Ronayne. They expect the return of their superioress from Australia. Joking about the 'Lady Abbess' title he promised her. Some news about her family and mutual friends. Asking about Rome mourning Cardinal Logue, and a likely successor.
- 3 pp

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- 549  
was 45
- 20 November 1924 Holograph letter from Sr.(Mary) Baptist, Sacred Heart Convalescent House, Limerick, to Hagan, with season's greetings. Mother Ambrose returned in great form; all were satisfied with the course of affairs concerning San Stefano. In gratitude for his help.
- 2 pp
- 550  
was 46
- 20 November 1924 Holograph letter from W.O'Neill P.P., Kilanerin, Gorey (County Wexford), to Hagan, in thanks for the faculties.
- 1 p
- 551  
was 47
- 20 November 1924 Holograph letter from W.B.MacFeely, The Presbytery, Waterside, Derry, to (Hagan), enclosing petition for the use of incense at Mass on Christmas Day (not extant). Making comments on the late cardinal, his simple life and strong faith and piety.
- 2 pp
- 552  
was 48
- 21 November 1924 Holograph letter from M.O'Farrell P.P., St.James's, Athboy, County Meath, to Hagan, asking to obtain the papal blessing for Maria Angela Newman and Mr.Laurence Gaughran, the bishop's nephew, on their marriage.
- 2 pp
- 553  
was 49
- 23 November 1924 Holograph letter from Sr. (Mary) Carmel [Dublin], to (Hagan), in thanks for his kindness when she was in Rome. Commenting on the appointment of (Mary) Hilda and 'poor Mother Rosalie' who is now placed 'among those Anti-Irish and disloyal lot'. Hoping strongly that the Irish and English delegates will visit them on the way. Enclosing document for Mother Ambrose (not extant).
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- 554  
was 51
- 26 November 1924 Typescript letter signed George W. Turley, Catholic Truth Society, Veritas House, 7&8 Lower Abbey Street, Dublin, to Hagan, asking to obtain indulgences for the members of the proposed committee for the pilgrimage to Rome in 1925. If indulgences prove hard to obtain, asking for a papal benediction for all helpers. He is writing by direction of Archbishop Harty.
- 1 p
- 555  
was 52
- 26 November 1924 [Fragment] holograph letter from (unsigned) [P.T. Keohane, Dublin], to (Hagan). Praising 'that Mallet man' [...] with whom he had a refreshing chat. His friend ought by all means to complete his work since they will have a sound stock for next year; much recent [writings] have been causing irritation; recounting the meeting with [one of their readers] who found their product [item in the *Catholic Bulletin*] most outrageous but Keohane gave him a talking-to. Then condemning the way their clergy have to associate, or are depicted as doing so by the press, with freemasons and perverts (commenting on an incidence reported to him recently). Stating categorically he will keep free from all parties in the future; he cannot imagine ever crossing over to the enemy's side, against whom only unity and further investigation will help. Then observing that had more elections been won then some of the youths partly on their side would have been demoralised: 'there is a long road to travel and DeV. will need strength and backing to get over it'. Enclosing document from 'the Brewer' [Morrissey] (not extant).
- 4 pp
- 556  
was 53
- 27 November 1924 Holograph letter from Bishop Patrick Finegan, Bishop's House, Culliss, Cavan, to Hagan, enclosing the 'relatio' concerning the Poor Claires at Cavan for the Congregation of Religious (not extant). Commenting on the high fees for the dignities obtained for priests in the diocese.
- 1 p
- 557  
was 54
- 27 November 1924 Holograph letter from Archbishop T.P. Gilmartin, St. Jarlath's, Tuam (County Galway), to (Hagan). He just returned from the cardinal's funeral in Armagh. Having received his documents, remarking on the building plans; reckoning

that Momo [the architect] will get a fairly free hand. Although the country has had many collections to contend with, an appeal for the Irish College should bring good results. In thanks for the invitation; he would appreciate some quiet weeks in Rome. Congratulations on the students' success; lodging sum for pensions.

4 pp

558                    28 November 1924    Holograph letter from Archbishop Patrick O'Donnell, Ara Coeli, Armagh, to (Hagan), with an account of the impressive and touching funeral for Cardinal Logue. He and the Archbishop of Dublin agreed that Hagan's proposal for a remonstrance may do lasting good, but Hagan ought to look after his health first. Wondering what Logue's application for insertion of Sts. Malachy and Lawrence O'Toole in the calendar came to. Enquiring about his pallium. He received Dr. Downey's message.

8 pp

559                    29 November 1924    Holograph letter from P. Soden P.P., V.G., The Presbytery, Manorhamilton (County Leitrim), to Hagan. In thanks for assisting Bishop Finegan in obtaining the dignity for him; enclosing payment for fees, and for his intentions at Mass.

was 55

2 pp

560                    [early December      Holograph letter from B.P. Bolton, Dara, Archbishop's House, Brisbane (Australia), to (Hagan), with season's greetings and writing in reminiscence of, and gratitude for, his time in the Irish College, and the outlook on life he was taught by Hagan. Expressing his sympathy for Ireland where his grandfather was born. Mr. Bastible had been his special friend for his love of Ireland. Explaining that he has [founded] a new Catholic paper for Queensland; also the archbishop has made him his secretary.

was 50

2 pp

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- 561  
was 56
- 1 December 1924
- Holograph letter from Bishop P.Morrisroe, Ballaghaderreen (County Mayo), to Hagan. Asking to obtain *col-latio* for the parish formerly held by Monsignor O'Hara, and also a 'privileged altar' for Sisters of Charity, if possible *in perpetuum*. Lodging Peter's Pence and fees on their account. Some remarks about O'Hara's death; his nephew Denis was not home for it.
- 1 p
- 562  
was 57
- 1 December 1924
- Typescript letter signed M.Moloney, The Palace, Corbally, Limerick, to (Hagan), enclosing a petition for the Congregation of Sacraments (not extant). Arranging for payment of Peter's Pence.
- 1 p
- 563  
was 59
- 1 December 1924
- Holograph letter from Hugh Brady P.P., V.[F.], Parochial House, Crosserlough, County Carlow, to Hagan, enclosing sum for fees concerning his new domestic prelacy. Expressing gratitude to Curran for his kindness on his and his bishop's visit to Rome.
- 2 pp
- 564  
was 59
- 2 December 1924
- Typescript letter signed F.O'Reilly, Executive Secretary, Catholic Truth Society of Ireland, Veritas House, 7 & 8 Lower Abbey Street, Dublin, to Hagan, informing him of the dates for their pilgrimage to Rome, to seek sanction from the Committee for the Holy Year.
- 1 p
- 565  
was 60
- 2 December 1924
- Holograph letter from George Clune, St.Flannan's College, Ennis, County Clare, to Hagan. Writing in support of his brother Patrick, now at the Irish College, whose unsatisfactory report from Maynooth must derive from a serious misunderstanding. Pleading to keep him at the College and try his ability; he would have the chance of entering the Perth diocese.
- 5 pp

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566  
was 61

3 December 1924 Holograph letter from Bishop Charles McHugh, Derry, to (Hagan), sending statement about the (Christian) Brothers; expecting not to change it should the case go before the congregation. Wishing to confine the order's work to primary education. Also enclosing petition for dispensation from Fr. James O'Kane (not extant). In addition asking to obtain a 'sanatio in radice' concerning lay sisters in the Convent of Mercy, and a dispensation for the re-election of a Mother (Mary) de Sales Kelly at the Loreto Convent. While they grieve over the loss of the cardinal, Armagh has an excellent successor. – Enclosing 7-page typescript statement 'The Christian Brothers in the City of Derry and their opposition to the bishop's arrangements for primary and secondary education', signed by McHugh, in six points including a summary. Now also enclosing copy with few ink and pencil markings. (See also letter from J. McShane of 8 December, below, and the subsequent file of adaptations in Italian of the statements.)

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567  
was 62

3 December 1924 Holograph letter from Bishop J. Dignan, St. Brendan's Coorheen, Loughrea (County Galway), to Hagan. In gratitude for past office, and enclosing Peter's Pence as well as fees. Then commenting- 'your letter made me smile!'- on his consecration pronouncement, widely publicised and also criticised. Hagan is more careful of his reputation than he is himself; avowing he meant everything he said in defence of the other side, though he is not a politician, merely an Irishman. He did not heed the squeamish or interested persons commenting, least the anonymous ones.

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568  
was 63

3 December 1924 Holograph letter from D.F. McCrea, Kilrea, County Derry, to Hagan, asking whether the College has moved yet. Sending intentions (not extant). There is much speculation as to creation of a new cardinal, whether in Dublin or Armagh: 'may the better man... carry off the Hat'.

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569  
was 64

3 December 1924 Typescript letter signed George W. Turley, Catholic Truth Society of Ireland, Veritas House, 7&8 Lower Abbey Street, Dublin, to Hagan. Reiterating O'Reilly's

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request for the dates for the pilgrimage; much will depend on their having associates or not. Assuring Hagan that they will organise all themselves, and not hand 'ourselves or the Irish Nation over to an English body'. Archbishop Harty is taking a very active role in organising the pilgrimage; Mr.Wallack will do some of the groundwork in Rome.

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was 65

3 December 1924

Holograph letter from Bishop J.Naughton of Killala, St.Muredach's, Ballina, County Mayo, to Hagan, enclosing petition for a dispensation (not extant).

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was 66

4 December 1924

Holograph letter from Archbishop J.M.Harty, The Palace, Thurles (County Tipperary), to (Hagan), asking for advice on choosing the agent to organise the pilgrimage which will be Irish and not British. Asking to obtain a papal blessing for associates of the pilgrimage, encouraging people to be publicly associated.

4 pp

572  
was 67

5 December 1924

Holograph letter from Eric Fair, Glentworth Hotel, Limerick, to Hagan, sketching the decisions come to with Monsignor MacCaffrey and others in Maynooth concerning the (*Archivium Hibernicum*). They are not entirely happy with having the reprint done in Rome 'but seem certainly very anxious not to have anything like a buck with you'.

4 pp

573  
was 65

2 September -  
5 December 1924

Holograph letter from J.B.O'Reilly M.B., Vienna (Austria), enclosing a typescript letter signed Archbishop [E.P.] Roche of St. John's, Newfoundland (Canada),

introducing Dr.J.Bertram O'Reilly to Hagan, a physician now studying in Vienna; asking to arrange access to a papal audience for him. O'Reilly informing him of his prospective arrival in Rome.

2 items

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no no.

2 February - **Negotiations for sale, acquisition of Coelian site**  
6 December 1924 File mostly of copy correspondence of the Irish College with the Banca d'Italia, the definitior general (Capuchins) Fr.Elizio Da Fenne, Monsignor Pecorari, Mr.Reali at the Istituto Italiano di Credito Marittimo, engineer G.Palombi, the archbishops of Ireland, Cardinals Logue, Bisleti and Lucidi, and Pius XI, reflecting the protracted negotiations for sale of the Via Mazzarino premises and for the purchase of those on Via Santo Quattro/Via S.Stefano. Spanning the early assessments of the Coelian sites by Reali and an engineer (13 February); proposals for use of the structures there; chief engineer Palombi being made director of works and architect Momo being recommended for his work for various officials of the Vatican (18 March); Bisleti's insistence on rights 'real or imaginary' (3 May) as well as the exigence of giving notice to the Guardia di Finanza renting the property, Bisleti's suggestions to use the site of the old lunatic asylum of S.Onofrio instead (11 June), and representations to Cardinal Lucidi and Pope Pius XI of the necessity to leave the unhygienic conditions in Monti and of the main points of difficulty (13 August); similarly indicating to Cardinal Logue the 'puerile difficulties' created by the Capuchins as for payment conditions (18 November); culminating in the Capuchin generalate giving permission for alienation of property (6 December). (This file was placed in the Hagan correspondence and is for that reason kept here, but it complements, and should be consulted in tandem with, the files now HAG 3/ NC.)

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was 69

7 December 1924 Copy typescript letter from (Hagan), Rome, to Fr. Clune [Ennis, County Clare]. In response, regretting that his brother's situation renders him unable to back him as he would wish to: his precipitate arrival at the College and admission without proper credentials, concealing the fact that there was trouble at home, will compromise the College as regards Propaganda.

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- 576  
was 71
- 8 December 1924
- Holograph card from D.Reynolds, Ballinahawn, Athlone (County Westmeath), to Hagan, asking for acknowledgement of receipt of his cheques for foundation Masses.
- 2 pp
- 577  
was 73
- 8 December 1924
- Typescript letter signed J.McShane, St.Columb's College, Derry, to Hagan. In addition to the bishop's statement (see 3 December), sending him the original statement on the position of the Christian Brothers as made out by Dr.Farren- the bishop recast this considerably but McShane prefers it and wishes Hagan to have it. – Enclosing six-page typescript copy statement by Dr.Farren in three points, now with pencil commentary [by Hagan].
- 2 items
- 578  
was 74
- 9 December 1924
- Holograph letter from Bishop Patrick O'Donnell, Armagh, to (Hagan), enclosing draft for Peter's Pence. Also enclosing a petition for the pallium (not extant); it would be very appropriate were Dr.Downey to bring it back, being a native of Armagh. Praising Curran's book on the churches of Rome; the entry on the Santi Quattro is particularly interesting. Hoping Hagan does something for his health.
- 4 pp
- 579  
was 75
- 9 December 1924
- Holograph letter from G.Pierse, Maynooth College, (County Kildare), to Hagan, in thanks for the dispensation.
- 1 p

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580                    9 December 1924    Printed letter with typescript insertions signed W.J. Fryer of the Equitable Life Assurance Society of the United States, 346 Strand, London W.C.2 (England), to Hagan, reminding him of the premium due on his policy.

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[Missing February 2008.]

581                    9 December 1924    Handwritten receipt signed [...] of the Dataria Apostolica, Rome, for payment of taxes for a Limerick Bull.

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582                    10 December 1924    Holograph letter from Archbishop J.M.Harty, The Palace, Thurles (County Tipperary), to (Hagan). Following Hagan's advice concerning the pilgrimage; the (Catholic Truth Society of Ireland) will now be the sole body organising the event, with the help of Mr.Wallack. Reiterating that the organisation will be purely Irish, and that not even an Irish section will come from England. The next meeting of the bishops is in January; the new procura will be on the agenda; in the other one Tuam had been mistakenly placed before Cashel.

4 pp

583                    10 December 1924    Holograph letter from P.Brady, Collinstown, County Westmeath, to Hagan. With some information previously promised about Castlepollard parish in connection with Bishop [O'Derany]; he has no news about the relic, now held by Protestants; the archbishop's remains are said to be in the cemetery of St. James's church. Sending sum for further intentions, in addition to those of May (letter missing). Some remarks about his horse and a recent accident when it fell on him. He and Fr.Martin Moore lately had a discussion of the perceived paganism of Irish Catholics, as seen in their neglect, including some priests, of genuflection before the altar.

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- 584  
was 80
- 10 December 1924 Holograph letter from Bishop Patrick O'Donnell, Armagh, to Hagan. Hoping he will not bother about the Irish saints at present. Discussing the issue of having Saints Lawrence and Malachy placed on the general Calendar of the church; this would greatly please the late cardinal; he had suggested the possible dates for both to go with Benedict XIV's eulogy. Agreeing with the names Hagan mentioned 'if you could carry them through'. Then observing there could be a 'tussle' over bringing the pallium to Armagh. Regretting the uncertainty over the site on Santi Quattro. With best Christmas wishes.
- 4 pp
- 585  
was 81
- 12 December 1924 Holograph letter from W.Miller, Braganza House, Carlow, to Hagan, sending cheque for Mr.Doran's pension, and sums for congregations, listing types of dispensations granted over the last year. The only fellow Roman he met recently, in Lourdes, was Fr.Peter Rogers. Hoping he is keeping well. Season's greetings.
- 2 pp
- 586  
was 82
- 12 December 1924 Typescript letter signed Seán T. (Ó Ceallaigh), Poblacht na hÉireann, Irish Republican Headquarters, 3 East 42<sup>nd</sup> Street, New York (United States of America), to Hagan. Apologies for not writing sooner; he is still overwhelmed with work. Commenting on the glowing accounts on conditions in Ireland by Smiddy, in the principal newspapers at the moment. In thanks for cuttings from Hagan on the demonstration on College Green [Armistice Day]; declaring himself pleased for the Free State's subtle but expressive involvement with this pro-British event since the association is at least visible now, and likewise for the whole pro-British element in society. Expecting that that minority 'powerful though it is, will sneak back again into the darkness from which the Free State enables them and encourages them to emerge these times'. Other republicans ought to be likewise cheered by the cabinet members showing their true colours. He will give 'the Admiral's man' [...] "'A" and the contents of "B"; he has had difficulties because of him, also a friend of M.O.F. [O'Flanagan]: he (now identified as) Fr.G. [...] was authorised to combine the Irish Mission with his own mission while around San Francisco, but did not handle a situation well where potentially he could inspire Dr.York to cooperate with the republican mission again and Ó Ceallaigh has not given him brief to continue. Asking whether Hagan knows a certain Fr.McGuire, Sligo, now in New York, using the Irish Association to earn money as a singer. He read Fr. Magennis's letter in the Irish World; the Carmelite Council held a moving

commemorative meeting in honour of Liam Mellows. Expressing hope that their 'friend of the west' [...] could still be swayed to take up a responsible role in the movement again; glad that Hagan and Magennis added their voices to his own entreaties by letter. Then expressing overall satisfaction with the by-election results for Dublin and Mayo; despite losing three other constituencies they did increase their voting strength and could expect to return 65-70 members at a general election. Agreeing that the north eastern affair was a poor show; failing to understand the attitude of the clergy directing the abstention policy: 'they would sooner see the devil put in a candidate in that area than De Valera'. Then expressing his loss of respect for Down and Connor [Bishop Mulhern], having no moral courage to stand out; the new Ossory [Bishop Downey] is a negligible quantity, and agreeing it is astonishing how all their colleagues are 'still blind to the drift of things'. Expressing sympathy for the now nearly ended struggle with Bisleti; glad that the bishops chose to stand behind Hagan so firmly; not envying him the task ahead: 'I think it would almost be as easy for me to catch a leprachaun as to catch that wealthy man you mention.' Promising to keep his eyes open. Then remarking that only the British and their Irish supporters will have wept over Armagh's death [Cardinal Logue]: his successor's likely stand in the field is uncertain but at least he will always act as a gentleman and is not a West Briton. Expressing surprise and regret over the disloyalty of "R" [...]; he had seemed the one loyal friend in Rome and acted despite knowledge of the other gentleman's record; slowly realising what Hagan is up against all this time. Stating that Cait has been ill since Paris; brief mentions of T.H.K.[elly] and Mundelene. Disappointment over the perceived apathy regarding their movement in the States, having observed attendance at his meetings given in Philadelphia, Chicago, Providence, New York. It is 'a terrible country for factions'; he had to tell the Major Kelly group to end their alliance for not recognising any leadership. Cardinal Hayes is said to have declared his lasting admiration for DeValera and the republic. [Fr.] Paddy Browne wrote at length expressing the newly-won hopes in their circles after the by-elections; they are ready for hard work with a view to winning a big victory at a general election and see that in university circles 'a big change for the better is noticeable'. Reference to an article by Con Curran for a pro-British magazine, *The Commonweal*; regards to Curran.

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587  
was 83

13 December 1924 Holograph letter from Bishop E.Mulhern, Ardmaine, Newry (County Down), to Hagan, asking him to present Peter's Pence. Jestings they could raise funds for the new College by letting out rooms to pilgrims (in 1925). Commenting that the 'good and grand old man' [Cardinal Logue] died as he lived. Both sides are submitting statements to the (Boundary Commission); later on formal sittings will be held. He just had to undergo a small operation in St.Vin-

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cent's. The country has suffered from almost constant rain for nearly two years. Season's greetings.

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588  
was 84

13 December 1924 Holograph letter from J.Kearney P.P. for Bishop McHugh, Garvagh, County Londonderry, to Hagan, stating that in the interests of the church it is better if he does not benefit from the commutation faculties sought earlier. Asking for acknowledgement of receipt of fees.

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589  
was 95

15 December 1924 Typescript letter signed Bishop John Barry, Bishop's House, Goulburn (Australia), to Hagan, in thanks for congratulations on his episcopacy, of April. Enclosing payment for Mr.O'Carroll's pension. Then explaining that he did not accept Mr.O'Donnell because his romantic letter, and Hagan's statements, made him seem unsuitable: the diocese is very lonely 'and if a man is at all temperamental there is a great danger for him'. Wondering if he did him an injustice. Hagan will meet some Australian bishops next year, including Dr.Mannix.

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590  
was 86

15 December 1924 Holograph letter from Bishop William Codd, Wexford, to Hagan, asking to obtain permission for Fr.Albert Lennon to 'read or say one Mass whenever he celebrates' because of his bad sight.

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591  
was 87

15 December 1924 Holograph receipt from S.Laurentius Kilger O.S.B., S. Anselmo, Rome, for Hagan, on having received a pain-

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ting of St.Columbanus on loan for display at the Vatican Missionary Exhibition. It is placed in the hall dedicated to past missions. [Italian]

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592  
was 88

15 December 1924 Holograph letter from J.Brady, 2 Princess Gardens, Belfast (County Antrim), to (Hagan). Enclosing cuttings from yesterday's London *Observer* and Saturday's *Independent* (not extant). B.[lathnaid] was [professed] and a big crowd celebrated with her. With season's greetings from the whole family.

1 p

593  
was 89

15 December 1924 Handwritten copy letter from Engineer Momo, [...], to Mr.Reali, Istituto Italiano di Credito Marittimo [Rome] (forwarded by the latter). Promising to be in Rome next week. [Italian]

1 p

594  
was 90

15 December 1924 Holograph receipt from Fr.[S.Nagara], Pontificium Opus a Propagatione Fidei, General Council, Piazza di Spagna 48, Rome, for Hagan, for sums forwarded from the Bishops of Derry and Kilmore. [Italian]

1 p

595  
was 91

16 December 1924 Holograph letter from Mary J.Rourke, Bloomfield, Merrion, County Dublin, to Hagan; they arrived back safely, in thanks for his kindness. Hoping he does not suffer any more pain. The winter is very mild and wet; Séamus is quite well again. While there is much unemployment and distress in Dublin and little Christmas bustle there is plenty of money for dancing and cinemas. Asking him to celebrate Mass for her intention.

4 pp

596  
was 92

16 December 1924 Typescript letter signed Bishop Bernard Hackett, Bishop's House, Waterford, to (Hagan), enclosing copy

of his statement of 26 November to Cardinal Sbarretti, Congregation [of the Council], concerning his refusal of a statute submitted by his cathedral chapter. Explaining to Hagan that an eminent canonist confirmed his misgivings since a bishop is the actual superior of a chapter; the granting of a secret ballot would tie his hands. Hackett would welcome a formal decision from the congregation. Now also attached a typescript memorandum by [...], for the congregation] (with administrative reference code), setting down the case as held by both the chapter and the bishop; stressing that there are no unfriendly feelings on either side. Pointing to the merits of a secret ballot; proposing a clause to give the bishop liberty in following the chapter's advice. (See 13 November from W.J.Walsh, Clonmel.) [partly Latin]

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597  
was 93

17 December 1924 Typescript letter signed by George W.Furey, The Presbytery, 47 Westland Row, Dublin, to (Hagan), in thanks for obtaining permission for the members of the (Catholic Truth Society of Ireland) to 'anticipate a meridio'; enclosing cheque for fees. Enquiring about the petition for scapulars.

1 p

598  
was 94

17 [December] 1924 Holograph letter from [Pecorari], [Rome], to (Hagan), asking for a letter of introduction to (Archbishop) Mannix for a young musician friend of his, Pietro Sarcoli.  
[Italian]

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599  
was 95

17 December 1924 Holograph letter from Sr.(Mary) Dympna Talbot, Lace Class at the Convent of Mercy, Dundalk (County Louth), to Hagan). In gratitude for obtaining the papal blessing on her golden jubilee, sending him stocks of Irish poplin made by her own girls in the class.

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600  
was 96

15 December 1924 Holograph letter from W.B.McFeely, The Presbytery, Waterside, Derry, to (Hagan), in gratitude for the permission to use incense at a Missa Cantata for ten years. Seeing that an Irish pilgrimage to Rome is in the offing, observing that 'visitors to Rome from this country must tax your patience'.

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601  
was 98

17 December 1924 Typescript letter signed [F.O'Reilly], Catholic Truth Society of Ireland, Veritas House, 7&8 Lower Abbey Street, Dublin, to Hagan, in gratitude for further arrangements for the Holy Year pilgrimage. Expecting around 500 participants; none will require free quarters in charity.

2 pp

602  
was 100

17 December 1924 Holograph letter from M.J.Browne, St.Patrick's College, Maynooth (County Kildare), to (Hagan), having received his letter from Fr.Fair. Commenting on a paragraph in the breviary that connects with a remarkable incident between 'one man in his skin and a number of mail-clad gentlemen'. [Regarding the *Archivium Hibernicum*] stating that still no consensus has been reached and that Hagan's co-operation will certainly be needed. At a recent immuring at a Carmelite convent there was a large group of friends [Brady family]; he had to quieten the old man about the 'Church Militant'. Then observing that the elections shook things up; 'we are not finding the bed of roses as per invoice'.

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603  
was 101

18 December 1924 Holograph letter from James Walker P.P., St.Patrick's, Donegal, to Hagan, introducing the bearer, Mrs.Wood, who will spend the winter in Rome.

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- 604  
was 102
- 18 December 1924 Holograph letter from William Lockhart P.P., St. Kevin's, Heytesbury Street, Dublin, to (Hagan). They are making enquiries into the lost reply from Rome with the papal benediction. The sum from Brooklyn has been payed into the pilgrimage fund.
- 2 pp
- 605  
was 103
- 19 December 1924 Holograph letter from Charles [Cork], Hotel d'Angleterre (Rome), to Hagan, regretting they cannot come to lunch as planned. They would be grateful for the tickets to the ceremony at St.Peter's.
- 3 pp
- 606  
was 104
- 19 December 1924 Holograph letter from J.Ryan, St.Mary's, Foxrock, (Dublin), hoping the trouble is over and he will be able to take vacations after such a long time. With news from colleagues, including Dr.Boylan for whom a dinner was held yesterday. His own health is very good.
- 4 pp
- 607  
was 105
- 19 December 1924 Holograph letter from 'Frank B. ' [Frances Brady] [Belfast], to Hagan, with season's greetings from the whole family. Some family news. Remarking on the recent excitement of having Mary Mc S.[weeney] speak in Belfast.
- 2 pp
- 608  
was 107
- 20 December 1924 Holograph letter from Bishop J.Naughton of Killala, St.Muredach's, Ballina, County Mayo, to Hagan, with season's greetings and a Christmas cheque.
- 1 p

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- 609  
was 108            20 December 1924    Holograph letter from P.J.Deering, Summit Hotel, Howth (Dublin), to (Hagan), with Christmas greetings. Remarks about the many changes made to the villa in Tivoli. In reference to the very wet winter, jesting about the fact that the 'men of the west' must be flooded for those of the east gaining light and heat. 2 pp
- 610  
was 109            20 December 1924    Holograph letter from B.H.Richardson, Hotel d'Italie, Rome [residing in India], asking for whereabouts of Fr. Patrick O'Riordan, Michael O'Riordan's nephew, now also in Rome until he returns to India. Also asking about tickets for a papal audience. 1 p
- 611  
was 110            20 December 1924    Holograph letter from Colin Nicholson, secretary to Miss Margaret Mather, 17 Piazza Trinità de'Monti (Rome), to 'dear Sir' [Hagan], asking about tickets for the opening of the Holy Door. 1 p
- 612  
was 111            20 December 1924    Holograph letter from [Maie] Gill, Altamont House, Westport (County Mayo), to Hagan, with season's greetings in remembrance of his kindness when she was in Rome; joined by her husband. 2 pp
- 613  
was 106            [c.20 December 1924]    Holograph letter from Eileen Ryan, Clareville, Dollymount, Dublin, with Christmas wishes. Recommending to adopt a 'diplomatic illness' for the trying year ahead, full of visitors. Disappointed with Fr.Morrissey who failed to keep a date. Lightly recounting an incident involving her car and 'Molly'. 4 pp



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- 618  
was 115
- 21 December 1924 Holograph letter from P.Dunne, Archbishop's House, Dublin, to (Hagan), in thanks for the brief for the oratory. Mrs.Rourke called and told them of Hagan's kindness to them in Rome.
- 2 pp
- 619  
was 116
- 21 December 1924 Holograph letter from Sr.(Mary) Ambrose, St.John's Hospital, Limerick, to (Hagan), having returned safely. Commenting on Hillingdon Court which she visited when in London – 'such a palatial residence'. Then commenting at length on latest developpments in the order, both outside and in the Irish province; their bishop is very supportive. They do not know much about matters at S.Stefano.
- 2 pp
- 620  
was 117
- 21 December 1924 Holograph letter from P.Murphy, House of Missions, Enniscorthy (County Wexford), to (Hagan), with season's greetings, also from the new superior, Fr.Keating. He is very frequently sent to do parish work but protests he likes the mission life and their house too much. Asking to subscribe to Roman papers for his Catholic notes in local papers. He might not be able to go on the pilgrimage for a general mission in Liverpool at that time. Then commenting on the country; the government is economically in trouble, trade at a standstill; nobody can afford to buy the *Freeman*. 'Imperialism, anglicisation and every other evil are writ across the face of the whole country. The language is dying, there is no enthusiasm for any good cause.' Expecting the pendulum to gain momentum again after five or six years.
- 2 pp
- 621  
was 118
- 22 December 1924 Holograph letter from Elsie O'Garman, 15 [...] Gardens, Kensington, London (England), to Hagan, in gratitude for his kindness to her when in Rome; she returns there in May.
- 2 pp

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- 622  
was 119
- 22 December 1924
- Holograph letter from Sr.(Maria) Angelica Brizi, Abbess, 'Murate' Monastery, Città di Castello, to Hagan, with sincere good wishes for Christmas and 1925; also in gratitude for the charity extended to them through Monsignor Guerri – Sts.Francis and Claire will see this as deeds done to them. [Italian]
- 4 pp
- 623  
was 120
- 23 December 1924
- Holograph letter from Colin Nicholson, secretary to Miss Maher, 17 Piazza Trinità dei Monti, Rome, in thanks for the tickets for tomorrow's ceremonies; she hopes to meet him soon.
- 2 pp
- 624  
was 121& no no.
- [24 December] 1924
- Holograph letter from Bishop McHugh, Derry, to (Hagan). Enclosing document with suggestions for changing the Italian version of his case against the (Christian Brothers) slightly (not extant). Commenting that the Brothers are now attempting to gain complete exemption from ecclesiastical control; for that reason the bishops are meeting on January 8; advising to wait for that to give the Congregation for Religious a more comprehensive picture. Leaving this and the general steering of the case to Hagan.
- 4 pp
- 625  
was 122
- 'Xmas 1924'  
(25 December)
- Holograph card from M.Kilmartin, Ardcaith, Garristown, County Dublin, to 'dear Father' [...], in memory of pleasant days in Rome. He has not met Dr. Fair yet. Hoping to go to Rome next year 'if you will come with me'. Glad the students did well in the exams. (Covering letter not extant.)
- 2 pp
- 626  
was 123
- 26 December 1924
- Holograph letter from Bishop Patrick Finegan of Kilmore, Bishop's House, Culliss, Cavan, to Hagan; the briefs arrived. Asking for receipt for his contribution to the Propagation of the Faith.
- 1 p



lin, to Hagan, with good wishes for the Holy Year.  
Brief news of Fr.Morrissey, and [Mother Mary] Primrose, now superior of  
the Mater.

2 pp

631  
was 128

29 December 1924 Holograph letter from Bishop Bernard Hackett, Bishop's House, John's Hill, Waterford, to (Hagan), stating that he has no desire for litigation but that there is a question of principle involving the statute for the chapter; expecting news.

1 p

632  
was 129

29 December 1924 Holograph letter from Archbishop T.P.Gilmartin, St. Jarlath's, Tuam (County Galway), to Hagan, asking for an enclosure missing from the last letter. Then remarking on the lack of money and the misfortune of a sheep epidemic. Religion is flourishing, judging from the success of missions and the people attending the sacraments. 'Your friends the Rs [Republicans] are rather silent at present but withal that is talk enough (and) to spare'.

2 pp

633  
was 131

29 December 1924 Holograph letter from Seán T.(Ó Ceallaigh), Hotel St. Francis, Union Square, San Francisco (United States of America), to 'a chara dhilis' (Hagan). Unfortunately he has not been able to see their friend there, but talk with his inferiors has cleared the air. His visit in general should have inspired renewed enthusiasm for the cause which had suffered in the whole area during the past year. Archbishop Hanna has been agreeable as usual; other old and new contacts.

4 pp

634  
was 120

29 December 1924 Telegram from [O'Riordan] Donaghmore [Tyrone], to [...] O'Riordan, Irish College, Rome, 'cable condition O'Riordan'.

1 p

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- 635  
was 132                    30 December 1924    Holograph letter from Bishop Laurence Gaughran, Bishop's House, Mullingar (County Westmeath), to Hagan, enclosing bank draft for the collection for Cardinal van Rossum, for the Propagation of the Faith; also a cheque for congregational fees and a honorarium; listing fees for two congregation including names: mostly matrimonial dispensations.
- 2 pp
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- 636  
was 133                    31 December 1924    Holograph letter from Brother Charles Benedict, St. Joseph's Academy, Lee Terrace, Blackheath, London (England), to (Hagan). In gratitude for his kindness and help; he is being treated well. Asking whether he received poems; asking about Mother Kevin. Some personal points; then asking for postage stamps of the Holy Year.
- 4 pp
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- 637  
no no.                    1924                    Printed time-table for the Nederland Royal Mail Line, for connections with the Riviera and Algeria; printed in Genoa.
- 1 p
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- 638  
no no.                    [1924]                    Typescript copy letter signed by Michael O'Dwyer, Superior General of the Society of St. Columbanus [Maynooth Mission to China] Dalgan Park, Galway, Ireland, to Cardinal van Rossum (Congregation of Propaganda Fide). Following petition made by Fr. John Blowick in December 1923 and reply from the congregation, restating their wish for receiving a share of the Franciscan mission in the Prefecture of HanYang, Hubei; the congregation had recommended giving a share of the Prefecture of Puqi. Pleading on point of canon law and for the good of Chinese missions to reconsider the question anew. Their general chapter recommended sending O'Dwyer to petition in person. (See letters from Bishop Mulhern 18 January; O'Dwyer 16 September.)
- 1 p

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- 639 [1924] Draft typescript petition from the Catholic Truth Society of Ireland [Dublin] to Pope [Pius XI]. Listing their reasons d'être and their achievements, asking for special acknowledgement for the Society and for the papal benediction for all their members and contributors. (Cardinal Logue is still named as their patron.)  
no no. [Latin] 2 pp
- 640 [1924] Handwritten (dinner) menu card for [...] superscribed 's'ih ecnerever fo Amor' (his reverence of Rome); including 'Potage Republicain'. [partly French]  
was 54 1 p
- 641 [1924] Printed and typescript request from 'Who's Who', 4, 5 & 6 Soho Square, London W.1 (England), to Hagan, quoting his short biographical entry and soliciting corrections if necessary.  
no no. 2 pp
- 642 [c.1924] Printed regulations issued by Cardinal Michael Logue, (Armagh) for bishops and clergy, concerning schools administered by the Christian Brothers (nine points).  
[Latin] 1 p
- 643 [c.1924] Holograph letter from Madeleine baronne Tiesenhau- sen (widow of Nisio), Via Otranto 45, Rome, to 're- verend father' [...], asking for financial assistance. (Reite- rating mostly what she says on 10 April.) [French] 4 pp

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- 644 [1924] Holograph letter from P.O'Neill, New Street, Newmarket, County Cork, to (Hagan), asking for a letter of reference; he intends to enter university for teaching. (Patrick O'Neill left the College in June 1924.) 1 p
- 645 [1924] Holograph letter from Ellen Stuffle [Rome], to (Hagan). Enclosing a reply from New York (not extant); asking for advice in her dealings with a bank, but stating she decided not to go to the United States. 2 pp
- 646 [1924] Holograph letter from Mary J.Rourke, American Express Company, Visitors' Writing Room, Piazza di Spagna, Rome (Dublin address), to 'Fr.Rector' (Hagan), sorry for his illness, and in deep thanks for having arranged access to the audience- the Holy Father was very kind to them. Asking for Masses for her husband's soul. Inviting him to visit when in Dublin. (Probably predating her letter of 12 December.) 3 pp
- was 1925

**DOCUMENTS OF 1925**

- 1  
no no.                    [early 1925]                    **Bishop McHugh's case against the Christian Brothers**  
Two undated typescript memoranda with copies, also in translation [from correspondence between Bishop McHugh, Derry with the Irish College, and compiled for presentation to the Congregation for Religious], concerning the situation of the Christian Brothers in Derry. First document signed by the bishop; giving account of the present difficulties, of the buildings involved, and offering a summary in nine points. Second document listing in nine points the pleas made by the Christian Brothers in defence of their taking up intermediary education in Derry and offering counter arguments. (Cf. correspondence with McHugh of 12-25 September and 24 December 1924, with Fr.J.McShane of 8 December 1924, and following correspondence with Irish bishops and McHugh of 1925.)  
5 items
- 2  
was 1                    'New Year' 1925                    Holograph letter from M.J.Merlehan, Newton House [Moone, County Kildare], to Hagan, mostly with family and local news. The last year was very hard especially for the farmers. Everything is changed since 'the good old times when you were in Crookstown'; news about parishioners and fundraising for the chapel.  
4 pp
- 3  
was 2                    1 January 1925                    Holograph letter from D.Reynolds, Ballinahawn, Athlone (County Westmeath), to Hagan, in thanks for the acknowledgement of receipt; good wishes for the New Year.  
1 p
- 4  
was 3                    2 January 1925                    Typescript letter with few handwritten amendments, from George W.Turley, Honorary Secretary, Catholic Truth Society of Ireland (Inc.), 7&8 Lower Abbey Street, Dublin, to Hagan. Dr.Harty passed on the photographs with the papal blessing; quoting from letters from Mr.O'Reilly and the Archbishop. Hoping for the best with regard to the situation in Italy which at present is disquieting. Arrangements for the pilgrims' transport.  
2 pp

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- 5  
was 4
- 2 January 1925
- Holograph letter from Teresa Agnes of Jesus [Bláthnaid Brady], Tranquilla Convent, Upper Rathmines, Dublin, 'a chara uasail' (to Hagan), in gratitude for his good wishes. Hoping the new College plans find no more opposition. The few news she has make her fear her old unrest might seize her again, but she bears in mind Moses's prayers from the mountain while the battles were waged below. Dr.Browne's reports do not hold out much promise for Ireland. Glad that Bobby is still going ahead satisfactorily.
- 3 pp
- 6  
was 5
- 3 January 1925
- Typescript letter signed J.O'Reilly, Catholic Truth Society of Ireland, Dublin, asking to make sure that the English do not take credit for their display at the Vatican Missionary Exhibition.
- 1 p
- 7  
was 6
- 4 January 1925
- Holograph letter from Mrs.Ellen Clarke, Poste Restante, Genoa, to (Hagan), asking for assistance in finding lodgings in a convent in Rome where English is spoken; she travels with her daughter.
- 2 pp
- 8
- 6 January 1925
- Holograph letter from Archbishop T.P.Gilmartin, St. Jarlath's, Tuam (County Galway), to (Hagan), in thanks for the memorandum. Sketching his travel plans; Dr. Browne makes the arrangements; Archdeacon Fallon accompanies them; asking about accommodation in the College.
- 2 pp
- 9
- 8 January 1925
- Holograph letter from [Ednia] J.O'Riordan, Laurelbank, Pomeroy, County Tyrone, to (Hagan), in thanks for his kind words of sympathy on their loss [Mr. Leo

P.O'Riordan, Irish College]: they are comforted knowing 'his dear young body now rests beside those of so many saints and martyrs'.

2 pp

- 10                    8 January 1925                    Holograph letter from A.L.Kenny (a surgeon), 13 Collins Street, Melbourne (Australia), to Hagan. Advising him that he recommended him to Dame Nellie Melba (Mitchell) O.B.E., the great singer; she has further letters of introduction to Vatican officials from Dr.Mannix. Sketching her achievements and beneficence in Catholic and charitable causes; mentioning she divorced her husband long ago 'for his faults'. Asking to give her assistance when in Rome. Further introducing Miss Lucy Rowe and Miss Hope Syme who have left for the continent; former is an Anglican of Huguenot descent. Begging to excuse the 'bother'; the three ladies are all of a character to advance the Jesuit motto 'A.M.D.G.' which was impressed on him in his colleges.

8 pp

- 11                    8 January 1925                    Typescript letter signed F.O'Reilly, Manager, Catholic Truth Society of Ireland, Dublin, to Hagan. Asking for advice on acquiring a good guide book for their Roman pilgrimage.

1 p

- 12                    8 January 1925                    Holograph letter from D.F.McCrea, Kilrea, County Derry, to Hagan, stating he saw his name mentioned in the last Roman letter of the *Irish Catholic*. Asking about the College's move near the Lateran. Asking whether he can accept some Mass intentions.

2 pp

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- 13  
was 14
- 8 January 1925
- Handwritten copy by [...] for [Hagan] of the bishops' statement following their general meeting on 8 January. Original signed by Archbishop and Primate Patrick O'Donnell, Bishop Robert Browne of Cloyne and Bishop Thomas O'Doherty of Galway. Stating that with regard to the Christian Brothers' schools coming into the national system, the bishops do not see a necessity to modify the papal decree of 1897. The Free State [as former administrators] usually take into account the disciplinary arrangements of religious denominations. But pointing out that each of these free schools is subject to the, normally parochial, trustees they are vested in. (Seemingly only sent 7 February; see letter from Bishop Foley of that date.)
- 3 pp
- 14  
was 15
- 9 January 1925
- Copy typescript letter from (Hagan), Rome, to Mr. O'Reilly [Catholic Truth Society of Ireland, Dublin]. Giving his opinion concerning the national ownership by Ireland of a certain exhibit purchased, with English funds, for the Vatican Missionary exhibition. Declaring himself unwilling to take the risk in getting involved, also since another man is already taking care of the matter. Observing that 'I cannot altogether blame the people in England if they take advantage of every opportunity placed within their reach to promote the joint interests of king and country'.
- 1 p
- 15  
was 16
- 10 January 1925
- Typescript letter with handwritten markings and amendments signed by Bishop Patrick Foley, Braganza, Carlow, to Hagan. Following on the bishops' meeting, and in the name of the Irish hierarchy, requesting that Hagan holds a 'watching brief' for them as regards petitions to the Congregation for Religious by the Christian Brothers. Enclosing handwritten copy of a decree and 'normae' of 8 and 9 March 1897 from Propaganda Fide, concerning the schools of the Christian Brothers within their diocesan and parochial context. Stating that the Brothers may try for either a favourable interpretation or a revocation of the decree. Concerned that if the Brothers were to oust the parish priests from their roles as managers of the schools, then their overall position regarding other schools will be jeopardised; adding detail. Adding also copy of Reverend Dr.Kinane's opinion in canon law on the advisability of adhering to the 1897 decree.
- 2 items

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- 16  
was 17
- 10 January 1925
- Typescript letter signed George W. Turley, The Presbytery, 47 Westland Row, Dublin, to (Hagan), enclosing cheque for intentions; listing amount. In politics, there are rumours about a split between Rutledge and DeValera, and that the former is to join forces with the National Party. Quoting odd letters that came in concerning the Catholic Truth Society pilgrimage; remarks about Cooks' being upset at losing the deal, since they are said to have made £ 8,000 on Lourdes.
- 2 pp
- 17  
was 18
- 10 January 1925
- Holograph letter from Archbishop J.M. Harty, The Palace, Thurles (County Tipperary), in thanks for the blessings for the pilgrimage. Then asking him to apply for a reduction of obligatory visits to Roman basilicas from the Roman Committee for the Holy Year; it would enable pilgrims to see other holy places.
- 4 pp
- 18  
was 19
- 10 January 1925
- Holograph letter from Bishop David Keane, The Palace, Corbally, Limerick, to (Hagan), enclosing lodgment slip to confirm his payment of Peter's Pence.
- 2 items
- 19  
was 20
- 10 January 1925
- Holograph letter from Archbishop Patrick O'Donnell, Dundalk (County Louth), to (Hagan). Hoping the procura will reach him in time; that the building will answer Hagan's expectations; brief comments on sanitation and municipal interest because of the location involved. Then sketching their decisions taken at Maynooth concerning the Christian Brothers; they told the Ministers for Education that the 1897 decree applies since no essential change in government administration has occurred. The Ministry likely did not know of the papal decree which foresees the parish priest, and not one of the brothers, as manager; further detail. Hoping Hagan and [Bishop Downey of Ossory] will enjoy Naples. Assuring him he did everything he could for poor Riordan

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[Leo P.O'Riordan]. The Bishop of Derry knows Hagan will only move when he is certain of their position.

5 pp

20  
was 21

11 January 1925 Holograph letter from Bishop William Codd, Wexford, to Hagan. Asking for his opinion on the suitability of Fr.Brown, now at the College, for a teaching post in Scripture in their seminary; some details of the post. Stating that the standard of Latin in classes taught by other than former Roman students is usually 'exceedingly poor', and adding this makes the semi-annual oral examinations 'far from enjoyable'.

2 pp

21  
was 22

11 January 1925 Holograph letter from Bishop William Codd, Wexford, to Hagan, in thanks for his report [concerning the Benedictines at Mount St.Benedict, Gorey] and thankful that he urges a special visitation. Though the congregation recognises Codd's predecessor's permission, his own assent may still be necessary, and barring it the congregation would have to take full responsibility for permitting the foundation of a monastery. Downside has not shown any concern for the afflictions their representatives brought on his diocese.

2 pp

22  
was 23

11 January 1925 Holograph letter from P.Dunne, Archbishop's House, Dublin, to (Hagan), asking on the archbishop's behalf to obtain access to a papal audience for Lady Hemphill, a cousin of Edward Martyn; comments on the former's good intentions for a new cathedral. Commenting that [at the bishops' meeting] Dr.Browne substituted Dr.Harty with delight and 'much talk'. Then observing that a new consul has been deployed since the last had become involved with an Italian fraudster. The archbishop is planning to go to Rome after Easter. Adding that Archbishop O'Donnell 'has a good press agent in these parts'.

4 pp

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- 23  
was 24
- 12 January 1925
- Typescript letter signed Michael O'Dwyer, The Maynooth Mission to China, Dalgan Park, Galway, to Hagan, in gratitude for the great kindness shown to him in Rome; the last five weeks were the best of his life. Remembering particular clergy at the College, and 'all the friends who so kindly helped to put hot water into the tea every evening'.
- 1 p
- 24  
was 25
- 12 January 1925
- Typescript letter signed by Bishop Charles McHugh, shop's House, Derry, to Hagan, with suggestions for changes to the statement on the Christian Brothers: the point needs to be made clear that they could have applied for starting a Day Trades Preparatory School such as the one run by them in Belfast, thereby avoiding the present difficulties. Some other smaller changes listed. (Cf. statement filed as 'c.early 1925' which predates these suggested changes.)
- 2 pp
- 25  
was 26
- 12 January 1925
- Holograph letter from M.O'Farrell P.P., St.James's, Athboy, County Meath, to Hagan. He received the papal blessing for Gaughran and Newman on their marriage. Arrangements for paying fees.
- 2 pp
- 26  
was 27
- 12 January 1925
- Holograph letter from Bishop Charles McHugh, Derry, to Hagan. Enclosing a copy of his statement with corrections, and also enclosing letters from the Superior General of the Christian Brothers (neither extant, but for the statement see documents above 'circa early 1925'). Commenting on the Superior's allegations about the late Bishop Kelly's intentions for the schools; the latter in fact vested the schools in secular trustees. Details of latest payment arrangements. Leaving things to Hagan's discretion. Asking to renew subscription to *Acta Apostolicae Sedis*.
- 3 pp

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- 27  
was 28
- 12 January 1925
- Holograph letter from Bishop Patrick Foley, Braganza House, Carlow, to Hagan. Enclosing a document on behalf of the bishops; regretting adding to Hagan's workload (not extant; statement of 8 January probably not the same). Asking Hagan in that connection to watch out for the petition sent to Rome and inform them about its nature, and other related matters. Then stating that Fr.Doran ought to be allowed to attempt a doctorate. Asking Hagan to furnish all his own students with Abbot Marmion's *Christ the life of the soul*, and Fr.Buckler's *Spiritual perfection*; recommending both and particularly Marmion's work which is a standard in Maynooth. Finally arranging payment of fees for honours recently received.
- 4 pp
- 28  
was 29
- 13 January 1925
- Telegram from Bishop Griffin, Springfield, Illinois (United States of America), to Hagan, asking whether they could take in two students.
- 1 p
- 29  
was 30
- 14 January 1925
- Holograph letter from D.F.McCrea, Kilrea, County Derry, to Hagan, sending mass intentions for three named individuals. Regretting he will not come to Rome; he was present at the last opening of the Holy Door, however, and since then he has had his share of sunshine and shade.
- 2 pp
- 30  
was 31
- 14 January 1925
- Holograph letter from Bishop C.O'Sullivan, The Palace, Killarney (County Kerry), to (Hagan), enclosing [wraps] for Kerry for the past year (not extant). Stating he will inform him once a judgment has been given in the O'Callaghan case.
- 2 pp



certain Begley will take over from Ó Ceallaigh in New York and leave him free to go to Washington- many in New York have returned to the fold already; finances remain a problem but in expectancy of 'big events happening at home in the near future' the prospects are bright. Doheny, a great benefactor to a Los Angeles church might be of help to them; he will mention Hagan's new undertaking if appropriate. Cait seems much improved. Then adding praises for the article on Poppy Day; the reports on O'Malley and O'Byrne intending to lead another schism are promising and they may succeed against Cosgrave's unifying efforts. Assessing the situation in Cavan as 'farcical'- the two O'Hanlons are nephews of the Jesuit Finlays.

4 pp

34  
was 33

16 January 1925      Fragment typescript letter from P.Quinn & Co., Manufacturers of Badges, Medals and Buttons, North Strand, Dublin, to Hagan, [soliciting business] by citing Fr.W. Lockhart's satisfaction with their work for the commemorative medal to be presented to the Pope by the Irish pilgrimage to Lourdes (end missing).

1 p

35  
was 34

16 January 1925      Holograph letter from Archbishop T.P.Gilmartin, St. Jarlath's, Tuam (County Galway), to Hagan. Accepting the invitation; hoping to travel to Rome with Dr. Browne of Maynooth in a few weeks; after jubilee celebrations he will be able to deal with other matters. Enclosing application for the Penitentiary as suggested by Hagan (not extant)- comments on the matter (unclear). A lodgment was made for their three students' scholarships. Adding his sympathy on the recent death.

2 pp

36  
was 35

16 January 1925      Typescript letter signed Bishop James A.Griffin, Bishop's House, Springfield, Illinois (United States of America), to Hagan, grateful for the affirmative reply. The two students for whom accommodation was sought are both Irish and will eventually go to America; they have now secured places in an Irish seminary.

1 p

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- 37  
was 36
- 19 January 1925
- Holograph letter from K.[eohane] of M.H.Gill & Son Ltd., Dublin, to (Hagan), discussing contributions [to the *Catholic Bulletin*]; praising 'Wine [for the royal Pope]'. Hagan's note was despatched to Corkery and he awaits a reply. They took advantage of their delay as can be seen in the editorial- even their *Archivium* friend [MacCaffrey] will be praying for Keohane now. Ironic comment about bad visibility in Cork harbour when the prelate of Cloyne could not see the president; it is an indication of the bitterness prevalent. 'Brosna' [O'Flanagan]'s expected arrival will make a decisive difference in the west. Mullinavat does not take boy boarders – 'a little heritage left to keep me reminded of those who suffered in 1916'-; he and his fellow trustee will have to react to Mrs.Pearse's call for new pupils for her school. Arrangements for printing work. Telling him his health is dependent on Hagan's- encouraging exercise.
- 4 pp
- 38  
was 37
- 20 January 1925
- Holograph letter from Fr.J.M.Cregan, St.Munchin's, Limerick, to Hagan. Asking about the putative price for a memorial for Monsignor O'Riordan's grave; he and other priests would like to have it erected on his grave. Asking for acknowledgement of O'Riordan's books which he sent to Rome last year.
- 3 pp
- 39  
was 38
- 20 January 1925
- Holograph letter from Bishop Robert Browne of Cloyne, Bishop's House, Cobh (County Cork), to Hagan, asking on behalf of the superioress at the Mercy Convent to obtain papal blessings for three jubilarian nuns. He hopes to send one or two students to the College this September. Asking for receipt for Peter's Pence, sent directly to Cardinal Gasparri.
- 2 pp
- 40  
no no.
- [c.January 1925]
- Holograph letter from P.M.[urphy, House of Missions, Enniscorthy, County Wexford], to (Hagan), enclosing a cheque for mass intentions; in thanks for *Italie*. Sta-

ting preference for an organ such as the *Annales de l'Italie Catholique*; enclosing cutting from (French newspaper) for illustration. He will send Hagan *The Wicklow People* every week. The bishops are less than enthusiastic about the Catholic Truth Society's big push; it might disturb their apathy and the 'policy of drift ... in this Catholic land'. There is no prominent republican among the clergy but the republicans are hopeful of winning seats; their army is 'disbanded for good'. Then a reference to Stannous's 'Roman notes'; the (*Catholic Bulletin*) is very biting this month. (Dating by fragmentary newspaper cutting; Stannous's article reference unclear, however.)

2 items

41  
was 39

21 January 1925 Two typescript letters signed J.O'Reilly of the Catholic Truth Society of Ireland, Dublin, to Hagan, in thanks for information on the best guide books to Rome. Their people 'as you know are not inclined to read'; but he will recommend [Hare's] and Baedeker's. On the Missionary Exhibition, stating that since they bought the exhibit they must get credit: Colonel O'Gorman may intervene so the caption be made clear.

2 items

42  
was 41

21 January 1925 Holograph letter from Sr.(Mary) Baptist, Sacred Heart Convalescent Home, Milford House, Limerick, to Hagan. They are all pleased with Mother Ambrose's appointment as head of the Irish Province against all intrigue. They have a growing number of novices. She is sorry for Mother Rosalie being caught in 'the net at San Stefano's'.

2 pp

43  
was 42

22 January 1925 Holograph letter from W.O'Reilly, Hotel Imbert, 12 Boulevard Louis-[Salvator], Marseilles (France), to Hagan, in thanks for the papers, and enclosing cheque. Returning the appointment letter for change of his second name to Joseph.

2 pp

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44  
no no.                      22 January 1925                      Typescript receipt signed by Miss Katherine Fitzgerald [Rome] and handwritten calling card; having received wages for copying Italian manuscripts.

2 items

45  
was 44                      22 January 1925                      Holograph letter from Cáit Ó C.[eallaigh], 67 Boulevard Grignon, [Mowillon], Toulon, France, to Hagan. She is a winter guest in a very quiet 'pension', still undergoing treatment for her illness. Comments about the weather; Phyllis keeps her informed. When she last saw DeValera he was inclined to think the (Free State) was consolidating itself by these eruptions and resignations, and was entering a final [state]. Her two brothers-in-law are among the staunchest supporters of the government – 'the indescribable frauds'. Illustrating how 'Mulcahy is incomprehensible in his acts'; at a dance recently the old and the new army were both represented. Expressing disgust at them all. Charlie Dalton lately was being driven in a government car; they are all incomprehensible. Murray is being tried for the murder of poor Bergin who carried messages to prisoners on hungerstrike; probably the same Murray who murdered Noel Lemass. Seán seems to have got into his stride in San Francisco, 'dining with archbishops... (and) seeing many a bore useful (and) useless!' Monsignor Rogers seems 'great in his simplicity'. She might join Seán in March.

2 pp

46  
was 45                      22 January 1925                      Two holograph letters from Bishop William Codd, Wexford, to Hagan. Welcoming the decision made by the congregation; doubting that Downside Abbey can find four priests and two lay brothers to create the *domus formata* [at Mount St.Benedict]. Discussing at length the personal investments by Fr.Sweetman and the other assets of the school; stressing Fr.Sweetman ought to liquidate the assets himself. The only religious order Codd would consent to taking over the place are the DeLa Salle Brothers, already established in the diocese; it might also serve as a sanatorium. – Discussing Fr.Browne's further studies in Rome at the Gregorian University; despite reservations, welcoming Fr. Webb's decision to study canon law in Rome; plans for his College regarding both men.

2 items

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- 47  
was 40
- 21-23 January  
1925
- Holograph letter from Denis P.O'Flynn, St.Mary's, St.Patrick's College, Maynooth (County Kildare), to Brendan [Harley, Irish College Rome], in reply. Commenting on their respective studies, Dublin ecclesiastical news, and mutual acquaintances. Discussing the death of "'Mister'", and the vacant chair at (University College Dublin). In politics, observing the general apathy of the people; the republicans are planning Árus na Féile and the purchase of the *Freeman's Journal* which the bishops are also interested in. Praising as the only ray of light the meeting of Conradh na Gaeilge, attended by all old stalwarts including Douglas Hyde, Eoin MacNéill and DeValera. Remarking then that 'the Abbey Theatre crowd' has become obstreperous since the treaty; promulgating their religious heresies in their organ *To-Morrow* and attacking the Irish movement in the Oireachtas (mentioning Yeats, Lennox Robinson, and G.W.Russell). It might be no surprise were the bishops to condemn 'all that set'. For all that he believes the Gaelic League is 'an important factor in our cultural (and) religious salvation'.
- 6 pp
- 48  
was 24
- 23 [January] 1925
- Typescript letter with handwritten corrections from B. Bolton, Dara, Archbishop's House, Brisbane (Australia) to (Hagan), in thanks for his letter. Some remarks about Fr.Deering and the regrettable Joran incident. Fr.Roberts wrote about 'the glories of Palestine'. Some local ecclesiastical news. Lately he nearly came to blows over comparing the Propaganda to the Irish College.
- 2 pp
- 49  
was 25
- 24 January 1925
- Holograph letter from Bishop Charles McHugh, Derry, to (Hagan), having followed his advice and sent a reply to the superior general regarding grants. Sending him copies of the entire correspondence that has gone before. (Not extant here but see correspondence 12-25 September 1924.) Promising to send a reply to the points Hagan wrote in their [the Christian Brothers'] favour (see first item of the year). Reminding him of two dispensations yet outstanding.
- 1 p

HAG 1/ 1925/

- 50  
was 27
- 25 January 1925
- Typescript [draft] letter from [Hagan], Irish College, to the editor of the *Irish Catholic Directory*; pointing out that the information supplied concerning the College has been changed for the current edition.
- 1 p
- 51  
was 28
- 26 January 1925
- Holograph letter from Bishop Charles McHugh, Derry, to (Hagan), quoting verbatim a reply letter to him from P.Hennessy, superior general of the Christian Brothers, who promises a reply within the week.
- 1 p
- 52  
was 29
- 27 January 1925
- Holograph letter from Bishop E.Mulhern, Ardmaine, Newry, to (Hagan), apologising for the delay due to illness. Commenting that [Cardinal Logue] deservedly had the best funeral of the country; praising his naming of a successor who will 'give a good account of himself'. Despite Lord Londonderry's hard stance and other efforts made in Education, they feel they are winning by degrees. Turning to the (Christian) Brothers, stating his fear that if they won this contention then the lay teachers would all have a good case against clerical management. Concerning the Boundary Commission, they have made the clearest case 'but for irregular tactics we could have made it with less trouble'. He might not be able to visit Rome; hoping to consecrate their cathedral in July – the church was dedicated in 1829, as the first church opened after Emancipation. Hoping Hagan is better than when Dr.MacRory was in Rome. Mentioning the death of poor Monsignor Hickey; Haddington Road has had a sad record.
- 4 pp
- 53  
was 30
- 28 January 1925
- Telegram from [Archbishop of] Cashel, Thurles (County Tipperary), to Hagan, stating the procura will be signed next Saturday.
- 1 p

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- 54  
was 31
- 28 January 1925
- Holograph letter from Archbishop Edward J. Byrne, Archbishop's House, Dublin, to (Hagan). Following the tragic death of Monsignor Hickey, asking for faculties to nominate successor – special consideration should be made on account of this unusual mortality rate. In adverse case, recommending Fr. Francis Wall, Fr. John Waters, Fr. James Breen, as his successor at St. Mary's.
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was no no./  
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- [...]- 28 January  
1925
- Holograph letter from Paolo Biggio, solicitor, San Remo, to Hagan and copy typescript reply from [Hagan]. On the request of information concerning Gerald Hamilton for his upcoming trial on 18 February, [Hagan] suggests verifying Hamilton's co-operation with Lord Parmour for the 'Save the Children Fund' by contacting Parmour. [partly Italian]
- 2 items
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- 56  
was 33
- 28 January 1925
- Holograph letter from D. Hales, Via S. Nazaro 1, Genoa, to Hagan. Asking to gather information on the promoters of the Lega Italo-britannica, on behalf of the paper *La Liguria del Popolo* which has been threatened legal proceedings for an article critical of the League. Adding that the Genovese consul has likewise remonstrated with the *Cittadino* for Hales's own recent 'propaganda'.
- 1 p
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- 57  
was 34
- 29 January 1925
- Holograph letter from Bishop William Codd, Wexford, to Hagan, enclosing cheque for congregational fees (National Bank Ltd., finally cashed 5 March). Asking for news concerning a reply from the Congregation for Religious to Downside. Not supposing that they will try establishing a domus formata- although 'only the doggedness of Englishmen could face and overcome the difficulties that stand in the way...'
- 2 items

HAG 1/ 1925/

58  
was 37

30 January 1925

Typescript letter from Peter Doyle, Parochial House, Mooncoin, County Waterford, to (Hagan). Hoping that the plans for the new college buildings are advancing satisfactorily; promising a contribution of £100 and surmising there will be a good amount of funds collected from friends in Europe, America and Australia. Then advising on the designs for the exterior and front, against the typical stucco front of so many Italian government buildings and for 'a bold striking design...in Travertine stone, and pilasters...', a work the type of which the Italians are the best in the world. 'CORAGGIO dunque Dear Monsignore and dismiss from your mind all fears and misgivings' – it will be a national college of which they will all feel proud.

2 pp

59  
was 38

30 January 1925

Holograph letter from Cáit bean Seán T.(Ó Ceallaigh), 67 Boulevard Grignon, Mourillon, Toulon (France), to Hagan, in reply to his kind letter. She feels much better despite suffering relapses every now and then. Seán's last communications were much more enthusiastic; while Joe Begley takes charge of the New York office somebody is yet needed for the bonds and their litigation. She will travel at Easter but not remain for the hot summer. Remarks about her surroundings; planning excursions and hoping Hagan can come. 'Fr.J. K.[elly] is apparently coming home. Commenting on Fr.O'Flanagan who wants to be at home again and who wrote a very affectionate piece on his mother in the *Irish World*. Art O'Brien is in Dublin and not happy. Some critics of the republican government are protesting. The news about Routledge cannot be true; he talked to her one time about putting things in order at home in Mayo.

4 pp

60  
was 39

31 January 1925

Holograph letter from Bishop Patrick Foley, Braganza House, Carlow, to (Hagan); enclosing copy of the 'normae' belonging to the decree of 1897- he believed he had sent them before. It has become obvious the (Christian) Brothers intend to come under the system as State Primary Educators; however, the bishops will not consent unless the Holy See decided otherwise. Praising Cardinal Laurenti whom he met twice. He will send the lengthy counsel's opinion later.

2 pp

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- 61  
was 40
- 31 January 1925
- Holograph letter from Eva M.O'Connor, 3 Cambridge Terrace, Leeson Park, Dublin, to Hagan. She will come to Rome on pilgrimage, for the first time since her niece Linola's death; she expects to present a cousin- niece of the O'Connor Don- to the Holy Father. Regretting deeply the death of Monsignor O'Hickey.
- 4 pp
- 62  
was 42
- 31 January 1925
- Holograph letter from Bishop Robert Browne of Cloyne, Cobh (County Cork), to Curran, enclosing cheque for a pension and other obligations. Grateful for the Pope's blessing; glad for the rector's success concerning the new College.
- 1 p
- 63  
was 43
- 1 February 1925
- Holograph letter from Rose D.Ward, Grand Hôtel, Rome, to Hagan, in thanks for the ticket for tomorrow's ceremony -their friend at the Vatican, Fr.[Keane] already gave her one. Arranging to meet him for a quiet evening.
- 3 pp
- 64  
was 44
- 2 February 1925
- Holograph letter from K.[eohane] of M.H.Gill's & Son, Dublin, to (Hagan). Since their return he has been improving and 'Donabate' [Morrissey] is generally better, too, but may not return yet as planned, with the 'General' [Magennis]. Stannous will return to Rome with the latter. Hagan's big work is back on the market and creditably turned out. In general, things are very quiet, and seemingly there is no fight left in people. A Sunday spent with Kevin and John Heneghan spelled rampant cynicism and sarcasm. Jocose remark about 'the Tuam historian'whom they saved from worse by their review.
- 2 pp

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- 65  
was 45
- 3 February 1925
- Holograph letter from M.J.Browne, St.Patrick's College, Maynooth (County Kildare), to Hagan. Looking forward to coming to Rome with the archbishop in mid-February. Dr.Downey raised emotions by his tale of the outrageous performance witnessed at the [Irish] College in December, believing even the idea of the republic beyond fruitful discussion.
- 4 pp
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- 66  
was 46
- 3 February 1925
- Holograph letter from Archbishop Patrick O'Donnell, Armagh, to Hagan. Praising the memorandum he was sent; it would be good to raise the extra sum in Ireland but it has not been a plentiful year. Concerning the (Christian) Brothers, stating it would be a menace to the system originally devised by the Holy See if they entered the National System without parish priest managers in place. Management rests with the Brothers indeed, except in official correspondence (not clear). Promising to pay outstanding obligations.
- 2 pp
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- 67  
was 47
- 4 February 1925
- Holograph letter from A.D.Tani of Tani's Rome Lectures, Anderson's, 6 Piazza di Spagna, Rome, to (Hagan), reminding him of the four pages on the history of St.Agatha's and of the Irish College for his guided visits for pilgrims in English.
- 1 p
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- 68  
was 48
- 5 February 1925
- Holograph letter from Archbishop Michael (Kelly), St. Mary's Cathedral, Sydney (Australia), to Hagan, introducing the bearer as Fr.Patrick Crowley who is their diocesan school inspector.
- 1 p

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- 69  
was 49
- 5 February 1925
- Two holograph letter from Peter Hill, Vicar Capitular, The Presbytery, Clonakilty (County Cork), to Hagan, enclosing cheque for Peter's Pence for Ross. – Regretting insufficient postage.
- 2 items
- 70  
was 50
- 6 February 1925
- Holograph letter from Salvatore Cupido, Via dei Neofiti 11, Rome, to Curran. Reminding him of upholstery and other work in fabrics, executed in 1921, for which some payment is still outstanding. [Italian]
- 2 pp
- 71  
was 52
- 6 February 1925
- Holograph letter from [P.A.] Sharkey, St. Joseph's, Boyle, County Roscommon, to Hagan, regretting they have not met. Remarks about the nine vacancies being now contested; the cry of "Majority Rule" is as a shibboleth for the so-called Majority Boosters. Scelig might be returned for Roscommon. Expressing gratitude for his help two years ago. His efforts to revive the national game might have lost him money but are overall very successful; teams are growing in the United States; enclosing document and hoping a student might found a team at the College. He spoke to President DeValera, who looks good despite his ordeal and who applauded Dr. Duignan's pronouncement.
- 2 pp
- 72  
was 53
- 7 February 1925
- Holograph letter from Bishop Patrick Foley, Braganza House, Carlow, to Hagan. Enclosing copy of the Bishops' Statement of 8 January for the Minister of Education (see the copy now filed under that date). Also enclosing Dr. Kinane's opinion since the new [...] of Education differ from the old ones (not extant).
- 1 p

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- 73  
was 54
- 7 February 1925
- Holograph letter from Archbishop Michael (Kelly), St. Mary's Cathedral, Sydney (Australia), to Hagan, introducing Mr. and Mrs. Browne and asking to arrange access to a papal audience for them.
- 1 p
- 74  
was 55
- 7 February 1925
- Typescript letter signed Archbishop James Duhig of Brisbane, Archbishop's House, "Dara", Brisbane (Australia), to Hagan, enclosing cheque for Fr. Robert's pension; glad the two students arrived well. Observing the Australian part of the pilgrimage will be large, headed by Archbishop Mannix and joined by three bishops.
- 1 p
- 75  
was 56
- 8 February 1925
- Holograph letter from Bishop Joseph MacRory, Trench House, Belfast (County Antrim), to Hagan, enclosing petition for the Congregation of the Sacraments; asking him to celebrate Masses for his and another's intentions. Asking for news concerning the petition for the doctorate. Enclosing letter for Curran (not extant).
- 2 pp
- 76  
was 57
- 9 February 1925
- Holograph letter from Bishop David Keane of Limerick The Palace, Corbally, Limerick, to (Hagan), enclosing a honorarium. Glad that Mr. Kelly's ordination has been fixed; grateful for the report on the others. Not certain whether he can visit Rome during the Holy Year. Asking him to petition the Congregation of Religious to postpone retirement of two Sister of Mercy nuns for whom no successors can be identified yet; Sr. Mary Evangelist and Sr. (Mary) Bernardine. (Now attached draft letter by [Tizi] to the congregation on Keane's behalf.)
- 4 pp

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- 77  
was 58
- 9 February 1925
- Holograph letter from Brother Boniface, St.Patrick's Monastery, Tullow, County Carlow, to Hagan, enclosing a cheque as a honorarium for the trouble that will be caused by the confidential business he involves him in.
- 1 p
- 78  
was 59
- 9 February 1925
- Holograph letter from Bishop M.Fogarty, Ennis (County Clare), to (Hagan), enclosing dimissorial letters for Mr. Flannery. Congratulations on the College's academic successes at Propaganda. Some comments on the certain improvement the new College building will mean; the present ones are depressing and conducive to illnesses like the recent fever; wondering however if the new rooms at 15 feet will be too high. Plans for coming to Rome for the Holy Year indulgence. Refraining from commenting on Ireland – 'we are still lurching and warping in our Irish Sea... we are what we always have been (and) always will be- light weights'.
- 4 pp
- 79  
was 60
- 9 February 1925
- Holograph letter from Cáit bean Seán T.(Ó Ceallaigh), 67 Boulevard Grignon Mourillan, Toulon, France, to Hagan. Comments about the different weather in France and in Ireland. Depressed over the failure to buy the *Freeman* and the continuing lies in the *Independent* and *Irish Press*; Dr.P.B.[rowne] and Art O'Brien are two examples for the common feeling of hopelessness. As a contrast, Seán has been quite successful; sketching good reports from Dr.Y[orke]'s circle and talks planed for Mary MacS.[weeney] and Fr.O'F.[lanagan]. Expressing certainty Seán will not spend another year in the land of promise; he makes arrangements for her coming; comments about her health. Some references to their mutual friend Fr.J.K.[elly], now in Milan, who is not happy having been in exile for so long- he does not know personally many of the 1916 generation. Making arrangements for Hagan's possible visit to Toulon in March.
- 2 pp
- 80  
was 61
- 11 February 1925
- Typescript letter from M.Keating of the Pious Union of St.Joseph's Death, Head Centre for Ireland, House of Missions, Enniscorthy (County Wexford), to Hagan. Making arrangements for their sending Fr.Walsh to Rome for the retreat.

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Glad the nuns are giving such satisfaction. In Ireland, 'things are very dead' with high unemployment, the effects of the heavy rains, high interest rates on mortgages. Enclosing intentions; they do not receive many. Uncertain whether he can accompany (Mother Mary) Visitation to Rome. [James] Kelly seems to be enjoying himself- hoping he 'has got light to see the Irish question'.

1 p

81  
no no.

13 February 1925 Handwritten letter from Dr. Girolamo Buttaoni, notary, Rome, to [Mr. Attilio Reali]. Having received the documents relating to the Irish College and the purchase; making further arrangements. [Italian]

1 p

82  
was 62

14 February 1925 Holograph letter from P.J. Roughneen, The Presbytery, Ballaghaderreen, County Roscommon, to Hagan, regretting he cannot come to Rome and recommending Mr. and Mrs. Blake, Galway, who will call on him. Describing his new situation and duties which involve the cathedral, and a district four miles away. Inviting him to visit them. Greetings to Curran and O'Hara.

4 pp

83  
was 63

14 February 1925 Typescript letter signed Archbishop Michael James O'Doherty, Archbishop's Palace, Manila (Philippines), to Hagan. Describing his travel plans to Rome; hoping to be witness to the canonisation of the little flower. Accepting hospitality at the College very gladly. Hoping to discuss the matters Hagan talked of in his long and interesting letter when he sees him.

3 pp

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- 84  
was 64
- 15 February 1925 Holograph letter from C.J.Kirk, Parochial House, Avoca, County Wicklow, to Hagan, hoping his health is good. He visits the parish priest in Avoca. Conflicting opinions on when Mother Kevin is to leave Uganda.
- 2 pp
- 85
- [mid-February 1925] Holograph letter from Bishop J.Downey, Bishop's House, Kilkenny, to Hagan, enclosing payment. Bishop (Brownrigg) favours the suggestions they discussed concerning the building work; this involves removing the wing parallel to the Via Santi Quattro and placing it parallel to the front wing, thereby retaining 20% of the old house; other details. Asking to order the *Corriere d'Italia*. In thanks for making his stay so pleasant.
- 2 pp
- 86  
was 65
- 1[6] February 1925 Holograph letter from Bishop John Carroll, Bishop's House, (New South Wales) (Australia), to Hagan. Expecting to arrive in Rome in May; asking about accommodation. Only regretting the absence of Hagan's predecessor.
- 1 p
- 87  
was 66
- 16 February 1925 Holograph letter from Bishop T.O'Doherty, Mount St. Mary's, Galway, to (Hagan), enclosing a petition concerning two students transferred to him by Dr.Naughton – he wants them very badly.
- 1 p
- 88  
was 67
- 16 February 1925 Holograph letter from M.[ark] Curtis, St.Joachim's, Booterstown Avenue, Dublin, to Hagan. Enclosing, at the writer's wish, holograph letter from Fr.O'Flanagan, Kingwilliamstown (South Africa), to himself, on the likely consequences of the division of the vicariate, and the general moves not to appoint Irishmen or English-speakers, but mostly Germans which will spell great problems for the Irish congregations. Dr.Prendergast also thought of contacting Hagan to help the Irish missions; the Irish bishops are too much taken up with home

affairs. – Commenting on the letter writer and the generally poor prospects for the majority of Irish priests in Bishop MacSherry's vicariate. Adding words of gratitude for all he did for him when in Rome.

2 items

89  
was 69

17 February 1925 Holograph letter from Elizabeth Delaney, The Universal Bureau, 1 Northumberland Avenue, Dun Laoghaire, County Dublin, to Hagan. They have been formed to organise an Irish pilgrimage party to Rome; asking for permission to place the College on their itinerary. She met Hagan once; Dr.O'Gorman can vouch for her also.

2 pp

90  
was 70

17 February 1925 Typescript letter signed Seán T.(Ó Ceallaigh), Poblacht na hÉireann, Irish Republican Headquarters, 3 East 42<sup>nd</sup> Street, New York (U.S.A.), to Hagan. Glad that the Bis[leti] affair ended satisfactorily; doubting his superiors learned from it for the future. Then commenting at length on positive news about the great activity in California. Mary MacSwiney will go there, after a financially very successful meeting in New York. She had an overall positive talk with Cardinal Hayes, despite attacks made on the American episcopate by some of their friends. Though Dr.Yorke is still ill, it is obvious that Hagan's and the General's letters had a very positive influence on attitudes there. Fr.O'Flanagan was happy to leave for Ireland; while his superiors might not give him an over-cordial welcome he will be a help in the contests in the west. Expecting that Dr.Mannix's arrival in Rome, and in Ireland, will be embarrassing for some people; the Irish hierarchy will not be all too cordial with him. Grateful for Hagan's remarks on Italian-American clergy and their sympathies; he will have more time to find something out when he gets to Washington. Apart from (Archbishop) Hanna he has not been able to see any of the hierarchy. Dr.Browne, now in Rome with (the Archbishop of) Tuam, should have a good influence on 'the old man' who needs somebody to stiffen his back. Then stating that the article on the cardinal's hat for Dundalk in the *New York Bulletin* was by a man named Gallagher. A New York friend feels confident they can win at least five of the seats now contested for, only Dublin might be threatened by the intervention of labour.

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- 91  
was 71
- 19 February 1925
- Holograph letter from Kate O'Donnell, 4 Trinity Street, College Town, Adelaide, South Australia, to Hagan. As Archdeacon Enright's executor, making arrangements for establishing the new burse in his name for Limerick, and later Adelaide students. Asking for receipt for the sum already received.
- 4 pp
- 92  
was 72
- 19 February 1925
- Holograph letter from W.J.Walsh P.P., Saints Peter and Paul, Clonmel (County Tipperary), to Hagan. Explaining the course of events that led to their adoption of the statute that was subsequently rejected by the bishop. Accepting Hagan's notion that the Congregation of the Council will declare the item irregular; declaring their determination not to appeal against the bishop- it would not serve the cause, and would endanger their relationship with him. (The mark 'copy' was later erased.)
- 8 pp
- 93  
was 74
- 20 February 1925
- Fragment handwritten letter from (Archbishop Patrick O'Donnell), Ara Coeli, Armagh, to Hagan. He has been in correspondence with Cardinal Laurenti about the Middleton Convent: some sisters have been falsely accusing Mother Margaret Mary and oppose her re-appointment after her term finishes. Defending the latter; if anything she is too unassertive to be a good ruler. She and most others, in agreement with O'Donnell, would prefer a new appointment from Monaghan with which house an amalgamation is underway. (Letter breaks off here.)
- 4 pp
- 94  
was 75/76
- 20 February 1925
- Two holograph receipts from [S.Arturo Quattrucci] of the Holy Office, Rome, for the Irish College, after payment of sums from the dioceses of Dublin and Limerick for faculty fees. [Italian]
- 2 items

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95  
was 77

21 February 1925 Holograph letter from P.J.K.[eohane] of M.H.Gill & Son, Ltd., Dublin, to (Hagan). 'Donabate' [Morrissey] is better, and they will both go to Bournemouth, from where the former is to join 'Omagh' [...] on the way back to Rome. He himself will not travel to Rome quite yet. Noticing with satisfaction that efforts are made in Melbourne to help the College's resources- hoping it will make the seaside residence an actuality. Appreciative comments on this month's ['Wine for the royal Pope', *Catholic Bulletin*]; 'Kevin's' article in March will be frightening for old age pensioners of the R.I.C.

2 pp

96  
was 78

22 February 1925 Holograph letter from Archbishop P.J.Clune, The Palace, Victoria Square, Perth, West Australia, to Hagan. Stating his worries for a young kinsman, now accepted at the Irish College, who had to leave Maynooth for reasons he does not know. He will provide for his pension. Dr.Mannix will lead the Australian pilgrimage to Rome; the large number of 250 pilgrims are expected to go with him.

4 pp

97  
was 79

25 February 1925 Holograph letter from C.G.Lynch, 20 Rue de la Paix, (Paris, France), to Hagan, hoping he is better; [her] affair has been settled. Trusting he has good news from America; brief reference to mutual friends, including Miss MacArdle. In gratitude for his kindness in Rome.

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98  
was 187/1924  
& 80

'Monday' [...] - 26 February [1925], Two holograph letters from Alicia Adelaide Needham, Hotels in Rome and Siena, to (Hagan), in thanks for the kind reception in Rome and the papal audience. She would offer him to try her magnetic treatment had she more time; she can recommend a man in Rome with strono-magnetic power. Joking that 'I am an Irish witch, (and) would have been burned in the Middle Ages'. She might be able to lecture along the Riviera.

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- 99  
was 81
- 26 February 1925 Holograph letter from Cáit bean Seán T.(Ó Ceallaigh) 67 Boulevard Grignain, Mourillon, Toulon, France, to Hagan, wondering if he can come. Mutual friends arrived including Fr.J.K.(elly); they have been in earnest political conversation all day- finding his opposition not too trying. Asking his opinion on the very worrying Treason Bill; putting it that (Seán T.) may have to stay in the United States indefinitely to avoid penal servitude. A recent note from DeV(ale-ra) was headed 'President's Office'- remarking 'so he has another few jails to see'. Her plans to travel at the end of March, maybe with June O'Rahilly; discussing her health. Brief remarks on the overall good news from Seán.
- 4 pp
- 100  
no no.
- 26 [February] 1925 Holograph letter from [M.] Dudley, 60 Wellington Road, Dublin, to Lady [Hemphill], informing her that Mary's resting place is near the Irish College, at the workmen's chapel of the Agonising Heart of Jesus; Monsignor Hagan could show her where it is. Hoping Mrs.O'Connor will cope with facing her daughter Mrs.MacDermot's death again. (Covering letter not extant.)
- 4 pp
- 101  
was 82
- 27 February 1925 Copy typescript letter from H.[agan], Rome, to 'my dear friend' [Donal McHales, Genoa], in thanks for the *Cittadidino*. Commenting on Mussolini's perceived lack of sympathy for the Irish cause, born from the necessity to stay on the right side of England. His government seems more stable now than ever three months ago. Italian newspapers are easily swayed by 'a little English gold'; in any case Ireland has to come to her senses first before foreigners can be seriously interested. The republicans maybe have a chance of winning five of the contested nine seats. In reply, stating that Sturzo's attitude may be the same as Mussolini's, finding it 'politic to play up to the English gallery'. Arrangements for meeting briefly in Genoa.
- 1 p
- 102  
was 83
- 27 February 1925 Holograph letter from Gerald O'Nolan, St.Patrick's College, Maynooth (County Kildare), to Hagan. Sending

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him certain volumes that might further Bishop MacRory's petition to attain the doctorate for O'Nolan.

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103  
was 84

22 February 1925

Holograph letter from Sr.Realius Joseph, St.Louis Convent of the Immaculate Conception, Kiltimagh, County Mayo, to (Hagan), renewing their thanks for kindnesses shown to them when in Rome.

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104  
was 85

27 February 1925

Typescript letter signed G.Heffernan, Steamship and Forwarding Agent, 21 South Mall, Cork, to Hagan, giving the dates of several parties of pilgrims that will visit Rome; asking to arrange papal audiences for them.

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105  
was 87

27 February 1925

Holograph letter from P.MacThigernáin (Kiernan), 16 Dominick Street, Mullingar, Westmeath, to 'Reverend Father' [Hagan]. Enclosing holograph letter from him to the Cardinal Secretary of State (or whom it may concern), asking for a position in the papal brigade or anywhere at the papal court. Giving four references; stating he has quite recovered from a recent nervous breakdown.

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106  
was 104

28 February 1925

Fragment typescript letter from [Fr.William Lockhart], Irish National Pilgrimage to Lourdes (September 29-October 10, 1924), St.Kevin's, Heytesbury Street (Dublin), to Hagan, advising him they will send the gold medal for the Pope; asking him to present it. Recommending the manufacturer Mr.Quinn. The pilgrimage was covered in the papers (breaks off here).

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was 89

28 February 1925

Holograph letter from P.A.Sharkey, St.Joseph's, Boyle, County Roscommon, 'a chara dhílis' (to Hagan). Sending him also the 'Creed' of their Celtic Cross Crusader society; setting down their allegiance to God, Christianity and Irish nationhood, explaining the organisational structure and the necessary secrecy involved in nominations; great hopes for their bulletin to become an important organ; inviting Hagan to become a member. Asking to obtain a papal blessing. The inspiration for the society was Michael O'Riordan's *Catholicity and Progress*. Enclosing newspaper for information on political events (not extant).

8 pp

108  
was 41

[February] 1925

Holograph letter from E.MacCarthy, St.Paul's, Arran Quay, Dublin, to (Hagan), introducing the two Misses [Leoy], London, asking to arrange access to a papal audience. Advising him of further imminent visitors to Rome.

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was 90

[late February  
1925]

Holograph letter from Bishop J.Downey, Bishop's House, Kilkenny, to Hagan. In need of canonical advice on a bishop's power to delegate the faculty to establish the Stations of the Cross; discussing the points. -Now attached handwritten draft by (Hagan) to the Pope, petitioning in this case.- Dr. Brownrigg will return from 'recruiting' in Wexford; he will impart the papal blessing on St.Kieran's Day, 5 March. With good wishes to the Archbishop of Tuam. [partly Italian]

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110  
was 91

1 March 1925

Holograph letter from P.J.K.[eohane] of M.H.Gill & Son Ltd., Dublin, to Hagan. He and 'Fr.Ned' (Morrissey) are leaving for Bournemouth; the latter will come to Rome then for his much-needed holiday. Reiterating a point about this month's (*Catholic Bulletin*).

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- 111  
was 93
- 2 March 1925
- Fragment holograph letter from [E.Leahy], Pensionat des Dames de Marie, 143 Rue Edith Cavell, Uccle Bruxelles, Belgium, to Hagan, introducing himself on the basis of co-operation in the Irish Martyrs' cause. Asking for advice on behalf of the Dames de Marie on their plan to found a school in Los Angeles; they have Bishop Cantwell's approbation already; recommending their teaching spirit and ability. Cantwell will be in Rome shortly.
- 6 pp
- 112  
was 94
- 2 March 1925
- Holograph letter from J.Dillon C.C., The Presbytery, Castleisland, County Kerry, discussing his options for travelling to Rome; hoping to see the Holy Father.
- 2 pp
- 113  
was 95
- 2 March 1925
- Holograph letter from Cáit bean Seán T.(Ó Ceallaigh), 69 Boulevard Grignan, Mourillen, Toulon, France, to Hagan. Fr.J.K.[elly] and the others have left. Making arrangements for meeting Hagan in Nice, and for his accommodation in Toulon. Glad she will meet Mr.[Bohan] in Nice. She has had a few talks with their friend, but it is a question of temperament it seems.
- 4 pp
- 114  
was 96
- 3 March 1925
- Handwritten receipt from [...] (written by Archbishop Gilmartin, St.Jarlath's, Tuam, County Galway), over a sum for Mass stipends [Masses for the Mercy Convent Westport].
- 1 p
- 115  
was 97
- 3 March 1925
- Holograph letter from Archbishop Patrick O'Donnell, Ara Coeli, Armagh, to Hagan, rejoicing that the very regrettable problems concerning the new College are

nearly done away with; it is good the Archbishop of Tuam is present to adequately emphasise Hagan's successes with the College. News to do with the election campaign are usually not very palatable. He has had no news on the Christian Brothers; oblique remark on the [collections] for their schools. Hagan made more of his pastoral than it deserved.

4 pp

116  
was 98

4 March 1925          Holograph letter from James O'Dea, Mount St.Mary's, Galway, for Bishop O'Doherty, to Hagan, asking to release Fr.O'Hara for missionary work in their diocese, although belonging to Achonry. Explaining their present shortage of priests. They try to persuade Dr.Hynes to go to Rome this year. He has payed Peter's Pence onto their account.

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117  
was 99

4 March 1925          Holograph letter from Bishop Charles McHugh, Bishop's House, Derry, to (Hagan), in receipt of a dispensation before; Reverend Mother De Sales(Kelly) has been elected for the third time at the Loreto Convent, Omagh. Sending parallel to this formal replies to Hagan's statement on the Christian Brothers case; he will inform him of further correspondence expected with the Belfast Ministry of Education. He agrees with his opinion of the Archbishop of Tuam.

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was 100

5 March 1925          Holograph letter from Bishop Patrick McKenna, Bishop's House, Monaghan, to (Hagan), expressing delight that Mr.Eugene Duffy is fit for further study; giving his approval and recommending a canon law course. Then listing sums he lodged on the account, including Peter's Pence, various dispensations from congregations. Regretting he has to ordain and call back to the diocese some fourth-year divinity students at Maynooth and Paris; asking to obtain permission. Giving high praise for the College's academic suc-

cess. Thankfully Dr.Mulhern was not seriously ill. Hoping to travel to Rome late in the year, after the national pilgrimage.

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119  
was 101

6 March 1925          Holograph letter from Peter M.Mullen, 116 Donegall Road, Belfast (County Antrim), to Hagan. Asking for recommendation of a Catholic travel agent; he plans to go to Rome for (St.Theresa's) canonisation with a small group of people.

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was 103

6 March 1925          Holograph letter from Mary [Hemphill], Hotel Flora, Via Vittorio Veneto, Rome, to Hagan, in thanks for his assistance in finding Mary's last resting place at San Lorenzo's. It will be a consolation to her mother. She leaves Rome, having had an audience with the Pope thanks to Archbishop Gilmartin.

3 pp

121  
was 104

6 March 1925          Holograph letter from Bishop J.Downey, Bishop's House, Kilkenny, to Hagan. Enclosing petition from an Ossory priest on behalf of his married sister; recommending her to Hagan (not extant).

2 pp

122  
was 35&  
105

30 January -  
7 March 1925          Holograph letter from Archbishop P.J.Clune, The Palace, Victoria Square, Perth, Western Australia, to Hagan. Enclosing holograph letter from James MacCaffrey, St.Patrick's College, Maynooth (County Kildare), to Clune, giving a negative reference for Patrick Clune, student at St.Patrick's, for his insufficiently excused periods of absence over three years, his generally unsatisfactory character and attitude generally advising him against adopting him. - Commenting further and asking Hagan to explain the matter to Clune; he was evidently 'palmed off' on the archbishop; offering to pay his fare home. He does not seem suited for the priesthood.

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was 106

8 March 1925

Holograph letter from Bishop P.Morrisroe, Ballaghaderreen (County Roscommon), to Hagan, making arrangements for paying dispensation fees. Grateful for Hagan's kind reception of the sisters; it was very hard that the Monsignor [...] died while Sr.Mary Denis was away. Planning to visit Rome after Easter, presuming there will be lodgings for him. Then commenting that 'the peasants' can look forward to a good sowing and good harvest – 'there is not so much distress as one might infer from extravagant reports'.

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was 92

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Holograph letter from Bishop William Codd, Wexford, to Hagan, commenting on recent developments regarding Mount St.Benedict's. An inspector met the teachers presently employed there to assess them for later state employment. Commenting that there are many women teachers now; a trend that began during the war and developed in England since women are cheaper. Fr. Sweetman told his congregation that the clergy and Mrs.Ebbs are responsible for the impending closure of the school. For Hagan's information and because it will be useful, enclosing holograph letter from Alice Ebbs, Ballingarry, Gorey, to [Bishop] Codd: expressing her anxiety over the allegation that she accused Fr.Sweetman of republican activities, stressing her difficult situation with nine little children and scandal given to her by the people – 'hoping i am not cosing trouble'. – Further comments on her and Canon Murphy's statements. Different quarters are making efforts to have Sweetman retained and cleared of allegations. Asking Hagan and Fidecicchi to act at the congregation if necessary.

2 items

125  
was 108

8 March 1925

Holograph letter from Edward J.Byrne, Archbishop's House, Dublin, to (Hagan). Asking him to see to their capitular appointment; his nominees are Fr.James Dunne for dean; Fr.Francis Wall for precentor; Monsignor Patrick Walsh for chancellor (caused by Monsignor Hickey's death). Adding names for ternas and two petitions including a prelacy for Fr.Wall. Dr.John Flanagan is facing important work at Fairview; Fr.Patrick Dempsey received his exeat in 'another instance of my episcopal tyranny'- he might not be accepted by the Bishop of Auckland now. Glad that Hagan will be able to 'dip your hands in

brick and pozzolana' at Santi Quattro at last. Looking forward to seeing him in Rome in Easter week.

4 pp

126  
was 109

9 March 1925

Holograph letter from Thomas O'Donnell, All Hallows, Dublin, to Hagan, enclosing fee in thanks for obtaining the rescript.

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127  
was 110

9 March 1925

Holograph letter from Bishop James Downey, Bishop's House, Kilkenny, to (Hagan), settling accounts. He receives the *Corriere* now. Bravi's [painting] of himself reached him today. Glad that the soldiers have moved out of [Santi Quattro].

2 pp

128  
was 112

10 March 1925

Typescript note from [...] [Holy See] for [...]. He informed the procurator of the Christian Brothers that nothing is to be changed without the Irish episcopate's agreement, informing him of their opinion. [Italian]

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was 113

10 March 1925

Holograph letter from Edmund J.[Wallman], Oakwood, Bromley Road, Beckenham, Kent (England), to Hagan, in gratitude for the cigarette box with signatures from him and others. Glad for the mark of friendship; offering to do further service when in London at their head office.

1 p

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- 130 was 114            10 March 1925            Holograph letter from Bishop David Keane, The Palace, Corbally, Limerick, to (Hagan). Explaining the position of the two superioresses of the Sisters of Mercy; preferring to withdraw the petition. 2 pp
- 131                    10 March 1925            Holograph letter from Patrick J. Carton, 24 Killarney Street, Dublin, to Hagan. Commenting on having moved to the slums; the people are surprisingly good considering their surroundings. Glad to have Charlie Hurley nearby; they look forward to seeing Hagan in the summer. Also mentioning Johnnie [Tyndall], Booterstown. Their friend "Hagan" has unfortunately gone bankrupt. Enclosing cheque for Masses. 2 pp
- 132 was 115            11 March 1925            Holograph letter from Bishop J. MacRory, Trench House, Belfast (County Antrim), to Hagan, enclosing cheque for Peter's Pence, commenting the sum is not large due to the harvest and unemployment. Fr. O'Nolan's books ought to prove his worth for a doctorate degree. Then recommending as strongly Frs. McCaughan and Fr. Mageean; the former is president of the diocesan college 'which is seated here among heretics'. 2 pp
- 133 was 116            11 March 1925            Holograph letter from Elizabeth Delany, The Universal Bureau, 1 Northumberland Avenue, Dun Laoghaire, to (Hagan), advising him of an impending visit by their representative, Mr. Hewett. Through Fr. Tyndall they have already secured access to a papal audience. 4 pp

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- 134                    11 March 1925                    Holograph letter from Eva M.O'Conor, Hotel Victoria, [Ludovisi] (Rome), to Hagan, in gratitude for having obtained access to a papal audience. Inviting him for lunch at the Hotel Flora where the cuisine is truly superior. 4 pp
- 135                    12 March 1925                    Holograph letter from Mary (Francis) deSales Dargan, Loreto Abbey, Rathfarnham (Dublin), to (Hagan), sending shamrock with greetings for the feast-day. Asking for advice on presenting her order's achievements in the missionary field [at the Vatican Missionary Exhibition]. Listing some work done in South Africa and in western Australia; suggesting formal gift of presentation bulletin for the Pope. According to Fr.P.Finally S.J. Irish work is not allowed due prominence by Cardinals Merry del Val and Gasquet. Brief news about friends. 4 pp
- 136                    12 March 1925                    Holograph letter from D.F.McCrea, Kilrea, County Derry, to Hagan, in gratitude for the gift from the Vatican for the local nuns. Enclosing Mass intentions. 1 p
- 137                    12 March 1925                    Holograph letter from M.J.Curran, Rome, to 'Carissimo' (Hagan), all are well. Cardinal Bonzano was surprised that the College was to get all the ground for the new building. They heard about how the plans involving the Lombard College were given up. Enclosing four letters (no longer attached). Then commenting at length on Mr.Lyons's ineptness in writing a sermon – 'I don't know what kind of an intellect he has'. (Small portion missing; torn.) 2 pp

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- 138  
was 121
- 18 March 1925
- Holograph letter from Fr. John Johnson, St. Finian's College, Mullingar (County Meath), to (Hagan). Introducing Mr. and Mrs. Brennan, Tullamore; asking to assist them in seeing Rome- suggesting to give them one of the Meath students to show them around.
- 1 p
- 139  
was 123
- 13 March 1925
- Holograph letter from James MacCaffrey, St. Patrick's College, Maynooth (County Kildare), to Bishop J. MacRory (Belfast), with a holograph note from the latter to Hagan, asking him to obtain the dispensation in question. MacCaffrey originally encloses petition regarding Mr. Scullin's age for ordination. (Obverse contains handwritten draft petition from [Hagan] for [Congregation]; seeking 'sanatio in radice' for the renting out of the parochial house of St. Finbar's [...].)
- 2 pp
- 140  
was 124
- 14 March 1925
- Holograph letter from J. Brady, 2 Princess Gardens, Belfast (County Antrim), to (Hagan), with good wishes from all the family. Concerning 'Bobbie' (Gerard Brady), wondering whether a certain ceremony will take place this year, as once hinted; the family would want to be present. News about individual members. Hagan will know the latest news, namely that two thirds were expected, but the outcome is two ninths.
- 2 pp
- 141  
was 125
- 14 March 1925
- Holograph letter from P. J. K. [eohane] of M. H. Gill & Son Ltd., Dublin, to Hagan, having already sent a telegram: commenting on the local elections. 'Brosna' [Fr. O'Flanagan] and Sc. [eilg] were in top form yesterday; County Roscommon is typical of the overall result, with the church bolstered up by Masonry on one side and the I. R. B. on the other. O'Flanagan found it only natural that his opponents made use of his mistakes in the past. It is obvious that among the republicans those who are favoured are ex-gunmen; mentioning Traynor's success; their people are kids yet but are growing fast. 'Brewer' [Morrissey's] good advice was no use for north Mayo; bribing and 'wholesale thimblorig-

ging' were on the order. He [Morrissey] met DeV(alera) and a friend who came specially from England to discuss things freely, but appears to be beholden to England to some degree. Then praising ['Wine for the royal Pope']; seeing parallels between the historic and contemporary [Archbishops of Cashel]. He has been avoiding Fr.Phil O'D.[...] whose views on the recruit development in the north he does not share. DeV(alera) ought to let them stew in th enorht before his own immediate concern is in order.

6 pp

142  
was 126/127

14-15 March 1925 Two holograph letters from M.J.Curran, Rome, to Hagan [Nice, France], enclosing letters (no longer attached). Lockhart has sent the gold medal; news on repair work. Cardinal O'Connell's reason for leaving Rome before the 17<sup>th</sup> is unclear; something happened here in Rome. The Pope is said to have abandoned the idea of having the Lombard College; it is too small; Bisleti was seen in conversation, putatively about the Irish College. Recounting a 'cruel trick' played on some visitors lately, pretending to have the election results. The students are mostly well. An agency matter for the Archbishop of Dublin. The students might join the Dominicans of Collegio Angelico in a trip to Aquino at Easter.

2 items

143  
was 128

15 March 1925 Holograph letter from Laurence Gaughran, Bishop's House, Mullingar (County Westmeath), to Hagan, enclosing diespensation for a Maynooth student; another is outstanding.

1 p

144  
was 129

16 March 1925 Typescript letter signed [...] of the Stabilimento Poligrafico per l'amministrazione dello Stato, Via Giono Capponi 43-45, Rome, to Hagan, asking to pay the outstanding payment for work done by the Libreria Salesiana. [Italian]

1 p

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was 130

16 March 1925

Holograph letter from Bishop William MacNeely, Ard Adhamhnain, Letterkenny (County Donegal), to Hagan, having payed Peter's Pence. Having completed a visitation of schools in the poorest districts, observing that despite the world press reports the people are pulling through a bad season, and the children generally look healthy. Doubtful whether the Raphoe students in Rome will be up to degree standard. Uncertain yet whether he will travel to Rome this year. Enclosing document from President [MacCaffrey], Maynooth, who asked to forward it (not extant).

4 pp

146  
was 131

16 March 1925

Typescript letter signed Thomas A.Quinn of P.Quinn & Co., North Strand, Dublin, to Hagan. Asking about the honour of using the papal arms on their stationery.

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was 134

17 March 1925

Holograph letter from J.Hagan, Grand Hotel, Toulon (France), to Miss Delaney [Dublin]. Expressing his doubts as to the propriety of engaging Mr.Hewitt for their services because of his dubitable opinions on religion and other matters of importance. Then regretting that in this case he ought not present their pilgrimage group to the Holy Father; it would be uncommon procedure where the arrangements for the audience were made by others. (Marked 'private and confidential'.) (Returned with her letter of 21 March.)

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was 135

17 March 1925

Holograph letter from J.J.McGlade, St.Mary's Presbytery, Limavady (County Derry), informing him of his arrival in Rome in April. Asking to arrange access to a papal audience; planning to present the Pope with his book.

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was 137

19 March 1925

Holograph letter from Cáit bean Sheáin T.(Ó Ceal-, laigh), Toulon (France), to Hagan, regretting she was not able to see him off at the station. Giving an account of letters from Seán and from Phyllis. The former held the sad news of young Frank Walsh's death. Seán is hopeful of helping many former republicans in Philadelphia back into the fold, like J.Ryan. – Lamenting the outcome of the elections; Phyllis has written about them. The loss of [south] Dublin and Mayo. O'Mullane is very unpopular after his speech about Fr.O'F.[lanagan], but many republicans criticise the latter also – what he said was right but his actions were not helpful. Closing with many thanks for his great kindness and 'munificence'.

2 pp

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was 138

20 March 1925

Holograph letter from 'Tessie' [...], Ballanagh, Avoca (County Wicklow), to 'my dear Brother' (Hagan), writing at the request of Fr.Sweetman, Gorey. The allegations claiming he held a republican meeting at Mount St.Benedict are false; casting doubts on the credibility of the witnesses Ebbs. Recounting the worsening rapport between Bishop Codd and Sweetman; when the Abbot of Downside sent a visitator he chose not to investigate with the families involved but instead saw Cosgrave who preferred to see Fr.Sweetman 'out of the country altogether'. The latter is now to close down the College and sell it. While Sweetman admits to being a republican he protests he has not allowed politics to enter the school; the bishop's views are of the opposite camp. Not wanting to write to Hagan because of the awkward position he would place him in, believing he could help him. Many threaten they would not enter a Catholic church again were he to go. His sister finds Bishop Codd negligent in a matter over her local parish priest's alcoholism. Tessie also met 'the famous Mary Comeford...who was supposed to have blown up all the bridges'. Then detailing the local problems between their parish priest Fr. Connell (Avoca), and the founder of the new school, O'Kelly; her son goes there; O'Kelly is a republican who fought in the Four Courts. 'How is it that all the old Priests are such loyalists.' [Enclosing] typescript statement by her, detailing O'Kelly's arrival and the priest's acceptance of his credentials. Sending her son to evening classes with O'Kelly she took him out of the national school where the teacher drinks and is unfit to teach Christian doctrine or any other subject; the three boys concerned are now refused confirmation

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was 139

20 March 1925

Holograph letter from Bishop B.Hackett, Bishop's House, St.John's Hill, Waterford, to (Hagan), having

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- lodged a sum for Peter's Pence and other items; asking about other debts. 2 pp
- 152  
was 140      21 March 1925      Holograph letter from Elizabeth Delany, 1 Northumberland Avenue, Dun Laoghaire (County Dublin), to Hagan. Apologising for her blunder; asking whether their party could yet be presented by Hagan himself in some way. Returning his letter since it was marked confidential. 7 pp
- 153  
was 141      21 March 1925      Holograph letter from James O'Dea, Mount St.Mary's Galway, to Hagan, explaining that it still is not clear whether Fr.O'Hara will come to Galway; he is to correspond with Bishop Morrisroe. Accepting the invitation to stay at the College; he and Dr.Hynes might come in the autumn. 2 pp
- 154  
was 142      21 March 1925      Holograph letter from Florence Maunsell, Hotel des Princes, Piazza di Spagna (Rome), to Curran, asking to arrange access to a papal Mass for her and her cousin. They enjoyed the fine voices of the students on St.Patrick's Day. Asking whether he knows Joe Tierney, her brother-in-law. 2 pp
- 155  
was 143      23 March 1925      Holograph letter from Emmeline Cautillon, The Reparation Convent, 9 Via dei Lucchesi (Rome), with a subscription for the new College. She attended Fr.R. MacNevin's ordination. 1 p

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- 156  
was 144
- 23 March 1925
- Holograph letter from Bishop J.Naughton, St.Muredach's, Ballina, County Mayo, to Hagan, sending congregational fees and listing the twelve cases of marriage in consanguinity for the preceding year.
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- 157  
was 145
- 24 March 1925
- Holograph letter from Nora [M.Cullinane], Savoy Hotel Rome, to Hagan, giving their new address in Rome for the tickets for the papal audience.
- 2 pp
- 158  
was 146
- 25 March 1925
- Holograph letter from P.Dunne, Archbishop's House, Dublin, to (Hagan). Mrs.Cosgrave payed the fees for the (private oratory). Advising him of their arrival on 16 April. Fr.Dempsey left Blanchardstown, paying his debts by cheque; should he try the same in London it will make interesting news. Hoping his quondam colleague arrived well.
- 3 pp
- 159  
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- 25 March 1925
- Holograph letter from Mary de Sales, Dominican Convent, The Bluff [Dunedin, New Zealand], with some Wicklow family news. They enjoy Dr.Kelly's 'Notes of Travel' in the *Tablet*. Recommending two participants in the upcoming Australasian pilgrimage, Mrs.Hanny Popelwell and Eva Hart. She prays for him, wondering if the silver bell for his silver jubilee arrived.
- 4 pp
- 160  
Was 148
- 25 March 1925
- Typescript letter signed Mrs.John Flanagan of the Liam Mellows Council of the American Association for the Recognition of the Irish Republic, Portland, Oregon (United States of America) to Hagan. Enclosing typescript resolution of the Association, signed by herself, and the President; D.J.McLoughlin, protesting against the superiors of the Capuchins in Ireland in exiling Fr.Albert and his brethren who stood up for Ireland's absolute independence. Requesting the government of the Republic of Ireland to help remove his remains to Ireland.
- 2 items



news from America although Seán cautioned that if the elections turn out well then all is well. Renewed thanks for his great kindness.

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Was 162

29 March 1925

Holograph letter from Seán T.(Ó Ceallaigh), Hotel La Fayette, 16<sup>th</sup> Street at Eye Northwest, Washington D.C. (United States of America), 'a chara dhilis' (to Hagan).

Expecting to set up the entire headquarters there before long; he is still travelling to New York often. Glad for the report about (Cáit); she seems to have improved - hoping Hagan will shake off the cold. Commenting at length on the 'wholesale defeat' he sees in the election results. Doubting the candidates were entirely the cause for it, since last November in Mayo the winning candidate also had 'all the gunman qualifications necessary...' A shrewd journalist of the *Boston Post* blamed Fr.O'Flanagan's speeches; it is necessary, however, to remind the bishops again and again of their iniquitous pastoral and treatment of priests in disagreement with them politically: this might as well be fought out now. Apart from his own prognoses, many (in the States) mystified and disappointed; revenue has decreased markedly; this is grist to the mill of those who advocated spending the money given on arms and not for fighting elections. While Mary McS[winey]'s meetings in California have been outstanding successes for attendance and municipal participation, the collections were a disappointment. Yorke is very ill and displeased with them all; he would not touch the (American Association for the Recognition of the Irish Republic) thinking DeV(alera) will accept a compromise with which that name will not fit. Grateful for Hagan's kindness to (Cáit)- 'you are incorrigible in that direction'.

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167  
was 155

26 March [1925]

Holograph letter from J.Kelly, Paris, to Hagan. Testifying to Mrs.Ó Ceallaigh having improved much since he saw her in Toulon. He plans to leave Paris for England and Ireland where he will not stay if the weather is bad; mail can reach him at the Mission House (Enniscorthy); expecting Hagan to join him there.

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- 168  
was 156
- 27 March 1925
- Holograph letter from Bishop B.Hackett, Bishop's House, John's Hill, Waterford, to (Hagan), in thanks for a document, and for the invitation; he already made plans to stay with Fr.Murray when in Rome. [Enclosing] names of two Presentation sisters [for whose jubilees the papal blessing is sought].
- 3 pp
- 169  
was 158
- 27 March 1925
- Holograph letter from Denis F.O'Haran, Sacred Heart Presbytery, Darlinghurst, Sydney (Australia), to Hagan, recommending Miss Mary Bradley, travelling to Rome. Asking to assist her in gaining indulgences of the Holy Year directly from the Pope.
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- 170  
was 159
- 28 March 1925
- Holograph letter from James O'Dea, Mount St.Mary's, Galway, to Hagan. Leaving the case of the Killala students and of Fr.O'Hara's recall to his discretion; the refusal of the petition for the students came as a surprise. Explaining again their shortage of priests, but Hagan is not to compromise himself.
- 2 pp
- 171  
was 160
- 28 May 1925
- Holograph letter from Archbishop T.P.Gilmartin, St. Jarlath's, Tuam (County Galway), to (Hagan), asking for a receipt for Mass prebends. Intending to send small donation for the Benedict XV monument. A new decree concerns nominations for new bishoprics, All is quiet otherwise; his journey to Rome did him much good.
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- 172  
was 163
- 30 March 1925
- Holograph letter from J.J.Doyle, 6 Eblana Avenue, Dun Laoghaire, County Dublin, to Sr.Paulinus [Kilkenny], offering to take a message to her friend in the Irish College; he is going in mid-April with a party organised by the International Bureau. Jocese remarks about the party; about his health. Mutual friends. (No covering letter extant.)
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- 173  
was 164
- 30 March 1925
- Holograph letter from John F. Sheils P.P., The Parochial House, Carrickmannon, Ballygowan, County Down, to (Hagan). Enclosing sheet with some information about the history of the island of Mahee, or Nendrum monastery. Asking about additional sources in Rome: recent excavations and studies have been done predominantly from a non-Catholic perspective.
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- 174  
was 165
- 30 March 1925
- Holograph letter from Bishop William Codd, The Spa Hotel, Lucan, County Dublin, to Hagan, in thanks for information on the Holy Thursday ceremony; he had to ask Bishop Downey to consecrate oils for them. Then stating he will take on Fr. Bastible. Brief comment on Fr. Sweetman's article in the *Tablet*; presuming that Downside will abandon Mount St. Benedict; Sweetman – 'a conceited and obstinate old crank' – and his actions must be distasteful to Downside.
- 4 pp
- 175  
was 167
- 30 March 1925
- Holograph letter from M. Curtis, St. Joachim's, Booters-town (Dublin), to Hagan, in gratitude for his full reply. He only knows since then that Bishop Rooney of Cape Town has resigned; he forwarded Hagan's letter to Bishop MacSherry. Thankful for kindnesses to Mrs. Freeman when she was in Rome.
- 4 pp
- 176  
was 166
- 31 March 1925
- Holograph letter from Miss G. Cave, Riverview, Bull & [K...] Mayfield, New South Wales (Australia), to Hagan, explaining that she used the College as a forwarding address for two ladies who will call with an introduction from Archbishop Mannix.
- 2 pp
- 177  
was 168
- 31 March 1925
- Holograph letter from Elizabeth Delaney, The Universal Bureau, 1 Northumberland Avenue, Dun Laoghaire, County Dublin, to (Hagan). She will follow his advice; making arrangements to meet him in Rome.
- 2 pp



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- 183 was 152 [25 March]-  
2 April 1925 Holograph letter from Denis Hynes, St.Mary's College, Galway, to Hagan. Enclosing letter from Sr.Mary Lelia, St.Vincent's, Convent of Mercy, Galway, to Hagan, enclosing Mass stipends for the intention to enable the Holy Father to make peace in Ireland; making several suggestions for occasions for national novenas especially honouring St.Theresa, and for national penance. Hoping Bishop O'Doherty will be inspired to heroic deeds to attain sainthood; he is thought to be a 'famous joker'. – Hynes comments that the Galway and Tuam prelates have not been sympathetic to her plans. Her brother lectures at the university college; enclosing cheque on her behalf. Regretting he will probably not come to Rome for a few years.
- 2 items
- 184 2 April 1925 Holograph letter from Bishop Patrick McKenna, Bishop's House, Monaghan, to Hagan, asking about the usual price of a Mass stipend in Italy; he has to deal with a number of undercharged ones. He will manage without recalling any students for ordination.
- 1 p
- 185 3 April 1925 Holograph letter from Bishop E.Mulhern, Ardmaine, Newry (County Down), to (Hagan). Asking advice on obtaining a marble Pietà for their cathedral; a lady has raised £ 200 for the purpose. Then observing: 'if we fail to get into the Free State the blame will lie at the door of Devalera (and) his party who make no secret of their purpose in contesting the vacnt seats.' Regretting he cannot be in Rome for the ceremonies.
- 2 pp
- 186 3 April 1925 Holograph letter from Archbishop D.Mannix; Raheen, Kew, Victoria (Australia), to Mr.Hargraves, Melbourne, as an introduction for Hagan, Irish College, whom he asks to obtain access to a papal audience. His being a Protestant is no hindrance; remembering his lecture and commending his attitude to the Catholic church. (No covering letter extant.)
- 4 pp

- 187            3 April 1925            Holograph letter from Archbishop Patrick O'Donnell, Ara Coeli, Armagh, to (Hagan), in thanks for good news on the (Christian) Brothers business and on the new buildings. Brief reference to the [Archdale dictum]. Then commenting that while Catholics in the north east have a hard time, there has so far been no bitterness surrounding the elections. The bishops decided on their policy as soon as elections were announced and should at least not offend anybody on the Irish side. Regretting he will not be free to come to Rome before July. He will keep the house at Carlingfort. Adding that he has written to the Archbishop of Dublin concerning the important decree just received.  
4 pp
- 188            3 April 1925            Holograph letter from John Ryan, St.Mary's, Foxrock, (Dublin), to (Hagan), in thanks for the invitation to stay at the College; he is not sure of going yet. His Grace was in good form at the confirmations ceremony. Denis O'Keeffe has Cronin's place in the university; Fr.Denis McGrath 'is still the same suspicious man'. He has lodged a sum in Mass stipends.  
2 pp
- 189            3 [April] 1925            Holograph letter from Ernie O'Malley (with cover address care of C.O'Sullivan), Aragón 249 1<sup>st</sup> 2a, Barcelona, Spain, to (Hagan), reminding him of their meeting in Drumcondra in 1922. Released from camp last July, he came abroad to gain strength for operations – 'I have still eight pieces of lead in me'. His passport is in the name of Cecil Smyth Howard. Asking for introductions to someone in southern Spain who can assist him in learning Spanish, and finding some work with languages. Intending to go to Italy in July; asking for a list of reliable 'digs' to avoid hotel registration procedures: Spanish agents are on to him at present. Others think he is in Italy. When on hunger-strike he met Fr.Morrissey, Hagan's friend - 'a great old saint'.  
2 pp
- 190            October/November 1919- (4 March)-            Typescript letter with a few handwritten amendments, signed J.F.Sweetman O.S.B., Mount St.Benedict, Gorey

- 3 April 1925 (County Wexford), to Hagan, having been encouraged by Hagan's sister to write directly though offending etiquette. Describing how, through Canon Lee's one-sided reports on Mount St.Benedict after only one week's investigations, and following orders from Rome, Downside decided to close the place. Lee sought out none of the parents, but met President Cosgrave, and looked for pro-republican activities everywhere. Desmond Fitzgerald himself admitted to Lee being prejudiced. The bishops only take their cue from Bishop Codd without questioning it. He has not taken recourse to his republican sympathisers but they will make the matter public if Rome persists and the Benedictines are turned out. Hagan can use the letter as he wishes; understanding if it is against his principles to do so. Listing Codd's main charges against his person, including robbery, stealing a car, and direct encouragement of civil war. Enclosing printed correspondence between Bishop Codd of Ferns and Abbot E.C.Butler O.S.B., Downside Abbey (22 October -16 November 1919), highlighting the problem that large numbers of the congregations of nearby parishes prefer to attend Mass at Mount St.Benedict. Also enclosing copy typescript memorandum (translated from Italian) by Bishop Codd (4 March 1925), concerning the manufacture of meat products at Mount St.Benedict, through the whole-sale acquisition of animals. (Letter with ink markings.)
- 3 items
- 191 5 April 1925 Holograph letter from Bishop J.Downey, Bishop's House, Kilkenny, to (Hagan), with good Easter wishes. He has not mentioned the 'cappa magna' to Fr. O'Keefe; another Ossory priest will call for it.
- 2 pp
- 192 Palm Sunday [5 April] 1925 Holograph letter from Bishop A.Brownrigg, Kilkenny, to Hagan, advising him of a Kilkenny pilgrimage headed by Fr.Andrew O'Keefe who will approach him about a papal audience, and for general information about Rome in the Holy Year.
- 2 pp

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- 193            6 April 1925            Typescript letter with handwritten additions signed [M. J.O'Connor] of M.J.O'Connor & Co., 2 George Street, Wexford, to Hagan, recommending Fr.Bolger who has been in Australia for some years, as he is travelling to Rome. Planning to come himself, perhaps with Fr.James Kelly, but expecting him for a visit in the summer first – 'the latch will be on the door'.  
1 p
- 194            6 April 1925            Holograph letter from Archbishop Edward J.Byrne of Dublin, Archbishop's House, Dublin, to Hagan, introducing Mr.James Tyrrell, Dublin, an old school-fellow.  
2 pp
- 195            7 April 1925            Holograph letter from Bishop P.Morrisroe, St.Nathy's (Ballaghaderreen, County Roscommon), to Hagan, advising him that he and two other priests will be in Rome in Easter week; asking about accommodation.  
1 p
- 196            7 April [1925]            Holograph letter from J.[ames] S.[innott], St.Mary's, Bacup, Lancashire (England) [otherwise Enniscorthy], to Hagan. Introducing Frs. M.O'Connor, Doyle and Cardiff, all curates with his brother in Wexford, travelling to Rome for April. He returned from Cardiff, now giving a renewal course. Paddy [Murphy] is in Manchester now.  
1 p
- 197            9 April 1925            Holograph letter from 'Frank B.[Frances Brady], 46 Upper Leeson Street (Dublin), 'a chara dhil' (to Hagan). Reminiscing about last Easter Sunday in Rome. Wondering whether Ernie O'Malley arrived in Rome, having left in

February for a long tour. Knowing he and Hagan already met he did not write an introduction: he is very interested in art, and 'I know he would love [Rome] – and the College "atmosphere"!' Welcoming the idea of Bobbie's (ordination) in the Holy Year.

2 pp

198            9 April 1925            Holograph letter from Bishop William Codd, Wexford, to Hagan, asking for a copy of the proposed constitutions for the Institute of St.John of God by Fideicicchi.  
1 p

199            9 April 1925            Holograph letter from P.T.Keohane of M.H.Gill & Son Ltd., Dublin, to (Hagan), having passed on 'that explosion to Kevin' – Dudley will not by any means receive the recognition from them he is longing for. Glad that Fr.Ned [Morrissey] is getting stronger. H.O.N[...]’s contribution needed modifying; it was too pointed. Asking whether banners sold locally carry the papal arms on them legally. Sr.Paulinus is in good form.  
2 pp

200            10 April 1925            Holograph letter from Cáit bean Seán T.(Ó Ceallaigh) with handwritten additions from Seán T., Hotel Brevoort, New York (United States of America), to Hagan, with impressions from New York, after a fast and uneventful journey. Seán is recovering from influenza. Commenting on architecture, on lack of residential space, the geographical location. St.Patrick's church on 5<sup>th</sup> Avenue is now situated at the heart of fashion. 'It is a Catholic kind of place in its way'; the congregation on Sunday was immense and somewhat pretentious. Miss Katherine Barry passed through on her return from Australia; her collection might even have gained £ 10,000 and she made friends all round; only 'Holy Water' [...] refused to see her. (Fr.James Kelly) of Dunedin was right in some ways but his uncle (Archbishop Kelly) is not the pillar of strength Kelly claims he is. They heard of the arrests begun in Ireland, taking some military men, but commenting that Ulster was not so bad. About to settle in Washington. The American papers have much better coverage on Ireland than the

European press. Maybe their great friend in the west ought to have died; letters from their great speaker talked about him and about the type of general peace that had been declared. – Seán T. adding that there is great jealousy for (Archbishop Mannix) displayed by (Archbishop Duhig), saying to Miss Barry that he could never become cardinal because of his political activities.  
2 pp

- 201            [10] April 1925            Holograph letter from W.B.Murphy, Holy Cross College, Clonliffe (County Dublin), to Hagan. Recommending Mr.Chisholm who will travel to Rome to conduct a group there- asking to arrange a papal audience for them; Fr.J.Nolan sent him to Murphy. Regretting he could not return to Rome for his musical studies. He heard that ‘the lads’ liked Monsignor Murphy’s Holy Week retreat very much. Mentioning briefly some other former Roman students who are still in contact. Very grateful for his past ‘numberless acts of good-will and exceedingly great kindnesses’.  
4 pp
- 202            11 April 1925            Holograph letter from P.Dunne, Archbishop’s House, Dublin, to (Hagan), having payed the Dataria fees. The archbishop will arrive in Rome next Friday via Paris.  
1 p
- 203            17 October 1921            Holograph letter from M.[ichael O’Flanagan], Imperial  
-(6) 12 April 1925            Hotel, Russell Square, London, to Hagan; in London only for two days. Enclosing handwritten and typescript copy letters from Bishop Bernard Coyne of Elphin, St.Mary’s Sligo, to Fr. Michael O’Flanagan (23 Suffolk Street, Dublin), regretting having given his permission of 1921 (copy) to O’Flanagan to leave for the Unites States on a patriotic mission, supplying a letter of introduction for potential temporary missions, because of O’Flanagan’s ‘strange and eccentric career ever since’: mentioning in particular a meeting in New York of 16 March 1925 where he criticised severely the Irish bishops and the Holy See, and the public denunciation in Australia of Archbishop Duhig. Matched by recent ‘scandalous “escapades” in this Diocese’, harangues to excited mobs slighting the sacra-

ments, and repeated violation of statute 397 of the Maynooth decree forces him to withdraw all faculties from him, including permission to celebrate Mass. – O’Flanagan counters this; after all Bishop Coyne left his activities unchallenged for three years. Correcting some details. Decree 397 is used not for disciplinary action but ‘as a partisan political weapon’. Many priests appeared on Free State platforms without being challenged. He has not yet decided what to do.

2 items

- 204            14 April 1925            Holograph letter from J.J.Kennedy, Association for the Propagation of the Faith, 22 Parliament Street, Dublin, to (Hagan). Enclosing bank drafts for Monsignor Nogara; to make up for an earlier accounting error. Enclosing memorandum [by the same] listing results of collections for missions over 1924.

2 items

- 205            [mid-April 1925]            Holograph letter from L.[I.Kehoe] [...], to ‘my dear John’ (Hagan), stating that Kelly and Lennon will send Ryan’s *History* to him. Hoping he will come to see him in the summer. He hopes to go to Rome in April 1926. (Undated, but see letter from John Lennon 21 April.)

1 p

- 206            17 April 1925            Holograph letter from Sr.(Mary) Visitation Keating, Convent of St.John of God, Wexford, to Hagan, enclosing a sum for Masses. Hoping Hagan is much better than when she saw him. Grateful for all his kindness to the nuns at the College.

2 pp

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- 207            17 April 1925            Holograph letter from Francis Greenan, St.Patrick's Cathedral, Melbourne (Australia), to Hagan, introducing Mr.and Mrs.J.E.O'Keeffe and asking to arrange a papal audience for them. The Australian pilgrims under Archbishop (Mannix) must have already left Rome. Reminiscing about his days in the Irish College, 'when President Wilson (now well forgotten) was framing his fourteen points etc.'
- 2 pp
- 208            18 April 1925            Typescript letter signed Archbishop M.J.O'Doherty of Manila, Archbishop's House, Manila (Philippines), to Hagan. Advising him of their arrival; asking to make arrangements with the Central Committee of the Holy Year for their transport and accommodation. Very disappointed he will miss the canonisation of Blessed Theresa.
- 2 pp
- 209            18 April 1925            Holograph letter from Bishop J.Downey, Bishop's House, Kilkenny, to [Curran]; Fr.P.Dunne will bring home the 'cappa' for him. Enquiring after a petition made some months ago.
- 2 pp
- 210            18 April 1925            Holograph letter from D.F.McCrea, Kilrea, County Derry, to Hagan. Fr. Henry Boyle would like to show his gratitude to the College for all that was done for his brother, Fr.Hugh Boyle, who died there. Also asking whether a mural tablet to his memory would be appropriate. Adding that Dr.McHugh seemed quite weak at yesterday's conference.
- 3 pp
- 211            18 April 1925            Copy handwritten letter from Denis H.O'Haran, Sydney (Australia), to Hagan, introducing the bearer, Mr. Denis O'Brien, past president of their Hibernian Socie-

ty in New South Wales. He is an uncle of Michael Collins. Asking to help arrange access to a papal audience for him. (Letter copied on letter paper from Hotel St.Petersbourg, Paris (France)).

1 p

- 212            19 April 1925            Typescript letter signed J.McShane, St.Columb's College, Derry, to Hagan. Recommending John McMonagle, Derry, and asking to help him to get 'a glimpse of the Pope'. Describing him as 'a fairly typical hard-headed Northern businessman' and 'a decent sort'; he seems to approve of Devlin's current work for the 'Sandy Row Assembly'. Stating then that regarding the (*Catholic Bulletin*) an out-of-court settlement is likely. James Kelly, Dunedin, called. He would be very glad if he could return to Rome himself, for the first time.

2 pp

- 213            19 April 1925            Three holograph letters (to divide matters) from Bishop William Codd, Summerhill, Wexford, to Hagan. There are no news regarding Mount St.Benedict; the two Benedictine fathers are still expected to withdraw at summer. Petitioning for dispensation on behalf of Fr.Paul F.Canon Kehoe, Cloughbawn, from the Eucharistic fast: he has to celebrate Mass twice on festival days, and is 70 years of age. Listing sums he payed into the College account, including Peter's Pence and foreign missions.

3 items

- 214            20 -[...] April 1925            Telegram from [P.A.] Vaughan, Perth, to Hagan. Asking whether Archbishop (Mannix) may have privilege to present the golden trowel for closing the Holy Door; an Australian pilgrim would donate at least £500. They themselves will reach Rome 28 May. Now attached [draft] handwritten letter from Hagan [in Tizi's hand] to 'your excellence' [...], making the same proposal. [partly Italian]

2 items

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- 215            21 April 1925            Holograph letter from Alice M.J.Redmond, 1 Avondale Road (North Circular Road), Dublin, to (Hagan) (her cousin). Informing him that Eileen Redmond will enter the Carmelite monastery in Ranelagh on 29 April; asking for his prayers. Brief mentions of (family members) Ellen and Madge. 2 pp
- 216            21 April 1925            Holograph letter from John Lennon, Mountmellick, (County Laois). Larry Kehoe gave him Ryan's *History* for Hagan which he is now despatching. Hoping Hagan will come and see him in July as promised; glad that he found Dr.[...]'s treatment beneficial, but also recommending his own, Dr.Rivières, who is opposed to operations. Jim Kelly [Dunedin] is there, the only thing changed is his increased weight. 3 pp
- 217            22 April 1925            Holograph letter from Bishop William Codd, Summerhill, Wexford, to Hagan. Enclosing copy of letter from the Abbot of Downside (not extant)- 'now we are coming near the end, Deo Gratias!' 1 p
- 218            23 April 1925            Holograph letter from Rector D.J.O'Doherty of the Collegio- Seminario de nobles Irlandeses, Salamanca, Spain, to Hagan, asking to obtain permission to [celebrate] the Mass of Blessed Oliver Plunkett: doubtful whether the bishop can decide in such matters as the use of the Irish ordo as their church is independent from the College and dedicated to St.James. Another question concerning St.Patrick and the ordo. Aware that his brother will stay at the Irish College when visiting Rome. 4 pp

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- 219            23 April 1925            Holograph letter from Patrick J.Keohane of M.H.Gill & Son, Ltd, Dublin, to (Hagan). Grateful for the blessing for Canon Kielty; commenting on his generosity. Enclosing circulars concerning (acquisition of) papal flags, particularly Clergy's stand to make profit from these unless told they sell without proper authority. Comments on the C.C. of Castledermot; Kevin [...] scored over the (Royal Irish Constabulary) pensions and the government papers keeping silent about this is suggestive – 'we must not let it rest'.  
2 pp
- 220            24 April 1925            Holograph letter from A.Cogan of the Crookstown Bazaar and Fete Committee, Mullaghmast House, Ballytore (County Wicklow), to Hagan. Asking to obtain a picture of Pope Pius XI for the first prize at the bazaar. He supposes Hagan knows Mollie is married, and so are nearly all the girls he knew.  
2 pp
- 221            27 April 1925            Holograph letter from William Lockhart, St. Kevin's Parochial House, Heytesbury Street, Dublin, to Hagan, in gratitude for having presented their [the Catholic Truth Society's] gold medal to the Pope and for transmitting the Pope's message.  
1 pp
- 222            28 April 1925            Holograph letter from J.Brady, 2 Princess Gardens, Belfast (County Antrim), to (Hagan). Sketching their holiday plans for Montreux; asking for permission for Bobbie to spend two weeks with them. Also inviting Hagan to meet them; they will wait for word from him. Grateful for allowing Bobbie's ordination to take place later, in late November.  
2 pp

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- 223            28 April 1925            Holograph letter from Henry Boyle C.C., Maghera, Derry, to Hagan, in deep gratitude for all he did for his brother Fr.Hugh Boyle, and the final resting place at S. Lorenzo; enclosing a sum and asking to celebrate Mass in his brother's name. 3 pp
- 224            28 April 1925            Holograph letter from Hubert Briscoe, 37 Charleville Road, Cabra, Dublin, to Michael (Curran). He is going to be married to Mary Liston, Dun Laoghaire; asking him to obtain the papal blessing before he leaves Rome for Ireland. His respect to Archbishop (Byrne) and Fr.Dunne, now in Rome. 4 pp
- 225            28 April 1925            Printed receipt with handwritten insertions signed Monsignor Giuseppe Nogara of the Pontificium Opus a Propagatione Fidei, Propaganda Fide, Rome, for Hagan, over the donation by the diocese of Ferns. [Italian] 1 p
- 226            29 April 1925            Printed form with handwritten insertions signed by J.Cicognani, and by Cardinal De Lai of the Congregation of the Consistory, for Bishop Morrisroe of Achonry, testifying to the latter's attendance at the basilicas of Sts.Peter and Paul. (Obverse states amount of fees payed.) [Latin] 2 pp
- 227            30 April 1925            Holograph letter from George Harwood, Pensione Americana, Via Firenze 38, Rome, to Hagan, in gratitude for the tickets to the Pope's Mass; regretting they reached them too late. 1 p

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- 228            30 May 1925            Holograph card from M.F.Evennett, 24 Cornwall Road, Bayswater W.11, London (England), to (Hagan), asking for access to a papal audience, for herself, Mrs.Doreen Outram and (two daughters).  
2 pp
- 229            30 April 1925            Holograph letter from [Fr.John J.] Ashley, Torbay, Newfoundland (Canada), to Hagan, in gratitude for the reception he received in Rome. He gave his messages to Fr.Rawlins on his return. Their archbishop is not in good health; he will look out for a good student to replace Ryan. Joking about the possibility of him being made bishop. Comments about the new College- nothing will be too grand for the present hard-working boys. Listing briefly mutual acquaintances he saw in Ireland; he stayed in Tipperary most of the time; praising Fr. Keating, Enniscorthy, but stating he would not like to be a monk at Melleray.  
4 pp
- 230            30 April 1925            Typescript letter signed M.A.Childers, 12 Bushy Park Road, Dublin, to Hagan. Having heard of his impending visit to Ireland, expressing hope [she] will see him then, in order to express personally the gratitude for his sympathy 'word of which was brought to me on more than one occasion'.  
1 p
- 231            8 April -  
1 May 1925            Holograph letter from P.J.Walsh, Holy Cross College, Clonliffe, Dublin, to Hagan, enclosing holograph letter from (Abbot) M.O'Phelan, Mount Melleray Abbey, Cappoquin, County Waterford, to Walsh. Recommending one of their students, Michael Healy, for admission to the College; praising his academic brilliance and family background. He is anxious to be adopted by the Dublin archdiocese. – Walsh would accept him although he has no degree; he told the abbot he may recommend him for the Sydney burse at the Irish College: asking his opinion. Brief news about Morrissey and about Peter Monahan; the latter's return from Rome added glamour to St.Audoen's. With renewed warm thanks for his reception in Rome. Adding regards to his cousin and Hagan's uncle.  
4 pp

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- 232            1 May 1925            Holograph letter from Archbishop T.P.Gilmartin, St. Jarlath's, Tuam (County Galway), to (Hagan). Enclosing a typescript petition [and another document] regarding the election of a new superior for the St.Louis nuns and the amalgamation of houses – all concerning Clogher and Down& Connor dioceses. Querying a report from Fideicicchi concerning the St.Louis Convent in Armagh which he had no confirmation about. Regretting he cannot send more Mass intentions.
- 2 items
- 233            2 May 1925            Handwritten note from [P.T.Keohane] of M.H.Gill & Son Ltd., Dublin, for [Hagan], (accompanying current issue of *Catholic Bulletin*). Adding that on the R.I.C. pensions and on the annuities 'if they are worth their salt, the F.F.s can win every election in the country'.
- 1 p
- 234            2 May 1925            Holograph letter from Bishop E.Mulhern, Ardmaine, Newry (County Down), to (Hagan). Explaining that in the case of the English lady willing to donate £ 200 for the cathedral he has had a reply from Canon Doyle, but that he will have to await a reply; she knows he hesitates under the circumstances. Then asking for a papal prize for the big fund-raising efforts in Warrenpoint for parochial purposes; explaining that a painting will not appeal much; Fr.[Pat McConville] can bring it back. Stating his own need for a holiday. The archbishop of Dublin ought to bring back a helper since it is obvious he has much overwork. Then commenting that the (Christian) Brothers in the north east ought to go under the Board (of Education) also; the Hammersmith scheme solves their own trouble since boys trained in a certain period must be catechumens for a while before being admitted to their schools. Finally inviting him to the ceremony [consecration of their cathedral] on 26 July.
- 4 pp
- 235            2 May 1925            Holograph letter from Bishop J.Downey, Bishop's House, Kilkenny, to Hagan, reiterating wish for facul-

ties to delegate erection of the Stations of the Cross.  
Enclosing cheque for Mass intentions.

1 p

- 236            3 May 1925            Holograph letter from H.B.L.Hughes, Pensionato Galileo, Via Oberdam 7, Pisa, to Hagan. Sending him separately an issue of *Il Carroccio*; soliciting articles about Catholic enterprise in English-speaking countries. Cardinal Maffi recommended turning to Hagan.

4 pp

- 237            17 October 1921-    Holograph letter from Fr.M.O'Flanagan, care of Fr.J.  
4 May 1925            O'Sullivan, Priory Lodge, Hoddesden, Hertfordshire, (England), to Hagan and Curran. Asking them to use enclosed documents to present his case to a lawyer; uncertain about procedure following his letter of suspension from Bishop Coyne. Adding forwarding address to save Fr.O'Sullivan; the latter's sister is married to Sceilg. Firstly, enclosing copy typescript letter signed by O'Flanagan (same origin) to 'Monsignor' [Hagan], formally requesting him to locate an expert advocate for his case; stating his unstudied opinion that his suspension is invalid and hoping for a way to allow him to say Mass. Secondly, enclosing copy typescript excerpts from correspondence between Bishop Coyne of Elphin, Sligo, and O'Flanagan, Dublin (17 October 1921-30 April 1925), with commentary: Coyne's accusation of O'Flanagan's having abandoned his mission, giving him freedom to work in America; the latter's defence; the recent exchange resulting in Coyne's suspension of faculties (as in his letter of 12 April) and adding four points as grounds for appeal – the acts alleged to have been crimes were 'meritorious acts of virtue', and the bishop has no right to act 'ex informata conscientia'. Thirdly, enclosing copy typescript of his statement in reply to charges by his bishop (25 pages): sketching the historical relationship between England and Ireland, and the collusion with which the Irish bishops have met succeeding English governments, weaving in his bishop's case against him from 1916 onwards. Listing instances when he took public part in election campaigns despite restrictions imposed by the bishop – 'the English plotters evidently took it for granted that Bishop Coyne, with the help of Statute 397, would continue to act as their gaoler for me'. His suspension from the priesthood is later lifted by the Archbishop of Dublin in 1919. He remains active in politics, asked by Dáil Éireann to recite the opening prayer at their inaugural session, taking parts in election cam-

paigns, and following President DeValera's call to the United States: Bishop Coyne saw this as 'an opportunity to get rid of a priest who had occasioned him some trouble'. Returning to Ireland for the March 1925-elections, in his speeches he 'tried to undo some of the damage that had been done to Faith and Fatherland...especially during the past three years'. On offering to return to the mission in Elphin, the bishop suspended him again (same excerpts from correspondence as above); offering comprehensive defence on all the bishop's accusations, pointing to his political bias and his 'political allies, the non-Catholic Free-Masons of the Diocese'. Defending himself against severity in criticising the Holy Father- severity was only employed against the bishops. Defending his loyal adherence to the Catholic Church, and pleading a case for faith and courage. His understanding of the English machinations in the war proved right. (Pencil marks underlining passages in third enclosure.)

4 items

- 238            4 May 1925            Typescript letter signed by Bishop Carlo [C...], papal almoner, [Office of Papal Charities], Vatican, to [Hagan], enclosing copy of a work on the celebration of past Holy Years (not extant). Recommending it in the name of the Holy Father, and asking to advertise it widely. [Italian]
- 1 p
- 239            4 May 1925            Holograph letter from Archdeacon P.Convery, St.Paul's Presbytery, Belfast (County Antrim), to Hagan, introducing Fr.A.J.Kennedy, Ballinleer, and Councillor M.Hopkins, Belfast, with family; asking to arrange access to a private audience.
- 2 pp
- 240            5 May 1925            Holograph letter from Michael O'Kelly, Catholic Presbytery, Penshurst, Sydney, New South Wales (Australia), to Hagan. Introducing two friends, non-Catholics, for whom Dr.Kelly also promised to write a letter (no names). Then expressing his sorrow over the loss of a brother and a sister; both had children who did time for the cause. One of these, 'during the "Black Days"' was one of the most trustworthy "Kerry Couriers". Adding sincere thanks for his kindness when Kelly was in Rome.
- 3 pp

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- 241            5 May 1925            Holograph letter from Bishop M.Fogarty, Ennis (County Clare), to Hagan. Preferring the congregation were not troubled about a Killofin group intent on supporting the rather self-important Fr.Hayes: 'we are accustomed to cheeky "stunts" of that kind in Clare from time to time'. Indignant that unfortunate Fr.McKenna's case was reported; he lost money in bets but is otherwise 'an unselfish child of a man'. A postal order was sent to Dean McMooney. Adding he could not come to Rome for Pentecost.  
4 pp
- 242            5 May 1925            Typescript letter signed W.J.Fryer of the Equitable Life Assurance Society of the United States, 346 Strand, London (England), to Hagan, asking to confirm a change of his policy.  
1 p
- 243            6 May 1925            Typescript letter signed G.Heffernan, Steamship and Forwarding Agent, 21 South Mall, Cork, to Hagan, stating that the hat missing from Bishop O'Sullivan's luggage has been sent on to Rome.  
1 p
- 244            7 May 1925            Holograph letter from J.Brady, 2 Princess Gardens, Belfast (County Antrim), to (Hagan). Making arrangements for meeting Hagan in Switzerland, accepting his invitation- in turn inviting him to Belfast. Agreeing that there is a certain tendency to dry rot; the negative policy, currently inevitable, is largely responsible. Adding gratitude for kindness shown to Miss [Sivens].  
2 pp
- 245            7 May 1925            Holograph letter from Gertrude Phelan, also on behalf of Miss E.Rae, care of Mother (Mary) Theresa, Convent of St.Louis, Middletown, Armagh, to Hagan. Explaining that they will be delayed in coming to Rome [so as not to coin-



nion on the proposed Association of Past Students of the Schools of Propaganda; Monsignor Pietro Ciriaci invited him to take an active role in forming and promoting it. Guessing that the Archbishop of Dublin has decided against taking such a role himself, though he would be better placed.

2 pp

- 250            9 May 1925            Holograph letter from Myles V.Ronan, 6 Eblana Avenue, Dun Laoghaire (County Dublin), to Hagan. Asking him to employ a researcher to find sources in Roman archives concerning the 16<sup>th</sup>-century tenure of Archbishop George Browne of Dublin. Complaining that their bishops have no interest in historical research; they could 'institute some means of releasing this class of information'. Enclosing blank cheque of the Munster and Leinster Bank for expenses (not cashed).

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- 251            9 May 1925            Holograph letter from M.F.Evennett, Hotel Royal, Rome, to (Hagan). In gratitude for having had the opportunity to kiss the Holy Father's ring.

2 pp

- 252            10 May 1925            Holograph letter from P.J.Merriman, Hôtel Quirinal, Rome, to (Hagan), asking about the tickets for the papal audience. They have dealt with most their social calls; today they "'prayed up"' the Scala Santa: 'Rome is wonderfully stimulating for a Catholic'. Asking to have Fr.Bastible's company again; regretting Hagan's health does not permit him to join them himself.

1 p

- 253            7-11 May 1925            Holograph letter from P.J.Walsh, Holy Cross College, Clonliffe, Dublin, to Hagan. Enclosing the only photograph of the Archbishop [of Dublin] that seemed suitable (not extant); doubting he would sit for Bravi. Also enclosing holograph letter from (Abbot) O'Phelan, Mount Melleray, County Waterford; the stu-

dent previously discussed, Mr.Healy, is not interested in the Sydney mission. - Then recommending warmly Mr.David O'Meara, to be ordained next year, whom his bishop, Dr.Sheil of Rockhampton, would like to send to the Irish College for a year. Walsh will hear news when their travellers return – 'your Uncle' for instance will certainly call on him.

2 items

- 254            11 May 1925            Holograph letter from Frank J.Mather, 17 Trinità dei Monti, Rome, to Hagan, asking for the great favour of two tickets for the canonisation on Sunday. Inviting him for tea. 2 pp
- 255            11 May 1925            Holograph letter from Bishop David Keane, Bishop of Limerick, The Palace, Corbally, Limerick, to (Hagan), introducing the bearers, Mr.Dermot Foley and Miss Frances Cahill; asking on their behalf for tickets for the canonisation on 17 May, and to a papal audience. 1 p
- 256            12 May 1925            Holograph letter from M.J.C.[urran], 211 North Circular Road, Dublin, to Hagan), introducing Miss Josephine Derham, Finglas, coming on the Sacred Heart pilgrimage. She wishes to attend the canonisation of Blessed (Sophie) Barat. 1 p
- 257            12 May 1925            Typescript letter signed W.Fryer of the Equitable Life Assurance Society of the United States, 346 Strand, London (England), to Hagan; detailing the value of his dividends and discussing payment of the next premium. 2 pp

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- 258            13 May 1925            Holograph letter from (unsigned) [Fr. Michael O'Flanagan], London (England), to 'my dear friend' (Hagan), grateful for his last letter and approving of the course he chose, dealing unofficially with the matter. Enclosing cutting from *Independent* (not extant) reporting on his public criticism of the press; the paper is bitterly biased against the so-called 'Anti-Treatyites'. About to send him part of his defence. Agreeing with Hagan's judgement of Archbishop Gilmartin, but his criticism of Irish bishops precludes them appealing to him. 1 p
- 259            13 may 1925            Holograph letter from Bishop William Codd, Wexford, to Hagan, glad that he interfered to avoid undesirable communication to the public. Appending cutting from the *Observer* of Sunday (not extant). 1 p
- 260            13 May 1925            Holograph letter from P. Kennedy, Dunlavin (County Wicklow), to (Hagan), about Mass intentions. His 'chief' is in good form; they are expecting Hagan when he is in Ireland. 2 pp
- 261            14 May 1925            Holograph letter from Bishop E. Mulhern, Ardmaine, Newry (County Down), to (Hagan), enclosing cheque for a fee. He and Fr. McAlister prefer a silver crucifix; asking him to procure this, and a jubilee medal. Surprised that the *Acta* did not cover the news [concerning the bishops]; the public does not know yet. 4 pp
- 262            14 May 1925            Holograph letter from Bishop C. O'Sullivan, Grand Hôtel Royal Croce di Malta, La Spezia, to (Hagan), in gratitude for the invitation, but regretting he is with two priests and their hours would be very irregular. He will attend the canonisation ceremony on Sunday. 3 pp

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- 263            14 May 1925            Holograph letter from Bishop John Carroll, Grand Hotel & Royal, Siena, to Hagan. Arriving in Rome on Saturday; hoping for assistance for the ceremony of Sunday. 1 p
- 264            15 May 1925            Holograph letter from Bishop Charles McHugh, Bishop's House, Derry, to (Hagan). Very grateful for all that was done after Fr.Boyle's death. Then seeking approval from Rome for the election of Sr.Mary de Sales Kelly as superior for te third time; [enclosing] fragment handwritten list of the three dates of election. Enclosing cheque for fees. Inviting him to Derry. 2 items
- 265            15 May 1925            Typescript letter from M.Keating, House of Missions, Enniscorthy (County Wexford), to Hagan, with request for celebrating Masses. Inviting him to stay when he is in Ireland. 1 p
- 266            15 May 1925            Holograph letter from Bishop B.Hackett, Bishop's House, John's Hill, Waterford, to (Hagan), asking to secure dispensation for the ordination of Mr.Walsh. Then describing the situation of the Sisters of Mercy convent, Cappoquin, asking for permission to allow them to sell parts of their property. 2 pp
- 267            16 May 1925            Typescript letter signed [...] of the Stabilimento Poligrafico per l'Amministrazione dello Stato, Via Gino Capponi 43-45, Rome, to Hagan, reminder for invoice of mid-March. 1 p

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- 268            16 May 1925            Holograph letter from Bishop Patrick Finegan of Kilmore, Bishop's House, Culliss, Cavan, to Hagan, asking to obtain permission to appoint Sr.Margaret Mary Carlos superior over Sisters of Mercy for a third time. Giving reasons; stating law. 2 pp
- 269            16 May 1925            Holograph letter from Bishop Charles McHugh, Bishop's House, Derry, to (Hagan), asking to obtain permission for Fr.M.Mullan to go to America for health reasons; enclosing petition (not extant). 1 p
- 270            18 May 1925            Typescript letter signed Fr.[G... Nogara] of Propaganda Fide, Piazza di Spagna 48, Rome, to Hagan, having made some corrections in the letter intended for the Archbishop of Dublin. Sending him a copy of the statutes and of the three volumes published so far of the *Acta Pontificae Operis* (not extant). [Italian] 1 p
- 271            18 May 1925            Holograph letter from P.Walsh, Clonliffe College, Dublin, to Hagan, enclosing cheque for Mass intentions. He will meet [Curran] tomorrow. 1 p
- 272            18 May 1925            Holograph letter from [James] O'Connell, 15 Achill Road, Drumcondra, to Curran, introducing Mr.and Mrs. [Gillen], asking to assist them. 2 pp

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- 273            19 May 1925            Holograph letter from P.Dunne, Hôtel Miramare & de la Ville, Gênes [Genoa], to (Hagan). Asking about the sum due for vestments.  
3 pp
- 274            19 May 1925            Holograph letter from Éamon de Valéra, Dáil Éireann, Oifig an Uachtaráin, Dublin, 'a chara' (to Hagan), sending this via friends. Surmising that the distinguished visitors in Rome are there for more than a canonisation, and 'further notable visitors' will have considerable influence by their actions. Asking for exact details to enable preparations- 'it is necessary to have the details well in advance too'. Stating his confidence in Hagan to hold the fort – 'even though the big guns are being brought to bear'.  
1 p
- 275            19 May 1925            Holograph letter from M.J.C.[urran], 15 Garville Avenue, Rathgar (Dublin), to Hagan, commenting on the bad weather and his plans for visiting Armagh and Maynooth. Dr.McRory will likely have A.Ryan planted in Belfast; the latter was upset over the Begnigni-[Enit] affair. Craig seems to be pressing English Catholics with a view to having the hat go to Ara Coeli. Trying to sound the type of reception due to Dr.Mannix. Negative remarks about the Dublin priests; always the weakest nationalists. DeValera is in touch with the orator of S.(Pietro) in Montorio – 'there lies the key to the whole situation'; an opportunity to bring about decency between the better spirits. The government's strength lies only in the general fear of being governed by republicans; a bad harvest would injure the Free State much. Commenting that the commissioners have improved Dublin streets much. Introducing Miss [Desham]. William Murphy has nearly given up on being able to come back to Rome. Expecting to leave for the U.S. on 10 (June).  
2 pp
- 276            20 May 1925            Holograph letter from J.Brady, 2 Princess Gardens, Belfast (County Antrim), to (Hagan), making arrangements for their intended joint holiday – reiterating invitation to Montreux. Also inviting the Archbishop of Melbourne, should he then be travelling to Ireland.  
1 p

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- 277            22 May 1925            Holograph letter from Myles V.Ronan, 6 Eblana Avenue, Dun Laoghaire (County Dublin), to 'my dear John' (Hagan), grateful for advice. Unsure whether the papal registers will yield much or reliable information on Browne; Robert Ware fabricated many things about him. Briefly discussing Browne's position, and the difficulties in dating his consecration.
- 2 pp
- 278            24 May 1925            Holograph letter from Anna Murphy, 16 Sydney Parade, Dublin, to [Hagan]. Asking for help for her sister, a nun of the Little Company of Mary: after fourteen years of working like a slave in Fiesole she is now in Malta, with no prospect to be allowed home for her health. Her own endeavours to help by contacting the Mother General have failed.
- 4 pp
- 279            20-25 May 1925        Holograph letter from Archbishop T.P.Gilmartin, St. Jarlath's, Tuam (County Galway), to (Hagan). The document for the Bishop of Clogher seems very satisfactory. Glad that the Archbishop of Dublin profited from his stay in Rome. Then informing him that at the last bishops' meeting the Irish College's name for being republican was brought up; it was said even the students criticise the bishops in their debates. Gilmartin, however, saw no proof for partisan politics during his visits. Minor matters. Then commenting on Hagan's involvement with Fr. [F...]; there is a strong feeling against him among the clergy, but his bishop would resent any interference. [Enclosing] holograph letter from John Glynn, Irish College Rome, to Gilmartin, Tuam, asking for permission to spend the holidays in Ireland. Added holograph note from Gilmartin, leaving this to the discretion of the rector.
- 2 items
- 280            25 May 1925            Holograph letter from W.Lee, Pro-Cathedral House, Clifton, Bristol (England), to Hagan, stating his expenses in the case of the Bishop of Ferns before the congregation. Delighted he will be able to host Hagan on his way to Ireland.
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- 281            26 May 1925            Holograph letter from Archbishop Patrick O'Donnell, Ara Coeli, Armagh, to (Hagan). Following a visit from (Curran), praising both their work for the College; approving of their sending the report to the bishops, and of their course taken in the emergency. They should still emphasise that the layout of the building does not leave great scope, despite the ample space. Asking for bill for expenses incurred for the pallium. 4 pp
- 282            26 May 1925            Holograph letter from P.Earley, Parochial House, Ballytore, County Kildare, to (Hagan), in gratitude for the painting of the Pope for the bazaar. Two Passionists are giving a retreat, and Fr.Francis often speaks of Hagan. 1 p
- 283            26 May 1925            Holograph letter from Mary J.Merlehan, Ballytore (County Kildare), to Hagan, informing him of the death of 'the poor Doctor' [Kenna]. Regards from the family. 2 pp
- 284            26 May 1925            Holograph letter from T.H.Pitt, St.Charles's House, Hatfield, Hertshire, England, to (Hagan). Sketching his position as a convert Catholic priest, adopted by the Brisbane diocese but seemingly abandoned by the bishop. Seeking to make other arrangements, reiterating his wish to meet the Archbishop of Melbourne when he is in London, asking to assist him. 2 pp
- 285            26 May 1925            Holograph letter from Annie [Owens], Union Hotel, Belfast (County Antrim), to Hagan, in gratitude for the papal audience, and for his great kindness, also on behalf of her English friend. She passed on his good wishes to the Bradys. 4 pp

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- 286            27 May 1925            Holograph letter from J.Brady, 2 Princess Gardens, Belfast (County Antrim), to Hagan. Asking for verification of Dr.Mannix's alleged plan to come to Belfast: they would alter their travel arrangements; inviting Mannix to stay with them. 1 p
- 287            27 May 1925            Holograph letter from John J.Rossiter P.P., St.Michael's Gorey (County Wexford), to Hagan. Asking about admission regulations for the Irish College; his nephew is currently studying at Mount Melleray but will probably be accepted as candidate for Ferns. Enclosing cheque for Mass intentions. 4 pp
- 288            27 May 1925            Holograph letter from Ellen W.[Morrow], Fischer's Park Hotel, Rome, to Hagan, in thanks for the tickets to the papal audience. 2 pp
- 289            28 May 1925            Holograph letter from M.J.Dillon, Inchicronan, Crush-  
een, County Clare, to Hagan, asking for a letter of refer-  
ence for Carlow College, where he will resume his stu-  
dies. 2 pp
- 290            29 May 1925            Holograph letter from M.O'Dwyer of The Maynooth  
Mission to China, St.Columban's College, Dalgan Park,  
Galway, to Hagan. He asked Monsignor Galvin for the  
documentary evidence, and to press the matter with the delegate. (Curran) ar-  
rived on a visit; inviting Hagan himself when in Ireland. 1 p

- 291            21 April -            Holograph letter from Fr.J.F.Sweetman, Mount St.Benedict, Gorey (County Wexford), to Hagan, in thanks for the trouble he has taken. Stating his only hope of saving the school is for American or German Benedictines to take it over; despite his personal politics, Desmond Fitzgerald and McNeill would assist such a transfer. It is obvious that Downside is secretly pleased the school is shut down, and ostensibly so, by Rome. Enclosing printed copy of the evidence (not extant) – the actual military and episcopal charges are only hinted at. Also enclosing copy of his own typescript report for the Abbot of Downside of Canon Lee's visit and an added postscript, attesting to Lee's very narrow lines of enquiry and to the burning of a document with recriminations against Sweetman.
- 2 items
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- 292            30 May 1925            Typescript letter from (Hagan), Rome, to 'my dear Lord' [Archbishop Gilmartin, Tuam]. Grateful for letting him know of the complaint; certain it was Dr.Downey who spread alarming stories about a certain debate among the students in particular. Sketching the rules for the students' debating society, which he founded himself 21 years ago; no former student can complain this was used to diffuse partisan opinions. Recounting the circumstances of the debate witnessed by himself and Bishop Downey which was interfered with by guests whose views are not shared by the majority of the students. Protesting that the students' politics are as a rule not known to him. Then defending the tradition of hosting visitors of all kinds at the tea-hour; it is the only opportunity for Irish people to meet in Rome – 'every Irishman in the city worth his salt comes in at that hour...according to tastes'. Fr.Magennis is usually present, while Dr.Gorman has been his own enemy in his incurable vanity, and stays away for that and not political reasons. Stating readiness to bring these reunions to a close, harmless as they are, and being 'my only bit of recreation'.
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- 293            31 May 1925            Draft typescript letter with handwritten additions and fragment of second draft or copy letter from H.(agan), Rome, to 'President' (DeValera). He has had some serious conversations with their esteemed guest [Archbishop Mannix]. As for his return to Ireland, he would like to wait for any demonstrations of politics until his arrival in Dublin, when the pilgrimage will be most probably closed. For that reason he prefers not to meet (DeValera) in London. His wishes are for a large party – 'demonstration' – to meet the pilgrims in Dublin, and for a pontifical high Mass in the Pro-cathedral; possibly Larry O'Neill could deal

with the first matter, if not both. Hagan has briefed him on recent events in Ireland; he will, however, not say things fully in public, only expressing the Australian people's regret for the split at home. Discussing the question of the oath with [Mannix] he finds the latter has an open mind: it is important to weigh up the odds of a split which might occur even if the present policy were upheld. Hagan gave him a document he drew up at the encouragement of their small group in Rome: they were impressed, and Magennis even said that while he did not recommend swallowing the oath he would go along were it decided on unanimously. Pointing to the impossibility of gaining control of the army or even parliamentary majority 'without either abolishing or swallowing the oath'. Adding finally he met Ernie O'M(alley) who seems to find it hard to make ends meet. The bearer of the letter is trustworthy but not to be taken too seriously.

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31 May 1925

Copy typescript draft and typescript fair copy memorandum by [Hagan] (6 pages) for [Irish republicans].

Making the case for a reconsideration of the republican policy; reconstructing the rather vague one of 1918. At length giving account of the two frames of mind found within republican ranks; those consistently committed against English sovereignty in any form and ready to go to extremes, and the majority which is less sanguinely committed to sacrifice and impatient with anything that seems merely punctilious. The priority is to avoid a split; questioning therefore the present policy of protest and abstention. Presenting the advantages of trying to undo the 'machine' from within, with the Free State having entrenched itself and the failure so far to upset it from without. Posing the question whether the oath can be regarded as a mere empty formality; personally believing that to be the case: from a historical point of view – citing 1580 and 1870 as cases in point – the outward acceptance of the oath combined with active protest seems best. The number of republican T.D.s to take the oath and other matters would have to be detailed were this course taken. In the end fortunes are with the party that keeps the Free State Army in pay, not merely that with a majority of seats; abstention is self-defeating. Then posing '...may not the present situation be likened to a ship carrying Ireland and its fortunes but managed by a crew of madmen who are driving the vessel straight on the rocks, while the doomed [passengers] refuse to step in and pitch the madmen overboard, on the plea that even that much contact with them would soil their hands?' As for the alternative of abolition of the oath, the Free State authorities would never consider this since it is 'the one weapon that has kept them in power and still enables them to enjoy fat salaries...'

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- 295            [c.May 1925]            Handwritten draft and copy typescript letter [by Hagan] from the members of the Australian and New Zealand pilgrimage to Rome to Pius IX. Being the first such pilgrimage undertaken, numbering 300 participants; naming members of the hierarchy present; pointing to the long journey from 'Ultima Thule', and asking for the papal benediction. 2 items
- 296            2 June 1925            Handwritten letter from M.[ichael O'Flanagan], Dublin, to 'my dear friend' (Hagan). Asking why he wished to make the document, in which Hagan had a hand, judicial if there is no prospect of submitting it to a judicial body. Then explaining he objects to asking leave to say Mass; it is comparable with the prisoners asked to sign papers to obtain release. Agreeing that an appeal would be a waste of time: not understanding the hint that his objective can be attained in another way; 'efforts have been made for over a century, without any success'. 1 p
- 297            2 June 1925            Holograph letter from Éamon de Valéra, Hôtel de Rome, Place S.M.Novella, Florence, to (Hagan), introducing [the bearer] Seán MacBride; he will himself explain the object of his visit. 1 p
- 298            2 June 1925            Typescript letter signed Seán T.Ó Ceallaigh, Poblacht na hÉireann, Irish Republican Headquarters, 3 East 42<sup>nd</sup> Street, New York (United States of America), to Hagan, in thanks for his letter and postscript of April, and the paper. Enclosing his comments on the paper (not extant) with his arguments against adoption of the new policy; knowing they are shared by the majority of the T.D.s. Pleased about the new arrival in Rome, who will act as an antidote 'to the unworthy activities of his colleague in the Order'. Asking 'Dan' [Archbishop Mannix] whether he would travel their way when going home – he 'would do infinite good to the cause' were he to spare them some days in New York, Chicago and the west coast. It seems he is likely to be promoted; so is one of

either Armagh or Dublin: favouring Armagh (Archbishop O'Donnell) because he is the bigger man and more reliable from Hagan's own standpoint. At the same time Dublin (Archbishop Byrne) was raised in his estimation through his unstinting support for Hagan. Thinking it unlikely that 'M.'[...] would be selected for the Ross vacancy; the reverses at the last by-election will be a reason against it; expressing optimism still that their day will come. Fortunately Smiddy's attempt to have Mary MacSwiney deported failed. Her tour has been a success overall, despite the drop in numbers compared to four years ago; listing the satisfactory sums donated, but lean times are ahead. Cait is fairly well. Enclosing cutting from today's New York times (not extant) on the warm reception for O'Duffy of the Civic Guards who did much to further boost the Free State. He passed on Hagan's request for help to the lady mentioned whose organisation will meet soon; otherwise unsure whether he can do much to help the project Hagan pursues- the plans haven't arrived yet. Enclosing copy extract of a historical piece about the Irish bishops at the time of the English Reformation, of Rinuscini's visitation, as the cause for the first Jesuits to be sent to Ireland- Ó Ceallaigh asking for comments on the piece. Now attached draft handwritten memorandum by (Hagan) listing bishops signing or opposing the decree of excommunication [1648].

3 items

299                    2 June 1925                    Holograph letter from [Thomas] Hayden, St.Patrick's College, Manly (Sydney, Australia), to Hagan; promising to pay the student's pension. Stating that Dr.Man-nix and the pilgrims meet the Pope today. When Dr.Vincent Dwyer, Maitland, comes to Rome he brings a student, Mr.Jordan, who might become a student in Rome. Also recommending the new student Robert Lyons, to be sent by Dr.Duhig. Some comments on the religious houses of Sydney unwilling to pay the *cathedraticum*; the archbishop corresponds with Cardinal van Rossum about it. Dr.English declined an offer to teach in Manly. The archbishop suffers from an eye cataract. Asking about the new union of Propaganda students.

2 pp

300                    3 June 1925                    Holograph letter from Elizabeth Delaney, Skehena House, Ballylinan, Queen's County (County Laois), to (Hagan), in gratitude for his kindness in Rome, and for having arranged access to the papal audience. She could not yet make plans for the teachers, being in need of financial backing. Hoping to return to Rome in August for a dispensation. Fr.Ranaghan sent negatives [for a publication].

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- 301            4 June 1925            Typescript letter signed S.T.Ó Ceallaigh, Irish Republican Headquarters, 3 East 42<sup>nd</sup> Street, New York, United States of America, to Hagan, enclosing copies of two documents he received from home yesterday (not extant). Regarding his letter of April 27 he will write when he has something of value to say. 1 p
- 302            4 June 1925            Holograph letter from William Buchanan, St.Patrick's College, Cavan, to Hagan, asking to obtain permission to celebrate Mass on board ship. 1 p
- 303            6 June 1925            Two holograph letters from P.Ramponi, Irish College, (Via di Pietra 70), Rome, to (Hagan), having tried repeatedly to see him about the villa in Tivoli. The buyer would like to see him personally; arrangements for meeting him. [Italian] 2 pp
- 304            6 June 1925            Holograph letter from Bishop E.Mulhern, Ardmaine, Newry (County Down), to (Hagan), enclosing [cheque for fees]. (Curran) stayed with him for a few days; praising their work and the plans for the College; commenting on the cost. 1 p
- 305            7 June 1925            Holograph letter from M.J.C.[urran], House of Missions, Enniscorthy (County Wexford), to Hagan. He has seen a number of bishops; Armagh particularly is optimistic that the balance will be raised. He left mentioning Formia to Dublin in October - he is expected to come on pilgrimage; despite few entries they expect up to 1,000 pilgrims. It seems A.Ryan will accept Dr.McRory's offer; Maynooth will regret this. Brief news about Michael Brown and other clergy. He had a brief encounter with R.Mulcahy. DeValera advises a public visit by

Dr.Mannix only if he is properly received, possibly by presenting him with the freedom of the city passed over in 1920. The bishops will not boycott the the visit. He seemed to agree to Curran's proposal that a social function could bring moderates of both parties together. The priests are a very mixed body; there is a good number of 'decent-minded' among the Free Staters like Canon Lyons, but a large number would still boycott a reception of Mannix. Then observing the republicans are mostly apathetic, while their opponents grow more confident. There is no desire among the former 'to grace the Dail'; hoping they will not do so as long as the oath remains since that would be sanctioning the perfidy of 1921/1922. Asserting that public movements can do much from outside 'those decaying or metamorphosed institutions'. What is needed is more life and courage, however. [Postscript may not belong to the letter: enclosing document about Masses (not extant); a papal blessing outstanding.]

5 pp

- 306            8 June 1925            Holograph letter from P.J.Walsh, Holy Cross College, Clonliffe, Dublin, to Hagan, enclosing petition concerning Mons.Hickey who left no money to pay for expenses. Inviting him to stay when in Ireland. (Curran) has visited.

2 pp

- 307            10 June 1925            Typescript letter signed [L.] Kerney of the Délégation Diplomatique et Consulaire de la République Irlandaise, 4 Rue de la Terrasse, Paris (France), to Hagan. Asking for an outline of Archbishop Mannix's programme when in Paris. He decided against hosting him at an honorary banquet so as not to implicate him by association.

1 p

- 308            11 June 1925            Typescript letter signed John J.Dwyer, Attorney at Law, 40 Wall Street, New York (United States of America), to Hagan. Asking for assistance to trace Henry Cassidy, formerly member of a religious order in Rome, maybe the Franciscans, about 1860. He is heir to a substantial estate.

1 p

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- 309            11 June 1925            Holograph card from M.J.Curran, 15 Garville Avenue, Rathgar (Dublin), to Hagan, advising him of his return to Rome around 25 June. Canon Downing will not last long; he hopes to see Cashel; enclosing document from Raphoe (not extant).  
2 pp
- 310            13 June 1925            Holograph letter from P.T.K.(eohane) of M.H.Gill & Son, Ltd., 50 Upper O'Connell Street, Dublin, to (Hagan). He will try to accompany Hagan and 'Brewery' [Fr.Morrissey] back. Glad that [Archbishop Mannix] liked the last number of the (*Catholic Bulletin*). Mentioning request of a nun, a great friend, for crosses that give a plenary indulgence every time one kisses them.  
2 pp
- 311            13 June 1925            Holograph letter from Archbishop D.Mannix, Hôtel Royal Danieli, Venice, to (Hagan), stating he is quite well again. For better or worse he is going to be in the 'Island of Saints and Sinners' in a few days. In gratitude to the students for their help to the pilgrims; another sum was given to him to be spent on one of their recreation days.  
3 pp
- 312            15 June 1925            Holograph letter from Michael Dooley, St.Peter's College, New Kilpatrick, Glasgow (Scotland), to (Hagan), 'my great benefactor'. He is happy and successful in his new surroundings, but describing his family's grave financial difficulties arising partly from his sister's illness; including extracts from her letters. Asking him to talk to the Archbishop [...] about his straits; he is in Rome until early July.  
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- 313            15 June 1925            Holograph letter from Bishop William Codd, Wexford, to Hagan. He will talk to the Bishop of Cork about Fr. Bastible for whom he would find a position in the seminary. Concerning the plans for the new College, favouring to include modern equipment; unforeseen extras ought to be allowed for. Notice has been given of the closure of the Benedictine school in Gorey; keen to make sure that another situation does not develop over mass at Mount St.Benedict's. 2 pp
- 314            18 June 1925            Holograph letter from Archbishop T.P.Gilmartin, St. Jarlath's, Tuam (County Galway), to (Hagan), enclosing cheque for Masses from Fr.Patterson, Westport. Another financial matter. 2 pp
- 315            18 June 1925            Holograph letter from Bishop E.Mulhern, Ardmaine, Newry (County Down), to (Hagan), enclosing payment for the crucifix which should bring a good sum. Comments about the bad weather. Praising the report; (unclear) remarks about the gifts of the Holy Ghost. 2 pp
- 316            [19] June 1925            Holograph letter from Cecil (E.Smith-Howard) [Ernie O'Malley], Hotel du Commerce, Bourg-Madame, France, to (Hagan). He finds this part of France more suitable for his health. Asking him to pass on his address to [Frank] Brady. A friend of his will visit Hagan's friend in Barcelona. (Name established by attached fragment in the same hand.) 2 pp
- 317            20 June 1925            Holograph letter from J.Ballesty, All Hallows' College Dublin, to Hagan, enclosing document (not extant); the draft in question was sent to Hagan by Fr.O'Donnell. Asking for [a bill]. 1 p

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- 318            21 June 1925            Holograph letter from W.Lee, The Pro-Cathedral, Clifton, Bristol (England), to (Hagan), very anxious to see him when in England: his advice in the matter will be much appreciated. 1 p
- 319            22 June 1925            Holograph letter from [Alex.May], 10 Lower Fitzwilliam Street, Dublin, to Hagan, advising him there will be a rousing reception for Archbishop D.M.(annix). His first impression of republican apathy was agreeably undone when attending at Bodenstown where there were circa 6,000 present – 'there was a throb of energy (and) determination I have rarely seen before'. The bishops and clergy might refuse a welcome to Mannix; one address from him would rouse the country. Grateful for kindnesses in Rome; he leaves for Australia via America. 2 pp
- 320            22 June 1925            Holograph letter from Sr.(Mary) M.Kevin, St. Mary's Abbey, Mill Hill, London (England), to 'Reverend Mother' [...], asking to inform her cousin [Hagan] she hopes to see him in Ireland in August: they have not met for twenty-nine years. She has met Bishop Biermans. 1 p
- 321            24 June [1925]            Holograph letter (written on an envelope) from Bishop J.W.Dwyer, Paris, to Hagan, with belated thanks for the hospitality given to him in Rome. Praising the repose in Lucerne; Dr. Mannix and his party are still there; he tries to reach Dublin before them but hears rumours not hopeful of peace. Asking to put mothballs into the cases he left behind. (Was filed with 1928.) 1 p
- 322            26 June 1925            Holograph letter from Anna M. [Murphy], 16 Sydney Parade, Dublin, to (Hagan), not having had news from Mother Rosalie regarding her sister; hoping she is not made to suffer because of her letter. 3 pp

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- 323            26 June 1925            Holograph letter from Bishop J.Dignan, St.Brendan's, Coorheen, Loughrea (County Galway), to Hagan, acknowledging receipts for Peter's Pence. Glad that Dr.Fair returns. Hoping to accompany a Clonfert contingent for the national pilgrimage; asking Mr.Keane to act as guide. The bishops guaranteed the College the £ 10,000 required.
- 2 pp
- 324            28 June 1925            Holograph letter from M.J.Browne, St.Patrick's College Maynooth (County Kildare), to (Hagan). Hagan's wishes with regard to Dr.Gilmartin were executed eventually. Humorous remarks about the bishops moving very quickly on behalf of the Roman College's financial needs; Maynooth never gets such treatment: they must be 'such keen judges of men'. Further commenting on the new and rapturously welcomed volume of the *Archivium* – 'we are a forgiving people'. He found no traces of 'bellicose preparations' concerning Ossory. More humour about preparations for sending contingents on the pilgrimage. Anxiously awaiting arrival of their Australian friend; looking forward to treating Hagan hospitably.
- 6 pp
- 325            29 June 1925            Holograph letter from S.Dempsey, Holy Cross Presbytery, Cartague Road, [Parsan's] Green, London S.W. (England), to Hagan. He and his sister came from San Francisco to settle some legal matters in Ireland. Anxious to stay in touch; spreading his fame in the western States. Asking about a chance to see him in London; remembering past kindness.
- 3 pp
- 326            29 June 1925            Holograph letter from Kate O'Donnell, 111 Osmond Terrace, Norwood, South Australia, to Hagan, asking for acknowledgement of a draft sent before for the Archdeacon Enright Burse. Asking for a small crucifix.
- 2 pp

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- 327            29 June 1925            Holograph letter from J.O'Connor P.P., Parochial House, Gurteen, County Sligo, to (Hagan), in deep gratitude for his hospitality and kindness in Rome; he returned home via London. Open invitation for Irish College residents to visit him.  
4 pp
- 328            29 June 1925            Holograph letter from [J.Madden], St.Michael's, Ballinasloe (County Galway), to (Hagan), in thanks for the kindness shown to him in Rome. One of their party died quite suddenly, as Fr.Fair knows. He will encourage as many as possible to make the pilgrimage.  
2 pp
- 329            30 June 1925            Holograph letter from Michael Dooley, St.Peter's College, New Kilpatrick, Glasgow (Scotland), to (Hagan). Profusely thanking him for his marvel of kindness in sending him a sum which he pledges to pay back when he can. Also the Archbishop of Glasgow has just promised him to pay the two remaining years' pension; comparing him very favourably with his own Bishop of Meath. Quoting from his grateful sister's letter; asking to pray for an aunt of his – 'for I have unlimited confidence in the efficacy of everything you do'.  
3 pp
- 330            30 June 1925            Holograph letter from M.J.Curran, Rome, to Hagan; informing him that Renzi, their Italian professor, died; that Browne has got his degree. He sent his first letter to E.Morrissey in Dublin.  
1 p
- 331            [end June] 1925            Fragment handwritten list from [Bishop Gaughran], Bishop's House, Mullingar (County Westmeath), for the Congregation of the Sacraments, with three matrimoni-

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al dispensations granted since April 1925 and fees due to the congregation.  
(Covering letter and rest of dispensations not extant.)

1 p

332            1 July 1925            Copy typescript programme for the meeting of the General Council of the Pontificia Opera della Propagazione della Fede (Rome), for (Hagan). To deal with subsidies for existing, and new missions, including those of Kaffraria, British West Indies, various missions in China, Haileybury; to hear various legates, including the Irish legate.

1 p

333            2 July 1925            Holograph letter from M.[J.Curran], Rome, to Hagan, [Standard Hotel], enclosing various correspondence (not extant). Reali has the deeds for Quattro Coronati from Buttaoni at last. Then discussing the best man to take on the ceremonies, not yet too involved in College music; proposing Madden over Dillon. Brief other news concerning students and correspondence.

2 pp

334            3 July 1925            Holograph letter from M.[J.Curran], Rome, to Hagan, with three enclosures (not extant but see below). Bishop Fallon of London would like to send a student to the College. Brief news of students' exam results. Palombi is involving Sinibaldi in his claims on Hagan for his negotiations of the last two years. Sir John O'Connell is seeking subscriptions for the Beda College; Sir Joseph Glynn for one refused, stating he would give to the Irish College first.

2 pp

335            5 July 1925            Holograph letter from Archbishop D.Mannix, Hotel Imperial, Cork, to (Hagan), introducing Fr.McCarthy of

Brisbane, a man according to Hagan's own heart.

2 pp

- 336            6 July 1925            Holograph letter from M.[J.Curran], Tivoli, to Hagan, enclosing two letters (not attached anymore). Brief news on student's exams; arrangements for admitting Fr.O'Meara, Clonliffe, for a year. At the new site, the iron stays for the cement foundation are being laid down. Domestic news of Tivoli; the caretaker is in a very subdued mood. Burglars took 900,000-lire worth of altar plate from St.Peter's, including Cardinal Merry del Val's present to the Pope. Some small matters.

2 pp

- 337            6 July 1925            Handwritten memorandum from Margaret Gibbons [...], for [Hagan], requesting information about Miss Aylward, a frequent correspondent of Dr.Kirby from the late 1850s to 1889. Particularly interested whether she drew up a letter to the Queen of Naples in 1861. Also, Dr.Cullen wrote to Kirby on her character; asking to look this up. (No covering letter extant.)

1 p

- 338            6 July 1925            Holograph letter from D.J.O'Doherty, Hôtel Regina, Place Rivoli, Paris (France), to Hagan, enclosing cheque from his brother, including payment for an oil painting. Grateful for advice on the ordo. Glad Hagan is well. He is on his way to Dublin.

2 pp

- 339            7 July 1925            Typescript letter signed Don Angelo Fidecicchi, Rome, to (Hagan). He will show his letter to Cardinal Laurenti as soon as he arrives; approving of the truthfulness of what he writes.

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- 340            5-9 July 1925            Holograph letter from M.J.C.[urran], Tivoli, to Hagan. Enclosing holograph letter from Bishop M.F.Fallon, Rome, to Curran, introducing the young seminarian he had in mind (Alphons Page); hoping he can join the Irish College as soon as possible. – Curran adds his personal impressions of Page who is 'of the usual colonial mould, but of the quite serious variety'; Fallon did not want him to stay at the Beda having learned of its nature. Recommending to Hagan to keep him despite his age, especially since they need to build up numbers. Arrangements were made for the 'festa' with the Bishop (of Tivoli). There is lightning damage on the roof; other domestic news.
- 2 items
- 341            13 July 1925            Holograph letter from M.J.C.[urran], Tivoli, to Hagan. Saturday, with Cardinal Lucidi and the bishop as guests, went well overall. The latter, however, wishes to come back and be the only higher prelate present. Enclosing students' exam results (not extant). Then commenting at length on the students' bad practice of taking exams in no obvious order, being facilitated in this by the colleges. The prefects ought to be made felt their responsibilities, and the general standard raised. Naming proposed prefects. Brief news of some students; one of them met Dr.Fallon's student, Mr.Page. He invited Scannell of Cork to stay; asking about issues of the *Courier de Genève* discussed in the *(Catholic) Bulletin*. More about the St.Peter burglary. Then remarking that four colleges are brought together at Villa Gabriele – 'what an escape we had!'
- 2 pp
- 342            16 July 1925            Typescript letter signed F.O'Reilly, Catholic Truth Conference, 7&8 Lower Abbey Street, Dublin, to Hagan, enclosing copy of their programme for 5-9 October; asking to obtain a message from the Holy Father.
- 2 items
- 343            18 July 1925            Holograph letter from M.[J.Curran], Tivoli, to Hagan, with news about comings and goings: expecting Fr.Ra-

naghan; hosting student Page for a week, recommending him. There were no news in Rome at the Carmelite feast-day celebrations. Mentioning Dr.O'Donnell's proposition of the bishops writing to Gasparri in thanks [about the new College]. Enclosing a document (not extant). Work progresses well on the new building; 50 men work ten hours a day; there was some delay caused by the municipality over the chapel.

2 pp

344            20 July 1925            Typescript letter signed Fr. Augusto Fideticchi, Rome, to (Hagan). Cardinal Laurenti recommends that Hagan himself puts forward Canon Lee for the prelacy; suggesting the possible wording. [Italian]

2 pp

345            [pre-21 July            Handwritten [draft] letter by [Tizi], Irish College, 1925]            Rome, on behalf of Bishop Edward Mulhern of Dro-more, to the Pope. Informing him that while they are about to celebrate the consecration of their new cathedral, there is a debt on it of a few thousand pounds; asking for permission to go ahead. [Italian] (The cathedral in Newry was consecrated on 21 July 1925.)

1 p

346            23 July 1925            Holograph letter from Seán T.(Ó Ceallaigh), American Association for the Recognition of the Irish Republic, 3 East 42<sup>nd</sup> Street, New York (United States of America), to (Hagan). The pressure on him is off a little, since their National Convention is over and went successfully. Grateful for Hagan's letters of June, and the instructive paper on Henry VIII's time. The Assistant General arrived and bore out what Hagan had said about headquarters for instance; the Franciscan's story was not new either. He has not been given permission yet to come home; eager to be there when Hagan is. Cáit's health is compromised by a visit to Kansas City. He read of Dr.M(annix)'s magnificent reception in Ireland. The American Association sent a letter of protest to the Pope against the penalization of the Irish republicans by the Irish hierarchy; sending copies to the bishops also.

2 pp

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- 347            25 July 1925            Holograph letter from Sr.Mary J.Madeleine, Ursuline Convent S.Mary's, Waterford, to Hagan, supplying information relevant to the legacies left to her. At profession, £800 had been payed as her dowry.  
2 pp
- 348            28 July 1925            Holograph letter from M.[J.Curran], Rome, to Hagan. Sr.Rita's typhoid is quite serious; giving details of the case – she had refused further inoculations after the first one; the probable source are rats at the outside washing place. Canon Doyle's departure is much regretted by all; he, Scannell and Ranaghan have been guests in Tivoli. Scannell might have a student for Sydney. Enclosing letter from the Bishop of Clonfert (not extant). Informing him that 'the Janiculum scheme' has been announced as completed at a cost of 40 million. Adding a query about Cain's new court appointment.  
3 pp
- 349            31 July 1925            Holograph card from M.Kilmartin, 86 Lindsay Road, Glasnevin (Dublin), to Hagan, having missed him when calling at the Standard Hotel. Informing him that their bishop did not give them permission to go to Rome in September. He also missed seeing Dr.Mannix in (Dun Laoghaire).  
2 pp
- 350            [...] August 1925        Typescript circular letter and printed card stamped E.P. McLoughlin, Olney, Ailesbury Road, Dublin. As academic member of staff and also of the Board of Studies of University College, Dublin, seeking [Hagan's] vote for the Seanad elections on 17 September.  
1 p

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- 351            1 August 1925            Holograph letter from M.[J.Curran], Tivoli, to Hagan, [...]. Reporting on the two cases of typhoid; Brother Thayne is now worse than Sr.Rita. Dr.McGrath O.S.A. leaves Rome today. Report on progress at Santi Quattro; the Via S.Stefano side is delayed; the walls in one section are over ground level; they still hope to finish the roof before the end of the year. Enclosing document (not extant); comments.
- 2 pp
- 352            2 August 1925            Holograph letter from M.[J.Curran], Rome, to Hagan, [Carlingford]. Sr.Rita may be over the worst, but Br. Thayne has died of the typhoid. [Lepedi] died also. Confirming for the Archbishop [of Dublin] that the Porziuncola indulgence has been extended. Agency matters of the Bishops of Meath and Derry. The new subdeacons are going on retreat today.
- 2 pp
- 353            2 August 1925            Holograph letter from Denis Hynes, Preparatory College, Furbough, Galway, to Hagan, regretting that Hagan missed him in Galway. Hoping he enjoyed Loughrea and Connemara. Uncertain when Dr.O'Doherty will return.
- 3 pp
- 354            3 August 1925            Holograph letter from M.[J.Curran], Rome, to Hagan. Sr.Rita's illness might not be typhoid; Br.Thayne was buried today. Advising him of Fr.Fair's, and Fr.Ranaghan's departures. The Carmelites are likely to re-elect Fr.Magennis; Ronayne may be sent to Ireland as provincial. Work continues now on the façade of the new building. A centenary celebration is being organised at St. Isidore's for a Sunday when the Irish pilgrimage is in Rome; asking him to arrange it with the pilgrimage committee.
- 4 pp

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- 355            5 August 1925            Holograph letter from M.[J.Curran], Tivoli, to Hagan, [...], reporting on the improvement of the sick; Sr.Rita is out of danger. The Palermo election raises unusual interest, with Orlando's fight against the fascists. Enclosing cutting (not extant); commenting on the *Osservatore's* phrasing. 2 pp
- 356            [post-6 August 1925]            Typescript [draft] petition from the Archbishop of Armagh and the Irish episcopacy, to [Pope Pius XI]. Asking for [extension of a pre-existing permission concerning the postponing of diocesan or provincial synods]. 1 p
- 357            17 July-7 August 1925            Typescript letters signed F.O'Reilly of the Catholic Truth Society of Ireland [two different departments], Dublin, to Curran, making final arrangements for the National Pilgrimage programme; enclosing copy correspondence with the Irish Franciscans at S.Isidoro who ask to alert the pilgrims to their tercentenary celebrations. (No covering letter extant: this seems to have been forwarded by Curran with other letters to him of 28 September.) 3 items
- 358            11 August 1925            Holograph letter from Archbishop T.P.Gilmartin, St. Jarlath's, Tuam (County Galway), to (Hagan). Inviting him to stay in Tuam. Asking for acknowledgement of cheque sent to Rome for Masses. 1 p
- 359            14 August 1925            Holograph letter from M.[J.Curran], Rome, to Hagan. Sr.Rita progresses well; she does suffer from typhoid after all. Explaining the matter concerning the Enright

Burse; a draft has been received. In Tivoli, a new municipal tax is imposed on all building materials; asking for advice. Latest progress on the Via Santi Quattro site. The *Civiltà Cattolica* has apparently excelled itself in an attack on the author of the *Isola Smeralda*; promising to send the issue.

2 pp

360            17 August 1925        Holograph letter from John [Kevin]; St.Patrick's Cathedral, Ballarat (Australia), to Hagan, introducing the Misses Ryan and brothers; asking to arrange access to a papal audience for them.

2 pp

361            18 August 1925        Holograph letter from J.Brady, 2 Princess Gardens, Belfast (County Antrim), to (Hagan). May McAulay was sorry to have missed Hagan when he called. Inviting him to come to Belfast; hoping his health benefits from the visit to the old country. Regards from all the family.

2 pp

362            19 August 1925        Typescript letter signed George W.Turley, The Presbytery, 47 Westland Row, Dublin, to (Hagan). Arranging meeting him the next day; asking advice for their notes for their pilgrims. A certain 'C' will come [on pilgrimage] with his wife and secretary but will not tell 'McS' until the last moment.

1 p

363            19 August 1925        Holograph letter from Bishop J.Shiel, Bishop's House, Rockhampton (Australia), to Hagan. Asking to obtain the papal blessing for a friend's aunt, Sr.Vincent O'Keeffe, London.

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- 364            20 August 1925        Printed receipt signed Fr.[...] of the Central Committee for the Holy Year 1925; acknowledging payment for a subscription to their bulletin.  
1 p
- 365            22-24 August 1922    Holograph letter from Denis O'Brien, 48 Railway Street, Petersham, Sydney, Australia, to Hagan. Enclosing letter of recommendation from Archbishop Kelly (not extant), explaining that he wishes him to obtain the plenary indulgence for their Hibernian Australasian Catholic Benefit Society. Having missed Hagan, he nonetheless had an audience with the Pope. (Envelope containing additional explanation.)  
3 pp
- 366            24 August 1925        Holograph letter from M.J.C.[urran], Tivoli, to Hagan. Enclosing three holograph letters: 1) 18 August, from John [Breen], St.Brendan's Seminary, Killarney, to Curran, informing him that Michael J.Herlihy will be sent to Rome this year; additional question on admissions. 2) 18 August, from J.Scannell, St.Finnbarr's College, Cork, to Curran, regretting that young Lynch is opposed to going to Sydney; Cork will send at least one student. Curran proposes to try Dublin schools for a candidate for Sydney. 3) 17 July, P.J.Marshall, The Presbytery, Kenmare, County Kerry, to Curran, accepting the invitation to stay at the College for the pilgrimage. Curran explains that Marshall will accompany Archbishop Harty. – Comments on the London student, Page. Prices in Italy are soaring; the grape harvest is threatened. His Holiness, at a recent audience, asked after the building work and they discussed Dr.Gaughran, but nothing else. Then proposing a second lift for the Santi Quattro-site; to place the infirmary on the San Stefano side, to install a room for tradesmen near the kitchen. The bank gives them the fountain [at S.Agata]- arrangements for its transfer. Adding that Dr.O'Donnell is definitely coming to Rome.  
4 items
- 367            26 August 1925        Holograph letter from Bishop David Keane, The Palace, Corbally, Limerick, to (Hagan). Approving of the plans to invest the new burse established by Fr.Rogers;

hoping to send a student to Rome to replace Mr.Kelly. Asking about accommodation at the College after the pilgrims depart.

3 pp

- 368            26 August 1925        Holograph letter from M.Comey, The Presbytery, Cavan, to Curran, accepting gladly the invitation to stay at the College during the pilgrimage; he is the diocesan representative of the (Catholic Truth) Society. (Curran does not mention this as an enclosure in one of his letters below.)

1 p

- 369            26 August 1925        Holograph letter from S.T.(Ó Ceallaigh), Tomcoole, Taghmon, Wexford, to Hagan, Archbishop's House, Thurles, County Tipperary. Glad to have finished the journey, planning to come up and meet him on his own arrival [in Dublin]. They have only met family so far, and Fr.P.M.[urphy] in Enniscorthy. Cait is quite well again. Signing off, 'auf wieder sehen'.

1 p

- 370            30 August 1925        Holograph letter from M.J.Curran, Tivoli, to Hagan. Supposing his circuit is finished – 'you did well in Tuam'. Sr.Rita is still improving; nobody is on the sick list. Enclosing two documents (not extant); arrangements for Herlihy's and others' arrival. News from both S.Agata's and the new site; other domestic news. Fr.Celsus goes to the Citeaux Chapter; Fr.Breslin was appointed vice-rector at the U.S.A.-College.

2 pp

- 371            26-30 August 1925    Holograph letter from Archbishop Patrick O'Donnell, Carlingford (County Louth), to Hagan. Referring to a letter of introduction (not extant). [Enclosing] holograph statement naming Dermot Patrick McIvor, Ardee, for admission as student for the Irish College. Reali sent him a letter in reply. Since Hagan is

doing a very extensive circuit, advising him he will be here this week.

2 items

- 372            31 August 1925        Holograph letter from William J.Cullen, [...] King Street, Dublin, to Hagan, in gratitude for the kind hospitality for the Carmelite Pilgrimage in June. Especially good wishes to the students of the College.
- 373            [end August 1925]    Holograph letter from Vincent O'Brien, 37 Parnell Square, Dublin, to Curran, enclosing the musical arrangement of 'Bright Sun' (not extant), offering another and enquiring as to propriety to present that to the Pope. (Curran does not mention this as an enclosure in one of his letters below; was received 4 September.)
- 374            [c.end August 1925] Handwritten draft letter from (Hagan) to the electricity company [L...], Tivoli, regarding recent correspondence and subsequent disturbances on their telephone line.
- [Italian]
- 375            1 September 1925     Holograph letter from Sr.(Mary) Zeno, Tivoli, to (Hagan); regretting that the coat did not arrived- joking it might have been held up by the Free State Government. Glad that his travels in Ireland are bearing fruit in terms of student numbers. Life is dull without him; the vice-rector lives a very quiet life. The students these days always bring both walking-sticks and an archaeological guide to Rome on their walk. The new College in Rome seems quite formidable already; Fr.Magennis, Monsignor Tizi and Fr.Celsus motored out there this week.

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- 376            2 September 1925    Holograph letter from Bernard Patten, Shop Street, Westport, County Mayo, to Hagan, Standard Hotel, Dublin. The Archbishop of Tuam permits him to continue his studies in Rome; a letter from Maynooth is forthcoming. Asking details; enclosing academic record (not extant).  
2 pp
- 377            5 September 1925    Fragment holograph letter from [M.J.Curran], Tivoli, to Hagan. Canon Breen has written about new students. The building proceeds fast; Tizi is quite an expert now on bricks and such matters. He will write to the Dublin Christian Brothers. There is a dearth of prospectuses for the Irish College; enclosing sample of a 1923 prospectus (not extant). They visited San Pastore; the Irish students of Brignole-Sale visited. Young Clarke ought to be asked to come early since he choir has bad need for musicians.  
2 pp
- 378            6 September 1925    Holograph letter from J.Madden, St.Michael's, Ballinasloe (County Galway), to (Hagan). Recommending Hubert Clyne, to be student at the College. Fr.Fair has caught influenza and needs rest.  
2 pp
- 379            7 September 1925    Holograph letter from John O'Reilly, The Presbytery, Cavan, to Curran, regretting very much he cannot go to Rome after all and take up their invitation. Recommending his three priest colleagues who will go to join the pilgrimage. Dr.Comey will probably be likewise unable to come.  
2 pp
- 380            8 September 1925    Holograph letter from Patrick Maher, Main Street, Ba-

genalstown, County Carlow, to [Hagan]. He could not sit the examination in Dublin; sending his Leaving Certificate results; the Rector of Knockbeg College has his results for the summer matriculation.

2 pp

381            1-8 September        Typescript letter signed A.Fidecicchi, Rome, to (Hagan), enclosing holograph letter from Domenico Spada of the Vatican Secretariat of State, Section of Apostolic Briefs, stating that Canon William Lee, Bristol, has been accepted for the domestic prelacy. [Italian]

2 items

382            8 September 1925    Holograph letter from Andrew M.Dodd P.P., Mass Villa, Belmullet, County Mayo, to (Hagan), asking to arrange access to a papal audience for him and his sister, visiting at the end of the month.

1 p

383            9 September 1925    Typescript letter signed H.[Patrell] of The Sleeping Car and International Express Trains Company, 20 Cockspur Street, London (England), to Hagan, 91 Stephen's Green, Dublin, acknowledging payment for his journey to Rome on 19 September.

1 p

384            9 September 1925    Typescript letter signed [J.Mary], Convener of the Pilgrimage Committee, Knights of St.Columba, Grand Hotel Flora, Rome, to Curran, inviting him to dinner for the following day; they are concluding their visit.

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- 385            9 September 1925    Holograph statement from M.J.Moran M.B., Westport, County Mayo, certifying that Bernard Patten is in good health. 1 p
- 386            10 September 1925   Holograph letter from J.Scannell, St.Finnbarr's College, Farran Ferris, Cork, to Curran, introducing Mr.Dorgan, a solicitor – asking to spare a student to act as cicerone, and to arrange access to a papal audience. 1 p
- 387            10 September        Holograph letter from [T.] Ronayne, Missionary Con-  
                              [1925]                    vent of the Holy Rosary, Killeshandra, County Cavan, to Hagan, asking for an interview to speak about their missionary work. Regretting he had no time to procure a letter of introduction from Fr.Blowick. 2 pp
- 388            10 September 1925   Holograph letter from Richard MacNevin, St.Bricin's Hospital, Infirmary Road, Dublin, to (Hagan). Reporting of a recent meeting of former students of the Irish College, their decision not to form a union as originally planned for now, but to assist the new building by raising funds for a new high altar. Comments on attendants and support from few bishops. The old Oliver Plunkett union is 'happily defunct'. Asking their approbation. Stating that so far he is 'C.F.'; of his diocese he is the only newly ordained not to cross the water. 3 pp
- 389            10 September 1925   Holograph letter from J.MacCaffrey, St.Patrick's Col-  
was 132/1924                    lege, Maynooth (County Kildare), to (Hagan). Giving a good academic reference to student Bernard Patten of Tuam for admission to the College, but cautioning against certain tendencies

in his character and his involvement one time in a card-playing clique. Hoping (Hagan) will be able to visit before leaving Ireland. (Marked 'confidential'.)

2 pp

- 390            11 September 1925    Holograph letter from Bishop Bernard Hackett, Bishop's House, John's Hill, Waterford, to (Hagan), asking him to obtain the papal blessing from Sr. Julia Power, and Mother Raphael O'Loughlin.

1 p

- 391            11 September 1925    Holograph letter from Seán T.Ó Ceallaigh, 91 St. Stephen's Green, Dublin, to Hagan, introducing Fr. Michael Murphy, Dundrum, a friend of Mrs. and Ernie O'Malley among others. Hagan's letter awaited him on returning from London.

2 pp

- 392            12 September 1925    Holograph letter from J.J. Dunne, Church of the Sacred Heart, Donnybrook (Dublin), to (Hagan). He will have all printed and hopes 'His Lordship' won't spoil them. He heard that the Bishop of Maitland will arrive in Rome shortly. Adding a recommendation for Professor Seymore, asking to assist him during his stay.

3 pp

- 393            12 September 1925    Holograph letter from May Fair [...], Kilenaborris, Bagnaglier, County Offaly, to Curran. Informing him and the rector that Eric suffers from enteric fever; he will not take up duty at the Ballinasloe College for some time. They decided not to tell him of the nature of the illness, but he is improving.

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- 394            13 September            Holograph letter from Bishop E.Mulhern, Ardmaine,  
                         [1925]                            Newry (County Down), to (Hagan), promising to look  
                                                    into the tax affair. On naming the charity, 'Irish College  
Rome' will not suffice for tax purposes; better to connect it more specifically  
with priestly education. The archbishops as trustees may have to include all  
funds in one deed, settling them definitely.
- 4 pp
- 395            15 September 1925    Holograph letter from John Fitzgerald, Belwell, Dun-  
                                                    more, County Galway, to Hagan. A new student sent  
                                                    by the Archbishop of Tuam, asking about necessary  
preparations for coming to Rome.
- 1 p
- 396            [mid- September            Printed invitation card with handwritten insertion from  
                         1925]                            the Catholic Truth Society of Ireland, Dublin, for Ha-  
                                                    gan, for the Masses organised for the 23<sup>rd</sup> Catholic  
Truth Conference 7-8 October.
- 2 pp
- 397            16 September 1925    Typescript letter signed Mary Raphael Deasy, Superior  
                                                    General, Loreto Abbey, Rathfarnham (Dublin), to Ha-  
                                                    gan. Asking for news on the pending renewal of their  
constitution from the Congregation of Religious.
- 1 p
- 398            16 September 1925    Typescript letter signed Thomas F.Chisholm of Chis-  
                                                    holm's Tours, D'Olier Chambers 16 ½ D'Olier Street,  
                                                    Dublin, to Curran, Tivoli, advising him that their party  
arrives in Rome on 25 September.
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- 399            17 September 1925    Holograph letter from G.Crolley, St.Matthew's Presbytery, Ballymagarrett, Belfast (County Antrim), to (Hagan), enclosing a document, asking to expedite it relative to his recent appointment as vicar general (not extant).  
1 p
- 400            17 September 1925    Copy typescript Bulletin No.18 of the American Association for the Recognition of the Irish Republic, 3 East 42<sup>nd</sup> Street, New York, United States of America. Discussing Irish republican news under the headings: Republican bond litigation; New constitution; Archbishop Mannix; Comical Cosgrave; Innocents abroad; Organization; The spirit of Valley Forge; Fruits of the Treaty. (Covering letter not extant.)  
2 pp
- 401            17 September 1925    Holograph letter from P.Hawkins (senior), Killeena-deema, Loughrea, County Galway, to Curran, in thanks for sending the prospectus; asking for duplicate medical form.  
2 pp
- 402            17 September 1925    Holograph letter from Bishop William MacNeely, Royal Marine Hotel, Dun Laoghaire, County Dublin, to Hagan. He would be grateful for accommodation in the College when in Rome. He attended Dr.Leen's consecration. The country's trade has not been good, but at least hotel personnel seems happy.  
3 pp





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- 412            23 September 1925    Holograph letter from J.[Kearney], Hotel Royal [Rome], to Hagan, enclosing a token in gratitude for being included in the Vatican visit. Then, in reference to their talk about conditions in Ireland, stating it is hard to comprehend the peril of the situation north and south for one removed from the scene. At length recounting his attempt to help identify a man involved in [a night of murder] in 1920, after Lord Mayor McCurtain's death [a certain Wilson D.T.]. Also he mentioned the McCurtain's murder from the altar and just escaped being shot by the Black and Tans because of it. (See below among undated [1925], a postscript might have belonged here.)  
2 pp
- 413            24 September 1925    Holograph letter from Professor Luigi Casalbore, Via Luciano Manara 32, Rome, to Curran. Introducing himself as a teacher of Italian with Berlitz; offering to substitute for Professor Renzi should there be need. [Italian]  
2 pp
- 414            24 September 1925    Typescript letter signed Mary Raphael Deasy, Loreto Abbey, Rathfarnham, Dublin, to Hagan. Following his offer, sending copy of their constitutions (not extant) with some changes. Also enclosing cheque towards expenses.  
1 p
- 415            24 September 1925    Holograph letter from M.Connery P.P., St.John's, Coleraine, County Derry, to Bishop McHugh, Derry, listing the circumstantial evidence for the case that Dr.Ferris left his bequest for Mass intentions in favour of the priests at St. John's.  
2 pp
- 416            24 September 1925    Typescript letter signed John Blowick, The Chinese Mission, St.Columban's College, Dalgan Park, Galway,

to Hagan, introducing Fr.Ronayne who will come to Rome on business connected with his mission. Adding that Dr.O'Dwyer is now away for a year, on a tour of inspection around the world.

1 p

- 417            24 September 1925    Typescript letter signed Archbishop E.P.Roche of St. John's, The Palace, St.John's, Newfoundland (Canada), to Hagan. He will arrive in Rome around 22 October; asking to give him assistance while there since he is unfamiliar with procedure during *ad limina* visits.

1 p

- 418            24 September 1925    Typescript letter signed Engineer G.Momo, Corso Vinzaglio 75, Turin, to Hagan. Depanis informed him of their wish for two balconies on the south side; recommending keeping it down to one. [Italian]

1 p

- 419            25 September 1925    Holograph letter from Michael Dooley, St.Peter's College, New Kilpatrick, Glasgow (Scotland), to (Hagan), expressing all the depth of his gratitude for his kindness and the financial help. Regretting he did not find him in Dublin.

2 pp

- 420            25 September 1925    Typescript letter signed [Jonathan] Bigland, Secretary to the Archbishop of Bombay, Wodehouse Road, Fort Bombay (India), to [Hagan], asking whether His Grace's letters to the Archbishop of Manila arrived at the Irish College. (Obverse bears draft handwritten letter by [Christy D.] stating that while letters were received for Archbishop O'Doherty they did not notice their origin.)

2 pp

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- 421            25 September 1925    Holograph letter from P.Dempsey, on board the S.S. Oronsay, Orient Line. He decided to accept the offer of adoption by Archbishop Duhig of Brisbane; his old friend Monsignor Daly, Westminster, recommended him to Duhig. Then asking to arrange a private audience for Mr.and Mrs.Scanlan.  
3 pp
- 422            26 September 1925    Holograph letter from James Kearney, Minerva Hotel, Florence, to Hagan, further on their recent conversation. Praising a New York Protestant at the papal audience for his great aid for Russia; he claims the Jews are the *fons et origo* of the 'plot' that killed 25 million people – 'it is all money and hatred of J.Christ'. Bolshevism –the Antichrist- goes out from Moscow all over the world; the Ku Klux Klan is its representative in America. Kearney opened one American's eyes about Lord [Ashbourne] and his ilk. It was a Protestant family who saved him when his altar pronouncements threatened him. Adding that some young priests told him recently they believed DeValera 'was paid to delude Ireland'.  
3 pp
- 423            26 September 1925    Holograph letter from Bishop William Codd, Wexford, to Hagan; he will pay the fees for Canon Lee. Regretting he did not come to Wexford; he had 'a spate of American abusive literature to show him'. It seems Mr.Furlong is not strong enough to study in Rome.  
2 pp
- 424            27 September 1925    Holograph letter from M.[J.Curran], Tivoli, enclosing document (not attached anymore); they will accommodate the person in question. Asking for list of students.  
1 p

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- 425            14-27 September    File of typescript copy correspondence between Fr. P.Dempsey, London, and the Archbishops of Dublin and Brisbane. It is confirmed to the Archbishop of Dublin that Dempsey has been adopted by Brisbane; Dempsey asks and receives a final financial gift from Dublin, and states that he will have no future claim on the Dublin Archdiocese. (Covering letter not extant- marked 'private and confidential'.)
- 4 pp
- 426            25 September [1925] Holograph letter from Andrew M.Dodd P.P., Savoy Hotel, Rome, to Curran, reiterating his and his sister's wish to be granted a papal audience.
- 2 pp
- 427            28 September 1925    Typescript letter signed (Mary) Raphael, Loreto Abbey, Rathfarnham, Dublin, to Hagan. The news regarding the common text came as a shock, but hoping the cause of the Irish institute is in good hands. Asking to destroy the book of constitutions she sent before.
- 1 p
- 428            11-28 September    Holograph letter from Ambrose Blaine, St.Nathy's College, Ballaghadereen (County Roscommon), to (Hagan), enclosing typescript letter signed Bishop Patrick A.McGovern of Cheyenne, Wyoming (United States of America), to Blaine, making arrangements for Mr. Cawley to study for his diocese; enclosing a draft for him; asking to help placing him in the Irish College, Rome. – Recommending Cawley and asking whether there is a vacancy for him even for a year.
- 1 p

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- 429            28 September 1925    Holograph letter from James O'Dea, St.Mary's College, Galway, to Hagan, advising him of his and Canon Davis's itinerary and arrival in Rome; hoping to meet him there. Dr.Hynes sends regards. 2 pp
- 430            28 September 1925    Typescript letter signed George W.Turley, Catholic Truth Society, Veritas House, 7&8 Lower Abbey Street, Dublin, to Hagan, enclosing typescript copy of proposed address to the Pope (with few handwritten corrections by Hagan). Now also attached a French translation. 3 items
- 431            28 September [1925] Holograph letter from Sheila K.Clark, Grand Hotel Flora, Rome, to Hagan, in thanks for arranging the audience. Regretting that he will not like the accompanying snuff, sent in gratitude. 1 p
- 432            28 September 1925    Holograph letter from P.Boylan, St.Patrick's College, Maynooth (County Kildare), to Curran, introducing two sisters of Fr.Kevin Brady. He might visit Rome himself next Christmas. (No covering letter extant.) 2 pp
- 433            28 September 1925    Holograph letter from John McDevitt for Bishop [MacNeely], Ballyhernan,Kindrum, County Donegal, to Curran, asking to accept a student, Mr.J.Cawley, formerly at St.Nathy's, Ballaghadereen, for the diocese of Cheyenne. Brief message to Fr.Dick Ranaghan. 4 pp

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- 434            28 September [1925] Holograph letter from W.Miller for Bishop Foley, Braganza House, Carlow, to Hagan, explaining to Propaganda Fide the purpose of the collection recently made and sent to Rome; a similar one was sent to Cardinal van Rossum in 1924.  
2 pp
- 435            29 September 1925   Holograph letter from M.[J.Curran], Tivoli, to Hagan, asking him to return the *Civiltà* [*Cattolica*] article to Desclée.  
1 p
- 436            29 September 1925   Holograph letter from John Byrne C.S.Sp., Rockwell College, Cashel, County Tipperary, to Hagan, stating that he awaited his expected demotion from the superiority of the College before answering his letter. His Bolshevik principles are the main cause; resenting the manner in which it happened. However, the recent success and great number of new boys of the College ought to be telling despite the blame formerly placed on him, a republican. Then praising Hagan's nephew, promising to see to it that special care will be taken of him. Agreeing that the cause needs careful handling; there are so many shades of republican opinion. Commenting on the pilgrimage and Killaloe's participation [as president]; not happy with the latter's recent praise for Rockwell. Brief personal news.  
4 pp
- 437            29 September 1925   Typescript letter signed F.O'Reilly of the Catholic Truth Society of Ireland, 7&8 Lower Abbey Street, Dublin, to Hagan. Since they are bringing with them a cinematographer, Mr.Lewis, asking about permission by the Vatican not only for photographs but also for film; reference of the precedent of the Knights of St.Columbus of America doing same during an audience.  
1 p

- 438            28 September 1925    Typescript letter from 'Johannes' [...], Dublin, 'a chara dhilis' [to Hagan], glad he returned home safely. Not surprised at the views expressed by Hagan's part-way travelling companion, given his friend in Dundalk, and his friend John in Dublin. The practical policy this man recommends has no likelihood of being adopted, and even the alternative which he and Hagan discussed is by no means certain, seeing the recent S[...] elections which encourage those in favour of sitting still. The chief [DeValera] is ill and strictly kept in bed before the ardheis. Stack might face an operation. The unsuccessful Senate candidates are giving excuses, 'the Nobleman' [Marquis McSwiney] among them. 'Our beloved relative' [...] vociferously blames Cosgrave and Blythe's lack of support for her; holding that the present (Free State) people's days are numbered but that 'even her own gang with to kick out her husband and herself'. Dan [Archbishop Mannix] is heading [north] but prepared for all eventualities. Then stating he would prefer that 'fellow traveller' not to come to Dublin. Finally asking about the Christian Brothers delegation that left for Rome. Regards from 'all three here'.
- 2 pp
- 439            30 September 1925    Holograph letter from Flannan O'Neill O.F.M., Collegio di Sant'Isidoro, Via degli Artisti, Rome, to Hagan. Explaining that he will accept Hagan's alternative suggestion for Pontifical Mass at St.Isidore's on 18 October.
- 2 pp
- 440            30 September 1925    Holograph letter from May Fair, Kylenaborris, Bannagher, County Offaly, to Hagan, with news about Eric who is convalescent. Sure they are all missing him in Rome.
- 4 pp
- 441            30 September 1925    Holograph letter from J.A.[Glynn], St.Jarlath's, Ailesbury Road, Dublin, to Curran. He gave Mr.John O'Neil Donnellan an introduction to Curran. (No covering letter extant, but note from [Curran] to include the party in the audience.)
- 4 pp

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- 442            30 September 1925    Holograph letter from [F.J.E.] McEwan, 262 Kingston Road, Hampton Wick, London (England), to Hagan. Informing him that 'our friend Langdon' has lost his procuratorship for the English Benedictines; Gasquet could not save him. The latter will not last long now, and Langdon will then be out of a job: 'what a relief!' His successor is Dom Placid Turner. It was kept out of the papers, suggesting Hagan has it appear in Irish and American ones. McKenzie is consequently also not on for advancement and might return to being a 'journalistic tramp'. MacEwan will be in Rome next week. Asking not to disclose his informant.
- 2 pp
- 443            30 September 1925    Typescript letter signed F.O'Reilly of the Catholic Truth Society of Ireland, 7&8 Lower Abbey Street, Dublin, to Hagan, enclosing conference programme (not extant); asking to arrange a message from the Pope.
- 1 p
- 444            30 September 1925    Holograph letter from Bishop E.Mulhern; Ardmaine, Newry (County Down), to (Hagan), advising him of his and Dr.McNeely's arrival on 11 October.
- 1 p
- 445            [early October]        Two holograph letters and two attachments from M.[J. Curran], [Tivoli], to Hagan. Domestic matters including the students' visit to the Villa Adriana; the upcoming national pilgrimage; students going into Rome; listing the new students by diocese; brief proposals [for the new building].
- 4 items
- 446            1 October 1925        Holograph letter from W.Lee, The Pro-Cathedral, Clifton, Bristol (England), to Hagan, in gratitude for his kindness. There is going to be both provincial and civic

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- recognition of his new dignity. 1 p
- 447 2 October 1925 Typescript letter signed F.O'Reilly of the Catholic Truth Society of Ireland, 7&8 Lower Abbey Street, Dublin, to Hagan, enclosing their final instructions (not extant). Last change of train schedule; the students are meeting them on arrival. 1 p
- 448 [2] October 1925 Holograph letter from Archbishop Patrick O'Donnell, Ara Coeli, Armagh, to (Hagan), about his and his episcopal colleagues' (Dromore, Raphoe) arrival in Rome. Hoping he received the letter about Reali's friend, posted to the Standard Hotel. 2 pp
- 449 2 October 1925 Holograph letter from John P.Campbell, President of St.Patrick's College, Armagh, to Hagan. They are sending Dermot McIvor, Ardee, to Rome this year; recommending him warmly. 2 pp
- 450 2 October 1925 Holograph letter from [C...A] of the Pensione Helvetia, Via di Porta Pinciana 14, Rome, to Hagan. With regard to the Irish pilgrimage planned from 16 December, recommending his pension; naming their terms as Lira 60 per day. 3 pp

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- 451            4 October 1925        Holograph letter from M.J.Curran, Tivoli, to Mr.O'Neil  
Donnellan, [...]. Advising him that on Sir Joseph  
Glynn's letter of introduction, the rector of the Irish  
College will receive him and arrange an audience for him. (No covering let-  
ter extant.)  
2 pp
- 452            15 May -                Holograph letter from Bishop M.O'Farrell of Bathurst  
4 October 1925        Dunshauglin, County Meath, to (Hagan). Outlining his  
case with the Bathurst Patrician Brothers; asking him  
to put the matter in the hands of a canonist; Dr.Dwyer might be helpful. En-  
closing copy typescript petition from the Superior General of the Pious In-  
stitute of the Brothers of St.Patrick [Dublin], to the Congregation of Reli-  
gious (returned from there 4 June), regarding the closure of two of their  
schools in the diocese of Bathurst, Australia. Outlining the order's long-  
standing work on primary and secondary levels in and outside Ireland; asking  
for justice in the case of two schools, in Dubbo and Orange, closed due to the  
reports from the district schools inspector. – O'Farrell has prepared a state-  
ment in reply [not clear whether intended to be enclosed]. [partly Latin]  
2 items
- 453            5 October 1925        Holograph letter from S. T. (Ó Ceallaigh), Dublin, to  
Hagan. He sends Hagan's glasses with Fr.Furlong,  
Wexford; he is politically 'not a bad sort', at least bet-  
ween 1916 and 1921. The ardfheis has to be postponed due to DeV(alara)'s  
illness; since he is to return to America – it is imperative to look for funds –  
he will not take part. Regretting that Dan [Archbishop Mannix] will not be  
there either, going to Rome on 30 October. He is due to go north but Sir  
Dawson Bates's warning may prevent him: were he arrested there then 'all  
the Irish bishops will have a great laugh (and) probably say "serve him  
right"'. According to some rumours DeV(alara) is to be deposed; Seán T. him-  
self, as well as Count P.(lunkett) and Sceilg have been talked of as suc-  
cessors.The (Free State) people much welcome the idea since dealing with  
the small fry would be simple after that. Observing that Labour gives the  
government much trouble, both 'the importation of the French as scavengers'  
and the coal row play into Labour's hands. Certainly 'the F.S.Ministry is no  
bed of roses'. They might hold the municipal presentation to Mannix in  
O'Connell Street; the priests' presentation will be at the Rotunda on 29 Octo-  
ber.  
2 pp

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- 454            5 October 1925        Holograph letter from Paul Dwyer, 90 Griffith Street, Welland, Ontario (Canada), to Hagan. Asking to accept his friend Francis J.Fitzpatrick into the College; also on behalf of his new diocesan, Bishop John Kidd of Calgary. He decided not to stay with the Congregation of the Resurrectionists in Rome. Hoping that the present 'Canuck' resident at the College, Alphonse Page, makes up for predecessors' shortcomings. Some remarks about his own work with an Italian colony of 165 families, mostly hard-working people. 3 pp
- 455            6 October 1925        Holograph letter from J.O'Dea, Hotel Lavoisier, 21 Rue Lavoisier, Paris (France), to Hagan, asking to organise accommodation for him, Canon Davis and a Galway couple, Mr.and Mrs. Horan; expressing his gratitude. 4 pp
- 456            6 October 1925        Holograph letter from Patrick Conway, Grand Hôtel Vittoria, Sorrento, to (Hagan), in gratitude for access to the papal audience. 1 p
- 457            7 October 1925        Holograph letter from C.H.O'Hara, [care of] Signora M. [Cucchioni], Carrara, to Hagan, asking for information on reasonable accommodation in Rome for himself. 2 pp
- 458            7 October 1925        Holograph letter from K.Daniel, 33 Kenilworth Square, Rathgar, Dublin, to Fr.Morrissey (Rome). Joking remarks about the high society he mixes with in Rome; having sent a bottle of whiskey for their dear friend, with Mr.Breen, a pilgrim. Stating that 'Dublin is in a ferment over the Frenchmen getting the con-

tract for Street cleaning'. Paddy organises their going to Rome at Christmas; asking about accommodation; regards to the Dr.(Hagan).

2 pp

459            7 October 1925            Holograph letter from Pecorari, Rome, to (Hagan), asking him to recommend to their engineer Signore Enrico [Stentella] for pavement work. [Italian]

2 pp

460            7 October 1925            Holograph letter from Nellie Woods, Russelstown Park, Carlow, to [Hagan], asking for beads with a crucifix containing a relic of the True Cross.

1 p

461            7 October 1925            Holograph letter from John Lennon, Hotel St.Petersburgh, Rue de [Caumartin], Paris (France), to Hagan. He has met some old friends, including Dr.C.Lynch. Remarks about his own health. Mentioning Fr.Morrissey and Mr.Keohane (not clear); asking for information on the arrival of the pilgrim brothers in Paris; a fair number of Irish are passing through at the moment. DeValera seems to be out of danger; the illness seemed grave for a while.

3 pp

462            7 October 1925            Typescript letter signed F.O'Reilly of the Catholic Truth Society, Dublin, to Hagan, making last arrangements for the pilgrims' arrival in Rome. There will be pilgrimage directors visiting the various hotels to liaise.

1 p



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- 467            11 October 1925        Holograph letter from P.J.Roughneen, The Presbytery, Ballaghadereen (County Roscommon), to Hagan, introducing Dr.J.B.Doyle who travels with the pilgrimage, but in a group under Fr.Canice's guidance. 1 p
- 468            12 October 1925        Typescript letter signed F.O'Reilly of the Catholic Truth Society of Ireland, Dublin, to Hagan, in thanks for his letter, and in confirmation. 1 p
- 469            12 October 1925        Holograph letter from Nelly O'Ryan, 91 Stephen's Green, Dublin, to Hagan, explaining she is keeping house in the hostess's absence. Introducing the bearer, Miss Kelly and her sister, County Wexford, praising them for their support for 'our men at all times and under every condition from the Chief down'. Expressing hopes that the pilgrims' prayers will be working in their favour and that 'the pilgrim No 1. on the list won't confuse the intentions of the Almighty'. 1 p
- 470            13 October 1925        Holograph letter from Sr.(Mary) Gonzaga, Convent of the Holy Faith, Glasnevin (Dublin), to Sr.(Mary) Paulinus [Kilkenny]. Asking her to remind Monsignor Hagan to have the Kirby letters searched. Then describing the 'New Schools', Iona Road; listing her co-worker sisters, and those who left for other houses. 2 pp
- 471            13 October 1925        Holograph letter from M.J.B.[rowne], Maynooth (County Kildare), to (Hagan), with news. The bishops confined themselves to moral matters. The (Catholic Truth Society) seems bent on neutrality in its wish to gain support, discover-

ing the existence of 'a large class of people who do not identify Catholic truth with Free State policy'. Economically, problems persist, and the Shannon scheme will be a very thorny problem. Ironic comments on the patriotic fervour likely to be brought into the Roman pilgrimage. Tim Healy suffered a slight by being simply 'esquire' in the Who's Who. Tuam is unfavourable; it will not be easy to persuade him to go out before Christmas.

4 pp

472            16 October 1925        Holograph letter from P.Long, St.Ambrose, Leigh Woods, Bristol (England), to (Hagan), enclosing cutting from a local paper of 28 September (not extant), on the great pleasure concerning Monsignor Lee.

3 pp

473            13 October 1925        Holograph letter from M.(J.Curran), Hotel Subasio, Assisi, to Hagan. On arriving, he found Fr.Augustine improved; giving details of his health; he is very grateful for their help. Arrangements for bringing him back to Rome. Regretting he does not see Dr.O'Donnell and Dr.Mulhern.

2 pp

474            14 October 1925        Fragment holograph letter from [...], Dublin, to 'Very Reverend Father' [Hagan], in reaction to the notice that 'the person styling himself "President Cosgrave"' is going to Rome 'on "Holy Year" pretences'. This son of a policemen and ex-bartender is head of a government that murdered over 100 young Irishmen in jail yards – other incriminating details. This demon disgraces their religion and ought to be shunned by the Roman church (breaks off here).

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- 475            14 October 1925        Typescript [draft] letter signed J.Hagan, to Monsignor Fidecicchi (Rome), enclosing an urgent request for a dispensation from the Archbishop of Dublin.  
1 p
- 476            'Wednesday'  
[c.14 October 1925]        Holograph letter from M.[J.Curran], Hotel Subasio, Assisi, to Hagan, with further news on Fr.Augustine's progress. Asking him not to send the Irish Capuchin pilgrims.  
2 pp
- 477            15 October 1925        Holograph letter from Bishop M.O'Farrell, Nursing Home 19 Manchester Street, London W 1(England), to (Hagan), in gratitude for what he did concerning the case with the (Patrician) Brothers. He will take up the offer to stay at the College of S.Stefano cannot take him. More details about the Brothers' claims on him; the appointment of a coadjutor to Bathurst is being dealt with. He may have to stay for a further six weeks.  
2 pp
- 478            15 October 1925        Holograph letter from Cardinal E.Lucidi, Montefianco, to 'carissimo amico' (Hagan), regretting he cannot come to the reception on 17 October in honour of the Irish bishops and pilgrims. [Italian]  
1 p
- 479            15 October 1925        Holograph letter from John J.Cawley, Branchfield, Drumfin, Ballymote, County Sligo, to Hagan, in thanks

for the place given to him at the Irish College; he will arrive 1 November. Asking for a book list.

3 pp

480            15 October 1925        Holograph letter from Neill [M.Looney], Grand Hotel Brun, Bologna, to Hagan. They did not get the tickets for the papal audience stamped in the Vatican and had to pay an excess fair on the train; asking for a letter to the Italian Railway confirming their case. Archbishop O'Donnell can vouch for him.

3 pp

481            15 October 1925        Holograph letter from Annie [O'Brien], 14 Emily Square, Athy (County Kildare), to Hagan, reminding him of resetting the relic of the True Cross for Cis Murphy; a Kilkenny priest could bring it back. Brief comments on the family; glad they saw him in Ireland.

2 pp

482            16 October 1925        Holograph letter from Sr.(Mary) St.Ailbe Phelan, 38 Eccles Street, Dublin, to (Archbishop Byrne of Dublin), asking him to seek an immediate dispensation from her vows; her health has deteriorated a good deal. (Covering letter not extant.)

1 p

483            17 October 1925        Holograph letter from J.Fitzpatrick, Newry (County Down), to Bishop (Mulhern), enclosing letters from Carlingford on the [Gracey-] Rogan case. (Covering letter not extant.)

1 p

- 484            17 October 1925        Holograph letter from M.[J.Curran], (Hotel) Subasio, Assisi, to Hagan, with further news on Fr.Augustine's reconvalescence; he might return with Curran on Monday. Hoping the pilgrimage runs smoothly; seeing the C.[...] Association so early must be a bad sign but Hagan steers counter any possible friction by the stance he takes. He had hoped 'the quondam admirer of Ireland's army (and) navy was not coming'. The Dean of A.[...] probably did not ask about rooms again. Informing him that the Tivoli Franciscans seek subscriptions towards a new bell; recommending giving their scholarly 'commendatore' a good sum. Then describing the Regional Seminary built by their own architect, Momo, only occupied for the last six months: liking the feature of an organ gallery in the chapel, but Hagan's idea of a partition rules this out. 4 pp
- 485            17 October 1925        Holograph letter from Cardinal Vincenzo Vannutelli, Rome, to Hagan, regretting he cannot come to the reception held for the Irish pilgrims, having to return to Palestrina on visitation. Wishing the pilgrimage well. [Italian] 1 p
- 486            15-17 October 1925    Telegram from Hayden, Sydney (Australia), to Hagan, requesting dispensation for student Philip Reeve, whose father is a Protestant and living. (Subscript by Cesare [Pecorari] of Propaganda Fide dated 17 October). Now attached handwritten petition in the name of Archbishop (Kelly) of Sydney with dispensation granted by Archbishop Franciscus Marchetti-Selvaggiani of Seleucia, Propaganda Fide, for Reeve to receive holy orders. 2 items
- 487            18 October 1925        Typescript letter signed J.McShane, St.Columb's College, Derry, to Hagan, enclosing cheque for masses, and cutting from *Derry Journal* reflecting their success



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- 492            20 October 1925      Holograph letter from D.Reynolds P.P., Ballinahown, Athlone (County Westmeath), to Hagan, enclosing further cheque for masses for Fr.Murray's (Lanesboro) intentions. 1 p
- 493            21 October 1925      Copy typescript address by Pope [Pius XI] to the Irish pilgrims including President Cosgrave. In praise of the large number of pilgrims including many bishops and the country's worthy representative –'a devout Catholic himself'. Eulogy of the island of saints, past and present, pointing to the Missionary Exhibition for proof. Offering apostolic benediction to each group, and all Ireland. 5 pp
- 494            22 October 1925      Holograph letter from Cecil Smyth Howard [Ernie O'Malley], Florence, to (Hagan), in gratitude for his letter and for exercising himself in his business. Relating that Bob Barton's aunt, a Miss Priestly, 'rescued' him from his hotel. Glad he was not in Rome since there are some people who need not know he is there. Expecting that things will deteriorate a little in the near future 'as the "spring" has gone out of life for many people there'. 2 pp
- 495            25 October 1925      Holograph letter from Flannan O'Neill O.F.M., Collegio di Sant'Isidoro, Via degli Artisti, Rome, to Hagan, in deep appreciation of his support for their celebra-

tions. Observing that 'the traditions of the great Irish Race find a worthy exponent in the governing body of Ireland's first Institute in Rome'; repeating vice-rector (Curran)'s words of hope for the continuing strong links between the two colleges.

3 pp

- 496            25 October 1925        Holograph letter from Michael L.Cotter, Cathedral House, Leeds (England), to Hagan, in thanks for all the kindness shown to him during his stay in Rome. 1 p
- 497            26 October 1925        Holograph letter from J.Brady, 2 Princess Gardens, Belfast, to (Hagan), regretting he could not visit them in Belfast. Mentioning the members of the family who will go to Rome for (Gerald's) ordination; B.(láthnaid) will make her vows on the same day. Hoping that Hagan, during his stay in Ireland, could feel the benefit fo the change to the country. 2 pp
- 498            26 October 1925        Holograph letter from P.T.K.[eohane] of M.H.Gill & Son, Ltd., Dublin, to Hagan. In deep gratitude for having given him the opportunity to go to Rome: stating that this journey eradicated many of his long-held prejudices. He has not seen [Morrissey] since their return; he told S.T.(Ó Ceallaigh) of their chats and experiences. Enclosing review of Dr.[K.O'Donald]'s book. Reading between the lines of accounts of the pilgrimage. John Heneghan is enthusiastic over the (architectural) plans. 2 pp
- 499            27 October 1925        Handwritten note of character reference by [...] of the Collegio Beda, 67 Via S.Niccolò da Tolentino, Rome, for the Irish College, regarding Mr.A.Page; certain he

will give every satisfaction.

1 p

- 500            28 October 1925        Holograph letter from Anthony O'Neill, Stamullen, County Meath, to Hagan, sketching his journey home from Rome. He gave Fr.Michael Kilmartin Hagan's message; it is unlikely he can get away to Rome; meeting Dr.Mannix turned him 'as fiery as ever'. O'Neill has avoided questions about Cosgrave's reception in the Irish College by saying he was not present.

1 p

- 501            28 October 1925        Holograph letter from Eric MacFhinn, Coill na Buirgheasa, Beannchor na Sionainne, County Offaly, 'a athair a chara' [...], in deep gratitude for their enquiries and prayers; he is quite strong again and hopes to take up his work at the College soon. Asking about the priests' meeting; he wishes to contribute to their fund for the Irish College high altar. Offering congratulations to Fr. Ronan for his appointment as the General's [Magennis] secretary and prior of St.Albert's College. Hoping that the *Catholic Times* will publish accounts of the pilgrimage in Irish; asking whether any Irish was spoken during the pilgrimage. Offering congratulations to Fr.Gregory, now guardian at St. Isidore's. Asking news about the excavations in Palazzo Aldobrandini. Recommending their new student [McGovern], also a Gaelgeoir. Arthur Ryan of Maynooth is going to Belfast. Reference to a piece in the *Independent* concerning Pavia and the Irish language. With regards to the rector. [Irish]

4 pp

- 502            28 October 1925        Holograph letter from P.Daniel, 33 Kenilworth Square, Rathgar (Dublin), to Hagan. Commenting at length on his arrangements for the family's journey to Rome. Ironic remarks about 'the Popes of the (Catholic Truth Society). Most of them could not run a hen house'. Stating that he and Oliver St.John Gogarty are not friends; taking it that he sang his swan-song in Rome (remarks about swimming the Liffey). Fr.Morrissey is in high spirits and can be expected to gain the senior curacy at St.James's. Commenting on Fr.McGrath going to the

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West Indies teaching the natives amiability. Expecting that the party to Rome will be led by Fr.Michael Toher.

4 pp

503            28 October 1925        Holograph letter from P.Dunne, Archbishop's House, Dublin, to (Hagan). The news were a disappointment; it cannot be known what Dr.O'Donnell's objections to the man were; their friend vowed that proper respect would be paid. Finding that 'Jacques's' words on the pilgrimage in the *Independent* were appalling: 'has Dr.Fogarty been blasting?'

4 pp

504            29 October 1925        Holograph letter from W.Webb, Mount Alexander, Gorey (County Wexford), to Hagan, notifying him that he will not return to the College; he is still recovering. In remembrance of much kindness. All at Coolgreany seem to be well. Dom Sweetman and his sister are in Rome, he believes.

2 pp

505            30 October 1925        Copies of typescript statement from Bishop Joseph W.Dwyer of Wagga Wagga (Australia), testifying to his experience with the Brothers of St.Patrick as teachers in the diocesan schools of New South Wales. After previous trouble between the Brothers and priests in Wagga Wagga, he came into personal contact with them in Goulburn, serving as inspector of Catholic schools from 1898, and found them antagonistic as well as incapable of either managing or teaching.

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- 506            30 October 1925      Holograph letter from Joseph P.Gorman, 59 Eccles Street, Dublin, to (Hagan), asking to obtain the papal blessing for the marriage of Francis McBullagh and Mary Ryan. 2 pp
- 507            30 October 1925      Holograph card from Mary J.Boland, Vicarstown, Stradbally (County Laois), to Hagan, in thanks for hospitality during her recent stay. 2 pp
- 508            30 October 1925      Holograph letter from Diego Venini, Chamberlain, of the Anticamera Pontificia, to Monsignor Donohoe, Vicar General of Ardagh, sending him a gift for their lottery in aid for their church. [Italian] 1 p
- 509            31 October 1925      Holograph letter from [N.] bean Mhac Amhlaibh (Mrs. N.McAuley), Pension Suez [Rome], to Hagan, regretting that she and her son cannot stay beyond 5 November; hoping that will suit him. 1 p
- 510            [c.October 1925]      Holograph letter from Jennie McCann, Hôtel d'Italie, Rome, to Hagan, introducing herself, and asking about access to a papal Mass. Monsignor Dunne could vouch for her. 2 pp

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- 511 [c.October 1925] Handwritten draft letter by (Hagan) to Monsignor [...] (Vatican) introducing Sir John O'Connell and Fr.George Turley, of the Catholic Truth Society of Ireland, and asking for a private audience for the coming week. [Italian] 1 p
- 512 1 November 1925 Holograph letter from [Aloysius Brady], Boston Hôtel Rome, to Hagan, in gratitude for arranging his and his mother's papal audience; enclosing a contribution to the funds of the College. 1 p
- 513 2 November 1925 Holograph letter from Mrs. Kathleen McLogan, 34 Main Street, Maryborough, (County Laois), to Hagan, enclosing treasury notes for items she asks him to send; including copies of Fr.Clement's *Eternal city*, papal blessings for members of her family, and a dozen of blessed dolour beads. 2 pp
- 514 2 November 1925 Holograph letter from Nancy K.O'Neill, Ard-owen, Derry, to Hagan. Asking about access to the ceremony when their good friend Archbishop O'Donnell is elevated to cardinal's honours. 2 pp
- 515 2 November 1925 Holograph letter from Bishop David Keane of Limerick, Hôtel Italie, Florence, to (Hagan), introducing Mr. and Mrs.Harold, St.Louis. 1 p

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- 516            3 November 1925    Holograph letter from Sr.Aloysius Doherty D.C., Carmelite Monastery of the Immaculate Heart of Mary, Delgany, County Wicklow, to Hagan. Asking whether he could obtain a primary relic of St.Thérèse of the Infant Jesus. 3 pp
- 517            3 November [1925]   Holograph letter from Fr.[T.] Ronayne, Lime Street Hotel, Liverpool (England), to Hagan, stating that he and three others will sail for Nigeria tomorrow, to attempt something for the secular priests' work. He will write when he knows the bishop's mind about their suggestion. 1 p
- 518            3 November 1925    Typescript account signed by Archbishop J.M.Harty, Cashel (County Tipperary), listing amount of dispensations granted in cases of consanguinity 1921 to 1922. (No covering letter extant.) 1 p
- 519            6 November 1925    Typescript letter signed F.O'Reilly of the Catholic Truth Society of Ireland, Dublin, to Hagan, with the Pilgrimage Committee's warmest thanks for his and the students' kindness shown during the pilgrimage. 1 p
- 520            7 November 1925    Holograph letter from Bishop William Codd, Summerhill, Wexford, to Hagan, sending him copy of a suit at law (not extant), and stating that they now have evidence of Fr.Sweetman's statement implicating Mrs.Ebbs. Asking to inform Cardinal Laurenti. 1 p

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- 521            7 November 1925    Holograph letter from Bishop Patrick Finegan of Kilmore, Bishop's House, Culliss, Cavan, to Hagan. Enclosing cheque for Peter's Pence and for the Propagation of the Faith. Asking for information on current pensions at the College, and the value of their burse. Stating his wish that Fr. Willan takes out the doctorate in canon law.
- 1 p
- 522            4-9 November        Holograph letter from J.Brady, 2 Princess Gardens, 1925                    Belfast (County Antrim), to (Hagan). Asking about a papal audience and benediction for some members of his family who will travel separately. Enclosing bank draft as a gift for the Holy Father in gratitude for a son ordained and a daughter professed, also enclosing holograph letter from Bishop Joseph MacRory, Belfast, to Brady, explaining that Hagan will see to its expedition. Half of the sum should go to the Irish College.
- 2 items
- 523            10 November 1925    Holograph letter from John Lennon, Mountmellick, (County Laois), to Hagan. Certain that he is glad the pilgrimage is over, especially for the political aspect it took - Irish papers made much ado of Cosgrave's presence in Rome. Expressing gratitude for the kindness shown to him during his stay. He could not be at the reception for the Archbishop [Mannix] in Dublin; he meant to honour him and his devotion 'to the Cause of Freedom'. Brief personal news; congratulations for Dr.McGuinness and Dr.Ronayne, the latter now in charge of the College. Hoping to be in Rome next September for the opening of the new College.
- 4 pp
- 524            10 November 1925    Holograph letter from J.Hickey, Balbriggan (County Dublin), to Hagan. On behalf of the nuns of George's Hill, recommending to him the Healy and Lawless-families, soon to come to Rome. Adding however that 'some people do not care a lot about [them]'. The Dolphin's Barn appointment has not been made yet.
- 3 pp



had good coverage in the papers; hoping 'it will have the effect of healing political sores'. He sees more and more forcefully that 'we priests have more than enough to do to attend to our professional work without getting entangled in contentious politics'.

1 p

- 529            13 November 1925    Holograph letter from P.T.K.(eohane) of M.H.Gill & Son Ltd, Dublin, to Hagan, enclosing a document for Bishop [...] (not extant); also sending a copy of the (*Catholic Bulletin*). Expressing his belief they are nearing great changes; a few days will tell: 'Disaster is facing the other ship anyway anyway anyhow'. Observing that the republicans boxed the show this Poppy Day. The 'Corn Mill' agent promised to send Hagan particulars; one type of mill sells for example for £ 8; Brosna [Michael O'Flanagan] is involved since he 'is full of the Mill'. [Enclosed] brief note and address of a German agent of that mill.
- 2 items

- 530            14 November 1925    Typescript letter with handwritten postscript signed M. Keating [M.S.S.], House of Missions, Enniscorthy (County Wexford), to Hagan. Making enquiries about the parcel Hagn sent. Glad that Fr. Walsh gave a successful retreat. Asking him not to spread the news that the bishop, driving his car, hit one of the sisters [of St. John of God], without causing injuries; stating the bishop is usually a very cautious driver. Expressing everybody's surprise how the Irish College could supply so many hundreds with tea and refreshments during the pilgrimage. Mentioning his colleagues still in Liverpool. Enclosing document (not extant).

1 p

- 531            14 September 1925    Holograph letter from M.Brady, Hôtel Cambon, 3 Rue Cambon, Paris (France), to Hagan. By coincidence the Archbishop of Melbourne was on the same train as they. Asking to obtain the papal blessing for Beatrice.

2 pp

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- 532            14 November 1925    Holograph letter from W.B.MacFeely, The Presbytery, Waterside, Derry, to (Hagan), relative to a case described to him before where a testator's bequest to the church is put in doubt by the surviving relatives. Asking whether by canon law a decision by arbitration would be permissible. Stating that while the relatives are good Catholics, some are in financial difficulties.  
2 pp
- 533            15 November 1925    Holograph letter from Michael [...], Rockwell College, Cashel (County Tipperary), to Hagan (his uncle). With news about his progress at classes – French is easier to do than Greek but hard to pronounce. Their new president comes from Kimmage.  
2 pp
- 534            15 November 1925    Holograph letter from R.Ranaghan, Dalgan Park, Galway, to (Hagan), having returned via London: Mr. Cosgrave's car met him and helped with the luggage; there was little trouble over the film and camera equipment in customs but much red tape now; hoping to have the films soon. He hopes that he will not be announced bearer of the honour [...]; does not know yet where he will be sent. The official film taken for the pilgrimage has only one reel and the sequence with the Pope is much like his own.  
4 pp
- 535            16 November 1925    Holograph letter from Bishop Patrick McKenna, Bishop's House, Monaghan, to Hagan. Asking him to help make arrangements to pay their chosen sculptor, Sir Ferdinando Palla, for two marble statues of the Sacret Heart and the Blessed Virgin; anxious not to suffer from the increasing value of the lire. Sending Mr.Joseph Duffy his dimissorials for entry to Glasgow diocese. Adding that the Irish College's and its students' efforts rendered the pilgrimage a success.  
2 pp

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- 536            17 November 1925    Holograph letter from Peter Fouhy C.C., St.Colman's Cathedral, Cobh (County Cork), to Hagan. On behalf of a parishioner, making enquiries about her brother Rev.Dr.James V.Murphy, whose last known address was in Rome. Sketching his career; asking whether he knows about him. 3 pp
- 537            17 November 1925    Holograph letter from Bishop William Codd, Summerhill, Wexford, to Hagan, paying Monsignor Lee's fees. After a lull, 'the enemy' has brought the question of Mount St.Benedict's on again; however, the campaign by Miss Comerford and some Labour members of the county council did not come to much. Also enclosing cheque for Mass intentions. 2 pp
- 538            13-17 November      Typescript letter signed J.Hagan, Rome, to Monsignor Pecorari (Propaganda Fide), and holograph reply. Stating that followers of Margaret Aylward, foundress of the congregation of the Holy Faith in 1857, are considering initiating her cause to the Congregation of Rites. Asking whether there are relevant documents at his archives. Pecorari needs the exact time when his congregation accepted Aylward's institute since he could not find anything in their various series at a glance. [partly Italian] 1 p
- 539            18 November 1925    Holograph letter from James McCaffrey, St.Patrick's College, Maynooth (County Kildare), to Archbishop [Byrne, Dublin]. Informing him that student John Moloney has been diagnosed with tuberculosis. Recommending to ordain him and send him to Los Angeles for a few years. Proposing to ask Hagan to see to the dispensation necessary. Praise for Moloney's character and academic ability. (Covering letter not extant.) 4 pp

- 540            18 November 1925    Holograph letter from Bishop J.Dignan, St.Brendan's Coorheen, Loughrea (County Galway), to Hagan, in gratitude for their kindness when he was in Rome. Enquiring about the payment of Mr.Keane's pension; he assumed it would be made from money given by Dr.Fair. The latter will start work soon; it is obvious however that his heart is in Rome. Then observing that the *Morning Post's* news on the Boundary is generally taken to be more than a guess, but that the prevalent expressions of indignation will be little more than hot air 'no matter how much of the 26 is added to the 6 counties'. Enclosing a cheque for expenses.
- 4 pp
- 541            18 November 1925    Holograph letter from [Nel] bean Mhac Amhlaidh (Mrs.McAuley), 36 Ailesbury Road, Dublin, to 'ard-athair' (Hagan), in gratitude for his and Fr.Ranighan's kindness and assistance to her and Emmet in Rome. The (ardfheis) is in progress, and the question of entering the Free State parliament gave a great shock to a number of people yesterday. She had gone through that when talking to Hagan. She could not give news of Fr.Sweetman's case; Mary Comerford and her sister just went to today's meeting [about it].
- 2 pp
- 542            18 November 1925    Printed carte de visite with handwritten note from Monsignor Domenico Spolverini, Rector of the Pontifical 'Seminario Romano Maggiore', in thanks for the [Mass intentions] which he passed on to some former students in need of them.
- 2 pp
- 543            18 November 1925    Holograph letter from T.H.Pitt, Church of St.Aloysius, 49 Clarendon Square, London N.W.1, to (Hagan). Grateful for arranging the meeting with Mannix. He is planning to enter the novitiate in Spain, though doubtful about the regular life; Mannix offered him alternatively to come to Melbourne. There has been no reply from the Archbishop of Brisbane; thankful for Hagan's help in his difficulties with him.
- 2 pp

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- 544            18 November 1925    Holograph letter from Francis J.O'Hare, The Presbytery Banbridge, County Down, to Hagan. The College will receive a free issue of the *Irish News* from now. His series of articles on their visit to Rome has commenced. For the *Weekly Irish News*, asking for photographs of persons and places, including himself. When he met Joe Devlin the conversation was all about Hagan. 2 pp
- 545            [pre-19 November    Handwritten 'private' [postscript] from [Bishop E. Mulhern, Newry] [to Hagan]. He wrote to 'his Grace' (Archbishop O'Donnell) to send an Armagh priest [about the articles], commenting on his and his predecessor's leanings to Raphoe in the context. The late cardinal's anniversary is next Thursday. (Cardinal Logue died 19 November 1924.) 2 pp
- 546            19 November 1925    Holograph letter from Maria Pokorny, Ungargasse 3/ 31, Vienna, Austria, to Hagan. Explaining that she had hoped Archbishop Mannix would visit Austria or send some Australian business people after the pilgrimage was over; she hopes to set up commercial links between the two countries. Mannix might have lost the address through the sudden death of his secretary, Fr. Vaughan. 2 pp
- 547            19 November 1925    Holograph letter from Cáit (Ó Ceallaigh), Dublin, to 'dear friend' (Hagan), reporting from the ardfheis which her sister Nellie attends as delegate. Describing the surprisingly vociferous opposition to the notion that 'we would sit in the present Dáil ever the oath removed or not', though the proposal was merely for a small change in policy. Jim [Ryan] while against entering on tactical reasons favours a fair discussion and refused to return over the lack of order in the meeting. Sceilg refused to even take the chair in such a discussion; Mrs.Brugha threatened resigning; Count Plunkett remained firm and even became abusive, while Boland and Ruttledge spoke in favour. Despite meeting DeValera beforehand and appearing reconciliatory, Mary McSwiney ended up 'ranting away about principle'. Eventually, the resolution – 'quite

idiotic in itself' – that they would never enter the Dáil was withdrawn by her. They are as before, except 'that the thinking people now know what deV(alera) intends doing – (and) his enemies too'. He reminded the ardfheis of his similar stance before the conscription crisis; 'we know too what credit Sinn Fein as a whole takes for the result!' Markiewicz stepped down from presidency of the Cumann na mBan; Stockley seemed the most incomprehensible. DeValera gave a good speech on the boundary crisis and no-one recognised 'this hateful compromise'. Today he is in stormy seas over wanting to spend Sinn Fein money on the resuscitation of the Gaeltacht: while Mary McSwiney for instance is opposed, 'Pearse's Republic was to be Gaelic'; observing that 'that much I expect we can now bid adieu to'. MacSwiney will be fomenting a split, promising to preach against 'the new policy' everywhere. Cáit may visit Rome at Easter with her brother-in-law Dr. Michael O'Malley and family. Seán had a very bad crossing. (Now attached: selective typescript transcription of first part of the letter.)

2 items

- 548            20 November 1925    Holograph letter from P.J. Marshall, The Presbytery, Kenmare, County Kerry, to Hagan, having just returned from Italy. Promising to write to Fr. Henry O'Carroll for the information Hagan is seeking.

2 pp

- 549            21 November 1925    Holograph letter from W.W. O'Mahony, 32 Avenue Pierre 1er de Serbie, Paris (France), to Hagan, enclosing document for him from Cait [possibly letter from Cáit Ó Ceallaigh of 20 November]. He and his wife visited Ireland for the first time in twenty years, finding much changed for the worse. He wrote an account of Archbishop Mannix's reception at the Madeleine. Monsignor Cerretti's decoration is the sensation of the hour.

1 p

- 550            21 November 1925    Typescript letter signed R. O'Breandáin, The Irish News Syndicate, 48 Cherryfield Avenue, Dublin, to Hagan, stating he sent letters of introduction to the Catholic Press in the colonies quoting Hagan for reference. Observing that the

'bursting of the Boundary Bubble' caused a bad mix-up; the Free State looks it can need all the sympathy it can get. At the ardfheis a split looked inevitable for a time 'but Dev.(alera) saved the situation in a masterly manner, and there is certainly signs of a revival of the old spirit'. Dr.Mannix set many thinking on new lines.

1 p

551            22 November 1925    Holograph letter from Michael L.Cotter, St.Anne's Cathedral, Leeds (England), to (Hagan), introducing Miss Mozley, a convert and relative of Cardinal Newman; asking to arrange a papal audience.

2 pp

552            22 November 1925    Holograph letter from Jim Brady, Parker's Hotel, Naples, to (Hagan), with details of their imminent arrival in Rome and accommodation. Asking for McConville to meet them off the train.

3 pp

553            22 November 1925    Holograph letter from Bishop E.Mulhern, Ardmaine, Newry (County Down), to (Hagan). He has Bishop [...]s letter as well as Hagan's, stressing a certain matter's importante. Arranging for the vestments. Promising to deal with the tax and the trustees. Finding that the case is different with Belfast; mentioning compensation payed after the Custom House burnt down [in Dublin]; asking if all dioceses are beneficiaries under these funds. Then stating that last night's news leave them anxious about the future: 'a settlement that will satisfy no one can hardly be called by the name'.

4 pp

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- 554            23 November 1925    Holograph letter from Mary C.[Shine], Newtownsandes, County Kerry, to (Hagan), asking for pictures of the Holy Face on linen. 1 p
- 555            24 November 1925    Typescript letter signed [A.G.Tempest], Dundalgan Press, Dundalk (County Louth), to Hagan, asking in advance for a photograph of the newly-instated Cardinal O'Donnell for inclusion in his *Tempest's Annual*. 1 p
- 556            24 November 1925    Holograph letter from [P.T.Keohane], Dublin, to (Hagan), reporting what he knows [about the Sinn Fein ardfheis]. A majority were against the chief (DeValera), but the issue was not forced or he would have been beaten. Brosna [M. O'Flanagan] and his companion headed the opposition and Mary [McSwiney] was a kind of mediator, leaning towards the opposition. Sc[eilg] did not accede to the secretaryship, losing to Daithí O'Donoghue. Judging that in a country-wide survey the chief would win out well over Brosna and companion; a split is unlikely. Banking on the chief's policy 'as he is rightly keeping a free hand and refuses to follow a cut and dried line as evidently certain so-called diehards demand'. Wondering what the new knight [...] is thinking of doing, and what 'the wily Kevin O'H.(iggins)' is contemplating if the former retires. Finally observing that 'the village fool' [...] is not in there with 'the brave Eoin' [MacNeill]. Certain that DeValera and Seán T. are in agreement on policy. 2 pp
- 557            24 November 1925    Typescript letter signed J.H.(agan), Rome, to Mrs. Humphreys [...], in thanks for her letter. He does not believe Fr.Sweetman will have success in having his case re-opened. He has heard of the ardfheis, and the discussion of of a possible utilisation of the Dáil. Regretting that Irish people are wont to take sides with vigour and inflate the side issues; hoping for mutual respect and that a heart-breaking split can be avoided – 'it would mean the end of the movement for a decade if not more'. He had found when in Ireland that people had fallen into apathy, and that the young people are growing up without

the sense of patriotism of his own youth. Stating his conviction that elections only lead to more antagonism, while those who have been using the Dáil to the ruin of the country needed to be set aside: 'whether this could be best accomplished by trying to get hold of the machinery seemed to be a matter for discussion...' While the boundary crisis might lead to an election, people – detesting the (Free State) as they do – will only vote for the others if they see it does not bring a renewal of trouble. Any such undertaking by the republicans must be made absolutely. It is essential not to take attitudes of 'infallibility', on either side.

2 pp

- 558            25 November 1925    Holograph letter from Mary [Pearde] Beaufort, Via Venezia 15 (Rome). Asking about the best time to visit, and enquiring about being presented to Archbishop O'Donnell for his blessing.

2 pp

- 559            25 November 1925    Typescript circular letter from the general secretary of the Central Committee for the Holy Year, to the national committees, offering copies of the Missionary Exhibition poster, in diverse languages. [Italian]

1 p

- 560            27 November 1925    Typescript circular letter stamped A.Fajella S.J., Rome, to the Reverend Postulator [Hagan], informing him of a meeting on the occasion of Monsignor Verdi's imminent elevation to the cardinalship. [Italian]

1 p

- 561            27 November 1925    Typescript letter signed Fr.G.Nogara of the Propaganda Fide, Rome, to Monsignor Clapperton [...], appointing

him to a commission to review statutes proposed by the Irish branch of the Pontificia Opera della Propaganda. (Covering letter not extant.)

1 p

562            27 November 1925    Holograph letter from Bishop P.Morrisroe, Ballaghadeereen (County Roscommon), to Hagan, (enclosing documents) asking to expedite matters concerning certain titulars, and the ordination of Mr.Walsh. Financial matters. The pilgrims have been delighted with their visit.

1 p

563            28 November 1925    Typescript letter signed Bishop Patrick Finegan of Kilmore, Bishop's House, Culliss, Cavan, to Hagan. Enclosing petition (not extant). Stating his intention to leave Fr.Dillon for the two years' course of canon law; asking views about augmenting their burse.

1 p

564            27-30 November    Holograph letter from Fr.J.Kearney, Garvagh, Derry, 1925                    to Hagan, stating that as executor of a late priest of the diocese he distributes a bequest for Masses between the Irish College and the Irish Augustinians in Rome, that is Dr.O'Gorman. (Written on fragment of typescript letter signed [...] O'Kane, solicitor, Derry, to [Kearney] stating that the amount of the bequest is not determined yet.)

1 p

565            30 November 1925    Holograph letter from P.Dunne, Archbishop's House, Dublin, to (Hagan), regretting he cannot find the documents needed for the process; asking if he can send another copy. They have payed Peter's Pence. Remarking that the pilgrims to

Rome were particularly impressed with the amounts of tea supplied by the College.

3 pp

- 566            30 November 1925    Holograph letter from Bishop John Carroll, Royal Hibernian Hotel, Dublin, to Hagan, asking for accommodation at the College; he wishes to attend the elevation of Dr.O'Donnell and the closing of the Holy Door. (Handwritten remark by Hagan on obverse 'heartily welcome'.)

2 pp

- 567            30 November 1925    Typescript letter with handwritten addition signed Seán T.(Ó Ceallaigh), Poblacht na hÉireann, Irish Republican Headquarters, 3East 42<sup>nd</sup> Street, New York (United States of America), to Hagan. He heard that the suggestion agreed on between the chief (DeValera) and himself was not acceptable to the majority, more so at the meeting of the T.D.s even than at the ardfheis. He believes that the decision to make no pronouncement as to any change was influenced by the critical situation over the Boundary Commission; the troubles of the Free State encouraged a strong stance; further possibilities inherent in the situation. Their two American organisations are flagging, though enthusiasm might be generated from the prison escapes and the Armistice Day proceedings. Some remarks on the recent pilgrimage and their toll on Hagan; he saw that he kept a low profile unlike for instance Canice (O'Gorman). Fr.Power crossed to America with him; describing his unkind treatment in Rome. Commenting admiringly on (Archbishop) Mannix's speeches in Dublin. Glad that Armagh [receives the cardinalcy], not Dublin. Asking how (the Bishops of) Killaloe and Dromore behaved while staying together at the College; the *Independent* correspondent expressed the attention given him during his stay. Adding congratulations to the General (Magennis).

3 pp

- 568            30 November 1925    Typescript letter signed J.McShane, St.Columb's College, Derry, to Hagan, introducing Fr.Patrick McDaid, now of Nebraska – 'he's all wool and a yard wide'. Fr. Phil succumbed to the charm of the Irish College entirely, it seems.

1 p

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- 569 [e.December 1925] Printed invitation with handwritten addition from Monsignor Cesare Pecorari, director of Opera Apostolica, Rome, soliciting visit to their new exhibition; mentioning two specific dates. [Italian] 1 p
- 570 1 December 1925 Holograph letter from Mary F.McWhorter, 5524 Indiana Avenue, Chicago (Illinois, United States of America), to Hagan, introducing the bearer, Fr.A.H.Kunze of the American Oblates of Mary, a good friend of the Irish republic. 1 p
- 571 1 December 1925 Typescript letter signed Archbishop M.J.O'Doherty, Archbishop's Palace, Manila (Philippines), with season's greetings and in gratitude for his enjoyable stay in Rome; he then travelled around Ireland, visiting most dioceses. Enclosing cheque for fees; arrangements for receiving his portrait from Professor Bravi. 2 pp
- 572 2 December 1925 Fragment holograph letter from James O'Dea, St.Mary's College, Galway, to Hagan, in sincere gratitude for kindnesses during their stay; sketching their way back. The only topic in Ireland is the Bounday Commission; the McNeill debacle 'the most humiliating display of abject incompetency we have seen' (page missing). As regards Fr.Kevin the bishop leaves the matter in Hagan's hands. Asking for a first-class relic of St.Alphonsus. 4 pp
- 573 3 December 1925 Holograph letter from Mary [Pearde] Beaufort, 15 Via Venezia (Rome), asking about tickets for the closing of the Holy Door. She will accompany [Mother (Mary) Evangelist] to Rome. Hoping she can find a confessor for the Holy Souls. 3 pp



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- 578            4 December 1925    Holograph letter from Bishop Robert Browne of Cloyne, Bishop's House, Cobh (County Cork), to Hagan, enclosing cheque for Peter's Pence. Asking for an account for the Cloyne students. 1 p
- 579            4 December 1925    Holograph letter from W.H.Grattan-Flood, Rosemount, Enniscorthy (County Wexford), to Hagan. Asking about the possibility of being made Knight Commander of St.Gregory, on the occasion of the golden jubilee as a writer on Irish ecclesiastical history. Matters are much the same as when Hagan visited, but MacNeill resigned over his many posts. 1 p
- 580            5 December 1925    Holograph letter from [P.] Walsh, House of Missions, Enniscorthy (County Wexford), to Hagan, having returned safely. His colleagues are still in Liverpool. Enclosing payment for Mass intentions. In gratitude for making his first stay in Rome so enjoyable. 2 pp
- 581            5 December 1925    Typescript letter signed Fr.G.Nogara of the Propaganda Fide, Rome, to (Hagan), inviting him to the general council meeting on 9 December. 1 p
- 582            18 November - 5    Typescript letter with handwritten addition signed by December 1925    Archbishop Thomas Gilmartin, St.Jarlath's, Tuam (County Galway), to [Pope Pius XI]. Outlining the case of a married couple ('Gaius et Bertha') who entered matrimony without the

necessary dispensation in consanguinity twelve years ago. Their priest has obtained dispensation and renewed their vows, but asking for 'sanatio in radice'. (Reverse marked in pencil asking the couple's surname.) [Latin]

1 p

- 583            6 December 1925    Holograph letter from [...] of the Casa di Cura, Little Company of Mary, 6 Via S.Stefano Rotondo, to Hagan, advising as to the theoretical instruction and practical experience the young Irish doctor could obtain in Rome. [mostly Italian]

3 pp

- 584            6 December 1925    Holograph letter from [M.G.] O'Donnell, Euston Hotel, London N.W.1 (England), to Hagan. Informing him of the number in their group, to arrive 12 December. Now a Dr.Kelly [Sandon] has been added, son-in-law of Dr.J.O'Donnell. Then asking how he kept the peace when [the] archbishops met.

4 pp

- 585            3-7 December  
                          1925                    Holograph letter from W.Lee, The Pro-Cathedral, Clifton, Bristol (England), to Hagan. Enclosing printed text of address by ecclesiastical and civic patrons, and cuttings from the *Bristol Times* and *Mirror*, on the occasion of his being conferred with the domestic prelacy; all made him feel very humble. The non-Catholics have been as enthusiastic about it, 'so you can see what you have been doing for Catholicity in these parts!' Expressing his gratitude to Hagan and to the Bishop of Ferns; asking to be further informed about S.[weetman]'s movements.

4 items

- 586            7 December 1925    Holograph letter from J.J.Dunne, Church of the Sacred Heart, Donnybrook (County Dublin), to (Hagan). He received the statutes for Ireland and will have them printed; approving of their being concise. Then listing the clerical officials



590            8 December 1925    Holograph letter from J.J.Dunne, Church of the Sacred Heart, Donnybrook (County Dublin), having received the authentic copy of the statutes concerning the Propagation work. Wondering about the publication issued in Rome.

3 pp

591            7-9 December        Holograph letter from Kate (Ó Ceallaigh), Dublin, to [1925] 'dear friend' (Hagan); somebody going to Rome will bring this; Fr.Furlong brought her Hagan's. They are having a national crisis now, and people are surprised even Cosgrave and O'Higgins could go so far: the treaty debates seem quite virile by comparison. Praising deV(alera)'s speech in Ennis a week ago, extending a hand to his Irish enemies. D.McC.[...] was taken aback at the way things went in London and at the Cuman na nGaedhel meeting. Dick (Mulcahy) proposed to make it possible, now the constitution is changed, to remove the oath; he did this partly in revenge against O'Higgins – elaborating the point. However, things are very uncertain for the republicans thanks also to the press, but DeValera makes 'every use so far of his "released" hands' and he plays a new role since the ardfheis. A proposition has been made by a [Fr.] Irvine to obstruct the constitution in the Dáil; their side has to approach O'Malley and the Labour people. Discussing potential influence in the Dáil; only fearing Mary [McSwiney]'s desire for people to leave the Dáil in protest instead of working from within. – (Two days later) the meeting between Labour, other opponents of partition and the republicans found MacS(winey) 'bristling with conditions' and Count P(lunkett) refusing; further meetings will follow. Recounting a serious row between Sceilg and DeV(alera) over the upset of the former's achievements in America; Fr.O'F.(lanagan) left with Sceilg. Meanwhile, their 'Mussolinian statesmen' disregard the sizeable opposition to partition and their machinery is better than theirs. DeV(alera) seemingly is in favour of trying for a referendum by petition, but Cosgrave has already declined to accept an opposition. Some comments on Johnson and Magennis. 'The whole big world is against us again', but DeV(alera) receives his usual acclaim wherever he goes. Seán writes he could only raise a third of last year's funds, but he is yet unaware of the feelings stirred up by the boundary crisis: 'the inevitable is the one thing that does not happen in Ireland'. Also mentioning that Jem [her brother] had a bad accident, but is not injured.

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- 592            10 December 1925    Holograph letter from Francis O'Hare, The Presbytery, Banbridge, County Down, to (Hagan). Joe [Devlin] and he had already reprimanded the editor of the *Irish News*; he wrote as if his paper were the organ of the Free State and they urged him to support Catholic interests. Expression of strong indignation towards the south which 'so callously betrayed [us]', both Free State and republicans, between 'DeValera's heroics' and 'the hysterics of (William) O'Brien'. Bitter observation that the Feetham line is preferable to extinction in a pogrom worse than the last, or emigration in a body. Irishmen only ever hated one another, and they must yet learn to recognise that 'moral courage is the secret of all success'.
- 4 pp
- 593            10 December 1925    Holograph card from A.Fajella S.J., Piazza del Gesù, Rome, to (Hagan), welcoming the sum offered to them for Monsignor Verde, newly cardinal. [Italian]
- 2 p
- 594            10 December 1925    Typescript letter signed W.Fryer of The Equitable Life Assurance Society of the United States, 346 Strand, London (England), to Hagan, awaiting a reply to their last correspondence; enclosing duplicate of the receipt (not extant).
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- 595            10 December 1925    Holograph letter from M.J.Curran, Rome, to Mr.Two-mey [...], giving an account of Matthew's satisfactory recovery so far.
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- 596            11 December 1925    Holograph letter from P.Murray C.SS.R., S.Alfonso, Via Merulana, Rome, to Hagan, introducing the bearer, Miss McCorry, Belfast, asking on her behalf for tickets to the public consistory and following ceremonies involving Cardinal O'Donnell.  
2 pp
- 597            11 December 1925    Holograph letter from P.Daniel, 33 Kenilworth Square, (Dublin), to Hagan, advising him there are 26 people coming to Rome, including two priests and four professors 'of sorts' including 'the great Shields' of the National University. Sketching their itinerary. Mrs.Cosgrave is going with another party. Fr. Morrissey is in great form. There are rumours about the distinguished personage who is said to have decided to take up his residence in the West Indies.  
4 pp
- 598            11 December [1925] Holograph letter from Cáit (Ó Ceallaigh), 91 St. Stephen's Green,Dublin, to Hagan. It was another depressing day since they have only themselves to blame for their majority. Seán MacSwiney calling for a split '(and) be done with it' was the only 'cheerful note' this week. Presuming they are proceeding with the referendum, Mary (MacSwiney) and others dissenting. Seán's news from America are rather gloomy, excepting the bond business. Season's greetings.  
2 pp
- 599            25 November -        Holograph letter from Bishop J.Dignan, St.Brendan's  
11 December 1925    Coorheen, Loughrea (County Galway), to Hagan. Expressing despair over the matter discussed in today's *Independent*; a man would regret being born an Irishman; doubting they deserve any windfalls from Providence. Then stating Dr.Fair is free to go to Rome for the summer. Leaving it to Hagan's suggestion how long Frs.Thomas Naughton and William O'Mahony are to stay in America, collecting for the parish of Gurteen – he does not know of their Free State leanings but will make enquiries. He has decided to reinstate Fr.Patrick O'Loughlin who has been exemplary over the last year. (Now attached handwritten draft by (Hagan) petitioning in this case.) Enclosing documents (only one extant): typescript letter from [...], St.Peter's, Phibsboro, Dublin, to Bishop [Dignan

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of Clonfert], listing and answering in turn the bishop's questions regarding the establishment of the Sacred Heart Confraternity, also listing those parishes where they are already established canonically. – Dignan asking him to help as to procedure.

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600            12 December 1925    Typescript copy letter from 'Pilgrimage Secretary' [F.O'Reilly] and Fr.Turley [of the Catholic Truth Society, Dublin], to Archbishop J.M.Harty of Cashel, The Palace, Thurles (County Tipperary). Planning a pilgrimage to Lourdes for August 1926, asking whether he or Bishop McHugh might lead it; other queries about papal blessing and indulgence desirable for the undertaking. (No covering letter extant.)

2 pp

601            13 December 1925    Holograph letter from Gaudenzio Bisetti, Rector of the Episcopal Seminary, Bobbio, to Hagan and Curran. The Bishop of Raphoe brought their greetings; reminiscing about their centenary celebrations: 'I will not forget them even if I lived 1,000 years like the patriarchs of the Old Testament'. Entreating Cardinal O'Donnell to come to Bobbio to celebrate Mass on his return to Ireland: 'the bones of St.Columbanus would be heard rejoicing from the bottom of the tomb'. Season's greetings; he has just been made domestic prelate. [Italian]

2 pp

602            7-13 December        Holograph letter from Michael Sheerin P.P., Merville, 1925                    Derry, to Hagan. In the matter of Edward McLoughlin's will, and on Hagan's advice, the bishop nominated Sheerin and Fr.James O'Kane to examine the matter; letter written on sheet with list of facts relative to the deceased's charitable bequests. Enclosing holograph letter from Sheeran and O'Kane to Bishop [McHugh], outlining their findings and recommending the payment of a sum to some next of kin. Asking Hagan to obtain sanction to their recommendation.

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- 603            14 December [1925] Holograph letter from Mrs.Paola Canali, 79 Boncompagni, Rome, to (Hagan). Offering tour guiding services in Rome, as well as Italian lessons. 2 pp
- 604            14 December 1925    Holograph letter from M.J.Curran, Rome, to Mr.Two-mey [...], with further news on Matthew's illness. A haemorrhage occurred and they administered extreme unction and the viaticum, but he is overall recovering very well, and is in good spirits. Handwritten remark 'this is the worst one we got. May'. 2 pp
- 605            14 December 1925    Holograph letter from C.R.Murphy, Bray (County Wicklow), to (Hagan), introducing Mr. and Miss O'Kelly Browne, London. 2 pp
- 606            14 December 1925    Holograph letter from Archbishop T.P.Gilmartin, St. Jarlath's, Tuam (County Galway), to Hagan, enclosing a document (not extant) asking to expedite the matter. Faculties were asked for Bernard Patten and John Hyland but he may not need them: all Tuam students ought to sign an undertaking that they will go on whatever mission assigned to them by Hagan. Mr.Patten's vocation seems doubtful. 2 pp
- 607            10-14 December      Holograph letter from Archbishop J.M.Harty, The Palace, Thurles (County Tipperary), to Fr.Turley [Catholic Truth Society of Ireland, Dublin], [returning] typescript letter signed Harry W.Wallack, The Catholic Touring Association, London to Turley. Harty approves of Frank O'Reilly's name being put forward for a special Cross of Merit for those who worked for the Holy Year,

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as suggested by Wallack. Stating that the Irish College will take the steps necessary. (Enclosed originally with holograph letter from G.W.Turley of 20 December.)

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- 608 [pre-14 December 1925] Typescript draft and copy [article for an Italian audience] by [...], entitled (in Italian) 'Monsignor Patrick O'Donnell, Archbishop of Armagh and Primate of all Ireland'. Biographical sketch of the new cardinal's career, with an appreciation of the O'Donnells in history, and within a detailed political context. Sketching his involvement in Irish social and educational leagues and commissions, his cautious stance in the [Irish Convention of 1917/1918]. The treaty of 1922 having failed, the country is in need of a man like O'Donnell, 'wise, experienced, prudent, far-seeing, respected by all sides, and, what is of more importance, committed to neither side'.

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- 609 14 December 1925 Handwritten letter from Freda O'Doherty and Sheila Dennehy, Couvent de l'Assomption, 1 Corso d'Italia, Rome, to Cardinal (O'Donnell, Rome), with congratulations on the honour to be conferred on him, and asking for tickets to the ceremony on Thursday.

2 pp

- 610 [14 December 1925] Three typescript drafts, all with handwritten amendments (two by O'Donnell, one by [Hagan]) of address by [Cardinal Archbishop O'Donnell, Rome] on the occasion of his elevation to the cardinalship, to [members of the Irish community in Rome, Irish pilgrims]. In special appreciation of his new titular church S.Maria della Pace, setting context of the Irish presence in Rome and stressing the strong ties of fidelity between Ireland and the Holy See. Preaching world peace and Christian renewal by obedience to the Pope, highlighting Pius X as 'the Pope of frequent Communion'. Nationally 'we can be great in the things of the mind and of the soul, of intellect, civilization and peace'; the only way to overcome the present lack of unity in faith and in government is through Christ: 'It is only Ireland united that can do justice to herself, and Ire-

land will not be one unless good will is allowed to reign from shore to shore.' Invoking Ireland's saints (and Blessed Conor), Mary Immaculate, and his predecessors; the honour given to him is a blessing for Ireland.

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- 611 [14 December 1925] Handwritten draft letter [by Tizi in the name of the Irish bishops] to [an Italian prelate], expressing their pleasure and the honour in connection with [O'Donnell's] elevation to the cardinalate. The Irish church is much obliged to the recipient also for raising to the altar one of their own 'by martyrdom and with unwavering faith' [Oliver Plunkett]. [Italian]

1 p

- 612 [c.14 December 1925] Typescript draft with many handwritten amendments by [Hagan] of a short satirical play set at S.Pietro in Montorio. The ghost of the great Hugh O'Neill appears before a group of Irish dignitaries on pilgrimage, addressing in turn "President" W.T.Cosgrave, Bishop Fogarty of Killaloe, [Oliver St.John] Gogarty, and (Archbishop) O'Donnell of Armagh. Regretting to see the latter in such lamentable company, voicing the hope he will shake off 'the lethargy of many years': 'many things have happened because he was silent when an O'Donnell should have spoken out'.

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- 613 15 December 1925 Holograph letter from M.J.Curran, Rome, to Mr.Twomey [...], reporting on Matthew's great improvement. Promising to write every day.

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- 614 16 December 1925 Holograph letter from James O'Mahony C.C., Bootstown, County Dublin, to Hagan, introducing Mr.and Mrs.Barrett née Kearney.

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- 615            16 December 1925    Holograph letter from the O'Conor Don, Hôtel d'Italie, Rome, to Hagan, in deep gratitude for the tickets to the consistory. They had already obtained tickets; offering to return them. Asking for tickets for the Closing of the Holy Door. 2 pp
- 616            16 December 1925    Holograph letter from Sr.(Mary) Gonzaga, Convent of the Holy Faith, Glasnevin, Dublin, to Sr.(Mary) Paulinus. The life of Miss Aylward is progressing, but they hope that Hagan at the Irish College will have a chance soon to send material from Rome. (Covering letter not extant.) 2 pp
- 617            16 December 1925    Holograph letter from Martin F.Toal, Collegio Brignole Sale, Via Fassolo 29, Genoa, to Hagan, concerning the bed Daniel O'Connell died in. Monsignor O'Riordan had made efforts to obtain it; the owners are now in a position to give it to the Irish people. Asking whether the Irish College would receive it; the last descendant Sir John O'Connell is entering a monastery and it ought not to end up in a museum or rot in a magazine. Season's greetings. 4 pp
- 618            16 December 1925    Holograph letter from T.H.Ellis, Dublin, to (Hagan). Explaining that for an old and unfair charge his bishop withdrew permission from him to say Mass, and other faculties. He can now ask for these to be returned to him; asking Hagan to help expedite matters at the Holy Office. 2 pp
- 619            16 December 1925    Typescript letter signed F.O'Reilly of the Catholic Truth Society of Ireland, Dublin, to Hagan, asking to obtain special privileges for their upcoming pilgrimages to Lourdes and to Chicago, by approval of the Archbishop of Cashel. Now attached typescript draft letter to Pope (Pius XI), petitioning for indulgences for the Society. [partly Italian] 2 items



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- 624            17 December 1925    Holograph letter from J.Lennon, Mountmellick (County Laois), to Hagan, with season's greetings. Appreciating the hard work of the last year. Expressing delight over Dr.O'Donnell's election to the cardinalship; he has always been a thorough gentleman, and the priest above all. Hoping Dr.Mannix's own elevation will come soon- the Archbishop of Dublin was proud of the recent (reception) in Dublin. All friends are well and "'well satisfied with the Boundary"; he will give a speech at their imminent meeting.
- 3 pp
- 625            17 December 1925    Holograph letter from Francis J.O'Hare, The Presbytery Banbridge, County Down, to Hagan, introducing Mrs. Brooke and Miss McTiernan, Boston. Asking to obtain a private audience for the former, a convert. He and Joe would wish Hagan to complete a yule log trio this season.
- 1 p
- 626            17 December 1925    Holograph letter from Aiden and Stella [...]; Hibernian Bank House, Londonderry, to [...], with season's greetings.
- 1 p
- 627            5-18 December        Holograph letter from P.J.Marshall, The Presbytery, 1925                    Kenmare, County Kerry, to (Hagan). Enclosing holograph letter from Henry O'[Garroley], St.Patrick's Rectory, 55 Grand Street, Newburgh, New York (United States of America), to Archdeacon (Marshall), attesting to the good business reputation of Michael De Vasto, having made enquiries with his bank.
- 2 items
- 628            19 [December] 1925    Holograph letter from Archbishop T.P.Gilmartin, St. Jarlath's, Tuam (County Galway), to (Hagan), enclosing documents for his attention (not extant). He sent con-

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gratulations to the new cardinal. He does not feel like travelling so soon. Agreeing with Hagan's judgement about a book [by Dr.M.Divali]. There is calm at present, but a storm is brewing over the boundary.

2 pp

- 629            19 December 1925    Holograph letter from Elisabeth Schütte (Cologne, Germany), to Hagan. Sketching in vivid colours their economical problems to explain why their four-year old debt with him is still not payed in the face of inflation, illness and unemployment. Asking for patience.

5 pp

- 630            19 December [1925] Holograph letter from Irene S.Fenton, Pensione Primrose, Via Montebello 6, Rome, to Hagan, sending him a contribution towards the new College, in gratitude for all he did since they came to Rome.

2 pp

- 631            19 December 1925    Holograph letter from Marion [M...], Russaguile House, Dun Laoghaire (County Dublin), to 'reverend father' [Hagan], in thanks for the tickets to the papal audience for her and her husband. Brief reference to Fr.Ryan, Thurles, and her son, Fr. John.

1 p

- 632            19 December 1925    Holograph letter from Sr.(Mary) Carmel, Fiesole, to (Hagan), with season's greetings.

1 p

- 633            20 December 1925    Holograph letter from James Kelly, Ardpatrick, Kilmallock (County Limerick), to (Hagan), with impressions from his new sphere: he got used to his work as a C.C. doing most the parish priest's share. He is much stronger; his parents will not forget the good care he received. (Was in Press A with other displaced material; a note from 'Richard' marks it as 'very interesting'.) 2 pp
- 634            20 December 1925    Holograph letter from George W. Turley, The Presbytery, 47 Westland Row, Dublin, to (Hagan), enclosing letters from Dr. Harty and Wallack (see 10-14 December); O'Reilly did indeed work very hard for the pilgrimage. The (Catholic Truth Society) seems to have made a very good profit. The cardinal is not going to have a reception when he arrives on Wednesday. 2 pp
- 635            20 December 1925    Holograph note from the Bishop of Killala, St. Muredach's, Ballina, County Mayo [for the Irish College] with season's greetings. 1 p
- 636            20 December 1925    Holograph letter from M.J. Browne, Maynooth (County Kildare), to Hagan. Sending letter with Fr. Eaton, a good friend of Dr. Downey. The latter, like many other prominent clerics has 'queer views of Rome and Romans', though his heart be in the right place. Browne has reviewed Gregory Cleary's book; asking to give him a message about Michael O'Neill. Then commenting on the political situation: the boundary crisis acted as a catalyst and things developed along the lines Hagan marked out last summer. It is clear now that the active people are those willing to move forward; those insisting on principle will not pull any weight. Hoping however that a split can be avoided. O'F[lanagan] feels sore and might cause trouble at any moment. However, the boundary issue opened people's eyes to the unreliability of government, so does the civil service bill with its 'open provision for jobbery'. Only fearing a war with England prevents people from making dramatical efforts. It is not clear whether

DeV(alera) would abide by a referendum, but the government is certainly frightened by it. The former is optimistic and his prestige much increased. People are unsure of Cardinal O'Donnell's appointment and the stance he will take. Then observing that Hagan and the College have had a very high profile at home, with 'D'D's' [...] long stay and the Holy Father's recent remarks; the centenary should be a major event: 'the days are gone when there would be shaking of hed and dark nods at the mention of a certain college and its heads'. Nostalgic for Rome and the reunions in the old room.

5 pp

- 637            20 December 1925    Holograph letter from Martin F.Toal, Collegio Brignole Sale, Via Fassolo 29, Genoa, to Hagan. Explaining that the matter of Daniel O'Connell's deathbed cannot be finalised for a while yet; explaining circumstances. The owner of the villa it is in is a Signore Bolgarelli, he is very old and the only one who can identify the bed. Reiterating more fully that the item 'would be out of place in modern Ireland where the blighting shadow of Leinster House would rest on it were it honoured by a place in that museum. Ireland at present seems to have no place in its affections for those who illumined its past'. [Enclosing] holograph card from Rector G.Latini C.M. of Brignole-Sale, Genoa, to (Hagan), repeating that it would be premature to send a student for the bed. [partly Italian]
- 4 pp

- 638            20 December 1925    Holograph letter from Joseph [D...], National Liberal Club, Whitehall Place S.W.1 (London, England), to Hagan, introducing the bearer, Miss Anna McTiernan; recommending her family, staunch supporters of Catholicity in Boston.
- 2 pp

- 639            20 December 1925    Holograph letter from M.J.Merlehan, Newtown House, Moone (County Kildare), to Hagan, with season's greetings. Remembering his visit to them which particularly gave mother great pleasure. News of Mrs.O'Toole's death; other local news.
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- 640            20 December 1925    Holograph letter from Sr.(Mary) Baptist, Sacred Heart Convalescent Home, Milford House, Limerick, to Hagan, with season's greetings. They are awaiting Mother Ambrose's return from Port Elizabeth. 2 pp
- 641            'Christmas' 1925      Holograph letter from Mary Ryan, The Quarry, Thurles County Tipperary, to Hagan, with season's greetings, and in thanks for tickets to the papal audience where she went with the Bradys. 2 pp
- 642            'xmas 1925'            Holograph letter from [Sr.Mary Callisto], Casa Leone [c.20 December]      XIII, [Sliema], Malta, to (Hagan), with season's greetings. Asking news about Sr.(Mary) Padua who is unhappily in a place 'full of Blacks'; also expressing lack of trust in the Maltese. Stating she can never get used to this job. Glad that Fr.Magennis has been re-elected. 2 pp
- 643            'Xmas 1925'            Holograph letter from Peter Doyle P.P., Parochial House, Mooncoin, County Waterford, to (Hagan), with season's greetings. Hoping with the Pope that more Irish students will be sent to Rome in the future. Offering a donation of £100 for the new building- 'I shall be most happy to have it devoted to the furnishing of the billiard Rooms as you desire, or to any other object tending to the well being and comfort of the College.' Asking for relics of St. Philemena. 2 pp
- 644            21 December 1925    Holograph letter from Denis Hynes, St.Mary's College, Galway, to Hagan, acknowledging receipt of the report he sent her in the summer: the students's good results and the impression they made on the pilgrims mean that the old negative character ascribed to the Irish body in Rome is no more. Fr.O'Hara is the only

former student he meets regularly. Enclosing a contribution for the College fund.

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645            21 December 1925    Holograph letter from Mary C.McCorry, Pensione Iaselli-Owen, Piazza Barberini 12, Rome, to Hagan, enclosing contribution for the library fund of the College.  
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646            21 December 1925    Holograph letter from Gregory Cleary [O.F.M.], Dublin, to (Hagan), with season's greetings. Observing that the present great level of poverty means a sad Christmas for many. He passed Hagan's draft on. Then commenting that recent rumours of the republicans intending to enter the Dáil seem to have come to nothing. He looks forward to seeing the General [Magennis]. His book has been favourably received; only Michael O'Neill has not responded.  
2 pp

647            21 December 1925    Holograph letter from P.Deering, 33 Ashdale Road, Terenure, Dublin, to Hagan, with season's greetings and good wishes to all at the College. Regretting that since Hagan's friend Dr.J.Kenna's death their side of Wicklow is less attractive to him to visit when in Ireland. Some references to his own work, partly helping Fr.Lockhart who is quite weak.  
1 p

648            21 December [1925] Holograph letter from Gertrude Cuffe, Westbrook, Rathnew, County Wicklow, to Hagan, with season's greetings and regretting he did not come to stay with them.

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- 649            22 December 1925    Holograph letter from B.M.[O'Reilly], Gowna, County Cavan, to (Hagan), enclosing contribution to the students' Christmas feast- praising their assistance when they visited Rome. 1 p
- 650            23 December [1925]    Telegram from [Curran], Rome, to Twomey, Ballymackena, Macroom, County Cork: 'progressing very favourably'. (Pencil mark '1<sup>st</sup> wire.May') 1 p
- 651            22 December 1925    Holograph letter from C.Comey, [Killasnet] Manorhamilton (County Leitrim), to Hagan (his former classmate). Asking to obtain a papal blessing for the marriage of Philip Brady and Mary O'Carroll; enclosing honorarium. 1 p
- 652            23 December 1925    Holograph letter from J.Brady, Hotel Régina, Menton (France), to (Hagan), with season's greetings. In gratitude for his kindness during their stay. 1 p
- 653            26 December 1925    Holograph letter from (Sr.Mary Francis) de Sales Dargan, Loreto Abbey, Rathfarnham, County Dublin, to (Hagan), with season's greetings. Commenting on the new cardinal who will be a great man if he can bind together all parties; mentioning he has two sisters in different houses of the Loreto institute. Joking remarks about her lack of complaints at the moment. She heard that the English house has not been closed [in Rome]. 4 pp

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- 654            27 December 1925    Holograph letter from Sr.(Mary) Magdalen de Pazzi, Prioress, Carmel, Tranquilla, Rathmines (Dublin), to Hagan, in thanks for the papal blessing. 1 p
- 655            27 December 1925    Holograph letter from 'Treasa' (Sister Theresa Agnes/ Bláthnaid Brady), Tranquilla Convent, Upper Rathmines, Dublin, to Hagan, in thanks for the papal blessing. Everybody has been praising him; the Irish College is certainly a patch of Irish territory 'outside the Four Seas of Banba'. 2 pp
- 656            28 December 1925    Holograph letter from Peter [McFinn], Albergo d'Inghilterra [Rome], to Hagan, in thanks for having been able to witness the Closing of the Holy Door. Asking for tickets to the expected papal ceremony on 31 December, dedicating the world to the Sacred Heart. 3 pp
- 657            28 December 1925    Holograph postcard from P.Ní Bhrádaigh (Frances Brady) Menton, France, to Hagan, with good wishes for the New Year, and holiday impressions: they have bathed every day but Christmas. (Postcard bears photographic image of Menton and sea.) 1 p
- 658            28 December 1925    Holograph letter from W.H.Grattan-Flood, Rosemount, Enniscorthy (County Wexford), to Hagan. He is following Hagan's advice; Bishop Codd petitions on his behalf for the Knighthood of St.Sylvester. Then congratulating him on the discovery of [Killinagh] which has got to be [Cill-Fhionn Magh]; he will visit the district. Recommending, on the Palladian question, P.Dunne's (Castlebridge) article in *The Past*; commending what must be Hagan's own article ["Ancient

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... customs in Kilronan parish"]. Asking for a copy of Cleary's tercentenary book on S.Isidoro; presuming Hagan prepares a similar work for his College.

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- 659            28 December 1925    Holograph letter from Florence Teeling, 42 Thurloe Square, London S.W.7 (England), to (Hagan), asking for an anniversary Mass in January for Bartle; giving her address in Paris. 3 pp
- 660            28 December 1925    Holograph letter from (Mother Mary) Michael, Convent of Our Lady of Mercy, St.Mary's, Arklow (County Wicklow), toHagan, asking to obtain the papal blessing for the anniversary of their foundation in Arklow. 1 p
- 661            29 December 1925    Holograph letter from Mildred Clifford Brooke, Convent of the Cenacle, 78 Via della Stamperia, Rome, to Hagan, enclosing a note that she neglected to give him when calling with Miss McTernan (note not extant). 1 p
- 662            29 [December 1925]    Telegram from [Curran], Rome, to Twomey, Ballynakena, Macroom, Ireland: 'improving steadily'. (Note in pencil '2<sup>nd</sup> wire May'] 1 p
- 663            30 December 1925    Holograph letter from Donal Hales, Via S.Nazaro 1, Genoa, 'a chara' (to Hagan), wishing them a good New

Year. Warning him that Gerald Hamilton is imprisoned in Milan for charges of fraud, and that he will face the same in Switzerland. He himself never doubted that he was a spy of the British government 'or worse'. He has visited him and may have to regret what he did for him.

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- 664            31 December [1925] Typescript letter signed J.Kelly, Dunedin, New Zealand, to Hagan. Wishing he was in Rome as he was a year ago. His visit to Ireland left him with no illusions; the only clear-headed people he met were Hagan, Mrs.Seán T., and Mark Byrne. Giving the prize for stupidity to the Wexford republicans, now under a 'bounder' named Lambert who used to always shun real work. The bishops lost respect in their treatment of Mannix, and the latter did neither, through the 'inward' character of his speeches. In New Zealand, the prime minister is a decent man, cousin of Roger Casement, and opposing the bigots. In Auckland, Liston will never learn from the bad treatment he receives from Cleary. The former has been browbeating the clergy, and all detest him cordially. *The Month* cannot but be a financial liability. Some remarks about the uninspiring work for the *Tablet*; they cut off their Roman correspondent Ronayne. Renewed praise for the ordinaries at Wellington. The anti-Irish feeling so strong in Australia is not in evidence in New Zealand. Recommending Fr.James Delaney, Dunedin, who is coming to Rome. Positive comments on Fr.Magennis. Kelly and Lennon are playing with the idea of retiring to Italy: he himself has nothing in common with the Dunedin clergy and 'not three friends among the laity'.

2 pp

- 665            [31 December 1925] Printed financial account for the Irish branch of the Association for the Propagation of the Faith, listing total receipts and payments, current assets.

1 p

- 666            [1925]            Two andwritten draft letters by (Hagan) to the [Congregation of the Sacraments]. Petitioning for Joseph Canon Donnelly of Ardglass in the matter of fasting before Mass; for Fr.Denis McCrea, Derry diocese, in the matter of Masses bequeathed by James Kennedy. [Italian]

1 p

- 667 [1925] Handwritten draft letters by (Hagan) to [...] on behalf of the Bishops of Limerick and Waterford. For Limerick, asking to promote Jeremiah O'Shea to the parish of Glin, and to nominate a successor for the parish of Cappagh himself. For Waterford, asking for a faculty according to formula II. [Italian]  
1 p
- 668 [1925] Typescript copy 'report' from "'M'" [...] to 'the envoys' [...], numbered 300/350. With news from a republican point of view under the headings 'opium conference' (as of February), 'Shannon scheme' (the offer of American funding), 'Vatican' (Marquis MacSweeney is still the (Free State) channel of communication - with the Vatican), 'Mountjoy executions'. Adding comments on the character of the dominion state which cannot sign international treaties and cannot make extradition arrangements with a foreign state; citing the case of a Belgian subject recently seized in Dublin; also adding comments on O'Higgins's problems with Figgis and the *Sunday Times*.  
2 pp
- 669 [1925] Holograph postscript from J.K.[earney] [...], to [Hagan]. Commenting on the prospect of Dr.O'Kane, now Maghera, being made bishop: everybody in Garvagh and Maghera knows of his regrettable family history, only Bishop McHugh does not.  
1 p
- 670 [1925] Holograph letter from Innocent Ryan, The Presbytery, Cashel, County Tipperary, introducing Mr.Shannon and Mr.O'Shea, Clonmel. Congratulations on the 'Great National Doings in the Dear Old Home'.  
1 p

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- 671 [1925] Printed carte de visite with handwritten note from D. Arturo Wynen, [Lawyer at the Sacra Rota] Via Pettinari 57, Rome, to the rector (Hagan), wishing him a good recovery; asking for a part of the 'codice inglese'.  
2 pp
- 672 [1925] Handwritten draft petition by (Hagan), to the Pope, asking on behalf of Archbishop Harty for faculties for clergy members of the Catholic Truth Society of Ireland.  
[Italian]  
2 pp
- 673 [1925] Holograph letter from Monsignor Francesco [V...], Via Torre de'Specchi (Rome), to (Hagan), asking for charity on behalf of the widow Renzi. [Italian]  
2 pp
- 674 [1925] Handwritten postscript to letter from [Sr.Mary Lelia, Galway] to [Hagan], suggesting the Holy Father sent beads and chaplet of St. Michael to every Irish bishop; the archangel might help to get the clergy to lose their great taste for card-playing- 'the spirit of St.Joan has not yet come on them'. They play at all hours. (Her foregoing correspondence of 2 April does not match this item.)  
1 p
- 675 [1925] Holograph letter from M.[J.Curran], Tivoli, to Hagan, enclosing a document (not extant). Informing him that Brs.Hennessy and Butler called with Sherlock and Myles Keogh. The Cork group called; he lets Mr.Donnellan go to Rome.  
2 p

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- 676 [1925] Holograph letter from [Emily Levy], Pensione Francini, Via Veneto 146 (Rome), to Hagan, stating they are still waiting for the tickets for the Vatican. 1 p
- 677 [1925] Printed carte de visite with handwritten note from [F.a. h.] [Rome], recommending Professor Antonio Urbani as a teacher of Italian; he teaches at the North American College. 1 p
- 678 [1925] Holograph letter from Catherine Devine, Carrickathane Ballinalee [County Longford], to [Hagan]. Asking him to pray for both her deceased son John – in thanks for the kindness to him- and for the other son, now in hospital with the same ailment. 1 p
- 679 [1925] Typescript letter signed Fr. Stefano [Triani] of the Opere Venerabile D. Bosco, Via Cottolengo 32, Turin, to (Hagan), introducing their former pupil Domenico Masino, representing Editrice Internazionale di Torino, who will call on him next week. They are grateful for any advice on their publication work for schools. [Italian] 1 p
- 680 [1925] Holograph letter from Margot Condon, Grande Albergo Minerva, Rome, to [Hagan], introducing herself by mentioning family members in Newcastle West and Listowel. Asking for access to a papal audience. 1 p

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- 681 [1925] Holograph letter from Umberta Guerra [...], to [Hagan], describing her current problems resulting from unemployment; asking for charity. 1 p
- 682 [1925] Holograph letter from Comtesse L.de La [Forest] née O'Halloran, 25 Boulevard des Marais, Montélimar, Drôme, France, to Hagan, introducing Madame Chareton and her son, and Abbot Ferratier of Valréas, who are coming to Rome for the canonisation of two aunts of Chareton. 1 p
- 683 [end 1925] Fragment typescript letter signed James [...], [London], to [...]. Believing that the French and Italian health systems have much to recommend them to Ireland, seeking to outline its own policy, asking to obtain the Italian government's ENIT report following a tour in September 1925, and other published material. However, hoping to dispel 'the belief that something merely foreign is better than something that is only Irish and really good'. Following France and Italy they could keep patients at home, do much good, and attract many from England. 2 pp
- 684 [1925] Handwritten memorandum by [...], Irish College Rome, with suggested emendations 'to secure harmony between the two managers'. The 'priest-manager ought to have a right to see all the inspector's reports, and to be involved in the appointment of teachers. [Possibly concerning the Christian Brothers' schools.] 1 p
- 685 [1925] Handwritten draft letter [or two letters] from (Hagan) to Monsignor [...]. Firstly explaining that he cannot deal with requests

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for tickets to the papal audiences any more; asking to inform the shops that too often people obtained these by approaching the Christian Brothers so that in cases the tickets he applied for were denied. Also submitting a complaint that some sections of pilgrimages, or individuals, have been abusing the assistance given freely by the College, for instance by indulging in 'unreasonable criticism' in order to show their independence.

4 pp

**DOCUMENTS OF 1926**

- 1                    ' January 1926'                    Handwritten letter from 'an Irish Priest' [...] to [Hagan]. Enclosing two handwritten submissions of proposed chaplets, in the name of the Holy Family and of the Angels of the Rosary; each with suggestions for indulgenced novenas and specifically worded prayers, also to be indulgenced. - Asking to seek approbation from the proper congregation; he composed them for his own private devotion. Also asking about a (new edition) of the 'Raccolta' of 1916 since it would be of benefit for the faithful.

3 items
  
- 2                    31 December 1925-                    Holograph letter from J.Kearney P.P., Garvagh, County  
1 January 1926                    Derry, to Hagan, on the back of a typescript letter signed J.G.O'Kane, solicitor, Dungiven, to Kearney: Hagan will be sent a draft over £200 from the estate of the deceased Thomas Maguire P.P. – Kearney stipulates to divide the Mass intentions between Dr.O'Gorman and [...] (left out).

2 pp
  
- 3                    1 January 1926                    Typescript letter signed (Joseph O'Kane), solicitor, 4 Foyle Street, Londonderry, to Hagan, sending a bank draft for Masses as directed by Fr.Kearney; further instructions.

1 p
  
- 4                    2 January 1926                    Holograph letter from Cardinal Patrick O'Donnell, Ara Coeli, Armagh, to Hagan. Enclosing papers (not extant) in the matter of a 'distinction' that Fr.O'Callaghan deems urgent. Further comments; the congregation in question needs to know something about the individual brother and the mind of the superior. Asking to find out about the rescript.

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- 5                    3 January 1926            Holograph letter from P.J.Walsh, Holy Cross College, Clonliffe, Dublin, to Hagan, asking for acknowledgement of cheque for Mass stipends. Brief news of Ned Morrissey's brother's death and John O'Reilly's sudden death; other colleagues. The students report only good things about the new College building and the prevailing spirit. (Letter addressed to 'S.Stefano' and might belong to 1927.)  
4 pp
- 6                    6 January 1926            Holograph letter from Bishop A.Killian of Port Augusta, Rhode, County Offaly, to (Hagan). Asking for hospitality when he is in Rome from the end of the month.  
1 p
- 7                    6 January 1926            Holograph letter from P.Dunne, Archbishop's House, Dublin, to (Hagan), enclosing documents for a Mr.Doherty and for the Congregation of the Council concerning loans taken by the diocese (neither extant); asking for advice. The cardinal will meet the bishops on 19 January; he looked tired after the journey. Asking about Formia; the new College is said to be almost finished.  
4 pp
- 8                    7 January 1926            Typescript letter signed J.Hagan, to Fr.Kearney (Garvagh, County Derry). Having received the draft from the solicitor for Masses, he hopes that Kearney does not wish the amount to be distributed but be left to his discretion. Then commenting on the case he mentioned; an expert at a congregation thought it near-impossible to interfere with the will; they might be able however to deviate money bequeathed to an object that benefits the whole parish.  
2 pp

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- 9                    7 January 1926            Typescript circular letter with handwritten addition signed D.J.O'Doherty (Salamanca), Arzobispado de - Manila, Philippines, to 'friends'. Advising them of his departure from 'these beautiful and hospitable Islands' for Europe at the end of the month. With greetings to (Hagan and Curran) also from the archbishop. 1 p
- 10                   7 January 1926            Holograph letter from P.T.K.[eohane] of M.H. Gill & Son Ltd., Dublin, to Hagan, commenting on the great progress (at the Irish College) according to 'Miss D.' [...]. They decided to include Stannous's latest contribution to the (*Catholic Bulletin*). W.P.K.[...]'s collapse was a shock; he is in France now; other news from Gill's. Then asking him to secure the English rights for the new handbook on Bible history issued by the Biblical Commission. Brief comment on Fr.Phil [...] and the books. 4 pp
- 11                   7 January 1926            Telegram from [Curran], Rome, to Twomey, Ballyma- keera, Macroom (County Cork): 'progressing favour- ably'. (Handwritten note '3<sup>rd</sup> Wire. May') 1 p
- 12                   9 January 1926            Holograph letter from Otilio Mattei, Rome, to Hagan. Describing his difficult situation due to bad health and unemployment; asking for charity of whatever type. (Stamped and signed by the parish priest of S.Spirito with extra stamp of St.Peter's basilica.) [Italian] 4 pp
- 13                   10 January 1926           Holograph letter from (Sr.) Mabel (Mary) Perpetua, Lo- reto College, 43 North Great George's Street, Dublin, to Hagan, with good wishes for the New Year. With some

news from Hilda [Grennell] and Violet [Sr.Celsus]. Both Miss Redmond and Dr.O'Donnell were full of praise for the kindness they received in Rome.

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- 14            10 January 1926        Holograph letter from Margrieta Beer, 65 College Court, Hammersmith (London) W.6 (England), to Hagan, with best wishes for the New Year. Also introducing Mr.Noel Buxton, former Labour Minister of Agriculture. He will be interested in the current political situation in Italy: Eva Gore-Booth recommended sending him to Professor Buonaiuti, but that association might exacerbate the danger the latter lives in already. Gore-Booth was very ill. Lady Clare Annesley is Labour candidate in Bristol, 'in the hope of converting her constituency to Pacifism'.
- 2 pp
- 15            11 January 1926        Holograph letter from Bishop Laurence Gaughran, Bishop's House, Mullingar (County Westmeath), to Hagan, sending payment of fees for congregations and other expenses.
- 1 p
- 16            13 January 1926        Typescript letter signed Seán T.(Ó Ceallaigh), Poblacht na hÉireann/ Irish Republican Headquarters, 3 East Street 42<sup>nd</sup> Street, New York (United States of America), to Hagan, worried for his failure to write for a while. Observing that Cardinal O'Donnell's appointment met with general approval and that (Cardinal) Bourne was anxious to pay respects – both now being 'Empire Cardinals'. The former's recent pronouncements signal his disapproval of the 'latest partition treaty'. Cait is better. Then stating his disappointment with their side for not having fought more successfully against acceptance of that treaty. According to the *Irish News*, DeValera publically stated his personal determination to entering the Free State assembly were the 'declaration' removed. This will antagonise those who were against a vigorous fight over the partition business. While DeValera's statement would have made a difference on the treaty, he wanted to try his views first at the ardfheis; he believes he has the majority with him. 'He will probably have to face a strenuous few minutes in the near future, but it will be all the better for the cause in the end.'

Frank Aiken arrives next week on a propaganda tour, and to raise funds. Hoping that one of those coming from Ireland will relieve himself in July. Enclosing cutting from the *New York Times* (not extant) on Monsignor Mooney's appointment as papal delegate to India; he must have satisfied the English as to his friendly intent.

2 pp

- 17            13 January 1926        Holograph letter from J.Kearney, Garvagh, County - Derry, to Hagan. Going over the ground again of the case of the changed will, thankful for looking after the petition to the Pope. Responding to Hagan's cautionary remarks about avoiding scandal; the congregation is not aware of the petition, and the moment is opportune because a parishioner expecting a large bequest has promised to clear the church's debt of £ 1,000 (not clear).

3 pp

- 18            13 January 1926        Holograph letter from Cornelius Roberts, Brisbane (Australia), to Hagan. He arrived back in December, after a holiday. In America he visited some seminaries. He has been appointed to dogmatic theology in Manly, and will also fill the deanship.

2 pp

- 19            14 January 1926        Holograph letter from J.Kearney, Garvagh, County Derry, to Hagan. Commenting on a note enclosed in yesterday's letter (not extant) regarding Miss Maguire's will and the bequests of Masses, parts of which are for the Irish College. Then stating that 'Ireland is done for a century... the Freemason trick succeeding... beyond their expectation.'

1 p

- 20            15 January 1926        Holograph letter from Bishop Robert Browne of Cloyne, Bishop's House, Cobh (County Cork), to Hagan, enclosing cheque for pensions. Glad that Mr. Twomey has nearly recovered from typhoid. Then stating with regret that Hagan's former much-promising student Fr. Richard Roche has been a failure having returned from two missions in England and now staying at home. They will meet the new cardinal at next week's standing committee of bishops.
- 2 pp
- 21            16 January 1926        Holograph letter from Bishop Charles McHugh, Bishop's House, Derry, to Hagan, sending him cheques for payment of debts, and a gift. Enclosing also a letter from Fr. Conery concerning an alleged bequest from Fr. Jervis (not extant); and a document concerning a dispensation. Remarking that there was much rejoicing over the appointment.
- 3 pp
- 22            16 January 1926        Holograph letter from P. O'Doherty, Omagh, County Tyrone, to (Hagan), in thanks for his kindness when he was in Rome. Not surprisingly the Catholics of Fermanagh and Tyrone were indignant over the boundary act; he himself feels strongly over the way all had been arranged from the start – expecting that MacNeill – having symbolically renounced his seat – will return to the Education Department shortly. The customs barrier is the northern Catholics' only hope for fair-play, and Belfast is aware of it: Devlin and his henchmen are Craig's willing auxiliaries and members of the hierarchy, including the cardinal, support the policy, too. Dr. McHugh, however, thinks it a fatal error to enter the Belfast parliament unless 'P.R.' be restored and the gerryman-dering rectified. The *Morning Post* poses as an intermediary between the unionists and nationalists, Craig and Cosgrave, over the customs dilemma; their men want the same terms McHugh named. O'Doherty gave hospitality to one of their journalists of whom he could not tell whether Catholic or Anglican. 'Omagh, you see, is becoming the hub of the world'. Regretting to tell him of Dr. McHugh's great frailty. Enclosing a cheque for Mass intentions. Adding that Fr. Maguinness did not come for the Christmas dinner.
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- 23            16 January 1926        Holograph letter from Bishop John Barry, Bishop's House, Goulburn, New South Wales (Australia), to Hagan, asking for acknowledgement of draft, and for accounts statement for the diocese.  
1 p
- 24            16 January 1926        Typescript letter with few handwritten amendments signed J.Hagan, to Fr.Kearney. While grasping the very regrettable circumstances of the O'Kane bequest, cautioning that going against the valid will would expose him to criminal proceedings. Asking about the nature of the Mass bequest – 'foundation Masses' - and their annual number; the Holy See might decide for a reduction. Then also suggesting to petition to have the annual number fixed.  
2 pp
- 25            17 January 1926        Holograph letter from Bishop Joseph MacRory, Trench House, Belfast (County Antrim), to Hagan, enclosing a blank cheque for expenses. Glad for Hagan's improved health. Dr.Magennis enjoyed his stay in the neighbourhood recently. Remarking that at present Belfast is a model city – 'sweet peace broods over it'.  
1 p
- 26            17 January 1926        Holograph letter from (Mother Mary) Kevin, The Convent, Nsambya, Kampala, Uganda (British East Africa), to 'dear cousin' (Hagan). They are still expanding, opening a fourth convent for their native sisters, but are in need of more sisters coming in. Hoping to petition in Rome for an Irish novitiate; asking if their two delegates can stay with the nuns at the College.  
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- 27            17 January 1926        Holograph letter from P.Murphy, House of Missions, Enniscorthy (County Wexford), to Hagan. Enclosing cheque for Masses; intentions are getting rare. There are rumours the Benedictines return to Mount St.Benedict. Then commenting that Fr.O'Connor leaving them for San Francisco is not a great loss. They will return to England for Lent, mostly to Irish parishes, which gives many opportunities to bring their fellow Irish back to the faith. The new College must have its roof at this stage. Politically, things are at a low ebb; many of their friends are willing to enter the Dáil – 'will the oath be removed to let them in? I doubt it.'
- 2 pp
- 28            18 January 1926        Holograph letter from James Kearney P.P., Garvagh, County Derry, to Hagan, on the case of the bequest. Quoting canon law on 'provileged wills' and regretting he has no other witness for the dying man's words. Adding also that because of particular legal costs their church's debt is now increased.
- 3 pp
- 29            19 January 1926        Holograph letter from Fr.Bernard McGrath, Chaplain, Ballyote, Mullingar, County Westmeath, to Hagan, asking for remission for around 60 Masses for deceased priests which he did not say. No honorarium is given in these cases, so it is a question of obedience and fidelity, not of justice. Asking for confidentiality.
- 1 p
- 30            19 January 1926        Holograph letter from J.Kearney, Garvagh, County Derry, to Hagan, on the O'Kane bequest. The bishop gave his consent to petition the Holy See for commutation of the bequest; he can obtain a doctor's statement as to the patient's mental state. Enclosing relevant cutting from the press (not extant); it is not only

the relatives but also the Catholic lawyers that need to be watched.

1 p

- 31            21 January 1926        Holograph letter from J.McShane, St.Columb's College, Derry, to (Hagan), appreciating greatly the genial surroundings he enjoyed in the Irish College. Enclosing Mass intentions. The bishop asks how their account stands.

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- 32            22 January 1926        Holograph letter from Cardinal Patrick O'Donnell, Ara Coeli, Armagh, to Hagan. Reporting from the meeting of the bishops' standing committee, discussing Hagan's two queries. Regarding the delegation to America, they express gratitude to the Cardinal Protector, Sbarretti, for the sanction obtained from the Holy Father. Regarding Hagan's reference to empty rooms, stating the bishops' intention to increase the number of students in Rome, filling the College from the start. They regret any subsequent disappointment to any of the cardinals, but especially their protector, always indefatigably proving a friend of them all. Adding that all kindness he receives in large measure, is a tribute to the Holy See.

4 pp

- 33            22 January 1926        Holograph letter from Archbishop T.P.Gilmartin, St. Jarlath's, Tuam (County Galway), to (Hagan). Concerning the Cathedral debt, stating that Gallagher [...] have no right to the diocese and could take in an outside bishop; the matter can wait. The 23 bishops will settle up the sums pledged to the College; he is making a special appeal connected to the Lenten Collection. Wondering could he come to terms with Hagan for a suite of rooms were his health to break down. Asking about the age stipulations concerning ad limina-visits; he no longer travels for its own sake. Stating sums lodged to their account.

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- 34            23 January 1926        Holograph letter from Bishop Bernard Coyne, St.Mary's, Sligo, to (Hagan), enclosing the diocese's contribution to the new College (£ 300). Joining the chorus of congratulations 'on your marvellous success in these all-important and, indeed, epoch-making negotiations and transactions'.  
1 p
- 35            23 January 1926        Holograph letter from Archbishop J.M.Harty, The Palace, Thurles (County Tipperary), to (Hagan), in thanks for documents. Enclosing payment of pension and expenses. The bishops approved of the Monsignors Curran and Ryan's mission, of the purchase of the summer residence. The idea of renting sections of the College must be resisted: 'if any personages take up residence in the College they can never be evicted'. He will try to send another student. Very positively commenting on the College's students as he met them in Rome; he and others made that points to the other bishops. Then observing the boundary question 'did not cause much of a stir. 'tis a case of everyone for himself- as could be expected from historical traditions.' But only one Irish bishop publically blessed 'the London Pack'. Then applying for marriage dispensation for Joanna Brett and Michael Gleeson.  
8 pp
- 36            24 January 1926        Holograph letter from P.J.Roughneen, The Presbytery, Ballaghadereen (County Mayo), to Hagan, enclosing document from [Dan] Furey; wondering whether it concerns merely a once-off contribution to ex-members of Propaganda (document not extant). Recounting a meeting with the archbishop who looks very well. The government is 'still window-dressing with new coinage', commenting that King George's profile is still commercially a safer proposition. Things are very quiet, and business dull.  
3 pp
- 37            25 January 1926        Holograph letter from Bishop William Codd, Summerhill, Wexford, to Hagan, enclosing receipt for the sum

payed in contribution for the new College.

1 p

- 38            25 January 1926        Holograph letter from Sr.(Mary) Regis Phelan, Convent of the Holy Faith, Glasnevin, Dublin, to Hagan, in deep gratitude for the documents relative to their foundress from the College archives. Enclosing first copy of the life (as appeared in *The Irish Monthly* (not extant).

1 p

- 39            26 January 1926        Holograph letter from J.J.Dunne, Church of the Sacred Heart, Donnybrook (Dublin), to (Hagan). Concerning the Pontifical Work for the Propagation of the Faith, last year's collection and the new ways of collecting; he has informed the bishops in time for their Lenten pastorals. Inviting advice on his work as the president (of the Irish branch).

4 pp

- 40            26 January 1926        Holograph letter from Bishop William Codd, Summerhill, Wexford, to Fr.Murphy [Enniscorthy], permitting him to procure relics for the consecration of the high altar.

1 p

- 41            26 January 1926        Typescript letter signed F.O'Reilly, secretary of the Catholic Truth Society of Ireland, Dublin, to Hagan, repeating his letter of 16 December with enclosure since he has had no reply.

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- 42            26 January 1926        Holograph letter from Bishop P.J.O'Connor, Bishop's House, Armidale, New South Wales (Australia), to Hagan, introducing Fr.Edward G.Higgins of the Church of England. He asks for assistance in seeing the Vatican and, if possible, the Pope. Recommending him warmly.
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- 43            28 January 1926        Holograph letter from D.J.O'Doherty, Colegio de Nobles Irlandeses, Salamanca, Spain, to Hagan, acknowledging receipt of faculties. Glad Hagan's health seems to be better. Reiterating question whether they can use the name of St.Patrick, their patron in the *A cunctis* of the Divine Office, not only for the Mass, as previously granted. Stating that the great McErlean S.J. is currently working on their archives. Asking about their plans for a centenary for the first of the Irish colleges.
- 4 pp
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- 44            29 January 1926        Fragment handwritten letter from [...], St.Peter's College, Wexford, to (Hagan), in thanks for his letter. He and the two other priests agreed they would take on the pilgrimage only with the help of an agency; Cooks submitted the quotation enclosed (not extant). It would run under 'Irish College Roman Union'. Further comments (breaking off).
- 2 pp
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- 45            2 February 1926        Holograph letter from James Bastible, St.Peter's College, Wexford, to (Hagan). He has sent his letter confidentially to Fr.Fitzgerald, Glasgow; stressing he can rely on him. In another matter, Fr.Crinion will do any unofficial work, but not act as secretary; he will also see Fr.Doran.
- 2 pp

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- 46            2 February 1926        Holograph letter from J.Kearney P.P., Garvagh, County Derry, to Hagan. Enclosing cutting [from local paper] stating that Bishop McHugh's condition is not improving. Then at length discussing the family history of Dr.O'Kane (Vicar General), Maghera, since he has been mentioned as a possible successor and has made allusions himself. Both his father and uncle fathered illegitimate children; a half-brother of O'Kane's is son of a Presbyterian woman and is himself a Freemason. O'Kane's ordination itself disconcerted some in the village. Testimony could be found for all this.
- 2 items
- 47            3 February 1926        Holograph letter from Mary Frith, 33 Corso d'Italia, Rome, to Hagan, in gratitude for all he has done. Asking about admission to the Mass in St.Peter's on 12 February. Yesterday's ceremony gave her an idea of the immensity of the Catholic Church.
- 1 p
- 48            3 February 1926        Two holograph letters from P.Hill, Vicar Capitular, The Presbytery, Clonakilty, County Cork, to Hagan; first letter covering their cheque for Peter's Pence. Secondly, advising him to deduct congregational fees from the sum.
- 2 items
- 49            3 February 1926        Holograph letter from P.J.Walsh, Archiepiscopal Vicariate of Dublin, 47 Westland Row (Dublin), to Hagan, enclosing petition for faculties to celebrate Mass on board ship (not extant). Then explaining that Corney Ryan bequeathed a sum in his will for a student to attend the Biblical Institute; the bequest rested in Hagan and successors. They hope to send four extra students to the new College this year; promising only the best men. This year's Roman students did very well, especially given the fact 'the material was not up to the standard of the previous year'.
- 6 pp

- 50            4 February 1926        Holograph letter from Thomas Canon MacDonald, Portadown, County Armagh, to Hagan. In preparation for a bazaar in aid of parish work, asking to organise a papal prize. Asking him to tell the Holy Father 'the old story about "the Pope having a bad name in Portadown"'.  
1 p
- 51            4 February 1926        Holograph letter from T.Ronayne, R.C.Mission, Onitsha, British West Africa (Nigeria), to Hagan, reporting on their work and asking for confidentiality because of the uncertain conditions. Sketching vicissitudes besetting his and others' project to help the dearth of priests. While Bishop Shanahan had him draft a letter to Cardinal van Rossum in full support of their project he is less than committed; when the 'General' [Superior of the local Holy Ghost Fathers] dies Shanahan is likely to resign at the subsequent chapter. The project is not likely to thrive under these circumstances; further illustrating the sense of uncertainty in the diocese. Emphasising that the mission is utterly undermanned with only 20 men. Emphasising his own commitment to the diocese; asking Hagan to inform Monsignor Pecorari of the situation. Adding emphatically that there is no opposition to them, but that [the Holy Ghost men resent the bishop's independent actions and blame the seculars].  
5 pp
- 52            5 February 1926        Holograph letter from Thomas O'Byrne P.P., Piercestown, County Wexford, to Hagan, sending him a copy of *The Past*, in thanks for his interesting contribution about the old association between Kilmore parish and Santiago. Hoping that if their journal survives the present difficulties Hagan will continue to contribute. Sketching the nation's present materialistic disinclination to pursue history; the country has discovered its closeness to England and its leaders, secular and lay, preach British benevolence. 'Why should a coterie of dreamers be allowed, at such a crisis, to arouse bitter memories, by even suggesting that Henry VIII (and) Cromwell were not saints in disguise...'. At the centre of Irish culture are now Trinity College and the ascendancy, no matter what the *Catholic Bulletin* may say.  
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- 53            6 February 1926        Holograph letter from Alicia Adelaide Needham '(the Irish Composer)', Grand Continental Hôtel, Rome, to 'dear Sir' (Hagan). Asking about a private audience with the Pope as she feels she could interest him in several matters. She met Pope Pius X before. (Note identifying herself as composer of 'My dark Rosaleen')  
1 p
- 54            6 February 1926        Handwritten card from [...], Santa Maria C.V., to Monsignor Enrico Poccioni, Via Catalana 5, Rome, concerning the paternity and provenance of Giovanni Di Vasso or De Vassa. Asking for more information. (Covering letter not extant.)  
[Italian]  
2 pp
- 55            7 February 1926        Holograph letter from James Sinnott M.S.S., Mission House, Enniscorthy (County Wexford), to (Hagan). Explaining that he sent the telegram last week because one of the Ryans of Tomcoole visited on behalf of one of their own, Berchman. Stating that Paddy Dunne, visiting them, discounted the 'Tizi affair', expressing everybody's respect and affection for him; few will be taken in by 'our Limerick friend'. Dan Breen entered the Dáil; expecting he will join the Independents and thus strengthen them considerably; likewise Labour will benefit from their alliance with the publicans against the temperance legislation. Fr. Bastible proposed a pilgrimage to Rome for the College centenary. Willie Gaul is anxious for Bishop Codd to send him to Rome for a few years. Finally regretting that Hagan had a slight attack; he expected it – 'I say go easy'. (The Tizi affair makes this item look like 1927 instead- see correspondence in November and December 1926.)  
3 pp
- 56            8 February 1926        Holograph letter from K.[eohane] of M.H.Gill & Son Ltd, Dublin, to Hagan. Explaining he had to postpone publication of 'Wine' ['Wine from the royal Pope'] until next month. Anticipating 'the burst' to come certainly, but not even the principals know where they are. He has not heard about the mill. The 'Brewer' [Fr. Morrissey] acted as 'Lord High Pacificator' last Sunday, using all his diplo-

macy and avoiding strife- 'as it was all the big guns were spiked'. Adding that he would not give a free read to the 'O.P.s' [Dominicans]; offering to explain.

1 p

- 57                    9 February 1926            Holograph letter from Patrick Cardinal O'Donnell, Ara Coelis, Armagh, to Hagan. Stating that the bishops have whole-heartedly approved of the line taken with regard to the new building- 'it was a good deal to ask and I felt very grateful'. Glad Hagan will soon come to Ireland. He himself hopes to attend the Eucharistic Congress. Asking for a report on accounts also regarding S.Maria della Pace. Asking for gifts for bazaars, and intending to arrange the Portiuncula Indulgence permanently for the archdiocese. He told Fr.[Hubert O.S.F.] what he thought was best regarding St.Isidore's; 'I need not say how I feel about the business'. Adding that Fr.Paul Walsh works on his brief.

4 pp

- 58                    9 February 1926            Typescript letter from Peter Doyle P.P., Parochial House, Mooncoin, County Waterford, to (Hagan), enclosing payment for Professor Bravi. Repeating his wish for relics of St.Philomena.

1 p

- 59                    11 February 1926           Holograph letter from Bishop B.Hackett, Bishop's House, John's Hill, Waterford, to (Hagan), having payed a fee for the Dataria.

1 p

- 60                    12 February 1926           Holograph letter from Archbishop Michael (Kelly), St. Mary's Cathedral, Sydney (Australia), to (Hagan), introducing Mrs.Johanna Scott.

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- 61            13 February 1926    Holograph letter from Cardinal Patrick O'Donnell, Ara Coeli, Armagh, to Hagan, commenting on the Bishop of Derry's death: 'no matter how poor his health he was always every inch a man'. He has telegraphed Cardinal DeLai. Reference to his protocol; he might have to trouble him about it again. There is no need to send him the copy of the centenary volume of St.Isidore. Finally stating that the sanction for his [...] American mission in Rome is not direct but is all that is needed.
- 4 pp
- 62            14 February 1926    Holograph letter from Archbishop D.Mannix, Raheen, Kew, Victoria (Australia), to Hagan, introducing W.T. M.Burke and party.
- 4 pp
- 63            15 February 1926    Holograph letter from F.McConnell, St.Macarten's Seminary, Monaghan, to Hagan, enclosing Mass intentions. Also enclosing the bishop's pastoral (not extant) and joining him in thanking Hagan for their hospitality.
- 1 p
- 64            15 February 1926    Holograph letter from W.B.MacFeely, The Presbytery, Waterside, Derry, to (Hagan), forwarding the rescript dealing with the McLoughlin case. Stating that Bishop McHugh's death was not unexpected, having suffered from lung disease. 'He was a great friend of yours'; hoping for a good-hearted and broad-minded successor.
- 2 pp
- 65            15 February 1926    Holograph letter from Donal A.Reidy for the bishop, The Palace, Killarney (County Kerry), to (Hagan), in

payment of fees, and enclosing a petition for dispensation to ordain Robert Walshe, a Maynooth student. With regard to the Irish College's intention to secure a number of the best students in Ireland for Rome, alerting him to the fact that many bishops will be keen to retain students at least until they passed their B.A. so that they can register as teachers subsequently, in need to secure government grants for schools.

2 items

- 66                    17 February 1926      Holograph letter from Aodh de Blacam, *Irish Times* Ltd., Dublin, to Hagan. Apologising for the annoyance caused by his recent piece on the centenary of St. Isidore's, explaining how he came to think the two colleges were one. '...few laymen would know that two colleges connected with Wadding survive'; most are familiar with the diocesan, not the Franciscan house. In discussing Fr. Cleary's book, they have set the matter right.
- 2 pp
- 67                    19 February 1926      Holograph letter from Archbishop T.P. Gilmartin, Grand Hôtel Royal, Lourdes (France), to (Hagan); he is travelling via Nice. Asking if he received certain documents.
- 1 p
- 68                    19 February 1926      Typescript letter signed Seán T. (Ó Ceallaigh), Poblacht na hÉireann, Irish Republican Headquarters, 3 East 42<sup>nd</sup> Street, New York, to Hagan, in thanks for his two intensely interesting letters. Glad that Armagh (Cardinal O'Donnell) was able to see, when in Rome, 'how strangely some of his colleagues can behave'. Also pleased that he has so many defenders in Rome particularly regarding the College project; everything will be done to make Michael (Curran)'s mission a success. Hagan's advice regarding the Eucharistic Congress is being acted on. Recently, Cardinal Mundelein was approached by Archbishop Curley and asked to invite the Free State government to the Congress – 'the Cardinal almost kicked the deputation down the stairs he was so outraged': giving his views of the Free State, he asserted that inviting any officials would invite

disaster like Duffy's, and Mulcahy's visits to New York. 'The Congress gatherings would be pasted with rotten eggs from beginning to end.' Observing that the propositions made at the last ardfheis have been much discussed and cause some bitterness to those who disapprove. His own work is hampered until fresh leads come from home. Especially seeing Hagan's favourable comments on (Cardinal O'Donnell) and his attitude, stating he must stay in contact with him in preparation for his likely visit to the Eucharistic Congress.

2 pp

- 69                    22 February 1926    Holograph letter from Bishop Patrick McKenna, Bishop's House, Monaghan, to Hagan, enclosing copies of his pastoral (not extant). Asking him to obtain a sanatio in radice for nuns belonging to the St.Louis Convent whose temporary profession had not lasted the prescribed three years before making the permanent profession; listing names of nine sisters. Also asking about obtaining the papal blessing on all contributors to a new church on Lough Derg; Dean Keown is organising this.

5 pp

- 70                    22 February 1926    Holograph letter from Cáit bean Seán T.(Ó Ceallaigh), 91 St.Stephen's Green, Dublin, to Hagan. Regretting she is not coming to Italy as originally planned, for the planned trip is very expensive. However, recommending her sister Chris O'Malley and brother-in-law. Commenting that the elections were once again not successful- even their opponents were sure the republicans would have Laois-Offaly. At least there cannot be talk of the others triumphing either. When talking to DeV(alera) she found him determined against attempting an agreement before the ardfheis. If there was to be a split he thinks that he and his party, including the Ó Ceallaighs, could do very useful things. He stresses the expedience of a single line of defence in dealing with the Free State. If these elections are not won, and they did everything they could, then it 'may make our own people face realities'. As usual they are divided into those who think and those not caring to. She would see no reason for Seán staying on if there was a split. Then commenting that J.Chartres's son-in-law 'died as he lived – a great Britisher'; having sought an English doctor in Rome and gone from bad to worse; other comments on Chartres and the *Morning Post*. Advising him of Annie Vivanti's address in Turin. Seán is doing better since Frank Aiken and others joined him, although the trouble brewing back home does not help them.

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- 71                    23 February 1926    Typescript letter with handwritten additions signed by Bishop William McNeely, Ard Adhamhnain, Letterken-ny (County Donegal), to Hagan. Enclosing cheque for the College's building fund. Brief comment on Dr.McHugh's funeral. One of their great worries is the Free State income tax officialdom, but the Bishop of Dromore was successful in the matter of the burse investments. Asking about a faculty for consecrating altar stones. Adding that Cardinal Sbarretti is welcome to stay when over; sending Mass intentions for Tivoli. 1 p
- 72                    23 February 1926    Holograph letter from T.MacDonald, Portadown (County Down) to (Hagan), clarifying a point about their bazaar; sending a sum for postage of the prize; as well as Mass intentions. 1 p
- 73                    24 February 1926    Holograph letter from (P.T.Keohane) of M.H.Gill & Son Ltd., Dublin, to Hagan. Enclosing document (not extant) concerning the mill for wheat recommended by Fenton; it is very easy to use. 'W.P.K.'[...] is still not better and this makes work more onerous for him. Stating regretfully that 'Brosna' [O'Flanagan] is determined to go his own way but will lose his following after a while; Hagan's policy is the only way to go. 2 pp
- 74                    26 February 1926    Holograph letter from Archbishop D.Mannix, Raheen, Kew, Victoria (Australia), to Hagan, introducing the bearer, the Right Honourable W.J.Beckett M.L.C., wishing to attend a papal audience. Though not a Catholic, he is a consistent and influential friend of the church, both in and outside parliament. 3 pp

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- 75            26 February 1926    Handwritten note from (Signore A.) Reali of the Istituto Italiano di Credito Marittimo (Rome), for Hagan; not able to follow the invitation for illness. [Italian] 1 p
- 76            26 February 1926    Typescript letter signed Giovanni [Aston], manager of the Hotel Paix et Helvetia, Rome, to (Hagan), explaining that Mr.Daniel of the Catholic Young Men's Society of Dublin incurred expenses not realised at the time of his stay; asking to bring it to his attention. [Italian] 2 pp
- 77            28 February 1926    Holograph letter from John Lennon, Mountmellick (County Laois), to Hagan, explaining he has not been well since returning. Expressing their delight over the new College's grandeur. Discussing ways of contributing to it since Hagan has already been promised an altar. Enclosing note from Fr.John James, seeking a dispensation (not extant). DeValera just visited him- the election was very strenuous and 'some of the priests did take an ignoble part'. 3 pp
- 78            28 February 1926    Holograph letter from E.J.Cantwell, 4 De Burgh Road, Phoenix Park, Dublin, to Hagan, grateful for the interest he takes in his sister's case (Sister Marie); they have little hope despite Hagan's encouraging words. 4 pp
- 79            1 March 1926        Holograph letter from Bishop David Keane, The Palace, Corbally, Limerick, to (Hagan). In deferring the appointment to the late Dean Charles McNamara's vacant seat, recommending Fr.Michael Canty. If the new College is nearly completed then 'Rome certainly is not slow in some things'. 3 pp

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- 80            1 March 1926            Holograph letter from Bishop Joseph MacRory, Trench House, Belfast (County Antrim), to Hagan, enclosing cheque for Peter's Pence- times are 'unspeakably hard'. Adding that the Bishop of Derry died quite suddenly in the end, seemingly he died from tuberculosis. 1 p
- 81            2 March 1926            Holograph letter from Archbishop Michael (Kelly), St. Mary's Cathedral, Sydney (Australia) to Hagan, introducing Mr.John [Davis] and son Albert. 2 pp
- 82            3 March 1926            Two typescript letters signed Charles Russell, 37 Norfolk Street W.C.2, London (England), to Hagan, introducing the Marchioness of Ormonde and Lady Constance Butler – 'good Irishwomen and good patriots, although not Catholics'. (One letter carried by Lady Butler.) 2 items
- 83            4 March 1926            Holograph letter from Bishop William F.Brown of Pella, Catholic Church, Vauxhall S.E. (London, England), to (Hagan), recommending the Marchioness of Ormonde, at the request of Sir Russell. 1 p
- 84            5 March 1926            Holograph letter from Archdeacon J.Casey, The Presbytery, Castleisland, County Kerry, to Hagan. Bringing it to his attention that one of the students, Mr.O'Herlihy, Knocknagree, once sustained an injury when the Black and Tans [shot at] a group of young boys playing football. Both he and his brother, the latter now at Maynooth, might yet be in need of special attention. 4 pp



- 89                    8 March 1926                    Holograph letter from Bishop Laurence Gaughran, Bishop's House, Mullingar (County Westmeath), to Hagan. Complaining that the Acta have not been started to be delivered yet. Also asking about a dispensation for Brother Quigley of Clara, yet outstanding. 1 p
- 90                    8 March 1926                    Holograph letter from J.J.Ryan, The Hermitage, Cabragh, Thurles (County Tipperary), to Hagan. Explaining his long silence; on returning from Rome he travelled again, to the funeral of his dear friend Cardinal Mercier; the *Morning Post* - 'your organ' - [seriously misreported in the matter]. He will leave for the United States after Easter but is not connected with the Catholic Truth Society. He has talked to the bishops about lodgers at the Irish College; asking to reserve appartments for himself; the agitation against subletting must continue. He himself does not favour the admission of Cardinal Cerretti of whom Hagan himself has no objection. Some at Maynooth are worried with the intended increase of Roman students; recommending closing Dunboyne (College) and sending men wherever it most suits their academic needs. Stating his respect for the coadjutor of Ardagh. Complaining he has seen the sun very rarely since leaving Italy. 4 pp
- 91                    9 March [1926]                    Newspaper cutting from [...] containing article 'New roads in Rome': a proposal to connect the Piazzas Barberini and di Spagna by road and tunnel means danger to the garden of the 'Irish College' [St.Isidore's]; pointing to the latter's recent tercentenary and its status as 'one of the most important centres of theological learning in Europe'. (Covering letter not extant but see letter from *Irish Times* of 17 February.) 1 p
- 92                    10 March 1926                    Holograph letter from J.Brady, 2 Princess Gardens, Belfast (County Antrim), to (Hagan), enclosing cutting from yesterday's *Independent* (not extant). 1 p

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- 93            10 March 1926        Typescript letter from (unsigned) [Fr.Peter Doyle], Parochial House, Mooncoin, County Waterford, to (Hagan), confirming his financial contribution to the College building fund. The Easter work on the stations might be fatiguing, but the people's fervour and devotion compensates it a thousandfold. 1 p
- 94            10 March 1926        Holograph letter from P.T.K.[eohane] of M.H.Gill & Son Ltd., Dublin, to Hagan. About to publish a book by Fr.Quigley, asking for permission from the Pontifical Central Commission for Sacred Art to reproduce their form for the disposition for sacred objects. 1 p
- 95            10 March 1926        Holograph letter from Denis Canon Whelan, Parochial House, Kilsheelan, County Tipperary, to (Hagan). Enclosing petition for dispensation (not extant) in a case of consanguinity; explaining that the age of the bride, Miss Nugent, and special family circumstances render the case favourable; Bishop Hackett cannot endorse the case himself but will not oppose it. 2 pp
- 96            11 March 1926        Holograph letter from Cardinal Patrick O'Donnell, Ara Coeli, Armagh, to (Hagan). He wrote a long letter to Cardinal Sbarretti; it is disappointing they don't yet have the papers of the new College. He put the case forcibly against curators; it is essential not to diminish the role of the rector. Enclosing the signature he required. The Bishop of Clogher put the case of the College splendidly in his pastoral. 4 pp

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- 97            11 March 1926        Holograph letter from W.B.MacFeely, The Presbytery, Waterside, Derry, to (Hagan), grateful for the rescript dealing with the McLaughlin bequests. Then discussing the need for new diocesan legislation on the honorarium taken for intentions; asking for advice. 3 pp
- 98            11 March 1926        Holograph letter from Garrett Cotter, The Presbytery, Tipperary, to Hagan. Advising him of the sum they will offer to the Propagation of the Faith for all of Ireland (£7,406-18-2); hoping to be able to collect from other donating bodies next year to increase the overall number for the country as a whole. 4 pp
- 99            12 March 1926        Fragment holograph letter from Mario [Fabri] of [...M.& C.], Via S.Andrea 12, Tivoli, to (Hagan), informing him [of taxes payable to Signore Modesti Flavio, whose client is the Duchessa Braschi]. (Part torn off) [Italian] 2 pp
- 100          12 March 1926        Holograph letter from Archbishop J.Duhig of Brisbane, Archbishop's House, 'Dara', Brisbane, Queensland (Australia), to Hagan, advising him of the arrival of the new student, Mr.Robert Lyons; brief comments on his academic ability. Enclosing payment of pensions. He will come through Rome on the way back from Chicago. (Handwritten note from (Curran) proposing to invite Duhig to stay at the new College.) 1 p

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- 101            14 March 1926            Holograph letter from Cardinal Patrick O'Donnell, Ara Coeli, Armagh, to (Hagan), introducing Mr. and Mrs. Lavery, Armagh, both of families 'strong in church and state'. Further points recommending them.  
3 pp
- 102            14 March 1926            Holograph letter from Archbishop T.P. Gilmartin, Shelbourne Hotel, Dublin, to (Hagan). He met the archbishop yesterday and they went over everything. Brother Hennessy had also just seen him; he will push hard for the agreement but 'admitted that I played the game'. There is no excitement over the results of the Dublin meeting.  
2 pp
- 103            15 March 1926            Holograph letter from P.T.K. [Keohane] of M.H. Gill & Son Ltd, Dublin, to Hagan. Tuam (Archbishop Gilmartin) was in the best of spirits; his recent stay in Rome may have something to do with his congenial mood. He was anxious about Fr. O'F. (Flanagan); Keohane had been trying to talk sense into him, believing now that DeValera let that section down badly. Discussing at length that the latter will sweep the country when taking his proposition further, with O'Flanagan and Scailg likely casualties. Expressing sympathy for both, failing to understand their plan. The Brewer (Fr. Morrissey) should try for the vacant parish of Rathdrum.  
2 pp
- 104            16 March 1926            Holograph letter from W.J. Ryan, Cape Broyle, Newfoundland (Canada), to Hagan. Ironic references to his abilities in preaching; asking Hagan about obtaining his *Compendium for catechetical instruction* since it is reported out of print. Brief comments on the country place where he is installed and where 'the O'Briens run Church and State'.  
2 pp

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- 105            16 March 1926            Holograph letter from Archbishop J.M.Harty, The Palace, Thurles (County Tipperary), to (Hagan). In reply to his letter, protesting that Hagan has 'no better friend amongst the Bishops than Cloyne' who has expressed his admiration for him once to Cardinal DeLai. Then commenting that the other letter was depressing because 'they give with one hand (and) take back with the other'; the cardinal is writing a letter of protest. Welcoming him to visit in April. Some comments on the new line of organising pilgrimages taken by the (Catholic Truth Society of Ireland); asking to obtain another blessing for them. Then stating that 'Monsignor J.J.' [Ryan] at least knows some wealthy Americans as well as many clergy in the States, to help Curran on his mission. Enclosing documents for Cardinal Sbarretti. Enclosing also petitions concerning Canon Dunne who has eye trouble, and a matrimonial dispensation (not extant).
- 8 pp
- 106            17 March 1926            Holograph letter from William O'Brien, North Presbytery, Cork, to Hagan. As a former student, asking for accommodation in the College for mid-April. Asking about the new College, and its heating system. Commenting on the very successful mission held for the last month; there were 42,000 communions given in the cathedral and in Blackpool.
- 3 pp
- 107            18 May 1926            Holograph letter from Archbishop T.P.Gilmartin, St. Jarlath's, Tuam (County Galway), to (Hagan), asking to set right an error regarding the sum of the archdiocese's Peter's Pence. Other financial matters; enclosing Mass intentions.
- 2 pp
- 108            18 March 1926            Holograph letter from D.A.Reidy, The Palace, Killarney (County Kerry), to Hagan, enclosing payment of a student's pension. The bishop solved the problem of R.Walsh's ordination, now set for April; apparently English bishops ordain

without dispensation after Easter. 'The student's brother', in Maynooth, is very close to dying of consumption.

2 pp

- 109            20 March 1926            Typescript letter signed Bishop Patrick Foley, Braganza House, Carlow, to Hagan. Giving a very good account of the schools run by the Christian Brothers in his diocese, for quality of the work, the fine spirit that animates them, and their very good rapport with the clergy and authorities. Stating that they are often understaffed; remarking that the religious congregations will have to fall back on lay teachers much more in the future. Asking whether the Roman congregation wishes him to make enquiries in the other dioceses where the Brothers run schools. Then making observations on the good and fast work done by the Italian construction workers on the new building: while such a building would take more than double the time in Ireland, Irishmen still work right well if neither talking or smoking, and when given a fair chance.

2 pp

- 110            20 March 1926            Holograph letter from [Fr.] Angelo Sinibaldi of the Vicariate of Rome, Piazza della Pigna 12, Rome, to (Hagan), excusing himself for not [taking] the confessions; he is ill. [Italian]

1 p

- 111            20 March 1926            Typescript letter signed (Sr.) Mary Raphael, Loreto Abbey, Rathfarnham, Dublin, to Hagan. Their constitutions are now with the translator. Cardinal Laurenti told the Archbishop of Dublin that they will be free on the question of union. As for the text, they would only like to change the term 'English Virgins'; there are at present no English sisters.

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- 112            22 March 1926            Holograph letter from Bishop Laurence Gaughran, Bishop's House, Mullingar (County Westmeath), to Hagan. Astonished that the petition for the lay Franciscan Brother Quigley has not been answered yet. Meanwhile a marriage dispensation was issued to him twice.  
2 pp
- 113            22 March 1926            Holograph letter from Bishop Joseph MacRory, Trench House, Belfast (County Antrim), to Hagan, introducing the bearer, Miss Mayne. She and her friends are not Catholics but seek access to a papal audience.  
1 p
- 114            23 March 1926            Holograph letter from Patrick Boyle C.M., Collège des Irlandais, 5 Rue des Irlandais, Paris (France), to Hagan, enclosing letter from the Bishop of Kilmore (not extant) endorsing his petition to seek dispensation for the ordination of Mr. James O'Reilly; giving details; enclosing draft petition (not extant).  
3 pp
- 115            23 March [1926]            Handwritten card from [...] of the Apostolic Penitentiary, Rome for [the Irish College], listing the indulgences accorded to pilgrims, and to associates of pilgrimages. [Italian]  
1 p
- 116            24 March 1926            Holograph letter from J.J.Dunne, Church of the Sacred Heart, Donnybrook (Dublin), to (Hagan). The sum [for the Propagation of the Faith] is being sent separately; likewise the report. Reminding the supreme council that this is the first working year for the National Council. Their first meeting was a success. Grateful for Hagan's useful advice so far. Some detail about the provenance of parts of the sum total.  
4 pp



signors Ryan (Cashel) and Curran (Rome) are authorised to collect funds. - Commenting on a question regarding faculties for priests to take honoraria for the second Mass. Replying to a point about faculties; he writes to Fr. Mac Sweeney about the protocol; enclosing intentions for his predecessor. Smaller matters. Then stating 'there is a strong feeling that O'Connell's heart should not be left behind'. On Fr. Kiely, stating it is better for him not to depend on Armagh. Further points about the procura and Cardinals Sbarretti and Gasparri.

2 items

- 122            26 March [1926]        Holograph letter from Marion K. O'Malley, St. Kevin, Iona Drive [Dublin], to Hagan. In gratitude for all he has done for Ernie; the Free State by contrast 'do not mind the least about him. I wish he could be made to understand this.' Asking him to talk to him about his intentions for the future; anxious he finishes his medical studies. Enclosing cheque for him.

1 p

- 123            29 March 1926        Holograph letter from Archbishop T.P. Gilmartin, St. Jarlath's, Tuam (County Galway), to (Hagan), enclosing documents requested (not extant). His suggestions are most reasonable; the Brothers work on Armagh and Dublin against any change; a document was circulated before being approved by the congregation. 'C's' [...] is to be kept secret; he is of Gilmartin's kind. Observing that politics are dead at present; the point of criticism is the expenditure [of the state].

2 pp

- 124            30 March 1926        Typescript [draft] memorandum signed J. Hagan, Rome, for the Sacred Congregation [for Religious]. Imparting the Bishop of Kildare's opinions about the Christian Brothers in his diocese. (See letter 20 March 1926.)

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- 125            30 March 1926            Typescript letter signed Fr.Giuseppe Nogara of the Pontificium Opus a Propagatione Fidei, Rome, to Hagan.Acknowledging receipt of the collected sum from Dublin; expressing certainty that the island of saints, now with its own council, will soon be among the first countries where aiding their missions is concerned. [Italian]
- 1 p
- 126            30 March 1926            Holograph letter from J.Kearney, Garvagh, County Derry, to Hagan, concerning the will of the late B. O'Kane. Reiterating all the details regarding the original intention of the deceased, the influence brought to bear on him and his mental state when the will was changed. This time discussing at length the character and reputation of the remaining executor of the will, Fr.C.McKay, Carrickfergus. Also stating that O'Kane's son and heir is no expected to live long. Not soliciting reply from Hagan; just offering the facts.
- 3 pp
- 127            30 March 1926            Typescript letter signed Maria Elisa Rizzo, director of the Conservatorio della Divina Provvidenza, Via Ripetta 231, Rome, to (Hagan). Following on her visit [to the new site], regretting that the administrators cannot agree to the sum rightly asked by the College; certain that they will find other [lodgers]. [Italian]
- 1 p
- 128            1 April 1926            Holograph letter from Prioress Maria Veronica of the Augustinian Monasterio dei Santissimo Quattro, Rome, to (Hagan), with good wishes for Easter. Felicitations on the glorious new College which is being built so near to their holy martyrs. Looking forward to making his personal acquaintance. [Italian]
- 2 pp

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- 129            2 April 1926            Holograph letter from J.J.Dunne, Church of the Sacred Heart, Donnybrook (Dublin) to (Hagan), returning Monsignor Nogara's letter (see 30 March). Observing that Mass intentions are falling off caused by the present degree of poverty. On the collections, remarking that the work is somewhat scattered since some religious orders do their own. However, Dunne and the others are publicising their efforts now. 4 pp
- 130            3 [April 1926]            Holograph letter from 'May' [Twomey], Coolnacahera (County Cork), to 'Matt' (Matthew Twomey, Irish College), glad that he is keeping so well. Detailed family news. Enclosing some of the letters and wires received from Fr.Curran (see items now within correspondence from 7 December onwards). 2 pp
- 131            3 April 1926            Holograph letter from Bishop William Codd, Summerhill, Wexford, to Hagan, listing the congregational fees and Peter's Pence they have payed. Enclosing [lodgement slip.] 2 items
- 132            7 April 1926            Holograph letter from N.J.Murphy, 7 Eblana Avenue, Dún Laoghaire (County Dublin), to (Hagan), reminding him of the Searson-Kennedy Wedding that he promised to obtain a papal blessing for. 2 pp
- 133            7 April 1926            Holograph letter from P.Dunne, Archbishop's House, Dublin, to (Hagan), enclosing documents for Monsig-

nor Fidecicchi (not extant). The archbishop sends Hagan the *Annals of [Caha]* for information that may be of use.

2 pp

- 134            8 April 1926            Typescript letter from (unsigned) [J.McShane], St.Columb's College, Derry, to (Hagan), asking him if the College could take over a bequest of Masses from the deceased William Feeney, left to Bishop McHugh. Adding 'we are still plodding along without a Bishop. Rome is never in a hurry.'

1 p

- 135            9 April 1926            Holograph letter from P.Dunne, Archbishop's House, Dublin, to (Hagan). Regretting he cannot find the documents Hagan wishes to have copied and verified in London; Fr.Reginald is going there soon for his own work. Stating that 'the three muskateers' arrived back from Egypt; he will ask P.J.W.[Walsh] about Rome. Also informing him that Fr.Gallen will not be appointed so soon; listing the clergy whose appointments are due; recommending he be slow about going to another diocese.

4 pp

- 136            12 April 1926            Holograph letter from M.J.C.[urran], Rome, to Hagan, enclosing alternative draft letter; the version Hagan had given him made him uneasy. Expecting that Monsignor Ryan will receive instructions from Hagan. – Enclosed holograph letter from Curran to Hagan, stating his acceptance of the mission given to him and Monsignor Ryan to collect for the Irish College fund; the mission is to the Irish only and will keep clear of anything political.

2 items

- 137            14 April 1926            Holograph letter from Charles Hurson, St.Patrick's, Dundalk (County Louth), to Hagan, enclosing cheque

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- for Mass intentions for Mrs.McGinn and various donors.
- 2 pp
- 138      13 April 1926      Holograph card from Monsignor F. [B...], Istituto delle Suore della Carità, Via S.M.in Cosmedin 2, Rome, to Monsignor Tizi (Irish College), enquiring about the villa in Tivoli which is said to be for sale. [Italian]
- 1 p
- 139      13 April 1926      Holograph letter from Archbishop Michael (Kelly), St. Mary's Cathedral, Sydney (Australia), to Hagan, introducing [Mr.] and Mrs.Armstrong.
- 1 p
- 140      14 April 1926      Holograph letter from Richard [van T...], Gormanston Castle, Gormanston, County Meath, to Hagan, asking for information on Bishop [Merritt], coadjutor to the Archbishop of Dublin; he is interested in his works. He is back again 'in your fascinating country'; the Black and Tans destroyed the local trout fishing.
- 2 pp
- 141      14 April 1926      Holograph letter from F. McConnell, St.Macarten's Seminary, Monaghan, to Hagan, enclosing sum for Masses. Stating that rumours are connecting Hagan with Derry [the vacant see].
- 1 p

142            12-15 April 1926        Holograph letter from J.Kearney P.P., Garvagh, County Derry, to Hagan, regarding the O'Kane bequest and commutation. Since the late bishop advised him to inform Hagan of any documents to do with the case, enclosing handwritten copy testimonial from Dr.J.J.Bolton concerning O'Kane, commenting on the late patient's mental unstability in the last phase. Further comments on the origin of the total sum disposable to O'Kane; his wife's role in changing the will. (Handwritten note from Curran to Hagan; Kearney apparently wants Hagan to inform Monsignor O'Doherty.)

2 items

143            15 April 1926            Typescript letter with handwritten addition signed Seán T. (Ó Ceallaigh), Cumann na Poblachta/ Irish Republican Headquarters, 3 East 42<sup>nd</sup> Street, New York (United States of America), to Hagan. Glad that Hagan takes such a positive view of recent happenings. Complaining that he is not being informed officially of important developments at home; most notably the recent defeat of Dev(alara) and Art O'Connor's appointment- for nine days he did not know that the Irish republic elected a new president. He found P.T.K.(eohane)'s opinions very interesting. Regretting DeValera did not go about forming a new party a year ago, to better counter the partition proposals. Illustrating that the public feeling in America is very much in favour of DeValera; the recent demonstrations commemorating the Easter Rising- not organised by Ó Ceallaigh- were of a very enthusiastic character. 'There is always applause to be had by mention of Dev's name by speakers here, but this demonstration...was something very different..., and those who took part in it evidently had a very special reason for giving vent to their ...feelings.' At the same time, the A.A.R.I.R. (American Association for the Recognition of the Irish Republic) might not be all behind DeValera's new programme. The Clan, while inclined towards DeValera, will in everything stand behind the I.R.A. which means that they will not back any organisation headed by O'Flanagan or Sceilg. He himself hopes to leave by June. He will meet Armagh (Cardinal O'Donnell) but hopes not to meet Cashel (Archbishop Harty) at the same time; promising support to Curran where he can. Glad that Hagan liked the article in the *Irish World*; noting his information about 'Jones' and the correspondent of the Catholic News Service and Monsignor Marchetti. Pleased about Ernie O'Malley's improvement; his views are of great interest since they are both representatives of Dublin North. Stating that many in America regret Lord Ashbourn's sister did not make a cleaner job of the attack on Mussolini. Planning to see Hagan in the new College. Enclosing cutting from *New York Times* of the same day on Cardinal Cerretti's legateship in Chicago. On new cardinal appointments, observing that while Monsignor 'M.S.'[...] is mentioned, Archbishop Mannix is not; some republicans who are more on O'Flana-

gan's side blame Mannix for having influenced DeValera. The *Irish World* has just pledged loyalty to the latter.

4 pp

- 144 [between 15 and 17 April 1926] Typescript [copy] memorandum entitled 'The Eucharistic Congress' by [...] (United States of America). Discussing implications of the recent press statement that Cardinal Cerretti may be papal delegate at the Congress; comments on his career and asserting that his nomination would be a tribute to the church in the United States; also he has great interest and sympathy for Ireland. Repeating the rumour that he is to replace Cardinal Gasparri as Secretary of State. Also speculating on the outcome of the next consistory, expected soon: the possibility of Monsignor Marchetti Salveggiani being elevated to the cardinalate should be of concern because he has proven a bitter enemy of Ireland and leader of those 'envenomed' Roman ecclesiastics doing all 'to hurt Ireland and to misrepresent and belittle the Irish race'; active lately in their hostility towards Archbishop Mannix. Supplying names associated with the group; student Jones at Propaganda College; Monsignor Pucci of the Catholic News Service, individuals at the Propaganda and Scotch Colleges; also Frs. O'Rourke S.J. and O'Driscoll O.S.A. Pucci, during Cosgrave's recent visit to Rome, 'helped in drawing up the bombastic and mendacious interviews' for the Italian press.

3 pp

- 145 15 April 1926 Holograph letter from Patrick Keown, St. Joseph's, Carrickmacross (County Monaghan), to Hagan. In gratitude for securing the papal blessing; they are in great need of funds for the foundations and church at Lough Derg. Enclosing sum for a Mass in their intention.

1 p

- 146 15 April 1926 Holograph card from Gerald Cooney, Kilcloon, Dunboyne (County Meath), to Hagan, in thanks. Hoping he can do something [in finding men for the Irish College]. Hoping the bishops will support the new villa.

2 pp

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- 147            15 April 1926            Holograph letter from James J.Roche, Mallow (County Cork), to Hagan, asking to see to the papers regarding his appointment to the diocese of Ross. (Brief comment from Curran.)  
2 pp
- 148            15 April 1926            Holograph letter from Philip O'Doherty, Omagh (County Tyrone), to (Hagan), enclosing sum for Mass intentions, adding details. Stating he was present when Dr. McHugh died – 'he ruled wisely and well', only that bad health dogged his steps. Besides Hagan, it is Drs.O'Kane and McShane who are mentioned as possible successors. Stating he will purchase a set of the *Dublin Review* through Baker's of London.  
3 pp
- 149            16 April 1926            Holograph letter from Don Domenico (Tizi), Rome, to Hagan. Stating how he can obtain the volumes with provisions on sacred art. Hagan has been summoned to the court together with the guardian of S.Isidoro and some Irish American seculars. Enclosing card from the Vicariate (not extant). Some nuns from S. Vincenzo visited Tivoli and liked the villa very much; he told them that Hagan wanted £ (Lira) 1,300,000, but that they will have to wait until he returns from Ireland. [Italian]  
2 pp
- 150            16 April [1926]            Holograph card from [Monsignor] Pecorari (Rome), with wishes for a happy Easter. [Italian]  
1 p
- 151            18 April 1926            Holograph letter from James Furlong P.P., St.Pius's Presbytery, Enmore, Sydney (Australia), to Hagan, introducing the bearer, Mrs.[Kerugh], asking to obtain access to a papal audience.  
1 p

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- 152            18 April 1926            Holograph letter from Cecil [Ernie O'Malley], Paris (France), to 'Monsignor' (Hagan), regretting very much that he failed to meet him off the train and missed him in Paris. Comments on his own itinerary via Venice and Switzerland which they found very expensive. In thanks for bringing his bags to Paris. Hoping he will find things improved in Ireland.
- 1 p
- 153            19 April 1926            Holograph letter from Cardinal Patrick O'Donnell, Ara Celi, Armagh, to Hagan. Stating that the letter to the Cardinal Secretary was signed, but that he will wait with the letter to Cardinal Gasparri until he has seen Hagan.
- 4 pp
- 154            [...] -19 March            Printed circular from the British Consulate Rome, advising British citizens to register at the consulate, and renew the registration once a year to be eligible for assistance. (Comment by Curran that it was sent by the new Consul Sullivan.)
- 1 p
- 155            20 April 1926            Holograph letter from Eleanor Doyle, 14 Lower Mount Pleasant Avenue, Rathmines, Dublin, to Hagan. On the advice of Fr. Dunne, asking to obtain papal blessing for the nuptials of Anna Maria Clerkin and Thomas Joseph Sheridan. She and Clerkin belong to the Irish Guild of Catholic Nurses who presented a volume to His Holiness last year during the pilgrimage. Remembering tea and ice-cream at the Irish College.
- 2 pp
- 156            20 April 1926            Holograph letter from M.[J.Curran], Rome, to Hagan, enclosing five letters (seemingly now under their origi-

nal dates); commenting briefly. Dr.Norton was consecrated. Cardinal Cerretti knows since Saturday he is going to Chicago; there had been rumours of others going. Expecting letter from Momo concerning the change of heating from coal to naphtha gas. Tizi appeared for Hagan at court, concerning Miss G.K.Flannan. William O'Brien and Dr.Farrell are visiting. He had to rearrange the manuscript with the 1704 list. The Cardinal's letters were copied for 'J.J.'[Ryan].

2 pp

157            24 April 1926            Holograph letter from Archbishop T.P.Gilmartin of Tuam (County Galway), to (Hagan), in thanks for dispensations; making arrangements for his visit to Tuam.  
1 p

158            'Feast of St.Mark'    Holograph letter from Thomas Fogarty, Paris (France),  
[25 April] 1926            to Hagan, asking for accommodation at the College from Tuesday. He comes on an important mission known to the Pope and the Irish hierarchy.  
1 p

159            25 April 1926            Holograph letter from Richard [van T...], Gormanston Castle, Gormanston, County Meath, to (Hagan), asking him to lunch in Dublin withing the next weeks. Fr.O'Neill is doing good work. Then commenting that while the country is looking well there are many things seriously amiss.  
2 pp

160            25 April 1926            Holograph letter from Sinead DeValera, Elm Villa, Serpentine Avenue, to Hagan. In deep gratitude for his gift, but explaining that at present they have no financial worries. Dev(alera) was much disappointed to have missed him. She was glad he looked better than last year.  
2 pp

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- 161            25 April 1926            Holograph letter from Bishop Bernard Coyne, St.Mary's, Sligo, to (Hagan), enclosing an urgent application (not extant) and payment of fees. 1 p
- 162            27 April 1926            Holograph letter from Archbishop T.M.Harty, The Palace, Thurles (County Tipperary), to Curran, enclosing petition to the Holy Office concerning a student's ordination (not extant). He has not seen Hagan yet. 2 pp
- 163            27 April [1926]            Holograph letter from M.Clarke, Irish College, Rome, to 'Dr.' (Hagan). Sending him photographs [of the new College building] and negatives for enlargement; some are by Mr.Leahy. The building is progressing in leaps and bounds; the plumbing just being installed now. 1 p
- 164            28 April 1926            Holograph letter from M.J.C.(urran), Rome, to Hagan. Discussing the case of missing cheques. Grateful Hagan visited his mother. Listing visitors who include the Bishop of Nottingham, looking for priests; he sketched the questionable career of (Fr.)Roche, for times in Nottingham and Liverpool, now back in Ireland; the bishop finds little fault with him but stated he is outspoken about politics. Brief news of the new building; the first baths are being installed. Fr.Gogarty, Drogheda, is there to talk to the Pope about his revelations; Curran discouraged him since he has no commendatory letters with him. Some financial matters concerning tax repayments looked after by the Bishop of Dromore; also news on investments. The bishop also congratulates them on having secured Formia. Asking which bishops go to Chicago. The Dominican nuns opposite St.Isidore's sold their houses; they were told the tunnel scheme was dropped. Brief reference to a Cloyne student more interested in cars than his studies; others are well. Commenting of the recent letter from the Pope to the 'fascisti'; the latter had claimed that the church only has the use of the building when it was selling it; comparing to St.Agatha's. 4 pp

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- 165            29 April 1926            Holograph letter from John Doherty, Strabane, County Tyrone, to (Hagan); the collection for the new College is presently underway in his diocese. Monsignor MacCaffrey, Maynooth, sent him a document which he encloses now for Hagan's agency (not extant).  
1 p
- 166            1 May [1926]            Typescript letter signed J.Kelly, Editor of the *New Zealand Tablet*, Dunedin (New Zealand), to Hagan, in thanks for his letter. Certain that Hagan's talk to Dev(atera) will 'prevent further drifting'; the latter will receive support and the oath is then sure to be scrapped or else modified. Congratulations on the new College; asking for information to be used in the *Tablet*. He has been looking after Frank's (Hagan) grave; Mother deSales is better. The archbishop is very strong for his age and going to Chicago; when talking about Auckland (Bishop Cleary), (Redwood) said he had told people in Ireland things that 'would stop this nonsense'. Some news about the paper; his directors are very unhelpful. Repeating his hope to go and live in Italy in about six years; he could write for some papers. Asking about Mrs. Seán T. (Ó Ceallaigh).  
2 pp
- 167            1 May 1926            Holograph letter from M.J.Curran, Rome, to Hagan, enclosing documents for his attention (not extant); a small agency matter; discussing purchase of furniture. Fr.Gogarty will stay at St.Clement's until the cardinal's letter arrives. The weather is still oppressive.  
2 pp
- 168            3 May 1926            Holograph letter from M.J.Curran, Rome, to Hagan. Marchetti's elevation is much spoken of. Two small agency matters; news about the building in progress.  
2 pp

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- 169            3-4 May 1926            Holograph letter from Sr.Mary of the Sacred Heart, Convent of Our Lady of Mercy, St.Michael's, Wexford, to Fr.Keating, (House of Missions, Enniscorthy, County Wexford). In grateful memory of his beautiful retreat a couple of years ago. Asking him to use his influence with Monsignor Hagan since she wishes to see him over a matter he is familiar with. [Enclosing] holograph letter from herself to (Hagan, Enniscorthy), asking him, with approbation of the bishop, to call on them; wishing to discuss their project of a Roman foundation.  
2 items
- 170            3 May 1926            Holograph letter from Bishop John Barry, Bishop's House, Goulburn, New South Wales (Australia), to Hagan, advising him that a student presently at Fermoy, Mr.Healy, will enter the Irish College for Goulburn.  
1 p
- 171            6 May 1926            Holograph receipt from Professor Giuseppe Bravi, Irish College, Rome, for (Curran), for the sum of £600 for an oil portrait commissioned by Monsignor J.J. Ryan.  
1 p
- 172            6 May 1926            Holograph letter from M.J.Curran, Rome, to Hagan. Discussing a matter involving Reali and L.[ucidi] regarding property sales tax. There will be no consistory until October, but C[erretti] will be elevated at a semi-public consistory. On finding more students, he will write to Mungret; the Christian Brothers in Dublin are very helpful; Cork city schools are looking out also. Matters concerning students P.Walsh and Lee. Hagan ought to ask Cashel (Archbishop Harty) to speak to McCormick about giving a concert, maybe without mentioning the object. Informing him that the rector of the Bohemian College died; suspecting a 'broken heart' from being member of the Fondo del Clero-committee.  
2 pp

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- 173            10 May 1926            Holograph letter from M.J.Curran, Rome, to Hagan. News about the new building. Lucidi recommends not acting now, but informing the authorities of the sum of Irish contributions when the work is finished. Some financial matters. Tizi still suffers from the nerves but has no faith in Hagan's original prescription. Making arrangements for meeting Hagan in Paris on 2 June at the office of the U.S.A. lines. 2 pp
- 174            8 May [1926]            Holograph letter from Frank Kerr, Castlewellan, County Down, to (Hagan), in gratitude for kindness and hospitality in Rome. Reference to other clergy travelling with him, including Bishop Morrisroe. Hoping they will have success in acquiring the villa at Formia. 2 pp
- 175            10 May 1926            Typescript letter signed Augusto Fidecicchi, 9 Via Capole Case, Rome, to (Hagan). Listing costs of the printed copies of constitutions for the houses of Cabra, Sion Hill and Wicklow. Adding that according to Canon Lee the [Benedictines] are leaving Gorey to avoid complications. He wrote to the Bishop of Clifton to help Mr.Cantwell in the question regarding his sister. [Italian] 1 p
- 176            13 May 1926            Handwritten note from (unsigned) [Catherine Lynch] [Paris] to 'Dr.' (Hagan), informing him of the hotel; she had a Mass for her sister, met her sculptor friend, and will hear Kreisler at the opera. Hoping to see him when he arrives. 1 p
- 177            14 May 1926            Holograph letter from M.(J.Curran), Rome, to Hagan, (Cashel) having received Hagan's letter from Tuam. Mr.M.Clarke just told him of his return ad vota seculare; disappointedly remarking 'pity it is not Lambe who is going'. A banking

matter. Discussing the doors to be hung in the new building; other points. Fr. William O'Brien is taking the Bulls for Ross to Ireland. Accounting and exchange rate matters.

2 pp

- 178            14 May 1926            Holograph letter from M.[K.] Lalor, 6 Upper Prince Edward Terrace, Blackrock, County Dublin, to Hagan, introducing Fr.Felix of Jesus, founder and superior general of the Missionaries of the Holy Ghost, Mexico, Fr.Thomas Fallon, Dublin, and Fr.Edmund. Due to persecution in Mexico they wish to found a house in Rome.

1 p

- 179            'May'  
[mid-May1926]            Holograph letter from Michael Clarke, Irish College, Rome, to (Hagan). Informing him that he is leaving the College and his studies after a long period of doubt, and after receiving much advice that encourages him to take the step. He still took tonsure because he was still convinced he was doing right; giving further details of the process. He will return to Church Street to work with (his father). Wishing to leave as soon as he has an answer from Hagan. (Clarke received the tonsura on 2 May 1926.)

3 pp

- 180            15 May 1926            Holograph letter from Archbishop T.M.Harty, The Palace, Thurles (County Tipperary), to (Hagan), hoping to meet him in Cobh on 4 June. Asking for blanket dispensation for priests going to Chicago with the (Catholic Truth Society) to say Mass at sea.

2 pp

- 181            16 May 1926            Holograph letter from Cardinal Patrick O'Donnell, Ara Coeli, Armagh, to Hagan. He told the Archbishop of

Dublin that Cardinal Gasparri's reply seemed fine; they hope to have Hagan with them in Maynooth next week.

1 p

- 182            16 May 1926            Holograph letter from Kate O'Donnell, 111 Ormond Terrace, Norwood, South Australia, to Hagan. As executress of Archdeacon Enright's will, asking Hagan for particulars about the burse to be established at the Irish College; he did not get his month's mind but talking about the burse may 'ease some of the soreness'.

3 pp

- 183            17 May 1926            Holograph letter from M.(J.Curran), Rome, to Hagan. Reali has been corresponding on banking matters; enclosing letter to be sent back; listing College accounts [for the year to date]. Commenting on the new Brisbane student, Robert Lyons. The banquet and festa at St.Isidore's was quiet and purely Irish; Canice [O'Gorman] regaled Fr.Browne O.P. with tales of the cardinals he met recently. The conquest of the North Pole brings relief and much rejoicing – 'England is out of it for once (and) I think it is symptomatic. At any rate I hope it is (and) our friends here have scored.'

2 pp

- 184            19 May 1926            Typescript letter signed [Roberto Lapini] of the Direzione delle Gallerie e dei musei del Lazio e della Sabina, Piazza S.Marco 48, Rome, to Hagan, asking to assist Dr.Maria Polacco in compiling a list of objects at St.Agatha's that are of artistic or historic value. (Handwritten note from (Curran) on envelope; he told her the College had nothing to do with the church.)

2 items

- 185            14-20 May 1926            Holograph letter from Bishop J.Hoare, Bishop's House, St.Michael's, Longford, to (Hagan), enclosing cheque for the College fund. (Handwritten comment from Curran about responding to this without making an allusion to the 'princely sum' (£40)).

1 p

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- 186            20 May 1926            Holograph letter from Francis O'Hare, The Presbytery Banbridge, County Down, to Hagan. Reminding him of his promise to visit during his stay in Ireland; Devlin and others who met him in Rome would be very disappointed – putting the case very strongly. 1 p
- 187            21 May 1926            Holograph letter from James O'Dea, Mount St.Mary's, Galway, to Hagan, enclosing petition [in consanguinity] (not extant); the parties [Cusack and Shannon] are leaving for America. Asking for account statement. 1 p
- 188            22 May [1926]            Holograph letter from Catherine G.Lynch, 20 Rue de la Paix, Paris (France), hoping he received information about the hotel; looking forward to seeing him. 1 p
- 189            25 May 1926            Holograph letter from Cecil S.Howard [Ernie O'Malley] Hotel Leroy, 25 Rue Francklin, Place du Trocadéro, Paris 16 (France), to (Hagan). Message from Dr.Lynch about Hagan's hotel; O'Malley will meet him at the station. 1 p
- 190            26 May 1926            Typescript letter signed [G.] Momo, engineer, Corso Vinzaglio 75, Turin, to Hagan, enclosing two photographs with internal views of the new building (not extant). Hoping he likes the result. [Italian] 1 p

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- 191            26 May 1926            Holograph letter from M.(J.Curran), Rome, to Hagan. 'Whit Monday'            Hoping he received mail, one with a draft for Bisleti. Arrangements for meeting in Paris. Mentioning two [convalescent] students. Listing recent callers; Fr.Gogarty returned to Drogheda. Fr.Jones of Melbourne is upset that Dr.Mannix summoned him back; he made it look as though he was nearly indispensable at Propaganda during the summer. Brief agency matter for the diocese of Ardagh. Asking about 'C's' [...] references; he can only imagine Cashel was involved. Other brief news. 2 pp
- 192            26 May 1926            Holograph letter from N.J.Merlehan, Newtown House, Moone (County Kildare), to Hagan. Asking him to obtain the papal blessing for Mother Josephine Doyle. 2 pp
- 193            28 May 1926            Holograph letter from 'Kevin' [...], [...], to Mr.Keohane [Dublin]. Asking for information on recent political developments in Italy, particularly on Pius XI relaxing the 'Non Espedit' and on the Catholic Party's endeavours to improve the material conditions. Hoping to use the Italian precedent for developing a case; also interested in dethroned royalty and governments. (Covering letter not extant.) 4 pp
- 194            28 May 1926            Holograph letter from P.O'Doherty, Omagh (County Tyrone), to (Hagan), regretting he did not come Derryway. Commenting on the way the north is forgotten about by the southern government. Devlin with 'his great "Catholic" society' is working as usual; there would have been disunion had he stayed out of the Belfast house. However, at the next general elections the Catholics will not send a representative to Belfast, and their apathy will mean 'a walk-over to every Orange Candidate'. Praising the *Derry Journal*, now sent to Hagan regularly, over the *Irish News* which could be called 'The Joe Devlin Blather'. Censorship is still in place and the postal service very unsatisfactory. 4 pp

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- 195            29 May 1926            Printed episcopal oath formula signed by Archbishop John Harty of Cashel, on the consecration of James Roche to the Ross episcopate. (Stamped with seals of Cashel and of Ross.) [Latin] 6 pp
- 196            18-29 May 1926        Typescript letter signed Mary Raphael Deasy, Loreto Abbey, Rathfarnham (Dublin), to Hagan. Enclosing, for his information, copy typescript letter (signed by) Deasy and four sister assistants, to Cardinal Laurenti, concerning their revised constitutions. (Also enclosing) copy of the 1877 approval and confirmation of the constitutions. Stating that they gained courage since the archbishop put this matter in Hagan's hands. [partly Latin] 3 items
- 197            31 May 1926            Holograph letter from [Edward] J.McGolrick, Lourdes (France) (giving Brooklyn address), to Curran. In gratitude for his goodness during the sojourn in Rome. Asking to explain to Cardinal [Liquidì] that he could not call on him. 2 pp
- 198            31 May 1926            Holograph letter from Patrick Finnegan, Parochial House, Armagh, to Hagan, enclosing a list of the churches that hope to obtain the Portiuncula Indulgence (not extant). 1 p
- 199            31 May 1926            Holograph letter from Patrick Deering, Standard Hotel, Dublin, to Hagan (Dublin), sorry to have missed him but hoping to see him this evening. 1 p



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- 204            1 June 1926            Handwritten note from the prefect of the Propaganda College, Rome, for Hagan; listing the examination results of four pupils. 1 p
- 205            2 June 1926            Holograph letter from Bishop Patrick McKenna, Bishop's House, Monaghan, to Hagan, regretting to have missed him in Maynooth. Promising to help boosting student numbers in the College; planning to send two students but uncertain about funding them. Asking him to pay a bill outstanding with sculptor Palla whose statues arrived a while ago. (Now attached, handwritten draft letter by Hagan to Ferdinando Palla, sending cheque from McKenna.) [partly Italian] 2 items
- 206            2 June 1926            Typescript letter signed [French] of French, Lemon & Co., 59 Piazza di Spagna, Rome, to Hagan, soliciting business in exchange transactions and freight services. 1 p
- 207            4 June 1926            Holograph letter from Michael Dooley, St.Peter's College, New Kilpatrick, Glasgow (Scotland), to (Hagan), reporting that he received tonsure and minor orders, that further progress was hampered by an operation for hernia in Dublin; details. The archbishop takes a special interest in him; he expects to be ordained next year. Repeating his deep gratitude. 3 pp
- 208            5 June 1926            Typescript letter signed F.O'Reilly of the Catholic Truth Society of Ireland, Dublin, to Hagan, enclosing copy of their next conference programme for October.

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Asking to obtain a message from the Holy Father (programme and last year's message not extant).

1 p

209            7 June 1926            Holograph letter from P.Dunne, Archbishop's House, Dublin, to (Hagan), having lodged a sum for the expenses concerning the Dominican constitutions. Hoping his journey was comfortable.

2 pp

210            7 June 1926            Holograph letter from John Doherty, Strabane, County Tyrone, to (Hagan), asking to expedite faculties for students about to be ordained at Maynooth. Wondering when the a bishop will be appointed to Derry.

1 p

211            8 June 1926            Holograph letter from Francis McConnell, McCarten's Seminary, Monaghan, to Hagan, enclosing a cheque in duplicate. Asking whether a sum for Mass intentions arrived.

1 p

212            8 June 1926            Typescript letter stamped [...] of the Opera Cardinal Ferrari, Casa Pio XI, Rome, to (Hagan). Offering their recruitment services; they only deal with men recommended by clergy. [Italian]

1 p

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- 213            10 June 1926            Typescript letter signed M.Keating, House of Missions, Enniscorthy (County Wexford), to Hagan, sending list for Mass intentions; some to be given to Tizi. Also asking to obtain relics for the high altar of Fr.Murphy's church, Crossabeg; enclosing bishop's letter in endorsement (not extant). Hoping to send a student or two. He will see (Sr.Mary) Zeno when she comes to Ireland. 1 p
- 214            10 June 1926            Holograph letter from M.(J.Curran), on board United States Lines S.S.President Roosevelt '100 miles off Nantucket', to Hagan. Impressions from a pleasant journey; the Irish contingent made an excellent impression. Listing fellow travellers, including Dr. McSherry, the bishops of Cashel, Down and Connor, Raphoe. Stating that 'Isaac' [Bishop Downey] has been studiously avoiding him. Sending a cheque for faculties. Some remarks about the new building; finances and an offer of furniture. From the point of view of Bishop McSherry of South Africa, relating the case of Bishop Cox of Pretoria who, after not agreeing with instructions from Propaganda on the native question, was asked to resign; the other five bishops are behind him however. A similar story is told by Fr.Gleeson of Cape Town about the Propaganda delegate introducing Germans to deal with the natives. Believing Hagan should enquire into this; it would be 'powerful ammunition' for Lucidi. Repeatedly praising the cardinal's invaluable patronage for his mission; Cashel (Harty) promises to use his influence with Cantwell, Los Angeles. Stating that the nephew of Canon Rossiter, Ferns, might join the Irish College once medically examined. On his mission, 'depend I shall do my very best.' 8 pp
- 215            12 June 1926            Holograph letter from Bishop J.Hoare, Bishop's House, St.Michael's, Longford, to (Hagan), regretting he made a mistake; his [contribution to the College fund] is £ 400 not £ 40. 1 p
- 216            12 June 1926            Holograph letter from J.MacCaffrey, St.Patrick's Colledge, Maynooth (County Kildare), to (Hagan). He

will look out for a candidate for the Canon Ryan scriptural scholarship; unfortunately the bishops seem to have need of all their priests at present. Then asking whether he would consider any student who has only finished three years of theology.

3 pp

217            12 June 1926            Holograph letter from Bishop James Roche of Ross, Bishop's House, Skibbereen (County Cork), to Hagan. He will try to find a promising student for the free place on offer. Explaining that, coming from another diocese, he has to step carefully. Remarking that the fees for his Bulls were rather dear at £108.

2 pp

218            13 June 1926            Holograph letter from G.Palombi, engineer, Salita S. Nicola da Tolentino 1B, Rome, to Monsignor Sinibaldi (Rome), asking him to mediate between him and the rector of the Irish College who does not respond to his recent correspondence concerning outstanding bills. Attaching a memorandum explaining the facts (not extant); planning to inform all cardinals and rectors of colleges in that way. (Covering letter not extant.) [Italian]

2 pp

219            13 June 1926            Typescript letter signed Guglielmo Palombi, engineer, Salita S. Nicola da Tolentino 1B, Rome, to Hagan; reminding him of unfulfilled obligations towards him; asking why his correspondence has not been replied to. [Italian]

1 p

220            13 June 1926            Holograph letter from Joseph Dolan, Villa Notre Dame, Montana [Ardee, County Louth] to (Hagan). Asking him to see whether Diarmuid McIvor is fit to come and

visit him as planned since the climate is trying for the breathing. (On note-paper from Tomás Ó Dóláin, family grocer, Ardee, but writer's address not clear.)

2 pp

- 221            15 June 1926            Typescript letter signed J.McShane, St.Columb's College, Derry, to 'amico mio' (Hagan). Having sent a wire previously; explaining that letting Farren go would be disastrous to the college since the vacancy would be very hard to fill. But seeing how 'Ireland and the Irish Church would gain enormously by having a man of the stamp of Farren out there'. Hoping to send a few presentable men; certain of one who currently looks after the orchestra. Expressing gratitude for Dr.O'Kane's appointment.

1 p

- 222            16 June 1926            Holograph letter from Innocent Ryan, The Presbytery, Cashel, County Tipperary, to Hagan. Warmly recommending the student they are about to send to Rome, Mr.Christie Ryan; asking to dispense him of the Clonliffe examinations. Promising his financial offering to the College soon; they were very generous to him over the 'robing'.

2 p

- 223            16 June 1926            Holograph letter from M.J.Browne, Maynooth College (County Kildare), to (Hagan). Following a serious proposition from Hagan that involves a [senior and permanent Roman post in canon law], very regretfully stating that neither his academic background nor his physique would recommend him. Deploing particularly that now he will not be of assistance to Hagan 'in working out a policy which would redound to the welfare of the Irish church and people'. Hoping he will find an abler substitute; not able to say what his colleague would say, but he had no part in the incident Hagan referred to and would be 'simpatico'.

3 p

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- 224            16 June 1926            Holograph letter from M.(J.Curran), (letterhead) 'The Pullman Company- The Cardinal's Train en route to Chicago' (United States of America), to Hagan, stating they are just then travelling at 60 miles an hour along the Hudson. Due to the cardinal's introductions he feels confident about New York. The latter's cousin pledged \$400 already; more assistance is promised, also by Seán T. (Ó Ceallaigh). Expressing sympathies to Fr.Magennis on Fr.O'Farrell's death. 2 pp
- 225            18 June 1926            Typescript letter signed [Michele D'Icilio], 6 Via Flaminia, Rome, to (Hagan). Asking to be given a formal commission for selling their villa in Tivoli; there are four potential buyers who would wish to see the property only with somebody with legal responsibility. [Italian] 1 p
- 226            18 [June] 1926            Holograph letter from [P.Coffey] of the Father Mathew Union, Maynooth College (County Kildare), to Hagan, asking to obtain the papal blessing for their jubilee. 1 p
- 227            19 June 1926            Fragment typescript letter with handwritten corrections from [Bishop Foley]; Braganza House, Carlow, to (Hagan). Enclosing his report on a matter concerning the Patrician Brothers, referred by the Congregation of Religious. Offering to send letters from the other bishops concerned. He advised the superioress of the Brigidines along the lines of the cardinal prefect's letter of 10 April concerning election of delegates to a general chapter; details (breaking off). 2 pp

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- 228            21 June 1926            Holograph letter from Bishop David Keane, The Palace, Corbally, Limerick to (Hagan), enclosing petition for a matrimonial dispensation (not extant). They are planning to send a student later in the year; he will probably take up Hagan's offer to [fund] him during his course.  
2 pp
- 229            21 June 1926            Holograph letter from James MacCaffrey, St.Patrick's College, Maynooth (County Kildare), to (Hagan). Advising him that the most worthy candidate for the course at the Biblical Institute would be Martin Brennan, to be ordained next Sunday. It only depends on his bishop whether he will come to Rome. They may also send John O'Doherty for a higher course of theology. Then asking for a reference for Fr.James Bastible, Cork, who applied for their vacant chair of Theology.  
4 pp
- 230            22 June[1926]            Holograph letter from M.Clarke, Church Street, Wicklow, to Hagan. Regretting that Michael is so unsettled and agreeing it would be better to send him home; grateful a place will be kept open for him should he return. Some family news.  
2 pp
- 231            22 June 1926            Holograph letter from Bishop John Barry, Bishop's House, Goulburn, New South Wales (Australia), to Hagan; stating Fr.O'Carroll will be welcome. They are now sending a Fermoy student on the burse; also glad to have Mr.O'Donohue. Stating that the federal capital is in his territory; it may grow quicker than anticipated and it is hard for him to forecast his needs.  
1 p

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- 232            23 June 1926            Holograph letter from Michael [Fuller], Ballybunion, County Kerry, to Hagan, in thanks for his letter. He has improved since returning from Rome; reference to a mutual lady friend and to another visitor to Rome, Fr.Callaghan. 2 pp
- 233            24 June 1926            Typescript letter signed A.Reali of the Istituto Italiano di Credito Marittimo, Via della Vite 7, Rome, to Hagan, enclosing documents concerning engineer Palombi (not extant). Monsignor Sinibaldi will inform the latter of the course decided on. [Italian] 1 p
- 234            24 June 1926            Holograph letter from C.Roberts, St.Patrick's College, Manly, New South Wales (Australia), to Curran. He still has no fixed address. Bishop Liston enquired about the College's centenary when they met; he as well as 'a bevy of bishops' from Australia went to Chicago including Monsignor Hayden, their president. Reference to their lecturing staff; he himself has dogma 'with Discipline thrown in- "Che bellezza!"". Asking for the Irish College rules and prospectus. 4 pp
- 235            24 June 1926            Holograph letter from Michael Behan, St.Mary's, Rathfarnham, County Dublin, to Hagan, apologising for their brief interview when he was in Ireland. Explaining that he meant to invite him to dinner with President Cosgrave (his parishioner) and Monsignor Paddy Walsh, but that he did not know of his earlier departure; the latter two were sorry to have missed him. 3 pp

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- 236            24 June 1926            Holograph letter from Sr.(Mary) Zeno, Convent of St. John of God, Fishponds (Bristol, England), to (Hagan). They arrived after an enjoyable journey, partly thanks to his instructions. While Sr.Rita tried to get sea-sick on the train, none of them did on the boat. They hope to see Monsignor Lee tomorrow; leaving for Wexford on Saturday. 2 pp
- 237            25 June 1926            Holograph letter from Bishop B.Hackett, Bishop's House, John's Hill, Waterford, to (Hagan), enclosing two indults (not extant). Asking his opinion on Fr.Kiely with regard to his taking up a position as professor, and as dean. 1 p
- 238            26 June 1926            Holograph letter from P.Coffey, Father Mathew Union, Maynooth College (County Kildare), to Hagan, in thanks for the papal blessing; enclosing fees. They had a successful jubilee though regretted Dr.Dignan could not come to preach. 1 p
- 239            27 June 1926            Holograph letter from [Bishop M.] O'Farrell, Dunshaughlin, County Meath, to (Hagan), asking to obtain an indulg for wearing the Gothic vestments he just purchased, unaware of the congregational edict. Then discussing at length the case of a Presentation nun in Mountmellick, wishing to go to Australia to join the Sisters of Mercy; she could travel with O'Farrell. Asking Hagan for advice; he may be able to get a dispensation from her vows. 2 pp
- 240            28 June 1926            Typescript letter signed J.McShane, St.Columb's College, Derry, to 'amico mio' (Hagan), enclosing a

cheque. Discussing the question of a memorial for Fr. Boyle at the Irish College; the parish priest at Buncrana is very generous but needs advice in the matter. Then offering statements on 'Farren', his prowess in canon law and efficient assistance to the bishop-elect; the information is supplied for the Rotary Club.

1 p

- 241            29 June 1926            Printed card with handwritten content from Monsignor Enrico Remiddi, secretary to the Pope's maiordomo, Vatican, to [Hagan]. Introducing Professor Guido Allegretti, chiropodist, and recommending his services also for the students. [Italian]

1 p

- 242            29 June 1926            Holograph letter from James O'Dea, Mount St.Mary's, Galway, to Hagan, enclosing report on religious instruction in the diocese for the Congregation of the Council (not extant).

2 pp

- 243            30 June 1926            Holograph letter from J.Kearney, Garvagh, County Derry, to Hagan, in the matter of B.O'Kane's will. Regretting that their 'revered Bishop' is not well and may not survive July. Explaining that he decided to leave the O'Kane case be; going over some points again. Regretting he caused so much bother.

1 p

- 244            [c.June 1926]            Handwritten draft letter from (Hagan), to Cardinal [...] (Rome), asking him to postpone the visit of the apostolical visitator until November. He shoulders all work concerning the construction of the new College on his own until the vice-rector returns in August. [Italian]

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- 245            1 July 1926            Holograph letter from Sr.(Mary) Zeno, Convent of St. John of God, Wexford, to (Hagan), reporting on their journey from Bristol. In Bristol, they met Monsignor Lee, and were shown the bishop's house which holds a piece of bone from Oliver Plunkett's body. Fr.Keating informs him that they will send two students from Enniscorthy; this year numbers may count a good deal even if the students are not brilliant.
- 2 pp
- 246            [2] July 1926            Holograph letter from Archbishop T.P.Gilmartin, St. Jarlath's, Tuam (County Galway), to (Hagan), asking about a dispensation yet outstanding from the Congregation of the Sacraments concerning the fast before communion. Inquiring about the Gallagher scholarship.
- 2 pp
- 247            21 October 1925-        Printed excerpt from papal address and from letters  
3 July 1926            by Cardinal O'Donnell, endorsing the mission of Monsignors Ryan and Curran to America in gathering funds for the new Irish College.
- 1 p
- 248            3 July 1926            Typescript memorandum signed D.S.[Nerney] (Rome), 'on the present state of negotiations to establish the equivalence of the B.D.Maynooth with the Doctorate required for the Cursus Magisterii in the Gregorian University'. Listing seven points; finding it likely that the Congregation of Seminaries will recognise the equivalence of the degrees.
- 1 p

- 249            5 July 1926            Holograph letter from P.Dunne, Archbishop's House, Dublin, to (Hagan). Monsignor Pecorari will be welcome, but regretting that the archbishop, Dunne and (Walsh) will be on retreat. They would take him to Donard, Palladius and his current successor. Paying fee for printing of the Dominican constitutions. 4 pp
- 250            5 July 1926            Holograph letter from M.(J.Curran), 338 East 29 Street, New York (United States of America), to Hagan. Reporting that the time spent in Chicago, 17-28 June, was very busy and only comparable to the beatification of Oliver Plunkett. The cardinal was extremely tired, but the co-operation with him has been invaluable in terms of useful connections. 'James J.(Ryan) has proved as unhelpful as Cashel (Archbishop Harty) predicted; following his own agenda of seeking funds for a Benedictine school, with men from Maredsous, to be established in Limerick. In New York, he does not expect much from the millionaires – explaining the difficulties - but will look for smaller subscriptions; 'you can imagine how long it will take to get your forty-thousand dollars?' T. H.Kelly is an example of the rich who may be generous but look to have their name attached to whatever they fund. Commenting on the unexpectedly large expenses; on the distances travelled; on the Independence Day. He met [Ronayne]. Then seriously admonishing him on his attitude to the typhoid cases; they risk legal consequences also if they do not send all of them to the hospital regularly. He has \$ 850 so far, thanks to the cardinal.Apart from those already mentioned, he will have support in New York also from J.C.Walsh and cousins of Cardinal Bisleti. Despite a first awkwardness, he is now on a good footing with Judge Cohalan. After the cardinal's admonition about politics he himself got landed on some important occasions; Smiddy had to be suppressed; reports about his private life render him an undesirable representative. Then commenting on the very positive 'Irishness' of the Americans he encounters; while holding the same range of views as at home there are some republicans in unexpected circles, and the clergy overall is better disposed to republicanism; DeValera's name often draws applause. Dr.Mannix and six Australasian bishops travelled also to prepare the Congress in Sydney in 1928. Despite Hagan's unstated problems with Archbishop Duhig, the latter is very friendly towards the College; asking to invite him to the tercentenary; the Irish bishops will have their ad limina-visit coincide with it in October 1927. While the cardinal and Dr.Mannix 'hit it off well to outward appearances', the other Irish bishops have been avoiding him. 'Isaac' [Bishop Downey] does not seem to count much; he and Curran only talked briefly. The cardinal's administrator was a bad choice and Curran dealt with most matters in the end; one problem was the man's 'Hibernian gaucherie' at ceremonies, another his open criticism of O'Donnell; looking preferably for an ex-Roman

student with 'savoir-faire'. In Armagh, an 'anti-Raphoe feeling' is obvious [so Bishop Morrisroe]. The whole visit showed off the shortcomings of clergy trained in Ireland; the cardinal expressed some of it when in private considering a Eucharistic Congress in Ireland. Then commenting on the [Mundelein and Kennrick seminaries and the sums pledged to these]. Brief further comments on the Congress; he will stay until the end of July and then go to Chicago.

6 pp

- 251            6 July 1926            Holograph letter from Sr.(Mary) Zeno, The Convent, Kilmore (County Wexford), to (Hagan). Some impressions from her holidays; it is awkward being scrutinised closely as a 'Roman visitor'. Fr.Furlong's bazaar was a success; his collection for the College fund will be made this Sunday along with that for Peter's Pence. Her further holiday plans; glad that Mr.Fitzgerald is holding his own.

2 pp

- 252            14 June -            Holograph letter from T.H.Ellis, Civic Guard Depôt, 6 July 1926            Phoenix Park, Dublin, to (Hagan), grateful for the interest taken in him. Stating his case, Bishop (Gaughran) having charged him with a number of instances of solicitation supposed to have taken place in 1918 and 1920. On oath he swore to his innocence, but was suspended. Eventually he was sent to Moyne Park, little better than a mental hospital. Hoping the case will be reopened; asking him to help with the Holy Office. Signing himself 'your respectful alunno'. Enclosing copy handwritten letters from Cardinal Merry del Val to Bishop Gaughran of Meath and from Ellis to the same; asking Gaughran for the trial with advocate that he had not availed himself of in September. Protesting his innocence and asking for justice.

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- 253            6 July 1926            Holograph letter from A.L.Kenny, 13 Collins Street, Melbourne, Australia, to Hagan, introducing Mrs. Barden and sister; asking to help them see the Vatican, and especially the sacristy of His Holiness.

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- 254            6 July 1926            Holograph letter from L.B.Potter S.J., [Superior Apostolic Schools], Mungret College, Limerick, to Hagan, informing him that despite difficulties they have secured two men for the Irish College: recommending William Caffrey, Melbourne, and C.Smithwick, Sydney. 2 pp
- 255            7 July 1926            Typescript letter signed J.McShane, St.Columb's College, Derry, to 'amico mio' (Hagan), stating that the Derry priests will look after the cost of the seating for the new chapel. 1 p
- 256            7 July 1926            Telegram from Bishop [Dwyer], [Wagga Wagga] (Australia), to Hagan, 'can you accept [theologian] November'. 1 p
- 257            9 July 1926            Holograph letter from [Timothy J.Shanley] Hotel Monopol-Metropol, Cologne (Germany), to Hagan. Introducing himself as a friend of Seán T.O'Kelly; together with the Dunphy, Richter and other families he would like to attend a papal audience when in Rome from mid-month. 1 p
- 258            9 July 1926            Holograph letter from Eric Fair, Tivoli, to Hagan. A small matter involving the wine merchant. Since the Dominicans are not in Tivoli somebody should come out for confessions. The Bishop (of Tivoli) comes on Sunday; asking whether he can be in Rome for the minor orders ordinations himself. 2 pp

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- 259            9 July 1926            Holograph letter from Archbishop T.P.Gilmartin, St. Jarlath's, Tuam (County Galway), enclosing a document (not extant). Expressing his wish that Mr.Patten not be given holy orders without his express consent; despite his success those who know him are not satisfied about his character. 1 p
- 260            9 July 1926            Holograph letter from Mary Clarke 3 [Canon Road], Navan (County Meath), to Hagan, in gratitude for the kindness to her son Peter who is coming home for a time to improve his health. 2 pp
- 261            10 July 1926            Holograph letter from Bishop B.Hackett, Bishop's House, John's Hill, Waterford, to (Hagan), in thanks for the letter about Fr.Kiely. Asking for a papal blessing for Mother Cecilia at the Ursuline Convent. 1 p
- 262            11 July 1926            Holograph letter from Michael Browne O.P., San Clemente, Rome, to (Hagan), asking him to recommend Mr.Enrico Capiello for a post in the Banca Marittima. 2 pp
- 263            12 July 1926            Holograph letter from Francis [Dinneen], Mater Hospital, Dublin, to Hagan, informing him that he sustained a road accident and is receiving treatment for a compound fracture. 1 p

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- 264            12 July 1926            Holograph letter from Bishop William Codd, Summerhill, Wexford, to Hagan, enclosing the statutes for the chapter for Gentili (not extant). Recommending Fr. Walter Rossiter, New Ross, for the deanship, also on behalf of the chapter.  
1 p
- 265            12 July 1926            Holograph letter from Fr. Gaetano Renzetti of the Congregation for Religious, Rome, to Hagan, reminding him of his outstanding salary for teaching students  
Italian. [Italian]  
1 p
- 266            13 July 1926            Holograph letter from James O'Dea, Mount St. Mary's, Galway, to Hagan. Breaking down the sum of £ 4,388-6-0, contributions as agreed from the dioceses towards the new College. All parishes were to contribute £10; the parish of Rathlin Island apparently never contributes to parochial collections. Then recommending a brilliant student, Mr. O'Boyle, now in Maynooth, for a post-graduate bursar; asking Hagan to persuade the bishops. Observing that 'whatever is wrong with Maynooth, its best men go to seed once they leave the College. If we had the application of the foreigners we could teach the world'. (Obverse with handwritten notes by [Curran] on the diocesan contributions.)  
6 pp
- 267            13 July 1926            Holograph letter from John Tierney P.P., St. Michael's, Enniskillen (County Fermanagh) to Hagan, asking to obtain the papal blessing for the nuptials of Patrick Connolly and Josephine Kelly.  
1 p
- 268            13 July 1926            Holograph letter from Margaret O'Brien, Nurses' Home,

Mater Hospital, Dublin, to Hagan, in thanks for his kindness. She was admitted and is being treated. Mother Mary Ambrose agreed with her actions.

2 pp

269            13 July 1926            Typescript letter from (unsigned) [...], House of Missions, Enniscorthy (County Wexford), to Hagan, enclosing Mass intentions. Fr.Murphy will return from America in early September; Fr.Lyng decided to join the Vin(centian)s. Asking Hagan's advice on whether or not to accept two brothers, recommended by the bishop, but 'a house like ours' might not be apt for them. He met the (Sisters of John of God returned from Rome).

1 p

270            14 July 1926            Typescript letter signed J.McShane, St.Columb's College, Derry, to (Hagan), advising him they are sending two students, Michael Deehan and John Brendan O'Neill – apart from good academic reports for both, the latter is also a pretty good violinist. Also, the president of Maynooth has recommended Fr.John F. O'Doherty for a degree course in Rome; asking Hagan's opinion. He will come with the staff to the Italian riviera and will write from Paris.

2 pp

271            14 July 1926            Holograph letter from Bishop B.Hackett, Bishop's House, John's Hill, Waterford, to (Hagan), in thanks for the indults; sending fees.

1 p

272            14 July 1926            Holograph letter from M.O'Farrell [C.M.], Dunshaughlin, County Meath, to (Hagan). The sister in question is likely to be transferred to Syndey; the case is easier

than he thought. Some comments on 'Bart' [...] who is going to Australia until October; it is refreshing to know 'he shook up things at the Congregation for Religious', and it was unfortunate the Irish bishops were so slow in moving. Brief reference to Melbourne and a young man who may yet be saved. He met Peccolari [Pecorari] in Galway; he and his party are well impressed by 'the faith, spirit (and) the people (especially) their reverence for the clergy'. He himself leaves in early October for Australia; some sisters of St. Vincent de Paul are going to found their first house there. Then asking whether there is space at the College for a promising student, McMahon, currently in Waterford College; O'Farrell would pay half the pension and he may go for Bathurst.

3 pp

- 273            12-14 July 1926            Typescript letter signed E.J.Cantwell, 4 De Burgh Road, Dublin, to Hagan. Enclosing typescript copy letter from Bishop G.Ambrose of Clifton (Bristol) to - Mr.Cantwell, having passed on correspondence from her and from the prioress of Cheltenham to the Holy See; satisfied she has a continued desire for the religious life. – Cantwell is certain the conclusion of the case must be near.

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- 274            14 July 1926            Holograph letter from Patrick V.Rudden, President of St.Patrick's College, Cavan, to Hagan, informing him that they will send Mr.Francis Joseph Brennan to Rome; warmly recommending him; detailing arrangements.

2 pp

- 275            15 July 1926            Holograph letter from Eric Fair, Tivoli, to Hagan. The caretaker's relative will call on Hagan. Nobody knows Fr.O'Meara's address. Asking whether the students can accede to a request from a local parish priest to join in the Santa-Sinfiorosa procession on Sunday night.

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- 276            15 July 1926            [Copy] typescript letter from (Hagan), Rome, to Fr. O'Meara [...], stating that the Marchesa di Mattola, Rome, needs a teacher for her children, to accompany the family to Livorno until October. Recommending the post. 1 p
- 277            15 July 1926            Holograph letter from C.Pecorari, Dublin, to (Hagan), with regards from the archbishop and Fr.Blowick. He is well impressed with Ireland, and especially the clergy. 2 pp
- 278            15 July 1926            Holograph letter from Francis Dillon, Cloone, Mohill, County Leitrim, to (Hagan), asking him to obtain dispensation for saying Mass on board ship. 2 pp
- 279            [mid-July 1926]            Fragment holograph letter from M.J.C.(urran) (New York City, United States of America), to [Hagan]. (Beginning missing) Asking advice on an action that McLoughlin recommended; it is a course not unusual in America, and Dr. - Mannix has been similarly approached once; reference to 'title-hunters'. He is going to Boston later in the month, and then leaves for Chicago and the west. Ronayne is in Middleton. 2 pp
- 280            16 July 1926            Holograph letter from John Joseph Branaghan, Hilltown, Newry (County Down), to Hagan. As a new student for Rome, he is about to sit the entrance

exam in Clonliffe; asking for his opinion on whether he will be able to enter the second class Divinity.

2 pp

281            16 July 1926            Holograph letter from J.MacCaffrey, St.Patrick's College, Maynooth (County Kildare), to (Hagan). It is still not certain whether young Fr.Brennan will come to Rome for the scripture course; the Bishop of Kildare will decide. Hagan expressed a high opinion of Dr.Bastible; while his family's politics would not enter into the question he is lacking the necessary postgraduate course. Discussing the three others that are in the running.

4 pp

282            [16 July 1916]            Holograph letter from David O'Meara, presso Fr.Verdenelli, Villa Strada, Cengoli, Province of Macerata, to (Hagan). Explaining his choice of accommodation, found through Monsignor Fidecicchi. He is waiting for an answer from Gubbio.

2 pp

283            17 July 1926            Holograph letter from Bishop B.Hackett, Bishop's House, John's Hill, Waterford, to (Hagan), enclosing a document to explain their position (not extant). Stating that the woman enquired after was expelled by the Benedictines of Loftus Hall, Ferns, but that there is nothing on record against her in Waterford. Concerning Dr.Sheehan and the Sisters of Mercy novitiate, he will write again.

2 pp

284            17 July 1926            Holograph letter from Bishop E.Mulhern, Ardmaine, Newry (County Down), to (Hagan), sending his diocese's contribution to the new College; mentioning a fi-

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nancial matter concerning Ed(ward) Smyth. Glad that Mr.Branagan will take up the Kearns burse. Asking to obtain a relic of the True Cross for the cathedral. [Also sending] document renewing his faculties for Mass stipends (not extant). Commenting on the debt which has been reduced, but 'the times are now at their worst' for paying it off further.

2 pp

285            18 July 1926            Holograph letter from T.H.Ellis, Civic Guard Depôt, Phoenix Park, Dublin, to (Hagan). Sending him separately copies of documents to illustrate his case; Bishop Gaughran now thinks the case out of his hands. He has to return Moyne tomorrow. Wishing to say Mass again, and to study in Italy until matters come right. Now attached copy handwritten letter from Ellis to Cardinal Sbarretti (another letter to Gaughran not extant, but see 6 July): at length stating his case (as before to Hagan); wishing to have it reopened; asking for faculties to say Mass.

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286            18 July 1926            Holograph letter from A.Frattini (painter), Tivoli, to Hagan. Informing him of the price for the decoration of the new College at £150 and £100 for the differently-sized rooms. [Italian]

1 p

287            19 July 1926            Holograph letter from Peter Clarke, 3 Cannon Row, Navan (County Meath), to (Hagan), concerning the matter concerning a (travel agency) in Via Tritone; regretting he has the ticket no longer but hoping it can be resolved. He met Frs.Gallen and Madden in Skerries.

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- 288            19 [July 1926]            Holograph letter from David O'Meara presso Fr.Verdenelli, Villa Strada, Cengoli, Macerata, to (Hagan), in thanks for his letter, but stating his preference to stay on; people are good and he has to talk much. 3 pp
- 289            20 July 1926            Holograph letter from Myles Lyons, [Ballyhar], Killarney (County Kerry), to Hagan, with comments about the journey and a visit to Dublin. Having met a certain Miss Browne, Kildare, asking to enquire into her letter to the Pope about the best way to bequeath her money to the Church. 3 pp
- 290            20 July 1926            Holograph letter from Archbishop T.P.Gilmartin, Roundstone, Connemara (County Galway), to (Hagan), permitting Mr.Patten to receive minor orders; it is for holy orders that he withholds permission for now. 1 p
- 291            20 July 1926            Holograph letter from [Franchetti] (Rome), to Hagan, asking him to return the record cards from the catalogue of art objects at St.Agatha's signed to the 'Direzione delle Gallerie'. [Italian] 1 p
- 292            20 July 1926            Holograph letter from D.Ryan, St.Gall's, Beechwood Avenue, Ranelagh (Dublin), to Hagan, in gratitude for the generous cheque. He just brought the prints on the epistles to Gill's; they expect to engage Dr.Clery to edit the work. Adding that Dr.Mulhern, not surprisingly, did not succeed with the government authorities. 2 pp

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- 293            20 July 1926            Typescript letter from *The Talbot Press Ltd.*, 85 Talbot Street, Dublin, to Hagan, enclosing sample ordination cards (not extant).  
1 p
- 294            21 July 1926            Holograph letter from P.Dunne, Archbishop's House, Dublin, to (Hagan), commenting on his amusing and clever friend who just visited them. The Irish College students Dineen is in the Mater but quite cheerful. The Bishop of Kildare suffered a stroke and the case has been declared hopeless.  
4 pp
- 295            21-22 July 1926        Typescript letter signed Seán T.(Ó Ceallaigh), Poblacht na hÉireann/Irish Republican Headquarters, 3 East 42<sup>nd</sup> Street, New York (United States of America), to Hagan. In thanks for his interesting letter and the document, a copy of which he gave to 'His Grace' [Archbishop Mannix]; promising to revise it and share it with the press. Michael (Curran) has his affairs put into good shape; he had some success in Philadelphia. Commenting that whenever he himself met the cardinal he was cordially greeted and usually in Irish; he told O'Donnell of Judge Cohalan's record and unpopularity with the Catholic hierarchy in New York to explain why he had not attended a function honouring O'Donnell. Frank Aiken and O'Donnell spent one evening talking, though not going deeply into politics. A banquet in the cardinal's honour in Chicago narrowly escaped becoming a Free State event, by eventually excluding Smiddy. Then describing at length the arrangements for Archbishop Mannix's tour of meetings, the problems encountered with the Boston hierarchy, and the ultimately successful meetings and receptions held so far in Chicago, New York, Philadelphia; highlighting the 'truly inspiring' speech in a packed Carnegie Hall. 'He always seemed to draw the greatest applause from the crowd when he spoke approvingly of DeValera and his present policy.' Also stressing Mannix's success, with Irish and the local hierarchy alike, in Chicago; his friendly talks with the bishops of the other dioceses. 'It was a regular (Godsend) for DeValera that Mannix arrived here just at the time he did.' At the National Convention of the A.A.R.I R.(American Association for the Recognition of the Irish Republic), Art O'Connor must have felt very humiliated; DeValera's programme was unequivocally endorsed. It is hard to predict what O'Connor and his will do where the States are concerned. Informing him of his departure and subsequent journey to France with Cáit. Adding in postscript

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that the Boston meeting was magnificent despite the heat; the speech was the best of all four. Mannix will leave from Vancouver on 28 July.

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296            21 July 1926            Holograph letter from Patrick Finnegan, Parochial House, Armagh, to (Hagan); he will inform the cardinal of the contents of Hagan's letter. Stating that Curran will have advised Hagan of all the news; joking he hopes that he will not unlearn respect for the lesser breeds in his dealings with people like Nicholas Brady, Thomas Hughes Kelly and John T.Ryan.

1 p

297            21 July 1926            Holograph letter from Giacinto Latini C.M., Rector of the Collegio Brignole-Sale, Via Fassolo 29, Genoa, to (Hagan). The owner of the bed of Daniel O'Connell is ready to consign it; asking him to come to Genoa before August. [Italian]

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298            22 July 1926            Holograph letter from Bishop Laurence Gaughran, Bishop's House, Mullingar (County Westmeath), to Hagan, enclosing draft for Peter's Pence.

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299            22 July 1926            Holograph letter from Dominic Egan, The Mall, Youghal, County Cork, to Hagan. Nominated by Bishop Barry of Goulburn for the Irish College, asking for practical information on coming to Rome.

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- 300            24 July 1926            Holograph letter from coadjutor Bishop E.Doorly, St. Mary's, Sligo, to (Hagan), in thanks for expressions of sympathy on Dr.Coyne's death. Asking advice on a legal point about appointments to the parishes of Ahamlish and Strokestown.  
2 pp
- 301            24 July 1926            Holograph letter from Bessie O'Neill, The Manor House, Greencastle, Tirconnail (County Donegal), to (Hagan). In gratitude for his kindness in Rome; her journey was uneventful. She might spend the winter in the Holy Land, asked to undertake work 'founded to frustrate English protestant influence among the Arabs'. Praying for a united nation in Ireland 'even with individual aspirations'.  
4 pp
- 302            24 July [1926]            Holograph letter from W.M.Farrell, [117 North Circular Road], Dublin, to Fr.Montague [C.C.Greenore]. Offering a quotation from D'Alton's *Archbishops of Dublin* concerning St.James the Apostle's alleged sojourn in Ireland as based on Vincentius of Beauvais and Julian of Toledo; adding that folklore places James near Carlingford.  
2 pp
- 303            25 July 1926            Holograph letter from Michael [...], Ballanagh, Avoca, (County Wicklow), to 'my dear Uncle' (Hagan). The holidays are speeding past; reporting on his successes at Rockwell College and a motor excursion to Waterford as a reward.  
2 pp
- 304            25 July [1926]            Holograph letter from [Michael E...] [...], to 'dear Father' [...], asking him to call on his brother Fr.Aloysius [M...] at S.Carlo al Corso; he would like to make

- his acquaintance. 2 pp
- 305 26 July 1926 Holograph letter from (Sr.Mary Francis) de Sales, Loreto Abbey, Rathfarnham (Dublin), to (Hagan). They are still very concerned about Dr.Ronayne's illness in America. Their mother provincial has been renewed, thankfully; they now have a training college for teachers in Ballyconnell, west Donegal- only Irish speakers are eligible. 2 pp
- 306 26 July 1926 Holograph letter from J.McShane, Hôtel des Anglais, Menton (France), to (Hagan), regretting they would not come to Rome unless Hagan found it would be useful. Recommending his travel companion 'F.'[...] who has sufficient Italian and ability and would make a good 'advocatus diaboli'. 2 pp
- 307 27 July 1926 Holograph letter from T.Baker, bookseller and publisher, 72 Newman Street, London W.1 (England), to Fr. P.O'Doherty. He has sent one volume of the *Month* but cannot trace a set of the *Dublin Review*. (No covering letter extant.) 1 p
- 308 24 July 1926 Holograph letter from Sr.(Mary) Zeno, Convent of St. John of God, Kilmore, County Wexford, to (Hagan). With an account of her holiday in Ballybunion with 'the Canon' [...]; there were as many Masses as in Rome since this is a favourite resort for priests. Describing her further journeys by motor to Kilgarvan, Waterford, Mullinavat, Mooncoin – regards from mutual friends, and comments on his aunt [Sister Paulinus] – 'you seem to be the idol of her life'.

They talked at length to Bishop Hackett. Thanking Hagan for the trouble he takes over Thomastown. A surprising letter from the Office of National Education, Dublin, reached her (enclosing holograph letter): Hagan's friend J.Fenton invites her to stay with him when in Dublin.

2 items

- 309            27 July 1926            Holograph letter from Eddie Gallen, Mill House, Balbriggan (County Dublin), to Hagan; he has delivered the messages given to him. He has heard from Tivoli where all is well; Sr.Enda must be worrying over her responsibility for the Roman province. The duty he fulfils in Clonliffe is light. Mr.Dineen in the Mater is free from pain now.

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- 310            27-28 July            Holograph letter from M.J.C.(urran), Catholic Club, 120 Central Park South, New York (United States of America), to 'carissimo' (Hagan). Commenting on the great heat; Fr.Ronayne gave them worries but is recovering now. Then commenting on the republican movement in the region; praising Seán T. (Ó Ceallaigh)'s quiet but effective work in creating coherence between the disparate groups and steering a pro-DeValera course; stating that Dr.Mannix's speeches outdid one another: 'the result is a distinct galvanising of a hopelessly disorganised, confused and despairing mass into life (and) work'. Frank Aiken was asked to stay in Ó Ceallaigh's place; the American Association has preliminarily cut contact with Sinn Fein, awaiting developments. Describing his slow progress, finding an office, but having to wait until the potential subscribers return in September; he is obliged to Cardinal O'Donnell for contacts. Describing a typical conversation for soliciting a donation, in Philadelphia; giving an account of meeting the national president of the (Ancient Order of Hibernians) who hesitatingly helped with a list of names. Hoping to effect something at the imminent convention of the Knights of Columbus, also in Philadelphia. He has presented his mission to Cardinal Hayes but had no reply. Recommending Martin Conboy who has been of help; president of the Catholic Club but not only nominally the leading Catholic layman. Hesitating to estimate how much he can raise; repeating his reservations about the millionaires; also he has been pre-empted by the rector of the North American College. Having pledged in his letters that money raised would furnish the new College; Hagan could use Irish money for Formia. Sending him a copy of the booklet (not extant- but see draft 1 June). He talked to Mannix about Jones who is being sent back now by Van R.(ossum).

Mannix reported on Dempsey, lately of Blanchardstown, who has found himself not accepted formally in Brisbane and has had varying success in Melbourne due to a difficult character. Seán T. has left for France. Asking again about Fitzgerald's health. Then giving advice on an old investment, foreseeing that currencies in Italy and France will depreciate until fixed; he invests privately in loans to a religious house in the Philippines. Americans are very irritated over the war-debt squabble; Governor Smith is very popular and is likely to become president. Adding Cardinal O'Donnell's wish for a new *cappa magna*.

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311            28 July 1926            Holograph letter from Donald Hales, Via S.Nazaro 1-10, Genoa, to Hagan. Having seen the proprietor of the bed [of Daniel O'Connell] stating that a carpenter will be needed to reassemble it. On Hagan's discouraging report from Ireland, stating that their nation's besetting sin is senseless disunion. 'If perhaps we had more of the calculating Saxon, and less of the impulsiveness of the fiery Celt we should succeed much better.' He will continue his anti-English propaganda. Republican strength outside the Dáil is nearly gone- maybe entering it in protest would have made allies on the continent and among those also under English domination.

2 p

312            28 July 1926            Holograph letter from President P.J.Walsh of Holy Cross College, Clonliffe, Dublin, to Mr.McGauran, advising him his studies in Paris make a further examination unnecessary. Advising him to write to the Irish College. (Covering letter not extant.)

2 pp

313            29 July 1926            Holograph letter from Brendan Harley, Carrig Barre, St.Finbarr's, Cork, to (Hagan), having decided to return to Rome. Following Fr.Magennis's advice he can decide about a religious life after ordination. In gratitude for his support, and enclosing repayment of a loan.

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- 314            29 July 1926            Holograph letter from Michael Gilmartin, Grange, Borrisoleigh, Thurles, County Tipperary, to Hagan. About to enter the Irish College, asking about the opening; promising to send certificates. 2 pp
- 315            29 July 1926            Holograph letter from Piers Synnott, Furness, Naas, County Kildare, to Hagan. Wishing to renew the rescript which gave his father permission for Mass in their private oratory. Describing at length the vicissitudes connected with receiving the original rescript in 1920 and copies in following years- enclosing original correspondence with Bishop Foley 1920-1923 and handwritten copy of the original brief by Foley. Asking whether the original, necessary for a renewal, is still in Rome; if not, applying for a new one. 6 items
- 316            29 July 1926            Holograph letter from Sr.(Mary) Zeno, The Convent, Kilmore (County Wexford), to (Hagan). Expressing gratitude for his assistance to them over the institution in Thomastown. Some comments on College life in Rome and Tivoli; reminding him of taking his 'blue pill'. Sr.Rita will not return with her. News from mutual friends Canon Fuller cannot come to Rome. She will try to pay the visit in Dublin but getting permission is harder since the amalgamation. 2 pp
- 317            29 July 1926            Holograph letter from [P.T.Keohane] of M.H.Gill & Son Ltd., Dublin, to 'my dear friend' (Hagan). Enclosing draft of MacFaelan's excellent article this month (not extant). He himself cannot come to Rome; 'W.P.K.' is very unwell. 'Brewer' (Morrissey) and Fenton are going, however; asking him to treat 'Aloysius' [...] particularly well, a Corkman. About Irvine he has heard only good things. 2 pp

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- 318            30 July 1926            Holograph letter from Bishop M.O'Farrell, Dunshaughlin, County Meath, to Hagan, enclosing fee for the dispensation. Informing him he is likely to send another student than the one originally nominated. Hoping Ronayne in New York will pull through his illness. 1 p
- 319            30 July 1926            Holograph letter from Bishop B.Hackett, Bishop's House, John's Hill, Waterford, to (Hagan), asking whether Fr.Kiely could be given a trial on the philosophy course. If so, he need not further try to procure a mission for him. 1 p
- 320            30 July 1926            Typescript letter signed Mary [T.] Raphael, Loreto Abbey, Rathfarnham (County Dublin), to Hagan, grateful for the news that the idea of the amalgamation has been abandoned and that they will probably retain their constitutions. Noting his remark about their foundress not being mentioned until eighty years after the Rathfarnham foundation. 1 p
- 321            31 July 1926            Holograph letter from Cardinal Patrick O'Donnell, Carlingford (County Louth) to Hagan. He discussed matters with the Archbishop of Dublin; hoping that Hagan will receive the monies in time to meet the bills - comments on minor disasters concerning church funds. If they had the man, it would be very useful to have an Irish ecclesiastic on the Rota. He did not see much of Pecorari; he received the Portiuncula papers. Noting Hagan's anxiety concerning the unoccupied space in the new College. (In the U.S.), regretting he could not follow up some warm and urgent invitations to other cities, but stating that he could not face these demonstrations for himself; grateful his strength lasted so long. Pronouncing Curran's mission a delicate and difficult one. 8 pp

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- 322            31 July 1926            Holograph letter from Bishop William Codd, Summerhill, Wexford, to Hagan, asking him for assistance in finding a priest to teach philosophy next year since 'Murphy' is now reader at Bray. He will send Fr.Browne back to Rome as planned. 1 p
- 323            3 August 1926            Holograph letter from Sr.(Mary) Zeno, The Convent, Kilmore (County Wexford), to (Hagan), with further holiday accounts. Bishop (Mulhern) was so kind to invite all Roman sisters to Newry. In the speculations for Dr.Foley's successor, a person from the Irish College has been suggested but all know it is 'rather easy to find a worthy head to wear a mitre but not such a simple task to fill the position in Rome'. She is about to go on retreat, led by the Redemptorists. 2 pp
- 324            3 August 1926            Holograph letter from John Doherty, Strabane, County Tyrone, to Hagan, enclosing a sum for mass intentions. The clergy is glad at the appointment of Dr.B.O'Kane as bishop; asking to inquire about the delayed papal Bulls. 1 p
- 325            3 August 1926            Holograph letter from Donald Hales, Genoa, to Hagan, with news of the repair and imminent despatch of the bed. Enclosing designs; one part is missing, and the draperies consumed by age. The owner, Sir Borgherella, will call on Hagan when in Rome. Commenting on Hagan's remarks on matters in Ireland: it was an evil day when self-serving 'adventurers' like Blythe, Cosgrave, Walsh and Mulcahy entered the republican movement. Judging that 'their little people in a way are worthy of their little masters, always unwilling to make any real sacrifice to get rid of unworthy persons and defeat the plans of the enemy: England, which with extraordinary ability has pushed Ireland off the world stage...into a dark pit...' Deploring it was Irishmen assisted by their church who assisted this. Stating also that little Sean is much better; his wife will take him to Lourdes. 2 pp

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- 326            1-4 August 1926        Holograph letter from T.H.Ellis, Ballyglunin, County Galway, to (Hagan), enclosing handwritten copy letter from Bishop Gaughran to Ellis; his case will not be taken up again before October. Asking whether he should ask his bishop to be released to go to Monte Cassino or a similar place for the interim.  
2 items
- 327            4 August 1926            Typescript letter signed Bishop M.F.Fallon of London, Bishop's House, 90 Central Avenue, London, Ontario, Canada, to Hagan, in thanks for the favourable report on Mr.Alphonse Page. Asking whether a young priest could stay at the College while pursuing further scriptural studies.  
1 p
- 328            5 August 1926            Typescript letter with handwritten additions signed E.J. Cantwell, Great Southern Railways, Kingsbridge Station, Dublin, to Hagan. Enquiring about his sister's case; after a despairing letter from her he has wired Cardinal Laurenti asking him to expedite the decision.  
1 p
- 329            5 August 1926            Holograph letter from Donald Hales, Genoa, to Hagan, stating that the O'Connell bed should be in Rome in around three days' time; stating the expenses. Advising him that their friend C.Little has been ill for some time in Paris.  
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- 330            5 August 1926            Holograph letter from Bishop B.Hackett, Bishop's House, John's Hill, Waterford, to (Hagan), in thanks for the wire regarding Fr.Kiely.  
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- 331            5 August 1926            Telegram from Hugh O'Neill, Ashburton, New Zealand, to Hagan, asking to reserve room for a New Zealander.  
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- 332            6 August 1926            Holograph letter from G.Brady, St.Paul's Presbytery, Falls Road, Belfast (County Antrim), to (Hagan). In gratitude for his kindness during his time in Rome and the privileges given during his family's visits. Sketching how busy he is in his new post; he feels the advantages of having been in Rome. Commenting that both new students from Down and Connor seem peculiar, but that Conway is certainly very clever.  
2 pp
- 333            6 August 1926            Holograph letter from Seán T.(Ó Ceallaigh), Grand Hotel du Casino, Cherbourg (France), 'a chara dhílis' (Hagan). Stating relief to have shaken off the U.S. dust from his shoes finally. Reporting again on the A.A.R.I.R. convention, where Art O'Connor was ousted by the enthusiastic outbursts in favour of DeValera and his policy, and the final vote of 141 to 21. Even where support was least, in Boston, they must have had 50% on their side. He felt for O'Connor; he and his are hoping that the enthusiasm has spent itself and will not result in further active support. Commenting on the good fortune to have had Dr. Mannix; describing how he and others met and cheered him in Chicago as the Australian delegation arrived. He gave Mannix Hagan's paper and his views on the trend of opinion in Ireland; again describing the arrangements made for Mannix's speeches, for formal receptions, and the obstacles found in Boston – but despite the great heat the meeting was thronged. Reporting that when Mannix travelled from Chicago, [Cardinal] Bonzano was on the same train and duly impressed by the 'wild yelling Irish Reps.' greeting Mannix and presenting him with a crozier; Bonzano joking he was travelling to New York to take jurisdiction of the city. Then promising to give Fr.Magenis all the other news for Hagan; they will meet in Paris. Expecting that Michael (Curran) will not be able to be very active before October.  
6 pp
- 334            6 August 1926            Holograph letter from Michael Quinn junior, 21 Montpelier Hill, Dublin, to Hagan, asking to obtain a dispen-

sation for marrying a Protestant, Mrs.Lillian McCullagh. Once in America he hopes she will convert; he acts on his parish priest's advice.

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- 335            6 August 1926            Holograph letter from P.O'Doherty, Omagh, County Tyrone, to (Hagan), enclosing cheque for Mass intentions for Emilia McFarlane and Catherine O'Brien. His previous statements about the 'Dublin (Reverend)' were premature; enclosing letters from 'Baker' about the matter (see now 1 June and 22 July). Discussing the type of memorial to Fr.Boyle that would be appropriate; he published a notice and expects subscriptions for the memorial.
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- 336            7 August [1926]            Holograph letter from W.Miller, Braganza House, Carlow, to Hagan), sending a reply to the congregation on Monsignor Murphy V.C.'s wish. The bishop's death was very sudden and speculations on his successor are rife.
- 2 pp
- 337            9 August 1926            Holograph letter from Mother (Mary) Kevin, The Convent, Nsambya, Kampala, Uganda (British East Africa), to (her cousin Hagan). News of convent work; they are teaching 46 native sisters but seeking [non-native] postulants; enclosing an article (not extant). Sending photographs separately. There is much expence on medical staff salaries; seeking help for funding the £10,000-project of the new convent and schools to house 200. Having to keep up with the Protestants in the area of education. When she was at home she saw Stasia by whom she sets great store.
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- 338            9 August 1926            Holograph letter from [Michael] J.Murphy, St.Joseph's, Maryboro' (County Laois), to Hagan, in thanks for his correspondence regarding his vicar capitularship. Trusting in God after the bishop's death. Fr.Brennan is going to Rome for biblical studies.
- 1 p
- 339            22 July -                 Holograph letter from William G.McGauran, Kilmore, Drumsna, County Roscommon, to Hagan, enclosing holograph letter from Patrick M.Duignan, Rector of Summerhill College, Sligo, to himself asking him to write to Clonliffe about the entrance examination for the Irish College, Rome. – Also enclosing letter from President (MacCaffrey) (not extant) asking for exemption from the examination. Listing the courses taken in Paris. Asking for the College prospectus.
- 2 items
- 340            3-10 August             Typescript draft and typescript copy letter from (Hagan), Rome, to Fr.Dineen [...], concerning his nephew, currently at the Mater Hospital but a student in Rome. - Apologising for a negative report about him sent to Sydney by Curran without Hagan's sanction, but admitting that the nephew may not be suited to any ecclesiastical career, let alone a professorship in Sydney. Stressing his goodwill towards Dineen junior.
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- 341            10 August 1926           Copy typescript letter from (Hagan) to [Archbishop Kelly, Sydney, Australia]. Noting the arrival of Mr.Baker as their new student; they expect to have up to 100 students in October. Then explaining how Mr.Dineen had been chosen for Sydney from St.Brendan's College, Killarney, and how over the last years it became apparent he was not advancing mentally as he should. Then discussing the difficulties in finding a worthy substitute for the Australian mission; hoping Mr.Smithwick of Mungret College will be adequate. Indignant remark that students who prove not to be good material for professorships ought not to be deprived of their pension; also begging to be excluded from any further expressions of Dr.Nevin's undeserved hostilities. Finally explai-

ning that the Russian bonds, at least at present, will not be redeemed by the Russian authorities. The editor of the *Tablet* [Fr.James Kelly, N.Z.] enjoyed his stay a year ago.

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- 342            10 August 1926            Typescript letter signed Mary T.Raphael, Loreto Abbey, Rathfarnham (County Dublin), to Hagan; glad their constitutions are likely being passed. Asking him to modify these according to suggestions made recently. Further stating that they never had independent houses, in that all houses have equal status and are independent of each other, subject only to mothers provincial and the mother general.

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- 343            10 August 1926            Holograph letter from Sr.(Mary) Zeno, St.John of God Convent, Wexford, to (Hagan), in thanks for his letters. With humorous remarks about their retreat. She is busy planning ahead for the new College, and particularly for establishing a nursery so that the students need no longer attend the Blue Sisters. Regarding Thomastown, it appears that it is a secular matron looking after the unmarried mothers, not nuns. Discussing their return towards late September; glad if Hagan was to make arrangements to avoid seeking assistance on travelling 'in this "Land of the Free"'.

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- 344            11 August 1926            Holograph letter from Bishop M.Sheehan (Sydney), Ring, Dungarvan, County Waterford, to (Hagan). Advising him he is coming to Rome on Sydney business; sketching the problem concerning religious P.P.s who have been avoiding paying their dues to the hierarchy like seculars. Asking for his assistance; he will also contact Monsignor Pecorari.

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- 345            12 August 1926        Typescript letter signed Matthew Lalor, secretary, St. Michael's Presbytery, Portarlinton (County Laois), to Hagan, regarding a letter to Fr. Miller, Carlow. The latter already informed Hagan about the teaching of Christian doctrine in Kildare and Leighlin; they needed to defer a decision on sending an extra student; the diocesan consultors will now allow Fr. Martin Brennan to accept the new burse. 1 p
- 346            13 August 1926        Holograph letter from Bishop E. Doorly, St. Mary's, Sligo, to (Hagan), advising him of the month's mind set for the late bishop. Further details about the Ahamlish/Cliffoney and Strokestown parishes, now vacant; expecting decision from the Datary. 1 p
- 347            13 August [1926]      Bishop E. Mulhern, Ardmair, Newry (County Down), to (Hagan), informing him that the orator will leave on 27 August); should there be a letter he might telegraph to him directly about it. 2 pp
- 348            14 August 1926        Holograph letter from Donald Hales, Via S. Nazaro (Albaro), Genoa, to Hagan, glad the bed has arrived in good order. Then quoting at length from a letter from his brother Tom, agreeing largely with Hagan's perception that Ireland seemed to be 'going to the dogs' in terms of mass emigration, demise of a national spirit, but expressing hope that the unforeseen will happen. Stressing also importance of 'the national unity which makes for prosperity, happiness, and more important than all, national safety in view of future European upheavals'. Then asking his opinion on the alliance of Mediterranean 'Latin powers': Mussolini might soft-talk the English but is steeled against domination in the zone, seeking the Germans for strong allies in the coming conflict. 2 pp

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- 349            'Saturday'            Holograph letter from David O'Meara, presso Fr.  
14 [August 1926]    Verdenelli, Villa Strada, Cingoli, Macerata, to (Hagan),  
asking for Mass intentions. He is getting much practice  
with Italian although the natives tend to 'eat the words'.  
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- 350            15 August 1926        Holograph letter from Hugh J.O'Neill, Holy Cross Col-  
lege, Mosgiel, New Zealand, to Hagan. Advising him  
they are sending out Mr.Gordon O'Meeghan of Christ-  
church diocese. Recommending him; he is also an excellent musician. The  
'wonderful old "Arch"' (Archbishop Redwood) is returning from Chicago.  
They will ordain the record number of twelve men, double the highest num-  
ber so far. However, female postulants are not plentiful.  
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- 351            16 August 1926        Typescript letter signed by F.O'Reilly, secretary of the  
Catholic Truth Society of Ireland, Dublin, to Hagan.  
Enclosing a document with a query concerning the  
rubrics of their booklet 'The handbook for the forty hours' (not extant) for  
submission to the Congregation of Rites.  
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- 352            17 August 1926        Holograph letter from Bishop William Codd, Summer-  
hill, Wexford, to Hagan, having made a payment for  
fees. The statutes for their chapter are being printed.  
Expressing the opinion that the Benedictines lost Cardinal Laurenti's sympa-  
thy when withdrawing the community from Gorey instead of trying to save  
the situation. Glad that Dom Nolan's position is being dealt with and that  
Fideicicchi takes such a helpful attitude.  
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- 353            [17] August 1926      Holograph letter from William O'Kennedy, Coláiste Flannáin, Ennis, County Clare, to Hagan, advising him of two new students sent by them; Denis O'Dea and Edward Maxwell. Bishop Fogarty wishes the former to acquire a good knowledge of church music and Italian.  
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- 354            17 August 1926        Holograph letter from Brendan Moroney, Kilfenora, County Clare, to (Hagan), asking for the College prospectus and the necessaries for a new student.  
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- 355            18 August 1926        Holograph letter from Sr.(Mary) Rosalie (for Mother (Mary) Catherine), 6 Via San Stefano Rotondo (Rome) to Hagan, stating that Mr.Fitzgerald will be able to leave on Sunday.  
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- 356            18 August 1926        Holograph letter from J.B.O'Neill, Donemana, Strabane, County Tyrone, to (Hagan), asking for a College prospectus and anything necessary for a new student. Enclosing his health certificate (not extant).  
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- 357            18 August 1926        Holograph letter from Donovan Kelly, 35 Little London, Chichester, Sussex (England), to Hagan, asking him for assistance in securing access to a papal audience.  
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- 358            19 August 1926        Typescript letter signed Mary Raphael, Loreto Convent, Letterkenny, County Donegal, to Hagan. With their constitution confirmed they will wait for the minor decision yet outstanding. They have been asked to open a college in the Irish-speaking district, with the Free State having purchased Ballyconnell House in Falcarragh for the purpose. The community of six need to adapt to northern Irish.
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- 359            19 August 1926        Holograph letter from Patrick M.Duignan, Summerhill College, Sligo, to (Hagan), recommending their new student, Mr.McGauran; asking for information for freshers. Also introducing Miss Flossie McCarthy, Sligo, asking to arrange access to a papal audience for her.
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- 360            30 August 1926        Holograph letter from P.J.Walsh, Holy Cross College, Clonliffe, Dublin, to Hagan. Surmising that Michael Clarke will return to the College, him being a rather conscientious person; Harley needs to commit to the diocese that sends him and drop the idea of regular life. Remarks on [Lowlie] who has not come to see them since his return. Then recommending the five new students they are sending; Dufficy and Boylan are the best two; details about others. Stating that (Edward) Gallen needs some special attention for his poor health. Comments on visitors from and to Rome; Canice [O'Gorman] leaves tomorrow.
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- 361            20 August 1926        Holograph letter from P.J.Dineen, St.Brendan's, Portmarnock, County Dublin, to Hagan, in thanks for the latter concerning Francis; he will talk to himself and his family.
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- 362            20 August 1926        Holograph letter from Sr.(Mary) Zeno, Convent of St. John of God, Gorey (County Wexford), to (Hagan). They have visited the Mission House, Enniscorthy, to see some modern housekeeping equipment. Relating their motor excursion with Mrs.Keogh and Michael Clarke to Wicklow; they met Hagan's sisters and niece. They will head for Dublin and Newry. Michael Clarke is now returning to Rome. 3 pp
- 363            20 August 1926        Holograph letter from Archbishop T.P.Gilmartin, St. Jarlath's, Tuam (County Galway), to Hagan, agreeing on the distribution of the Gallagher Masses. Inquiring about Mr.Patten who seems to have been ordained subdeacon. Remarking that while DeValera is 'organising quietly' the government are holding their own. 4 pp
- 364            21 August 1926        Holograph letter from Bishop William Codd, Summerhill, Wexford, to Hagan. Stating that he expects a reply from Dr.McRory concerning McConville. The arrangements made for the students remain the same. Adding that Monsignor Lee visited; he thinks the Mount St.Benedict business is finished. [Enclosing] copy handwritten letter from Codd to Lord Abbot [Butler] of Downside; the Congregation for Religious inquires with Maredsous about their member remaining at Mount St.Benedict's. 2 items
- 365            22 August 1926        Holograph letter from Bishop-elect A.Hinsley of Sebastopolis, Palazzola, Albano Laziale, Rome, to (Hagan), expressing his deep gratitude for his congratulations-the honour is for his College. Stating his good resolutions; agreeing that there is no denying his Irish blood – a related Sister of Mercy sister died in Tuam recently at the age of 103. 2 pp

- 366            22 August 1926        Holograph letter from Donal Hales, Via S.Nazaro 1, Genoa, to Hagan, having received the draft and his letter. Commenting on DeValera's 'A national policy'; stating that unity is the most important aim for Ireland. The British empire will sooner or later head for a conflict over interests in the Mediterranean, and Ireland ought to be able to make the most of that situation. Expressing belief that tried patriots like Count Plunkett, Mary McSwiney, and Fr.O'Flanagan would not stand against the nation's interest. 'De Valera is most certainly a statesman, and should be followed...' and his mistake of choosing Collins and Griffith to counter trained English politicians ought to be forgiven. Asking for his opinion on a strategy. Approving of Mussolini's action against the Masons; had Hales power in Ireland 'I wouldn't leave a single specimen of the fell plant, so diligently cultivated by England, fattening on Irish soil...'  
2 pp
- 367            23 August 1926        Holograph letter from Sr.(Mary) Zeno, St.John of God Convent, Gorey (County Wexford), to Mother Paulinus (Mullinavat, County Kilkenny), in thanks for their hospitality in Mullinavat). Detailed description of their motor excursion to Wicklow. They met Mrs.Keogh, Miss Hagan, Mr.Hagan and some friends. The rector (Hagan) is in great form. (Covering letter does not exist.)  
3 pp
- 368            23 August 1926        Holograph letter from Cecil [J.Morkane], Rector of Holy Cross College, Mosgiel, New Zealand, to Hagan, recommending Fr.[Jordan] O'Meeghan, about to study theology in Rome.  
1 p
- 369            24 August 1926        Holograph letter from John Lennon, Mountmellick (County Laois), to Hagan, asking whether the payment of the diocesan collection for the new College has arrived. Fr.Mat Cullen would make sure they will have an extra student in Rome, but the bishop may have intended Brennan to fill that position. Discussing his and Ned Morrissey's visit to Rome in September.  
2 pp

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- 370            24 August 1926        Typescript letter signed F.O'Reilly, secretary to the Catholic Truth Society, Dublin, to Hagan. Asking him to alter the wording in the rescript on pilgrimages since the Society is national, not merely belonging to Cashel.  
1 p
- 371            26 August 1926        Holograph letter from Bishop David Keane, The Palace, Corbally, Limerick, to (Hagan), introducing Dean Hackett, Limerick, visiting Rome with his wife; hoping there are no regulations against Protestants attending the papal audiences. Advising him they are sending a student; he did not pass all N.U.I. examinations but is expected to pass Clonliffe.  
3 pp
- 372            27 August 1926        Holograph letter from Bishop E.Doorly, St.Mary's, Sligo, to (Hagan), enclosing cheque for the fee, in thanks for the telegram. Fr.Keane, now of Ahamlish, is reputed to be very rich.  
1 p
- 373            27 August 1926        Typescript letter signed Cardinal George Mundelein, Archdiocese of Chicago, Chancery Office, 740 Cass Street, Chicago (Illinois, United States of America), to Mrs.McWhorter, Ancient Order of Hibernians, 1023 Garrick Building Chicago. In thanks to the Ladies' Auxiliaries of the Order establishing a burse for the diocesan seminary, acknowledging the reverence for the priesthood thus shown which comes to them from their Irish ancestors. Promising the holder of the burse will be chosen from among the Order's member families. (Covering letter not extant.)  
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- 374            27 August 1926        Holograph letter from Sr.(Mary) Zeno, 63 Lower Lee-  
son Street, Dublin, to (Hagan); they are about to leave  
for Newry. She found both Mr.Keohane and Fr.Morris-  
sey very well. Mr.Fenton showed them a miniature mill; they also visited Mr.  
Dineen. Asking to change their passports for a change of route.  
3 pp
- 375            28 August 1926        Holograph letter from Matthew [Lalor], Portarlinton  
(County Laois), to (Hagan). Explaining that Fr.Bren-  
nan can only take up his burse on condition he pre-  
pares for the Scriptures chair at Maynooth. Regretting they cannot send an  
extra student. Their diocesan collection awaits the nomination of a new bi-  
shop.  
3 pp
- 376            28 August 1926        Holograph letter from Michael McHugh, Clooneen,  
Hollymount, County Mayo, to Hagan, asking for a  
character reference for himself; intending to either  
enter religion or teach. Fr.Martin Goaley may have occupation for him in  
his English diocese.  
4 pp
- 377            30 August 1926        Holograph letter from T.Tobin, Coláiste Cholmáin,  
Fermoy (County Cork), to Hagan, informing him that  
they are sending out two students; Messrs.Ryan and  
McGrath. Recommending two Cloyne priests about to visit Rome; Canons  
Morrison and Lynch.  
2 pp
- 378            30 August 1926        Fragment typescript letter from (signature missing)  
[...], House of Missions, Enniscorthy (County Wex-

ford), to Hagan. Informing him that due to a severe shortage of priests they will not be able to send a retreat master to Rome this year; if they fail to find somebody in Rome however he would make arrangements to send one.

1 p

379            31 August 1926            Holograph letter from Philip McGrath, Kilcraheen, Castlemartyr, County Cork, to Hagan, stating that he has been appointed by Bishop Browne to enter the Irish College.

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380            31 August 1926            Holograph letter from James MacCaffrey, St.Patrick's College, Maynooth (County Kildare), to (Hagan), in the matter of Fr.Brennan. Although awarded the Ryan scholarship, he is intent on joining the Vincentians, and since he was earmarked for a chair in Maynooth it was decided he should not take the scholarship after all. Hoping they will find a substitute.

3 pp

381            31 August 1926            Holograph letter from Bishop William Codd, Summerhill, Wexford, to Hagan, sending a copy of the Abbot of Downside's reply (not extant). They are not certain whether Fr.Nolan is at Mount St.Benedict or not. Asking for advice on serving him a notice through the parish priest as recommended by the abbot.

2 pp

382            19 August 1926            Holograph letter from Patrick Finnegan, Armagh, to Hagan, having made a payment for the new College, and for the Portiuncula tax.

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- 383            [late August 1926]    Draft typescript letter with handwritten insertion from [Bishop of Ferns] to Dom Nolan [Mount St.Benedict, Gorey, County Wexford]. Enquiring into his status; he is residing and saying Mass in the school, closed now, but he has also been secularised and is therefore under the bishop's jurisdiction. Asking for proof of his secularisation.  
1 p
- 384            2 September 1926    Holograph letter from [Sr.Mary Callisto], Casa Leone XIII, [Sliema], Malta, to (Hagan), grateful for his kindness to 'poor Margaret'; giving her a letter towards her working at the Mater Hospital after her terrible dismissal from S.Stefano. Favourable news about work in their hospital, but stating her unhappiness in exile, doing 'a terrible job'. She heard Sr.Padua is doing well.  
4 pp
- 385            2 September 1926    Holograph letter from Sr.(Mary) Zeno, St.Colman's College, Newry (County Down), to (Hagan). Reporting on their time in Newry; when on an excursion in Warrenpoint they witnessed a very large Protestant demonstration. Fr.McParlan there asked for Hagan. Other trips to Armagh, the Drummantine Salesian fathers, the Daisy Hill sisters of St.John of God. They are leaving for Wexford. Enclosing letter from Fr.Morrissey because of questions concerning his route (not extant).  
4 pp
- 386            2 September 1926    Holograph letter from Bishop James J.Roche of Ross, Bishop's House, Skibbereen (County Cork), regretting he cannot send a good student to Rome. He does not seek a refund for the Bulls, merely stating the fee was exorbitant.  
2 pp
- 387            2 September 1926    Holograph letter from James Bastible, 2 Buxton's Terrace, Sunday's Well, Cork, to (Hagan). Explaining his

delay in applying for the chair in Maynooth; his bishop encourages him to do so. Asking for a letter of reference; enclosing a list of his prizes (not extant). Asking for news about Curran. Stating that most past pupils are enthusiastic about the union. He held a prison chaplaincy in Glasgow for a month, before an extensive European journey; especially Budapest was very interesting; unlike the Viennese people they are full of determination 'to make Hungary something in World politics'.

4 pp

- 388            3 September 1926    Holograph letter from D.MacIvor, 1 Bridge Street, Ardee, County Louth, to Hagan, asking about the recommencement of courses. He has recovered well during his holiday.
- 389            3 September 1926    Holograph letter from John Lennon, Mountmellick (County Laois), to 'my dear John' (Hagan). He plans to come to Rome together with the returning nuns; Ned Morrissey is not coming now. The committee is looking into the matter of finding a student for Rome; Monsignor Murphy would even send a few. Fr.Brennan is not now taking up the scholarship.
- 390            3 September 1926    Holograph letter from Patrick Finnegan, Parochial House, Armagh, to Hagan, having paid the Portiuncula fee; further financial points.
- 391            3 September [1926]   Holograph letter from W.O'Brien, North Presbytery, Cork, to Hagan, enclosing contribution for the new College.
- 392            4 September 1926    Holograph letter from E.Grimshaw, St.Joseph's Foreign Missionary College, Mill Hill, London (England), to

(Hagan). Enclosing a photograph of some native sisters from Mother Kevin's community in Uganda (not extant). Regretting he could not go to Rome to tell him more about his visit.

2 pp

393            5 September 1926    Holograph letter from N.Pinto, Avenida Hygienopolis 70, S.Paulo, Brazil, to [Hagan], sending a duplicate of a cheque previously sent but not collected, for the celebration of Masses at St.Agatha's.

2 pp

394            5 September 1926    Holograph letter from Walter Rossiter, New Ross, County Wexford, to Hagan, enclosing cheque for Masses for the soul of Martin Howlett.

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395            6 September 1926    Holograph letter from Timothy J.Shanley, Dromod, County Leitrim, to Hagan in thanks for his kindness when they were in Rome. Explaining he was ill and could not see Fr.Magennis. Asking to forward letters that may have arrived. DeV(alera) whom he met many times is very well and hopeful, while the people 'all over are very much disgusted with the high taxes and salaries'. Inviting him to America.

3 pp

396            6 September 1926    Typescript letter signed Eric Fair, Ballinasloe (County Galway), to Hagan, in thanks for the grand two months in Rome. Giving impressions from the journey and his teaching post. On the train he was entertained by an Englishman who expressed his doubts about Irish and Italian superstition by illustrating his own

modern mixture of spiritualistic beliefs, including the type of 'cosmic consciousness' epitomised by Christ, Dante and Walt Whitman. He also met Seán T. and Cáit Ó Ceallaigh. Listing mutual friends from among the clergy whom he met in Dublin, including the Kilmartin brothers. Teaching in his college has just begun – 'the creak of the boys' new boots is to be heard on the corridor outside' – he will teach English, French and religious knowledge. The bishop cannot send students to any college this year; it is a question of money.

1 p

- 397            7 September 1926    Holograph letter from Eric Fair, Coláiste Sheosamh Naomhtha, Páirc Ghearrbhaile, Ballinasloe (County Galway), to Hagan. Adding that he sent a certain letter by registered post. Informing him also there are plans to establish a chair in Maynooth as part of the Dunboyne which is very low in students. More news from his school which will be very full this year.

2 pp

- 398            7 September 1926    Holograph letter from John [Breen], St.Brendan's Seminary, Killarney, County Kerry, to Hagan, informing him that they are sending two students, Timothy O'Leary and Denis Curran; asking for the prospectus.

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- 399            4 September 1926    Holograph letter from M.Lalor, Portarlinton (County Laois), to (Hagan), informing him that Fr.Brennan is not coming to Rome. He himself regrets he cannot come on a visit.

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- 400            7 September 1926    Typescript letter signed Bishop M.F.Fallen, Bishop's House, 90 Central Avenue, London, Ontario, Canada, to Hagan, inthanks for the reply. regretting that now he cannot after all release the young priest; hoping that will change.

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- 401            7 September [1926] Holograph letter from W.Miller, Braganza House, Carlow, to Hagan. Asking in the case of student Mr.Gerald Synott whether dimissorial letters can be obtained from Rome; he could be ordained now and take an English mission. Enclosing payment of congregational fees; explaining it includes a fee for a rescript the procedure of which brought Reverend L.Nolan into prominence. Offering more information for the Congregation of the Council.
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- 402            26 August -            Holograph letter from Dean [J.A.I.] Hackett of Limerick, 9 Viale Mazzini, Rome, to (Hagan), enclosing holograph letter of introduction from Bishop Keane of Limerick for Reverend Keane and wife, asking to arrange access to a papal audience. – Stating he was filled with admiration and awe on having seen 'your wonderful Cathedral' yesterday. About to call on Hagan – 'I presume you are an Irishman like myself.' (Also attached holograph card from Bishop Keane to Hackett, covering the letter of introduction.)
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- 403            9 September 1926    Holograph letter from Bishop E.Doorly, St.Mary's, Sligo, to (Hagan). Enclosing petitions for marriage in consanguinity; one for a privilege for him to take a fee for charitable purposes; also for the mensal parish of Athlone in addition to that of Sligo.
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- 404            9 September 1926    Holograph letter from John P.Campbell C.M., St.Patrick's College, Armagh, to Hagan. The Cardinal nominated five students for Rome, asking for details of admission.
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- 405            9 September (1926)    Typescript letter from (unsigned) [coadjutor Bishop Downey], Bishop's House, Kilkenny, to Hagan, enclosing rescript concerning Holy Orders and asking to obtain an extension (not extant). Also enclosing cheque for a congregational fee. Canon Peter Doyle told him all the news from Rome. 1 p
- 406            9 September 1926    Holograph letter from Bishop B.Hackett, Bishop's House, John's Hill, Waterford, to (Hagan), asking him to receive young Ryan as unattached; it is a case between him and the President of Maynooth. He just returned from holidays in Madeira and the Canary Islands. 1 p
- 407            9 September 1926    Typescript letter signed John J.Nevin, St.Patrick's College, Manly (Australia), introducing three of their students; Walter Baker, Michael Lane and Alexander McGilvray – recommending all. Hoping to see him in Rome; Propaganda is celebrating its tercentenary. 1 p
- 408            10 September 1926    Holograph letter from Cecil [J.Morkane], Rector of Holy Cross College, Mosgiel, New Zealand, to Hagan, introducing Miss Burberry and asking to gain her access to a papal audience. 1 p
- 409            10 September 1926    Holograph letter from W.Ryan, Ballyneale, Carrick-on-Suir (County Tipperary), to Hagan, regarding Maurice

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C.[Power], about to enter the Irish College; the bishop will write further.

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410            10 September 1926    Typescript letter signed Bishop John Barry of Goulburn, Bishop's House, Goulburn, New South Wales (Australia), to Hagan, introducing the bearer and future Irish College resident Alexander McGilvray.

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411            11 September 1926    Holograph letter from John P.Finegan, secretary to the bishop, Bishop's House, Mullingar, to Hagan, enclosing addition to their Peter's Pence.

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412            12 September 1926    Holograph letter from J.Sinnott, M.S.S., Mission House, Enniscorthy (County Wexford), to (Hagan). He is walking on air since nominated to give the retreat at the Irish College. Asking whether 'John' [...] could come with him. They have been very busy since February.

1 p

413            13 September 1926    Holograph letter from Bishop E.Mulhern, Ardmaine, Newry (County Down), to (Hagan), in thanks for the relic and the well-made old reliquary. Sending a cheque for Smyth, commiserating with the 'poor young fellow'. Hoping [Curran] will be able to gather a decent sum. Regretting that a student meant for Rome is now getting a free place in Salamanca.

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- 414            13 September 1926    Holograph letter from Philip McGrath, Kilcraheen, Castlemartyr (County Cork), to Hagan, asking about requirements for a new student. 2 pp
- 415            14 September 1926    Holograph letter from Sr.(Mary) Zeno, Convent of St.John of God, Wexford, to Hagan, grateful for their tickets, and glad to travel with Fr.Lennon. Other notes on travelling. 1 p
- 416            14 September 1926    Holograph letter from P.J.Walsh, Holy Cross College, Clonliffe, Dublin, to (Hagan), enclosing report on the entrance examinations for Rome, listing 25 students, 14 of whom attended, and recommendations for classes. Further details about individuals, also among those exempted from examinations. They are all to present themselves at Via S.Stefano on 22 or 23 October. Congratulations that the dioceses are so well represented. 2 items
- 417            15 September 1926    Typescript letter signed M.Keating M.S.S., Rathnure (County Wexford), to Hagan; advising him that Fr.Sinnot will give the retreat. 1 p
- 418            15 September 1926    Holograph letter from S.T.(Ó Ceallaigh), '91' (St.Stephen's Green, Dublin), to Hagan. He and Kate passed Hagan's 'ostensible' letter and Athenaeum booklet on to Dr.Coffey. Remarks about the journey and meeting Dr.Fair. He himself will accompany 'D' [...] to Wexford and does not relish the prospect of speaking; likewise he has to undergo a demonstration in O'Connell Street welcoming

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him back. He has not seen A.O'C[onnor] or anyone on that side yet. 'Martin' [...] and friends are going to Rome. Remarking also that Dev(alera) is very well, if perhaps a little too optimistic.

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- 419            16 September 1926    Holograph letter from M.(ichael) Clarke, Parochial House, Dunlavin, County Wicklow, to Hagan. Grateful for having been put in touch with Fr.Magennis who showed him what he could not see before; he is returning to Rome gladly. Some local news; his uncle Pat is not happy with the possible prospect of being sent to Howth parish. Enclosing a holograph letter from the latter [Fr. Pat Byrne] (illegible), Dunlavin, to (Hagan), in gratitude for the invitation to see the last of the College at Via Mazzarino; comparing the expected 100 students at the new place with the 19 when he left Rome.

2 items

- 420            16 September 1926    Holograph letter from Fr.Aloysius O.S.F.C., Franciscan Capuchin Friary, Church Street, Dublin, to (Hagan). They are about to take a pilgrimage of tertiaries to Assisi; hoping for the assistance from students of the College but fearing they come too early in October. Wishing he could coax P.K.(eo-hane) to come with them.

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- 421            16 September 1926    Holograph letter from Michael McHugh, the Post Office, Shrule, County Galway, to Hagan, in thanks for his letter which he will be able to use as a character reference.

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- 422            17 September 1926    Holograph letter from Bishop E.Mulhern, Ardmaine, Newry (County Down), to (Hagan). Enclosing documents concerning an older man who will be happy to be permitted to continue. Brief remarks about (the Bishops of) Derry and Ardagh. His Maynooth man passed the exam.  
1 p
- 423            17 September 1926    Holograph letter from Fr.Augustine O.S.F.C., Kapuzinerkloster, Rapperswil, Kanton St.Gallen, Switzerland, to (Hagan). Describing his arrangements for staying in a French Swiss convent for the winter; hoping Fr.Magennis will call on his way back. With good wishes for the shaping of the new College; remembering with nostalgia the genial evenings at the old College. He has not heard from Dev[alera] recently but sees he is busy; hoping he will succeed. Recommending Frs.Aloysius and Canice who are going with the pilgrims to Assisi.  
6 pp
- 424            18 September 1926    Holograph letter from Bishop M.Sheehan, Ring, Dungarvan, County Waterford, to (Hagan); he will postpone his visit to Rome to the end of October. Regarding the Sydney case it would be good to have counsel from Monsignor Hayden who might already be in Rome.  
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- 425            18 September 1926    Holograph letter from Martin Ryan C.C., Poulfur [Duncannon] (County Wexford), to Hagan, advising him he leaves for Rome Sunday week.  
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- 426            18 September 1926   Printed invitation to a Carmelite Novena with holo-  
graph note on the back from Sr.(Mary) Lelia [Galway],  
to Hagan, stating the novena was 'made for' Dr.Gilmar-  
tin.  
2 pp
- 427            18 September 1926   Holograph letter from Bishop James Roche of Ross,  
Bishop's House, Skibbereen (County Cork), to Hagan,  
in thanks for the offer of a free place for a student for  
next year. Enclosing petition for a dispensation in affinity.  
2 pp
- 428            18 September [1926] Holograph letter from P.E.Magennis, Convento de PP.  
Carmelitas, Jerez de la Frontera (Spain), to (Hagan),  
expecting to be in Rome at the end of the month. Hu-  
morous remarks about statement by Keohane; commenting that 'the other fel-  
lows' have been blowing 'our trumpets so long that I am tired of their music':  
'in any case our music will please ourselves and annoy them instead of their  
music annoying us and pleasing themselves'. Praising 'Wine from the royal  
Pope'.  
2 pp
- 429            19 September 1926   Holograph letter from John Lennon, Mountmellick  
(County Louth), to Hagan); he will travel with the nuns  
from London. Stating Monsignor Murphy is not very  
well; he will see him before he leaves. Asking him to obtain papal blessing  
for DeValera's secretary Miss Clifford and her marriage with Dr.Comer,  
Rathdowney. Recommending Dr.Comer as a stalwart supporter, having suf-  
fered 'in both the regimes of terror'.  
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- 430            20 September 1926    Holograph letter from Patrick F.G.Murren, Dungannon Street, Moy, County Tyrone, to (Hagan), asking for permission to be examined by a local doctor [for admission to the Irish College].  
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- 431            21 September 1926    Holograph letter from Philip McGrath, Kilcraheen, Castlemartyr, County Cork, to (Hagan), enclosing the first part of his pension.  
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- 432            21 September 1926    [Copy] typescript letter from (Hagan), Rome, to Cardinal (O'Donnell, Armagh). In gratitude for the five students sent out which brings Armagh up to seven. Stating that all dioceses are represented excepting Ross and Ossory; the latter is no great surprise. Then representing that Cardinal Bisleti seeks to have his rights over St.Agatha's confirmed; fearing he may be thinking of establishing rights over the new building in some way. He has been given the advice that the cardinal's presence in a case of mischief may be essential, asking about his willingness to 'run out to Rome'. Alternatively a resolution of the Irish bishops formally congratulating the College may be of help, showing their solidarity. Adding the warning that friends of Dr.O'Gorman spread rumours of his imminent elevation to the cardinalcy – 'you must look to your laurels'.  
2 pp
- 433            21 September 1926    Holograph letter from Charles Hurson, St.Patrick's, Dundalk (County Louth), to Hagan, enclosing petition for commutation of Masses for Julia Hamill's intention and in other cases; also enclosing resolutions concerning this and the establishment of other Masses in 1841. Then asking about papal recognition for Mr.Joseph Jennings for his fifty years participation in the choir.  
3 items

- 434            21 September 1926    Holograph letter from Michael F.Boylan, The Presbytery, Dalkey, County Dublin, to (Hagan), asking for a papal blessing for Laurence Boylan and Catherine Vickers's marriage. The archbishop and Pats Dunne returned from the journey.  
2 pp
- 435            21 September 1926    Holograph letter from J.J.Ryan, The Hermitage, Cabragh, Thurles (County Tipperary), to Hagan, with impressions from his tiring journey to the United States. Sketching his journey to the west, meeting Monsignor John Ryan, Bishop Cantwell and others. In Chicago he stayed near the cardinal and (Curran); he was forced to give his opinion on Fr.Finegan, Armagh; the cardinal was repeatedly ambushed by large numbers of people. Ryan has given the Vice (Curran) some introductions, but he is up against a large number of competing charities. Some remarks about his project in Glenstal, already the topic of newspapers: 'the mansion [is] magnificent, but the profits of the property, 360,000 acres, do not meet the expenses of maintenance.' Reporting that Dean Innocent [Ryan] has had a near-fatal bicycle accident. Ryan saw "'Holy Office'" [Pecorari] in passing; he did not call on anybody lower than the archbishop. Asking for news of the villa; remark about the 'Bisletian tornado'.  
4 pp
- 436            21 September 1926    Holograph letter from P.T.K.(eohane), Wadena, Sutton, County Dublin, to Hagan, regretting Fr.Lennon headed off alone this time. Stating satisfaction over Seán T.'s return since 'he is the only one of the bunch with DeV.in whom I have any confidence'; praising his tact and judgement. Expressing indignance over Sceilg's outburst in the *Gaelic American*: 'I feel for him intensely but he is desperately pig-headed and stupid'. Then stating puzzlement concerning the returned coadjutor of Sydney and his intentions- 'Blackrock' [Canon Waters] was very unhappy with his contribution to the (*Catholic Bulletin*). Then expressing gratitude for Hagan's help to Fr.Augustine; asking him to overlook the past black deeds of the O.S.F.Cs [Irish Capuchins] and recommending Frs.Aloysius and Canice, members of the pilgrimage coming to Rome. Promising particular personal news soon.  
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- 441            23 September 1926    Holograph letter from Eddie Gallen, Holy Cross College, Clonliffe, Dublin, to (Hagan), asking for permission to remain a few weeks longer for the poor state of his health. He has gathered some mission experience in Kilmainham. Glad that the two students are returning; remarks about the new ones from Dublin. Also stating the archbishop and Fr.Dunne have returned but that the vacancies are as yet unfilled.
- 4 pp
- 442            23 September 1926    Holograph letter from P.Dunne, Archbishop's House, Dublin, to (Hagan). Advising him that Louis Nolan opposes the proposed Dominican nuns' constitutions unless amalgamation was aimed for; asking to inform the congregation. Cabra and Sion Hill have been in contact; judging them both dishonest. Recommending two of the Dublin students, Dufficy and Boylan. Asking to enquire about nullity case concerning a certain Long.
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- 443            24 September 1926    Holograph letter from M.[Fagan] Dublin, to Monsignor Hickey and Fr.C.Curran [intending principals of the Irish College], introducing himself as a friend of Arthur Griffith's wife. Sketching Mrs.Griffith's hard life on the side of a husband who suffered greatly for Ireland. She did not follow calls to campaign for a Dáil seat in Cavan. Her family have been friends of the friars minor; some comments on her brothers; she knows Mr.Con Curran and his wife Miss Laird. Recommending acknowledging her presence in Rome. 'Here it is said the propaganda of the Irish College is dead against the present government, that should not be visited on a woman who just waits in patience for the Last Day for her husband's vindication'.
- 2 pp
- 444            16-24 September      Holograph letter from Sr.(Mary) Zeno, Convent of St. John of God, Wexford, to (Hagan), hoping he is better. Expressing her respect for the work he did for the new College – at present the distressed people of Ireland have not much to boast
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of but the College will make them proud. Enclosing typescript letter from the Irish Travel Agency, 24 Suffolk Street, Dublin, to Sr.(Mary) Zeno, on the arrangements made for the journey. Remarks about present and former students; they were visited by Dr.Bastible and Fr.McConville. Informing him that Mrs.Clarke has had a little girl. [Also enclosing] holograph letter from John Lennon, Mountmellick (County Laois), to Sr.Zeno, arranging to meet her in London for a joint journey.

3 items

- 445            24 September 1926    Typescript letter signed by Archbishop Michael (Kelly), St.Mary's Cathedral, Sydney (Australia), to Hagan. Stating his unwillingness, in the light of the vice-rector's recent report on Mr.Dineen, to continue paying his pension. They have selected Mr.Baker to come in his stead. Offering in charity to Dineen to pay half his pension in a less expensive college in Ireland. 2 pp
- 446            25 September 1926    Typescript letter signed P.Dunne, Archbishop's House, Dublin, to (Hagan). Representing one reason for Fr. Nolan's opposition to the draft of the Dominican constitutions, hinging on the election of a mother general which in the cases of the Dublin houses does not apply. Warning this is merely according to rumour. Mat McMahan has been praising Rome on his return. 2 pp
- 447            'Saturday'            Holograph letter from Michael Clarke, Parochial House  
[c.25 September    Dunlavin, County Wicklow, to Hagan, explaining his  
1926]                    and uncle Pat's [Fr.Byrne] delay; they are leaving on  
Monday. They will travel with Fr.Lennon and the sisters as far as London.  
(Humorous addition of 'nihil obstat' by '+ Patricius'.) 3 pp

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- 448            26 September 1926    Holograph letter from Michael, Rockwell College, Cashel, County Tipperary, to 'dear Uncle' (Hagan), with news about his courses. He has a new sister called Philomena; he does not expect going back to Ballanagh for Christmas holidays again. Also, he has met Sr.Zeno. 2 pp
- 449            26 September 1926    Holograph letter from Augusto Fidecicchi, Villa Strada, Cingoli, to (Hagan). Reporting on the progress and winning personality of Mr.O'Meara, now returning to Rome. Naming the cost of his pension for the three months. He himself undertook numerous jaunts to places of interest with O'Meara. [Italian] 3 pp
- 450            27 September 1926    Holograph letter from Elizabeth Delaney, Universal Bureau, Dun Laoghaire (County Dublin), to (Hagan), informing him she cancelled her pilgrimage in view of the two Franciscan ones. Fr.[Ranaghan] gave them a film show about both the Chinese mission and Rome, the latter with her pilgrims of last year. In thanks for his kindness to her group. 4 pp
- 451            27 September 1926    Holograph letter from M.bean Uí Riain, Kindlestown, Delgany (County Wicklow), to Hagan, recommending a young woman, Róisín Smith, for any skilled domestic post in Rome. It should be an aim to counteract the great numbers emigrating. During the war she once lost her work in a jam factory due to unwelcome visits by Specials. Then commenting that those once voting for Cosgrave because he was 'less murderous than DeValera' can now vote for the new Redmond Party – 'you needn't count the Irish now lying in Flanders?' Regards from Jim. 2 pp

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- 452            27 September 1926    Holograph letter from James Wall, St.Munchin's College, Limerick, to Hagan, informing him that they are sending Daniel O'Keeffe to Rome. He will be good at discipline but is of moderate ability. 2 pp
- 453            27 September 1926    Holograph letter from John O'Dea, Ironmonger and Merchant, Main Street, Clare-Castle, County Clare, to Hagan, asking him what his son Denis ought to take with him to Rome; he is sent from St.Flannan's College. 2 pp
- 454            28 September 1926    Holograph letter from Michael Clarke, Church Street, Wicklow, to Hagan, explaining at length how his uncle Pat [Byrne] was nominated to the parish of Howth just when about to leave for Rome; he is not coming now. He is now delaying his departure himself. Some comments about selling the Ballanagh 'Mansion and Estate'; greetings from the family. 2 pp
- 455            28 September 1926    Typescript letter with handwritten addition signed J.McShane, St.Columb's College, Derry, to 'Carissimo' (Hagan). Commenting very favourably on the impression made by the new man [Bishop O'Kane] following on his speeches at the banquet- fine mental powers are combined with an outward simplicity of manners. Regarding 'F' [Farren] the bishop prefers him to remain where he is; admitting the decision suits himself, too. Also asking for a papal blessing for Sr.(Mary) regis of the Sisters of Nazareth. Recommending their two students; both are of 'exhibition calibre'. 2 pp

456            28 September 1926    Holograph letter from John Leary, Leamiglissane, Rathmore, County Kerry, to Hagan, enclosing part of his son Timothy's pension.

1 p

457            29 September 1926    Holograph letter from M.(J.Curran), Hotel Vancouver, Vancouver, British Columbia (Canada), to Hagan, with news from his fundraising campaign. Firstly, informing him of the two collections currently competing with him: Fr.Sweetman seeks funds to turn Mount St.Benedict into a missionary seminary and is less successful; Monsignor Barry Doyle, Ferns, collects very successfully for Near Eastern affairs from non-Catholics, denouncing his fellow-countrymen. In Boston he found most people absent, at least allegedly. Making allusions to a certain 'Curran' in Boston, a potential donor although [seeking the title Knight of St.Gregory]; illustrating how this 'title problem' besets fundraising anywhere. In Chicago he got things moving a little though Mrs McWhorter has yet to return. Then stating generally that most support can be expected in the east, but that some subscriptions are certain in Chicago, and in California where the local Ancient Order of Hibernians man has pledged his help. Seán T's advice to come northwest unfortunately will not bear fruit beyond \$150; seeking small subscriptions takes much time. Against warnings, hoping to gather one-to two-thousand dollars in California, though apprehensive about Doheny who may be absent due to a prominent law case. Promising to seek out [DiVasto] when back in New York. Regretting he will miss the move to the new College; suggesting he get other O'Connell relics to complement the bed and not to forget a stucco mask. Remarks on Ronayne's recovery; hoping Hagan will not get 'the Lord'. Expressing anxiety over the changes in the College constitution and the attempt of any religious congregation taking over. Urging him again to reconsider treatment of typhoid cases at a hospital; the cardinal himself made the point; the College should be beyond criticism. Sydney's withdrawal of support from Dineen is unjust, but assuming responsibility for the turn of affairs though he only expressed his sincere doubts about the student's aptitude for the pulpit. Asking whether T.Hughes Kelly or Nicholas Brady called; the latter was the millionaire he most relied on in New York but did not see; recommending best treatment; Brady bought the Villa Pallavicini on the Janiculum.

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- 458            30 September 1926    Typescript letter signed Charles O'Neill of O'Neill & McHenry, Guildhall Street, Londonderry, to Fr.Philip O'Doherty, Omagh (County Tyrone), enclosing a cheque for the Fr.Hugh Boyle memorial and as a general donation for the Irish College. (Covering letter not extant.)  
1 p
- 459            30 September 1926    Holograph letter from J.O'Dea, Mount St.Mary's, Galway, to Hagan, with an update on the contributions to the Irish College. Enquiring about a document meant for the Congregation of the Council.  
2 pp
- 460            [late September        Two holograph letters from Mrs.Ellen Maxwell, Glengauile, Toomevara, Nenagh, County Tipperary, to (Hagan), requiring practical information for her son Edward's entry to the Irish College, and the best mode for paying his pension.  
2 items
- 461            2 October 1926        Holograph letter from Cardinal Patrick O'Donnell, Ara Coeli, Armagh, to Hagan, advising him that his new 'cappa magna' is not urgent. The bishops meet on 12 October, but the visitors arrive on the 8<sup>th</sup> - remark about [following] Hagan's suggestions. Anticipating many visitors to the College in (1927) for the big celebration. Offering formal congratulations on taking possession of their splendid new home.  
4 pp
- 462            2 October 1926        Holograph letter from Séamas Mac Leanacháin, Carnlough, County Antrim, to Hagan, in thanks for the papal blessing for the nuptials.  
2 pp

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- 463            2 October 1926        Holograph letter from P.Conway M.A., 15 Fleetwood Street, Belfast (County Antrim), to Hagan, asking for practical information on entering the Irish College.  
1 p
- 464            4 October 1926        Holograph letter from Domenico Zannetti, gardener, Via del Colosseo 42-43, Rome, to (Hagan), listing the ornamental plants and fruit trees he can supply; naming prices; offering also service of planting. [Italian]  
2 pp
- 465            4 October 1926        Holograph letter from J.Scannell, St.Finnbarr's College, Farran Ferries, County Cork, to Hagan, advising him of the student sent out to Rome; Patrick Fullam B.A. Regretting that they could not persuade another graduate to come to Rome. Asking that he or Curran visit them in Ireland; it would help finding recruits next year.  
4 pp
- 466            4-5 October 1926      Holograph letter from Dermot M.Boylan, 3 Longford Terrace, Monkstown, County Dublin, to (Hagan); as a new student, asking about practical points. Enclosing holograph medical report by Harold Quinlan M.D., 42 Fitzwilliam Place, Dublin, certifying that Mr.Dermot M.Boylan is in good health.  
2 items
- 467            11 September -        Holograph letter from John P.Campbell, St.Patrick's College, Armagh, to Hagan, enclosing typescript letter  
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signed Cardinal Patrick O'Donnell, St.Patrick's College, Armagh [for Hagan], nominating formally their five students.

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468            6 October 1926            Holograph letter from [S.] McSever, Ballyloughan, Mo-  
neymore (County Derry). A new student, asking whe-  
ther in the absence of Dr.Dargan a local doctor's certifi-  
cate will suffice.

2 pp

469            7 October 1926            Holograph letter from Archbishop J.M.Harty, The Pa-  
lace, Thurles (County Tipperary), to (Hagan). Recom-  
mending their new student, Mr.Ryan. He will make  
sure that the (Catholic Truth Society of Ireland) will insert a report on the  
Irish College in their records. Then asking for a papal blessing for the golden  
jubilee of the sodality of the Holy Family in Thurles. Regretting that Curran  
is not likely to collect much in America; the American bishops were 'cool'  
when he spoke to them. Monsignor Ryan helped him little.

4 pp

470            8 October 1926            Holograph letter from Archbishop T.P.Gilmartin, St.  
Jarlath's, Tuam (County Galway), to Hagan, stating that  
he might make his visit ad limina early in the next year.  
Congratulating him on the new College. Brief reference to Mr.Fitzgerald's  
pension. Then adding confidentially he has Mr.Patten earmarked for a foreign  
mission, preferably in America, because of the poor economic situation of  
his family- that way he would not be involved too closely but could help at  
a distance; the diocese is very poor; further remarks. Asking to break the  
news to Patten.

2 pp

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- 471            7-8 October 1926    Two holograph letter from Henry J.Monahan, Still-organ Park, Blackrock, County Dublin, to Hagan, introducing Mr.B.J.O'Donnell, recommending him and his family and asking to arrange access to a papal audience. Recommending him as a fellow colleague on the Land Commission and good Catholic. (One letter was brought by O'Donnell to Hagan as letter of introduction.)  
2 items
- 472            9 October 1926        Holograph letter from Bishop William Codd, Summerhill, Wexford, to Hagan. Hoping Cardinal Laurenti will see he cannot effect anything now. Judging the Abbot of Maredsous's plea to keep Dom N.[olan] at Mount St.Benedict to be futile; there are now as many reasons for removing the latter as there were in the case of Sweetman. Fidecicchi could be asked whether Laurenti's project to settle some Benedictine congregation 'in this benighted diocese' does not infringe on the rights of ordinaries, or whether a certain canon needs reforming. Making mention of a case where a Benedictine nun had to be removed from Loftus Hall by civic guards.  
2 pp
- 473            10 October 1926      Holograph letter from Bishop E.Doorly, St.Mary's, Sligo, to (Hagan), asking for an account of outstanding fees. Stating he will pay William McGauran's pension himself.  
1 p
- 474            11 October 1926      Holograph letter from Bishop David Keane, The Palace, Corbally, Limerick, to (Hagan), enclosing petition for the Congregation of Religious regarding the length of time of the novitiate for a certain order of nuns.  
2 pp

475            11 October 1926        Typescript letter with handwritten corrections signed Seán T.(Ó Ceallaigh), 91 St.Stephen's Green, Dublin, to Hagan, commenting firstly on Cáit's recent illness involving a heart attack. Having dedicated all his time to Fianna Fáil, reporting that the organisation is spreading fairly rapidly despite the lack of funds - 'we could build up a really virile organisation'- commending Hagan's own most generous donation. He was positively surprised with the attendance at both public meetings he was at, matched with eager attention of the crowds – if not on a par with past enthusiasm it is due to all people have been through in the last years. DeValera has had a fine reception in County Cork; however, the *Independent* has treated his meetings rottenly. Praising William O'Brien's letter in today's paper and Bourassa's speech last night which 'gave Cosgrave & Co. a few things to ponder seriously over'. At Maynooth, M.B.(rowne) informed him that President Mc(Caffrey) is indignant over the reduction by more than half of freshmen this year; the college might lose £ 3,000. Then stating that he has not had contact with those who took the Sinn Fein side excepting Mary (MacSwiney); she was unhappy with the way Dr.M.(annix) was deployed so successfully for the Fianna Fáil side in America. Much will depend on her attitude in the upcoming general election; she might not agree with Sceilg and the Count (Plunkett) who will nominate candidates; the others are unpredictable as yet. Finally commenting on the way Tuam (Archbishop Harty) immediately recognised Seán T. when meeting by chance. Enclosing typescript letter with handwritten additions from Cáit (Ó Ceallaigh). Commenting at length on a matter raised by Hagan recently, on foot of a long talk with Dr.Coffey. The latter had been warned against Hagan's redoubtable and forceful character by somebody in Clonliffe, possibly, but is otherwise most amenable: discussing the admission of Irish College students to the University [University College Dublin] postgraduate course for the higher diploma in Education for teaching in secondary schools. While they could not claim their Lateran studies to obtain them degrees in Ireland, Coffey was anxious for them to use their Lateran degrees; warning only that Clonliffe students would have little chance. Enclosing typescript statement by Dr.Coffey, marked informal, discussing the requirements for admission to degree courses, and to the higher diploma-course in particular. (The letter was brought to Rome by a visitor.)

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476            13 October 1926        Holograph letter from Michael Dooley, St.Peter's College, New Kilpatrick, Glasgow (Scotland), to (Hagan). He will receive the orders of the subdiaconate next week. Having spent over eight years in seminaries he is impatient for his holy orders around next Easter; expressing his deep gratitude to Hagan.

Then describing his father's recent heavy illness and the poor prospects for a complete recovery. Since his mother is dead, hoping his father will live for the ordination.

3 pp

- 477            13 October 1926        Holograph letter from Michael McHugh, St. Joseph's Seminary, Leeds, Yorkshire, England, to Hagan. Asking for a certificate for the minor orders received in Rome; his subdeaconship is imminent.

1 p

- 478            14 October 1926        Holograph letter from M. bean Uí Riain, Kindles-town (County Wicklow), in gratitude for having arranged a shop position for her friend R. Smith. Stating that the discussions between the two republican sides would put his mind 'in a whirl'. She is against her side contesting a few seats: protesting she is 'not so mad for absolute intransigence' and would give DeV(alara)'s new policy a chance if her conscience did not prevent her from actively supporting him. She told 'Art' [O'Connor] about this, and 'A' [the same] holds that 'the new offshoots were worse than the old (Mulcahy Higgins etc) is as much as they should know better!' Closing remark about her busy life as a farmer's wife.

2 pp

- 479            15 October 1926        Holograph letter from Cardinal Patrick O'Donnell, Ara Coeli, Armagh, to (Hagan), explaining his letter arrived after the meeting. They were only able to mention O'Connell's heart. The communication on the Irish College was eventually published by the *Evening Herald*, also referring to the heart; the morning papers do not seem to feature it but he will personally attempt to have it in tomorrow's papers.

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- 480            15 October [1926]    Holograph letter from Cecile Fraser, Cenacolo, Rome, to 'dear Father' [Hagan], grateful for the ticket to the papal audience. Asking to forward a letter to Fr.Blake, in Rome from London. 3 pp
- 481            15 October 1926        Holograph letter from A. Desmond [Daveny], Newington House, Limestone Road, Belfast (County Antrim), to (Hagan), advising him of his arrival in Rome for a course of theology; he travels with Mr.Conway. 1 p
- 482            15-16 October 1926    Two holograph letters from James Ryan, Kilworth, County Cork, to (Hagan). Apologising for arriving in Rome a few days later; he travels with Fr.Hedderman of the English College to feel safer. (Second letter in same vein sent because he was not certain of the address.) 2 pp
- 483            15 October 1926        Holograph letter from John P.Campbell C.M., St.Patrick's College, Armagh, to Hagan, advising him that the student Louis O'Kane has had pleurisy and may only be able to go to Rome from December; asking his advice. 2 pp
- 484            16 October 1926        Holograph letter from Cardinal Patrick O'Donnell, Carlingford (County Louth), toHagan. Hoping his student numbers will be adequate; hoping also the vice-rector 'will reap a good late harvest'. Requesting a new crimson cappa magna. Sta-

ting that the Bulls did in fact arrive. Adding that the article on the College was actually omitted from the papers.

4 pp

485            18 October 1926        Holograph reference from Abbot [R.M.] O'Phelan of Mount Melleray Abbey, Cappoquin, County Waterford, for Mr. John Murphy; recommending his character and his industry.

2 pp

486            18 October 1926        Holograph letter from Eugene Duffy, Lisdoonan, Carrickmacross, County Monaghan, to (Hagan). As a past student, reminiscing about the old College, and thanking him for all he did.

2 pp

487            18 October 1926        Holograph letter from Joseph P. [Kirlin], Broad Street, Magherafelt, County Derry, to Hagan. As a medical doctor, pronouncing the new student Louis O'Kane unfit to take up his studies in Rome before Christmas; recommending him sincerely.

1 p

488            18 October 1926        Holograph letter from John O'Dea, Main Street, Clare-Castle, County Clare, to Hagan, advising him of his son's departure for Rome. Enclosing draft for his pension.

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- 489            18 October 1926        Typescript letter signed J.McShane, St.Columb's College, Derry, to Hagan, recommending their two students; discussing payment of their pension and their travelling expenses. 1 p
- 490            18 October 1926        Handwritten note from P.J.Walsh [Clonliffe, Dublin], listing the five students who completed their B.A. exams; Dermot Boylan, Maurice Dufficy, Herbert McKernan, [...] Gilmartin, [... Newick], and results. 1 p
- 491            19 October 1926        Holograph letter from John Lehane, Ballykerwick (National School), Donoughmore; County Cork, to Hagan, enclosing bill for Pat Lehane's pension. 1 p
- 492            19 October 1926        Holograph letter from Fr.Aloysius O.S.F.C., Franciscan Capuchin Friary, Church Street, Dublin, to (Hagan), in gratitude also on behalf of the pilgrims; they all returned excepting one who had to be left in a hospital- he has since died. Reporting that P.T.K.(eohane) will soon seek some rest; he is in good humour but not well yet. 4 pp
- 493            19 October 1926        Typescript letter signed F.O'Reilly, secretary to the Catholic Truth Society of Ireland, Dublin, to Hagan, stating that the papal blessing they had requested for their conference did not arrive in time. Asking about early arrangements for a party to travel to Rome for the official opening of the College in 1927. 1 p

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- 494            20 October 1926        Holograph letter from Cardinal Patrick O'Donnell, Ara Coeli, Armagh, to Hagan. Despite efforts to publish in its entirety the notice from the bishops on the Irish College, the papers again left out mention of O'Connell's heart and of the vesting of the property in the four archbishops. 3 pp
- 495            20 October 1926        Holograph letter from Gordon B.O'Meeghan, Parker's Hotel, Naples, to Hagan, advising him of his arrival in Rome in a few days' time. Fr.Hugh O'Neill, Mosgiel, wrote to Hagan of O'Meeghan's coming to the College. Adding regards from Dr.Kelly, Dunedin. 2 pp
- 496            21 October 1926        Holograph letter from Timothy O'Leary, Dublin, to Hagan, explaining his delayed departure for the Irish College. 1 p
- 497            21 October 1926        Holograph letter from Denis Curran, Groyne, Killorglin, County Kerry, to (Hagan), enclosing pension for Denis. 1 p
- 498            21 October 1926        Fragment handwritten letter from [Bishop O'Kane], St.Eugene's Derry, to Hagan. Proposing Fr.Lawrence Hegarty for the parish of Maghera; praising him for his 23 years as administrator of the cathedral; explaining that there is another church by the cathedral, otherwise administered. Correcting the estimated revenues of Maghera from his own experience. Also applying for permission for him, as of old custom, to receive the revenues of the mensal parish of Templemore. Enclosing signed sheets. (End missing.) 2 pp

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- 499            29 October 1926        Holograph letter from Archbishop T.P.Gilmartin, St. Jarlath's, Tuam (County Galway), to Hagan, enclosing a document for Monsignor Fidecicchi. Amalgamation is out of the question but a common novitiate might be dictated, and of the three houses Tuam may serve for training. Adding that he informed Canon Healy, Louisburg, about Mr.Fitzgerald's expenses since he is a relative. 2 pp
- 500            23 October 1926        Holograph letter from J.A.Kingston, bursar, Rockwell College, Cashel, County Tipperary, to (Hagan), having received from him the pension for Michael [Clarke]; explaining that a small sum remains. Stating that Michael well deserved his school scholarship. Commenting on high costs of maintaining the present 70 'young aspirants' – 'what matter if even a quarter of them persevered'. 2 pp
- 501            25 October 1926        Holograph letter from Bishop James Roche of Ross, Bishop's House, Skibbereen (County Cork), to Hagan, enclosing cheque for dispensation fees. Commenting briefly on Hagan's old friend the parish priest of [Clane]. 1 p
- 502            26 October 1926        Holograph letter from Walter Rossiter P.P., New Ross (County Wexford), to Hagan, asking for acknowledgement of recent despatch of Mass intentions. 1 p
- 503            26 October 1926        Holograph letter from Bishop E.Mulhern, Ardmaine, Newry (County Down), to (Hagan), in thanks for the

rescripts. Hoping his own will 'prove as prolific as its predecessor up to the time of scarcity. Honoraria are at their lowest level. The harsh weather at present is particularly hard on the poor. The next year will be busy with the Maynooth synod in August, [a visitation] and a proposed visit to Rome.

4 pp

- 504            27 October 1926        Holograph letter from Monsignor Carlo Veneziani, 'Ufficio Catechistico', Congregation of the Council, Rome, to (Hagan), regretting that his recent communication on the teaching of religion did not have the bishops' replies attached. [Italian]

1 p

- 505            28 October 1926        Holograph letter from J.Kelly S.J., Apostolic School, Mungret College, Limerick, to Hagan, concerning the new student coming to Rome, Mr.Swithwick, and his previous study of philosophy.

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- 506            30 October 1926        Typescript letter with handwritten additions signed Seán T.(Ó Ceallaigh), 91 St.Stephen's Green, Dublin, 'a chara dhilis' (Hagan). Commenting on the new College; not a few make a direct connection between it and the decline of Maynooth. He met Fr.M.[...] who recently told 'Dublin' (Archbishop Byrne) of the building progress when he was in Rome; everybody praises Hagan's marvellous success since such rapidity would be impossible in Ireland. Then commenting on the (Catholic Truth Society) reception in the Mansion House; as the only representative republican there he was treated with much respect. A 'little girl named Finnegan' expressed great satisfaction on being introduced to him by the cardinal; Cosgrave, Hayes and (Archbishop Byrne) witnessed the scene. Fr.Pat M.[...] has returned and is much impressed by 'the Yanks'; he comes to Rome next year. Reporting on the great successes of DeV(alara)'s public meetings in Clonmel and Dungarvan, but they would

not be yet prepared were the (Free State) to call a premature election. He met Ernie O'Malley who praised Hagan's generosity – while opposed to (Fianna Fáil) he holds (Sinn Fein) ought to give them a chance; besides his medical studies he intends to give time to 'Army work'. Then commenting at some length on the (Sinn Fein) convention. It was known before that the (Irish Republican Army) forbids members to be nominated as candidates for parliament. Sceilg beat OF (O'Flanagan) for president; only around 100 delegates attended. Brief allusion to 'Cloyne' (Bishop Browne)'s proposition at the Maynooth discussions – 'how your reputation is soaring!' – the Clonfert letter will be helpful. Then asking for information on alleged help given officially by the Pope to William of Orange in his Irish campaign. Also stating that (Archbishop Byrne) does not favour an Irish Eucharistic Congress in 1930; pleading the need to consult his people. Finally asking to obtain a papal blessing for Cáit's friends Helen Murphy, Kilkenny, and Harry Fottrell. (This item was found in boxes dedicated to material on the building of the new College.)

2 pp

- 507                    30 October 1926            Typescript letter signed Edward J.Galvin, St.Columban's Mission, Han Yang, Hupeh, China, to Hagan. Enclosing copy typescript letter he is sending to Cardinal Van Rossum of Propaganda Fide petitioning a second time for funds for the Hanyang mission. Explaining that neighbouring provinces, though with less Catholics, received funding and they did not. Then reporting that during the struggle between the Cantonese and Wu Pei-fu over the Wu-Han cities they were right on the battle-line, the priests' house being hit several times; it is a miracle everybody escaped. Many Christians lost their homes during the summer floods and have not yet returned. 'It will be hard, bitter work to get them to do the Mission this year, as they will have to slave from morning till night to eke out a living'. Asking him to urge their case with respect to the allocation of alms.

2 items

- 508                    31 October 1926            Holograph letter from Bishop William Codd, Wexford, to Hagan. Referring to Fr.Goolden's letter to the Independent on 21 October; Grattan Flood is also involved in the 'mischief'. Enclosing proposed letter for American Benedictine abbots (not extant), asking his and Fidecicchi's opinion. Asking for copy of the decision of January 1925.

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- 509 [late October 1926] Holograph letter from 'Fr.James' [E.R. Morrissey, Dublin], to 'Sr.Thomas' [Hagan]. Informing him that K. (P.T.Keohane) will marry the widow of his old employer, who has two children. Stating that he had received a wire about his wife's death on coming home from Rome last year. Morrissey is to be 'principal agent' at the strictly private ceremony. More comments on Keohane's private life up to now; the new wife's own family on finding out 'will set fire to the Liffey'. Only MacGuinness [Fr.Magennis] is to know. (Letter marked 'confidential').
- 2 pp
- 510 1 November 1926 Typescript note from Bishop J.Downey, Bishop's House, Kilkenny, to (Hagan), covering a cheque for Peter's Pence.
- 1 p
- 511 1 November 1926 Holograph letter from Ernie (O'Malley), Medical School, Cecilia Street, Dublin, to Hagan. He has resumed his medical studeis at 'second lectures'. Asking about Irish acquaintances in Rome including the 'General' (Fr.Magennis). Listing others now in Paris, namely Seán (T.Ó Ceallaigh) and wife, and in Rome. Briefly commenting that [Con] Little, now near Paris, is a confirmed optimist, his operation having gone well. Then remarking that elections are not fixed, but that they must be pending seeing that the 'Staters begin to seriously consider the position of the poor with regard to fuel'. He will write again when he has a fountain pen; expressing deep gratitude.
- 2 pp
- 512 2 November 1926 Holograph letter from M.J.C.(urran), St.Patrick's, San Francisco (United States of America), to Hagan (on official paper marking him as the vice-rector of the Irish College, Rome). Detailed news from his fund-raising campaign. In Victoria, Bishop O'Donnell showed his interest in the College and added a small subscription. Nearly a month in California he has made little headway but is not discouraged. Sketching a situation in which ordinary Irish are fiercely and

bitterly republican, unwilling to support Irish clergy following the action of the Irish hierarchy. With nothing to expect from the wealthier Irish, he is trying his luck with the Irish societies; he does find the ordinary Irish layman can be interested in the Irish College. He will shortly go to Los Angeles to try Doheny and Scott. Two other big collections compete with his. Not expecting to raise more than \$ 25,000 in all, and most in the East. Urging Hagan to work on Nicholas Brady through Hughes Kelly. Hoping this does not put him in the blues; he will remain until early April; stating his personal determination and the value of the experience for him; he has overall been treated with great kindness – mentioning the Carmelites in New York. Asking for photographs, if possible one of the Pope and the students. Asking about possibility of promising a [papal] title to a potential donor millionaire. Asking for news; making suggestions for the tennis court; enclosing list of desiderata (not extant).

4 pp

- 513 [2] November 1926 Holograph letter from Archbishop T.P.Gilmartin, St. Jarlath's, Tuam (County Galway), to (Hagan), enclosing faculties for Fr.McCarthy (not extant). Stating his preference for Mr.Patten to be adopted by another diocese since they do not need him. Congratulations on the 'great enterprise which we hope will raise Ireland to her due place in the capital of Christendom (and) will be to her a perennial source of wine from the Royal Vintage'.

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- 514 2 November 1926 Holograph letter from Gerard Brady, Parochial House, Newtownards (County Down), to (Hagan). Introducing Mr.and Mrs. [Angledow] of [Rosstelan Castle], Cobh, a friend of Fr.D.Murphy, St.Paul's.

2 pp

- 515 2 November 1926 Typescript letter signed Archbishop M.J.O'Doherty, Archbishop's Palace, Manila (Philippines), to Hagan. Offering to send payment for the painter of the portrait. Hoping that the vice-rector's mission was successful. Also asking for 'zucchette' and for the *Gerarchia Ecclesiastica*.

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- 516            2 November 1926    Holograph letter from Mary J.Rourke, Bloomfield, Merrion, County Dublin, to (Hagan), introducing Mrs. Bewley and a friend. The former's son is 'an Oxford convert'; asking to arrange access to a papal audience. 3 pp
- 517            3 November 1926    Typescript letter signed J.McShane, St.Columb's College, Derry, to (Hagan), reminding him of the papal blessing for the Sisters of Nazareth. Hoping the 'giovanotti' are giving satisfaction. 1 p
- 518            4 November [1926]   Fragment handwritten letter from [Bishop O'Kane], St.Eugene's, Derry, to Hagan. Explaining the case of young Fr.Donald Brennan whose health recommends his leaving for the United States; asking for a dispensation to enable the transfer; further details. Also asking to expedite the appointment to Maghera (letter breaks off here). 2 pp
- 519            4 November 1926    Holograph letter from [p.] Segrave, St.Peter's, Drogheda (County Louth), to (Hagan), recommending the new students Thomas and Bob Callan. 2pp
- 520            5 November 1926    Holograph letter from John Lennon, Mountmellick (County Laois), to Hagan; having just returned from Rome. Commenting on the noble new College; all say it will do serious damage to the home institution. Many wish that Hagan's 'unflagging energies' be transferred 'to nearer fields. Preghiamo!' Acquain-

tances who saw the photographs of the College, or that he plans to see. Adding (cryptically) that 'Sydney is mentioned in some quarters – (and) Sister Michael, Cosgrave's friend – but, I think the latter may remain amongst the men of the Westh' (sic). He impressed on Mr.Keohane the importance of going out, he will make investigations into matters of importance.

2 pp

521            5 November 1926    Holograph letter from M.Dean Quinn P.P. V.G., Dungan-  
gannon (County Tyrone), to (Hagan). Sending cheque  
as his and a friend's personal contribution to the Ar-  
magh students' pensions. Hoping to come to the official opening of the new  
College next year.

1 p

522            6 November 1926    Holograph letter from Francis O'Hare, The Presbytery,  
Banbridge, County Down, to Hagan, recommending  
Miss Ruddy who seeks dispensation to marry to  
Mr.Heather, a Newry Protestant; explaining her own parish priest was not  
willing to apply for her. Joe Devlin and Dr.Ryan are coming for a weekend.

2 pp

523            6 November 1926    Holograph letter from Bishop E.Mulhern, Ardmaine,  
Newry (County Down), to (Hagan), sending payment of  
Peter's Pence and students' pensions. Wishing that Cur-  
ran has struck gold or even 'turned bootlegger' in his campaign. Congratula-  
tions on the new College. Commenting on the present cold and the scarcity  
felt by the poor. Remark about the triumphal march in Raphoe. Alerting him  
to a flaw in Brannigan's character.

4 pp

524            6 November 1926    Holograph letter from Eric Fair, Coláiste Shosaimh  
Naomhtha, Páirc Ghearrbhaile, Ballinasloe (County

Galway), to Hagan, congratulations on entering the new College. Some local news: the bishop closed the mission in town; Hagan and Blythe were heckled during a meeting over the division of the Lismany estate; Dr.Killian, an Australian bishop, visited and will come to Rome. Stating that *An Róimh* is being printed; it is hard to get advertisements. A rugby exchange with St.Mary's, Galway, took place. A brother of Fr.Nolan O.P. and Redemptorist, gave a retreat, and talked about the virtue of prudence in politics with special reference to Rome; however, he saw the lie of the land soon.

2 pp

- 525            7 November 1926    Holograph letter from Bishop Patrick Finegan, Bishop's House, Culliss, Cavan, to Hagan, enclosing cheque for Peter's Pence and in contribution to the new College. Accepting the offer of the Ryan scholarship in scripture for Dr.Dillon. Petitioning for commutations of celebrating Mass for the elderly Frs. Patrick O'Reilly and Mathew Kane. Student Brennan will get the Kilmore burse. Expecting most bishops will come to Rome in October 1927 for the opening celebrations. Also enclosing congregational fees.

2 pp

- 526            8 November 1926    Holograph letter from M.J.B.(rowne), St.Patrick's College, Maynooth (County Kildare), to (Hagan). Regretting the case of Mr.Patten against whom the Archbishop [of Tuam] seems in some way set; it will be best for him to take an American mission. Commenting on Monsignor Valeri's recent visit to Dublin which must have had a good reason. Rumours say that Dr.Sheehan will go to Kildare; he is not a 'tub-thumper' and would be a useful acquisition to the Irish bench as an educationist. He has 'some of the aroma of Dr.Mannix... about him' and irritates some. Sketching the dissatisfaction with the hierarchy's support for the Irish College while Maynooth lost numbers; Browne has tried to dispel misapprehensions. Praising Hagan's persistence and devotion.

6 pp

- 527            9 November 1926    Holograph letter from Donald Hales, Genoa, to Hagan, finding that Italy drifts always more into British waters,

as does Romania. Suspecting that his article for *An Phoblacht* on Cosgrave's infamous attending the dominion conference was stopped in the mail. 'Ah! if the Irish people but knew their power! A "John Bull" tremerebbe la pancina.' Hoping they will wake up in time for the elections. Indignation over 'a wretch like Lord Glenaty, a masonic traitor who in any self respecting county would be shot for treason' as president of the senate. 'It is to be presumed that vile curs like Blythe have all along worked secretly in the service of the Orange free masons.'

2 pp

- 528            9 November 1926    Holograph letter from John Ryan, St.Mary's, Foxrock (Dublin), 'carissime' (to Hagan), congratulating him on the new College. Mentioning his Mediterranean holidays; referring to Paddy O'Byrne's transfer to Howth.

2 pp

- 529            10 November 1926    Holograph letter from W.Miller, Braganza House, Carlow, to Hagan, enclosing cheques for Peter's Pence, for the Irish College building fund, a student's pension. With good wishes on the new College. They are still waiting for their bishop.

2 pp

- 530            11 November 1926    Holograph letter from Thomas Murphy C.C., The Presbytery, Loughrea (County Galway), to (Hagan), asking about obtaining parts of the *Compendium of Catechetical Instruction* since it is out of print.

2 pp

- 531            13-[14] November 1926    Holograph letter from Cardinal Patrick O'Donnell, Ara Coeli, Armagh, to Hagan. Stating he sent letters that Curran asked him to write. Asking about the procedure

for cardinals exchanging Christmas greetings with the Holy Father. Adding discussion of a donation received for the [V...] Basilica, probably the international votive church of peace of the Sacred Heart.

5 pp

- 532            13 November 1926    Holograph letter from Bishop J. Whyte, Bishop's House, Dunedin, New Zealand, to Hagan, asking about the establishment of a new burse for the Irish College. Commenting that Frank [Terry] sheds lustre on their little seminary, writing to him from his vacation. Mentioning that he journeys to Invercargill for ordinations next week – 'v. your atlas'.

2 pp

- 533            14 November 1926    Holograph letter from P.T. Keohane, Raven Hotel, Droitwich, Worcestershire (England), to Hagan. Expressing heartfelt relief and gladness over the way Hagan took the news; thankful for his friendship. Stating that his new marriage will annoy a lot of schemers; she stood unflinchingly by him when she had only her children's interest to consider. 'The Brewer' (Fr. Morrissey) has proved a true friend.

2 pp

- 534            15 November 1926    Holograph letter from Eugene O'Callaghan C.C., Parochial House, Armagh, to Hagan, enclosing petition for a dispensation 'in foro interno' to the Congregation for Religious (not extant).

1 p

- 535            15 November 1926    Holograph letter from Bishop E. Doorly, St. Mary's Sligo, to (Hagan), enclosing document (not extant): wishing to give priests permission to erect Stations of

the Cross in his stead. Wondering if the Franciscans have to be petitioned for this. Offering to pay Mr.McGauran's pension.

1 p

- 536            16 November 1926    Holograph letter from Guglielmo Palombi, engineer, Salita S.Nicola da Tolentino 1B, Rome, to (Hagan), proposing to end the business in all decency by paying the [outstanding sum in taxes] to a charity. [Italian]

1 p

- 537            16 November 1926    Typescript letter with some handwritten additions signed Seán T. (Ó Ceallaigh), Dublin, to Hagan. Cáit is better but won't be able to teach nor come out to Rome. Commenting at length on the meeting last month 'in the Royal institution' [St.Patrick's Maynooth]. The wonderful success of Rome was contrasted by [Maynooth]'s loss of an estimated £3,000 and McC.(affrey)'s very strong reaction; 'Cl's (Bishop of Cloyne) proposition of transferring the Dunboyne to Rome is the more noteworthy since he is a former president. In a discussion on holding the Eucharistic Congress in Dublin in 1930 (the Archbishop of Dublin) was not keen on the expense; it is obvious that after much work he would not be the principal figure there. Some at Maynooth are willing to obstruct the Irish College's attempt to have the Lateran courses recognised. Repeating various speculations about Dr.Sheehan; he seems to have left now for Australia via Rome which is surprising. Congratulations on the new College; certain Hagan has to watch his steps in the face of begrudgers. Sending copy of *Irish Freedom* on the (Sinn Fein) convention. Sketching their own progress with 500 clubs already registered. Hagan's offer was more than generous; hoping to keep it for the purpose it was offered for originally. Agreeing with Hagan's great estimation of P.T.K.(eohane). Mentioning again papal blessing sought for Phyllis's friends. Regretting Michael (Curran)'s mission is not more successful; he does not think he would dream of staying in the U.S. despite a certain Dineen incident.

2 pp

- 538            16 November 1926    Holograph letter from Eugene O'Doherty, St.Columb's College, Derry, to Hagan, in gratitude for the kind re-

ception in Rome. Commenting on the further works on the new College. Dr.McShane and Dr.Farren work very hard.

2 pp

- 539            17 November 1926    Holograph letter from Bishop William Codd, Summerhill, Wexford, to Hagan. He will write to the Cardinal Prefect with that draft letter. Congratulations on the new College.

1 p

- 540            17 November 1926    Holograph letter from Archbishop J.M.Harty, The Palace, Thurles (County Tipperary), to (Hagan), having payed Peter's Pence and sums for students and as a honorarium. The papal blessing arrived. Monsignor J.J.Ryan has Belgian Benedictines inspecting Glenstal Castle with a view to establishing an Irish school of carving – 'to capture for Ireland the trade in altars etc. that at present goes to Belgium (and) the Tyrol'; uncertain about the co-operation needed.

4 pp

- 541            17 November 1926    Holograph letter from Bishop Laurence Gaughran, Bishop's House, Mullingar (County Westmeath), to Hagan, ordering the *Acta Sanctae Sedis*.

1 p

- 542            19 November 1926    Holograph letter from Fr.C.[Venerari] [...chancellor] at the Congregation for the Council, to (Hagan). With regard to the teaching of catechism in Ireland, asking for the bishops' replies tendered in the matter. [Italian]

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- 543            22 November 1926    Typescript letter signed Patrick Cleary of the Chinese Mission College, Dalgan Park, Galway, to (Hagan). Pleading with him not to be vexed; his decision not to work on Dr.Ryan's incomplete work followed on serious consideration of the matter. Also regretting that Dr.Devine left for China, on whom he could have relied in any scheme of co-operation on the work. 1 p
- 544            22 November 1926    Holograph letter from T.H.Ellis, Ballyglunin, County Galway, to (Hagan). Expressing his helplessness in the face of delays at the Holy Office; also his bishop has proven disinclined to help him; hoping for a trial of his case. His brothers do not help him materially, saying the bishop is responsible for him. 2 pp
- 545            22 November 1926    Fragment holograph letter from Cardinal P.O'D.(onnell) Ara Coeli, Armagh, to Hagan, enclosing envelope (not extant). Promising to discuss the matter of a spiritual director with the Archbishop of Dublin. Glad that his words gave satisfaction and thankful Hagan writes about the matter in that vein. Commenting at length on occasional misrepresentations [in the press]of statements by him (letter breaks off here). Adding in postscript thanks for the rescripts; comment on the 'cappa magna'. 5 pp
- 546            22 November 1926    Holograph letter from W.Miller, Braganza House, Carlow, to Hagan, enclosing draft for pagan and foreign missions, meant for the National Council. Other financial matters; glad they have settled down in the new College. 2 pp
- 547            22 November 1926    Holograph letter from M.(J.Curran), St.Vibiana Cathedral, Los Angeles (United States of America), to

Hagan, about to leave for Chicago via the Grand Canyon. Dr.Cantwell gave him \$ 1,000, but the appeal to the San Francisco societies cannot be made until next year. Planning to see Doheny in Washington; commenting on the trial for bribery he is involved in. Further discussing the potential of raising a substantial sum nationally through the Ancient Order of Hibernians, having spoken to Mr. Horan. However, he would need to settle down in any of the big Irish centres for three months during their seasons. Stressing again 'the local demands are immense'. Reporting that 'Jas.J.'[Ryan], when seeing Cantwell and Doheny, did not speak of the Irish College at all. Naming his expenses since arrival as just over \$ 800, after travelling 12,500 miles; any income from now will be pure profit. Asking for news; the fact that the Pope contributed to the project was received very positively. Expressing admiration for Cantwell's great organisational drive, matching the 'stupendous' expansion of Los Angeles. He met other [former Romans]; Monsignor Cauley has been very kind.

4 pp

- 548                    22 November 1926    Typescript copy letter and two drafts (handwritten and typescript by Hagan) from Monsignor Domenico Tizi, Via Goffredo Mameli 40, Rome, to President William Cosgrave of the Executive Council, Irish Free State. Expressing his amazement and strong indignation about the libellous report, circulated by Cosgrave, that he 'had run away with a woman, vaguely specified as a protestant'. This 'imprudent and even criminal piece of levity' against a man grown old in the service of the Roman Curia, and one who for over thirty years has given untiring service to Irish visitors 'yourself included', cannot go unchallenged. Giving him opportunity to make amends before legal action is taken.
- 3 items

- 549                    24 November 1926    Holograph letter from James Sinnott M.S.S., House of Missions, Enniscorthy (County Wexford), to (Hagan).  
 Returning from his family, observing that there is much more real poverty in the country than for many years. He discussed politics with Fr.Paddy Murphy: D.[e Valera] might shift even more; the other side began by shifting too 'and you see, he added, where they are now. C.[osgrave] with his knickers beside the King!!' Many of [DeValera]'s supporters want him to make a clear commitment to the Dáil or the other side will be even stronger. Arguing himself that times are so difficult, with large numbers of young people emigrating, that ideals do not go down well with the people, very unlike the more comfortable situation of 1918-1920. Now 'the people

are looking for a head and better policy and the party that puts that policy before them in the most pleasing way is the one that will carry the day'. 'J.B.' (John Bull) would only fool them if negotiations were opened again, and once (the republicans) were in power they could then implement their ideals; honesty might not be the right path at this time. Promising to send anything interesting before Christmas. Commenting on the new College; on Hagan's seemingly improved health - comparing to the 'neglected and hungry looking specimen of humanity I met ...twenty years ago'. He was very glad to have brought John [Lennon] to Rome with him.

4 pp

- 550 [24]-25 November 1926 Holograph letter from Patrick Cardinal O'Donnell, Ara Coeli, Armagh, to Hagan. He wrote to Cardinals Sbarretti, Bonzano and Lucidi; Sbarretti he told of the prospect of the bishops holding a plenary synod in August; they are unsure whether Rome would send a delegate to preside over such. A younger prelate might know more about the Christmas letters he enquired about. [Enclosing payment for] Masses. Postscript about letters to the cardinals; another document - 'query' - might have been attached. (Letter marked 'private'.)

3 pp

- 551 25 November 1926 Holograph letter from Thomas Ronayne, Catholic Mission, Calaba (British West Africa - Nigeria), to Hagan. Congratulations on the new College. Not certain Hagan received his letter (see 4 February); reiterating point that the mission as a whole lacks men, but particularly the Holy Ghost fathers; it was expected the college in Rathmines will do its part. The mother house in Paris has sought contact with the seculars, however. It is puzzling that Dr. Shanahan resigned, left the province, but is said to return. Pointing to irony that they did not receive the support promised while the encyclical is displayed everywhere.

4 pp

- 552 26 November 1926 Holograph letter from Patrick Cardinal O'Donnell, Ara Coeli, Armagh, to Hagan. He is sending Curran the papers he requested. Hagan's comments on Tizi were

the first he heard of the matter; 'at all times Mgr [Tizi] has rendered yeoman service to the College and to everyone of us...'. Then stating that Armagh sent the usual number of students to Maynooth this year; not believing that Maynooth's loss is due to Rome's increase though it is natural to make the connection.

4 pp

- 553            26 November 1926    Holograph letter from Archbishop J.M.Harty, The Palace, Thurles (County Tipperary), to (Hagan), stating he has no idea of the applicant for Mr.Cosgrave's diploma; it might have been given 'motu proprio'. He heard the rumour about Tizi but did not take it seriously. Then stating that the pilgrimage to Rome for next year is not decided on; suggesting however it could be of use to the College. Expressing his small hopes for Curran to do much in America.
- 4 pp

- 554            26 November 1926    Holograph letter from Bishop E.Mulhern, Ardmaine, Newry (County Down), to (Hagan). Expressing distress over the news in Hagan's letter; the matter was completely new to him – regretting it is as widespread. Dr.Hoare did not seem to know. Recommending ignoring the rumour. Hoping he will live to see the new College; its speedy termination is marvellous.
- 4 pp

- 555            27 -28November      Typescript letter from Bishop J.Downey, Bishop's House, Kilkenny, to Hagan. Enclosing typescript letter from Archdeacon Peter Doyle, Parochial House, Mooncoin, County Waterford, with instructions to pay Bravi for portraits in oil done of him; with payment. (Downey believed Doyle was about to order paintings which were already executed.)
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- 556            27 November 1926    Typescript letter signed F.O'Reilly of the Catholic Truth Society of Ireland, Dublin, to Hagan; in gratitude for the decoration he received in recognition of his work for the pilgrimage. 1 p
- 557            28 November 1926    Holograph letter from Michael Cronin, 50 Rathgar Road, Dublin, to (Hagan), in congratulation for the great work on the new College. Asking about procedure for the setting-up of a Children of Mary-sodality in his parish. Also requesting numbers of the *Acta Apostolicae Sedis*. Hoping to return next October for the first time since 1895. 3 pp
- 558            30 November 1926    Typescript letter from Archbishop T.P.Gilmartin, St. Jarlath's, Tuam (County Galway), to (Hagan), in thanks for his letter of sympathy on a sudden death. Good wishes for the new College. Offering to send some financial aid for Fitzgerald; hoping he is well. 2 pp
- 559            1 December 1926    Telegram from Cosgrave, Dublin, to Monsignor Tizi, Via Goffredo Mameli, Rome : 'the slander complained of in your letter was never heard of much less uttered by me letter follows'. 1 p
- 560            1 December 1926    Holograph letter from Seán T.(Ó Ceallaigh), The George Hotel Ltd., Buchanan Street, Glasgow C.1 (Scot-

land), to Hagan, in thanks for his interesting letter. Commenting on the changes in Hagan's favour at the Royal Academy, but agreeing that people could veer as easily the other way again. He heard that 'Cove' [Bishop Browne of Cloyne]'s proposal was postponed for a year. Then commenting on the rumour about T.(izi) and the 'Protestant' lady; some people will stoop very low; he must have been dragged in because he is so loyal. It will be hard to find testimonies to the origin of the fable; the P.(resident) of the Ex(ecutive) Council no doubt covered his tracks well. Then stating that while Sinn Fein do not meet with much success in kindling opposition to (Fianna Fáil) they could still hamper them considerably if nominating candidates. Mrs.Skeffington quoted a Sinn Fein-follower as expressing glee over the army's attacks on police barracks and their results since it would work against Fianna Fáil. Ó Ceallaigh believing on the contrary that the shootings will eventually defeat the objects of Sceilg and Company; the 'A.' [Army] leaders realise they acted against most of their followers, including many prisoners who have repudiated the acts. The responsables may be more amenable to finding an agreement with the elements of (Sinn Fein) led by A.O.C [O'Connor]; Ó Ceallaigh hopes to play his role in this. The government missed their chance last week of calling elections; any value that the raids may have meant for it will be lost if they postpone them until spring. Then expressing his favourable surprise over the attendance and enthusiasm witnessed at the (Fianna Fáil) convention. The media reported reasonably accurately. Proceedings were businesslike and decisions reached should win the party a good following. First monies arrived from the States; one-hundred thousand dollars should be possible. They agreed to pay D. (DeValera) £ 600 per annum; he must have survived with a friend's help since the breakup. Glad that Hagan had not pinned his hopes on Michael (J.Curran)'s success. It seems Dr.S.(heehan) does not return and is therefore not meant for Braganza House. Cáit is a little better; P.T.(Keohane)'s event already took place. At present Ó Ceallaigh prepares a speaking tour for (DeValera) and tickets are already selling very well. Adding their regards for the General (Magennis).

8 pp

- 561                    2 December 1926      Holograph letter from B.(M.J.Browne), St.Patrick's College, Maynooth (County Kildare), to Hagan. He found that the rumour goes back to a postcard sent from northern Italy by a former College student, one of whom Hagan always had reason to complain, to Limerick, from where it spread. Then expressing sympathy for Hagan's feelings of disgust and resentment concerning the *Archivium*; however, defending Dr.Pierse who had nothing to do with it, and did not deliver a snub by not visiting Hagan during the summer. There are other voices raised in Maynooth in denunciation (of the Irish College) than his. Also stating that because of the commotion caused by the

new College the bishops decided on a reconstruction of the Dunboyne. Hagan's attendance at Hinsley's consecration was taken to read that he also 'yielded to the spirit of the times'. Browne contested that but asks for the state of affairs.

6 pp

- 562            2 December 1926    Holograph letter from Bishop William Codd, Summerhill, Wexford, to Hagan, enclosing handwritten petition for a marriage dispensation for William Lawlor and Josephine M.Bolger, sister-in-law to the widowed Lawlor. Detailing reasons in favour of the match. – Stating that Cardinal Laurenti has not replied yet; commenting on Fr.Goolden's stay at Mount St.Benedict. Codd cannot understand how the cardinal could be administrationally so obstructive.

2 items

- 563            2 December 1926    Typescript letter signed Liam C.MacCosgair, Roinn an Uachtaráin, Sráid Muirbhthean Uach(tar), Dublin, to Monsignor Tizi, Rome. In strongest terms expressing amazement over the slander; the fact that his own name was connected with it is a case of slander against himself. Adding that 'whenever your name has been mentioned by me, it was mentioned with respect and veneration and with an expression of the gratitude due to you for your great kindness and un-failing courtesy to me and my countrymen'. Expressing his sympathy for the worry caused.

2 pp

- 564            2 December 1926    Holograph letter from T.H.Ellis, Ballyglunin, County Galway, to (Hagan). In gratitude for his advice; he is writing to the cardinal, and will try to secure 'Dr.P.B.' [...] as his advocate; asking for further advice on how to do so. Hoping to go to a place like Innsbrück.

1 p

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- 565            3 December 1926    Holograph letter from Bishop Bernard Hackett, Bishop's House, John's Hill, Waterford, to (Hagan). Hoping that the central novitiate for choir sisters of the Sisters of Mercy will not be modified. Also reminding him of a matrimonial dispensation yet outstanding. 2 pp
- 566            4 December 1926    Holograph letter from Agnes Collins, Wadena, Sutton County Dublin, to Mother Paulinus [Kilkenny]. Describing matters concerning the honeymooners [P.T.Keohane and new wife]; the wife is all newest fashions including bobbed hair, she sings beautifully and he adores her. More favourable comments on her, their return from Droitwich, Fr.Morrissey's splendid arrangements and ceremony, and the lucky fact that her children take it so well. They will stay at her place at first. Hoping to see Paulinus soon. (Covering letter not extant.) 4 pp
- 567            4 December 1926    Holograph letter from Bishop P.Morrisroe, St.Nathy's Ballaghadereen (County Roscommon), to Hagan, enclosing payment for agency fees. Reserving Peter's Pence until the visitation next year. 1 p
- 568            4 December 1926    Holograph letter from Giacinto Latini C.M., Rector of Collegio Brignole-Sale Negrone per le Missioni Estere, Via Fassolo 29, Genoa, to (Hagan). Urging him to thank Signore Carlo Borgarello formally for the gift of the bed of Daniel O'Connell; he has been heard complaining that this act was not appropriately acknowledged. [Italian] 1 p

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- 569            6 December 1926    Holograph letter from John Lennon, Mountmellick (County Laois), to 'my dear J.' (Hagan). Commenting on the article by 'not Stannous' [*Catholic Bulletin*] and commenting on the splendid new College. Asking if there is a chance 'of a transfer of labour'; Fr.Morrissey would be one of many hoping so. Reference to Keohane's health and happiness. Reminding of maniples to be sent yet.  
2 pp
- 570            11 December 1926    Holograph letter from Bishop Patrick Finegan, Bishop's House, Culliss, Cavan, to Hagan, enclosing payment to the Congregation of Sacraments and the Holy Office.  
1 p
- 571            12 December 1926    Holograph letter from Patrick Cardinal O'Donnell, Ara Coeli, Armagh, to (Hagan), enclosing payment of Peter's Pence and a covering letter to the Pope, to be presented at Hagan's discretion if useful (not extant). Commenting on his obligations in formal Christmas mail despatches, for example to Cardinal Vannutelli.  
4 pp
- 572            12 December 1926    Holograph petition from P.J.Nagle P.P., Lawrence-town, Ballinasloe, County Galway, to Bishop (Dignan) of Clonfert, for marriage dispensation in consanguinity for James Curley and Monica Curley. (Note from Dignan authorising this.)  
[Latin]  
1 p

- 573            12 December 1926    Holograph letter from Miss M.A.Broome 'EdeM', St. Winifred's House, Dublin Street, Kildare, to Hagan, in gratitude for arranging the papal Mass. The demon supplying money to the Freemasons was duly banished and buried in hell. She did not see Mr.Lyons when he was in Ireland. Enclosing four-leaf shamrock (not extant).  
2 pp
- 574            12-16 December        Holograph letter from M.(J.Curran), St.Bernard's Rectory, 340 West 66<sup>th</sup> Street, Chicago, Illinois (United States of America), to Hagan. He missed Frank Walsh in Kansas City. He had some long talks with Archbishop Curley of Baltimore, as prejudiced over the Free State as ever, with information supplied by Bishop Fogarty – he gave private subscriptions towards the Irish College, however. At the Irish Fellowship Club banquet he was introduced to many, and hopes for good results. Observing many Irish-Americans were made Knights of Malta; asking about Marquis Moloney. Comments on Doheny's trial, now an indictment of the Harding administration. Stating he does not feel lonely; praising Monsignor Ryan for his counsel and friendship. One of Curran's old friends died before he could look him up again. While Mrs. McWhorter is ill, she helps the project through her contacts in the A(ncient) O(rder of ) H(ibernians) who seem to need a fresh aim. Mentioning 'a big coup' planned by himself. Stating confidently that according to Curley the American bishops are indignant over the cost of the U.S.A. College grounds [Rome]. Then stating that the Ancient Order in California and here urges him to stay until the convention in July; expressing personal reluctance but belief it would do much; asking Hagan to come out too. Asking for news on Bisleti; also 'everybody is asking me about O'Connell's heart'.  
6 pp
- 575            13 December 1926    Holograph letter from Aloysius S.Quinlan, St.Rose's Rectory, Third and Green Streets, Haddon Heights, New York (United States of America), to (Hagan, reminiscing about the hospitality at the Irish College and the 'coterie' usually assembling there. Stating that his section continually grows so that there is need for two new mission churches; but there is a shortage of priests. Regretting he did not see Ronayne before he left for Naples. Asking the old circle who 'smoke your cigarettes and drink your tea as of yore' to take a few puffs on him. Enclosing cheque as a gift.  
4 pp

- 576            14 December 1926    Handwritten [copy] letter from M.J.Browne (copied by himself), St.Patrick's College, Maynooth (County Kildare), to Archbishop [Gilmartin of Tuam]. Originally enclosing report on the proposed constitutions as subject to [Byrne]'s approval. But stating that some important questions need to be raised separately. Raising the point that the institution [...] is still by pontifical decree of 1830 under the authority of the Archbishop of Tuam. Commenting on the anomaly that the institution has no constitutions, and that it is ruled not strictly as either diocesan or as Tertiaries. Recommending they should be treated as a new institute, not merely Tertiaries; they have gone beyond that and put teaching before everything else; it is unlikely they be awarded pontifical freedom from the ordinary. It is necessary for him to attend their chapter. Affirming that Browne merely seeks the welfare of the institute and the diocese it serves. (Marked 'confidential' in another hand.) (Probably contained in Archbishop Gilmartin's letter of 20 January 1927.)
- 5 pp
- 577            14 December 1926    Typescript letter signed Bishop William MacNeely, Ard Eunan, Letterkenny (County Donegal), to Hagan, enclosing a document concerning the Raphoe burse. Commenting that the President of Maynooth's remarks about their student shortage rather advertised Rome; glad to see the amount of prizes collected at Propaganda. Hoping Curran's mission was successful; praising Bishop Cantwell who seems the ideal co-operator. Adding finally that 'this part of Ireland is peaceful and poor.'
- 1 p
- 578            15 December 1926    Holograph postcard from Fr.Nogara [Vatican], to (Hagan), in receipt of an offering from the Bishop of Kildare; best wishes for speedy recovery. (Obverse photographic image showing a Moroccan contribution to the Vatican Missionary Exhibition.) [Italian]
- 1 p
- 579            15 December 1926    Holograph letter from Charles Lawless, Parochial House, Greystones, County Wicklow, to (Hagan), in grati-

- tude for obtaining the papal blessing; enclosing payment.
- 580            16 December 1926    Holograph letter from James Bastible, St.Peter's College, Wexford, to (Hgan), offering congratulations on the students' success at the exams. He has seen Fr.Sinnott briefly since his return from Rome but heard of the fine new College. Then expressing hope to have the scholarship scheme working by the end of the month. Hoping to come to the formal opening of the College. He is surprised a certain matter concerning Maynooth has not been discussed yet. Comments on Fr.MacConville and Sr.Rita.
- 581            16 December 1926    Holograph letter from P.O'Doherty, Omagh, County Tyrone, to (Hagan), enclosing a subscription concerning Fr.Boyle's death; the priests wish to fund the seating in the new chapel; leaving memorial to Hagan. Then commenting very favourably on the new bishop; he is both a bishop and a brother. Emphatically expressing his and others feelings about Dublin which seems a foreign capital of little import now – 'the Castle in its worst days could not have done worse against us than the Free State Executive did in selling us'. Belfast is still an abomination, and he hasn't been there for eleven years.
- 582            16 December 1926    Holograph letter from E.J.Rawlins, St.Michael's Presbytery, Bell Island C.B., Newfoundland (Canada), to (Hagan), expressing his goodwill and happy memories of his Alma Mater. Hoping to be able to return one day to 'live those happy days over with those who fought so hard for the cause of the living martyrs of Ireland'.

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- 583            17 December 1926    Holograph letter from Charles Hurson, St.Patrick's, Dundalk (County Louth), to Hagan, having received the reply on the reduction of Masses. Enclosing both fees, and Mass stipends with a list of the donors (some by name).  
3 pp
- 584            17 December 1926    Holograph letter from Zillah Murphy, Granite Lodge, Glenageary Road, Dun Laoghaire, to Hagan, recommending the bearer, Dr.O'Reilly, asking to obtain access to a papal audience for him. Asking to remember her sister in his prayers.  
2 pp
- 585            17 December 1926    Holograph card from Bishop A.Brownrigg, Kilkenny, to (Hagan), asking for the congregational view on bishops appointing members of the cathedral chapters. Asking whether it is true that Ireland has no chapters proper.  
2 pp
- 586            18 December 1926    Holograph letter from P.J.Walsh, Holy Cross College, Clonliffe, Dublin, to Hagan. A charitable institution has left 640 Masses unsaid by mistake; asking about sending the bulk to the Congregation of the Council. Then stating that David O'Meara gave the account of 'the magnificent spirit amongst your students' on his return; the new students are delighted with the new College.  
4 pp
- 587            18 December 1926    Typescript letter signed P.Dunne, Archbishop's House, Dublin, to (Hagan), enclosing proof of lodgements made. Also enclosing copies of letters from Fr.Patrick

Dempsey, now Australia (not extant): surprisingly he still classes himself as a priest of the Dublin diocese, writing to the archbishop and friends of his reception in Melbourne. Then making statements about a certain 'friend', now operating from Belfast after not being allowed to visit any convents in Dublin; the archbishop (Byrne) cannot proceed without a definite charge; he keeps Fidecicchi's letter for now and expresses anxiety he says too much. Then reporting that 'James J. [Ryan] came and took the place by storm, not ashamed at all; if anybody can get anything for the College from Marquis Moloney he will. He met Synnott very briefly, returning from giving the retreat in Rome.

2 pp

- 588            18 December 1926    Holograph letter from Eric Fair, Coláiste Sheosamh Naomhtha, Páirc Ghearrbhaile, Ballinasloe (County Galway), to Hagan, with best Christmas wishes. He will go to Lettermore for the holidays for a break from [teaching French]. Enclosing printed papers he prepared for his classes (not extant). He visited Mrs. Ffrench. The new issue of *An Róimh* will be out soon. Then commenting on the poverty prevalent at present. All complain, even publicans, and 'the common saying is that "no one has money but the priests with their motors"'. It may still be that the Free State wins the elections again. The division between Sinn Fein and F.(ianna) F.(áil) prevents many from joining either. His plans to come to Rome for the whole summer next year.

2 p

- 589            18 December [1926]    Holograph letter from Marguerita Quinn, The Madison Square Hotel, 37 Madison Avenue, 26<sup>th</sup> Street, New York (United States of America), to Hagan. Stating that they saw Fr. Ronayne off. They miss their accustomed visits to the four o'clock circle [in Rome]. Pádraig is studying for imminent exams; other common friends. They met Seán McBride and wife in Paris; when she had arrived at Roebuck House prior to him the raids began. Their place in Paris was raided twice by the B.(ritish) Consulate; she has not heard from them for a while. More comments about mutual friends.

3 pp

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- 590            20 December 1926    Holograph letter from John Sinnott [adm], The Presbytery, Wexford, to Hagan, in thanks for hospitality at the College. 'His Lordship' [Archbishop ...] showed deep interest and might come to Rome early in the year. Enclosing Mass stipends.  
1 p
- 591            20 December 1926    Holograph letter from Ernie [O'Malley], 7 [Lonn] Drive, Glasnevin (Dublin), to Hagan. Complaining that it is hard to settle down to serious work when thinking too much. Stating the country is changed much; while there is a gleam of hope one notices the lack of serious thought, especially at the universities. Then advising him that Seán McBride's wife had a daughter, Seoirse Plunkett married Mary McCarthy; other news of newly-wed couples. Dr. Lynch is in Ireland. Regards to all at the College. He has not met any of the church dignitaries he met in Rome since returning. Warm season's greetings.  
2pp
- 592            20 December 1926    Holograph letter from Bishop B.O'Kane, Bishop's House, Derry, to (Hagan), settling outstanding diocesan debts in fees. Fr.Hegarty is now installed in Maghera and made vicar general. Enclosing the oaths he took before the cardinal, as required by one of the congregations. Seeking advice on how to honour Fr. Philip O'Doherty, Omagh, with a minor title that needs no recourse to Rome; offering information on his career and achievements. [partly Latin]  
2 pp
- 593            20 December 1926    Holograph letter from Bernard Donnellan, Markethill, County Armagh, to Hagan, with season's greetings and good wishes for the College. He just begins his first curacy.  
2 pp

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- 594            20 December 1926    Holograph letter from Bishop James Naughton of Killala, Bishop's House, Ballina (County Mayo), to Hagan, with season's greetings.  
1 p
- 595            'Xmas 1926'  
                 [c.20 December]        Holograph letter from M. bean Uí Riain, Delgany (County Wicklow), to Hagan. In thanks for his assistance to R. Smith who is resigned to her fate right now. Stating that the interned men are all free again, including George Plunkett who in the meantime had spontaneously married Mary McCarthy while on parole. Wondering whether Mary [the same] would have grounds to break out of it 'with the Marlborough case ringing in our ears', however. Ernie O'Malley has taken the Republican Club in the university in hands. The National League has a splendid Press. Also commenting that Fianna Fáil would sweep the country if they only published what they said; that Cosgrave and Magennis carry on 'their little back-chat as usual'.  
2 pp
- 596            'Xmas 1926'  
                 [c.20 December]        Holograph letter from Sr.(Mary) [Callisto], Casa Leone XIII, Sliema, Malta, to 'dear Father' (Hagan), with season's greetings and good wishes for the new College. Their mother provincial is eager to return to Rome; they have no news at all from Rome. Mother (Mary) dePazzi is not well; mentioning other mutual friends.  
2 pp
- 597            [c.20 December  
                 1926]                    Holograph note from [Toddy A...] Curran, 26 Edendale Road, Ranelagh to [...] with season's greetings.  
1 p

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- 598            21 December 1926    Holograph letter from F.Archdeacon Casey P.P., The Presbytery, Castleisland, County Kerry, recommending a new student in Rome, his grandnephew Timothy O'Leary. Casey himself will do for him what he can. 2 pp
- 599            21 December 1926    Holograph letter from William Hanrahan, Castlemahon, Newcastle West, (County Limerick), to Hagan. Asking for information on his 18<sup>th</sup>-century ancestor Edmond Hanrahan whose son founded a bursary at the Irish College. 1 p
- 600            22 December 1926    Holograph letter from James Kelly, Ardpatrick, Kilmallock (County Limerick), to (Hagan), with congratulations on the new College. Stating he is satisfied in his post and cycles to his heart's content. Season's greetings. 3 pp
- 601            22 December 1926    Holograph letter from Patrick J.Keohane of M.H.Gill's & Son Ltd., Dublin, to Hagan. On returning he had to 'face the repercussions of my happy escape'. Seán T. took it as a true statesman and was one of the first to congratulate them. Stating that he looked worn – 'I know he is leaving nothing undone to heal the breach, and to keep the faith at the same time'. Regretting that Dr.Cleary, Chinese Missions, does not feel equal to work on the *Epistles*; asking for advice and wishing Hagan could do it himself. There are no definite news 'from the [Beet] country'. [The Capuchins] are grateful for the kindness shown them during the pilgrimage. Alluding to a comical description given of Aloysius by 'Brosna' (Fr.O'Flanagan). He himself is in the best of health. 2 pp

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- 602            24 December 1926    Holograph letter from John Quinn, Wholesale and Retail Grocer, The Milestone, Newry (County Down), to (Hagan), having despatched to him and 'the general' [Fr.Magennis] some bacon. Season's greetings.  
1 p
- 603            26 December 1926    Holograph letter from D.A.Reidy, The Palace, Killarney (County Kerry), to (Hagan), enclosing petitions to the Congregation of the Council, and concerning Canon O'Leary (not extant).  
2 pp
- 604            27 December [1926]   Holograph card from W.O'Brien, North Presbytery, Cork, to Hagan, with season's greeting. Hoping to see him some time in 1927.  
2 pp
- 605            28 December 1926    Holograph letter from Florence Teeling, 83 Boulevard du Montparnasse, Paris (France), to (Hagan), asking him to remember her husband's death on 3 January; enclosing an offering. Asking for news.  
2 pp
- 606            28 December 1926    Holograph letter from Archbishop D.Mannix, Raheen, Kew, Victoria (Australia), to Hagan. Enclosing testimonial concerning a prospective new student [now at Melleray]; brief remarks about him.  
3 pp

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- 607            29 December 1926    Holograph letter from James Doyle, St.Canice's, Kilkenny, to Hagan, enclosing photographs for Bravi (not extant). In gratitude for Hagan's assistance in having past presidents of St.Kieran's painted for the College. 2 pp
- 608            29-30 December      Holograph letter from T.H.Ellis, Ballyglunin (County Galway), to (Hagan). Enclosing handwritten copy letter from Bishop Gaughran, Mullingar, to Ellis: the Holy Office replied saying that (Ellis) in insisting on his innocence shows no sufficient signs of remorse. – Commenting he does not understand if this means a trial is ruled out. Further describing his inability to leave Ballyglunin, the lack of proper provisions, his bishop's failure to reply. 2 items
- 609            30 December 1926    Holograph letter from Bishop E.Mulhern, Ardmaine, Newry (County Down), to (Hagan), with season's greetings. Promising their dividends, asking for list of those benefiting from the (burses) in question. There are no news in the matter he mentioned. Regretting [J.S.] O'Reilly's death and the many [changes in Dublin in a few years]. Personal news. 4 pp
- 610            30 December [1926]   Holograph letter from P.J.Ryan, Parochial House, Dunlavin, County Wicklow, to Hagan, asking for a papal prize, preferably what was once a possession of Pius X. He has trouble paying off the debt left to him on the new church; the people are generous but 'have been "bled"'. Commenting on John O'Reilly's sudden death. 2 pp

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- 611            30 December 1926    Holograph letter from Thomas Canon MacDonal, Portadown, County Armagh, to Hagan. Asking for assistance in his dealings with the Tommasis, Pietra Santa, whom he commissioned to build an altar; they plead for higher payment because of inflation.  
2 pp
- 612            31 December 1926    Holograph letter from Michael Dean Quinn, Dungannon (County Tyrone), to Hagan, asking to inquire into his petition to the Congregation of the Council for liquifying funds for the restoration of the church and a residence for the sacristan.  
1 p
- 613            [late 1926]            Handwritten draft letter from [Domenico Tizi, Rome] to Bishop Keane of Limerick. Stating that the scandalous rumour according to which he ran away with an American Protestant lady seem to have originated in the Limerick diocese; asking for his help to find the perpetrator. [Italian]  
2 pp
- 614            [1926]                [Copy] typescript letter from Hagan to Cardinal Van Rossum, Prefect of the Congregation of Propaganda Fide, Rome. Concerning the new tax on patrimony, pointing out that the list of colleges supplied to the state by Propaganda, omitted the Irish College and inserted the Irish Augustinians instead. [Italian]  
1 p
- 615            [1926]                Handwritten and typescript draft letter by (Hagan) for Cardinal Protector Sbarretti, to Michael Donohoe, National President of the Ancient Order of Hibernians,

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2838 Frankford Avenue, Philadelphia (United States of America). Encouraging him and the Order to do their best for the Irish College. While Pius XI gave two million lira 'out of his own slender resources', and while the Irish people also raised £ 10,000 in spite of hard times, the College still seeks to raise around \$ 50,000 for completion of the establishment.

2 items

- 616 [1926] Typescript copy letter in translation from Cardinal Gasparri (Rome), to Veritas [Catholic Truth Society], Dublin, imparting the apostolic benediction to participants in the Society's conference dealing with the 'Christian family'. (See letter of 19 October.)

1 p

- 617 [1926] Holograph letter from Daniel Molloy, St.Mary's, Dunkinfield, Cheshire (England), to Hagan. He is recovering from his nervous breakdown; grateful for the consideration shown him in Rome. Introducing the bearer, Miss Howard, asking to arrange access to a papal audience. Congratulations on the speedy completion of the new College.

1 p

- 618 [1926] Holograph letter from M.Redmond, Busby Hotel [Pisa] to Hagan asking him to arrange for two rooms for them.

2 pp

- 619 [1926] Two holograph letters from Arthur Williams, 5 Fern

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Hurst Villas, College Road, Cork, to 'dear Father' [Hagan], asking him for Italian stamps, in particular the St.Francis centenary prints.

2 items

620 [1926] Holograph card from J.James C.C., Graige-Cullen 13, Carlow, to (Hagan), in thanks for the kindness shown him through Fr.Lennon.

2 pp

621 [1926] Handwritten draft by (Hagan) for [J.J.Dunne of the National Council for the Propagation of the Faith]. Sending a cheque over £10,000 and a report on the Council's work during 1926. Giving some details; stating among other things that their work is already working out of twenty-six dioceses. [Italian] (See the letter from J.J.Dunne 24 March 1926.)

2 pp

622 '20<sup>th</sup> [...] [1926] Holograph letter from K.Daniel, 33 Kenilworth Square Rathgar, Dublin, to (Hagan), with congratulations on the new College; 'a wonderful memorial'. Regretting they cannot come this year. Explaining that Paddy was not promoted at Dublin Corporation because of his intensive work for a Catholic organisation [Catholic Truth Society]- 'people would expect that in Belfast but not in Dublin'. Arrangements for having a centre-piece table made for the College 'state room'.

3 pp

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- 623 [1926] Fragment holograph letter from J.J.Dunne [Dublin] to [Hagan], informing him of Fr.Kennedy's nomination to Enniskerry. He saw a photograph of the new College; congratulations.  
1 p
- 624 [1926] Copy typescript petition from Bishop Finegan of Kilmore to Pope [Pius XI], for an indult concerning the Missionary Sisters of the Sacred Rosary, Killeshandra, who cannot celebrate Holy Week as decreed by Benedict XV. [Latin]  
1 p
- 625 [1926] Fragment holograph letter from J.J.Dunne [Dublin], to [Hagan]. He will talk to [Dr.MacKeown] about a certain matter, but has not spoken to the archbishop about the project. Delighted that the College's numbers are over 100.  
2 pp
- 626 [1926] Fragment holograph letter from Bishop James Roche, Bishop's House, Skibbereen (County Cork), to Hagan, enclosing cheque for Peter's Pence for 1926. Also enclosing document for the Cancelleria Apostolica (not extant).  
1 p
- 627 [1926] Fragment holograph letter from Cardinal Patrick O'Donnell, Ara Coeli, Armagh, to Hagan, glad about the good news concerning the new College. One of the Armagh Callans (student freshmen) will pay his own fee. Discussing further distribution of the sums at disposal to the diocese for students.  
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628 [1926] Holograph letter from M.Canty, The Presbytery, Dromin, Kilmallock (County Limerick), enclosing cheque for fees due on his appointment as dean to the Limerick chapter.

1 p

629 [1926] Handwritten draft letter by (Hagan), Rome, to Dr.Sabatucci (Rome). Before tendering his reply to the 'governatorato', wishing to explain that he is opposed to sending their students to hospitals for treatment, excepting where operations are concerned. Wishing an assurance from whichever medical officer the College will select; reserving the right to choose the hospital for those exceptional cases; the College has an infirmary and a trained nurse to facilitate students who are ill. (This was marked 'c.1928'; however, the subject is brought up by Curran in correspondence in July and September of 1926, the year the new College and its infirmary were completed.)

2 pp