

HIGH PARK BEQUESTS

Date	Location	Beneficiary	Amount	Notes
11-Sep-70	Cork	Mary Pynch	£50	Donation for the objects of their charitable work.
17-Nov-69	Louth, Meath	Anthony Carroll & Co.	£200	Donation towards the charitable purposes of the Community.
15-May-68	Kilkeny	Patrick Tallan & Co.	£50	For the charitable purposes of the Asylum.
29-Apr-68	Dublin	M.J. Crony & Son	£100	Owens listed as of St. Joseph's Nursing Home, Raheny, died 4-Sep-67.
17-Apr-68	Dublin	E.O. Sheil	£100	Died 8-June-67, donation called "small token of gratitude for the kind attention she received there", asks for half of bequest to be spent on "the provision of single and multiple seats in the garden". Attached is handwritten note specifying this.
09-Apr-68	Dublin	Arthur Cox & Co.	£300	Due to complications in late life with estate, 1/27th of residue is not the original £500 but actually £13,000. Beneficiary to have £13,000 net of £1000 of going to a relative. Residue of £12,000 also sent to Superiors, St. Mary Magdalene, Dennybrook.
02-Apr-68	Dublin	Arthur O'Hagan & Son	£100	Originally was going to be £50, but after funeral expenses, reduced. For the charitable objects of the Asylum and the Magdalen Asylum carried on by the said Order.
28-Mar-68	Cork	Brendan P. Byrne	£377.1	Original bequest had kept £25 for death duty claims, but after no death duties, paying rest to Magdalen Asylum.
16-Jun-68	Danzig	Anthony Carroll & Co.	£35	Addressed to "Treasurer, Our Lady of Refuge," money for charitable purposes of the Community.
04-May-67	Dublin	Donald P. Gallagher	£1010.95	High amount.
03-Mar-67	Dublin	Arthur Cox & Co.	£500	Reference a telephone conversation between solicitor and "The Very Reverend Sister Catherine, Sister Superior."
18-Jan-67	London, UK	Monks & Gaynor	£1087.18	Byrne not deceased. Instructions to contact her if necessary via the bank manager. High amount.
18-Feb-66	Surrey, UK	T.A. Swinney, Manager, Natl Bank Limited, London	£1000	Male donor. High amount.
20-Apr-65	Dublin	Calvert Smith & Sutcliffe	£198.4	Attached is receipt letter from the Mother Superior acknowledging donation. References that these bequests are usually printed in the local papers, the costs of which have been deducted from the donation for the Charitable Works of her (Rev Mother's) Community.
21-Oct-63	Dublin	Gore & Grimes	£500	£500 donated, but this amount after "cost of legacy".
10-Aug-63	Tipperary	P.C.L. Haggerty & Son	£452.6.10	Hyland died nearly 100 years ago. It was provided that on failure of issue of her children - which has now happened - her residue be divided into 10 equal shares and distributed amongst 10 charities.
07-Jun-63	Dublin	Patrick F. Tracey	£782.13.7	Male donor.
29-Nov-60	Waterford	Arthur O'Hagan & Son	£50	Male donor. Funds "to be applied by [the Superiores] for the benefit of the said Institution as she may in her absolute discretion see fit. Odd mention of specifically the Superiores's
11-May-60	Dublin	Kevin Nugent	£50	Male donor.
11-Apr-60	Dublin	Ryan & O'Brien	£20	Male donor.
08-Mar-60	Dublin	Peter M. Seales & Son	£100	Male donor.
26-Feb-60	Dublin	Arthur O'Hagan & Son	£200	Specifically addressed to Sr. Mary of St. Anthony. Some handwritten note on the typed letter, referring to money with the handwritten date "July 28th, 1956".
26-Nov-57	Dublin	Wm. J. Shannon & Co	£374.7.10	Requests that Reverend Mother sign attached sheet in presence of a witness, who also must sign.
15-May-57	Dublin	Conrad P. Farrell & Sons	£250	Specifically addressed to Sr. Mary of St. Anthony. Why separate letters from this particular estate? Explains that executor is sending partial payment as details of estate are worked out. Embodied
05-Nov-56	Dublin	Begins & Burke	£475	Originally a £20 donation, but her estate could not fully cover this.
28-Aug-66	Dublin	Begins & Burke	unspecified	Technically they are entitled to interest on the legacy, but solicitor presumes High Park will waive this interest.
22-Aug-66	Dublin	Begins & Burke	£16.12.5	Solicitors enclose a copy of the Executor's Capital Account, which High Park may "retain".
02-Aug-56	Dublin	Patrick C.L. Haggerty	£50	Request a formal receipt to allow to Commissioners of Charities.
07-Jun-56	Dublin	Peter M. Seales & Son	unspecified	Four different documents with Miss Murray's name. One references £200, one £20, and one £1100. Last document notes that Sister Raphael died before Miss Murray, but the institution should not suffer because of it, so another check is enclosed.
07-Jan-56	Dublin	McCann, White & FitzGerald	£100	Miss Risk mentioned as wife of St. Michael's, High Park. Probably died there? Specifies that money to be used for the Asylum.
23-Dec-85	Dublin	Maxwell Weldon & Co.	£688.18.3	Specifically addressed to Sister Anthony Byrne. Attached is her entire will/estate details.
14-Jun-55	Dublin	John J. McDonald & Co.	unspecified	Male donor. Includes apology for fact that Executors were not able to realize full amount specified in Blake's will.
08-Oct-54	Dublin	Wm. Moorey & Son	£345.9.8	Male donor. References that "meter has now been completed" and that the amount of money was obtained from Messrs O'Hagan & Son. Also references that £471.37.2 was transferred to the trustees of the £100 Ordinary Stock Annual Dividends & Co. See "Misc" section for letters pertaining to this matter.
31-Aug-54	Dublin	Begins & Burke	£50	Male donor. Originally £100 but subtracted £10 legacy tax. Detailed account of specificities of will.
11-Dec-52	Dublin	John J. Sheil	£90	Letters of will. Also includes check of estate notice about her death - newspaper? Listed as "notice to creditors" with financial information.
19-Feb-52	Dublin	Carlen O'Meara & Keenan	£9.6.2	Male donor. Letter says that solicitors "could not find a society by that specific name" ("Catholic Mandelien Asylum"), asks Reverend Superiores to see if goes to the proper person.
06-Sep-50	Galway	William J. Connamon	£5	
20-Sep-47	Cork	Casey & O'Neill	£300	
07-Mar-47	Dublin	J.R.C. Green		
30-Dec-46	Dublin	John P.J. Smyth & Co.		
21-Mar-46	Dublin	John M. Cullen		

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Date	Donor	Beneficiary	Amount	Notes
03-Sep-45	Charles Harrahan	Dublin	£80	Westminster Bank Ltd., London
09-Apr-45	Thomas MacNello	Louth	£25	John Kieran
21-Aug-44	Luke Cowman	Dublin	£25	J.C. O'Meagher & Son
15-Mar-44	Richard O'Brien	Dublin	£386.17	Peter M. Smeles & Son
10-Jan-44	Joseph Gill	Dublin	£1000	Maxwell Weldon & Co.
07-Dec-42	E.J. Byrne	Dublin	£30.18.11	Maxwell Weldon & Co.
11-Nov-42	John McCarney	Monaghan	£5	Lardner & Co.
29-Sep-42	Edward J.P. Purcell	Dublin	£100	J.C. O'Meagher & Son
05-Jun-42	Patrick Gill	Dublin	£103.19.6	J.H. Walsh & Co.
05-Feb-42	John Clarke	Dublin	£50	Brown & McCann
15-Jan-42	Annie Fowler	Drogheda	£50	Joseph L. Ralphy
21-Mar-41	Margaret Anne O'Reilly	Dublin	£200	Arthur O'Hagan & Son
03-Mar-41	Frances Molloy	Dublin	£50	Gerald Byrne & Co.
11-Jan-41	James Maguire	Cavan	£188.8.6	Louis C.P. Smith & Co.
09-Jan-41	Thomas Kavanagh	Dublin	£20	Sheridan & Kenny
02-Aug-40	Joseph Kelly	Dublin	£100	Horan & Devine
20-Dec-39	Rose Anne O'Reilly	Drogheda	£50	Patrick Tallan & Co.
18-Apr-39	Eileen McKean	Dublin	£50	Crowley, Bolger & Cusack
15-Mar-39	Elizabeth Madden	Offaly	£25	none
02-Mar-39	Mary Swabon	Dublin	£7.18.10	J.E. McDermott
21-Jun-39	E.E. Armstrong	London, UK	£100	Rivington & Son
11-Jun-37	Bridget M. Boyen	Dublin	"residue of property"	none
25-Sep-35	Thomas Grace	Kilkenny	£50	James Harro & Son
04-Jun-35	Miss M.A. Tobin	Dublin	£49.19.2	Meldon & Co.
06-Apr-35	Catherine Dowdall	Dublin	£50	James F. Lalor
17-Dec-34	Sarah Stanley	Dublin	£100	Vincent & Beatty
22-Oct-34	Mary Moran	Dublin	£20	Kennedy & McGonagle
11-Apr-34	Kate McAuley	Dublin	£24.10.9	Wm. Mooney & Son
16-Dec-33	Very Reverend Charles Ridgeway, P.P.	Dublin	£10	Arthur O'Hagan & Son
27-Jul-33	Annie F. Gallagher	Dublin	£300	John J. Gaynor
03-May-33	Daniel Gorman	Dublin	£10	Henry Murphy & Son
25-Jun-33	M.A. Dalaney	Dublin	£172.4.6	A. & L. Goodbody
07-Dec-32	Daniel Phelan	Dublin	£108	Meldon & Co.
05-Oct-32	Anna Bourke	Dublin	£20	Horan & Devine
16-Jun-32	Miss Francis M. Andrews	Dublin	£1000	Carlen O'Meara & Kieran
07-Apr-32	Monica M. O'Flanagan	Dublin	£100	Henry Murphy & Son
21-Mar-32	Walter Butler	Dublin	£25	R.A. Burke
16-Feb-32	Mrs. Mary McHugh	Dublin	£200	Ryan & O'Brien
23-Nov-31	Kathleen Harrington	Dublin	£100	John B. McCann
07-Oct-31	Carlen O'Meara	Dublin	£100	Carlen O'Meara & Kieran
28-Aug-31	William Oherly	Dublin	£25	Roger Greene & Sons
15-Jul-31	John J. Egan	Dublin	£100	Crowley, Bolger & Cusack
11-Apr-31	John R. Mackey	Drogheda	£247 (illegible)	Patrick C. Markey
13-Feb-31	Eileen Smith	Cavan	£5	Makoney & Dowd
22-Aug-30	Miss Maria Hannill	Dublin	£98.0.6	J.H. Walsh & Co.
13-Aug-30	Mrs. Mary Jane Breehy	Dublin	£15	John J. McDonald & Co.
27-Jun-30	Miss Johanna Keating	Dublin	£300	Fullerton & Doyle
02-Mar-26	Miss Margaret F. MacCrossan	Dublin	£101.17.8	Charles O'Brien
22-Dec-16	Rev. John Kelly, P.P.	Tyrone		James Riordan & George Elterton Shields & Murnaghan

Male, British donor. Originally £100 but subtracted £10 legacy tax. Typed "Hyde Park" in address but crossed out and hand-written "High". Along with original letter asking which bank Asylum used (Hibernian Bank Ltd., 12 Lower O'Connell Street, Dublin).

Male donor.

Male donor. Contribution with estate over amount donated to man's predecessor servant, referenced in attached letter. Held to have been a fairly wealthy, upper-class man. Male donor. High amount.

References "Account of Rents of Nos. 64/65, Dawson Street." States that amount is "Asylum's share of the balances."

Male donor. Will specifies: "To the institute in which my daughter Ellis is living five pounds." Why John? Why small amount?

Male donor. Details of tax and interest, etc. Attached is handwritten note - recap/pt.

Male donor.

"For the charitable purposes in the Irish Free State of the said Asylum"

Specifies "Sister Anna Jennings" as Mother Superior.

Male donor. Originally for £200, but tax was subtracted.

Male donor. Sheridan & Kenny referenced in Misc. letters.

Male donor.

References "letter of the 19th inst." regarding the donation.

Both a letter from the solicitor and direct letter from the executor.

Does not use a solicitor

£10 minus tax. See "Misc letters" for letter regarding specific nature of Sheehan's bequest. End of letter: "We are glad to learn that you will be receiving the Silver Gift Cup shortly." Additional letter states that donation is in memory of Sister Anstha. See "Misc Letters" for more info. Legal notice in newspaper.

Male donor. "For the purpose of the Magdalen Asylum."

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Lived at 19 Drumcondra Rd.

Attached is a Notice of Charitable Bequests which lists all of Stanley's bequests. Donated to multiple Magdalen asylums.

Moran lived in County Wicklow.

£25 originally, but her estate could not pay full amount.

What does P.P. stand for? Possibly a religious figure.

Used in notice of Charitable Bequests in newspaper. Interestingly under "World's News" section. Executor was instructed to choose 5 charities to donate £10 to. Different John Gorman than the one who died (see Misc letters), unless he moved to Kilkenny before his death.

Share of residue of estate. Attached are letters explaining that the check is forthcoming and detailing case/where she wanted burial. Additional handwritten letter reference £100, from Joseph Gaffery (sp?). Entire will and account details attached. Same Delaney as one mentioned in Misc. Letters?

Male donor. Originally £100, but earned interest after death of Mr. Phelan's son Joseph. Attached is letter explaining that interest was earned in 1985 and his son was given the money in his death. "For the benefit of High Park."

High amount.

"For the Charitable purpose to which the Magdalen Asylum is devoted."

Male donor.

Executor lived two houses away from Mrs. McHugh.

Solicitor signs letter "Your obedient servant."

O'Meara of the solicitors. Kieran must have run it after his death and kept the name.

Male donor.

Male donor. Barely legible document.

Listed as "Ellen Smith, Spinster, deceased."

Originally £100, estate did not quite cover this amount.

Mary Jane Breehy's address listed as High Park, Drumcondra.

Specifies Magdalen Asylum.

Document is court order of Stornett Eireann, rather than just a letter from the solicitor.

Male donor. Attached is letter explaining that amount is 1/5th of £500 mortgage, donated to support the penitents at High Park.

1932

Murphy died in 1865. Letter addressed specifically to Elizabeth Byrne. Attached is letter calling
Murphy a "sponsor" and explaining delay in payment due to annuities.
Explanation of amount included in letter (interest, etc.). Attached is letter further explaining that
original ESO had to be cut by 50%.

£300
£27.0.8

illegible
Montgomery & Chaylor

Margaret Ellen Murphy
Miss Katherine Barnswell

Dublin
Dublin

23-Nov-16
21-Mar-10

NOTES

1. 1940s: more male donators. Did more die in war? What would their motivations be?
2. All solicitors are males.
3. All bequeathments to High Park, Drumcondra.
4. In 1941, Sister Anna Jennings was Mother Superior at Drumcondra. In 1927 and in 1916, Elizabeth Byrne is referenced as Mother Superior. In 1930 and 1926, "Madam McVeagh". (Other times unnamed.)
5. Estate of E.J. Byrne: Along with numerous checks, there is a handwritten packet of information regarding the 64/65 Dawson St. Account, dated 28-Jun-39. Looks like record of all payments, includes several different names.
6. More than one reference to "old ladies" or "aged ladies" by solicitors, which seem to imply that these women were incapable of handling legal affairs. Also multiple references (farther back in time) to deceased women as "spinsters."
7. Why are some donations taxed, while others are not?
8. Boyne & Walsh estate: appears that High Park owned some properties under that estate and were responsible for managing them - from rents to insurance payments on property damage.

1934

Date	Client/Subject	Request/Issue	Requester	Response/Status	Notes
05-May-68	John Fitzpatrick, Secretary for 'His Grace'	Agreement to M. Nativity's request to have a Radio Appeal made on 13 July	Mother M. Nativity, Drumcondra	Agreement to M. Nativity's request to have a Radio Appeal made on 13 July	Unofficial stationery
18-Jul-68	Callan O'Siobhra (General Features Dept, Radio Telefis Eireann)	Invitation to apply for 5-minute Sunday night 'appeal broadcast'	'A Chair'	Handwritten receipt. References 'Cheque £307.52 and Securities to the value £1360.61. Mrs. Margaret O'Neil. Request' 'Enclosed is 1 note for the home in New York' 'Enclosed is check for £5.00 after 'resant appeal for financial assistance'	Limited number of Sundays with many organizations vying for radio spots. Archbishop of Dublin must personally approve submission. Written on an envelope corner over the postmark, which is from Dublin.
May-68	'Ezell' (?)	General Manager of Alliance & Dublin Consumer's Gas Company (name illegible)	Undisclosed Superior, Drumcondra	Handwritten note. Edell asks to be prayed for and remembered. Clearly finances were not enough to even pay gas company at this point	Handwritten note. Edell asks to be prayed for and remembered. Clearly finances were not enough to even pay gas company at this point
20-May-67	St. Mary of Eucharist (then illegible, but looks to be French)	'Very dear Mother'	'Very dear Mother'	Thanks for a 'nice letter' on the occasion of her sister's 're-election'. Mentions fact that they will soon happily receive 'dear Sister Mary of the Divine Infant'	Return address is partly cut out but word 'Chair' and Paris address visible. Mentions 'during 'hospice' work' and 'psychology' are key, so the 'work is not so
30-Jun-66	Sommaire Sa Clara (illegible) of Our Monastery of our Lady of Charity and Refuge (translated from Spanish)	'Most honorable and dear Mother' (translated)	Reverend Superiores, Drumcondra	All in Spanish - would require a good translator	Needs translation
27-Sep-65	Francis MacLennan (General Features, Radio Eireann)	'A Chair'	Reverend Superiores, Drumcondra	Enclosed is check for £11.10, amount of 2/8 share of £44.76 balance for distribution on 30th	Same invitation as 19-Jul-68 letter.
17-Jul-64	P.J. O'Flaherty & Son	'Very dear and honoured Mother'	'Very dear and honoured Mother'	Announcement of new Superior of an unnamed Monastery	Unclear what the 'Renial' is for.
24-May-64	Sister Mary of the Nativity Kennedy, Assistant	'Manager, Trustees Dept, Bank of Ireland'	Manager, Trustees Dept, Bank of Ireland	Re: Miss J.M. McDonnell deceased & Mrs. B. Coppinger's Marriage Settlement. Some sort of unsettled matter with an estate that is being dealt with in a slow manner. Promise to be made to the late Mrs. B. Coppinger's estate. Re: Byrne & Walsh estate. Check for £170.03.	Liste all of Sister Mary of St. Eilene O'Neil's credentials, including her 'redemption of St. Mary's Girl' home and the School which greatly added to the comfort and happiness of the Girls and Children. Too light a copy to be read, but from Cook, 2 copies, and seems to go with the 13-Apr-68 document. Solicitors state they are 'embarrassed over the position in this Estate'. The 'matter' that has caused the embarrassment is the 'will' of the late Mrs. B. Coppinger. They refer to 'having difficulty in explaining the will' and 'the fact that the late Mrs. B. Coppinger's will was not properly explained to the late Mrs. B. Coppinger's estate'. Handwritten receipt from Rev. Mother on back (separate copy). Amount for distribution on 'Renial'. Estate of 'Lyster v. Burroughs.' Also references 'P.R.', or 'Poor Rate'
11-May-64	O'Keefe, Irwin & Co.	Reverend Superiores, Drumcondra	Reverend Superiores, Drumcondra	illigible	
13-Apr-64	O'Keefe, Irwin & Co.	Reverend Superiores, Drumcondra	Reverend Superiores, Drumcondra	Re: Miss J.M. McDonnell deceased & Mrs. B. Coppinger's Marriage Settlement. Some sort of unsettled matter with an estate that is being dealt with in a slow manner. Promise to be made to the late Mrs. B. Coppinger's estate. Re: Byrne & Walsh estate. Check for £170.03.	Attached is letter from National Bank explaining delay due to income tax.
15-Jul-63	P.J. O'Flaherty & Son	Reverend Superiores, Drumcondra	Reverend Superiores, Drumcondra	Titled 'Annually'. References income tax, amount payable to High Park comes to £4.13.	Total legacy £9000. Donations to priest education society, St. Vincent de Paul society, other charities and £500 to High Park. More money given to other charities. She never appeared very robust, but performed any duty assigned to her quietly... Health problems, including 2 bedridden years. Estate of 'Lyster v. Burroughs.' Also references 'P.R.', or 'Poor Rate'
08-Jun-63	T.V. Shelled of Townshend & Dickinson, Land Agents & Receivers	Reverend Superiores, Drumcondra	Reverend Superiores, Drumcondra	Titled 'Annually'. References income tax, amount payable to High Park comes to £4.85	Estate of 'Lyster v. Burroughs.' Also references 'P.R.', or 'Poor Rate'
24-Aug-62	Patrick F. Treacy	Reverend Mother, Magdalen Home, High Park	Reverend Mother, Magdalen Home, High Park	Acknowledgement of Rev. Mother's letter of the 23rd instant. Explanation of delay of bequest of Mrs. Agnes Malone.	Estate of 'Lyster v. Burroughs.' Also references 'P.R.', or 'Poor Rate'
09-Jul-61	n/a	n/a	n/a	Summary of Mrs. Agnes Malone's entire estate	
08-May-61	Sen. M. of St. Anselmus Pilkington, Superior	'very dear and honoured Mother'	'very dear and honoured Mother'	Death announcement of Sister Mary of St. Bernard Blackwell, who died 17-Apr-61.	
24-Nov-60	T.V. Shelled of Townshend & Dickinson, Land Agents & Receivers	Reverend Superiores, Drumcondra	Reverend Superiores, Drumcondra	Referred to as working at 'our Monastery.'	
25-Nov-60	T.V. Shelled of Townshend & Dickinson, Land Agents & Receivers	Reverend Superiores, Drumcondra	Reverend Superiores, Drumcondra	Titled 'Annually'. References income tax, amount payable to High Park comes to £4.85	
21-May-59	T.V. Shelled of Townshend & Dickinson, Land Agents & Receivers	Reverend Superiores, Drumcondra	Reverend Superiores, Drumcondra	Titled 'Annually'. References income tax, amount payable to High Park comes to £4.56	
28-Feb-59	P.J. O'Flaherty & Son	Reverend Superiores, Drumcondra	Reverend Superiores, Drumcondra	Re: Byrne & Walsh Estate. Check for £13.811, amount of 2/8th share on '1958 renial'.	Sent 18 days after check was sent
10-Feb-59	P.J. O'Flaherty & Son	Reverend Superiores, Drumcondra	Reverend Superiores, Drumcondra	Re: Byrne & Walsh Estate. Check for £13.811, amount of 2/8th share on '1958 renial'.	Requests acknowledgement. What was 'Renial' for?
19-Nov-58	T.V. Shelled of Townshend & Dickinson, Land Agents & Receivers	Reverend Superiores, Drumcondra	Reverend Superiores, Drumcondra	Titled 'Annually'. References income tax, amount payable to High Park comes to £4.50	Estate of 'Lyster v. Burroughs.' Also references 'P.R.', or 'Poor Rate'
15-May-58	T.V. Shelled of Townshend & Dickinson, Land Agents & Receivers	Reverend Superiores, Drumcondra	Reverend Superiores, Drumcondra	Titled 'Annually'. References income tax, amount payable to High Park comes to £4.50	Estate of 'Lyster v. Burroughs.' Also references 'P.R.', or 'Poor Rate'
14-Nov-57	T.V. Shelled of Townshend & Dickinson, Land Agents & Receivers	Reverend Superiores, Drumcondra	Reverend Superiores, Drumcondra	Titled 'Annually'. References income tax, amount payable to High Park comes to £4.50	Estate of 'Lyster v. Burroughs.' Also references 'P.R.', or 'Poor Rate'
08-Jul-57	P.J. O'Flaherty & Son	Reverend Superiores, Drumcondra	Reverend Superiores, Drumcondra	Re: Byrne & Walsh estate. Check for £8.79, amount of 2/8th share on 'Renial'	Requests acknowledgement. What was 'Renial' for?
15-Nov-56	T.V. Shelled of Townshend & Dickinson, Land Agents & Receivers	Reverend Superiores, Drumcondra	Reverend Superiores, Drumcondra	Titled 'Annually'. References income tax, amount payable to High Park comes to £4.50	Estate of 'Lyster v. Burroughs.' Also references 'P.R.', or 'Poor Rate'
18-Jul-56	George E. Henderson	Reverend Superiores, Drumcondra	Reverend Superiores, Drumcondra	Acknowledgement of Rev. Mother's letter regarding James Harne's estate. States that solicitor who did 1st will is now dead, and that an address was taken from that will. States that he did not make the same error as the Magdalen Home in Dublin.	Will look at the old Solicitor's papers to determine who the donation goes to. Were Magdalene Homes vowing over possible donations? A few months later £250 was given to High Park, under Harne's name by Arthur Chapman & Son.
15-Jul-56	P.J. O'Flaherty & Son	Reverend Superiores, Drumcondra	Reverend Superiores, Drumcondra	Re: Byrne & Walsh estate. Check for £8.79, amount of 2/8th share on 'Renial'	States that he is pursuing an enquiry through very old residents of Cook and is expecting to hear from his Agent soon. What would this matter be?
25-May-56	John H. O'Keefe, Solicitor	Sister Mary of St. Charles	Sister Mary of St. Charles	Re: death of Mrs. Bedelia Coppinger. States that he received Sister Mary's letter 'of the 30th ult.', and says no progress has been made and he is not yet in a position to 'satisfy all the requirements of the Examiners'.	Why would a Sister at High Park be so interested in the pedigree of Bedelia Coppinger?
23-Aug-55	John H. O'Keefe, Solicitor	Sister Mary of St. Charles	Sister Mary of St. Charles	Re: death of Mrs. Bedelia Coppinger. States that he received Sister Mary's letter 'of the 4th instant' and details an investigation into the McDonnell family. States he has not yet completed his inquiries about the maternal pedigree of Mrs. Coppinger (Wychelley family). Says he found reference to 'brothers' in Wychelley family despite records of only one brother.	Possible conflict over estate?
18-Oct-54	'Solicitor - Commissioner for Oaths'	Sister Mary of St. Charles	Sister Mary of St. Charles	Re: death of Mrs. Bedelia Coppinger. States that he received Sister Mary's letter 'of the 30th ult.', and says no progress has been made and he is not yet in a position to 'satisfy all the requirements of the Examiners'.	References queries about pedigree table of McDonnell family.
22-Feb-54	unfinished - does not say	'very dear and honoured Mother'	'very dear and honoured Mother'	Death announcement of sister Mary of St. Felicitas Shaw, which occurred 17 January 1854. Guess her life background.	References 'certain solemnity' and 'difficulty in learning' that Sister Mary had which was the 'minimum' beyond the 'minimum'. She entered religion at the age of 17 - how young?
09-Aug-48	P.J. O'Flaherty & Son	Reverend Superiores, Drumcondra	Reverend Superiores, Drumcondra	Re: Byrne & Walsh estate. Check for £12.15 for 'your share of the balance for distribution on Renial'.	With packet of other similar letters and copy of actual will or estate details.
26-May-48	Caitian O'Meara & Kieran	Sister Mary of St. Eilene	Sister Mary of St. Eilene	Re: Byrne & Walsh estate. Check for £12.15 for 'your share of the balance for distribution on Renial'.	References that Kieran will be interviewing Mr. Gimes in the future. Possibly some sort of Allocated medical letter she sent to Caran O'Meara & Kieran. Also attached is letter from Gore & Gimes to the Reverend Mother (undated) stating that properties in question are 'small cottages in a bad state of repair' that need new ownership.
25-May-48	Superior, High Park	Messrs. Gore & Gimes	Messrs. Gore & Gimes	References estate of Michael Ellis and possible house property he left to the Asylum.	What renial? What renial? How long did these payments go on?
11-Jun-48	P.J. O'Flaherty & Son	Reverend Superiores, Drumcondra	Reverend Superiores, Drumcondra	Check for £14.11, amount of 2/8th share of balance for distribution on Renial for year.	'Asylum's share of the balance.' See #5 in 'General Notes' for more info.
05-Jun-44	P.J. O'Flaherty & Son	Reverend Superiores, Drumcondra	Reverend Superiores, Drumcondra	Re: Byrne & Walsh estate. Check for £12.75 for 'your 2/8th share of the balance for distribution on Renial'.	'Asylum's share of the balance.' See #5 in 'General Notes' for more info.
12-Jun-44	Maxwell, Weldon & Co.	Sister A. Jennings, Drumcondra	Sister A. Jennings, Drumcondra	Re: estate of E.J. Byrne. Check for £28.179.	'Asylum's share of the balance.' See #5 in 'General Notes' for more info.
13-Dec-43	Maxwell, Weldon & Co.	Sister A. Jennings, Drumcondra	Sister A. Jennings, Drumcondra	Re: estate of E.J. Byrne. Check for £30.13.	'Asylum's share of the balance.' See #5 in 'General Notes' for more info.

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28-Jul-43	P.J. O'Flaherty & Son	Re: Byrne & Welsh estate. Check for £117.5 for balance to credit on rental 'to the 5th April 1943'.	Reverend Superiress, Drumcondra	What rental?
08-Jun-43	Maxwell, Weldon & Co.	Re: estate of E.J. Byrne. Check for £28.17.	Sister A. Jennings, Drumcondra	References "Account of Rents of Nos. 64/65, Dawson Street." States that amount is Asylum's share of the balance. See #5 in "General Notes" for more info. References "Account of Rents of Nos. 64/65, Dawson Street." States that amount is Asylum's share of the balance. See #5 in "General Notes" for more info.
07-Dec-42	Maxwell, Weldon & Co.	Re: estate of E.J. Byrne. Check for £30.18.11.	Sister S. Jennings, Drumcondra	"Asylum's share of the balance." See #5 in "General Notes" for more info. References "Account of Rents of Nos. 64/65, Dawson Street." States that amount is Asylum's share of the balance. See #5 in "General Notes" for more info.
15-Jun-42	Maxwell, Weldon & Co.	Re: estate of E.J. Byrne. Check for £28.5.1.	Sister S. Jennings, Drumcondra	References "Account of Rents of Nos. 64/65, Dawson Street." States that amount is Asylum's share of the balance. See #5 in "General Notes" for more info. References "Account of Rents of Nos. 64/65, Dawson Street." States that amount is Asylum's share of the balance. See #5 in "General Notes" for more info.
22-Jul-41	Maxwell, Weldon & Co.	Re: estate of E.J. Byrne. Check for £7.13.5.	Sister A. Jennings, Drumcondra	"Asylum's share of the balance." See #5 in "General Notes" for more info. References "Account of Rents of Nos. 64/65, Dawson Street." States that amount is Asylum's share of the balance. See #5 in "General Notes" for more info.
13-Jan-41	Cattan O'Waters & Kieran	Thanks for "letter of the 11th inst." and enclosed letters from Messrs. Sheridan & Kenny.	Madame Jennings	Kieran states he will attend to this matter and that he has written to Sheridan and Kenny.
13-Dec-40	Maxwell, Weldon & Co.	Re: estate of E.J. Byrne. Check for 37.10.3.	Sister A. Jennings, Drumcondra	References "Account of Rents of Nos. 64/65, Dawson Street." States that amount is Asylum's share of the balance. See #5 in "General Notes" for more info. References "Account of Rents of Nos. 64/65, Dawson Street." States that amount is Asylum's share of the balance. See #5 in "General Notes" for more info.
03-Jun-40	Maxwell, Weldon & Co.	Re: estate of E.J. Byrne. Check for £10.17.9.	Sister Anna Jennings, Drumcondra	"Asylum's share of the balance." See #5 in "General Notes" for more info. References "Account of Rents of Nos. 64/65, Dawson Street." States that amount is Asylum's share of the balance. See #5 in "General Notes" for more info.
18-Dec-39	Maxwell, Weldon & Co.	Re: estate of E.J. Byrne. Check for £37.6.8.	Sister A. Jennings, Drumcondra	References "Account of Rents of Nos. 64/65, Dawson Street." States that amount is Asylum's share of the balance. See #5 in "General Notes" for more info. References "Account of Rents of Nos. 64/65, Dawson Street." States that amount is Asylum's share of the balance. See #5 in "General Notes" for more info.
29-Jun-39	Maxwell, Weldon & Co.	Re: estate of E.J. Byrne. Check for £14.8.	Sister Anna Jennings, Drumcondra	"Asylum's share of the balance." See #5 in "General Notes" for more info. States that Sheridan did not expressly save the legacy for Misses, and says
05-Apr-39	J.E. MacDemott	Reply to Jennings' letter "of the 4th inst." regarding Mary Sheahan, deceased.	Sister Anna Jennings, Drumcondra	"The fact" in Misses sign enclosed receipt. Why would she be inquiring about this? In will, Sister Frances called by her real name, "Kate Ann", and is called "Frances Sheahan's". States that arrangements are being made for the Silver Gift cup to be sent to High Park from London. What is this cup? Additional bequest from Armstrong Amount is "Your share of rents herein."
21-Jan-39	J.E. MacDemott	Asking if Sister Frances is related to Mary Sheahan, deceased, as she was referenced in her will.	Sister Frances Regis, Drumcondra	
28-Dec-38	Rivington & Son	Regarding E.E. Armstrong, deceased.	Sister Superior, Drumcondra	
18-Jun-38	P.J. O'Flaherty & Son	Check for £13.0.10.	Reverend Superiress, Drumcondra	Amount is "Your share of rents collected to 1-Apr-37."
31-May-37	P.J. O'Flaherty & Son	Check for £12.6.2.	Reverend Superiress, Drumcondra	Amount is "Your share of rents collected to 1-Apr-37."
26-May-37	Miss Edith Eyre	Death notice for Mr. Edward Eyre, deceased as of 20-May-37. Request was 24-May-37.	Gloucester House, Park Lane	Edith Eyre is address listed as Newport, Rhode Island, USA. Connection to High Park?
11-Dec-36	Maxwell, Weldon & Co.	Re: estate of E.J. Byrne. Check for £36.6.9.	Sister Anna Jennings, Drumcondra	References "Account of Rents of Nos. 64/65, Dawson Street." States that amount is Asylum's share of the balance. See #5 in "General Notes" for more info. Mistake apparently made by executor of Sarah Smyth's will, "an aged lady in impoverished circumstances." Attached to thank-you for payment of difference, which All of this regards estate of Felix Mullen, deceased.
08-May-36	Michael S. Bergin & Son	Notice that small fee must be paid to government regarding the estate of Sarah Smyth, deceased.	Superiress, Drumcondra	
21-Apr-36	Cattan O'Waters & Kieran	Notice that solicitors have obtained a refund of British Income Tax £20.7.4. Check for £3.17.6 to which High Park is entitled.	Madam McVeagh, Drumcondra	Check is from "J.J. Burke, Trustee" and is for 1/5th of "the balance." 3 documents regarding the matter.
07-Mar-36	W.R. Meredith & Son	Note that they received her "letter of the 8th inst." with check incorrectly made out to Magdalen Asylum, Limerick. Correct check for £15.8.6 enclosed.	Superiress, Drumcondra	Amount is "Your share of rents collected to 1-Apr-34."
09-Jun-34	P.J. O'Flaherty & Son	Handwritten letter. Enclosed is £1 offered as "part of the Estate of Miss Mary Ann Delany."	Reverend Superiress, Drumcondra	States that this wife got some pictures from Ms. Delany that they decided to hand over to her. Pictures were given to her by her mother. Executors were Mary Gorman and Nicholas O'Keefe. Is Whitepark different from High Park?
20-Apr-34	John Damer (last name illegible)	Undisclosed - probably Messrs. John Langan & Receipt for £25 bequeathed by John Gorman, deceased.	Reverend Mother, Drumcondra	Amount is "Your share of rents collected to 1-Apr-33."
01-Oct-33	unnamed - someone of Magdalen Asylum, Whitepark, Dublin	Check for £14.13.11.	Reverend Superiress, Drumcondra	States that he knows she is "anxious to wind up the trust" but that it would be smart to let Matthews rent as "there is not much demand for houses of this class in Dublin."
30-May-33	P.J. O'Flaherty & Son	Agreement to grant "Mr. Matthews' tenancy at "Ardent" house.	Superiress, Drumcondra	Agreement that the deal can be terminated with 3 months' notice from either side. States that lack of garage or downstairs lavatory makes him unable to offer to buy. Specifically for work of Magdalen Asylum. Attached is letter from Brockan himself with word "Dead" written at bottom.
21-Jan-33	W.R. Meredith & Son	Offer from Matthews to accept increase in rent so he can stay at "Ardent" house.	Messrs. W.R. Meredith & Son	Offers to provide vouchers for all items in account. Attached is entire account. Amount is "Your share of rents to May 1931 less 10/- cost of collection."
20-Jan-33	E.D.K. Matthews	Enclosed is check for £100, a donation from Rev. M. Brockan, P.P. Handwritten note, somewhat illegible.	Reverend Mother, Drumcondra	States that "Father O'Keefe is taking an interest in the matter." Estate money is in an account in name of Rev. M. Brockan. Were Commitee and Green fighting over money in this estate?
23-Oct-31	L. O'Brien (sp?)	Enclosed is Trustees' account and check for £883.9.8.	Reverend Mother, Drumcondra	After original donation?
03-Jul-31	W.R. Meredith & Son	Regarding will of Julia Hyers. Details of her accounts, and states that residue of her estate is to be divided equally between her two daughters.	Secretary, Magdalen Asylum, Drumcondra	Handwritten. States that he will not forget the institution.
04-Jun-31	P.J. O'Flaherty & Son	Check for £13.18.	Superiress, Drumcondra	
04-Dec-30	Hoey & Derrin	Re: Cummins V. Cavan. States that "the further funds to credit of this matter have now been allocated". Check for £4.0.3. (32nd of estate of Thomas Cahill).	Sr. Agnes McVeagh, Drumcondra	
18-Aug-30	Cattan O'Waters & Kieran	Re: estate of Miss Name Andrews. States that there is £31.11.1 available for division.	Superiress, Drumcondra	
12-Jul-30	John M. Cullen, Solicitor	Check for £2.8.6. 1/13th of share.	Superiress, Drumcondra	
03-Apr-30	John A. Kennedy, Solicitor	Enclosed is check that Kennedy asks to be made payable to "Russell O'Hagan" (sp?) illegible)	Superiress, Drumcondra	

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20-Dec-29	P.J. O'Flaherty & Son	Superiress, Drumcondra	Re. Boyne & Walsh Estate. Check for £257.6	Amount your share of insurance money received re. Burning of House occupied by Mr. John J. Nolan. insurance money from a fire? Attached is detailed account of estate. Amount is your share of rents to May 1st.
08-Jul-29	P.J. O'Flaherty & Son	Superiress, Drumcondra	Check for £13.11.	John J. Nolan. insurance money from a fire? Attached is detailed account of estate. Amount is your share of rents to May 1st.
11-Jun-29	P.J. O'Flaherty & Son	Rev. Mother Elizabeth Byrne	Thanks for returning acceptance form completed.	Was Byrne Superiress? Agreement to the costs.
07-Jun-29	P.J. O'Flaherty & Son	Superiress, Drumcondra	Re. Boyne & Walsh estate. States that they have arranged with insurance Co. to accept sum of £80 to rebuild No. 3 Court Street which was partially destroyed by fire.	Insurance co. is Messrs. Waller Hanne & Co..
15-Apr-29	P.J. O'Flaherty & Son	Superiress, Drumcondra	Re. Boyne & Walsh estate. "Thanks for yours of the 13th inst."	Returning signed forms.
12-Apr-29	P.J. O'Flaherty & Son	Superiress, Drumcondra	Re. Boyne & Walsh estate. Informing that one of the houses in estate was burned.	Premises were insured for £250. Eventually agree on £80 for rebuilding.
24-Mar-27	P.J. O'Flaherty & Son	Superiress, Drumcondra	Re. Boyne rents. Check for £169.16.8.	Amount your share of rents collected as per Account herewith.
28-Apr-27	Carlan O'Neera & Nieran	Madame Byrne, Drumcondra	Re. Patrick Byrne, deceased.	Sending her his will, which is not present, per her request.
01-Mar-26	Carlan O'Neera & Nieran	Madam McVeagh, Drumcondra	Enclosed is donation for £1000 from Patrick Byrne, an old client of Mr. O'Neera's. For charitable purposes of your Order.	States that Mr. Byrne does not wish that his name be made public in connection with the donation. One year later, High Park was requesting Byrne's will.
11-Jan-21	D. & T. Fitzgerald, Solicitors	Superiress, Drumcondra	Re. Thomas Delany, deceased. Details of his will, accounts, legacies.	Reference that that "an immense fall had taken place in every class of security due to the late Mr. Delany's death in full. Also references the name Mary Anne Delany - same one from other records?
27-Jul-11	Michael Buggy, Solicitor	Superiress, Drumcondra	Re. Mrs. Jane O'Carroll, deceased. Enclosed is Accountant General's Draft for £24.9. "Final dividend payable to you on foot of the legacy."	Reference that High Park has already received two dividends from this estate.

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NOTES

1. Handwritten note re: Annie O'Donoghue, donating £100 for "her intention: Repose of my Soul and Souls of my Parents and Relations." On letterhead of Battersby & Co., solicitors.
2. Entire will of John Farrell, Esq. with handwritten "X" next to donation to Magdalen Asylum (15 shares of estate).
3. Photocopy of a letter from P.J. O'Flaherty & Son that was damaged or copied incorrectly.
4. Extract from will of F.E. Kennedy, referencing £100 bequeathment to Magdalen Asylum.
5. Letter from "G.D. Shannahan" (sp?) regarding £100 donation to Magdalen Asylum from writer's father, Charles Shannahan. Dated March 8th, but no year.
6. Newspaper clipping titled "Appeal for Dublin Home for Girls." Details appeal for St. Mary's Home for Girls at High Park that was made by Rev. Robert Nash on Radio Eireann. Nash said that "thousands of girls had entered St. Mary's lonely, disappointed, disillusioned and embittered and their problems had been unflinching listened to sympathetically. The living quarters have been vastly improved and the girls had their own club and were taught domestic economy, typing or whatever work they had an aptitude for."
7. Second half of letter, death announcement about a Sister. References X-rays, says that Sister died at 51. Had been in Religious Order for 32 years.

Must have been during 1950s or 1960s. Was there bad press about High Park at this time that needed debunking?