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Papers of Emile Joseph Dillon (1854-1933). Dillon was born in Dublin and spent the early part of his life studying for the priesthood. At the age of 21 he turned his attention to oriental languages and studied under Ernest Renan and at several European Universities. From the mid 1880s, Dillon worked as a journalist for several newspapers, including *Odesskiye Novosti* and *The Telegraph*, and contributed many articles to British and American publications on Russian and foreign affairs. Dillon died in Barcelona in 1933.

These papers were given to Father Ernest Eugene Laws by Dillon's widow, as research material for a proposed biography of Dillon. Laws transcribed and translated many of the letters and annotated some of the originals.

Presented, 2004.

Correspondence

1. Letters of Gustav Bickell (1838-1906, Orientalist), 1893-1903, with other papers relating to Bickell
2. Letters to and from Percy William Bunting, 1891-1910
3. Letters of C de Harlez, 1886-9.
4. Letters of Augustine Haudeek, 1892-3
5. Letters of John Baptist Hogan (1829-1901), 1895-1901, two letters from Dillon to Hogan, 1893, 1901
6. Letters of Alfred Firmin Loisy (1857–1940, French theologian, biblical critic, and leading exponent of biblical [modernism](#)) to Dillon, 1893-1912, with typescript translations of three.
7. Copies of letters of Dillon to Loisy, 1908-10, with notes and articles on Loisy and Catholicism.
8. Typescript translations of letters of Irenee Mignot, Bishop of Frejus, 1894-5, 1898-9, 1902
9. Letters of J B O'Mahoney, 1885-6, 1905
10. Letters of A Prémont, 1894-5
11. Letters of Augutsus Pulsalky?, 1890, 1892
12. Letters of James Edward Quigley, (1854-1915, Archbishop of Chicago), 1875-6, 1890, with a letter relating to Quigley, 1898

13. Letters of Josef Težak, 1875-6
14. Typescript translations of letters of Fulcran Vigouroux (1837-1915), Professor at Saint Sulpice, 1875-7
15. Letters of Henry H Wyman, 1903-4 and printed work by *The Scholastic Philosophy Explained*, New York, 1921
16. Letters from fellow students, 1873-6
17. Letters from Armenian clergy to Dillon, 1895 –1911
18. Letters from Chartreuse De Salignac, 1872-3, 1930, with a few typescript translations.
Fr Anthelm Barnave
Fr Mauer Ducamir
F Fortuné Durreux
19. Letters to from *Daily Telegraph*, 1899-1917
20. Letters from publishers, 1900-1902, 1909, 1918, 1930
21. Letters of recommendation, 1872-1912
22. General correspondence, 1871-1939
23. Letters addressed to "E B Lanon"(Dillon's pseud), 1893-1901

Family papers

24. Letters of Marie Agnes Dillon (sister) to E J Dillon, 1892-4.
25. Letters to Kathleen Dillon (2nd wife) from E J Dillon, 1914-20
26. Letter of Constantine Dillon (son), 1930
27. Extracts from family letters
28. "Book of Correspondence" Dates and Summaries of correspondence, 1881-5 with typescript copy

Certificates, formal documents

29. School and University certificates, 1874-8.
30. Documents concerning the divorce proceedings of 1913, and second marriage, 1914
Passport, 1914
Will of Dillon,
with a Spanish translation, 1932

31. Signed declarations that the Treaty of Peace was signed using Dillon's pen, 1913.

Notebooks and Diaries

32. Voyage Odessa – Havre, 1888.
33. Journey to England from Odessa, 1890.
34. Notes on Far East.
35. Notes on Russia.
36. Notebook, No.1, with typescript excerpts.
37. Notebook, No.3, with typescript excerpts.
38. Notebook, No.4, with typescript excerpts.
39. Notebook containing list of articles.
40. Engagement diary, 1888-1889.
41. Engagement Diary, 1889, with accounts, notes.
42. Engagement Diary, 1890.

Works

- 43-4. Articles by Dillon.
43. "Autobiography" 1928
Church and State in France
Conspectus : Early Life (2 copies)
Controversy on the Impeccability of the Pope, 1894
A Glimpse into the History of Comparative Religions
Japan and Russia, Witte's Peace Proposals in 1905
My talk with a Devil Worshiper
Obituary of W T Stead
Policy of the Pope, 1892
Primitive Gospel, 1893
Prince, Apostle & Convict
Vaticanism
44. An Arctic Christmas
An Austrian Sherlock Holmes
A Colourful Kiss
A Comedy of Mishaps
Convict Life in Siberia under the Tsars

Diamond Cut Diamond
A Duel with Destiny
Fate in its Russian Dress
A Golden Opportunity
How Detective Brausewetter Overplayed his Hand
The Law & the proverbs
Mendacity, Mendacity and Marriage
Mine and Countermine
The Mistake
The Newly-Married Couple Shut Out
Plot and Counterplot
A Wonder-Working Physician

45. Works on Leo XIII.
46. Lists of writings and pseudonyms.
47. *Parliamentary Debates*, House of Commons, 20 February 1917, 5 March 1917 re suppression of Dillon's articles.
- 48-52. Memoirs of Dr E J Dillon.
 48. Notes on early life for "memoirs".
 49. Preface material.
 50. Translations of letters, chapters and notes for memoirs.
 51. Typescript of Chapters I-xii + 3 extra un-numbered chapters.
 52. Typescript with manuscript corrections, Chapters 1-4.
Carbon copy of corrected typescript, Chapters 1-4.
- 53-5. Miscellaneous notes

Photographs

- 56 Photographs of E J Dillon and members of his family.
Photograph of Portrait of E J Dillon by Sir W Orpen (Dublin National Gallery).
Colour print of Dillon From *Vanity Fair*, Supplement 2348.
- 57 Photographs, including several of Dillon.

Kathleen Dillon

58. Papers relating to burial and memorial for Dillon.
59. Letters of commiseration to Kathleen Dillon on the death of her husband, 1933 and two letters of Loisy, 1939.
60. Letters to Kathleen Dillon, with copies of her replies, regarding her husband's Tolstoy etc letters, 1939.

61. Correspondence with National Gallery, Tate Gallery and Sotheby's about paintings of Dillon, 1939.
62. Correspondence with Publishers and Society of Authors, 1937-9.

Father Eugene Laws

63. MS of article by Laws on Dillon with related correspondence, 1954.
64. Letters from Myles V Ronan, St Michal's Halston St, Dublin to Fr Laws, 1951, 1953-4.
65. Letters from Kathleen Dillon to Father Laws, 1951, 1954-5 (with photographs of EJD and house) and letters to Kathleen Dillon from Laws, 1939, 1953.
66. Letters to Laws, 1938, 1951.
67. Printed items and press cuttings:

W T Stead, *Lest We Forget A Keepsake from the Nineteenth Century*. 1901.

A Garland of Affectionate Tributes To the Memory of Very Rev John Baptist Hogan, Cambridge, Mass, 1906.

Henry H Wyman, *The Story of My Religious Experience*, The Catholic Truth Society, San Francisco, 1920.

Theological Book-Keeping by Double Entry.

Is a Catholic University Possible? 1899 by ?EJ Dillon.