British Library Newspapers
Part VI: Ireland, 1783-1950

With over 100 Irish publications, this collection builds on the British Library Newspapers series and provides a valuable counterpoint to the prominent UK daily newspapers. Researchers can analyse the build-up to, occurrence, and aftermath of the events that shaped modern Ireland.

TRACE THE DEVELOPMENT OF MODERN IRELAND, COVERING THE EVENTS AND ATTITUDES THAT SHAPED THE NATION’S HISTORY.

This collection of newspapers represents a range of provisional and national perspectives, some aiming for objective coverage, some as publications directly tied to specific viewpoints or allegiances. Many of the newspapers in this archive are newly digitised, allowing researchers to construct new and original analyses by offering voices once marginalised in previous discourse.

HOW DOES THIS ARCHIVE RELATE TO TODAY’S ISSUES?

This archive covers significant events that have shaped modern-day Ireland across all areas of society. Among the newspapers collected here, researchers can track:

- Protestantism and Catholicism in Ireland, including the ‘Protestant Ascendancy’, the ‘hidden Ireland’, Unionism, and Catholic emancipation
- Social and economic issues, such as the experience and consequences of famines, the ramifications of the Land Wars, and the Irish National Land League
- Political developments and divides, including the emergence of movements such as Nationalism, Fenians, Parnellism - the debates around Home Rule and the ‘Irish Question’ - and emergent ideologies like Redmondism
- Cultural shifts and identity building, such as the Irish Diaspora and the issues resulting from mass emigration, and the Irish Literary Revival
- Conflicts and their consequences, including the 1916 Easter Rising, Irish Independence, partition, the Anglo-Irish Treaty, Civil War, and the impact of the First World War

HOW DOES IT COMPLIMENT OTHER GALE ARCHIVES?

Combined with the other collections in the British Library Newspaper series, Part VI expands the views beyond the English press and offers a counterpoint to them. It also complements the Irish newspapers from Parts I, III, and IV and the other Celtic newspapers from Scotland and Wales. Beyond this archive, it complements the Nineteenth Century U.K. Periodicals series, giving the press perspective compared to the general and specialist publications available there. These newspapers also offer an alternative to the major national dailies available from Gale, including The Times, The Telegraph, Daily Mail, and the Mirror, providing the Irish perspective to compare with the English narrative.

FEATURES AND TOOLS

Term Frequency
See the frequency of search terms within a content set to begin assessing interactions and how they developed over time.

Topic Finder
Develop research topics by identifying and organising frequently occurring themes and revealing hidden relationships between search terms.

Text & Data Mining
At request, Gale will deliver data and metadata associated with the collection for use in data mining and textual analysis, supporting the digital humanities.

Source: Various source media, British Library Newspapers, Part VI: Ireland, 1783-1950