

APPENDIX I

Historiographer's Report

Cathedrals are proving to be very appropriate launching pads for new publications that have a particular relevance for the student of Church of Ireland history. A most significant occasion was the publication at St Patrick's Deanery in October 2008 of the first volume in the Cambridge Edition of the Works of Jonathan Swift, *English Political Writing 1711-1714*, edited by Bertrand A. Golldgar and Ian Gadd. Dr Robert MacCarthy's *The diocese of Lismore 1801-69* (Maynooth Studies in Local History, Four Courts Press) was launched by the bishop of Cashel and Ossory in St Carthage's Cathedral, Lismore earlier in the year. Dr MacCarthy's *John Henry Bernard 1860-1927: a study of a leader of the Southern Unionists* was also published in 2008. *St Patrick's Cathedral, Dublin: a history is forthcoming*. The Archbishop of Dublin spoke at the launch at Christ Church Cathedral, Dublin, of Dr Virginia Kennerley's *Embracing Women* (Columba Press), and Christ Church was also the venue for Mr Sam Hutchinson's *The light of other days: a selection of monuments, mausoleums and memorials in Church of Ireland churches and graveyards and those whom they commemorate* (Wordwell Press). An article by Dr Kenneth Milne on the 'The Christ Church Cathedral history project' is carried in the autumn issue of *History Ireland*.

The publication of clerical succession lists continues, and at the meeting of the General Synod in Galway the Archbishop of Armagh spoke when three further titles were published by the Ulster Historical Foundation: *Kilmore, Elphin and Ardagh* (edited by Canon David Crooks), *Tuam, Killala and Achonry* (also edited by Canon Crooks) and *Waterford, Lismore and Ferns* (edited by the Revd. Iain Knox). The RCB Library's publishing programme continued with *The registers of St Patrick's Cathedral, Dublin 1677-1869* (edited by JH Bernard and Raymond Refausse) and *Vestry records of the united parishes of Finglas, St Margaret's, Artane and the Ward 1657-1758* (edited Maighread Ni Mhurchadha), both published in association with Four Courts Press. Given the crucial role played by the bishops of the Established Church in the Irish parliament in the eighteenth century, where sometimes they comprised a majority of those present, it is interesting to note the publication by the Irish Manuscripts Commission of *Proceedings of the Irish House of Lords 1771-1800* (ed. James Kelly)

Shortly to be published are *Counting God's People*, an analysis of the most recent censuses of population, north and south, by Malcolm McCourt (Church of Ireland Publishing), and *Dublin's Liberties* (three of which were Church of Ireland lordships), by Kenneth Milne (Four Courts Press). In preparation are an edition of the medieval and Elizabethan churchwardens' accounts of St Werburgh's, Dublin, by Dr Adrian Empey (Representative Church body Library), the clergy succession lists of Meath and Kildare (ed. Mr WJR Wallace) and *The life and letters of Archbishop Boulter of Armagh* (ed. Patrick McNally and Kenneth Milne). Meanwhile, the meetings of the Church of Ireland Historical Society and the thrice-yearly publishing of *Search: a Church of Ireland Journal* provide historians and the general reader with opportunities to familiarise themselves with the very considerable volume of work in progress.