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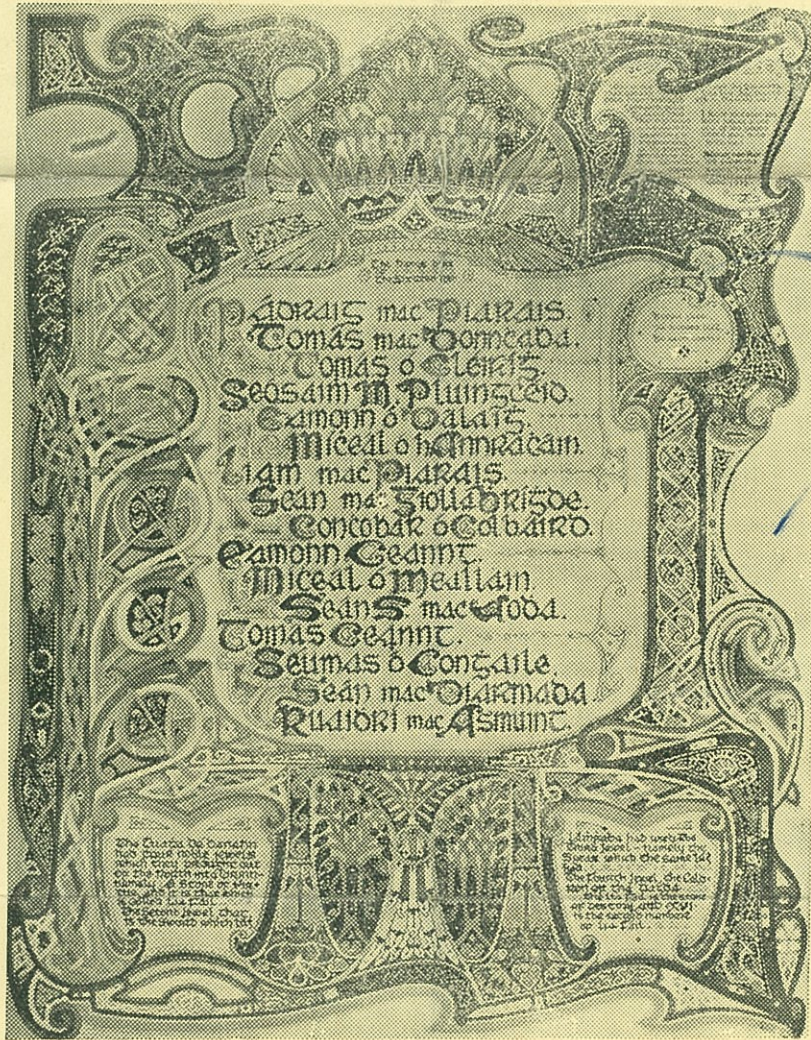
ASSOCIATED EASTER WEEK MEN

The Greatest of Our Dead

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"For my part, as to anything I have done in this, I am not afraid to face either the judgment of God or the judgment of posterity."

—PEARSE



The Ideal of the Noblest

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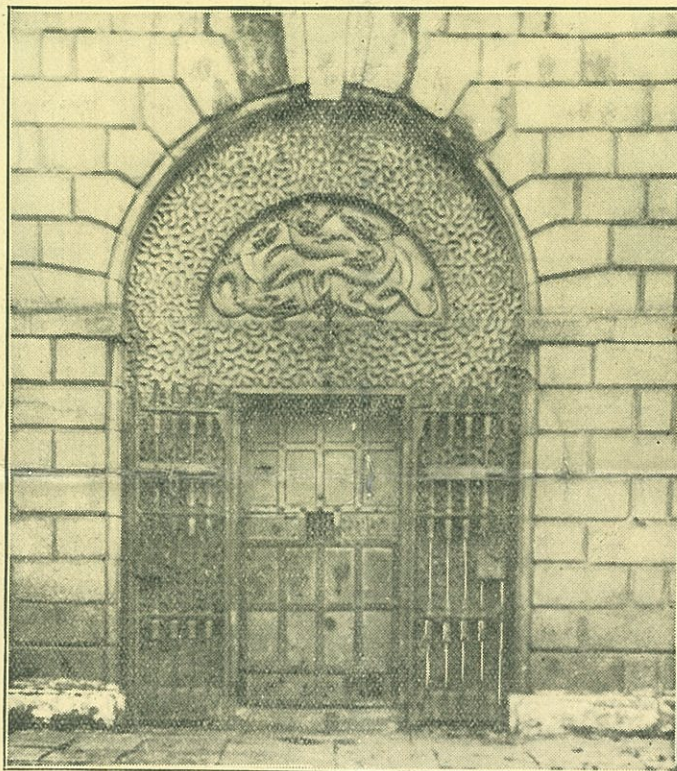
"It is not the will of the majority which ultimately prevails; that which ultimately prevails is the ideal of the noblest in each generation." — CONNOLLY

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If we to-day are fighting for something either greater than or less than the things our fathers fought for, either our fathers did not fight for freedom at all, or we are not fighting for freedom.

A nation's fundamental idea of freedom is not affected by the accidents of time and circumstance. It does not vary with the centuries, or with the comings and goings of men or of empires.

—PEARSE.



FRONT VIEW OF KILMAINHAM PRISON.

"This enslaved, unbeaten Ireland, this country of yours and mine, is one and indivisible, and its destiny is to be free. It has one enemy only in the whole world, and that enemy is British Imperialism, that will exploit you all for its own ends—if you will foolishly allow it—and then fling you on the scrap-heap when your day of usefulness as slaves is over."

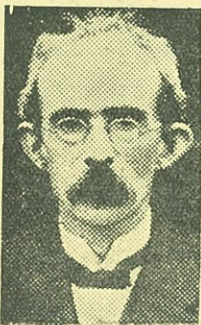
—TONE.

Souvenir of Visit to Kilmainham Prison :: June 1938

THEY DIED THAT IRELAND



The Post Office 1916



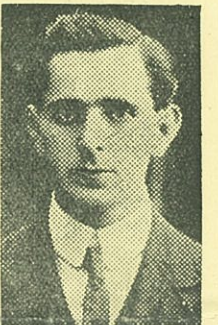
Tomas Clarke



James Connolly



Tomas McDonagh



Sean MacDiarmada



Padraig Pearse



Eamonn Ceannt



Joseph Mary Plunket

*"They rose in dark and evil days
Their land to save and hold |
They wanted not the Saxon's
ways,
Nor took the Saxon's gold."*

*"They shall be remembered for
ever
They shall be alive for ever.
They shall be speaking for ever.
The people shall hear them for
ever."*

*"Mother Eire, grieve not for them,
Raise your head beside your
cross.
Such deaths would sanctify the
nations,
Such deaths are glorious
gains—not loss."*

*"And count the life they gave a
trifling cost
And blood well spent, which
flowed upon the earth
In streams that quicken to a
noble birth
A nation's fire that seemed for
ever lost."*

POBLAcht NA H EIREANN. THE PROVISIONAL GOVERNMENT OF THE IRISH REPUBLIC TO THE PEOPLE OF IRELAND.

IRISHMEN AND IRISHWOMEN: In the name of God and of the dead generations from which she receives her old tradition of nationhood, Ireland, through us, summons her children to her flag and stride for her freedom.

Having organised and trained her manhood through her secret revolutionary organisation, the Irish Republican Brotherhood, and through her open military organisation, the Irish Volunteers and the Irish Citizen Army, having patiently perfected her discipline, having resolutely waited for the right moment to reveal itself, she now seizes that moment, and, supported by her exiled children in America and by gallant allies in Europe, but relying in the first on her own strength she strikes in full confidence of victory.

We declare the right of the people of Ireland to the ownership of Ireland, and to the unfettered control of Irish destinies, to be sovereign and indefeasible. The long usurpation of that right by a foreign people and government has not extinguished the right, nor can it ever be extinguished except by the destruction of the Irish people. In every generation the Irish people have asserted their right to national freedom and sovereignty, six times during the past three hundred years they have asserted it in arms. Standing on that fundamental right and again asserting it in arms in the face of the world, we hereby proclaim the Irish Republic as a Sovereign Independent State and we pledge our lives and the lives of our comrades-in-arms to the cause of its freedom, of its welfare, and of its exaltation among the nations.

The Irish Republic is entitled to, and hereby claims, the allegiance of every Irishman and Irishwoman. The Republic guarantees religious and civil liberty equal rights and equal opportunities to all its citizens, and declares its resolve to pursue the happiness and prosperity of the whole nation and of all its parts, cherishing all the children of the nation equally, and oblivious of the differences carefully fostered by an alien government, which have divided a minority from the majority in the past.

Until our arms have brought the opportune moment for the establishment of a permanent National Government, representative of the whole people of Ireland and elected by the suffrages of all her men and women the Provisional Government, hereby constituted, will administer the civil and military affairs of the Republic in trust for the people.

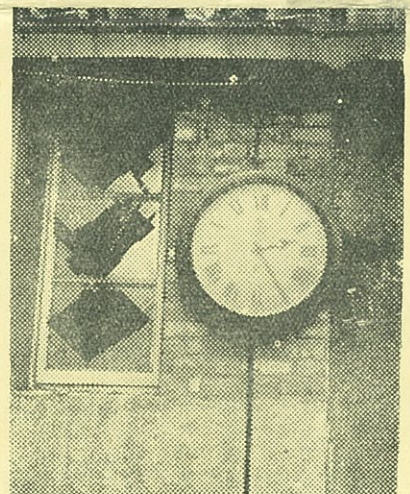
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Signed on Behalf of the Provisional Government:
THOMAS J. CLARKE
SEAN MAC DIARMADA THOMAS McDONAGH
P. H. PEARSE, EAMONN CEANNT,
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Reduced Facsimile of the Proclamation of the Irish Republic
Proclaimed on Easter Sunday, 24th April, 1916, at Liberty Hall, Dublin.
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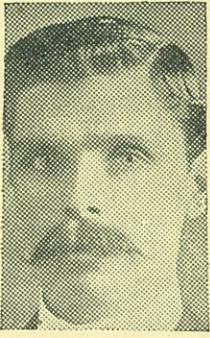
Flag Flying Over
G.P.O. Easter Week.



G.P.O. Clock
After the Rising.

Reduced Facsimile of the
PROCLAMATION

MIGHT SOON BE FREE !!!



Michael Mallin



Willie Pearse



Tom Kent



Michael O'Hanrahan

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Promulgated on Easter Sunday, 23rd April, 1916, at Liberty Hall, Dublin.

The seven signatories to this document were all executed.



Sean Heuston



Edward Daly



John McBride



Con Colbert



Roger Casement

The 1916 Easter Week Association is composed solely of the Men who fought for Ireland in Easter Week, 1916, and who have remained true to the principles of the Republican Proclamation.

Its principal objects are to maintain that spirit of comradeship engendered during our fight for freedom.

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Roll of Honour

KILLED IN ACTION, EASTER 1916

JOHN ADAMS.
 THOMAS ALLEN.
 ANDREW BYRNE.
 JAMES BYRNE.
 JOSEPH BYRNE.
 FRANK BURKE.
 SEAN CONNOLLY.
 JAMES CORCORAN.
 HARRY COYLE.
 JOHN COSTELLO.
 JOHN CROMEAN.
 JOHN CRINIGAN.
 PHILIP CLARKE.
 CHARLES CARRIGAN.
 CHARLES DARCEY.
 PATRICK DOYLE.
 JOHN DWAN.
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 PATRICK FARRELL.
 JAMES FOX.

GEORGE GEOGHEGAN.
 SEAN HOWARD.
 JOHN HURLEY.
 JOHN HEALY.
 GERALD KEOGH.
 JOHN KIELY.
 JOHN KEALY.
 CON KEATING.
 RICHARD KENT.
 PEADAR MACKEN.
 FRANCIS MACKEN.
 PETER MANNING.
 RICHARD MURPHY.
 D. MURPHY.
 MICHAEL MALONE.
 D. MURRAY.
 J. McCORMACK.
 WILLIAM McDOWELL.
 RICHARD O'CARROLL.

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 J. O'REILLY.
 RICHARD O'REILLY.
 THOMAS O'REILLY.
 PATRICK O'FLANAGAN.
 JOHN O'GRADY.
 J. OWENS.
 JAMES QUINN.
 THOMAS RAFFERTY.
 FREDERICK RYAN.
 GEORGE REYNOLDS.
 DOMHNAILL SHEEHAN.
 PATRICK SHORTIS.
 JOHN TRAYNOR.
 EDWARD WALSH.
 PHILIP WALSH.
 PATRICK WHELAN.
 THOMAS WEAVER.
 PETER WILSON.

EXCERPT FROM BULLETIN ISSUED BY P. H. PEARSE ON 28th APRIL, 1916.

"I desire now, lest I may not have an opportunity later, to pay homage to the gallantry of the soldiers of Irish Freedom who have, during the past four days, been writing with fire and steel the most glorious chapter in the later history of Ireland. Justice can never be done to their heroism, to their discipline, to their gay and unconquerable spirit in the midst of peril and death.

"Let me, who have led them into this, speak in my own name and in my fellow-commanders' names, and in the name of Ireland present and to come, their praise and ask those who come after them to remember them.

"For four days they have fought and toiled, almost without cessation, almost without sleep, and in the intervals of fighting they have sung songs of the freedom of Ireland. No man has complained; no man has asked 'Why?' Each individual has spent himself, happy to pour out his strength for Ireland and for Freedom. If they do not win the fight, they will at least have deserved to win it. But win it they will, although they may win it in death. Already they have done a great thing. They have redeemed Dublin from many shames, and made her name splendid among the names of cities.

"If I were to mention names of individuals, my list would be a long one

"If we accomplish no more than we have accomplished, I am satisfied. I am satisfied that we have saved Ireland's honour"

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