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1916: Animals' Guardian Guild Dublin medal for bravery
A Birmingham hallmarked silver medal with ribbon and wearing brooch. Engraved on the obverse "For Bravery and Humanity" and on the reverse "Animals' Guardian Guild. Presented to P. Lane Dublin 1916". An interesting and scarce item worthy of further research.
€100-€150 (£80-£130 approx)

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Redmond, John. Speeches 1902-1907
Dublin: Sealy, Bryers & Walker, 8vo. Green Cloth Gilt. Very Good With Preface and Notes by J.G. Swift MacNeill. (January, 1908). 100pp. Small perforation to top l-h margin of (4) & (5). Else very good. Signed W. A. Redmond 1908 on front end paper. William Archer Redmond was the son of John Redmond and was an Irish Parliamentary Party MP. Scarce.
€300-€400 (£250-£330 approx)

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Sawyer, Ayddell. The Irish Parliamentary Party 1906-08 Large Framed Photograph
Sawyer, Ayddell Sawyer (1856-1927) was born in North Shields, Tynemouth. He had photographic studios in North Shields (GB) from 1886-1889 and Newcastle from 1886-1903, he also had a studio in Regent Street in London around 1896. He was member of the Photographic Society (1881) and the Linked Ring Brotherhood (1895). Rare image.
€300-€400 (£250-£330 approx)

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1907-11: Sinn Féin National Council Cork Branch minute book
Minutes of general and executive meetings, each entry signed by the chairman. Circa 130 pages of minutes, with over 30 letters loosely inserted, worn, 4to, covering 12 July 1907 to 22 March 1911. The minutes provide extensive information on proposals, discussions and resolutions made at meetings of the influential Cork Branch of Sinn Féin relating to matters as fund raising, Nationalist publications and propaganda, municipal elections, Irish emigration, Irish industry, commercial relations between Ireland and England, Sinn Féin representation at other meetings and demonstrations, the questions of soldiers being permitted to use Technical Schools and of Irish telegraph messengers being inveigled into the British Army, the speaking of Irish, the analogy of "the Resurrection of Hungary", the rebelliousness of "the coming young men" and many other subjects. Among other things, the Dublin International Exhibition in 1907 is condemned as "the means of pushing the sale of foreign manufacture in Ireland" and the Daily Graphic is denied to the Manchester Martyrs Demonstration Committee since "Sinn Féin...would not consent to participate in any political movement which recognised British Authority". Homage is paid to the memory of various patriots, including the Gaelic scholar Charles O'Connell, but it is recalled that "even Parnell failed to manage the affairs of the country under Imperial Parliament". In extensive discussion in 1911 on the structure, possible branch reorganisation and future of Sinn Féin, the aims of the movement -to educate the people in Ireland's history and language and secure her self-reliance and total independence-are reiterated and members are reminded that "That there is no organisation in Ireland [that] had done as much in its time to uplift the country".
Letters received by the branch and kept with the minute book are from recipients of letters of sympathy on bereavements, from other branches of Sinn Féin, including the Sinn Féin League in Glasgow, and from such bodies as the Cork Industrial Development Association, the Celtic Literary Society and the Macroom Football Club. Occasional dissenting voices are heard: for instance, a namesake of John O'Leary writes in August 1907 expressing his accord with the aims of the movement without being "a believer in its methods", while G. B. O'Connor expresses qualified support for the constitution of the society ("...I consider several [clause] are of a nature with which every Irishman should or ought to agree, others are impracticable not to say illegal...").
€2,000-€3,000 (£1,670-£2,500 approx)

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1913 Lockout - Collection of letters and ephemera including Archbishop Walsh and William Martin Murphy Letters
A collection of 1913 Lockout interest letters and correspondence including Archbishop William Walsh handwritten letter on 'Archbishop's House' headed paper dated 24 October 1913 noting that "... I am terribly overrun with correspondence about help for the poor children (as to which I am organising a special committee and fund) and also with work of various kinds for the settlement of the big strike. As to this letter I think I am in sight of land at last. See two letters of mine in the 4 papers tomorrow - one (for a very special reason in the Irish Times..." The letter to which Walsh refers was a strongly worded attack on 'Catholic mothers of Dublin' who might attempt to send their children to London for temporary accommodation with trade unionists. Also with another letter from Walsh dated 21 October 1914, a Loyal Tramwaymen's Fund letter dated February 1914 relating to the winding up of the fund and details of accounts, a typescript letter signed by William Martin Murphy dated October 1914, and other correspondence including a personal letter dated November 1913 sent from Birkenhead stating "...Is the strike settled yet? I have heard such news about poor Dublin for the last two months. I heard a few days ago however that Larkin's sun has set. I hope it is true..." (10 items)
€200-€400 (£170-£330 approx)

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circa 1914: Dublin Regiment National Volunteers cap badge
A cap badge of the Dublin Regiment National Volunteers of typical form with two lugs to reverse. 1.40 x 1.40in. (4 x 4cm)
€80-€120 (£70-£100 approx)

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1914: United Irish League of Great Britain handbill
A United Irish League of Great Britain (Leith Branch) handbill regarding a meeting to take place on 15 February 1914 in Kirkgate. Together with a 1916 Rising leaders memorial handbill showing a figure representing Ireland mourning the executed leaders and Civil War period handbill titled "The New Hero" with an illustration by Shemus. (3 items)
€100-€150 (£80-£130 approx)

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1907 (26 June) Pádraig Pearse handwritten and signed letter of recommendation on 'An Claidheamh Soluis' headed paper
A letter from Pearse stating that Patrick Nelligan "has contributed Irish articles and notes to 'An Claidheamh Soluis' which I have had much pleasure in publishing..." and noting the various other attributes and activities of Nelligan who was heavily involved in the Irish language movement. Signed bilingually by Pearse with his qualifications and positions noted underneath. With some photocopied research relating to Nelligan.
€1,200-€1,500 (£1,000-£1,250 approx)

