

# Ireland Parliament House of Commons Debates

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## Collection Summary

Title: Ireland. Parliament. House of Commons debates

Span Dates: 1776-1789

ID No.: MSS27292

Creator: Ireland. Parliament. House of Commons

Extent: 82 volumes; 13 containers; 5.2 linear feet; 11 microfilm reels

Language: Collection material in English

Repository: Manuscript Division, Library of Congress, Washington, D.C.

Abstract: Parliament of Ireland. Verbatim shorthand reports of proceedings and parliamentary debates in the Irish House of Commons, together with longhand transcripts, made by or for Sir Henry Cavendish.

## Selected Search Terms

The following terms have been used to index the description of this collection in the Library's online catalog. They are grouped by name of person or organization, by subject or location, and by occupation and listed alphabetically therein.

### People

Cavendish, Henry, Sir, 1732-1804.

### Organizations

Ireland. Parliament. House of Commons.

### Places

Ireland--History--1760-1820.

Ireland--Politics and government--1760-1820.

## Administrative Information

### Provenance

The debates of the Ireland Parliament House of Commons, formerly in the possession of the Stamp Office, Dublin, Ireland, and of W. McC. Torrens, M.P., were purchased by the Library of Congress, circa 1876.

### Processing History

The Ireland Parliament House of Commons Debates were arranged and described in 1961. The collection was revised in 2010.

### Copyright Status

It is the researcher's responsibility to determine requirements of domestic copyright laws and international treaties and conventions.

### Access and Restrictions

The Ireland Parliament House of Commons Debates are open to research. Researchers are advised to contact the Manuscript Reading Room prior to visiting. Many collections are stored off-site and advance notice is needed to retrieve these items for research use.

### Microfilm

A microfilm edition of part of these papers is available on eleven reels. Consult reference staff in the Manuscript Division concerning availability for purchase or interlibrary loan. To promote preservation of the originals, researchers are required to consult the microfilm edition as available.

## Preferred Citation

Researchers wishing to cite this collection should include the following information: Container or reel number, Ireland Parliament House of Commons Debates, Manuscript Division, Library of Congress, Washington, D.C.

## Scope and Content Note

The debates of Ireland Parliament House of Commons span the years 1776-1789. The material consists of verbatim shorthand reports of proceedings and parliamentary debates in the Irish parliament's lower house, together with longhand transcripts, made by or for Sir Henry Cavendish. The verbatim reports are contained in a series of forty-five volumes numbered 1 to 54 (reports numbered 3, 12, 14, 30-32, 46, and 51-52 were not received by the Library), while the transcripts are consecutively numbered 1 to 37.

## Arrangement of the Papers

This collection is arranged by type of material and therein chronologically.

# Container List

Available on microfilm. Shelf no. 16,363

<i>Container</i>	<i>Contents</i>
BOX 1 not filmed	Verbatim reports
BOX 1	1777-1779, Nov. 23 (19 vols.)
BOX 2 not filmed	1779, Nov. 24-1782, July 19  (16 vols.)
BOX 3 not filmed	1782, July 19-1789  (10 vols.)
BOX 4 REEL 1	Transcripts
BOX 4 REEL 1	1776-1777, Nov. 24  (3 vols.)
BOX 4 REEL 2	1777, Dec. 9-16  (1 vol.)
BOX 5 REEL 2	1777, Nov. 26-1778, Feb. 24  (2 vols.)
BOX 5 REEL 3	1778, Feb. 24-Mar. 14  (2 vols.)
BOX 6 REEL 3	1778, Mar. 17-June 15  (2 vols.)
BOX 6 REEL 4	1778, June 15-19  (2 vols.)
BOX 7 REEL 4	1778, June 24-Aug. 5  (1 vol.)
BOX 7 REEL 5	1778, Oct. 27-Dec. 6  (2 vols.)
BOX 8 REEL 5	1780, Feb. 9-May 8  (1 vol.)
BOX 8 REEL 6	1780, May 9-Aug. 14  (3 vols.)

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BOX 10 REEL 7	1782, Feb. 6-22  (1 vol.)
BOX 10 REEL 8	1782, Feb. 25-June 11  (3 vols.)
BOX 11 REEL 8	1782, June 11-July 19  (1 vol.)
BOX 11 REEL 9	1782, July 22-1784, Mar. 9  (3 vols.)
BOX 12 REEL 10	1784, Mar. 13-1785, Aug. 15  (4 vols.)
BOX 13 REEL 10	1789, Feb. 5-Apr. 21  (2 vols.)