

His 4775, FA 2005. *Mid-Term I review*. **6 Oct.**

Part 1. (30%) Geographic Essay. Draw a map (freehand) of Ireland and note the three provinces listed (chosen from Connaught, Munster, Leinster, and Ulster) and three other geographical or political features. Then write a strong, brief essay (about two paragraphs) comparing and contrasting two of the regions, historically, before 1850. In your paragraph use at least four other geographic referents besides the provinces.

Part 2. (30%) From a group of four actors in Irish history between 1600 and 1860 (which I will select from the list below) choose two and write **one** brief essay (at least three paragraphs) in which you compare:

- (1) their background,
- (2) their achievements,
- (3) their significance in Irish history.

Provide evidence.

Hugh O'Neill, earl of Tyrone
~~Richard Talbot, earl of Tyrconnell~~
William of Orange
Jonathan Swift
Edmund Burke
Henry Grattan
Wolfe Tone
Daniel O'Connell
Sir Robert Peel
Paul Cullen

Part 3. (40%) *Two* of the following three questions will be on the exam, from which you will select *one* as the basis for a well-constructed essay. Define your terms, make an argument, and give specific *evidence* to back that argument. The evidence—declarations, actions, general social or economic movements—should be explained to show how it "fits" (or proves) your argument. Use evidence from lectures; Gallagher; Hachey, Hernon, Jr., and McCaffrey; and Ward.

- 1) "Religion has kept the Irish away from independence more than it has pushed them towards it." Comment on the truth or falsity of this statement focusing on the period between the Flight of the Earls and the Great Famine.
- 2) Who is to blame for the Great Irish Famine? Compare and contrast the role of politicians, ideology, economic development and underdevelopment, agricultural practices, and even culture in the death and destruction in Ireland between 1845 and 1849.
- 3) Was there an Irish nation before 1860? If so, on what was it based? If not, what factors were lacking?