A dhaoine uaisle,

I am writing to you to urge you to consider the importance for Irish people to have the remains of their antescendants buried in their original resting place.

I am a past pupil of Trinity where I studied Luath agus nua-Ghaeilge. Hence I have such an interest in the above.

Thanks to research already carried out it is clear that Andrew Dixon and Alfred Haddon deliberately and illegally stole remains from St. Coleman's Church in 1890, by Haddon's own admission.

The fact is that they knowingly stole 13 skulls from Inisbofin and passed them off as being poitín.

They then used the skulls for "pedagogical and research purposes ", which was also illegal at the time.

As Marie Coyne herself said "no matter what part of the world they came from, those skulls were all found in that little niche in the church, which to locals was a sacred place. " I might add that it is regarded as a sacred place to many more people, myself included.

I ask you to consider what it means to you to know that the remains are buried in their rightful place.

Is mise le meas,
Maedhbh Ní Dhubhshláine.