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Rich in human detail, penetrating in analysis, this book is social history on an epic scale. The first "transatlantic" history of the Irish, *Emigrants and Exiles* offers the fullest account yet of the diverse waves of Irish emigration to North America.

Drawing on enormous original research, Miller focuses on the thought and behavior of the "ordinary" Irish emigrants, as revealed in their personal letters, diaries, journals, and memoirs as well as in their songs, poems and folklore. Miller shows that the exile mentality was deeply rooted in Irish history, culture and personality, and it profoundly affected both the traumatic course of modern Irish history and the Irish experience in America.

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Alessandra says

An excellent study about the Irish Immigration to United States of America between 1840 and 1890. The book is highly recommended.

Ellie Silcox says

I needed to focus more on immigration to Britain, not quite sure why this was actually on the reading list, but I guess it gave a good general idea of the patterns of Irish immigration at the time.

Padraic says

Yes it's academic. Yes it's long. Yes it's got a lot of footnotes (see "Yes it's academic" above). But a huge jog to the collective amnesia of the American Irish diaspora. It's never good to forget where one came from.

Jennifer Deegan says

This is a long but never tedious historical account of the Irish and Irish diaspora. Required reading for a class I took in college that still sits in my bookshelf at home and in my memory.
