

Cork Butter Museum – Firkin Crane

To the right is a picture of a roadside butter market. In the background we can see a balance hanging off a horse cart which is being used to weigh butter.



Charms Superstition

Charms were recited to avert disease in cows.

They were often a mix of pagan and Christian prayer.

Charms would protect against the many diseases could become victim to, whether through natural causes or as the folk often suspected, through the evil eye of an unfriendly neighbour.

Charms were also used to bless new born infants.

This firkin crane was developed as part of a Research Degree by Martin McCarthy, who is interested in how people experience museums. No personal information was recorded when people were using either the firkin crane or this web page.

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