

LETTERKENNY UNION

THE BOARD OF GUARDIANS of the above Union desire to Contract for a Supply of the following Articles for a period of TWELVE MONTHS, from the 29th Inst., reserving to themselves the option of Contracting for any of said Articles for a shorter period, as they may see fit. The Contractor, in each case, to deliver the Articles at the Workhouse, free of all expense, and according to Order:—

Brown Bread (best Wheaten Meal), per lb. in 2 lb. Cakes. White Bread (best). in 21b. and 4 lb. Loaves, per lb. Butter (best quality), per lb. Beef (with bone), best do. Beef (without bone), best per lb. Bones of same per lb. Ox Heads (each), weighing on an average 14 lbs. Oatmeal of best quality, per 112 lbs. Indian Meal (Yellow), Barley and Peas (Split), do. do. Salt, per Eggs, per dozen. Black Pepper, per lb. Tea, at 2s 4d. do. Sugar (Brown), do. Tobacco. Whiskey, per quart-Sherry Wine, per bottle. Soap (White) best quality, per 112 lbs. Washing Soda, Candles (dipt), best, per dozen. Whitewash Brushes, best do. Black Lead Brushes, Bass Brooms, No. 5. Sweeping Brushes. No. 8, do. Coffins, with Slip Covers, per Blankets, per lb. Rugs.

Drugget, per yard. Portlaw, Blue and Brown, per yard. Winceys per yard. Shrouding, do. Women's Handkerchiefs. Bengal Strip, per yard. Sheeting, per yard. Wollen Yarn, per lb. Bed Tick. Gray Frieze, per yard do Home Manufacture Flannel, Calico and Shirting, per yard. Corduroy, per yard. Linen Unbleached, per yard Men's Caps, of 3 sizes. Boys' do Men's Twill Mufflers. Men's Suspenders. Boys' do. Thread, Black and Brown, per lb. Cocoa-nut Matting, per yard-Thimbles, per dozen Combs. Fine. Coarse. Studs (bone), per gross-Needles, per gross. Tape, wide and narrow, per bolt-Men's Shoes. per pair. Women's Shoes, do. Boy's Shoes, do. Girls' Shoes,

OATEN STRAW, PER TON.

Samples of various Articles, bearing the Scal of the Union, to be seen at the Workhouse, on application to the Master. The Article in each case must be in quality fully equal to the Sample, and bear a NUMBER and PRICE only, otherwise it will be rejected.

Sealed Tenders, giving full particulars and Names of Sureties, will be received by me, up to TWELVE o'clock, on FRIDAY, the 16th SEPTEMBER, Inst., when the Guardians will duly consider same.

JOHN STOREY,

CLERK.

Population in 1851.

Present Net Annual Value, ... £/9, 467

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Population in 1861-37,222.

Present Net Annual Value, £38580.1.0

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Present Net Annual Value, £

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Date of Offence		15th May	18th May	7th July	18th July	26th July	19th August
Offence		Using abusive language to the matron, persisting in doing so after being cautioned	Going to Milford without leave	Using filthy and abusive language to the matron	Going over the wall and leaving the workhouse premises	Refused to comply with an order of the master after having been cautioned previously	Disobeying the school-mistress and running away, when she called on him
Name		Lizzy Carithers	William Rodden	Ned O'Donnell	Patrick Deneese Jun.	John Rodgers	Patrick Deneese Jun
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(Source: BG/119/3/5 1879-1893 Donegal County Archive Service)

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(Source: BG/119/3/6 1899-1917 Donegal County Archive Service)

Workhouses in Donegal: Admission and Discharge Registers



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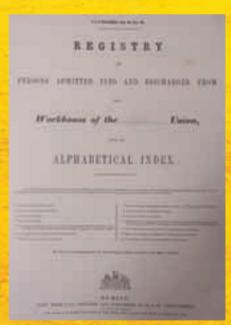
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Glenties Workhouse Admission and Discharge Register 1884 (Extract B692/3/2)

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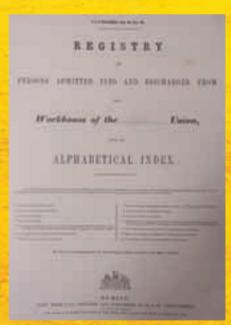
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Inishowen Workhouse Admission and Discharge Register 1844 - 1849 (Extract B697/3/1)

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Diet approved by the Dunfanaghy Board of Guardians in 1847

Classes	Meal	On 5 Days in each week		On 2 Days in each week
Working Males and Females	Breakfast	4 ozs. Indian Meal 1/3 qu 4 1/2 ozs. Oatmeal	1/3 quart Buttermilk	7 ozs. Rice with Molasses and sweet
	Dinner	4 ozs. Indian Meal 1/3 q 4 1/2 ozs. Oatmeal	1/3 quart Buttermilk	<u> </u>
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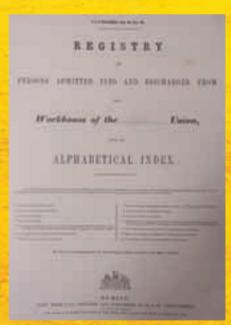
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Letterkenny Workhouse Admission and Discharge Register 1864 - 1878 (Extract BG/109/3/3)

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Workhouses in Donegal: Admission and Discharge Registers



The Boards of Guardians were very good at keeping detailed records of the activities of the workhouse.

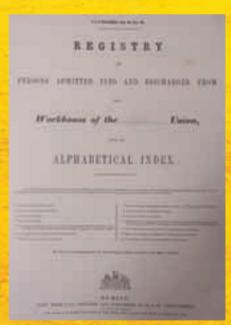
Upon entering the new inmate's particulars were recorded in the Admission and Discharge Register. Information recorded included their name, age, address, occupation, if they were married, single or if the children were, orphaned, or deserted.

Also documented was the inmate's religion and details of any illness or disability they suffered from. Their date of entry to, and

discharge from, the workhouse was also recorded.

Some inmates stayed only one night in the workhouse; these people were often only passing through the town. Most inmates had a much longer stay, especially if they were old or sick.





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Diet: 1846

Resolved that the following Dietary be accepted for the use of the Union:

Working Men and Women and Children above 13:

Breakfast: 7oz. Oatmeal

¹/₂ pt. Buttermilk

1/2 pt. Mixed Sweet Milk

Dinner: 3 1/2 lbs. Potatoes

1pt. Buttermilk

Supper: 4oz. Oatmeal

1/3 qt. Buttermilk

Old and Infirm and children above 9:

Breakfast: 5oz. Oatmeal

1pt. Sweet Milk

Dinner: 2 ¹/₂ lbs. Potatoes

¹/₃ qt. Buttermilk

Supper: 4oz. Oatmeal

¹/₃ qt. Buttermilk

Children under 9 and above 2:

Breakfast: 3 ½ oz. Oatmeal

1/2 Buttermilk

1/2 pt. Sweet Milk

Dinner: 1 3/4 lbs. Potatoes

¹/₃ qt. Buttermilk

Supper: 2 ½ oz. Oatmeal

1/3 qt. Buttermilk

Children under 2 total per day:

4 oz. Oatmeal

4 oz. Bread

¹/₂ qt. Sweet Milk

(source: BG/119/1/1 1841-1846)

Life, society, work and culture in the past Topic: Life in the 19th century



1838 Poor Law Comes to Ireland 1843-1846 Building of the Workhouses in Donegal

Irish Famine 1845-1848 1923 Closing of the Workhouses

TIMELINE

POOR LAW UNIONS AND THE BOARD OF GUARDIANS



The Poor Law was introduced to Ireland in 1838 to provide relief for the poor. The country was divided into unions, each with a workhouse, run by a board of guardians. Donegal had eight unions, Ballyshannon, Donegal, Dunfanaghy, Glenties, Inishowen, Letterkenny, Milford and Stranorlar. Parts of county Donegal were also in the Derry and Strabane unions.

The workhouses provided a home for the destitute poor, who had nowhere else to go. A master and a matron were in charge of running the workhouses. Porters and nurses also worked there, as well as schoolteachers who taught classes and supervised the children.

The workhouses were very unpopular, as life for inmates was quite harsh and the rules of the workhouse were very strict. No one was allowed to leave the workhouse without the permission of the master and inmates were punished for breaking the rules. Families were split up upon entering and children only saw their parents once a day. Everyone had to work, except the very sick and elderly.

Meals in the workhouse were very basic, made up mostly of bread, porridge and potatoes. Only in the 20th century did the diet improve allowing the inmates a few luxuries such as tea and sugar and occasionally meat.

The workhouses ran until 1923. Some of the buildings were converted to County Homes or Hospitals and are still in use today.

POTATO FAMINE

Ireland in the 19th century was heavily dependent on potatoes. Most of the population of 8 million lived in rural areas on very small farms, which were rented from larger farmers and landlords.

In 1845 a third of the potato crop was destroyed by blight, which quickly spread, causing the crop to fail entirely in 1846. This meant that poor people were left with nothing to eat and many were evicted from their homes for not paying the rent. Emigration or entering the workhouse was the only option left to a lot of people. This led to huge overcrowding in the workhouses and the spread of diseases such as dysentery and typhus. The boards of guardians provided help to people outside the workhouse during the famine called 'outdoor relief' in the form of medical and food aid.

IN YOUR PACK YOU WILL FIND:

- 1. A map of the Poor Law Unions in Donegal
- 2. Letterkenny union notice from 1881
- 3. A page from a minute book of the board of guardians.
- 4. The workhouse punishment book for Milford Workhouse
- 5. Record of Deaths from Milford
- 6. Diet sheets from 1846 and 1847
- 7. A page from an admission and discharge register from the workhouse.

Look at the evidence



The Workhouse

1. Poor Law Union Map

Using the map provided select the union that your town/school/home belonged to.

2. Letterkenny Union Notice, 1881

What types of meat were included in the workhouse diet?

Make a list of the fabric and items of clothing ordered for the inmates?

From the list of materials ordered, what jobs do you think the inmates had to do?

3. Minutes of the Board of Guardians

What date is this record from?
What was the total number of paupers in the workhouse?
How many boys and girls between 9 and 15 years of age were in the workhouse that year?
How many people were in the Fever Hospital?

4. Workhouse Punishment Book

Do you think the punishments inflicted on the inmates were harsh?
Which form of punishment do you think was the most unpopular?
Patrick Deneese Junior left the workhouse without permission, how was he punished?

5. Record of Deaths

What was the most common cause of death between October 1904 and March 1905? How old was Francis Carr and what did he die from? How long had Daniel Duffy been in the workhouse when he died in 1906?

6. Diet

Compare the two diet sheets used in the workhouse, what is missing from the diet in 1847?

Do you think this was a healthy diet for the paupers? Compare your diet to that of someone your age in the workhouse in 1847. Which foods would you miss most?

7. Admission and Discharge Register

How many children were admitted?
Who was the youngest and what age were they?
Make a list of the professions of the inmates?
What professions did the women have?
How many different disabilities are recorded?
Who on this list had the longest stay in the workhouse?
How long was it for?



- Try to imagine what life was like for children in the Workhouse and write a short passage about how you think you would feel upon entering.
- Imagine you are a reporter visiting the workhouse in 1847. Write an article for your newspaper on what you have witnessed.