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DONEGAL COUNTY COUNCIL MINUTES OF MEETINGS 1899 – 2000

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**Donegal County Council
Minutes of Meetings**

February 1900 – April 1902

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Donegal County Council
1899-1999

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Councillors, Dec. 13
to Surveyor on 19/1/10

V.
Minutes of Quarterly meeting of Council held on
21st & 22nd February 1900

Attendance

The following members of the Council were present:-
Mr. Edw. McFadden (Chairman), Councillors Boyle,
Bradley, Byrne, Callaghan, Cassidy, Cavanagh,
Doherty, Dunlevy, Hanna, Hamilton, Hayes, Magill,
Mooney, McDermott (Dilford), McFadden, McIlwaine,
Stoney, James Sweeney, John Sweeney, C. H. Ward, P. Wilson
& Wray.

Minutes

The minutes of previous meeting were read and
confirmed.

Re Teaching of the Irish Language in National Schools.

The Standing Orders having been duly suspended, Mr.
James Sweeney moved and Mr. C. H. Ward seconded,
the following resolution, with reference to the teaching
of the Irish Language in National Schools, which
was unanimously adopted:-

Resolution

Resolved -

- (1) "That in all places where Irish is the home
Language, pupils shall be taught to read &
write Irish from their first entrance into the
school and that a knowledge of English
and other useful subjects shall be imparted
through the medium of Irish
- (2) "That in places where Irish is not the home
Language it shall be lawful to teach Irish
as a remunerated subject within school hours
and at the earliest stage at which pupils are
capable of learning it.
- (3) "That no revision of the National Education
System can be regarded as satisfactory which
does not make provision in accordance with
these resolutions
- (4) "That copies be sent the Board of National Education
and the members of Parliament of the County Donegal"

Copy to Mr. Wilson Esq.

See end of
Minutes for
resolution

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7/3/00.

Bustonport Railway Extension - Proposed Deviations

Dr. Todd, Solicitor, Derry, appeared before the Council
on behalf of the promoters of the Letterkenny to
Bustonport Railway Extension and applied for
their sanction to certain deviations, proposed to be made.
Mr. Wm. Doherty, Solicitor, Derry, also appeared
on behalf of the contractors - Messrs Pauling & Co.

Dr. Todd produced a certificate from
Mr. Wilson Esq., Solicitor to the Council, to the effect
that all the statutory provisions had been duly
complied with and read the reports of the County
Surveyors, in which they stated they saw nothing objec-
tionable in the proposed deviations, and that there
would be four fewer roads crossed, than on
the authorised plans, and also, four fewer level
crossings.

Dr. Todd also pointed out, that the proposed
deviations would bring the station for Dimpaghagh
much nearer the town, and this was regarded
with much favour by the people of the district.

Questioned by some Councillors
as to whether the promoters required an increased
guarantee, Dr. Todd answered in the negative, and
also stated that all work in connection with the Railway,
such as bridges, ditches etc, would be kept in
repair and maintained by the Company.

Dr. Todd then read a draft resolution approving
of the deviations, which he asked the Council to
adopt.

Councillor Hayes asked for a guarantee that the Railway
station for Crevagh would be placed opposite the
Fair Green, and Dr. Todd said that a clause would
be inserted in the resolution making this provision,
which, having been done, the resolution was unan-
imously adopted and Mr. Wilson was instructed
to represent the Council, before the Privy Council.

Re Letterkenny Railway Guarantee

Mr. Wm. Doherty in accordance with notice of motion
duly given and signed by said Members moved
Mr. Bradley

Mr Bradley seconded and it was resolved—

That paragraph 2 of the resolution passed by this Council on 19th May last (viz. "that County Council are willing to abandon claims in respect of past payments, provided co-payors be relieved of further liability") be rescinded and that the report of the Derry Chamber of Commerce, be adopted"

It was also resolved—

That a deputation consisting of Captain Stoney, Mr Hanna, Mr Hayes, Mr William Doherty, Mr McDevitt (Glenties) and Mr Edward McFadden be appointed to consult with the Treasury, as to the Report of the Derry Chamber of Commerce"

Re Undertaken for Contracts

In accordance with notice of motion^{only} given, and signed by six members. Mr Magee moved and Mr L. H. Ward seconded and it was resolved—

"That the resolution of the County Council, passed at the Quarterly Meeting of 5th September 1899, putting the roads that have not been contracted for into the hands of the County Surveyor, be rescinded"

Re Injury Caused to Road from Derry to Raphoe by Traction Engine

It was proposed by Mr Magee, seconded by Mr McFadden and resolved—

"That the Proposal Committee take into consideration the cost of the road from Derry to Raphoe is exorbitant, amounting to £757.12.0, to the ratepayers of Strabane No 2, principally caused by a Traction Engine, the property of a private Company, and to take such steps to remedy this injustice; and that Mr Wilson be asked to advise the Committee as to the law bearing on damage done roads, pipes etc by Traction Engines and suggest what bye-laws the Committee are empowered to make on the subject"

Re Main Roads

Captain Stoney, in accordance with notice of motion given^{and} and Mr Hayes seconded—

"That, after considering the representations received on the subject, the County Council hereby adopt the Provisional Declaration of the 13th day of December last, that there be no Main Roads in the County; and that the Secretary of the Council shall publish the Declaration hereby adopted, in the manner prescribed by Article 34 of the Local Government (Procedure of Councils) Order 1899; and also, communicate same to the District Councils of the County, in the manner prescribed by Section 3 of the Main Roads Declaration Order, dated the 1st day of May 1899"

Mr James Sweeney moved and Mr Wm Doherty seconded an amendment—

That we do not adopt the Provisional Declaration, of the 13th day of December last, that there be no Main Roads in the County.

Voting

A division was taken and the voting was as follows—

For Amendment.	Councillors Boyle, Byrne, Cavanagh, Doherty, James Sweeney & Mrs Sweeney	6
Against.	Councillors Callaghan, Cassidy, Dunleavy, Hanna, Hamilton, Hayes, Magee, Mooney, McDevitt (Glenties), McFadden, McIlwaine, Stoney, L. H. Ward, P. Ward & Wray	15

The Amendment was accordingly declared lost.

The Chairman then put the Resolutions which was passed unanimously.

Attitude of District Councils

The following are opinions of the various District Councils on the Provisional Declaration of the Councils (which had been forwarded to them)

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Adopted & passed 26. 2/1900

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and which were read by the Chairman, prior to his taking the vote -

Inishowen District Council - Approved of Resolution
 Donegal " " - " " "
 Stranorlar " " - " " "
 Heilford " " - " " "
 Lifford " " - " " "
 Londonderry (No 2) " " - " " "
 Strabane (No 2) " " - " " "
 Glenties " " - Disapproved of Resolution

No expression of opinion was received from Ballyshannon or Dunfanaghey District Councils

Joint Committee - Ramelton Town Hospital

Mr Hayes in accordance with notice of motion duly given and signed by, six members moved and Mr Hayes seconded -

"That we hereby rescind the resolution of 13th Dec last appointing members of the Ramelton Town Hospital and appoint the following persons to form Joint Committee in place of those already nominated at said meeting viz:-

Mr Alexander Mitchell, Ramelton	Mr St. McDevitt Heilford
Mr. Harty, L ^o	James Coel Ramelton
James Sweeney, L ^o	Thos. Hayes, Mulroy
Chas. Kelly, L ^o	
Edw. Kelly, L ^o	

Proposal Committee Report.

The report of the Proposal Committee meeting held on 31st January 1900, was adopted.

Re Establishment of a Technical School

It was proposed by Mr James Sweeney, seconded by Mr Bradley and resolved -

"That the Board of Agriculture be requested to establish a technical school in the vacant gaol premises in Lifford and that the Council request a grant for the establishing of

Letter read from L. W. Kelly, Secretary of the Council, in response to resolution

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"of a school to carry out the various crafts and trades, which might be established."

Proposals for New Works Formulated by the Various District Councils

The proposals for road maintenance &c formulated by the various District Councils were then considered

Ballyshannon, Donegal and Dunfanaghey District Councils

The proposals formulated by above District Councils were sanctioned

Glenties

No 41 on the list of Proposals formulated by Glenties District Council was refused back No 52 was also refused back for consent of owners of adjoining land Nos. 78, 79 & 82 were put into County Surveyors hand.

The remaining proposals for which tenders had been received were accepted.

With reference to No 53 on the County Surveyors list of recommendations the Council accepted the tender of Patrick Craig of Drinnasillagh for the execution of the work. The contractor whose tender had been accepted by the District Council having refused to execute his Bond

Inishowen

No 58 on the Inishowen List of Proposals refused back

No 98 & 106 - Rejected

No 133 & 135 Put into County Surveyors hands

Remaining Proposals, for which tenders were received were sanctioned;

Adjourned District Council Meetings

With reference to the adjourned District Council (Quarterly) Meetings in Inishowen Rural District it was proposed by Mr Tom Doherty seconded by Mr Bradley and resolved

"That we recommend the Inishowen Rural District

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"Council, to hold their adjourned sessions
"on three consecutive days in Carndonagh,
"Moville and Runcrana and that the
"clerk of the District Council and a
"representative of the County Secretary
"attend each meeting to perfect the Bonds
"of Contractors, thus saving Contractors the
"great expense of having to bring their
"sureties and themselves to perfect Bonds
"or Tenders, which may or may not be
"accepted and the County will gain by
"the healthy competition thus engendered.
"The travelling expenses of Officials to be
"paid."

Letterkenney

No 10 on the list of proposals formulated by
the Letterkenney District Council was rejected.
It was also proposed to reject No 30 but an amendment
was moved that it should be passed and on a
division being taken the amendment was carried
by a large majority.

The remaining proposals for which
Tenders had been received were sanctioned.

Laudonessy (No 2)

No 19 & 20 on list of Proposals formulated by the
above District Council were rejected. The rest
were sanctioned.

Strabane (No 2)

Nos 27, 28, 29, 30 & 31 on list of Proposals — rejected
Remaining Proposals Sanctioned.

Stranorlar

No 30 on list of Proposals formulated by
Stranorlar District Council was rejected. The rest
were sanctioned.

Milford

No 135 on the list of Proposals formulated by
The Milford District Council for which ^{Tender} No 1 was received
was referred back. The rest were adopted. A resolution of above
Council requesting the Co. Council to have presentment No 69 placed in County
Surveyors hands was read.

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Minutes

Particular attention of
Council directed to this
resolution in not accompanying
Minutes

Specifications

It was proposed by Mr Hayes seconded by Captain
Stoney and resolved —

That it be an instruction from
the County Council to clerks of District
Councils that in every case in which
a special Specification is prepared for
a work, the clerk of the District Council
shall read the Specification for the
Contractor and his sureties, before they
sign the Bond; and that the Specification
be signed by the Contractor and sureties
as well as the Bond.

Re Adjourned Meetings of District Councils

It was resolved, on the motion of Mr E. McFadden,
seconded by Mr Hanna —

"That the District Councils be
"requested to hold their adjourned meetings
"within fourteen days of the Quarterly
"meetings, to enable the Secretary to the
"Council to have the ^{proposals} printed
"in time for their Quarterly meeting"

Re Cecil Brown, Road Contractor

A contractor named Cecil Browne of Gallway,
applied to be released from a contract taken
at a meeting of the Stranorlar District Council
held in August last and the Council having
considered his case decided to release him subject
to his maintaining the sheeting of the Bridges in
proper order to insure the public safety.

Letterkenney Railway Company

Mr Magee moved and Mr Dunleavy seconded the
appointment of Mr Edward McFadden as Director
on behalf of the Rate-payers, on the above Railway
Company which was unanimously passed.

Resolution of Glenties District Council

A resolution of the Glenties District Council requesting
the County Council to take such steps in adjusting
areas

anxious between Landlord and Tenant as would relieve the Board of a seeming debt of over £1000, having been read, it was resolved.

"That we inform the Gentles District Council, that the money is being paid to them at present, under adjustment Order of Local Government Board, but that they will have to repay it next Rate, and we suggest, that they exercise their borrowing powers under Section 61 of the Local Government (Ireland) Act 1898"

Resolution of Donegal District Council
A resolution from the Donegal District Council recommending the appointment of Captain Fredennick as Director on behalf of the rate payers, on the Donegal Railway Company, having been read, it was resolved, on the motion of Mr. Dunleavy seconded by Mr. C. H. Ward.

"That we hereby appoint Captain Fredennick as Director, on behalf of the Rate-Payers, on the Donegal Railway Company, and direct that notice shall be given him of his appointment."

Application from Collector Logan
A letter from Collector Logan making application to have the islands of Tory, Innishbowin and Innishdoey exempted from paying Rates, having been read, it was resolved.

"That we direct the Secretary to send a copy of this letter to the Local Government Board and request them to advise us as to how the collector is to be dealt with under the circumstances"

Re Harbour Matters

Letters from various Harbour Masters in the County re tolls collected by them having been read and considerable discussion having arisen thereon, the following resolutions were adopted.

Re Regulated Dues

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Proposed by Mr. Hanna, seconded by Mr. Doherty and resolved.

That the Secretary be instructed to apply to the Board of Works and ask them to supply schedule of dues regulated by them for the various piers in the County

Tolls Lodged in Belfast Bank

It was resolved -

"That the Secretary instruct the County Surveyor to make returns to next meeting of Council of amounts of dues lodged by the various piers to the credit of Council, in the Belfast Bank"

Ramelton Pier

It was proposed by Mr. Magee seconded by Mr. Bennett and resolved.

"That the Secretary be instructed to find out when the last presentment was passed for the repair of Ramelton Pier"

Larne Pier

It was resolved -

That the Secretary reply to the letter of Mr. Hay, the Harbour Master at this pier, that the Council are informed there are several vessels, besides the "Granuaile" calling at this pier; and that he should exercise his duties in collecting tolls from all vessels calling, making an exception, only, in favour of the "Granuaile"; and that he will be held responsible for the collection of dues on all vessels calling, with the above exception."

Killybegs Pier

The Harbour Master of this pier having written

stating

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Mr. Hay writes to T. Hay Ireland - 20/5/90

Mr. Hay writes to T. Hay Ireland - 20/5/90

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stating he wished to make a statement to the Council it was directed that notice be given to him of next meeting and he be asked to attend

Mc alin Head Pier

Mr Harvey's
statement to
Council - 27/3/00

Instructions were given that the Committee for above pier be asked through Mr G. Mc Harvey, to furnish a statement of funds in hands and that the Harbour Master be asked to supply copy of Account Book kept by him

Ballynass Pier

The County Surveyor having brought under the notice of the Council that some urgent repairs to above pier were required it was resolved on the motion of Mr Hanna, seconded by Mr Woods, -

"That we hereby authorize Mr Edward Mc Fadden and Mr Wm Griffith acting in conjunction and with the advice of the County Surveyor to enter into a Contract for the repair of the pier at Ballynass at a cost not exceeding £15."

Re Piers at which Dues are not Collected.

It was proposed by Mr Hayes seconded by Mr Dunlavy and resolved -

That the County Surveyors through their Assistants send in a report of all piers from which tolls are not received and to make recommendations as to whether or non caretakers to those piers should be appointed

Re Tolls in hands of Treasurers to Pier Committees

It was proposed by Mr Magee seconded by Mr J. E. Boyle and resolved -

That the Secretary be instructed to call upon the Treasurers of the various Pier Committees to lodge to the credit of the County

Mr Hanna's
statement to
Council - 27/3/00

"County Council the amount standing to the credit of the piers; also, to furnish the Secretary with a statement of the receipts and expenditure, as to the piers under their control, up to date"

Re Dues Collected by Harbour Masters

It was proposed by Mr Hayes seconded by Captain Stoney and resolved -

"That the Secretary of the County Council call upon the Harbour Masters at the several piers in the County for a statement of the dues collected by them up to the 30th days of September 1899, from the date of their last returns of their collections and lodgements; and also, to state in whose hands their collections have been placed, and if the dues collected are in accordance with the Board of Works Scale, or under a Scale fixed by the late Grand Jury; and to furnish the Scale upon which the charges are based"

Letter from Local Government Board

A letter from the Local Government Board relative to increase of salary to be allowed Mr J. A. Ferguson, County Surveyor, having been read the Secretary was directed to ask Mr Ferguson and Mr Steadman to send in claims setting forth the extra duties they have had to undertake and the duties they have been relieved of.

Re Buncrana Harbour

A letter from the Secretary to the Buncrana Harbour Committee enclosing a resolution adopted by the Committee requesting the Council to favour the proposal of the extension of the Buncrana pier and a letter from Colonel Mackean relative to the same subject, having been read it was proposed by Mr Dunlavy seconded by Captain Stoney and unanimously resolved -

Resolved

written to accordingly
19/3/00
Circular with copy resolution sent
27/3/00

*This is an
addendum to
minutes of meeting
of 21st Feb
22nd February 1900*

*Approved
L. E. H. 20/3/00*

IN THE MATTER OF THE LETTERKENNY AND LOUGH SWILLY RAILWAY

(Letterkenny to Burtonport Extension Deviation Railways).

Third Quarterly Meeting after 12th day of May, 1899, viz.:—Meeting held on the 21st day of February, 1900.

6 and 7 Wm. IV., 116.; 33 and 24 Vic., Chap. 152; 24 and 26 Vic. Ch. 102; 34 and 35 Vic., Ch. 114; 46 and 47 Vic., Ch. 43, Sec. 1; 52 and 53 Vic., Ch. 66; 59 and 60 Vic., Ch. 34.

*Resolved
That*

We, the County Council of the County of Donegal, duly assembled as aforesaid, having heard the application of the Londonderry and Lough Swilly Railway Company (the Promoters of the Deviation Railways) mentioned in the First Schedule hereto, for our approval of the said Deviation Railways, and for a guarantee on portion of the Share Capital of the undertaking, and having had produced before us the documents mentioned in the Second Schedule, and having considered the said proposal and what was urged on its behalf by the Solicitor for the Promoters, and what was urged by other persons interested, do resolve as follows, and (1) Do hereby approve of the said Deviation Railways, and hereby authorise the Promoters to Construct, Maintain, and Work the said Deviation Railways, subject to such modification (if any) as shall be required or approved by the Lord Lieutenant in Council. (2) And we do hereby approve of the undertaking authorised by the Londonderry and Lough Swilly (Letterkenny to Burtonport Extension) Railway Order, 1898, as varied by the construction of the said Deviation Railways, subject to such modification as aforesaid, and we present and declare that the guaranteeing area charged by the Resolution and Presentment of the Grand Jury of the County Donegal in favour of the Original undertaking, the Londonderry and Lough Swilly Railway (Letterkenny to Burtonport Extension) Railway with the payment of half-yearly dividends at the rate of £4 per cent. per annum in perpetuity on the sum of £5,000, the guaranteed Capital thereof, which Resolution and Presentment was confirmed by the Londonderry and Lough Swilly (Letterkenny to Burtonport Extension) Railway Order, 1898, shall stand charged with the payment of half-yearly dividends at the rate of £4 per cent. per annum in perpetuity upon the said sum of £5,000, the proposed guaranteed Capital of the undertaking, pursuant to the Tramway's and Public Company's (Ireland) Act, 1883, and the Tramway's (Ireland) Acts, 1889 and 1896, without any contribution in respect of such guarantee being payable by the Treasury in the same manner in all respects as if the said Deviation Railways or such of them as may be authorised by the Order of the Lord Lieutenant in Council, were originally part of the undertaking authorised by the Londonderry and Lough Swilly (Letterkenny to Burtonport Extension) Railway Order, 1898—the Station at Creeslough to be placed in the field opposite the Creeslough Fair Green.

Dated this 21st day of February, 1900.

Thomas W. H. H. H.

Chairman of the Donegal County Council.

Brian M. J. H.

Secretary of the Donegal County Council.

Londonderry and Lough Swilly Railway (Letterkenny to Burtonport Extension.)

1st SCHEDULE referred to in the foregoing Resolution.

1. A Deviation and Alteration wholly in the Parish of Conwal of the Line and Levels of a portion of the Railway described in and authorised by an Order in Council, 1897, commencing in the Townland of Drumacano at or near the Point on the Centre Line of the said Railway, marked and measured 7 miles from the commencement thereof as shewn on the deposited Plans, deposited in Dublin, 1897, and terminating in the Townland of Cabra Brook at or near the Point on the said Centre Line, 8 miles, 3 furlongs, which said intended Deviation will pass from, in, through or into the following Townlands and places or some of them—Drumacano, Cabra Glebe, Cabra Brook, Drumbologa, Temple Douglas, Stacknagh, Pollans.
2. A Deviation and Alteration wholly in the Parish of Conwal of the Line and Levels of a portion of the Railway described in and authorised by an Order in Council, 1897, commencing in the Townland of Drumacano at or near the Point on the Centre Line of the said Railway, marked and measured 8 miles, 7 furlongs from the commencement thereof as shewn on the deposited Plans, and terminating in the Townland of Cloncarney at or near the Point on the said Centre Line, 10 miles, 1 furlong, which said intended Deviation will pass from, in, through or into the following Townlands and places, or some of them—Drumacano, Carrick, Carnateanagh, Cloncarney.
3. A Deviation and Alteration in the Parishes of Kilmacrenan, Clondahorky, and part of Kilmacrenan of the Line and Levels of a portion of the Railway described in and authorised by an Order in Council, 1897, commencing in the Townland of Currin, in the Parish of Kilmacrenan, at or near the Point on the Centre Line of the said Railway, marked and measured 14 miles, 1 furlong from the commencement thereof as shewn on the deposited Plans, and terminating in the Townland of Drummaraw, in the Parish of Clondahorky, at or near the Point on the said Centre Line, 18 miles, 5 furlongs, which said intended Deviation will pass from, in, through or into the following Parishes, Townlands and places, or some of them—Kilmacrenan, Clondahorky, Currin, Drumdeevin, Barnes Lower, Barnes Upper, Stragaddy, Derriscligh, Meenbane, Drummaraw, Killoughcaran.
4. A Deviation and Alteration wholly in the Parish of Clondahorky of the Line and Levels of a Portion of the Railway described in and authorised by an Order in Council, 1897, commencing in the Townland of Creeslough at or near the point on the Centre Line of the said Railway, marked and measured 20 miles, 4 furlongs, from the commencement thereof, as shown on the deposited Plans, and terminating in the Townland of Carrownamaddy at or near the Point on the said Centre Line 25 miles, 4 furlongs, which said intended Deviation will pass from, in, through or into the following Townlands and places or some of them—Creeslough, Massiness, Clonbeg Glebe, Clonmore, Derryhariff, Glebe, Faymore, and Carrownamaddy.
5. A Deviation and Alteration wholly in the Parish of Tullaghobegley of the Line and Levels of a Portion of the Railway described in and authorised by an Order in Council, 1897, commencing in the Townland of Tullaghobegley Irish at or near the Point on the Centre Line of the said Railway, marked and measured 31 miles 3 furlongs from the commencement thereof, as shown on the deposited Plans, and terminating in the Townland of Fawnaboy at or near the Point on the said Centre Line 34 miles 3 furlongs, which said intended Deviation will pass from, in, through, or into the following Townlands and Places or some of them.—Tullaghobegley Irish, Cashelagor, and Fawnaboy.
6. A Deviation and Alteration wholly in the Parish of Templecrone of the Line and Levels of a Portion of the Railway described in and authorised by an Order in Council, 1897, commencing in the Townland of Annagary at or near the Point on the Centre Line of the said Railway, marked and measured 44 miles 2 furlongs from the commencement thereof, as shown on the deposited Plan, and terminating in the Townland of Meenbannad at or near the Point on the said Centre Line 45 miles 7 furlongs, which said intended Deviation will pass from, in, through, or into the following Townlands and Places or some of them :—Anagary, Drummacart Mountain Pastures, and Meenbannad.

CHAIRMAN.

SECRETARY.

2nd SCHEDULE referred to in the foregoing Resolution.

Advertisements, Memorial to Lord Lieutenant, Draft Order in Council, Plans, Sections, and Book of Reference, Schedules, Estimates, Board of Works' Reports, County Surveyors' Reports, and Notices to Owners and Occupiers.

Thomas J. P. O'Connell

CHAIRMAN.

Thomas J. P. O'Connell

SECRETARY.

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Finance Committee

A meeting of the Finance Committee was held on 28th February 1900. The meeting was adjourned from the Courthouse, where it had been summoned, to the County House.

Attendance

The following members of the Committee were present:—
Mr Hugh Mc Lennan (Chairman) Messrs Cassidy, Hanna, Magee and Stoney.

Minutes.

The minutes of previous meeting were confirmed.

Day of Holding Meetings.

It was resolved —

"That in future, the meetings of the Committee do not be convened for Wednesdays."

Estimates.

The Estimates for the service of the ensuing Financial Year ending 31st March 1901, were then carefully considered, and it was proposed by Captain Stoney, seconded by Mr Magee and resolved —

"That the Councils

"attention be drawn to the very large amount of £3000 appearing in the next year's Estimates for General printing, and to state that in our opinion measures should be taken to have this item carefully superintended."

The Secretary was also directed, in submitting the Estimates to the Council, to have each item in connection with the Voters list set out different from any printing in connection with County Secretary's Office.

It was then resolved, on the motion of Captain Stoney, seconded by Mr Cassidy —

"That the Estimates, as submitted of expenditure for the next Financial Year of £87,054, be recommended."

"the Council for adoption, and, that, as no provision is made in this estimate for new works, we suggest that the Council intimate to the District Councils that no new works ^{except such as are necessary for the maintenance of the canals be undertaken by them, for} the Financial Year ending March 31st 1901"

Appointment of Rate-Collector.

Applications for the position of Rate-Collector for the Electoral Divisions of Liffey, Ballintra & Tullynaught (Donegal Union) were then considered. Mr. Cassidy proposed and Mr. Hanna seconded, the appointment of Mr. Joseph Gorman.

No other candidate was proposed and Mr. Gorman was declared unanimously appointed.

The Secretary was directed to write to the Local Government Board with reference to this nomination, and ask them to send down Form required to be filled up by Mr. Gorman, and also to acquaint Mr. Wilson to have Bond, ~~for~~ prepared.

Rate Book.

The Secretary submitted a new form of Rate Book sent down by Messrs. Dollard, & Co., Dublin and which, as it would serve a year, he pointed out, would effect a great saving in clerical labours.

The Committee instructed the Secretary to ascertain for next meeting, the probable cost of this book, and how much it would save in clerical labours.

Claim by Clerk Donegal Union

A claim by the Clerk Donegal Union for expenses incurred under the Registration and Jurors Acts, having been read, the Secretary was directed to write, and ask the clerk if the claim is according to scale.

Edmund Hanna
Chairman

Adopted by Council
13th March 1900
Edmund Hanna

Diseases of Animals Committee

Meeting of the Diseases of Animals Committee was held on 28th February, 1900.

Attendance

The members of the Committee present, were Messrs. Hanna and Callaghan.

Reports of Veterinary Surgeons

The reports of the various Veterinary Surgeons were read

Re. Cleansing of Swine Lairs.

The Secretary was instructed to notify the Veterinary Surgeons, in whose districts there are Swine Lairs (i.e. places where Swine are housed overnight, in course of transit) to see that they are thoroughly cleansed & washed once a fortnight & to visit them monthly. The Secretary was also directed to send the Surgeons copy of Local Govt. Board Order.

Edmund Hanna
Chairman

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K.B.

Veterinary Surgeons written to ask number of Lairs in their District - Feb 28/00

Adopted
5th March 1900
Edmund Hanna

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sent L.B.S.
Councillors & D.C.s
9/3/00

Minutes of Special Meeting of Council
held on 13th March 1900

Attendance

The following members of the Council were present:-

Mr Edward Mc Fadden (Chairman)
Councillors Mr Levitt (Deputy), F. Load, Gallagher
Hanna, Hamilton, Hayes, James Mc Fadden,
Stoney, Peter Ward and Wray.

Minutes

It was resolved on the motion of the Chairman
seconded by Mr Hanna -

"That the Minutes of last
meeting, with the resolution approving
of the proposed deviations on the Letterkenny
to Buntinstown Railway as an addendum, be
adopted."

Re Amendment of Standing Orders

Mr Hayes withdrew his notice of motion to
amend the Standing Order regulating the duties
of the Finance Committee, in favour of
the following resolution, proposed by Captain
Stoney, seconded by Mr Mc Levitt and unanimously
adopted viz:-

"That we recommend the General Purposes
Committee, to amend the standing Order
as follows, with respect to the election of
Rate-Collectors: 'when a vacancy occurs
' among the Rate-Collectors, the County Council
' shall make the appointment'."

The Secretary was also directed to summon a
meeting of the General Purposes Committee for
the morning of next Council Meeting.

Finance Committee Report.

Mr Gallagher moved and Mr Wray seconded,
the adoption of the Report of the Finance Committee
meeting, held on 28th February 1900.

Mr Hayes moved and Mr Mc Fadden, seconded an
amendment

amendment - That that portion of the report recommending
the County Council to intimate to the District Council
that no new works can be entertained by them for the year
ending March 31st 1901 ^{be altered as follows to read:} should that no new works, except
such as were passed or under consideration
at the February meetings of the District
Councils, can be entertained for the Financial
Year ending March 31st 1901."

The minutes, with this amendment, were unanimously
adopted.

Printing Committee

Amongst other than portion of the Finance
Committee report drawing the Council's special
attention to the large amount appearing in
the Year's Estimate for General Printing it was
resolved:-

"That a special Committee, consisting of
Messrs E. Mc Fadden, Gallagher, Hanna, Hayes
and Stoney, be appointed to go into
the matter of the printing before the
expiration of the present contract."

Licences for Explosives

Licences for storing Explosives were granted to the
following:-

Mr Mc Gill	Falcarragh
J. Mc Millan	Donegal
Geo Stewart	Carrigast
Miss Jane Eakins	Ramelton

Application for Use of County Gaol.

The consideration of an application by W. D. Roland
for the use of the County Gaol as a cannery
was on the motion of Captain Stoney seconded
by Mr Gallagher adjourned to next meeting of
Council - Mr Roland having been unable to
attend.

withdrawn

The Council also adopted the following resolution on the motion of Mr Hanna, seconded by Mr de Faddin referring the question of the ownership of the County House, to the Lord Lieutenant:

Resolution

Resolved.—"That this County Council absolutely require the County House for the accommodation of their clerical staff, and we think the time has now arrived to present the claims of the Sheriff and ourselves for an authoritative decision from the Lord Lieutenant, as to the ownership and custody of the building and that the Secretary be instructed to hand our Solicitor present the case to the Lord Lieutenant for his decision, according to law; and that the Secretary ask the Solicitor to submit the draft case to the Chairman of County Council for approval"

Letter from Vice-President, Department of Agriculture.
A letter from the Vice-President, Department of Agriculture and Technical Institution, Dublin, concerning the appointment of delegates by the County Council to the Council of Agriculture, having been read, the Secretary was directed to put the appointments on the Agenda, for a meeting to be summoned in April.

Letter from Local Government Board
A letter from the Local Government Board concerning the claim of the late Secretary was read.

Re Collection of Rates

A letter from the same, requesting the Council to urge on, the collection of the current Rate, was read.

Letter from Treasury

A letter from the Lands Commissioners of the Majesty's Treasury enclosing copy of letter addressed by them to Mr John Graham respecting his appeal

1900
Mar 13

Re County House

A letter from the Under-Sheriff regarding the Office Staff to vacate the two rooms they at present occupy in the County House, for the Grand Jury to dine in, during the Assizes having been read, and after considerable discussion, the Secretary was directed to write and inform the Sheriff that the Council would permit the Grand Jury to have the use of the large room in the County House, and, in view of the Sheriff using force to evict the clerks from the other room, it was proposed by Mr Hayes, seconded by Mr Hanna and resolved.—

"That the Secretary be instructed to write by this night's post to the Lord Lieutenant and inform His Excellency that the High Sheriff of the County Donegal has served a notice on the County Council requiring them to vacate the County House, Dufford, on the 15th inst., the said County House being no part of the Court House and never used previously for the administration of Justice, nor by the Grand Jury for the discharge of their functions, in criminal or fiscal business; and requesting the Lord Lieutenant to inform the County Council whether he will permit the forces of the Crown to be used in turning the Staff, books and office furniture of the County Council, out of a County Building, to which they have a clear legal right and which is transferred to the County Council under Section 72 sub-section 3, of the Local Government Act 1898, especially at a time when the exigencies of the County business require that there should be no disturbance of the office work of the Council. The County Council, at the same time, point out that the Grand Jury Room in the Court House is available, as formerly, for the use of the Grand Jury."

Lord Lieutenant, written to Lord copy of resolution 12/3/00

Amended 12/13/00
Copy sent Collector Deeny

Re Collector Doogan.
A letter from the Local Government Board recommending the County Council to supply Collector Doogan with a boat and crew to assist him in collecting the rates of Tany and other islands, having been read, the Secretary was directed to send a copy of the letter to Mr Doogan, and ask his opinion thereon, and also to request him to let the Council know the amount to be collected of these islands.

Miscellaneous Correspondence.
A number of unimportant letters were read.
J. H. Brown
Chairman

to that Board in the matter of his claim for Compensation for loss of office, as Ass-Collector, was read.

The Lands Commissioners considered the amount allowed by the Council (£725), sufficient compensation.

Letter from Collector Deeny.
A letter from Collector Deeny, concerning the non payment of rates on vacant houses by the Agent for the Woodhouse Estate, having been read, the Secretary was directed to write and instruct him to seize off the land.

In having been brought under the notice of the Council that this Collector was issuing Demand Notes without signing them, the Secretary was directed to write and instruct him to sign all Demand Notes.

Re Awears of County Cess.
A letter from Collector Brown, concerning awears of Grand Jury Cess, having been read, the Secretary was directed to go over the list returned by the Rate-Collector of Uncollectable Rates and selecting out what had not been struck off, to furnish each County Councillor with a list of defaulters in his district, and ask him to send in his opinion thereon and then direct the existing collectors to serve "Six Day Notices".

Letter from Wm Wilson Esq.
A letter from Wm Wilson Esq., requesting to be instructed as to counsel he should employ in certain appeal Cases, having been read, the Secretary was directed to authorise him to retain Mr Henry, Q. C., or, should his services be retained on the other side, Dr Doyle, Q. C.

Making of Rates.
The Council unanimously adopted the Rates for the service of the Financial Year ending March 31st 1901 as submitted by the Secretary and approved by the Finance Committee.

Copy sent to
Councillors
9/3/00

V Finance Committee Report

A meeting of the Finance Committee, was held on 13th March 1900.

Attendance

The members of the Committee present were:-
Mr. Edward de Fadden (Chairman) Messrs McDevitt
Wm Gallagher, Hanna, Hayes, Stoney and
Wray

Minutes

The minutes of previous meeting were confirmed.

Payments out of Subsidiary Account
A number of claims for payment out of the Subsidiary Account were sanctioned.

The Carter, who conveyed the Office furniture from Ramelton to Lifford, submitted a claim for £2 in addition to amount allowed him, for removing furniture as, he claimed, he had suffered this loss by the furniture not being removed in January as arranged, and after considering the claim, the Committee decided to allow him £1.

Re Chief Clerk.

The Committee took into consideration the services which the Chief Clerk, Mr Black, had rendered as Acting Secretary and on the motion of Mr E. de Fadden, seconded by Captain Stoney decided to allow him £25 for his services. This sum also to cover the expenses of his removal to Lifford.

Re Late County Officers

A letter from Mr George B. White, Ramelton, claiming compensation for alleged damages to the premises recently rented from him as offices by the County Council, having been read, it was directed that the Secretary meet Mr James McLoach of

of Carrigroh, and inspect the premises with him, and see what damages, if any, have been done to the premises by the staff, — their expenses to be paid.

Claim by Mr Henry Boggs.

A claim by Mr Henry Boggs, late Barony Constable, for fees on arrears of County cess collected and lodged by him with the Treasurer, having been read, the Secretary was directed to write to Mr Boggs and ask him did he not deduct his fees from his lodgements, and was not the total amount collected by him £340.

Mr Boggs writes to
Secretary 9/3/00

Letter from Collector Doogan

A letter from Collector Doogan, applying for a refund of amount said to be over-lodged at last Assizes, was read.

Claim by J. C. Pearson

A claim by Mr J. C. Pearson, Clerk of Donegal Union, for remuneration under the Registration and Jurors Acts was sanctioned for payment.

Letter from Mr Hodges.

A letter from Mr Hodges, son of late County Analyst, with reference to salary due his late father, was read, and the Secretary was directed to look up amount due him and write Mr Hodges to produce Probate of his father's will.

Applications by Rate-Collectors

Applications for payment of expenses in connection with posting notices by Messrs Doogan and Moffitt, Rate-Collectors, were read and Doogan was allowed 30s and Moffitt £1.

Re Mr Howarth V.S.

The Secretary was directed to write to Mr Howarth, Veterinary Surgeon, and ask him is he willing to accept a salary of £20 per year, to cover all duties.

Written by
Secretary
10/3/00

Miscellaneous Correspondence

A few unimportant letters were read.

Transfer from General to Subsidiary Ac-
count of £300 from the General to the
 Subsidiary Account was sanctioned.

Wm Doherty

Chairman

Sept 5th 1900

5th 1900

Wm Doherty

Finance Committee

sent
 C.C.B. 2/4/00

A meeting of the Finance Committee was held on
 5th April 1900.

Attendance

The following members of the Committee were present:-
 Councillores Edw. Doherty (Chairman), Edw. P. Fadden,
Uich. Cassidy, W. Hanna, Thos. Hayes, J. Keage, Thos.
John Sweeney and Edward.

Minutes

The minutes of previous meeting were confirmed

Application by Court Keeper

An application by Matthew Kelly, for Court Keeper,
 for an increase of salary for increased duties,
 was considered, and it was decided to recommend
 on the motion of W. Hanna seconded by Edw. P. Fadden
 that his salary be increased to £20 per
annum

Re Surveyors Salaries

A circular from the Local Government Board
 setting forth scale of salaries which the Board
 consider should be paid by County Council to
 Assistant Surveyors having been read, it was
 proposed by Councillores Edw. P. Fadden seconded by
 Councillores Sweeney and resolved:-

"That as the time has now arrived according
 to resolution passed at Finance meeting of
 15th Nov 1899 whereby we were to consider
 the question of the future salaries of the Assistant
 and County Surveyors we adjourn the question
 until next meeting of this Committee in order
 to be supplied with the replies of each Surveyor
 District &c. However we protest in the strongest
 manner against the action of the Local Govt.
 Board dealing with the salaries of these officers
 whose cases appear to have been dealt with behind
 the backs of the Councils in General. We also
 protest"

Copy the resolution sent
 C.C.B. 2/4/00

protest against the action of the Local Government Board, in not asking the views of the Council on the subject before proceeding to issue such a circular.

And it was further resolved, on the motion of Mr. Hanger seconded by Mr. Hanger:-

(1) That the County Surveyors furnish the Finance Committee with a certified statement giving the mileage of each Assistant Surveyor's District and classifying the road therein with the mileage of each class.

(2) And that the County Surveyors be requested to formulate a scheme of Assistant Surveyors Districts by which the work of the Assistant Surveyors shall be as nearly as possible equalized in their Districts.

Re Compensation to Inspector of Explosives

A letter from the Lord Commissioner of H.B.'s Treasury authorizing Compensation to Inspectors of Explosives on abolition of office and requesting the observations of the Council as regards accuracy of statements furnished by applicants and also of amount of the proposed awards, having been read, it was, on the motion of Mr. Hanger seconded by Mr. Hanger, resolved:-

"That the Secretary be instructed to inform the Lord of the Treasury that inasmuch as this Council has been advised by the Lord Commissioner of H.B. that the Inspector of Explosives in the County of Dorset (who are all Petty Sessions Clerks) were not meeting Officers within the meaning of the Local Government Act, we do not see the utility of discussing the question with the Treasury."

Quarterly Demand by District Councils and Board of Guardians

The Demands made upon the Council for the funds necessary to carry them on for the quarter ending 30th June 1900, were sanctioned for payment on the motion of Capt. Stang seconded by Mr. Hanger.

Copy sent Treasury 10/4/00

Re Arrears of County Rates

It was brought under the notice of the Committee that a demand note containing several years of arrears of County Rates on a man named ^{Mr. Fadden} ~~and~~ in respect of a farm, of which he had been the occupier, in Carradon Rathmullan and that a man named Friel who had now come into possession was willing to pay one years arrears of the County Rates together with the Rates made by the Council and Friel having appeared before the Committee and pointed out how he would be unable to pay any more of the Rates the Committee decided, on the motion of Mr. Chas. Kelly seconded by Mr. Fadden, to recommend the Council to instruct the Collector to accept the portions of the rates offered and strike out the balance as irrecoverable, and that the Collector be instructed to this effect.

Applications of County Surveyors

The consideration of applications of the County Surveyors for increased remuneration owing to their increased duties, was adjourned to next meeting of Committee.

Re Collection of Rates

Several rate collectors having written requesting an extension of time for the collection of the Rates owing to the short time they had the books in their hands, it was proposed by Mr. Hanger seconded by Capt. Stang and resolved:-

"That we request the Local Government Board to extend the time for the collection of the Rates for the period ending 31st March 1900, for one month."

Re Payment of Poundage fees

It was also resolved, on the motion of Mr. Hanger seconded by Mr. Hanger, that the Rates Collectors accounts for fees due on their collection for the period ending 31st Decr 1899, are checked and found correct by the Secretary be sanctioned for payment, and that the fees be paid on the total amount lodged by the Collector but ~~not~~ ^{that}.

Collector written to.

9/5/1900

Re. written to S. & L. O. S.

Copy 5/4/00

that they be written to and informed that if the Auditor disallows the fees on the amounts lodged after the 31st Decr. they will be required to refund them.

Payments out of Subsidary Ac.

A number of claims for payment out of the Subsidary account were sanctioned.

An application by James Kelly, a member of the office staff, for payment of salary for 5 weeks he was off on sick leave was disallowed, he having been already paid for 3 weeks he had previously been off.

Applications for Rise of salary

The consideration of applications by James Norris and Angus Brown, was adjourned to the Annual meeting to be held in June.

Dr. McFadden, Veterinary Surgeon

A letter from Dr. Howatt, Veterinary Surgeon, stating that he was willing to accept a salary of £20 per year to cover all duties having been read it was proposed by Mr Hanna, seconded by Mr Magee and resolved:-

"That we recommend that Dr. John Howatt be appointed as Veterinary Surgeon for the Donegal portion of the Londonderry Union at an annual salary of £20, to perform all duties arising under the Contagious Diseases Act either now existing or that may be imposed under said Act in future."

Letter from Local Govt. Board

A letter from the Local Govt. Board pointing out that as one month's notice in writing of the proposal to grant a retiring allowance to Mr. Callaghan, Asst. Surveyor, had not been given to each member of the Council their action in granting him £50 per year was invalid, having been read, the Secretary was directed to give the necessary notices for next meeting of Council.

Wm. Cochrane

Adopted 5th April 1900

Copy of Resolution sent 9/4/1900

Minutes of Special meeting of County Council held on 5th April 1900.

Attendance

The following members of the Council were present:-
Councillors Edw. McFadden (Chairman), Callaghan, Keasidz, Robert, Hanna, Stagg, Stumpson, Kelly, Magee, McCormick, McDevitt (Milford), McSwaine, Stone, John Sweeney, Edwards & Wray.

Hour of Meeting

The Council assembled at 12. o'clock noon but adjourned to 3.0 P.M. to allow the Finance Committee to meet.

Minutes

The minutes of previous meeting were confirmed.

Re Donegal Railway Bill

The following resolution with reference to the Donegal Railway Bill at present before Parliament was, on the motion of Councillor McFadden seconded by Councillor Edwards, unanimously adopted, the Standing Orders having been duly suspended.

Resolution

Resolved:- "That this Council have heard with alarm that the Treasury, advised by the Commissioners of Public Works in Ireland, are objecting to the progress of the Donegal Railway Bill at present before the House of Commons on the ground of the proposal therein, authorising the Donegal Railway Company to make certain Rebates in aid of the proposed extension from Donegal to Ballykenna."

That the making of the said extension is a matter of vital importance to the Ratepayers of the Barony of Banagh at present so heavily taxed for the working expenses of the Ballybeg Line. And increased traffic certain to result is the only chance the Ratepayers have or can look forward to to relieve them of the present onerous burden.

Copy sent to Council 5/4/1900

The Council therefore through the Commissioners of Public Works to use their influence with the Treasury to have the opposition withdrawn and allow this much needed work to proceed.

Re County Court House

The County Surveyor having brought under the notice of the Council that the Staircase of the Court House at Lifford was in a somewhat dangerous condition and requiring urgent repairs, it was proposed by Councillor McFadden seconded by Councillor Hanna and resolved:-

That we authorize Capt. Stone, Messrs. Gallagher and Mr. D. Humphreys to enter into a contract for repair of Lifford Court House on recommendation of County Surveyor.

Re Defaulting Contractor

Two men named Mr. Laughlin of Lettermore, Drumshanah and James Dermott of Benawelt, sureties for a man named Mr. Huston a Grand Jury Contractor for a road from the Town of Conroy to Macmonaghan in the Rural District of Sligo, who had defaulted and left the District, having applied to be relieved of the contract and Messrs. Healy and Callaghan, the Councillors for the District, having represented to the Council that these men lived a long distance from the work and that it would be great hardship under the circumstances to compel them to carry out the contract; the Council resolved:-

That the County Surveyor be directed to bring in a new application for the Road before Sligo Rural District Council meeting on 10th April next, and that the sureties be held responsible for the contract of Mr. Huston until relieved of same by County Council at their next Quarterly meeting.

Copy of Resolution
sent to County Surveyor
9/4/1900

Re Appointment of Veterinary Surgeon for Ballyshannon (No 1) Rural District

In pursuance of Councillor Leasidy's notice of motion that the Council should fix a salary for an Inspector under the Diseases of Animals Act for the above District with a view to making an appointment to this office, it was resolved on the motion of Councillor Humphreys seconded by Councillor Leasidy:-

That we hereby instruct the Secretary to advertise the appointment, to be made at the next Quarterly meeting, of an Inspector under the Diseases of Animals Act for Ballyshannon Rural District (No 1) at a salary of £10 per year - the appointment to be an annual one.

The Secretary was also directed to send a copy of this resolution to Mr. Reevy, who is at present acting as Veterinary Surgeon for this district.

Finance Committee Reports

The reports of Finance Committee meeting held on 15th March 1900 and 5th April 1900 were, on the motion of Mr. Doherty seconded by Mr. Hanna, adopted.

Diseases of Animals Committee Report

The report of the meeting of this Committee held on 28th February 1900 was, on the motion of Mr. F. Callaghan seconded by Mr. Doherty, adopted.

Re Slaughtering of Diseased Animals

A letter from Mr. J. J. Moore Veterinary Surgeon, Letterkenny with reference to the slaughtering of a horse suffering from glanders was read and Mr. Moore was directed to have the animal slaughtered and it was also directed resolved:-

That the Secretary, as officer under the Diseases of Animals Act, be hereby authorized to exercise his discretion as to ordering the slaughtering of animals when he receives reports from properly qualified Veterinary Surgeons that they are suffering from

Copy of Resolution
sent 9/4/1900

Copy of this Resolution
sent 11/4/1900

from contagious disease.

It was also resolved: - That Mr. Moore be hereby informed that he is censured by the Council for having neglected to answer the queries addressed to him by the Secretary, in accordance with the Council's directions, as to the number of Swine Lairs in his District.

Report re. Ballyshannon Railway Extension

The Report of County Surveyor relative to the application of Messrs. Macrory, Son, & Co. Belfast, in connection with the Donegal Ballyshannon Railway Extension was read.

Report re. Marine Works.

The reports of County Surveyor relative to the Marine Works throughout the County in connection with the request of Congested District Boards that certain such works should be taken over by the Council, were read and it was directed that copies be sent to the Congested District Board with a request that they may furnish the Council with any observations they may wish to make on them, before the Council further considers the matter.

Re. Remuneration to National Teachers.

The following resolution with reference to the remuneration allowed to Assistant National Teachers passed by the Irish National Teachers Organization was, on the motion of Mr. Ward seconded by Mr. M. Fadden, unanimously adopted, and it was directed that a copy be sent to the Commissioners of National Education and the Chief Secretary for Ireland.

Resolution

Resolved: - That we expect, in any change to be made in the system of National Education, provision will be made for a substantial increase in the present meagre salary paid to Irish Assistant Teachers.

We feel this class of teachers, almost all of whom have undergone a course of seven years' training for

for the position, have been very badly treated in the past, as we understand the Rules of the Board scarcely provide for any increase of salary no matter what may be their experience and ability. This view of principle should at once be swept away and the position made in some measure attractive, as the Assistant teachers in the foundation stone on which the future success of the primary system rests.

Re. Landing Place at Chapel Strand

A letter from the Congested District Board offering to contribute one-half of the cost in connection with Chapel Strand Landing place provided the contribution does not exceed £250 having been read, the County Surveyor was instructed to report & next meeting of on the necessity of this work and the probable cost thereof, and it was directed that the Congested District Board be notified of the action of the Council.

Appointment of Arbitrator on Letterkenny Rly.

A letter from the Commissioners of Public Works notifying the resignation of Mr. Boyd Esq. Ballymacool House Letterkenny as one of the Arbitrators of the Letterkenny Railway, and requesting the County Council to have a successor appointed in his place having been read, Mr. Ward in Mr. Fadden was unanimously appointed, on the motion of Mr. Humphreys seconded by Mr. Ward, to be an Arbitrator on this Railway.

Assistant Surveyorship - Barony of Lifford

Representations having been made to the Council by several Councillors that owing to the delay of the Local Government Board in sanctioning Mr. M. M. M. appointment as Surveyor for this District, the District was being put to a great inconvenience and loss, it was resolved: -

That the Secretary write and ask the Local Govt. Board to furnish Mr. M. M. M. at once with the necessary list of names with a view to having his appointment ratified without further delay.

Copy sent as directed
10/4/1900

Copy sent - Conf. L. H.
10/4/1900

L. O. B. written & enclosed
Copy - 7/4/1900

Copies sent as directed
9/4/1900

Expenses as directed
11/4/1900

The County Surveyor was also authorized to employ Mr. Callaghan as temporary assistant until Mr. McNeill's appointment is sanctioned.

Re Coroners Salaries

A letter from the Local Govt. Board enclosing a statement made by the Coroners as to their remuneration was referred to the Coroners Committee.

Re Posting of Notices

A letter from the Local Govt. Board pointing out that it was not compulsory on the Constabulary to post notices having been read, the Secretary was directed to put into effect the resolution of the Finance Committee of 16th January last.

Re Scale of Election Expenses

The consideration of a letter from the Local Govt. Board with reference to a scale of Election Expenses in connection with election of County and District Councillors was adjourned for 12 months.

Re County House.

A letter from the Lord Lieutenant stating that he had been advised that the point in dispute between the High Sheriff and the Council was not one for his determination, having been read, it was resolved:

"That we hereby instruct the Mayor, solicitor to the Council, to take an action against the High Sheriff in the name of one of the officials evicted from the County House."

License for Explosives

License for storing explosives was granted to John Davidson, Ramelton.

Re Collector Cassidy

A letter from Collector Cassidy stating that he had been unable to collect the rates in his District owing to ill health having been read, the Secretary was directed to write and inform him that if he does not

Mr. McNeill written to
as directed 10/1/1900

Cassidy written to
enclosed copy
7/4/00

lose his collection without delay the Council will take proceedings through their solicitor against his Guarantee Society.

Re Mr. Joseph Gorman

A letter from the Local Govt. Board with reference to Mr. Gorman's appointment as a Rate Collector and stating that a Mr. J. Sweeney had written saying that Mr. Gorman is engaged in retail business with his brother, having been read and considered it was resolved: - "That the Secretary inform the Local Govt. Board we have investigated this matter and find there is no truth whatever in the statement made by Mr. Sweeney - who we may point out was an applicant for this position himself - and that Mr. Joseph Gorman does not live within three miles of his brother."

Copy sent to J. B.
10/1/1900

Re Board of Agriculture

A letter from the Board of Agriculture requesting the Council to appoint two delegates to that Board having been read, Capt. Stoney and Mr. J. H. Hays were appointed on the motion of the Chairman seconded by Mr. Way.

Re Collector McAlister

Collector McAlister having made a Return to the Council of a number of houses in his District of which he was unable to collect the rates, owing to their being vacant, the Council resolved to strike these rates off as irrecoverable.

Re Collector Brown

Collector Brown having brought under the notice of the Council that certain items of arrears of Grand Jury fees had not been charged in his warrant, it was directed that these items be charged in the new warrant. Directions were also given that amended Dms and Notes and Receipts should be issued to Collectors in cases where tenants only have been in occupation.

a portion of the time for which the Rati has been made and where houses are vacant

Collector Bague.

Collector Meigs having brought under the notice
of the Council that Mr. J. M. Harvey had declined
to pay the Ratio on a house in which ^{two agents} ~~had~~ ^{resided}
~~constantly~~ named M. ^{Scott} ~~Harvey~~ living, the Council
in some directions that their Solicitor be instructed
to proceed by Civil Bill to recover the ratio

"Re" Collector Noofan

Further letter from Collector Doofan with reference to his application to have certain islands exempted from paying Kati was read and it was directed that a copy of it be sent to the Local Govt. Board with an suppression of the Council's opinion that the facts as stated therein are true, and to ask the Board directions as to what course to adopt.

Miscellaneous Correspondence

Number of unimportant letters and resolutions were read.

"Re" Compensation

Letter from the Local Govt. Board concerning
the compensations allowed to certain Rate Collectors
I was referred to the Special Committee appointed to
consider claims

Winter Holidays

Easter Holidays
It was decided to close the Council Office from
12th to 17th April 1900

Edward McGowan
Chairman

sent Lib.
12/4/00

General Purposes Committee

A meeting of the General Purposes Committee was held on 5th April 1900.

Attendance

The members of the Committee present were:-
Councillors Edwin Fadden (~~Chairman~~^{Mr}), Casady, Chief
Kannas, Hays, Kelly, Magee, Stone (^{Mr}~~Chairman~~) andweeney
and Ottman.

Per Standing Orders

The meeting was convened to consider the recommendation of the County Council that the Standing Order regulating the duties of the Finance Committee should be amended so that the Finance Committee should not have the nominating of Rate Collectors and after considerable discussion it was proposed by Mr. Hanna and seconded by Mr. Dobson :-

"That mammals as the appointment of rate collectors is essentially a financial question, and as every question of finance is in its initial stages a function of the Finance Committee that our action on all such questions is only recommendatory. - we cannot see any substantial reason to recommend any alteration in the standing Orders."

Mr Hayes proposed and Mr Mc Fadden seconded
an amendment.

'That when a vacancy occurs amongst the Poor Rate collectors the Finance Committee shall select from amongst the applicants for the vacant Collectorship the names of two persons, to be submitted to the whole Council for final selection.

Voting

A division was taken and the voting was as follows.
For Amendment— Messrs. E. McFadden, Harzer, Kelly and
Magee, — 4

Against - Messrs. Cassidy, Loherty, Hanna, Jodwency, Ward 5
The Resolution was accordingly declared carried.

The Resolution was accordingly declared carried.

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Chairman

Proposal Committee

A meeting of the Proposal Committee was held on 30th April 1900.

Attendance

The members of the Committee present were:-

Captain Stone, (Chairman), Messrs J. Hanna,
J. Magee,

Minutes

The minutes of previous meeting were confirmed.

Re Road between Derry and Raphoe

The Committee, in accordance with the resolution adopted by the County Council at their Quarterly meeting held on 21st Feb. 1900, took into consideration the damage caused to the road between Derry and Raphoe by a Traction Engine and solicitor to the Council, having advised the Committee that the proprietor of Traction Engines could not be made liable for ordinary wear and tear caused to roads by Traction Engines, but that they were liable for breakages to pipes and bridges. It was proposed by Capt. Stone, seconded by Mr. Hanna, and resolved:-

That our solicitor having advised us that the owners of Traction Engines are not liable for extra wear and tear on roads but that Traction Engines are liable for damages to pipes ^{on roads} and bridges we recommend that the County Surveyor be instructed to bring before the Council any case of damages to bridges or pipes by these Engines.

Burtonport Pier

The County Surveyor having submitted a proposal for the expenditure of a sum of money on above pier, it was resolved on the motion of Mr. Hanna seconded by Mr. Magee that the County Surveyor be authorized to expend an amount not to exceed £4, out of the funds on hand to credit of this pier, on the repair of Burtonport Pier.

Donegal Court House

The Committee refused to sanction a proposal of the County

County Surveyor for a sum of money to be expended on the Donegal Courthouse.

Fever Hospitals

Proposals from the Treasurers of the Ramelton and Letterkenny Fever Hospitals for contributions towards the maintenance of these Hospitals for the year ending, in first instance, on 31st October 1899 and in second, 1st December 1899, were considered and the following amounts, which are in accordance with the sums contributed in the ^{Standard} financial year, sanctioned:-

Ramelton Fever Hospital — £62:2:0
Letterkenny Fever Hospital — £114:14:6.

County Infirmary

A proposal by the Committee of Management of above Infirmary for a contribution of £400 towards the maintenance of the Infirmary was, on the motion of Mr. Hanna, seconded by Mr. Magee, sanctioned.

Payments of Advertisements

Proposals for payment to the Proprietors of Local papers of sums for advertisements published during the half-year ending 31st March 1900, were considered and the Secretary was ~~deputed~~ authorised to pay the amounts if, on checking the accounts, he found they were in accordance with the scale of charges submitted by the papers some time ago.

Extra Printing &c

Proposals for payment to the County Printer of £136:4:9 for printing done in accordance with General Order of Local Government Board, and £106:12:0 for work done extra of this Contract, were approved.

Proposals for Payments

The County Surveyor submitted a proposal for a few small payments, which was sanctioned in respect of postage, repairs to Lifford Courthouse &c for half-year ending 31st March 1900.

General Printing and Register of Voters.

The specification for General Printing and Register of Voters for year ending 31st March 1901 as submitted by the Secretary was fully considered and several alterations made therein by the Committee they sanctioned it as an expenditure not to exceed £1300 for the Register of Voters and £800 for General Printing. The Committee also recommended the Secretary to go over the Specifications again and see whether not make further amendments therein.

Adopted 16 May 1900

Thomas St. John

J. H. H. H. H.
(Chairman)

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Special Committee appointed to consider claims

A meeting of the Special Committee appointed to consider claims was held at Lifford on 14th May 1900.

Attendance

All the members of the Committee were present, viz Messrs. Honey (Chairman) Sm. Tadden, Gallagher Hanna, & Magee.

Minutes

The minutes of previous meeting were read and confirmed.

Claims by Rate Collectors

The committee considered the claims of Messrs. David Malceid and Robt. Patterson, Rate collectors for Lifford. Remuneration and other claims, considering their receipts and expenditure for the 5 years before the passing of the Local Government Act. found the following sums to be their average emoluments.

Mr. David Malceid, L.S.S.

Average emoluments for 5 years = 322.13.2 as per claim

Deduct expenses attending Lifford - 2.0.0 per an

£320.13.2

Deduct Registration & other expenses £50

for Portion of District in Lifford then 6129

" " " " in Lifford then 11243

5) 149.40 35.17.5

35.17.5

284.15.9

Average net emoluments per annum for 5 years £284.15.9

Mr. Robt. Patterson

Net average emoluments for 5 years as per claim - £117.10.5

Deduct additional expenses not included in claim 1.10.5

116.0.0

Average net emoluments per annum for 5 years £116.

wrote Mr. Elan's stating amounts awarded 22/5/00

Claims by Ex-Rate-Collectors

The Committee considered the claims of Mr. John Elan, Ex-Deputy Ass Collector for compensation for loss of office. Mr. Elan had three claims:-

- (1) As Deputy Ass Collector for the parishes of Raphoe and Raymaghy
- (2) As same for parishes of Donaghmore North and Umay
- (3) As Post-Rate Collector for Electoral Divisions of Castlefin, Cloghane, Tigar, Raphoe and Umay West.

No 1 Claim

Gross receipts for 3 years preceding passing of Act = £ 217 11 3
 Average gross receipts per annum for same period = £ 72 37
 Deduct Expenses = 3 3 9
 Net average receipts = £ 70 0 0
 at 5 years = £ 350 0 0

Amount allowed £ 350

No 2. Claim

Gross receipts for 3 years = £ 153 4 5
 Average per annum = £ 51 1 5
 Deduct Expenses = 2 1 5
 Net average = £ 49 0 0 @ 5 yrs = £ 245
 Amount allowed £ 245

No 3. Claim

Length of service 29 years
 Gross receipts for 5 years = £ 204 19 4
 Average gross receipts per annum = 40 19 10
 Deduct Expenses = 3 18 10
 Net average = £ 37 0 0
 Allowed pension £ 18 per annum

Mr Michael Morrison

Mr Michael Morrison's claim for compensation for loss of office as Ex Collector was then considered.

Gross receipts for 3 years preceding passing of Act = £ 84 4 10
 Average receipts per annum for do = £ 28 2 7
 Deduct expenses = 3 2 7
 Net average income = £ 25 0 0

Allowed £ 118 15 0

wrote Mr. Elan's stating amounts awarded 22/5/00

Application by Mr. Chas. McLaughlin

An application of Mr. Chas. McLaughlin, rate Collector, for increase to his poundage fees was considered and, having regard to the largeness of his district and the difficulties of collecting same, the Committee decided to recommend that his poundage rate be increased from 8 to 10 in the pound.

Claims by Chiefs of Unions

Claims by Messrs W. L. Berry, J. Hartke, Robt. Moore, Geo. Hill, R. Hatters, Saml. Hatters and Mr Geo. McLaughlin for remuneration for bringing Local Port Act into force, and it was resolved to recommend a payment to each of these gentlemen of £ 10 for bringing the Act into operation.

Messrs Hartke and Geo. McLaughlin also lodged claims for compensation for loss of emoluments for bringing consequent on passing of Local Port Act but they were ruled informal and it was decided to adjourn the consideration of the case until fresh claims would be lodged.

Re Payment of Claims

A letter from Mr. Jas. Boyle, solicitor, re payments of amounts of compensation awarded to Messrs McLaughlin, J. H. Donnell & Co. in Slieve was referred to the Finance Committee.

Letters from Local Port Board

Letters from the Local Port Board relating to certain claims of the late Secretary were adjourned for consideration until the meeting at which his claims for pension &c will be considered.

Letter from Treasury re Inspectors of Explosives

A letter from the Treasury concerning the claims of certain Inspectors of Explosives for compensation for loss of office was read and it was resolved - That we beg to inform the Lord Commissioners, in reply to their letter that

Agreement by Mr. Chas. McLaughlin 22/5/00

Agreement by these etc 22/5/00

wrote Mr. Boyle by instructions of Chairman, payment of the money after next meeting of Finance Committee 22/5/00

refuse to consider these claims as we consider them informal and not in compliance with the requirements of the Act; and that we have referred the matter to Council to be further advised thereon.

Sept 18 May 1900

Chas. H. Waddell

Wm. W. Waddell
Chairman

V Finance Committee

A meeting of the Finance Committee was held on 14th May 1900 subsequent to above meeting of Special Committee

Attendance

Members of the Committee present were: - Mr. B. Doherty (Chairman), Mr. Wm. Waddell, Boyle, Gallagher, Hanna, Magee, Stoney, and Edwards.

Minutes

The minutes of previous meeting were confirmed.

Report of Special Committee

The report of Special Committee meeting to consider claims held prior to Finance meeting was adopted.

Application of Henry Boyle

A letter from Henry Boyle, ex-Barrow Constable claiming poundage fees on arrears of Comf. was collected and lodged by him having been read it was proposed by Mr. Magee and seconded by Mr. Ward that he should be paid 8/- in the pound on the amount lodged.

Mr. Hanna moved and Mr. Wm. Waddell seconded an amendment "That he be allowed one shilling in the pound on amount lodged."

Voting

A division was taken and the voting was as follows:
For Amendment: Messrs. Wm. Waddell, Boyle, Hanna, and Stoney - 4

Against Amendment: - Messrs. Gallagher, Magee, and Edwards - 3.

The amendment was accordingly declared carried and motion lost.

Lati County Offices

The reports of Messrs. Coates, who inspected the premises recently rented from Mr. Geo. B. White on behalf of the Council and Mr. Jas. Call who inspected on behalf of Mr. White, as to the damage caused to the premises by the staff, having been read it was proposed by Mr. Hanna seconded by Mr. Wm. Waddell and resolved: "That in order to avoid any complications and as we appointed a man to go and inspect that we consent to pay £10.2 the amount at which he assesses the damage though we do not agree with him that all the damage for which he allows was caused by the staff."

Wm. W. White enclosed copy.

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Applications of Comf. Surveyors

Applications by Mr. H. A. Foxson and Jas. Stradman Comf. Surveyors for increase of salary owing to increased duties were then ~~then~~ fully considered and it was proposed by Mr. Wm. Waddell and seconded by Mr. Hanna:

"That we recommend the Council to increase the salaries of Mr. Foxson and Mr. Stradman Comf. Surveyors by £50 per annum owing to the increased duties cast upon them by the Local Government Act and that said increase continue until as we hope the Orders in Council as to having ^{gratuity} ~~gratuity~~ ^{by the Council} ~~by the Council ^{be amended by} ~~be amended by ^{the Council} ~~the Council ^{in the year} ~~in the year~~."~~~~~~

Mr. Magee proposed and Mr. Ward seconded an amendment: "That the salaries of the Comf. Surveyors remain as they are."

Voting

For Amendment: - Messrs. Magee, Ward, - 2

Against: Messrs. Wm. Waddell, Doherty, Gallagher, Stoney - 4
Amendment accordingly declared lost and motion carried.

Amended 16 May 1900

Assistant Surveyors

The Committee then considered the applications of the Assistant Surveyors for increase of salary and a scale of salaries submitted by the Local Govt. Board.

Mr. Wm. Doherty moved, and Mr. M. Fadden seconded: - That we recommend that the Assistant Surveyors salaries be increased according to the following scale: viz. The minimum salary be £90 for 200 miles and £10 for every 100 miles additional.

Capt. Storey proposed, and Mr. Hanna seconded, and agreed that "that the scale be £100 for the first 250 miles and £20 for every 100 miles additional and half that for occasional Contracts".

Voting

The voting was as follows:-

For Amendment: - Messrs. Hanna and Storey - 2
Against: - Messrs. M. Fadden, Doherty, Capt. Storey - 4
Amendment accordingly declared lost.

Mr. Meagher then proposed, and Mr. Ward seconded, an amendment that "each of the assistant Surveyors salaries be fixed at £100".

Voting

For Amendment: - Messrs. Meagher and Ward - 2
Against: - Messrs. M. Fadden, Doherty, Hanna, and Storey - 4

This amendment was also declared lost and motion carried.

It was then resolved on the motion of Mr. M. Fadden seconded by Capt. Storey:-

"That we beg to draw the attention of the Local Government Board to the fact that it is impossible for the County Council of Donegal to fix the salaries of the Assistant Surveyors according to the scale laid down in their Circular of the 23rd February 1900 inasmuch as the Assistant Surveyors duties in this County consist of inspection of roads under permanent Contracts for years and of payments for 1 year - the latter case only necessitating 4 inspections

inspections in the year. It will be thus seen as far as this County is concerned the Circular referred to does not at all apply to the case of our Assistant Surveyors. One instance alone will suffice to show that the scale as laid down cannot be adopted by this Council viz. that of Mr. O'Callaghan, who has 251 miles of permanent Contracts for years under his Contract and 109 miles of Contract for 1 year which necessitates only two inspections in the year against four in the case of the Contracts for years".

Re Payments of Road Contractors and fixtures of District Council meeting

Arising out of the above discussion as to the salaries of County and Assistant Surveyors it was proposed by Mr. Doherty seconded by Mr. Ward and resolved: - That we recommend the County Council to pass a resolution asking the Local Government Board to transact the holding of half-yearly meetings of the District Councils for the purpose of transacting road business and half-yearly payments to road Contractors in place of quarterly meetings and payments.

Subsidary Account

A number of claims for payment out of the Subsidary account were sanctioned.

Transfer from General to Subsidary Ac.

A transfer of £300 from the General to the Subsidary Account was sanctioned.

Letter to Mr. Anglin

A transfer of £24.12.9. being the amount of the Subsidary to the Committee of an amount of above Anglin was sanctioned.

Adopted

16th May 1900.

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County Council House
The Committee for an instruction as to where names be shown but the action against the High Sheriff and Mr. O'Doherty the Clerk in charge of the Department. Respect having been paid to the Clerk, was directed to give the writ in his name, and it was resolved that Mr. O'Doherty should be indemnified against all costs.

Copy minutes sent
to Mr. J. J. O'Sullivan
County Surveyor
27/5/00

Donegal County Council

Minutes of Quarterly meeting of County Council held at Lifford on 16 May 1900.

Attendance.

The following members of the Council were present:-

Mr. John McFadden (Chairman), Councillors Bradley, Colhoun, Boherty, Dunlevy, Gallagher, Hanna, Hayes, Humphreys, Kelly, Magee, McBlafferty, Mc Cormick, Mc Bewitt (Milford), Manus McFadden, Pomeroy, Stoner, Jas. Sweeney, Inc. Sweeney, G. H. Ward, White, & Wray.

Minutes

The minutes with a small amendment as to the item re Collector Magee were on the motion of the Chairman seconded by Mr. Dunlevy, adopted.

Notice of Motion.

Captain Stoner, with the consent of the Council withdrew a notice of motion he had given with reference to road expenditure.

County Boundaries

Councillor Boherty, in accordance with notice of motion given moved, Councillor Bradley seconded and it was unanimously resolved:-

"That this Council request the Local Government Board to state the date on which the financial affairs of the County Donegal proper may be administered by this Council consistent with resolution passed by this Council and conditionally accepted by the Local Govt. Board regarding the re-adjustment of Union boundaries to make them co-terminous with the County boundaries."

School Attendance Committee for the B. of Strabane (No 2).

Captain Stoner, having given notice of motion to appoint a school attendance committee for the Rural District of Strabane (No 2), and to propose resolutions for the procedure of such committee, moved Councillor Gallagher seconded and it was resolved:-

"That we hereby appoint as a school attendance committee for Strabane (No 2) Rural District.

Messrs Wm. Gallagher, J. W. R. Humphreys, Stoner, Mc Cormick and Wray.

And we adopt the regulations under the Irish Education Act of 1892.

Finance Committee Report.

Councillor Boherty having moved and Councillor John McFadden having seconded the adoption of the report of Finance Committee meeting held on 14th May 1900 it was proposed that that portion of it recommending an increase of salary to the County and Assistant Surveyors and the advisability of holding half-yearly in place of Quarterly meetings of District Councils should be amended by substituting for meetings, inspections by the County and Assistant Surveyors. This amendment was agreed to and the report unanimously adopted.

Proposals Committee Report.

The report of Proposals Committee meeting held on 30th April 1900 was adopted.

Report of Special Committee appointed to consider claims.

The report of Meeting of Special Committee appointed to consider claims held on 14th May 1900 was adopted.

Mr Wm. Boherty, solicitor, appeared on behalf of certain of the Assistant Surveyors and gave notice that they would appeal against the scale of salary fixed by the Council.

Report of Law Committee

The following report of Law Committee meeting held on 16th May 1900 was unanimously adopted.

Report.

Members present:-

Messrs. Humphreys, Stoner, Jas. Sweeney and Pomeroy.

Re: Breaking of pipes by Friction Engine

Resolved:- That the County Surveyor place the facts re a Friction Engine breaking down pipes in

in Stranorlar Rural District before the Solicitor to County Council and we direct him to take steps against the owner or owners to recover the amount necessary to put same in repair so as to relieve the Rural District from the cost."

Encroachment on County Roads.

Proposed by Mr. Humphreys seconded by Mr. Gweeney and resolved:-

That the County Councils be authorized to take the necessary legal steps to prosecute in cases of encroachment on the County Roads in the Rural District of Inishowen, which will be reported to him by the County Surveyor.

- (1) Proceedings to be taken against William Boherty of Whitecastle and
- (2) John McFelly of Carrumulla.

(Signed)

J. B. Stoney.
Chairman.

Advertisement Committee.

The following report of the Special Committee appointed to consider the matter of advertisements was also adopted.

Report.

Meeting held 16th May, 1900.

We the Committee appointed to examine into and report on the advertising suggest that the three Londonderry newspapers, viz. Journal, Sentinel and Standard only should be the advertising medium of this Council. That such advertisements as must be issued be published in the above papers in turn and no advertisement shall appear simultaneously in these papers. Further that all advertisements shall be condensed as much as possible by the Secretary before sending for publication.

(Signed)

Edward McFadden.

Wm. J. Hanna.

Thos. Hayes.

J. B. Stoney.

W. Gallagher.

No. Working of Local Government (Ireland) Act.

Councillor John Gweeney having given Notice of Motion to draw attention to the working of the Local Government Act and move a motion in reference to the burden imposed on the taxes by the Act which was framed to alleviate the position of the ratepayers, proposed & Councillor Hayes seconded the following resolution which was unanimously adopted:-

Resolved: That the Council having now had a year's experience of the working of the Local Government Act finds that the expenditure on Roads, Poor Relief, Lunatics, &c. remains very much as it was in the standard year but the amount to be levied off the Rates has increased from £54,432 in that year to £59,500 in the past year notwithstanding the receipt of the Agricultural Grant of £21,000 and we are forced to ascribe the increase of expenditure purely to the cost of administering the Act. This serious state of affairs has largely arisen out of the direct action of the Local Govt. Board in regulating the administration of the Act and we call on that Board to assist this Council in finding a remedy. We suggest that the cost of book keeping and clerical work, the cost of rate collecting, the cost of payment of contractors can all be largely reduced and many other reforms leading to economy might be effected. Besides reforms in procedure there is the question of the expenditure on workhouses. At present there are in the County eight workhouses capable of accommodating 4003 inmates at the present time only used by 521 paupers.

Copies of this resolution be sent to the members of Parliament for the County to each County Council in Ireland and to the Local Government Board and the Chief Secretary for Ireland.

Tenders for Printing

There were two tenders for printing, one from Messrs Chambers, Londonderry, and one from Mr. Wm. Colhoun Londonderry. Mr. Colhoun's tender being the lowest was accepted. The amount of his tender was for the General Printing £147 and for the Register of Votes &c. £1197.

Proposals for sums to be levied of County-at Large and Rural Districts

Expire of these 2 resolutions out. 2 3/4 p.m.

Expire of this resolution out. 2 3/4 p.m.

Expire of this resolution out. 2 3/4 p.m.

A number of Proposals for sums to be levied of the County at large were sanctioned.

Corners Expenses

The Presentments for ^{corner} expenses were deferred owing to the Corners not having furnished vouchers.

Lists of Proposals formulated by Rural District Councils

The lists of Proposals formulated by the Rural District Councils were then considered.

Ballyshannon (No 1)

Nos 4, 5 and 7 on the list of Proposals formulated by the Ballyshannon District Council (No 1) were rejected there being no tenders received for them. The remaining proposals were sanctioned.

Donegal

No 258 on the list of Proposals formulated by the Donegal District Council was passed conditional to the suggested District Board contributing a similar sum to the District Council. No 264 was referred back to ascertain if ever before on the County.

Nos 252, 253 & 254 were put into County Surveyors hands. Nos 222, 223, 227, 231, 233, 240, 241, 244, 246, 248, 249, 250, 251, 263, 269, 273 & 272 for which no tenders were received were rejected.

The remaining Proposals were sanctioned.

Bunfavanagh

Nos 1, 7, & 11 on the list of Proposals formulated by Bunfavanagh District Council for which no tenders were received were referred back. The rest were sanctioned.

Glenties

No 6 on the list of Proposals formulated by Glenties District Council was rejected being a new work.

No 543 for repair Burtonport Pier was sanctioned the amount to be paid out of funds to credit of that Pier.

All Proposals for which no tenders were received were rejected. The rest were sanctioned.

Inishowen

No 787¹⁹³ on the list of Proposals formulated by the Inishowen District Council were put into the hands of the County Surveyors. All other tenders for which Bonds were not completed or tenders not received were referred back to District Council. The remaining proposals were sanctioned.

Letterkenny

All numbers on the list of Proposals formulated by the Letterkenny District Council for which tenders were not received were referred back. The rest were sanctioned.

Londonderry

Same ruling on list of Proposals formulated by the Londonderry District Council as those of Letterkenny District Council.

Millford

No 172 on the list of Proposals formulated by the Millford District Council was put into the County Surveyors hands for three months. All other proposals for which no tenders were received were rejected. The remaining proposals were sanctioned.

New Work - Provisional Proposal

A provisional proposal to make a new road in the Millford Rural District was read.

Strabane (No 2)

Nos 300 and 303 on the list of Proposals formulated by the Strabane Rural District Council were put into the County Surveyors hands. Other proposals for which no tenders were received referred back. Remaining proposals sanctioned.

No 281 on the Strabane list of Proposals was also put into County Surveyors hands for three months.

Stranorlar

Nos 161, 166 & 185 on the list of Proposals formulated by the Stranorlar District Council were put into County Surveyors hands. Other proposals for which no tenders received were rejected. Remaining proposals sanctioned.

Application to have Contracts Broken.

A road contractor named John Gordon of Laragh, Stranorlar District made application to have his contract broken but the Council refused to grant his application.

The application of Hugh Shaw, of Tullyvarin, Redcastle (Inishowen District) to have his contract was also refused.

Interference with Contractor.

The County Surveyor having brought under the notice of the Council that certain interested persons were preventing the contractor for no 7 on the list of proposals formulated by the Stranorlar District Council and sanctioned by the County Council, in February last, from carrying out the work it was resolved on the motion of Councillor Magee seconded by Councillor McFadden.

"That the County Surveyor be directed to trace the facts re the resistance offered by interested occupiers to the contractor performing the contract be are the solicitor of the County Council and that we direct him to take the necessary steps."

Re Payments of Sudden to which Orders.

The County Surveyor having brought under the notice of the Council certain cases of Sudden Branch Orders under the Grand Jury where the contractors were unable to obtain payment owing to the informality of some two Magistrates having signed the orders it was resolved to instruct the County Surveyor to add these items to his list of payments so that the contractors should receive their remuneration.

Proposals for Payment.

The proposals for payments formulated by Proposals Committee, and the various District Councils are recommended by the Finance Committee, were adopted.

Dates of Next Quarterly Meeting.

The following dates were fixed for the holding of next Quarterly meetings of the County and Rural District Councils and Proposals Committee:-

July 31st — Proposals Committee.

August 20 th	County Council.
July 10 th	Stranorlar.
" 7 th	Bunfanaghy.
" 9 th	Inishowen.
" 11 th	Londonderry.
" 12 th	Glenties.
" 13 th	Ballyshannon & Letterkenny.
" 14 th	Donegal & Milford.
" 16 th	Strabane (No 2).

Resolution of Stranorlar District Council.

A resolution of the Stranorlar District Council re the alteration of existing Union Boundaries, was read.

Licenses for storing Explosives.

Licenses for storing explosives were granted to Mr. S. K. Butler, Carnadonagh, & Mr. G. McLoone, Falcarragh.

Application of Mr. Charles Kelly.

An application of Mr. Chas. Kelly, Kamelton, for permission to have the plate of a cart weighing machine laid down alongside his stores on Kamelton Quay, was granted subject to approval of County Surveyor.

Re Borrowing of Money for New Works.

A letter from the Local Government Board declining to sanction the borrowing of £62-15-4 for the construction of a new road in Milford Rural District having been read it was proposed by Councillor O'Farrell seconded by Councillor Edmund McFadden and resolved:-

"That in the interests of the ratepayers of this County the Donegal County Council at their meeting held on the 5th day of September last adopted a resolution that all works in this County of a permanent character costing £50 or upwards should be defrayed by means of borrowed money. That this resolution was adopted to save a heavy rate in Rural Districts where new roads and bridges were required and that such a procedure was absolutely necessary in the Rural District of Milford where much work is to be done and was rendered

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more necessary by the fact that all roads in this County are now to become District roads. That if no other permanent work was necessary it might not be advisable to borrow in the case mentioned by the local Govt Board in their letter, but that a multiplication of works where the amount in each case is not so great as necessitating a large loan, is being raised in one year and in one year.

That this Council, in considering the ratayers are willing to undertake the responsibility of keeping the loans account not only in this case but in any other that may come before them, and finally that this Council considers it most unfair to saddle the rate-payers of the present day with the entire cost of a work that will be of benefit to future generations as well as to themselves."

Resolution of Dunjanganagh District Council

The following resolution of the Dunjanganagh District Council concerning the purchase of a road in the Downland of Moyra Glebe was unanimously adopted:—

Resolved: "That this Council do recommend to the County Council that it purchase of a road in the Downland of Moyra Glebe which was made by portion of a Government Grant for the relief of distress in 1894 be taken over and maintained as part of one of the roads of the District."

Killybegs Pier

It was resolved, on the motion of Mr Dunlevy seconded by Mr L. McFadden, to reduce the tolls for the Killybegs Pier to 2 pence per ton on registered tonnage and to allow the fish traffic free as before and also to continue Mr John Mulvaney as Harbour Master.

Kathmullan Pier

The Harbour Master at Kathmullan having written tendering his resignation, the Secretary was directed to advertise for a man in his place.

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at the same salary and also to write the Fair Committee to appoint a man to act temporarily until the appointment be made.

"Re" Mr Sharkie.

It having been brought under the notice of the Council that Mr Sharkie Clerk of the Strabane (No 2) Union refused to fill the Requisition Forms, the Secretary was directed to write and bring Mr Sharkie's action under the notice of the Board of Guardians and point them that it is his duty to fill up the Forms.

Miscellaneous Correspondence.

A number of unimportant letters & resolutions were read.

"Re" Irish Railways and Canals.

The Council having had under consideration a circular from several members of Parliament relative to the question of Railway and Canal communication, transit and rates in Ireland, it was proposed by Councillor Capt. J. J. Honey seconded by Councillor C. McFadden and unanimously resolved:—

"That we respectfully urge upon his Excellency the Lord Lieutenant the necessity for the appointment with as little delay as possible of a Vice-Royal Commission to inquire into and report upon the existing unsatisfactory condition of Railway and Canal communication in Ireland and upon its injurious effects upon the trade and agricultural interests of the Country. And that Your Excellency may be pleased to appoint an early day for the reception of a deputation upon the above subjects."

Adjournment.

The consideration of the remaining business was adjourned until the Annual meeting to be held on 13 June 1900.

Edmund McFadden

Chairman

Copy sent to Mr. J. J. Honey

Copy sent to Lord Lieutenant & Mr. J. J. Honey

22/5/00

Under Mr. Mulvaney's
order of 24/5/00

Finance Committee

Meeting of the Finance Committee was held on 13th June 1900.

Attendance.

The members of the committee present were:
Messrs Edw. M. Fadden, Mr. Gallaghan, Mr. Stone,
Mr. Hanna, Mr. Stange, Mr. Magee, Mr. Devitt
Edward Murray.

Chairman

Mr. Wm. Doherty was unanimously re-appointed Chairman of the committee, on the motion of Mr. M. Fadden seconded by Mr. Hanna.

Minutes

The minutes of previous meeting were confirmed.

Applications for Pension

The committee re-affirmed their recommendation of ^{15th} Nov 1899 that Mr. T. Gallaghan should be granted a pension of £50 per annum on retiring from office.

Arbitrators - Certificate - Letterkenny Railway

The Arbitrators certificate Letterkenny Railway in respect of the half-year ended 1st Nov. 1899 was read.

Subsidary Ac.

The claims for payment out of the Subsidary account were submitted.

The committee declined to sanction the claim of Mr. E. D. Kelly, one of the Concilia Clerks for £4 (four pounds) for removal to Lifford.

The committee sanctioned the payment to Messrs Cavanagh and Esler, two of the Clerks of salary for the time they had been off sick.

The rest of the claims were sanctioned.

Notification from Paymaster General.
Letter from the Paymaster General intimating that the Bank of Ireland has been authorized to pay to the County Council of the sum of £1,558.10.11 on account of Gratuity under Section 115, Sub. S. 12 of the Local Government (Ireland) Act 1898, 1900 read.

Transfer from General to Subsidary Ac.
A transfer of £200 from the General to the Subsidary account was sanctioned.

Report of Coroners Committee
The following report of the Coroners Sub Committee was adopted:-

Report:-

Present: Messrs Edw. M. Fadden (Chairman), Mr. Stone and J. Magee.

Resolved:

That the accounts of Mr. J. H. Stier were submitted and passed at £8:19 and £16:7 for the period ending 30th Sept. 1899 and 31 March 1900. The accounts of Mr. James Boyle were submitted account ending 31st March 1900 passed at £11:9. Ac. ending June 1900 passed at £3:14:0. We request the witnesses to furnish their accounts half yearly, - on periods ending 30th Sept. and 31st March.

Mr. Ramsey is to furnish vouchers.

Wm. Doherty
Chairman

Accepted

Edw. M. Fadden
13 July 1900

19/6/00
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Minutes of Annual meeting of County Council held on 13th June 1900

Attendance

The members of the Council present were:-

Mr. Edw. McFadden (Chairman) Councillors McDevitt (Glenties), Byrne, Callaghan, Cassidy, Coltham, Gordon, Doherty, Flood, Gallagher, Hanna, Hays, Humphreys, Magee, Mooney, McDevitt, (Milford) Mr. McFadden, Stoney, C. Howard, P. Ward & Mayor.

Declaration

The representatives of the District Councils present then signed their declarations on taking their seats as County Councillors.

Motion

The chairman moved and Capt. Stoney seconded the adoption of the minutes of previous meeting. Mr. Gordon moved and Mr. C. Howard seconded an amendment that "that paragraph recommending the insertion of advertisements in the County papers only, should be suppressed." The chairman, however, ruled this resolution out of order, on the grounds that it was not competent to rescind a resolution of the Council without complying with the Standing Orders by giving notice of intention to rescind signed by six members. No other amendment was proposed and the motion was unanimously carried.

Chairman

Mr. Edw. McFadden, upon the motion of Capt. Stoney seconded by Mr. Hays, unanimously re-elected Chairman for the ensuing year and signed the necessary Declaration on taking office.

Vice-Chairman

Mr. Hugh McDevitt (Glenties) was also, on the motion of Mr. Hanna seconded by Mr. Magee unanimously

re-elected Vice-Chairman for the ensuing year and signed the necessary Declaration.

Committees

The following committees were appointed for the ensuing year:-

Finance Committee

Councillors Mr. Robert, Mr. Gallagher, Mr. Ward, Mr. Sweeney, Mr. Cormick, J. Callaghan, Mr. Hanna, Mr. B. Stoney, Mr. Magee, Mr. Hays, Mr. Dunlevy, Mr. Ward, Mr. Cassidy and Chairman and Vice-Chairman of Council.

Proposal Committee

Councillors Mr. Cormick, J. Callaghan, Mr. Ward, Mr. Sweeney, Mr. B. Stoney, Mr. Magee, Mr. Callaghan, Mr. Cassidy and Chairman and Vice-Chairman of Council.

Coroners Committee

Councillors Mr. Fadden, Mr. Magee, Mr. Dunlevy, Mr. Cavanagh, and Mr. Stoney.

Diseases of Animals Committee

Councillors Mr. Hanna, Mr. Callaghan, J. Callaghan, Mr. Cassidy, Mr. Hays, Mr. McDevitt (Milford) and Mr. Stoney and Chairman and Vice-Chairman of Council.

Educational Committee

Councillors Hamilton, Magee, Cassidy, Gallagher, Hays, C. Howard, Stoney and Chairman and Vice-Chairman of Council.

General Purposes Committee

Councillors Mr. Coltham, Flood, Kelly, Mr. Clafferty, Mr. Sweeney, Gallagher, Bradley, Griffiths, Dunlevy, Hanna, Magee, Stoney, White, Robert, McDevitt (Glenties), Hays and Cassidy.

Law Committee

Councillors James Sweeney, J. Callaghan, Jno Dunlevy, J.B. Stone, Mr D. Humphreys, P. Ward, J. Hamilton and Chairman and Vice-Chairman of Council.

Fixtures of Finance Committee Meetings

Mr Hays proposed and Mr. En Fadden seconded:-

"That the Council authorize the Chairman to convene the meetings of the Finance Committee alternately in Letterkenny and Lifford."

Mr. H. Ward moved and Mr. Hays seconded an amendment:-

"That the meetings be convened only for Lifford."

Voting

A Division was taken and the voting was as follows:-

For Amendment:- Councillors Mr. Devitt (Lifford), Byrne, Callaghan, Cassidy, Doherty, Flood, Gallagher, Hanna, Mooney, Howard, P. Ward and Ward - 12

Against Amendment:- Councillors Mr. Fadden, Cassidy, Hays, Kelly, Mr. Devitt (Lifford), Mr. Fadden and Stone - 4

Amendment accordingly declared carried and motion lost.

Checking of certain Rate Collectors Books

In accordance with notice of motions given, Mr. Fadden moved, Mr. Hays seconded and it was unanimously resolved:-

"That the Secretary pursuant to Article 24(3) of the County Councils Order of 18th April 1899, for the future examine at his office Lifford, the Poor Rate Collectors Books, receipts, demand notes and Treasurers receipts of collectors James Abate and Michael Browne of Strabane Rural District (No 2) and of collector Robt. Patterson of Londonderry Rural District (No 1)."

Mr. Doherty then moved and Mr. Gallagher seconded:-

"That the collecting books &c. of Mr. Richard Lynch of Londonderry Rural District (No 1) be also examined at the Secretary's office. This motion was unanimously carried."

These collectors notified accordingly 18/6/1900

"Re" Letterkenny Railway

The matter of the proposed sale of the Letterkenny Railway having been brought under the notice of the Council through a notice of motion, duly given and signed by six members, touching portions of a former resolution with reference thereto, it was, after considerable discussion unanimously resolved on the motion of Mr. Doherty seconded by Captain Stone:-

"That whilst we re-affirm the resolution 'Re' Letterkenny Railway Guarantee passed at meeting of the Council on 19th May 1897 - the resolution being that the time has come when steps should be taken to have the ex-pays of Donegal and the Poor Congested Districts relieved of the burden payable by them in respect of the Letterkenny Railway, Resolved, that the resolution passed at Council meeting of 21st & 22nd February 1900, adopting the report of the Derry Chamber of Commerce in reference to the sale of Letterkenny Railway be rescinded and we request the Chairman of the Board of Works to hold an inquiry into the working of the Lifford Lifford Railway by the said Letterkenny Railway with a view to ascertaining the equities of the working agreement and all matters connected therewith."

"Re" Mr. Francis Callaghan

Mr. Francis Callaghan, Assistant Surveyor, having applied for a pension on his resigning office and a month's notice of said application having been duly given to each member of the Council, the Council confirmed the recommendation of the Finance Committee that he should be allowed £50 per annum.

Coroners Claims

Claims by Coroners for expenses in connection with the holding of inquests were referred to the Coroners Committee.

Copy sent to Board of Works & Treasurers only 19 June 1900

Chas. 9887

Copy to Mr. Callaghan 18/6/1900

Copy

Harbour Matters

The report of the Comfy. Surveyor as to probable cost of proposed extension to the wharves, the reports of the Harbour Masters re sums collected and lodged to their credit and the letters from the Treasurers of the several Piers & Harbours, &c. referred to the Finance Committee.

Re Mineral Wealth of County

It was directed that the Reports received from various District Councils as to Minerals in their District and from Mr. F. B. Gallagher, Temple Douglas, Letterkenny as to the Mineral resources of the County, be sent to the Congested District Board.

Secretary's Office

The Secretary handed in a report dividing the office business into Departments and suggesting the placing in charge of these Departments of certain clerks and also as to the conduct and efficiency of the staff. This report was unanimously adopted and Mr. Stoney then moved and Mr. Stoney seconded that the salaries of Messrs. J. Cannon, Jno. Mullin and E. McDoherty, three of the clerks whom it was agreed should have charge of the departments, be increased to £80 per year. This resolution was unanimously carried.

It was also resolved:—

"That we confirm the appointment of the clerks whose names follow at the respective salaries attached to their names.

Also that the clerks whose names are attached be not confirmed but that their retention be discretionary with the Secretary and a further report regarding them and their efficiency be made to a quarterly meeting."

Names of Clerks Confirmed

<u>Names.</u>	<u>Salary.</u>	
Mr. Thomas Boyle	£150	
Mr. M. Devitt	150	✓
Benjamin Gavanagh	150	
Jno. Boyle	150	✓
Pat. Kelly	150	x

Subscribed
27/6/00
£800

Names.

Salary.

Mr. Hugh M. Fadden	150	✓
Michael Cunningham	150	
Benjamin Gavanagh	150	x
James Dowd	150	x
James H. Harty	150	x
Ben Gahan	150	✓
James H. Harty	150	✓
John M. Crossan	150	✓
John A. Harty	150	x
Paul Doherty	150	x
Andrew Harty	150	x

Names of Clerks not Confirmed

James Gallagher	150	✓
Hugh Gavanagh	150	✓
F. Doherty	150	✓
James Kelly	150	x
E. Doherty	150	
S. Moore	150	x

Mr. Hamilton Kelly 150 June 1900
and Mr. Harty 20th June 1900

Appointment of Veterinary Surgeon

The Council then proceeded to appoint a Veterinary Surgeon as Inspector under the Diseases of Animals Act for Ballychannon (No. 1) Rural District and Mr. Gavanagh moved and Capt. Stoney seconded the appointment of Mr. A. B. Hamilton, B.R.B. 75. This was unanimously carried.

Re Sale of Cattle

The following resolution from the Irish Cattle Traders and Stockowners Association re the selling of cattle on the streets of towns &c. was read and adopted.

Resolutions

"That, in the opinion of this Association, it is most objectionable for buyers to be obliged to pay tolls for cattle, sheep, pigs, or horses exhibited for sale on the streets of towns; that fair grounds should in every case be provided; that arrangements such as are

are carried out at Carlow, Kilkenny and Fermagh. Fair grounds (viz. that tolls of small amount be levied from the seller & exhibitor in all circumstances) should be the practice at all other fairs, and that copies of this resolution be sent to the County Councils, the Urban District Councils and the Rural District Councils asking their co-operation in establishing the much needed reform in the interests of the Irish Live Stock Trade, which, it should be remembered, is the staple industry of the whole of Agricultural Ireland.

Re Rathmullen Waterworks.

The following resolution of the Milford District Council re the area of charge for Rathmullen Waterworks was also adopted.

Resolution

Resolved: - That we, the Councillors of Milford Union protest against the enclosed charge for the construction of the Rathmullen Waterworks being extended outside the area originally charged therewith. Rathmullen undertook to repay this loan, they derive all the benefits from the Waterworks, and the Rural District derives no benefit whatever, and consequently we think it a great injustice to tax the Country districts of this Union with the re-payment of a debt they never contracted.

Proposed by Denis Deeny
seconded by John Doherty and passed

Irish National Convention

A circular from the Secretary of the Irish National Convention requesting the Council to appoint six delegates to the forthcoming Convention, having been read the following gentlemen were appointed: - Messrs McBasid, Kallagher, Magee, Mrweeney, O'Sullivan and Mr Fadden.

Circular from the Secretary of the Irish National Convention, dated 1st June 1900, and enclosing suggestions for preparing schemes of technical and agricultural instruction having been read, it was directed that the Secretary write for 35 copies each of the circular and suggestions.

Re County and Assistant Surveyors

Copy sent County Surveyors 19th June 1900 (20983)

A notice of motion by Mr. Magee with reference to the County and Assistant Surveyors residing within their districts was considered by the Council and a letter from the Local Government Board stating that they find the salary of the County Surveyor for the North Division (Mr. Ferguson) at £600 a year and another with reference to the scale of salaries they find for the Assistant Surveyors, having been read, it was resolved on the motion of Mr. Doherty seconded by Capt. Spring.

That we adhere to the salaries of the County and Assistant Surveyors as fixed by us on the recommendations of the Finance Committee and request that Committee to pay them accordingly; and that the letter of the Local Government Board of the 1st and 8th June to the Chairman on the subject of these salaries and also the resolution of Councillor Magee dealing with the residences and offices of these officials be referred to the Finance Committee for reply.

Finance Committee Report

The report of Finance Committee meeting held on 13th June 1900, during adjournment of County Council meeting was adopted.

Board of Agriculture

A circular from the Board of Agriculture's Secretary enclosing suggestions for preparing schemes of technical and agricultural instruction having been read, it was directed that the Secretary write for 35 copies each of the circular and suggestions.

Re Letter from Burtonport R.C. Extension

A letter from the Under Secretary enclosing copy of the proposed Order in Council re Burtonport R.C.

Circular from the Board of Agriculture's Secretary, dated 1st June 1900, and enclosing suggestions for preparing schemes of technical and agricultural instruction having been read, it was directed that the Secretary write for 35 copies each of the circular and suggestions.

Railway extension (deviation and abandonment)
was read and the Order was referred to Mr. Wilson,
solicitor to the Council, for his opinion thereon.

Re County House

Letter from Mr. Wm. Wilson to the Council
enclosing copy of Council's opinion relative to
the action against the High Sheriff in connection
with the County House was read. Council's opinion
was to the effect that the County Council had good
ground for action against the High Sheriff for
wrongfully breaching and entering the premises
(the County House) in efford and expelling
their servants therefrom, but that the County
Council themselves should be plaintiffs instead
of Mr. Spascher.

The Council accordingly authorized the
action to be taken in their own name and
directed Mr. Wilson to issue the statement of
claim, laying the venue for the County of
Derry Assizes. They also directed Mr. Wilson
to have photographs, showing the relative positions
of the Courthouse and County House taken.

Re Greenockle Pier

A letter from the Secretary Glasgow District
Board enclosing copy of letter the Board had
addressed to Mr. McConnell of Greenockle relative
to the Pier at Greenockle was referred to the District
Council.

Re Inspectors of Explosives

A letter from the Treasury awarding amounts
of compensation to certain Inspectors of Explosives
whom the Council, acting on the advice of the
Macdennott, had declined to compensate on the
ground that they were not Existing Officers
within the meaning of the Act, was read. The
further opinion of the Macdennott, which the Council
had directed should be taken was then also
read. The Macdennott stated that he adhered
to

to the opinion which he had already given on the
complete materials for forming an opinion.
That it was not true that, as stated by the Treasury
and Mr. Justice Johnston decided in the
case mentioned or in any case in favour of
the Explosives Inspector. That also, matter of fact,
he dismissed his case and decided against
him on grounds not material to the questions
before him (the Macdennott). He learned Council
then cited the grounds on which he based his
opinion and further added that the Treasury
has no power to decide as to the status of a
claimant for compensation and that if an
Explosive Inspector thinks he is entitled to
compensation he should apply in the Queen's
Bench Division for a mandamus whereupon
the question would be decided by a
competent tribunal. The Secretary was then
directed to write and inform the Lord Commissioners
of Her Majesty's Treasury that, strengthened by this
further opinion of the Macdennott, they decline to
pay the amounts which they state they have
awarded.

Letter from J. A. Ferguson

Letter from Mr. J. A. Ferguson refusing to accept
£50 as an increase to his salary was referred to
the Finance Committee.

Re Insertion of Advertisements

A letter from the "Derry Journal" pointing out
that three advertisements acts malicious injuries
had been recently published in the "Derry Sentinel"
while they had not received any of these advertise-
ments. Having been read, the Secretary was
directed to send the Clerk of the Peace a copy of the
recent resolution of the Council acts inserting in
the papers alternately the County advertisements
and, as the Sentinel has already received three
insertions to direct him to give each of the other
Derry papers three advertisements before again
publishing.

Copy sent Mr. Wilson 19th June 1900
(No 980)

Letter enclosed
to Mr. C. and Mr. D.
19th June 1900
(No 981)

Copy sent Treasury
19th June 1900 (No 982)

Copy sent Mr. Cochrane
19th June 1900 (No 983)

Resolutions

Resolved: - That this Council, which represents the majority of the County Councils of Ireland, protests against the arbitrary actions of the Local Government Board in increasing the salaries of County and other officials under the Local Government Act, without furnishing the Councils concerned with the evidence, or giving the reasons on which it based its decisions.

"That, as the Local Government Board occupies the position and has all the powers of the Court of appeal, we consider it had or has no right to increase the salary of any official, behind the back of the Council interested, on the ex-parte statements of the official, as it has almost invariably done without first hearing the reasons of the Councils concerned for refusing the increase asked by such official.

That a copy of this resolution be sent to the Prime Minister, and to the Irish members of Parliament of all parties, and to every County Council in Ireland for adoption."

John M. D. O'Connell
Chairman

Finance Committee

A meeting of the Finance Committee was held on the 3rd July 1900.

Attendance

The following members of the Committee were present: -
Mr. Wm. Robert (Chairman), Messrs. H. Devitt (Kilrush),
Cullaghan, Cassidy, Dolan, Gallagher, Shannagh,
Hayes, Magee, Mc Cormick, Stoney, & Edward, and
Em. Fadden.

Minutes

The minutes of previous meeting were confirmed.

Quarterly Estimates and Demand of Board of
Guardians and Rural District Councils

The transfer of the Quarterly Estimates and Demands to Boards of Guardians and Rural District Councils was sanctioned.

Claim by Mr. J. M. Mathers

A claim by Mr. J. M. Mathers, Milford, for a refund of £5 11 4 overlodged by him in connection with his September collection was read and the Secretary having certified that the money had been overlodged the Committee directed it to be refunded. The entire amount overlodged was £5 15 4 and the above sum was the amount due after deducting fees paid on the lodgment.

Subsidary A/c.

A number of claims for payment out of the Subsidary account were sanctioned.
A transfer of £1000 from the General to the Subsidary account was sanctioned.

"R" Buncrana Harbour

A report of the County Surveyor (Mr. A. Ferguson Esq.) on the proposed extension to Buncrana Pier, together with an Estimate of the probable cost, and a plan of the proposed improvements having been considered by the Committee, it was proposed by Mr. Wm. Doherty seconded by Mr. Edward McFadden and resolved that this Committee recommend the Extension of Buncrana Pier by 50 (fifty) yards at cost of £3500 as shown by report of County Surveyor and that the contributions of the County to the said work be one-fifth of the County Surveyor's Estimate, viz £700 (Seven hundred pounds); and that a copy of this resolution together with the Plans and a copy of the report be forwarded to the War Department.

Harbour Matters

The Committee then took up the consideration of the Report of the Harbour Master and County Surveyor as to the sums collected and lodged to the credit of the various piers throughout the County and the state of the Piers.

"R" Dues Collect.

The Secretary was directed to write and inform the Harbour Masters that in future they will require to lodge all dues collected by them to the credit of the Council intact, and that the Secretary will pay them their fees on said quarterly, and also that they forward their A/c Books monthly for checking.

Account Books

The Secretary was directed to furnish the Harbour Masters with books for issuing receipts and other account books, if required.

Rathmullen Pier

Mr. J. J. Ward, recently appointed as Harbour Master at this Pier wrote asking to be allowed further

involvement to those in advertisement the Committee, however, declined to do so. Mr. Ward also asked to be supplied with Stationery and the Secretary was directed to write and request him to forward a requisition as to what he wants.

Downing Pier

A report of the Downing Pier Committee, having been read, was on the motion of Capt. J. J. Ward seconded by Mr. Hanna, recommended to the Council for adoption; and it was directed that copies of it be sent to the Harbour Master and the Longford District Board and a copy of this resolution to the Chairman of the Committee. Having out of the Report the County Surveyor was directed to inspect the Pier and report to the Council as early as possible. The Secretary was also directed to suggest to the Pier Committee the advisability of posting a copy of the regulations at the Pier.

County and Assistant Surveyors

Salaries of Assistant Surveyors

A letter from the Local Government Board in reply to the resolution with reference to the scale of salaries for Assistant County Surveyors submitted by the Local Government Board, adopted by the Council at their meeting held on 14th May 1900, having been read it was moved by Mr. McFadden seconded by Mr. Hanna and resolved:-

"That on the consideration of the letter of the Local Government Board of the 27th June last, number 35325-1900 Donyal Comt." in reference to the salaries of the Assistant County Surveyors we are confirmed in the opinion prevalent over all Ireland that the Board are absolutely ignorant of the duties of these officers when they

Ent. admitted.

11/2/00

Copy sent C.O.B. and
Harbour Master

9/2/1900 By Surveyor

9/2/1900 By Mr. Ward

Circular sent to Harb. Masters accordingly

"R" Binnama Harbour

A report of the County Surveyor (Mr. A. Ferguson Esq.) on the proposed extension to Binnama Pier, together with an estimate of the probable cost, and a plan of the proposed improvements having been considered by the Committee, it was proposed by Mr. Wm. Doherty seconded by Mr. Edward Madden and resolved

"that this Committee recommend the Extension of Binnama Pier by 50 (fifty) yards at cost of £3500 as shown by report of County Surveyor and that the contributions of the County to the said work be one fifth of the County Surveyor's estimate, viz £700 (seven hundred pounds); and that a copy of this resolution together with the Plans and a copy of the report be forwarded to the War Department."

Harbour Matters

The Committee then took up the consideration of the Reports of the Harbour Masters and County Surveyors as to the sums collected and lodged to the credit of the various piers throughout the County and the state of the Piers.

Pier Dues Collect.

The Secretary was directed to write and inform the Harbour Masters that in future they will require to lodge all dues collected by them to the credit of the Council instead, and that the Secretary will pay them their fees on said quarterly, and also that they forward their ac. Books monthly for checking.

Account Books

The Secretary was directed to furnish the Harbour Masters with books for issuing receipts and other account books, if required.

Rathmullen Pier

Mr. Joe Ward, recently appointed as Harbour Master at this Pier wrote asking to be allowed further

and adjusted

11/2/00

Circular sent to all according

By and Mr. Ward

13th July 1900

Copy sent C.D.B. and Harbour Master

9/2/00 By Surveyor 26/11/00

enrolment to those in advertisement. The Committee, however, declined to do so. Mr. Ward also asked to be supplied with Stationery and the Secretary was directed to write and request him to forward a requisition as to what he wants.

Downing Pier

A report of the Downing Pier Committee, having been read, was on the motion of Capt. Storey seconded by Mr. Hanna, recommended to the Council for adoption, and it was directed that copies of it be sent to the Harbour Master and the Longford District Board and a copy of this resolution to the Chairman of the Committee. Acting out of the Report the County Surveyor was directed to inspect the Pier and report to the Council as early as possible. The Secretary was also directed to suggest to the Pier Committee the advisability of posting a copy of the regulations at the Pier.

County and Assistant Surveyors

Salaries of Assistant Surveyors

A letter from the Local Government Board in reply to the resolution with reference to the scale of salaries for Assistant County Surveyors submitted by the Local Government Board, adopted by the Council at their meeting held on 24th May 1900, having been read it was moved and resolved:-

"That on the consideration of the letter of the Local Government Board of the 28th June last, number 36325-1900 signed 'Local Govt.' in reference to the salaries of the Assistant County Surveyors we are confirmed in the opinion prevalent over all Ireland that the Board are absolutely ignorant of the duties of these officers when they

say that the specification for one years contract is the same as those for a longer term and that contracts for a year require the same supervision as other contracts. That so far as County Donegal is concerned, a large portion of the mileage of the roads are not yearly contracts but occasional contracts on which a quantity of material is put for one year and these roads may not be again repaired for several years following. That no distinction is made between first class roads and second, third and fourth class roads, the first class road necessitating constant supervision whilst the latter, on which the traffic is very small requires the Surveyors attention only occasionally.

Mr. Robert then moved and Councillor Storey seconded a resolution assessing the salaries of the County Surveyors according to the scale drawn up by the Council.

An amendment was proposed that the salaries should not be fixed until the accurate mileage should be ascertained, but was ruled out of order.

A division was then taken on the resolution and the voting was as follows:-

For - Messrs. Wm. Robert, Stanger and Storey - 3
Against - Messrs. C. M. Madden, Callaghan, Dinkley, Gallaghers, Hanna, M'Gee, McComiskey and Steward - 8

The resolution was accordingly declared lost.

It was then unanimously resolved, on the motion of Mr. Dinkley seconded by Mr. Callaghan,

That the County Surveyors be directed to furnish to the Council on or before the 16th August the following particulars:-

"The exact mileage of every road in the County, mentioning the class of each and in case of road subject to occasional contracts the repairs put thereon within the past five years.

In making the classifications we would suggest that the returns be made by Assistant

Approved by Council 27/7/1900

Surveyor Districts."

Salary of County Surveyor

A letter from the Local Government Board stating that they fixed the salary of Mr. Ferguson, the County Surveyor for the North District at £680. It has been then read it was proposed by Mr. M. Madden seconded by Mr. C. M. Madden and resolved:-

"That we recommend the County Council to refuse payment of the increase of salary ordered by the Local Government Board, on the ground that he stated at the meeting of this Committee which considered the question, he devotes his whole time before the passing of the Local Government Bill to the duties of his office and took no private practice and that the duties devolving on him under the new state of circumstances does not interfere in any way with the spare time at his disposal at present as compared with formerly and that the £30 granted as an increase to the County Surveyor remove than any increased duties deserve and we direct the attention of the Local Government Board to the terms of the resolution fixing the salaries of the County Surveyors which are inaccurate stated in the letter of the Local Government Board of the 9th June 1900 to the Chairman of the Council."

Residences of County Surveyors

The following resolution, referred by the County Council to the Finance Committee, as to the residences of the County Surveyors was then considered and, on the motion of Mr. M'Gee seconded by Mr. M. Madden, unanimously adopted.

Resolution

Resolved:-

"That it is desirable for the due and efficient discharge of the duties of the County and Assistant Surveyors that they reside within the district to which they are appointed."

Approved by Council 27/7/1900
Copy sent Surveyors by road 27/7/1900

they discharge their duties and in the event of the refusal of such officers to reside as requested that they be asked to resign their offices and that the County Surveyor for the North Division reside and hold his office in Letterkenny and that each Assistant Surveyor reside in most central part of his district.

Re Messrs Dawson and McCall

Letters from the Local Government Board intimating that the above named gentlemen, who were recently appointed by the Council as Assistant Surveyors, had passed the qualifying examination prescribed by the Local Government Board and requesting to be informed as to the salary proposed to be allowed to Mr. McCall were read. Secretary was directed to inform the Board that the Council propose paying these officials by the same scale as the other Assistant Surveyors.

Raki Collectors Bonds

The Committee recommended the payment of the half of the premium on the Raki Collectors Bonds for the next half year.

Re Mr. Reavy

A letter from R. H. Reid Esq. Sub. Ballybrann requesting to be informed if the Council proposed granting any pension to Mr. Reavy, V.S. on his discontinuance as Inspector under the Contagious Diseases of Animals Act and up to what date his salary would be paid, having been read the Secretary was directed to reply that the Council are advised that as Mr. Reavy's appointment was only a temporary one he is not entitled to any compensation and that his salary will be paid up to the date he received notice of his services being dispensed with.

Re Mr. Lynch

A letter from Collector Lynch applying for an increase to his Poundage fees was read.

Sent and directed
24/2/1900

Application by Mr. McLaughlin

An application by Mr. McLaughlin, Assistant Surveyor for payment of bill for postage was referred to the County Surveyor for him to certify accuracy.

Office Staff - Holidays

It was arranged to grant one month's holiday to the Secretary, to be taken at his discretion and a fortnight to each of the clerks, to be granted as the Secretary might arrange.

Confirmed

Chairman of Committee

Adopted

Chairman of Council

Chairman of County Council

17X

15X

Mr. Lay informed
accountably - 11/17/1900

Re County House

A letter from the Under-Sheriff requiring the use of certain rooms in the County House for the use of the Grand Jury during the Assizes having been read, the Secretary was instructed to take the same action as before.

Re County and Assistant Surveyors Salaries
The following resolution of the Queens County Council relative to the action of the Local Government Board in fixing the salaries of the County and Assistant Surveyors, was unanimously adopted:

Resolution

Proposed by Mr. Breen

Seconded by Mr. Smith.

"That we protest against the action of the Local Government Board in fixing salaries of Assistant Surveyors; we declare the salaries fixed are much beyond what the Council can get the work efficiently done for, and much in excess of what we believe the Assistant County Surveyor would have agreed to by direct arrangement with the Council; that we call on each County Council in Ireland to take united action in resisting this unjust action of the Local Government Board."

O. A. Beehan, Chairman

Re Coronors Salaries

A letter from the Local Government Board enclosing copy of a letter they had received from Mr. Wm. O'Doherty, Coroner, requesting the Board to finally determine the coroners salaries having been read, it was resolved, on the motion of Mr. Wm. O'Doherty, seconded by Mr. Hayes:

"That we adhere to the salaries as determined by the Committee appointed by this Council to consider the question of the Coroners salaries, viz. £80 per annum and we refer the Local Government Board

Board

Board, to their report, ^{dated 30th day of January 1899} stating their reasons for refusing to increase these officials salaries further, a copy of which was sent them.

Re: Borrowing of Money.

A letter from the Local Government Board again refusing to sanction the borrowing of £62:13:4 for the construction of a new Road in Milford Union was read and it was proposed by Mr. Capps seconded by Mr. Wm. Gallagher and resolved:-

"That in reply to the letter of the Local Government Board of the 25th June 1900 relative to the Council's application for a loan of £62:13:4 for the purpose of making a new road in the Milford Union in which the Local Government Board refuses to grant the loan upon the grounds that other County Councils have not applied for loans under the circumstances indicated in the Donegal County Council's resolution of the 5th September 1899. That this Council regrets that the Local Government Board decide this question upon such grounds, as this Council adopted that resolution out of regard for the interests of the ratepayers and the public generally as if put in practice it would enable many necessary works to be carried out in poor districts and in such a manner that their cost would be very little felt by the ratepayers.

"That the work referred to is of exceptional character being a permanent work in a congested District. The proof that it is both exceptional and urgent is that the Congested District Board are giving a grant of one-third of the cost of construction. That £66:13:4 is more than one half-penny in the pound in Milford Union and while that amount in itself may not be considered excessive yet added to all the smaller works for which no loan can be or will be asked it makes up a heavy rate. Since this Council are

willing to undertake the duty of keeping a correct towns account in the interests of the ratepayers, they hope that the Local Government Board will take a more sympathetic view of this question.

Re: Agricultural Grant.

A letter from the Local Government Board relative to the portion of the Agricultural Grant allocated to the County Donegal having been read, Messrs. McCadden, Hanna, McDevitt and Capt. Stoney were appointed as a Committee to go into the matter, and the Secretary was directed to ask the various Boards of Guardians for the balances for each year, ^{for three years} preceding the standard year and also the balances at the end of the standard year and to furnish the figures to the Committee.

Re: Killymaragh Road, Co. Donegal.

A letter from the Congested District Board for Ireland enclosing copy of Letter enclosing copy of letter they had addressed to the Rev. P. Blake P.P., Killymaragh, Co. Donegal offering to contribute a sum of money towards the construction of a new road in the parish of Killymaragh was referred to the District Council and the Secretary was instructed to inform the District Board that, as the District Council are the Road authorities they should address all such communications to them.

Miscellaneous Correspondence.

A number of unimportant letters were read.

Confirmed
Hugh MacDevitt
Chairman.

Circular issued clerk of Union recording.

sent Oct. 15th 1901

Special Committee Report.

A meeting of the Special Committee appointed by the County Council to consider claims was held on 17th July 1900

Attendance

The members of the Committee present were:-
Mr. Edward Madden (Chairman), Messrs. Magee, Hanna, Gallagher and Capt. Stoney

Minutes

The minutes of previous meeting were confirmed

"Life" Emoluments

Claims by Messrs. Cornick Cannon and Myles Sweeney, for "Life" Emoluments were then considered

Mr. Cornick Cannon

Gross Average Emoluments for five years prior to passing of the Local Government Act = £78:14:7
Deduct Expenses

Attending Sessions	£ 2:0:0	per annum
Completing Bonds	1:6:8	do
Rent of Offices	1:0:0	do
Serving Six Day Office	4:0:0	do
Attending Roadwork	1:0:0	do
Railway fare	0:2:6	do
Postage	0:2:6	do
Miscellaneous	1:2:11	do
Price for books left	1:0:0	—
Therefore Nett average emoluments =		£ 11:14:7
		64:0:0

Mr. Myles Sweeney

<u>Gross Average Emoluments for five years prior to passing of Act</u>		£ 21:15:5
<u>Deduct Expenses</u>		
Postage -	£ 2:0:0	per annum
Rail fare -	0:2:6	do
Bonds -	0:1:2	do
Office &c. -	0:13:4	do
	<u>0:18:5</u>	
Net Income =		£ 10:0:0

Re Mr. John Cassidy

With Mr. Cassidy
account

24/7/00

Mr. John Cassidy also submitted claim for "Life" Emoluments, but it was adjourned for consideration owing to his not being present, and his solicitor was recommended to furnish a new claim as the one submitted did not set forth full particulars of Mr. Cassidy's outlay

Re Mr. Geo. W. Laughlin

A letter from Mr. George W. Laughlin, clerk to the Sanitary Union, foregoing his claim against the County Council for loss of Emoluments was read

Re Messrs J. F. O'Donnell and W. Clarke

Letter from the Local Government Board stating that the amounts of compensation and pension allowed to the above named gentlemen (£194 and £18 per annum) were in excess of the amounts to which they were legally entitled, were read and the amounts having been checked, it was ascertained that Mr. O'Donnell was only entitled to £179:5:4 and Mr. Clarke to a pension of £17:17:8

The mistake in calculating Mr. O'Donnell's compensation arose through the Council having granted him in error a half-year's emoluments which he claimed

Confirmed

Wm. H. Hillier
Chairman of Committee

Adopted by Finance Committee on same date as meeting

Wm. H. Hillier
23/8/00

✓ Report of Diseases of Animals Committee

The Diseases of Animals Committee met on
17th July 1900, subsequent to meeting of the
Claims Committee

Attendance

The members of Committee present were —
Mr. Em. Ladden (Chairman), W. Hanna, W. Gallagher,
F. Gallagher, W. J. L. & J. B. Stone

Reports of Veterinary Inspectors

The reports of the various Veterinary Inspectors were
read

Report of Teddie Moore Esq. V.S.

A report from Mr. Teddie Moore, V.S. acts a horse,
the property of James Mitchell, Longuevin, Litterkenney
slaughtered under the direction of the Local Authority
was read. Mr. Moore reported that the value of
the horse was £20 and therefore the portion to be
reimbursed by the Local Authority £10. The Committee
therefore, asked the Finance Committee to
recommend payment of this amount.

Re Inspection of Sheep at Fairs

A circular from the Department of Agriculture & the
Inspection of Sheep at fairs was read and
the Secretary was directed to write for copies
of the order and furnish same to the Inspectors
and direct them to act in compliance therewith.

Re Mr. de Clare V.S.

The Secretary was instructed to write and request
Mr. de Clare, V.S. to state what salary per annum
he wanted he prepared to accept ~~for~~ ^{for}
for performing all the duties under the Diseases
(Contagious) of Animals Act.

Re Mr. Hamilton V.S.

Mr. Hamilton wrote requesting to be supplied with
a memo of his duties and the Secretary was

instructed to refer him to the Act and inform him
where he could procure a copy of it.

Confirmed

W. J. Hanna

Chairman of Committee

Adopted

W. J. Hanna

Chairman of County Council
20th Aug. 1900

Wrote to all V.S.
24/7/1900

Wrote accordingly
24/7/1900

Wrote accordingly
24/7/1900

Finance Committee Report.

The Finance Committee met on 17th July 1900, subsequent to both foregoing meetings.

Attendance

The members of the Committee present were:-
Mr. Edw. McFadden (Chairman), Messrs. F. Gallagher,
W. Gallagher, W. P. Tunna, J. Meagher, C. Mc Cormick,
J. B. Stoney, and W. J. O'Leary.

Minutes

The minutes of previous meeting were confirmed.

Report of 'Claims' Committee

The report of the Special Committee meeting to consider claims held prior to Finance Committee meeting, was adopted.

Resignation of Mr. James Conroy.

Mr. James Conroy wrote tendering his resignation as Assistant County Surveyor for the West-
Half Barony of Inishowen. The Committee in accepting the resignation expressed their regret at losing Mr. Conroy's services, especially as it was owing to failing health he resigned.

The Secretary was directed to advertise for an Assistant Surveyor at a salary of £90 per annum, the appointment to be made at next Quarterly meeting of County Council.

Payments out of Subsidiary A/c.

A number of claims for payment out of the Subsidiary account were sanctioned. The Receiver of the West. Dist. furnished an account for 15/- for burying a carcass washed ashore, and the Secretary was directed to write for details and inform the Receiver that the Committee consider the charge exorbitant.

Refunds.

The Committee sanctioned a refund to Mr. Jas. Gault, Rate collector of a refund of £3.10.11 amount overpaid by him in respect of the collection of the Rate made for the half year ending 31st March 1900, and a refund to Mr. Peter O'Donnell, Rate Collector, of 10/- amount charged in error in block of 3 Demand Rate issued by him and which, though not collected, he had to lodge.

Re Slaughtering of Horse

The Committee, acting on the Diseases of Animals Committee's suggestion, recommended payment to Mr. James C. O'Leary of Loughlinagh, Letterkenny of £10 as compensation for a horse his property slaughtered under the Diseases of Animals Act.

Wrote Mr. O'Leary 20/7/00

Re Mr. Ewing

A letter from Mr. J. Ewing applying for payment of £100 being pension allowed him by the Treasury, was read and the Secretary was directed to inform Mr. Ewing that the Council have informed the Lord Commissioners of the Treasury that they are advised that that Inspectors of Explosives were not entitled to Officers and consequently not entitled to compensation. They therefore decline to pay the amount and he can have the matter settled in the Queen's Bench Division of the High Court.

Sent copy to Ewing 18th July 1900

Re County Courthouse

It having been brought under the notice of the Committee that the County Courthouse was considerably out of repair and that the Lavatories were not sufficiently well looked after, the Secretary was directed to request the

Wrote O'Leary on 19/7/00

Council

County Surveyor to make a report on the general condition of the Courthouse, doors, windows, lavatories &c. and furnish an estimate of the cost required to put it into repair. The secretary was also directed to speak to the Comptroller with reference to the matter.

Letter from Local Government Board
 A letter from the Local Government Board informing the Council that their Inspector, Mr. Cunningham had furnished a report on the subject of the collection of rates in the County, and also on the state of work in the County Office, in which he stated that the Secretary of the Council deserved the greatest credit for the manner in which he has organised his staff of assistants and for the efficient manner in which he has disposed of the accumulation of arrears that existed when he took up his duties and that

The Inspector also drew special attention in his report to the indifference displayed by Collectors William L. Conry and Patrick Quinlan, in the discharge of their duties, and stating that the Board consider these officers should be suspended by the Council unless they give an assurance that their duties in future will be carried out strictly in accordance with the Board's orders. Having been read, the Secretary was directed to send the collectors referred to a copy of this portion of the Board's letter and inform them that unless they give the required assurance and attend to the instructions issued them in future, the Council will act on the Board's suggestion.

Confirmed

Wm. J. O'Sherty
 Chairman of Committee

Stephen J. Davis

Chairman of Council
 20th Aug. 1900

Adopted

Proposal Committee

A meeting of the Proposal Committee was held on.
31st July 1900.

Attendance

The members of the Committee present were:
Messrs. Edw. McFadden, Gallagher, W. Gallagher,
W. Hume, J. Hume, Thos. B. Stone, Edward and
Wm. J. Garry.

Chairman

Capt. Thos. B. Stone was, on the motion of Mr. Hume
seconded by Mr. Ward unanimously appointed
chairman of the Committee for the year.

Tenders for Printing Forms

In accordance with notice of motion given, Mr. McFadden
moved and Mr. Hume seconded that tenders be invited
and a contract entered into for supplying all forms
as contained in General Order 1899 of Local Government
Board under Local Government (Ireland) Act 1898.

This resolution was unanimously passed.

Re. Ballymass Pier

A proposal of the County Surveyor to have a sum
of money not to exceed £49. expended on repairs
to Ballymass Pier was, on the motion of Mr. McFadden
seconded by Mr. Ward, passed.

Re. Ramagh Pier

A proposal of the County Surveyor recommending the
expending of a sum not to exceed £14.10 in repairing
Ramagh Pier was also sanctioned on the motion of
Mr. Ward seconded by Mr. Gallagher.

County Infirmary

A proposal to contribute £200 towards the expenditure
of the County Infirmary, this being half the amount
contributed annually, was on the motion of Mr.
Gallagher seconded by Mr. Hume, passed.

A proposal for payment to John C. Boyd Esq. £10.0.0

£23.10.0 - being 3 months salary as Surgeon to the Infirmary
was also passed.

Rents of Petty Sessions Houses

Proposals for payments of the Rents of the following
Petty Sessions Houses were approved of for
one year's rent of Petty Sessions House at Pettigo to

1st May 1900 — £6.0.0

Same for same at Urrville to 1st July 1900 — £6.0.0

Same for same at Malin to 1st May 1900 — £6.0.0

Same for same at Annaghmore to 1st May 1900 — £6.0.0

Same for same at Rathmullen to 1st July 1900 — £1.5.0

Payments for Advertisements

Proposals for payments to the local Newspapers for
the publication of advertisements were sanctioned
in form in the County Journals for the insertion
of notice and appointment of a Petty Sessions clerk,
which had not been ordered was disallowed.

Re. Insertion of Advertisements

Some difficulties having arisen in the interpretation
of the resolution relative to the insertion of advertisements
recently adopted by the Council, it was resolved on
the motion of Mr. Hume seconded by Mr. McFadden
that in explanation of resolution regarding advertising
passed May 16th 1900, it shall be understood as
follows:—

All advertisements regarding appointment
of officials, elections, registrations of voters, claims for
Malicious Injuries &c. be inserted in the three
County papers alternately & one insertion in each
paper—but not simultaneously.

Special advertisements, such as Abstract of
accounts &c. to be inserted in one paper only
each term alternately.

That copies of this resolution be sent to each paper
and the clerk of the Peace, when confirmed by the
Council.

Copy to John C. Boyd Esq.
as directed 2/1/00

that if he increased to £1 per week.

Harbour Matters - Portland River

A letter from the Harbour Master, Portsalon Pier, with reference to the collection of dues at the pier and stating that Messrs McEneaney and McFarlane always refused to pay the dues having been read the Committee recommended the Comtee Council to instruct their solicitor to take Civil Bill proceedings for the recovery of these dues and also to inform him that proceedings could be taken in the Comtee - as the firm have an office within it.

"Re Mr m Clay 115"

A letter from W. B. McElroy, Jr. stating, in reply to the Committee's query, the salaries he was prepared to accept as Inspector under the Diseases of Animals Act for the various Unions he act for. Having been read, it was proposed by Capt. Stone, seconded by Mr. W. J. Manning and resolved:-

That we recommend the Council to offer
W.E.B. McLay Rs. a salary of £10 per annum if
he undertakes the duties of Inspector under the
Diseases of Animals Act and the Sheep Scab Order of
1898, to cover all duties that may arise under
~~the~~ the said Act & Order, in the District of Strabane
No. 2. and a payment of 10/- a day for every fair
which the Council shall request him to visit.
The sum of £10 per annum for the District of
Stranorlar with the same allowance for visiting fairs
the sum of £15 per annum for the District of
Glenties with £1 allowance for visiting fairs

Harbour Bathing - Lodgment of Ruas.

The Secretary having ~~been~~ brought under the notice of the Committee that the direction recently given by them as to the lodging of the Pir dues to the credit of the various pirs, was unworkable the Committee reversed this direction and authorised the lodging of the dues to the General A/c.

Burana Harbor

Guernsey Harbours
A letter from Messrs Lubbins. R^d Belfast. requesting to be informed what proportions of the cost of the proposed improvements to Guernsey Pier the Council expected the War authorities to contribute was read and the Secretary was directed to refer him to the resolution adopted by the Committee on the 4th Inst., a copy of which had been sent him

Minutes of Meetings of Committees

The Secretary was instructed to make out a list of the fixtures of the various Committee meetings which he proposes convening for the next six months.

Letter from Messrs. L. Hamilton. 25 Feb. 1888

Letters from the above named gentlemen relative to the Order recently issued by the Directors of the Agricultural Committee and Attendance at Fairs, &c. were referred to this Committee.

Payment of Fees on Harbours dues Lodged

The Secretary, having applied to the Committee for an instruction as to amount of fees in addition to fixed salary per annum, he should pay Harbors Masters on their lodgments, the Committee authorized a payment of 10 per cent on all fees lodged.

compressed

Wm L. Doherty
Chairman of Committee

Adopted

Hyman Deritt

Chairman of Council

Finance Committee

Meeting of the Finance Committee was held on
14th August 1900

Attendance

The following members of the Committee were present:-
Mr. Wm. Doherty (Chairman), Messrs. E. Madden,
Wm. Callaghan, Wm. Hanna, J. Magee, E. Cornick,
Thos. Stoney, & Wm. Galloway.

Minutes

The minutes of Previous meeting were confirmed

Proposals for Payment

The Proposals for payment formulated by the Various
Rural District Councils, were sanctioned.
The Proposals for Payment formulated by the Proposal
Committee were also adopted. In a number of cases payments were
sanctioned subject to approval of Local Government Board.

Claims for Salaries &c.

Claims for payment of salaries &c. for Quarks ended
31st June 1900, were with a few exceptions, sanctioned.
Claim by Mr. Robt. Ramsey, Coroner, for payment
of £4: 4, being expenses incurred in holding
inquests from 25th Aug. 1899, to 31st March 1900 was
passed subject to vouchers being produced.

Re Letter Kenny Railway

In connection with the payment of the Guarantee on
the Letterkenny Railway for the half year ended
31st December 1899, it was brought under the
notice of the Committee that Mr. Edward Madden,
who had been appointed by the Council as Director on
this Railway, had never been notified to attend any
of the meetings and it was accordingly moved by
Captain Stoney, seconded by Mr. Magee and resolved:-

That we are informed our Director on the Board
of the Letterkenny Railway has not been summoned
to the meetings of that Board during the last half year
and we are of opinion that an explanation of this

Amount of Conf. Comm.
meeting 20th Aug. 1900 by
approving payment of
Coroner's salaries

neglect on the part of the Secretary of the Company
should be demanded from him.

Re Mr. McFallaghan Assistant Surveyor
An application by Mr. McFallaghan for remuneration for
acting as Assistant County Surveyor for the District
known as East Kilmacrennan was considered and
payment of £120 as such sanctioned.

Re Chapel Strand Quay

A letter from the Congested District Board stating that the
Board were willing to contribute a sum not to
exceed £250 towards the construction of a Landing
place at Chapel Strand was read and a letter from
Councillor Johnweeney - for whose attendance
this matter had been adjourned from a previous
meeting - with reference thereto having also been
read the Committee, on the motion of Mr. Magee
seconded by Mr. Madden recommended the
Council to contribute £250 towards the construction
of the dock.

Re Mr. James Clarke's Compensation

A letter from Mr. John Elliott, Solicitor, Strabane intimating
that his client Mr. James Clarke (St. Barony Constable)
was entitled to % on an amount of compensation
granted from the date he went out of office till paid
was directed to be marked Read.

Re Sale of Letterkenny Railway

A letter from the Treasury Chambers London stating
that the scheme for the sale of Letterkenny Railway to
the Londonderry and North Down Railway
Company could not be entertained was read.

Report of Harbour Master Downings Pier

A report of the Harbour Master Downings Pier
and also application for increase of Salary was
adjourned to the Quarterly meeting of Council for
consideration, for Mr. Thos. Stoney attendance and

Copy sent Mr. Callaghan
17/8/100

Copy sent to C.C.S.
17/8/100

Report notified to the
effect 14/9/100

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Amended at Com. Comm.
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Copy sent Mr. McFallaghan

17/8/00

Copy sent to L.G.B.

17/8/00

Mr. Elliott referred to this

14/8/00

it was directed that Mr. Stamps be notified to this effect.

Re Rathmullen Pier

A letter from Mr. Ward, Harbour Master, Rathmullen Pier stating that a Finder Pie had first been injured by the steamship Itensai the property of Messrs McEneaney and McFarlane and subsequently carried away by St. B. Torpedo Boat. No. 5 was read. And the Comd. Surveyor also reported on the damage which he stated it would take £10 to replace. The Committee, accordingly recommended the Council to authorize Messrs. Ferguson (Comd. Surveyor) and ~~McEneaney~~ and Stamps (Councillors) to enter into a contract for the repair of the Pier at a sum not to exceed £10; and they directed the Secretary to make a claim on both the Admiralty and Messrs. McEneaney and McFarlane for the damage done.

Re Mr. John Coulter

A letter from Mr. John Coulter tendering his resignation as Kati collector and another withdrawing same were read and it was decided to take no action on either until Mr. Coulter has closed his present collection and the Secretary was directed to report to next meeting of the Committee on the progress of his collection, he having had occasion to complain of the manner in which this collector was performing his duties.

Payment of Foundry Fees to Collectors

The Committee sanctioned payment to Collectors of Foundry fees on the entire amounts lodged by them in respect of the Kati made for the Service of the Half-Year ending 31st March 1900, and then giving an undertaking to refund any portion of same if disallowed by the Auditor.

Claims to Collectors for Posting Notices &c.

Number of claims by collectors for posting notices &c. were sanctioned for payment.

Subsidiary Account

A number of claims for payment out of the Subsidiary A/c. were sanctioned.
A transfer of £ 600. from the General & the Subsidiary accounts was sanctioned.

Re Borrowing of Money

Letter from the Local Govt. Board again declining sanction the borrowing of a sum of money for the construction of a new road in Melford Rural District was referred to the Quarterly meeting of Council.

Harbour Dues

It was recommended that all Harbour matters be Comd. at Large charges.

Secretary's Office

The Secretary, in pursuance of directions given at the Annual meeting made a further report on the efficiency and conduct of the office staff.

He reported an all round improvement in the clerks whose work he had had occasion to complain of previously.

It was then resolved on the motion of Mr. Magee seconded by Mr. Gallacher, to recommend that the salaries of Messrs. Sobers, Stronge, and McGowan, be increased from fifteen shillings to £1 per week ^{from 1st September next} and it was further resolved, on the motion of Mr. Stamps seconded by Mr. Gallacher:-

"That all salaries be adjusted at the Annual meeting of each year, that no personal applications of individual clerks be entertained, but that the Secretary may recommend such alteration of the salaries as he may consider just and equitable to the Finance Committee preceding the Annual meeting."

17. Aug. 1900
works account

Mr. and Mrs. Coulter
14/8/00

Kati collector
acting undisturbed 17.8.00

Re Mr Pearson

A letter from Mr Pearson, Clerk Raneval Union, enclosing copy of correspondence he had with the manager of the Hibernian Bank, Letterkenny and complaining of the manner in which he performed certain parts of his duty in connection with the Treasurership of the County, having been read, it was proposed by Mr Edward McFadden seconded by Captain Foye and resolved:-

That having heard the correspondence between Mr Pearson and the Treasurers of the Council we approve of the conduct of our business in the manner indicated by the manager of the Hibernian Bank.

Re Mr Thomas Clarke

A letter from the Local Government Board pointing out that the sums awarded Mr Clarke as compensation for loss of office as Deputy Bees collector (£350 and £207) were in excess of what he could be legally granted, having been read the Committee revised the matter and found the sums to which he was entitled to be £297.10 and £208.5

Confirmed
Hugh Mac Donnell
Chairman of Committee

Adopted

Edward McFadden
Chairman of Council
20th Aug. 1900

Amended from C. and
L.G.B. 1870:00

V Proposal Committee

An advertised meeting of the Proposal Committee was held on 14th August 1900.

Attendance

The members of Committee present were:-
Capt. J.B. Stone (Chairman), Messrs McFadden, Gallagher, Shannon, Magee, McCornick and Wray

Tenders for Printing

The only business of the Committee was to consider tenders for printing of forms prescribed by the Local Government Board Order of 1899. Mr. Colbourne's tender for executing the work, being the lowest, was accepted.

Minutes

The minutes of previous meeting were, previous to consideration of tenders, confirmed.

Confirmed

J.B. Stone
Chairman of Committee

Adopted

Hugh Mac Donnell

Chairman of Council
20th Aug. 1900

Finance Committee

A meeting of the Finance Committee was held on 20th August 1900.

Attendance

The members of Committee present were:
Mr. Hugh McDewitt (Chairman) Messrs. Edward, Ann,
Sweeney, Toney, Hayes, Doherty and Hanna.

Minutes

The minutes of previous meeting were confirmed.

Re Coroners Salaries

Letters from Messrs Boyle and Ramsay relative to their salaries as Coroners as fixed by the Local Government Board were referred to the County Council.

Re Mr. James Conroy - Retiring Pension

An application by Mr. James Conroy, assistant County Surveyor, for a retiring pension - a month's notice of which had been duly given to each County Councillor - was considered and on the motion of Mr. Hanna seconded by Mr. Hayes, £24 per annum sanctioned.

Payments out of Subsidiary ac.

A number of claims for payment out of the Subsidiary account were sanctioned.

Re Payments in respect of Certain Grand Jury Presentments
The Clerk to the Urban District Council of Letchumony wrote requesting payment by the Council of certain money to credit of old Grand Jury account in respect of Grand Jury Presentments passed prior to Spring Assizes 1895 and the Committee recommended payment of £1.4.6 (The Town Surveyor having certified for this amount) but payment of the balance was deferred owing to the contracts in question not having been executed.

Confirmed.

J. M. Hanna
Chairman of Committee

Copy sent to
21/8/1900
Committee to
Council on 20.6.00
29/8/1900

Minutes of Quarterly meeting of County Council held on 20th August 1900.

Attendance

The members of the Council present were:-
Mr. Hugh McDewitt (vice. Chairman) Presiding, Messrs. McDermott,
J. Byrne, F. Callaghan, J. O'Farrell, W. Callaghan,
W. Doherty, W. O'Sullivan, Mr. Hayes, Charles Kelly, Stacey,
P. A. Cooney, John McClafferty, Hugh McDewitt (Melford),
Joseph Alexander, Mr. B. Toney, John Sweeney, Edward,
P. Ward and Mr. Wray.

Minutes

The minutes of previous meeting were confirmed.

Finance Committee Reports

The Reports of Finance Committee meetings held on 14th July and 20th August 1900 were, on the motion of Mr. Doherty seconded by Mr. Edward, unanimously adopted.

On it being moved and seconded by the same two Councillors to adopt the Report of Finance Committee meeting held on 3rd July 1900, Councillor Moore proposed and Councillor Sweeney seconded as an amendment:-

That that portion of the report recommending payment to the Coroners of salaries as fixed by the Local Government Board be deleted, and that the letters from Messrs Boyle and Ramsay, Coroners, relative to same be referred to the Coroners Committee for report.

Voting

A division was taken and the voting was as follows.

For Amendment - Councillors Callaghan, Kelly, Stacey,
Moore, McClafferty, McDewitt (Melford), McDermott.

Sweeney, Edward, J. Wray. - 11.

Against - Councillors McDewitt (Alantus), Alexander,
Byrne, O'Farrell, Doherty, Hanna, Hayes, Toney,
and Edward - 7.

Amendment accordingly declared carried and this item expensed. The item in Finance Committee Report of 14th August recommending payment of salaries was also amended accordingly. The Secretary was also directed to write & request the Local Govt Board to take no further action pending the report of Committee.

Copy to Coroners
29/8/1900
Motion Local Govt Bd
referred 21/8/00

Re Mr. Callaghan

On it being moved by Mr. Doherty, seconded by Mr. McDermott, to adopt the Report of Finance Committee meeting held on 14th August 1900. Mr. Peki Ward moved and Mr. Hayes seconded as an amendment:-

"That the amount allowed to Mr. Callaghan, assistant Surveyor, be reduced by £40 for acting as Assistant Surveyor for East Kilmaecrum."

Voting

For Amendment - Messrs Byrne, Callaghan, Hayes, Mooney, McBlafferty, O'Donnell, Sweeney, O'Hara and Peki Ward - 7.

Against - Messrs McDermott (Clontarf), Colman, Doherty, Hanna, Kelly, Magee, McDermott (Melford), Stone, and Wray - 7.

The Chairman then gave his Casting Vote against the amendment and declared it lost.

A division was then taken on the original motion and the voting being as above, ^{reversed} as for and against the original motion, the Chairman again gave his Casting Vote and declared the motion carried. A notice of motion to rescind this resolution duly signed by six members was then handed in.

Proposal Committee Reports

The Reports of Proposal Committee meetings held on 31st July and 14th August 1900 were, on the motion of Capt. Stone, seconded by Mr. Doherty, unanimously adopted.

Diseases of Animals Committee Report

The Report of the meeting of Diseases of Animals Committee held on 17th July 1900 was, on the motion of Mr. Callaghan seconded by Mr. Hanna, adopted.

Re Injune. Donegal Bridge

Mr. Wray, having given notice of motion that the Council should consider what steps should be taken with regard to the closing of the arches of the Bridge connecting the Counties Injune and Donegal, on the Strabane side and the County Surveyor having furnished a report

thereon, it was proposed by Mr. Hayes seconded by Mr. Hanna and resolved:-

"That a copy of County Surveyors report be sent to Injune County Council requesting them to state what assistance they are prepared to give in this matter and that a sub-committee be appointed as follows to make a report to the Council:-

Capt. Stone, Messrs Wray, Magee, and Callaghan and that the Committee have regard to Section 57 of Schedule of Privy Council Order of 30th January 1893.

Re Malicious Injuries

Mr. Callaghan, in accordance with notice of motion given, moved and Mr. Doherty seconded:-

"That the resolution of the 22nd April 1899 be rescinded and that the question of employing solicitors by District Councils be referred to the Law Committee for report. This resolution was unanimously passed.

Re Agriculture and Technical Instruction Act

Mr. Hayes, in accordance with notice of motion given, moved and Capt. Stone, seconded and it was unanimously resolved:-

"That the Council shall appoint a Committee under the Agriculture and Technical Instruction Act and contribute a sum towards the fund of said Act, and that the nomination of this Committee be referred to the General Purposes Committee and that the fixing of the Rate to be levied be left to the Committee when appointed."

In connection with the moving of this resolution Mr. Hayes read the following correspondence which he had received from the Ulster District Board and the Department of Agriculture & Foreland, and which were ordered to be put on the minutes:-

Department of Agriculture
and Technical Instruction for Ireland
Upper Merion St., Dublin.

9th July 1900

No. 13574/1450
1900

Sir/
With further reference to your letter of the 25th

Copy to Mr. Callaghan
29/8/1900

Copy to Department of
Agriculture &
29/8/1900

Copy to Mr. Callaghan
29/8/1900

and 27th. Ultimo, I have to inform you that the Department is advised that where a County Council raises a general rate under any of its powers for the purposes of agriculture and technical instruction, it may apply portion of the amount so raised to the non-congested portions of the County, and may apply to the Department for a grant in aid to be expended solely in those portions of the County; it may spend the remainder of the rate in the congested districts for the purposes of agriculture and technical instruction.

I am
Sir,
Your obedient servant,
J. P. Hill,
Secretary.

Thomas Hayes Esq.
Milroy, Milford.
Co. Donegal.

Congested District Board for Ireland
23, Rutland Square, Dublin.
13th July, 1900.

Sir,
With reference to your letter of the 27th ultimo, I am directed by the Congested Districts Board for Ireland to state that you are doubtless aware that they are at present expending in the congested districts of Co. Donegal a very much larger sum than that contemplated by the arrangement suggested in your letter, and that there is no intention on the part of the Board to stop works of utility in congested districts because of the operations of the Department of Agriculture and Technical Instruction elsewhere.

At the same time as regards the general operations in Counties portions of which are congested and portions are non-congested, where the Department of Agriculture and the Congested Districts Board have common interests and contemplate similar work, it is the intention of the Congested Districts Board to co-operate with the Department of Agriculture in every way that may be possible.

I am,
Sir,
Your obedient servant,
J. W. J. Mitchell.

Thomas Hayes Esq.
Milroy,
Milford
Co. Donegal.

Re Alteration of Union Boundaries

The Standing Orders having been duly suspended the communications received from the Guardians of Stranorlar, Londonderry, Inishowen and Lifford with reference to the proposal to alter the Boundaries of these Unions were read and it was moved by Councillor Oaherly and seconded by

That in the opinion of the Board the cases put forward from the Unions in Donegal in favour of the re-adjustment are uncontrovertible and that we call upon the Local Government to at once use the powers given them under the 10th & 6.31. 15 to redress this long-standing grievance to which our County has been subjected. The Council further wish to emphasise the fact that the valuations of the three Donegal Unions combined at their formation amounted to only £94,135 while the valuation of the Union of Derry No. 1 alone is £145,000. Yet this monstrosity Union monopolises property to the value of £30,976 of the richest portion of the County Donegal where there are few poor, which naturally and geographically belongs to the Barony of Inishowen and the District of Lifford. The same argument applies to Stranorlar and Lifford Unions as against the encroachments of Stranorlar.

We, the Donegal County Council look upon this state of affairs as unequal both to the destitute poor and to the Ratepayers of this County, and regarding

Copy of the resolution & copies of communications sent Local Govt. Board - 25.8.00

regarding this as the main issue, we view all questions as to convenience, in these days of Railway facilities as merely side issues unworthy of notice. That copies of the documents received from the various Boards of Guardians be forwarded to the Local Government Board.

Councillor Hanna proposed and Councillor Storey seconded an Amendment:-
"That the matter be left in abeyance until the Local Government Board have given their decision."

Voting
On a Division being taken the Voting was:-
For Amendment Councillors Hanna, Storey, Wray. - 3.

Against Councillors McDevitt (Glenties), Cullen, Doherty, Doyle, H. H. Magee, Moore, McDevitt, (Lifford), John Pweeney, P. Ward and C. Ward - 7.
The amendment was accordingly declared lost and the motion was then passed without a division.

List of Proposals for Payment.

The List of Proposals for payment as formulated by the Proposals Committee and various District Councils and recommended by the Finance Committee, were, with the exception of the Coroners salaries, adopted.

Proposals for New Works.

The List of Proposals for New Works and maintenance of Works formulated by the various District Councils were then considered.

Ballyshannon

No 12 on the List of Proposals formulated by the Ballyshannon District Council, for which no tender was received, was put into County Surveyors hands. Other Proposals for which no tenders were received were referred back. Remaining Proposals sanctioned. In connection with the consideration of these Proposals

the County Surveyor mentioned that Mr. McFalls, whose appointment as Assistant Surveyor was sanctioned recently by the Local Government Board, was awaiting the directions of the Council prior to taking up his duties, and the Council accordingly instructed him to do so at once.

Donegal

No 304 on the Donegal List of Proposals was rejected. Nos. 310, 314, 335, 336, 341, 364, and 28, for which no tenders received, put into County Surveyors hands. Remaining Proposals, except those not tendered (which were referred back) sanctioned.

Dunfries

No 2 on the Dunfries List put into County Surveyors hands. Remainder sanctioned.

Glenties

With reference to No 108 on the Glenties List, the contract of the previous contractor was, on the advice of the County Surveyor broken, and the work given to a man named Pat Sweeney of Memabolegan. The County Surveyors grounds for recommending the breaking of the contract, were that the man (who is named Shawn Gallagher) would not perform the work and that the fishing industry would suffer in consequence.

Nos 696, 689, 690, 691, 713, 714, 682, 726 for which no tenders received were put into County Surveyors hands. No 704. The contract in this case was broken on same grounds as above and work put into County Surveyors hands. Rest of Proposals except those not tendered for were sanctioned.

Irishboro

No 909 put into County Surveyors hands. Other Proposals not tendered for struck out and remaining ones sanctioned.

Letterkenny
No 114 on the Letterkenny List reported being a new work. All Proposals for which no tenders were received were referred back and the remaining ones sanctioned.

Londonderry (No 2)
Nos 6, 3, 13, 8, on Londonderry (No 2) List for which no tenders received put into Comf. Surveyors hands. Rest of this class referred back and remaining proposals sanctioned. A Provisional Proposal for new work was ...

Belfast
No 195 on the Belfast List being a new work was reported. Nos 226, 231, 228, and 208 for which no tenders received put into Comf. Surveyors hands. Rest of this class referred back and remaining proposals sanctioned.

Strabane (No 2)
No 22 on Strabane List referred to next Quarter. All Proposals for which no tenders received were reported. Remainder sanctioned.

Stranorlar
Nos. 198 and 203 on Stranorlar List for which no tenders received put into Comf. Surveyors hands. Rest of this class referred back and remaining proposals sanctioned.

Dates of Quarter Meetings
The following dates were fixed for the meetings of the Proposal Committee, Comf. Council and various District Councils, viz.
Proposal Committee — 29th October 1900
County Council — 15th Nov. 1900
District Councils
Dunfries — 6th Oct. 1900
Inishowen — 8th " "
Stranorlar — 9th " "
Londonderry (No 2) — 10th " "

Glenties — 11th October 1900
Ballyshannon & Letterkenny — 12th " "
Donegal and Belford — 13th " "
Strabane (No 2) — 15th " "

Re Mr. Hamilton V.S.
A letter from the Department of Agriculture (Veterinary Branch) relative to the appointment of Mr. Hamilton V.S. as Inspector under the Diseases of Animals Act was referred to the Diseases of Animals Committee.

Re Mr. James Conroy
The Council confirmed the recommendation of the Finance Committee that Mr. Conroy should be allowed a retiring pension of £24 per annum. A month's notice of this application had been duly given each Councillor in writing.

Re Appointment of Assistant Surveyor
The appointment of an Assistant Surveyor in room of Mr. Conroy, resigned, was advertised to next Quarter meeting owing to none of the candidates having complied with the requirements of advertisement. It was directed that a new advertisement should be inserted and Mr. Conroy consented to remain in charge of the District until the appointment be made.

Donegal District Sanitary By-laws accounts
The Abstract of accounts of the above By-laws, together with the Auditor's reports thereon for the period of 3 months ended 31st March 1899 and for the year ended 31st March 1900 were read.

Resignation of Harbour Master in Clintock
Mr. John McLintock wrote tendering his resignation as Harbour Master at Bruckless and the Secretary was directed to advertise the vacancy and request Mr. McLintock to retain office until his successor is appointed.

City of County
29/10/1900

Public advertisement

with Mr. McLintock 29/10/00
Public advertisement

Wrote Mr. Wilson enclosed
assessment -
24/9/00
Copy of the
Ballinham
24/9/00

Re Income Tax on Bruckless Pier
The Supervisor took enclosing an assessment of
£20 Income Tax on Bruckless Pier, and the Solicitor
to the Council was instructed to appeal against same.

Re Mr. F. Ballaghan's Pension
A Sealed Order from the Local Government Board
sanctioning payment of the Pension allowed to
Mr. Ballaghan by the Council was read.

Advancement of Loans to Unions
Letters from the Board of Public Works intimating
that they were advancing loans of £300 & 250
to the Guardians of the Stranorlar and Trillick
Unions were read.

Miscellaneous Correspondence
A number of unimportant letters and resolutions were
read and the remaining business on Tuesday
was adjourned to next meeting of Council.

Letter from Mr. Burtonport, Re Extension (Deviation)
A copy of an Order in Council re above was read.

Acting Secretary
Mr. Black was appointed to act as Secretary
during the Secretary's absence on holiday.

Confirmed
Wm. W. W. W.

6th Oct-1900

Chairman of Council

Diseases of Animals Committee

Copy report sent

L.B. Council

24/9/00

A meeting of the above Committee was held on 24th
September 1900.

Attendance

The members of the Committee present were:-
Messrs. Hann, Wray and Storey.

Chairman

Mr. Hann was, on the motion of Captain Storey seconded
by Mr. Wray, appointed Chairman of the Committee.

Minutes

The minutes of previous meeting were confirmed.

Reports of Veterinary Inspectors

Reports of the various Veterinary Inspectors under the
Contagious Diseases of Animals Act were read.

Re Mr. Hamilton V.S.

A letter from the Department of Agriculture (Veterinary
Branch) relative to the appointment of Mr. Hamilton
as Inspector under the Diseases of Animals Act for
Ballyshannon (1901) Rural District having been
read it was directed that a copy of the letter be
sent to Mr. Hamilton for information and reply.

Should be read
26/9/00

Re Ballin Test.

A letter from the Department of Agriculture with
reference to the use of the Ballin Test in cases of
suspected glanders was read and it was resolved,
on the motion of Captain Storey, seconded by Mr. Wray,
that we recommend that all the Veterinary
Inspectors of the County be authorized to purchase
the instruments required in the application of the
Ballin Test in suspected cases of glanders in horses,
half of the cost to be borne by the County and half
by the Board of Agriculture and also such a limited
quantity of the Ballin as shall maintain its
vitality and as is necessary for use in a sudden
emergency.

Inspection at Fairs.

The Secretary having requested the Committee for an instruction as to what fairs he should direct the Veterinary Inspector to attend it was proposed by Captain Stone, seconded by Mr. Wray and resolved:-

That our Veterinary Inspector shall attend any important sheep fairs in their Districts which are held in the month of October and that their allowance for expenses per day shall be as follows:-

Servy	-	nil.
Strabane	-	10/- per fair.
Glenties	-	20/-
Stranorlar	-	10/-
Ballyshannon	-	10/-
Millford	-	10/-
Dunferry	-	20/-
Letterkenny	-	10/-
Donegal	-	10/-
Wicklow	-	10/-

Confirmed.

J. Hanna
Chairman of Committee

Adopted

W. J. Hanna

Chairman of Council
6th Sept 1900

Finance Committee

copy report for
and cancellations
24/9/00

A meeting of the Finance Committee was held on
24th Sept. 1900.

Attendance.

Members of Committee present were:-

Mr. Wm. Hanna (Chairman) Messrs. Stone, Wray, & Wray.

Minutes.

The minutes of previous meeting were confirmed.

Transfer of Quarterly Estimates and Demands.

The transfer of the Quarterly Estimates and Demands to the Board of Guardians and Rural District Councils was sanctioned.

Audited Accounts of Various Unions.

The audited accounts of the various Unions and Rural District Councils were laid before the Committee.

Subsidiary A/c.

A number of claims for payment out of the Subsidiary account were sanctioned.

Refunds of Sued Rati.

A letter from the clerk, Donegal Union, requesting refund of amount of Sued Rati included in the Rati in respect of the half-year ended 30th Sept. 1899, was read and refund of the amount collected sanctioned. A like refund was sanctioned to the Guardians of the Ballyshannon Union.

Re Collector Thos. Crawford

A letter from Collector Thos. Crawford requesting a refund of amount of grand jury fees which he alleged he had paid and which he was unable to collect was marked read.

copy to Mr. Crawford
24/9/00

Application by Mr. John O'Donnell.

A letter from Mr. John O'Donnell, Harbour Constable at Buntport Pier, applying for an increase to the remuneration allowed him was read and the Committee, on the motion of Mr. Wray seconded by Mr. Hannal, recommended an increase of £1 to the salary paid him annually, thus putting him on the same footing with the other Harbour Constables.

Rates for half Year ending 31st March 1901

The Committee approved of the intention to make rates for service of the half year ending 31st March 1901 as submitted by the Secretary.

Re: Mr. Samuel Watters.

Mr. Samuel Watters, clerk Kilford Union, wrote claiming £25 in addition to the £10 allowed him as remuneration for bringing the Local Government Act into operation and it was proposed by Capt. Stone seconded by Mr. Wray and resolved:-

That as Mr. Watters, clerk of Union, Kilford has already been paid the sum of £10 for services in bringing the Local Govt. Act into operation uniformly with all other clerks of Unions we see no reason to make an exception in his case.

Re: Collection of Rates.

The Local Government Board having written enclosing copy of a report made by their Inspector as to the backward state of the collection in certain Collection Districts and requesting the Council to take action thereon, it was resolved, on the motion of Capt. Stone seconded by Mr. Wray:-

That the Secretary is instructed to write to all collectors who have not lodged at this date 75 per cent of their total half yearly collections that if their total collections are not lodged by the 30th and the Committee must take steps to call on their securities to make good any balance unpaid.

Copy to Mr. O'Donnell
26/9/00

Copy to Mr. Watters
26/9/00

Copies as directed
26/9/00

"Re" Checking of Collectors Books

The Secretary having again had occasion to complain of the manner in which the collectors books were being checked by most of the Deputies, it was proposed by Capt. Stone seconded by Mr. Wray and resolved:-

That three collectors who have had their collecting books unsatisfactorily checked heretofore be directed to send in their books by post to be checked in the Council office for the next half year.

Re: Collector McGonry

The Secretary having reported that Collector McGonry had under-logged in respect of the last half years collection some £90 which he refused to lodge and £40 of which he admitted having collected it was resolved, on the motion of Mr. Hannal seconded by Capt. Stone:-

That the Secretary be instructed to authorise the Solicitor to the Council to take immediate proceedings against the securities of Mr. McGonry for the balance of his half yearly rates ending March 31st 1900.

Re: Mr. John Gilmore

A letter from Mr. Gilmore's solicitor stating that unless the costs of his clients suit against the Council be paid he would return the draft for compensation awarded him, which had been sent, having been read, the letter was referred to Mr. Wilson.

Re: Collection of Rates on Lory Island &c

A letter from Collector Doogan with reference to his inability to collect rates on Lory and Lushetopin Island were read and it was directed that a copy of it be sent to the Local Government Board and request them to advise what steps the Council should take in the matter.

Claim by Mr. David Malsed.

A claim by Mr. David Malsed for expenses incurred in connection with the collection of the rates for the half years ending 30th Sept 1899 and 31st March 1900 was read and read:

Copy sent Mr. Wilson
26/9/00

Copy of letter sent
Mr. Wilson 26/9/00

Copy sent as directed
26/9/00

Copy sent Mr. Malsed
26/9/00

Miscellaneous Correspondence

A number of unimportant letters were read.

Confirmed

Wm. Doherty
Chairman of Committee

Adopted

Thos. Hadden

Chairman of Council
O'Connell 1900

Coroners Committee

A meeting of the Coroners Committee was held on
24th September 1900.

Attendance

Messrs. M. Hadden (Chairman), J. Hage, and J. B. Stone,
were present.

Re Coroners Salaries

The letters from Messrs. Boyle and Ramsay relative to
their salaries agreed by the Local Govt Board which were
referred by the Council to the Committee were then considered
and these gentlemen having addressed the Committee
it was resolved:-

"That this Committee beg to report that after
hearing Mr. Boyle and Mr. Ramsay, the coroners concerned
in the salaries question referred to us, that we cannot
see how to interfere with the report of the Committee
adopted at Finance Committee meeting of 13th July 1900
which can be considered by the Council at their full
meeting."

We consider these gentlemen not as fairly treated
as the other coroners were by the Local Govt Board.

Confirmed

James O'Connell
Chairman of Committee

Copy sent
24/9/00
G.O.
24/9/00

Copy sent
24/9/00
G.O.
24/9/00

General Purposes Committee

A meeting of the General Purposes Committee was
held on 6th October 1900.

Attendance

The members of the Committee present were:-

Mr. Edward M. Hadden (Chairman), Messrs. M. Hage, J. B. Stone,
J. Hage, Wm. Gallagher, Wm. Hanna, Thos. Hage,
Isaque Hage, Thos. Hage, and John Sweeney.

Minutes

The minutes of previous meeting were confirmed.

Re Quorum of Committees

The Chairman, in the absence of Captain Stone, who
had given notice of Motion, moved and J. Hage
seconded and it was resolved:-

"That the Standing Order regulating the number
required to form a quorum of the General Purposes
Finance and Proposal committees be amended
by reducing the number from five to four."

Appointment of Committee to act under

the Agriculture and Technical Instruction Act

The Committee, acting on the resolution adopted by the
Council at their General meeting held on 20th Aug.
1900, nominated the following gentlemen to act
as a committee under the Agriculture and Technical
Instruction Act 1899.

1. The Most Rev. Dr. O'Donnell, Letterkenny
2. Edward M. Hadden Esq., M.P. Solicitor do
3. Hugh Law Esq., M. Marblehill, Dunfarnham
4. The Right Rev. Monsignor McEllin, P.P. Stranorlar
5. Hugh McDermott Esq., M. Clontarf
6. Captain Thomas B. Stone, M. Oakfield, Raphoe
7. William James Hanning Esq., M. Whitehouse Carrigan
8. Isaque Hage Esq., M. Ballykeefe
9. Michael Hage Esq., Ballyshannon
10. Wm. Gallagher Esq., M. Castlefin
11. Francis Callaghan Esq., M. Castlefin & Stranorlar
12. Connell H. Ward Esq., M. Bannamore Donegal

Copy sent each member and Secretary
24/10/00

13. Daniel Joseph Flood Esq. Pettigo.
14. Peter Ward Esq. Dumbineel.
15. John Sweeney Esq. St. Dunagloe.
16. The Rev. Father Stephens Letterkenny
17. Abraham Manning Esq. St. Mulroy, Melford.
18. Mr. J. A. Gray Esq. Mr. Carrons. Castleknock
19. Mr. Robert Esq. St. Bunscoil.
20. The Rev. John Sweeney, P.P. Killybegs
21. William Colhoun Esq. St. Edmacaman, Letterkenny
22. James Smyth Esq. St. Liffannon, Burt.
23. George Moore Esq. Ballmacanick Ballintore.
24. E. D. Hewison Esq. St. Longs Vash Churchill

Confirmed

Chairman of Committee

Adopted

15. 1900 *Mark A. Stann*
Chairman of Council
6th Oct. 1900

Minutes of Special meeting of County Council
held on 6th October 1900

Attendance

Councillors Edward McFadden, F. Gallagher, M. Bassidy, J. Flood, Wm. Gallagher, Wm. Jacobson, Mr. Hayes, James Magee, Hugh McClafferty, John Sweeney and Peter Ward

Mr. Edward McFadden, Chairman, presided at the commencement of the meeting but subsequently vacated the chair when Mr. Mr. Hayes, on the motion of Mr. Magee seconded by Mr. Bassidy, took it.

Congratulations to Edward McFadden Esq. M.P.

At the sitting of the Council it was proposed by Councillor William Gallagher seconded by Councillor Michael Leasidy and unanimously resolved:-

That we the members of the Donegal County Council propose that our worthy Chairman Mr. McFadden receive our warmest congratulations on his election as member of Parliament for East Donegal.

Reports of Committees

Reports of meetings of the Diseases of Animals, Finance and Coroners Committees held on the 24th Sept. 1900 and of meeting of the General Purposes Committee held prior to the Council meeting on 6th Oct. 1900 were unanimously adopted.

Re Coroners Salaries

The consideration of the communications from Messrs Boyle and Ramsey, coroners relative to their salaries as fixed by the Local Government Board was, at the request of these gentlemen, adjourned to the next meeting and the Secretary was directed to notify the Local Government Board to this effect.

Re Mr. C. Hamilton, V.S.

A letter from Mr. C. Hamilton, V.S., whose appointment as Inspector for Ballyshannon (No. 1) Rural District under the Diseases of Animals Act the Veterinary

*Approved by Council
F. Gallagher
11/10/1900*

Department recently wrote to state they could not sanction on the ground that he lived too far from his district, stating that he could reach his district in two hours. Having been read it was proposed by Mr. Hannes, seconded by Mr. Cassidy and resolved:-

"That we, the Local Authority under the Diseases of Animals Act, having heard Mr. Hamilton's reply to the communication received from the Veterinary Department, a copy of which was by the direction of the Diseases of Animals Committee, transmitted to him, we consider his appointment a suitable one, finding a suitable substitute for his Post-duties in Sligo when necessary.

That a copy of Mr. Hamilton's letter be sent with this resolution to the Veterinary Department.

Re County Analyst

The Secretary was directed to insert advertisements inviting applications for the position of County Analyst, the applicants to state on what terms they are prepared to act for next meeting of Council.

Explosives Licenses

Licenses to sell explosives were, on the motion of Mr. Hayes seconded by Mr. Magee, granted to Mr. James Buchanan of Glinsk and Mr. James McDonagh of Carrondagh.

Re Brogan's Ferry

A letter from the Rural District Council of Strabane (No 2) requesting the attention of the Council to the desirability of charging a toll for use of Brogan's Ferry at Carrickmore was adopted for consideration to the next meeting of Council for Mr. Hayes's attendance.

Re Charles Campbell - Road Contractor

A resolution from the Letterkenny District Council requesting the County Council to release Charles Campbell of Illistrina from his Contract No 105 on the District Register was moved and read.

Advised and resolved
9th Oct 1900

Re Train facilities on Letterkenny Railway

The consideration of a resolution from the Londonderry No 2 District Council asking the Council to use their influence with the Londonderry Railway Company to get the latter to put on a mid-day train from Londonderry to Letterkenny on Wednesdays and Saturdays was deferred to the next meeting of the Council.

Re Making of Rate

The following resolution of the Londonderry County Council relative to the making of one Rate in the year 1901 was unanimously adopted.

Resolution

Resolved:-

"That the Local Government Board be asked to make an Order enabling this Council to make one Rate each year, collected in two levies and thereby save the expense of a large amount of unnecessary servantry; and also an Order, or, if necessary, obtain legislation enabling a County Council to decide, at its option, the business transferred by the Local Government Act from Grand Juries and Government Sessions to County and District Councils may be transacted half-yearly instead of quarterly, inasmuch as the quarterly system involves a large increase of work to many of the officials for which extra remuneration is asked without, in our opinion, any proportionate advantage."

Re Registration of Margarine Promises

A circular from the Department of Agriculture relative to the registration of any promises made within the jurisdiction of the Donegal County Council at which the manufacture of, or business of a wholesale dealer in Margarine or Margarine cheese being carried on, was read and it was directed that copies of same be sent to the various District Councils and they be requested to report on any such places of businesses in their District.

Copies sent and received
16th Oct 1900

copy of letter sent as directed
12/1/00
copy sent to Mr. Law
17/10/00

"Re" Portnablagrey Pier

A letter from Mr. Hugh A. Law, Muddahill Letterkenny
"re" Portnablagrey Pier was adjourned for consideration
to the next meeting of Council the Secretary being
instructed to send the County Surveyor a copy of the letter
and request him to report on same.

"Re" Lifford Courthouse

A report of the County Surveyor, "re" the general
condition of Lifford Courthouse was referred to
the Proposal Committee so that a Proposal for
improvements to it may be brought in.

"Re" Downings Pier

A report from the County Surveyor relative to Downings
Pier, and a letter from a Mr. Fiell, D.B. with
reference to the neglected manner in which the
Harbour Master was performing his duties, and
a letter from the Harbour Master himself having
been read, it was resolved, on the motion of
Mr. Hannan seconded by Mr. Magee:-

"That as no dues have been collected at this
Pier for last three seasons and as the pier
has been damaged to a considerable extent
which will now cause a large expenditure for
repairs out of the County Rates, when the revenues
of the Pier should be available for the purpose,
we, the County Council, are forced to the conclusion
that the Harbour Master has neglected his duties
and we call on him to resign and authorize
the Local Committee to appoint a Harbour Master."

"Re" Ballymass Pier

Report of the Harbour Constable and Committee
in charge of Ballymass Pier having been
read it was proposed by Mr. Hannan and
seconded by Mr. Gallagher and resolved:-

"That the County Surveyor place himself
in the hands of the Local Committee to carry
out all the necessary improvements required
to properly accommodate vessels calling at the
Pier at a cost not to exceed £10."

"Re" Mr. Michael O'Callaghan

The consideration of the Notice of Motion to receive
the resolution allowing Mr. O'Callaghan £120 for
acting as Assistant Surveyor for the District known
as East Kilmacrennan was adjourned to the
Quarterly meeting.

"Re" Teelin Pier

A letter from the Congested Districts Board relative
to the condition of Teelin Pier and a report which
the County Surveyor had been directed to make
with reference to same having been read it
was resolved:-

"That our Secretary inform the Congested Districts
Board that, on the report of the County Surveyor
we find that this Pier is not in general use by the
people of the County or by any boats except those
of the Board and we therefore do not see our way
to expending money on it. If, however, the Board
find it of service we will approve of their maintain-
ing its stability."

Copy sent to D.B.
11/10/00

Payments Out of General Account

A number of payments were sanctioned out of
the General Account.

"Re" Local Government (Ireland) Act

The following resolution of the Municipal Council
of the City of Dublin relative to the powers
vested in the Local Government Board under
the above Act was unanimously adopted.

Resolution

Resolved:-

"That this Corporation in Council assembled
pleases upon record, as the premier representative
Body in Ireland, its opinion that the present system
of administering the Local Government of this
County, by a Board which is non-elective and
in no way responsible to the people governed for
its actions, is entirely opposed to all ideas of
Democratic Government; that the continuance
of such a system is detrimental to the interests
of the people."

copy of letter sent as directed
12/10/00
copy sent to Mr. Law
11/10/00

"Re" Portnablaghey Pier

A letter from Mr. Hugh A. Law, Marlhill Litterkenny
"re" Portnablaghey Pier was adjourned for consideration
to the next meeting of Council the Secretary being
instructed to send the County Surveyor a copy of the letter
and request him to report on same.

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condition of Lifford Cornhouse was referred to
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reference to the negligent manner in which the
Harbour Master was performing his duties, and
a letter from the Harbour Master himself having
been read, it was resolved, on the motion of
Mr. Hannan seconded by Mr. Hayes:-

"That as no dues have been collected at this
Pier for last three seasons and as the pier
has been damaged to a considerable extent
which will now cause a large expenditure for
repairs out of the County Rate, when the revenues
of the Pier should be available for the purpose,
we, the County Council, are forced to the conclusion
that the Harbour Master has neglected his duties
and we call on him to resign and authorize
the Local Committee to appoint a Harbour Master."

"Re" Ballynass Pier

Reports of the Harbour Constable and Committee
in charge of Ballynass Pier having been
read it was proposed by Mr. Hannan and
seconded by Mr. Callaghan and resolved:-

"That the County Surveyor place himself
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out all the necessary improvements required
to properly accommodate vessels calling at the
Pier at a cost not to exceed £10."

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Copy sent E. D. P.
11/10/00

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County, by a Board which is non-elective and
in no way responsible to the people governed for
its actions, is entirely opposed to all ideas of
Democratic Government; that the continuance
of such a system is detrimental to the interests
of the people."

of the Irish People, and will undoubtedly tend to increase the already overburdened taxation of the County; that we call on the Irish Parliamentary Representatives to take such action in Parliament as will remove the aforesaid pressing grievance and disability; and that copies of this Resolution be sent to Mr. John Redmond, M.P. Colonel Sanderson, M.P. the Chief Secretary for Ireland, to the Secretary of each Borough and County Council in Ireland.

Resolution from Melford District Council
The following resolution with reference to the areas of charge for the Ramelton and Rathmullen Waterworks adopted by the Melford District Council having been read the Secretary was directed to write and request the Local Government Board to limit the area of charge for these Waterworks to the guaranteeing areas.

Resolution

Proposed by Mr. Denis Deeny, seconded by Mr. J. McEneaney and passed, that the Local Govt. Board be requested to rescind their Order of the 16th May 1899 fixing the area of charge for the Rathmullen and Rathmullen Waterworks as the Dispensary Districts of these places, and that the Local Govt. Board be requested to fix the original area as the area of charge for the repayment of the loan obtained on any other expenditure that may arise in connection with the maintenance & repair of these works.

Original area for Rathmullen: Shavannan near Carrallin, Millbrook, Rathmullen & Ballyhol
Area for Ramelton: Ramelton, Ballyhol, Bridge End & Donnanaghmore Townland.

Letter from Clerk Counties Union

A letter from the Clerk Counties Union with reference to a sum of £16.15.11 lying in the Ulster Bank Centre to the credit of the County Council having been read the Secretary was directed to write the Clerk and ask him to ascertain by whom this money was lodged and what for.

Work restricted 15/10/00

Copy to Mr. Union 15/10/00

Appointment of Harbour Master

The Council then proceeded to appoint a Harbour Master for Blackless Pier.

Mr. P. Ward Ward proposed and Mr. McEneaney seconded the appointment of Mr. John Dorrian, Killahtee, Dunmore, which was unanimously passed. The Secretary was directed to see that Mr. Dorrian be provided with a list of his duties and write him to carry them out and also with the scale of dues.

Re Government Grant to Industrial Schools

The following resolution of the Tipperary County Council "re Government Grant to Industrial schools" was unanimously adopted.

Resolution

Resolved:—

"That we are of opinion that the Irish Industrial Schools should get substantial Government endowment for the reasons that they are the best institutions of their kind in the country and fit out for a decent livelihood that section of the community whose parents are unfortunately unable to prepare their children for the scramble of life.

"That a copy of this Resolution be sent to the Chief Secretary, the members of Parliament for this County and to each County Council in Ireland.

Re Collector Mr. McGonigley

In connection with the retention by Collector McGonigley and appropriation to his own use of certain moneys received by him in his official capacity as Poor Rate collector, it was proposed by Mr. P. Ward seconded by Mr. Francis Callaghan and unanimously resolved:—

"That inasmuch as William McGonigley, collector in Ballyshannon No. 1 Rural District has failed to lodge certain moneys collected by him for the use of the County under warrant 31st March 1900 and also failed to carry out the instructions of the County Council and the regulations of the Local Govt. Board in making proper returns of his collection under

During copy sent Mr. Ward instructed to apply to Mr. Union for list of duties 15/10/00

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Representative Chief Clerk 15/10/00

Copy sent Mr. McGonigley & District Cor. 15/10/00 money restricted 15/10/00

under Warrant 3rd September 1900 whereby dismissed him from his office as collector and we direct the Secretary to advertise for a new collector for this division.

"Re" Residence of County Surveyor. I.D.
Letters from the Local Government Board enclosing copies of letters they had received from Mr. Ferguson County Surveyor with reference to a resolution recently passed by the Finance Committee of the Council directing him to live in Letterkenny, were referred to the Finance Committee.

"Re" Collectors Bonds.
The Secretary having brought under the notice of the Council that certain of the collector Bonds were for amounts considerably in excess of the sums charged in their Warrants while others were for sums less than what were charged in the warrants, and that it would be advisable to have these Bonds altered so as to cover the exact amounts; he was directed to consult the Council's solicitor as to whether continuing Bonds could be so amended and if so to have the alterations made.

copy to Mr. Nelson
12/10/00

"Re" Insurance On County Buildings
A letter from the West of England Insurance Company applying for the payment of the premium on the insurance of the County Buildings was referred to the Finance Committee.

"Re" Mr. John Byrne, Road Contractor
A man named John Byrne, road Contractor, having appeared before the Council and alleged that he had not been paid for certain works contracted for under the grand jury, and which the County Surveyor had certified for it was resolved, on the motion of Mr. Gallacher seconded by Mr. Magee
"That we direct Mr. Stedman to investigate the case of Byrne's Contract and report at next meeting. The Secretary was also directed to

examine the cheques issued for that period and see if any had been issued for the amount allowed in respect of this contract.

Miscellaneous Correspondence
A number of unimportant resolutions from various Bodies and letters were read.

Confirmed
Wm. W. Stedman
Chairman

Spencer Councillors
D. B. T. Surveyors (27)
31/10/1900

Proposal Committee

A meeting of the Proposal Committee was held on 29th Sept 1900

Attendance

The members of Committee present were:-

Capt. Thos. B. Stone (Chairman) Messrs. Em. Fadden,
Sengh McDavitt (Clk) W. Cassidy, Wm. Hannell, Village
John McCormick and C. St. Mark

Minutes

The minutes of previous meeting were confirmed.

County Surveyor's Proposals for Payment

The recommendations of the County Surveyor as to Proposals for payment in respect of Quarter ended 30th Sept 1900 were adopted.

"Re" Sudden Damages to Courthouses &c

One of the County Surveyor's recommendations for payment being for repairs to Buncrana Courthouse which had not been ordered by the Committee it was proposed by Mr. Hannell seconded by Mr. Ward and resolved:-

"That we recommend that whenever any sudden damage takes place to any of the County property and which cannot await the ordinary consideration before Committee - the County Surveyor shall call upon the two nearest County Councillors who may at once order necessary repairs and report same to next meeting of Standing Committee

Letterkenny Courthouse

The Committee, on the recommendation of the County and Town Surveyors sanctioned payment of £30 in respect of the Contract for repairs to Letterkenny Courthouse which the Surveyors certified had been duly executed.

Lifford Courthouse

A report by the County Surveyor (H.D.) on the general condition of Lifford Courthouse, in which he recommended certain repairs and improvements at an estimated cost of £1000 which had been referred by the Council to the Committee was considered and, on the motion of Mr. Hannell seconded by Mr. Fadden it was resolved to invite tenders for the execution of the repairs at a cost not to exceed the sum named by the County Surveyor and the County Surveyor was directed to prepare Plans and Specifications to be open for inspection at his office. It was also decided to consider these tenders at an appointed meeting to be held on 6th November 1900.

Donegal Courthouse

A proposal of the County Surveyor for an expenditure of a sum not to exceed £24.10 on repairs to Donegal Courthouse was, on the motion of Mr. Ward seconded by Mr. Cassidy, adopted.

Ranagh Pier

A proposal of the County Surveyor for an expenditure of £4 per annum for a period of three years as salary to a caretaker of Ranagh Pier who will repair any small breaches as they occur by the influence of storms and clean the berths of all boulders keep them clean, was also adopted on the motion of Mr. Ward seconded by Mr. Hannell.

Rathmullen Pier

A Proposal of the County Surveyor for an expenditure of a sum not to exceed £10 on repairs to Ruder Piles at Rathmullen Pier was, on the motion of Mr. Fadden seconded by Mr. McCormick, adopted.

Payment in respect of County Infirmary Courthouses

Proposals for payment in respect of the maintenance of County Infirmary at Lifford and salary of Surgeon for Quarter also rent of Sessions House & Public Printing (General Printing and Register of Rates) were sanctioned.

Payments for Publication of Advertisements
 Claims by Proprietors of Local Papers for publishing advertisements for Quarter were considered and, with the exception of the Donegal Vindicator, were sanctioned for payment. Certain items were struck out of the account furnished by the proprietor Donegal Vindicator, not having been according to scale and having been published subsequent to resolution being passed by County Council directing that advertisements should only be published in Kerry papers.

Confirmed.

J. J. [Signature]
 Chairman

Adopted. [Signature]
 15th Nov 1900

Chairman of Council

Finance Committee

Meeting of the Finance Committee was held on 29th October, 1900.

Official Committee
 T.L. G.B.
 31/10/00

Attendance

The following members of the Committee were present:
 Mr. J. J. Doherty (Chairman), Messrs. Mr. Tadden,
 Mr. Devitt (Pluribus), F. Callaghan, M. Cassin, Mr. Hannan,
 J. Magee, Mr. Cornick, Mr. B. Stoney, Mr. Ward

Minutes

The minutes of previous meeting were confirmed.

Re Collectors Returns of Uncollected Rates

Mr. Hugh McDevitt, in accordance with notice of motion given, proposed Mr. Hannan seconded and it was unanimously resolved:-

"That a list from all collectors of the various unions of the names of defaulters after each collection be furnished to the Rural District Councils with any steps that have been taken to enforce payments and that they be asked to report to the Finance Committee on same."

Appointment of Rate Collector

The Committee considered applications for the position of Rate collector for the Electoral Division of Bundoran and it was proposed by Mr. Cassidy seconded by Mr. Ward and unanimously resolved:-

"That Mr. Michael Mulhern be appointed to the vacant collectorship."

Re Residence of County Surveyor &c

Letters from the Local Port Board enclosing copies of communications they had received from Mr. J. H. Ferguson relative to the resolution recently passed by the County Council directing him to reside in Letterkenny were then read and it was proposed by Mr. Magee seconded by Mr. Hannan and resolved:-

"That in reply to the Local Port Board's letter to the Finance Committee in reference to the convenience of

Copy sent to Mr. J. J. Mulhern
 2/11/00

of Mr Ferguson residing in Derry, we beg to say that Mr Ferguson's statements are not accurate inasmuch as the contractors in the Caledonia District who wish to see Mr Ferguson have to travel about 60 Irish miles to Derry, those from Duffmanagh District about 50 Irish miles and those from Farnah about 50 Irish miles while these districts are respectively about 30, 25 and 25 miles each from Letterkenny. We also beg to say that Mr Ferguson has not to travel to Derry to reach Camdonagh as he has simply to get out at Foonan Junction and travel to Binnah and thence to Camdonagh. Although Mr Ferguson is an existing officer any resolution or permission of the Grand Jury allowing the County Surveyor to reside in Derry cannot have any binding effect on the County Council, as circumstances and the opening of communications have materially changed the centre of his District since his appointment and, in our opinion, in the interest of the Ratepayers. Letterkenny is the proper centre for his work.

We consider, therefore, we must have full discretion in the control of the work of our officials and power to meet every contingency as it arises.

"Re" Fire Insurance on County Buildings

A letter from the Patriotic Insurance Company, Belfast, applying for the fire insurance of the County Courthouse and other buildings belonging to the Council which expired on 29th September last having been read, Mr Cassidy moved and Mr McCormack seconded and it was resolved -

"That we recommend that the Public Buildings be insured with the Patriotic Insurance Company for the same amounts as previously assured for and that the Secretary arrange that portion of the amounts be on the furniture, books &c."

"Re" Mr. R.S. Motters

A letter from Mr R.S. Motters, Clerk, Letterkenny Union with reference to the amount of remuneration (£10) allowed him for bringing the Act into operation was read.

"Re" Collector Crawford

A letter from the Local Government Board re refund of Grand Jury fees lodged by Mr. H. Crawford of Ballybarn, Drunkmeel, rate collector having been read it was decided to refer the list of items which Mr Crawford had furnished, to the District Council for their opinion as to whether these rates were really uncollectable when lodged by the collector.

Subsidary A/c.

Number of claims were sanctioned for payment out of the Subsidiary account.
A transfer of £200 from the General to the Subsidiary account was sanctioned.

"Re" Collector Deeney

Letters from collector Deeney declining to lodge £2:11:3, which it had been ascertained by the Secretary he was short lodged in respect of the collection ended on the 31st Decr 1899, having been read, the Secretary was directed to notify him that his sureties himself will be prosecuted unless he lodge the money.

"Re" Collection of Rates on Tory Island

A further letter from the Local Govt Board relative to the collection of rates on Tory Island and suggesting that that a collector who lives on the Island should be appointed having been read, it was proposed by Mr. Hannan seconded by Mr. Cassidy and resolved -

"That inasmuch as we have been unable to collect any rates on Tory Island through our collector on the main land - and it would be utterly futile to attempt the appointment of a collector on the Island, as no person living thereon would dare to take such appointment."

And inasmuch as we expend no money on roads or otherwise for the benefit of the inhabitants - we request the sanction of the Local Government Board to strike the Island off the map of the County for taxation purposes we consider it useless to continue to strike rates which we cannot collect - and we are

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are therefore compelled to carry them over from term to term as uncollectable arrears.

Letter from Surveyor of Taxes

A letter from the Surveyor of Taxes requesting to be furnished with certain details as to the income derived from the piers of the County having been read the Secretary was directed to refer him to the statement of accounts already furnished before.

Re Rathmullen Pier

Letters from Mr. James Lanning and Mr. R. Stewart: Rathmullen relative to the lighting of the Pier and stating that Mr. Fox who formerly acted as Harbour Master declined to hand over the books as he had not been notified as to ^{who} were the members of the pier committee appointed by the Council having been read, the Secretary was directed to reply to Mr. Stewart that the lighting of the Pier and maintaining of the lamps was a matter for local subscriptions in conjunction with the war ship stationed there and the committee could not see their way to making a grant for this purpose; and also to write Mr. Fox directing him as to whom he should hand over the books.

It having been also brought under the notice of the committee by the Secretary that the money lodged to the credit of this pier in the Belfast Bank had not yet been transferred to the Hibernian Bank the Secretary was directed to write and request the chairman of the old pier committee to have this done immediately.

Re Collector in County

A sealed Order from the Local Government Board confirming the dismissal by the Council of William McCarty from his office as Poor Rate Collector, was laid before the committee.

Re Certain Property held by County Council

Letters from Messrs. Hannell & Darby, 18, Stephens Green, Dublin relative to a plot of land held by the County Council and which is included in an Estate that they are selling in the Land Judges Court and desiring to be informed as to the title by which the Council claim to hold, having been read, the Secretary was directed to reply that the land is held by the Council as successors of the late Grand Jury and in fee.

Re Donegal Railway

A letter from the Secretary to the Donegal Railway Co. stating that under the provisions of the Donegal Railway Act, 1900, sections 13 to 16 (which refer to the release of the County Council from guarantee in respect of the shares created under the West Donegal Light Railway Order 1886 - and the cancelling of such shares - and issue of debenture stock in lieu thereof; all the shares referred to have been given up, cancelled and the stock as provided in the Act issued.

Confirmed

Wm. Cokerly
Chairman

Adopted.

1st Dec 1900

Chairman of County Council

Adjutant L. G. B.
Comptroller
21/11/00

Special Committee appointed to Consider Claims

A meeting of the Special Committee appointed to consider claims was held on 29th Oct 1900.

Attendance

The members of the Committee present were:-
Mr. Edward Macdonald (Chairman), Wm. Hannay, Esq. Esq.,
Capt. J. H. Sherry.

Minutes

The minutes of previous meeting were confirmed.

Re Mr. David Macdonald's Remuneration

Mr. David Macdonald having applied to have his remuneration as Rate Collector settled and having also furnished a claim for expenses in connection with the collection of the rates made by the Council the Committee fixed his remuneration at ~~£234.15.9~~ ^{£234.15.9} per year payable half-yearly, having struck out his claim for expenses, and Mr. Macdonald who was present stated he was willing to accept this salary.

Re Mr. Robert Patterson's Remuneration

The Committee fixed Mr. Patterson's remuneration at ~~£116.10.0~~ ^{£116.10.0} per year payable half-yearly, having also disallowed his claim for expenses in connection with collection of rates made by the Council and Mr. Patterson's solicitor also stated that he would accept this salary.

Re Mr. James Gorman

Mr. James Gorman who resigned his position as Rate collector owing to failing health applied for a retiring pension and the Committee granted him a retiring allowance of £10.14.6 the following being the figures on which they made their calculation.
Gross average emoluments for five preceding years,
preceding the summer assizes 1898 = £25.4.5

Subduct expenses	£2.0.0	
Car hire	2.0.0	
Office	0.5.0	
Postages	0.9.5	
Tolices		5.14.5

Net average emoluments £19.10.0

Mr. Gorman's length of service 33 years, hence
 $\frac{33}{60} \times £19.10 = £10.14.6$ per year

Re Mr. Jacoborscadden

A claim by Mr. Jacoborscadden, late deputy ass collector for remuneration for loss of office was ruled informal and the matter adjourned until a meeting to be held on 15th November 1900, so that a new claim may be furnished.

Confirmed

Wm. Hannay

Chairman

Adopted Wm. Doherty

Chairman Finance Committee
13th November 1900

Copy to Mr. Jacoborscadden
21/11/00

Copy to Mr. Macdonald
21/11/00

Copy to Mr. Patterson
21/11/00

Copy to Mr. Gorman
21/11/00

Finance Committee

A meeting of the Finance Committee was held on 13th November 1900

Attendance

The members present were:-

Mr. Wm. Doherty (Chairman), Messrs. J. Callaghan, Edw. M. Fadden, Wm. Gallagher, Wm. J. Hannan, J. Magee, Chas. M. Connick, Wm. B. Stoney, E. Howard & Wm. J. O'Brien

Minutes

The minutes of previous meeting were confirmed

Report of Claims Committee

Mr. Hannan moved and Captain Stoney seconded the adoption of the report of the meeting of the Special Committee appointed to consider claims laid on 29th October 1900, when the Secretary read letters from Mr. John Mackay relative to the manner in which the amounts of remuneration fixed by the Committee for Messrs. D. McCabe and Robt. Patterson, Rate collectors, were entered in the minutes.

Mr. Mackay stated that instead of being entered as (respectively) being £142:4:9 payable half-yearly and £58. payable half-yearly, they should be £284:15:9 per annum payable half-yearly and £116 per annum payable half-yearly. The minutes were amended accordingly and then adopted.

Re Lighting of Rathmullen Pier

Mr. Edward M. Fadden, in absence of Mr. Hannan moved, in accordance with notice of motion given, and Capt. Stoney seconded:-

That we recommend the County Council to authorise the erection of three lamps on Rathmullen Pier and that the cost of same and keeping them supplied with oil and the wages of a man to attend them be defrayed, as to erection, out of

pier in the Bank, and as to supplying them with oil and lighting out of the revenues of the pier.

Also that this committee recommend the sending of an officer of the Council to examine the late Harbour Master's accounts and those of the Pier Committee and take steps to have the new Harbour Master properly installed in office by handing all the late master's books and accounts to him.

And that the Committee be requested to send a report on the number of vessels calling at the pier and the rent paid for storage thereon.

Mr. Hannan proposed and Mr. Magee seconded an amendment:-

"That the matter of the lighting of the pier be referred to the District Council as they consider it a District Charge, and that the Secretary write and ask Mr. Fox to forward to the Council Officers all books held by him as late Harbour Master, before the 21st Nov. next and inform him that if they are not received before this date an officer of the Council will descend to take charge of them."

A division was taken and the voting was as follows:-

For Amendment - Councillors Callaghan, Doherty, Gallagher, Hannan, Magee, May, Agnew
Against - Councillors M. Fadden and Stoney
The Amendment was accordingly declared carried and the motion lost.

Proposals for Payment

The proposals for payment formulated by the various Rural District Councils and the Proposals Committee were:- the motion of Mr. Hannan seconded by Capt. Stoney, unanimously adopted.

Payments in Respect of Salaries &c.

Claims for payment in respect of salaries &c. for Quarter ended 30th September 1900, were sanctioned. A certificate of two magistrates directing payment to Mr. Callaghan, of £1:1:0 for Oct. lighting remuneration held, having been received, payment was sanctioned.

Copy to Mr. Mackay

Copy sent Mr. Fox

14/11/00

Copies sent: R.C.P.
Councillors
24/11/00

Coroners Salaries and Expenses

Payments to the Coroners of their salaries as fixed by the Local Government Board, were sanctioned. Their Bills for expenses, having been checked by the members of the Coroners Committee present were also sanctioned for payment.

Subsidary Account

A number of claims were sanctioned for payment out of the Subsidary account.

Re Tolls charged at Piers on Herring Boat

Copy sent to Board of Works 19/11/00

A letter from the Office of Public Works asking if dues were received from boats calling at Piers in the County for stowing and find none to take away, having been read, the Secretary was directed to reply that no dues are charged in such cases.

Re Dues to Credit of Rathmullen Pier

A letter from Col. Batt. Rathmullen, stating that he was arranging to have the tolls lodged to the credit of the Rathmullen Pier in the Belfast Bank transferred to the credit of the County Council in theibernian Bank, was read.

Re Collector P. Sweeney

A letter from the Patriotic Assurance Company, stating that, owing to the unsatisfactory manner in which Mr. P. Sweeney had performed his duties as Rate Collector in the past two ^{half} years, they were unable to continue his Guarantee Bond, having been read, it was proposed by Capt. Stoney seconded by Mr. Hannet and unanimously resolved: - That Patrick Sweeney, Rate Collector Ballshannon, be informed that as the Patriotic Assurance Coy. have refused to renew his Guarantee Bond this Committee will recommend the County Council to dismiss him from his appointment unless he succeed within fourteen days in obtaining the usual Guarantee Bond.

Copy sent Mr. Sweeney 19/11/00

from that Company, by some arrangement which will satisfy them and unless he gives this Committee an assurance that his rates will be more promptly collected in future.

Re Mr. Henry Ford

A letter from Mr. Henry Ford applying for payment of salary as Harbour master at Rathmullen Pier which he alleges ~~was~~ due him for the month of May 1899 having been read, the Secretary was directed to inform him that Mr. Ward was appointed and paid his salary as Harbour master from the 1st May.

Copy sent Mr. Ford 19/11/00

Re Mr. A. B. Hamilton, V.S.

A letter from the Department of Agriculture again refusing to sanction Mr. Hamilton's appointment as Inspector for Ballshannon (No 1) Rural District, having been ^{read}, the Secretary was directed to send Mr. Hamilton a copy of the letter and ask him for his observations.

Copy sent Mr. Hamilton 19/11/00

Re Collector Mr. M. W. Crawford

The Glenties District Council, that they considered all the items of Grand Jury fees which Mr. Crawford had lodged and sought a refund of on the ground that they were uncollectable, were all collectable, and the Committee accordingly declined to sanction the refund.

Copy sent Mr. Crawford 19/11/00

Confirmed

Edmund Stoney
Chairman

Adopted

15/11/00

James Hannet
Chairman of Council

Agreed L. 2/13
Councillors advised
22/11/00

Proposal Committee

An adjourned meeting of the Proposal Committee was held on 13th November 1900.

Attendance

The members present were:-

Capt. J. B. Storey (Chairman) Councillors
Mr. Tadden, F. Gallagher, Wm. Gallagher,
W. J. Hannell, J. Magee, C. McCormick, E. H. Ward
and H. J. Murray.

Minutes

The minutes of previous meeting were confirmed.

Tenders for Alterations to form Conthonal

The only business before the Committee was the considering of tenders for the alterations to Lifford Conthonal. Three tenders were received but that of Mr. John W. Corker, Lifford, for £96 3:0, being the lowest price, on the motion of Mr. Gallagher seconded by Mr. Hannell accepted.

Confirmed

J. B. Storey

Chairman

Adopted

15/11/00

W. J. Hannell

Chairman of Council

Agreed L. 2/13
Councillors advised
22/11/00

Law Committee

A meeting of the Law Committee was held on 13th November 1900.

Attendance

The members present were:-

Capt. Storey (Chairman), Messrs F. Gallagher,
J. W. D. Humphreys & T. E. M. J. J. J.

Re Malicious Injuries

The business before the Committee was the considering of the advisability of employing local solicitors to appear by District Councils to defend in cases of malicious injuries and having done so, it was proposed by Mr. Storey seconded by Mr. F. Gallagher and resolved:-
"That the Secretary communicate with the various District Councils (except the Councils of Strabane and Londonderry & the Districts) and ask them to instruct their solicitors to appear before the County Court Judge in all claims for malicious injuries for £40 and under where they are of opinion that there are good grounds of defence. And we recommend this resolution for the adoption of the Council."

Confirmed

J. B. Storey

Chairman of Committee

Adopted

15/11/00

W. J. Hannell

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22/11/00

Special Committee Appointed to Consider Claims

A meeting of the Special Committee appointed to consider claims was held on 15th November 1894.

Attendance

The members of the Committee present were Mr. Edward Madden (Chairman - Messrs. McGallagher, W. J. Hanna, and J. B. O'Connell).

Minutes

The minutes of previous meeting were confirmed.

Claim for Pension by Late Secretary

The Committee proceeded to consider the claim furnished by John H. B. Grove Esq, late Secretary to the Grand Jury and Compt. Council, for a pension on his retiring from said office.

Mr. Grove, having been sworn, stated in reply to the Chairman that the particulars set forth in his claim were accurate. He had not set forth the expenses incurred by him in payment of clerks, rent and light of offices &c. as Council had advised him not to do so. He had set out an item for hotel expenses each year which included his attendance at Assizes. He had not set out the amount allowed his clerk for expenses attending Road Sessions &c.

Mr. P. Gallagher, Solicitor, Strabane, who appeared on behalf of a number of ratepayers, also examined Mr. Grove and received similar replies. The Committee then went into the amount received and expended by the claimant during the requisite five years and they verified the various items by reference to his account books and examination of himself.

Receipts

Receipts for Year 1894

For Year 1894	£: s: d:
Salary	326: 6: 8
Appointments allowance	259: 14: 10
Statutory Fees	144: 10: 9
	£ 730: 12: 3

Expenditure for 1894

Expenses at Road	£	s	d	
Sessions & assizes	50	8	0	
Personal expenses at assizes	8	0	0	
Rent of office in Ramelton	10	0	0	
Cleaning, lighting & firing of offices	5	0	0	
Printing account	14	10	0	
Postages, miles &c.	6	0	0	
Stationery	5	0	0	
Salary to Mr. Moore	90	0	0	
Expenses allowed Mr. Moore				
at Assizes	4	0	0	
Allowance made to Mr. Moore				
his assistants for				
appointments	40	0	0	
Salary to Mr. H. H. Black	70	0	0	
Allowance made to Mr. Black				
for Assizes & appointments and				
Admired Sessions	19	0	0	
	£	321	18	0
Net Income for 1894 =	£	408	14	3

Receipts for year 1895

Wto for year 1898.	£ s d.
Salary	326 : 6 : 8.
Appointments allowance.	259 : 14 : 10
Statutory Fees.	135 : 3 : 6
	£ 721 : 5 : 0

Expenditure for 1895

	£	s	d
Expenses at Road Sessions and Assizes	48	15	1
Personal expenses at assizes	8	0	0
Rent of office in Ramelton	10	0	0
Cleaning, lighting & firing of offices	5	0	0
Printing account	14	10	0
Postages, miles &c.	6	0	0
Stationery	5	0	0
Salary to Mr. Moore	90	0	0
Expenses to same for Assizes	4	0	0

Receipts Form. £ 421:5:0

Allowance to Mr. Moore and assistants for appointments £ s. d.
 40:0:0
 Salary to Mr. Black 40:0:0
 Allowance to same for Road Sessions, assizes &c. 19:0:0 £ 320:5:1
Nett Income for 1895 = £ 400:19:11

Receipts for Year 1896 = £ s. d.
 Salary 326:6:8
 Appointment allowance 259:14:10
 Statutory Fee 143:15:1 £ 429:11:1

Expenditure for 1896
 Expenses at Road Sessions £ s. d.
 & Assizes 49:14:2

Personal Expenses at Assizes 8:0:0
 Rent of Office 10:0:0
 Lighting &c. of same 5:0:0
 Printing Account 14:10:0
 Postages &c. 6:0:0
 Stationery 5:0:0
 Salary to Mr. Moore 90:0:0
 Allowance to same for assizes 4:0:0
 Allowance to same and assistants for appointments 40:0:0
 Salary to Mr. Black 40:0:0
 Allowance to same for Road Sessions &c. 19:0:0 £ 321:4:2

Nett Income for 1896 = £ 408:9:4
Receipts for Year 1897 = £ s. d.
 Salary 326:6:8
 Appointment allowance 259:14:10
 Statutory Fee 134:0:6 £ 423:2:0

Expenditure for 1897
 Expenses at Road Sessions &c. 54:6:2
 Personal Expenses at Assizes 8:0:0
 Rent of office in Kanelton 10:0:0
 Lighting &c. of same 5:0:0
 Printing Account 14:10:0
 Postages &c. 6:0:0

Stationery

Receipts Form. £ 423:2:0

Stationery £ s. d.
 5:0:0
 Salary to Mr. Black 90:0:0
 Allowance to same for road sessions &c. 19:0:0
 Allowance to same and assistants for appointments 40:0:0
 Salary to Mr. Lindsay 40:0:0
 Allowance to same for assizes 4:0:0 £ 325:16:2
Nett Income for 1897 = £ 394:5:10

Receipts for Year 1898 = £ s. d.
 Salary 326:11:3
 Appointment allowance 259:14:10
 Statutory Fee 139:18:6 £ 425:19:0

Expenditure for 1898
 Expenses at Road Sessions £ s. d.
 and Assizes 49:12:4
 Personal Expenses at Assizes 8:0:0
 Rent of office 10:0:0
 Lighting &c. of same 5:0:0
 Printing account 14:10:0
 Postages &c. 6:0:0
 Stationery 5:0:0
 Salary to Mr. Black 90:0:0
 Allowance to same for road sessions 19:0:0
 Allowance to same and assistants for appointments 40:0:0
 Salary to Mr. Lindsay 40:0:0
 Allowance to same for assizes 4:0:0 £ 321:2:4
Nett Income for 1898 = £ 404:16:5

Summary
 £ s. d.
 Nett Income for Year 1894 408:14:3
 Do 1896 400:19:11
 Do 1897 408:9:4
 Do 1898 394:5:10
 Do 1899 404:16:5
3020:5:9
 Deduct miscellaneous expenses 4:1:2
£ 400:0:0

District Councils to erect the three lamps required, upon the Pier, sending the account of their cost to our Secretary, to be charged against the Balance of £93 at Credit of the County, now in the Treasurer's hands, and the cost of their maintenance to be defrayed out of the revenue accruing from the pier, such cost to be audited and certified each half year, by the Pier Committee. This Amendment, being agreed to by the Council, the minutes were amended accordingly, and adopted.

Re Train Service on Lifford Railway.

A resolution from the Londonderry No. 2 Rural District Council, requesting the County Council to use their influence with the Lough Swilly Railway Company, to get the latter to put on a mid-day train from Londonderry to Letterkenny on Wednesdays and Saturdays, having been read, it was resolved, on the motion of Mr Hanna, seconded by Mr McFadden, "that we instruct the Secretary to write and ask the Railway Company to put on a train about 2 P. Clock on the days named, as it would be a great convenience to the district."

Coroners' Salaries.

The letters from the Local Government Board, relative to the Coroners' Salaries having again come up for consideration of the Council, and the matter having received considerable discussion, it was proposed by Mr Colburn, seconded by Mr McFadden, and unanimously resolved:-

"That the Salaries of Messrs. James Boyle, Coroner for Donegal Division and Robert Ramsay, Coroner for Fermanagh Division, and of John P. Weir, Coroner for Raphoe Division, be fixed at the sum of £90 per annum, on the ground that the Coroners' Committee, through inadvertence, did not take into account, or furnish to the Local Government Board, certain facts such as increases of population, emoluments omitted from previous accounts, and expenses and difficulties of travelling in their respective districts, and that we confirm the salary of Mr. Wm. O. Deasy, Coroner for Carrickfergus District, at the sum of £97 per annum.

as already fixed by the Local Government Board."

Re Portlough Pier.

A letter from Mr Hugh A. Law, Market Hill, Dunferry, relative to the unsatisfactory condition of Dunferry Pier, was referred to the Finance Committee.

Mileage of Surveyors' Districts.

The classified returns of Mileage in each Surveyors' district in the County, furnished by the County Surveyors, was also referred to the Finance Committee.

Re Mr. Michael O. Callaghan.

The notice of motion given to rescind the resolution, allowing Mr Michael O. Callaghan £120 as remuneration for his services as Assistant County Surveyor for East Fermanagh, was withdrawn by Councillor P. Ward, with the consent of the other five Councillors who had signed it.

Re Closing of Collectors' Accounts.

A Notice of motion by Councillor Magee, that the closing of Collectors' accounts be changed from the 31st March to the 30th June, and from the 30th September to the 31st December, was adjourned for consideration to the next Quarterly Meeting.

Appointment of County Analyst.

The Council then proceeded to appoint a County Analyst. The only application received, was from Mr. R. Bartle, Analyst, Belfast, and on the motion of Mr W. Fadden, seconded by Mr Hayes, he was appointed at the terms on which he stated he was willing to act, viz. 7/6 each for the first 100 samples, and 5/- each for those above 100 per year, this to include samples of water and all other samples as may be sent him.

Proposals for Payment.

The proposals for payment formulated by the Proposals Committee and various Rural District Councils, and sanctioned by the Finance Committee, were adopted.

Proposals

Copy sent Mr Dawson 29/11/20

Copy sent Mr Callaghan 29/11/20

Proposals for New Works etc.

The Proposals for New Works and maintenance of works formulated by the various District Councils were then considered.

Ballyshannon.

Nos. 3 and 10 on List of Proposals, for which no tenders were received, were put into County Surveyor's hands. No. 11 struck out, and remaining proposals sanctioned.

Donegal.

It was resolved on the motion of Mr. Dunlevy, seconded by Mr. Ward, "That No. 387 on the List of Proposals formulated by the Donegal District Council, be referred back, and that the County Surveyor eliminate from his Specification, the part thereof dealing with the making of fences, along the said proposed New Road. Nos. 375, 379, 380, 382, 383, 389, 401, 403 and 406 were put into County Surveyor's hands. Nos. 378, 398, 399 and 395 rejected. Remaining Proposals sanctioned.

Re Mr. John McMultry, Road Contractor

On application from Mr. John McMultry, a road Contractor in Donegal Rural District, to be released from his Contract, and a resolution from the District Council, recommending his release, having been read, the Council resolved on the motion of Mr. C. H. Ward, seconded by Mr. Dunlevy, to release him, the circumstances being exceptional.

Dunfanahey.

No. 7 on List rejected. Remainder sanctioned.

Enishowree.

Nos. 1010, 1011, 1012, 1026, 1032, 1033, and 1049 rejected. Remainder sanctioned.

Letterkenney.

It was resolved that the Co. Surveyor is hereby directed to Amend his Specification for No. 196, so that the work can be done for the money allowed. No. 80 was put into the County Surveyor's hands. No. 190 rejected.

copy sent Mr. McMultry.
(Returned as not known.)

and remaining proposals sanctioned.

Sudden Breach.

The County Surveyor having reported a sudden breach on the Mail-Car road between Letterkenney and Kilmacormac, he was authorized to have it repaired at a cost not to exceed £15.

Londonderry (No. 2)

Nos. 9 and 16 put into County Surveyor's hands. No. 2 rejected, and remaining proposals sanctioned.

Welford.

Nos. 184, 209, 238, 260, 267, and 272 rejected. Nos. 236 and 247 put into County Surveyor's hands. Remaining Proposals sanctioned.

Re Daniel McFarney, Road Contractor.

A road Contractor named Daniel McFarney, applied to be released from his Contract in Welford Union, on the ground of old age and ill health, and the County Surveyor having recommended his release, it was resolved on the motion of Mr. Hays, seconded by Mr. Dunlevy to grant his application.

Strabane (No. 2)

Nos. 350, 353, 355, 356 and 364 put into County Surveyor's hands. Nos. 361, 370, 357, 368 and 369 rejected. Remaining Proposals sanctioned.

Stranorlar.

Nos. 226 and 238 referred back to District Council, the latter for Consent of Occupier. Nos. 222, 227, 230, 233, and 236 rejected. Nos. 229, 237 and 235 put into County Surveyor's hands. Remainder sanctioned.

Dates of Quarterly Meetings.

The following dates were fixed for the next quarterly meetings of the County Council, Rural District Councils, and Proposal Committee:
County Council, Monday 18th Feb. 1901.
Proposal Committee, Friday 1st "

District

copy sent Mr. McFarney.
24/11/00

17X

15X

Copies sent Mr. Hayes

28/4/00

Downings Pier Committee.

A letter from Mr. Wm. Logue, tendering his resignation as a member of Downings Pier Committee, was read, and the resignation accepted, and the Secretary was directed to request the Committee to elect a member in his place.

Re Harbour Master, Downings Pier.

A letter from Mr. Thos. Hayes, stating that the Downings Pier Committee at their meeting held on 27th ult. selected Mr. Pat. Friel of Warlog as Harbour Master at Downings Pier, at a salary of £6 per annum, and 10% on all dues collected having been read, the Secretary was directed to write and point out to Mr. Hayes that the Council have a resolution on the books, which prevents them paying a higher salary than £4 per annum, and 10%.

Re Maintenance and Expenditure on Roads, &c.

Resolutions from the Donegal District Council, expressing their disapproval of the present mode and method by which Contract roads are repaired, and maintained, and recommending that in future such roads should be kept in repair by a sufficient quantity of approved material, to be applied where and when necessary, so as to maintain at all times a uniform surface of roadway, and also, that in no divisions of the District should the annual expenditure on roads exceed the legal limit, and that any balance economised, should be judiciously expended on some useful and necessary new work in those districts, having been read, the Secretary was directed to inform the District Council that the County Council will approve of their instructing the County Surveyor, in accordance with the terms of their resolutions.

Re Malicious Inquiries.

A letter from the same District Council, relative to a malicious injury claim, made by John Gillespie of Mountcharles, for alleged destruction of a Cow house, Cow and Calf by fire, having been read, the Secretary was directed to reply, that the Council have now power to employ their solicitor to defend in all Malicious Injury claims for £20 and under, and that, if they consider

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Re Lifford Bridge.

A letter from the Secretary, Tyrone Co. Council, stating that the matter of repairs to Lifford Bridge, was one for the Strabane Urban District Council, and a letter from the Clerk, Strabane Rural District Council (No. 2) urging the County Council to take steps to have the bridge repaired, having been read the Secretary was directed to communicate with the Urban District Council, and ask them if they are prepared to co-operate with the County Council, and also to obtain the advice of Mr. Wilson, as to what powers the Council have to compel the neighbouring County Council to contribute their share to.

Re Mrs. Wm. Lynch.

A letter from Mrs. Wm. Lynch, Whitecross Drumbeg, applying for payment of £2 due to her late husband, on foot of a pond contract, was read, and payment of the amount ordered.

Licences for Selling Explosives.

Licences for selling explosives were granted to Messrs. James Sweeney, J.P. Burtport, John Sweeney, J.P. Dungloe, Mrs. B. Currie & John Wyles & Co. Ballyshannon, Wm. Hammond, Ballintra, Wm. Keown, Drumbeg, Wick, Gillespie, Killybegs, Pauling & Co. Burtport, Mrs. Sarah O'Donnell, Carnadonagh, Jas. Clarke & Co. Ballintra, and Thomas Aiken, Pettigo.

Poor Rate - Glenties Union.

The Council authorised the transfer from the Water Bank, Glenties, to the Fibernian Bank, Letterkenny, of a sum of £16.15.11, being arrears of Poor Rate lodged by ex-Collector M. Elwee after the appointed day.

Poor Rate - Ballyshannon Union.

Councillor Moneygharry brought under the notice of the Council, that there is a very large sum of money being Poor Rate, lodged after the appointed day, lying in the Provincial Bank, Ballyshannon, to the

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Councillor Mooney having brought under the notice of the Council, that there is a very large sum of money, being Poor Rate, lodged after the appointed day, lying in the Provincial Bank, Ballyshannon, to the

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also on 28 Feb. 28/10/00

credit of the Council, the Secretary was directed to write to the Clerk of the Union, and obtain full particulars on the matter.

Re Collectors' Bonds.

Mr. Wilson, Solicitor to the Council, wrote, stating that he didn't consider it would be wise for the Council to attend the Collectors' Bonds, and the Council approved of his opinion.

Re John's Case.

Mr. Wilson also wrote, stating that Counsel advised that the County Council should settle this Case, and they accordingly authorised Mr. Wilson to do so.

Re Telin Pier.

A letter from the Board of Works, inquiring if any steps have been taken for the repairing of Telin Pier, was read, and the Secretary directed to reply that no steps have been taken as there is no revenue derived from the pier, and no traffic to it. The Secretary was also directed to write and request the Harbour Master to give statistics of the revenue received from the pier for the last five years.

Re Rathmullan and Cameltown Waterworks.

A letter from the Local Government Board, refusing to alter the Area of Charge for the Rathmullan and Cameltown Waterworks, was read.

Re Certain Property held by the Council.

A further letter from Messrs. Mannsall and Darby, relative to the portion of "Charles" Estate, of which the Council are owners and which is about to be sold in the Land Court, having been read, the Secretary was directed to reply that the Pier was built by the Board of Works, and the land given to this fund by the Owners.

Re Buncrana Pier.

A letter from the Buncrana Pier Committee, relative to sudden breaches in the Pier, and also a letter from the Harbour Master about same, and his salary, having been

Directions carried out
28/10/00

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and Darby 28/10/00

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Mr. Wilson
28/10/00

been read, the Secretary was directed to refer the Pien Committee to a resolution of the Council, authorising the County Surveyor, and two nearest County Councillors, to enter into a Contract for the repair of such beaches, and also to inform the Harbour Master that if he is not satisfied with his salary, he can resign.

Re Chapel Strand Landing Place.

A letter from the Congested Districts Board, relative to a landing place at Chapel Strand, having been read, the Secretary was directed to reply, that the Council have agreed to contribute a sum, not to exceed £250, towards the construction of the work, and that they are prepared to carry out same.

Re Residence of County Surveyor H. D.

A further letter from the Local Government Board relative to the residence of the County Surveyor for the North Division of the County, having been read it was resolved:

"That the Secretary be directed to reply, that we have already indicated our opinion, that it is our province to decide how our Officers can best discharge their duties, and from that expression we refuse to depart."

Application by Court-Keepers.

An application by the Keepers of Donegal and Glenties Courthouses, for increase of salaries, was referred to the Finance Committee.

Re Mortality in Calves.

A letter from the Department of Agriculture, relative to mortality in Calves, was referred to the Agriculture and Technical Instruction Committee.

Miscellaneous Correspondence.

A number of unimportant letters and resolutions were read.

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Re Defaulting Contractors.

The following report of a Law Committee meeting, held during an interval in the County Council meeting, directing the Council's Solicitor to take proceedings against certain defaulting Contractors, was unanimously adopted, and the Secretary was directed to send a copy to the Solicitor.

Report Law Committee.

A meeting of above Committee was held on 15th November, 1900, Mr. Jas. Dunlevy in the Chair. The other members present were Mr. Francis Callaghan, Captain Hamilton, and Mr. Peter Ward.

Mr. Ferguson submitted a list of defaulting Contractors, and Mr. Peter Ward proposed, and Captain Hamilton seconded, and it was passed unanimously:

"That we recommend the Council to place the list in the hands of the Council's Solicitor, with instructions to have proceedings instituted against said Contractors."

Mr. Steadman reported that in his District proceedings had been instituted against defaulting Road Contractor, and the Magistrate granted the usual order, that if the road were not put in repair within a fixed stated period, the Contractor and his sureties would be proceeded against.

The latter course has been resorted to, but as there is no person to levy the Decees obtained on poor Bond (Petty Sessions) the Decees are practically worthless, and the Contractor can defy the Council.

This we consider a very serious matter, and we would recommend the Council to take one or two cases in hand, and make some effort to realise the Decees, as we think if an example were made in a few cases, it would have a very healthy effect on all defaulting Contractors in future.

(Signed)

James Dunlevy - Chairman
Francis Callaghan
J. D. Hamilton
Peter Ward.

Confirmed

M. J. O'Connell
Chairman

Copy sent to Mr. Nelson
25/11/00

Copy sent L.C.B.
27/11/00

Special Committee appointed to Consider Claims

A meeting of this Committee was held on 27th Nov. 1900

Attendance

The members of the Committee present were:-
Captain Thos B. Stony (Chairman) Messrs Encladden,
W. J. Hanna, League Magee and Wm Gallagher.

Claim By Collector John Cassidy

The Committee went into a claim by collector John Cassidy for remuneration for loss of fees to find the encumbrances he had received under the Grand Jury and having done this the Chairman advised the further consideration of the matter for legal advice as to whether he was entitled, in view of his having accepted the Poundage fees on his last three collections, to claim compensation of "the Remuneration". The following are the figures ascertained by the Committee to be his receipts and expenditure:-

Receipts for Year 1894	—	£ 60:11:4
do do 1895	—	41:2:5
do do 1896	—	69:13:3
do do 1897	—	44:9:1
do do 1898	—	81:8:4

Gross average receipts £ 53:9:4 11

Deduct Expenditure:-

Attending Donegal Market	—	£ 2:12:0
do do Fairs	—	0:16:0
do Dunkinilly	—	0:2:0
Refreshments	—	1:15:0
Bond	—	1:10:0
Attending Bth Sessions at Donegal	—	0:10:0
Same at Killybegs	—	0:3:10
Attending Assizes	—	2:0:0
Rent of office	—	5:0:0
Incidental Expenses	—	0:8:1 — 14:16:11

Net average income £ 54:0:0

Copy sent Mr. Clarke
3/12/00

Re Mr. Thomas A. Clarke

A letter from Mr. Thomas A. Clarke, Munagavin Raphoe with reference to the reduction in amount of Compensation as Deputy Ass Collector originally awarded him was read and Mr. Clarke himself appeared before the Committee. The Committee, however, informed him they could not give him more than he had been granted.

Confirmed
J. Stony
Chairman.

Adopted by Finance Committee

Encladden

Chairman
27th Nov. 1900

Confirmed

Chairman County Council

Copy sent L. G. B. and Comm. 20/11/00

Finance Committee.

A meeting of the Finance Committee was held on 27th November, 1900.

Attendances

The members of the Committee present were:-
Mr Edward R. Badden (Chairman), Messrs M. Devitt, (Glenties) Callaghan, Cassidy, Hanna, Hager, M. Cronick, Storey and W. Ray.

Minutes

The minutes of Previous meeting were confirmed.

Reports of "Claims" Committee.

A report of a meeting of the Special Committee appointed to consider claims held at Lifford on the 15th November, 1900 was adopted with the exception of that portion of it recommending payment of £100 to Mr James Corseadden for loss of office as Deputy Local Collector which was deleted and the matter referred back to the Committee for reconsideration it having been found there was an error in the calculations. The report of meeting of same committee held prior to the Finance meeting was also adopted.

Re: Mileage of Surveyors Districts.

Classified Returns of mileage in each Surveyors (Assistant) District in the County prepared by the County Surveyors were read.

Re: Portnablagh Pier

A letter from Mr Hugh A. Law, Warblehill, Letterkenney, and a report of the County Surveyor relative to the condition of Portnablagh Pier having been read it was proposed by Mr R. Badden, seconded by Mr Hanna and resolved:-

"That we recommend the County Council to expend a sum of money not to exceed £200 in removing the rocks referred to in the County Surveyors report from Portnablagh Harbour and that the Secretary write to the Congested Districts Board we are of opinion they should assist us in the matter."

Re: Collector Pat Sweeney.

Collector Pat Sweeney having appeared before the Committee with three men who undertook to go security for him to the Patriotic Assurance Company and this company having intimated that they would accept them as sureties, and the Collector having promised to discharge his duties in a more careful and satisfactory manner in future - the committee notifying him that unless he did so he would be dismissed - the Secretary was directed to issue his warrants as soon as the Bond has been completed.

Letter from Mr A. B. Hamilton, V.S.

A letter from Mr A. B. Hamilton, V.S. High relative to the refusal of the Department of Agriculture to sanction his appointment as Veterinary Inspector was read and further consideration of the matter adjourned until next meeting of Committee.

Subsidiary Account.

Number of claims were sanctioned for payment out of the Subsidiary Account.

Re: Messrs McGree and McFarland.

Mr Wm O. Doherty, Solicitor, appeared before the Committee on behalf of Messrs McGree and McFarland with reference to a Civil Bill which had been brought against them by the Council for arrears of tolls due for use of Piers on Lough Swilly. He applied to the Committee to recommend the Council not to require the Company to pay tolls on the grounds that the steamer service to Portsalon is not paying and is meant to benefit the District.

The Committee informed Mr O. Doherty they would recommend the Council to accept one Pound a year of dues for the past six years and stay proceedings if the Company undertakes to pay according to the Board of Works Scale of Dues in future.

Application by Mr Robt. Keatsly.

An application by Mr Robt. Keatsly, Courthouse Keeper, Donegal for increase of salary was read.

Miscellaneous Correspondence

A number of unimportant letters and resolutions were read.

Copy sent Mr Sweeney 2/12/00

Copy sent Mr Corseadden 2/12/00

Copy sent Robt. Keatsly 2/12/00

Seals of Election Expenses

The Secretary was ordered to affix the Seal of the Council to the Seals of Election Expenses fixed by the Council and approved by the Local Govt Board some time ago.

Appointment of Special Bailiff

The County Surveyor having applied to the Committee for a direction as to who should appoint the Special Bailiff ordered at the last meeting of the Council to be procured in cases of Defaulting Contractors, the Secretary was directed to notify the Council's Solicitor that he should do so.

Insurance on County Buildings

The Committee approved of the following amounts of Insurance on County Buildings and contents. It was however directed that before having the policy prepared, they should be submitted to the County Surveyors for their opinion as to whether the amounts are large enough.

Clifford Courthouse	£800	Contents	£250
" County House	£600	"	£200
Donegal Courthouse	£1500	"	£50
Glenties Do.	£800	"	£50
Cetterkenney Do.	£2000	"	£100
Buncrana Do.	£1200	"	£50
Carndonagh Do.	£1200	"	£100
Ballyshannon Do.	£1000	"	£50

Revised Rates Ballyshannon Union

A letter from the Local Govt Board enclosing copy of a communication received by them from the Guardians of Ballyshannon Union having been read, the Secretary was directed to reply that the Council had only learned at their last meeting of the amount lying in the Provincial Bank to their credit and they are taking steps in the matter.

Adopted

M. Stoney

Confirmed

J. M. Stoney

Chairman of Co. Council
11th Jan'y 1901

Chairman of Committee

Refused 21.12.00
Cancelled 21.12.00
Conceded 21.12.00

Special Committee appointed to consider claims

A meeting of this Committee was held on 20th December 1900. Captain Stoney and W. J. Stannard being the members present. Captain Stoney presided and the minutes of previous meeting were confirmed.

Claim by Mr. James Corcadden

The only business before the Committee was the consideration of Mr. James Corcadden's claim for compensation for loss of office as Deputy Taxes collector, which had been referred back by the Finance Committee at their meeting held on 27th November 1900, it having been found that Mr. Corcadden's emoluments had been calculated according to the wrong scale. Mr. Corcadden was present, and a letter from his solicitor Mr. J. M. O'Doherty relative to the matter was also before the Committee.

Mr. Corcadden had two years of service having acted as Deputy Taxes collector from the Spring Assizes 1899 to the Spring Assizes 1900. His receipts for these two years were:-

1897 = £40:8:8

1898 = £84:19:4

1899 = £158:8:3

1900 = £49:4:1 = gross amount

£40:10:7 = net amount

Deduct Expenses = £8:13:6

Hence £40:10:7 at one and a half years

= £105:15:10

Deduct Ground Duty

taxes collected but not

lodged by claimant

12:10:0

£93:5:10 = amt. allowed

A letter from the Local Government Board enquiring as to the cause of delay in this claim being presented was read and the Secretary was directed to reply that it was owing to neglect on the part of claimant's solicitor that it had not been done sooner and also to a misapprehension under which he laboured. Confirmed.

J. M. Stoney
Chairman of Committee

Refused 21.12.00
Cancelled 21.12.00
Conceded 21.12.00

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Council
21.12.00

Finance Committee

A meeting of the Finance Committee was held subsequent to meeting of Claims Committee on 20th December 1900.

Attendance

The members present were:-

Captain Stone (Chairman) Messrs. W. H. Hanna, A. J. A. Wray, and C. M. Cornack.

Minutes

The minutes of previous meeting were confirmed.

Re Insurance on County Buildings

The committee having had before them the reports of the County Surveyors as to the sums which it had been proposed at the last meeting to ensure the County Buildings for, it was resolved, on the motion of Mr. Hanna seconded by Mr. Wray, to increase the amounts on Lifford Courthouse from £1800 to £2000, on Glenties Courthouse from £300 to £400 and on Ballyshannon Courthouse from £1000 to £1100.

These were the only buildings which the County Surveyors considered undervalued. The Secretary was instructed to authorize the Patriotic Insurance Coy to prepare the Bond immediately.

Re Mr. Pat. Iniel Harbourmaster

A letter from Mr. Pat. Iniel, Harbourmaster, Downings Pier relative to salping fined by County Council was marked "read".

Re Ex. Collector Mr. G. G. G.

A letter from Collector Mr. G. G. G. stating that certain waterpayers in his district held acknowledgments from Mr. G. G. G. his

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21.12.00

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predecessor, for Rate which had been returned against them as arrears having been read, it was proposed by Mr. Hanna seconded by Mr. Wray and resolved:-

That Collector Mulhens ascertain as soon as possible all sums collected by Collector Mulhens and now represented as arrears in the current warrant - such collections to be returned to Secretary of County Council at once together with any receipts he can obtain from the parties which will be returned to them.

Re Collector Patrick Downey

A letter from the Patriotic Assurance Coy stating that they could only continue their guarantee of collector Pat. Downey for the present collection, was read and the further consideration thereof adjourned to the close of the collection period.

Re Dues and Lights at Downings Pier

A letter from the Congested Districts Board stating that from a report received from their Inspector the Donegal County Council acting as the Harbour Authority would appear will be paying dues on boats fish &c. at Downings Pier, also that it is proposed to remove the landing lights erected by the Board at Downings as it is assumed that the County Council will erect and maintain the necessary lights in future having been read it was resolved, on the motion of Mr. Hanna seconded by Mr. M. Cornack:-

That the Secretary inform the Congested Districts Board that our Harbour Master has authority to charge a wharfage of 2/- in £1 on the sale value of fish passing through this pier and he has also a right to issue licenses for fishing boats in accordance with the Scale of Dues issued by the Commissioners.

Copy sent Mr. Mulhens
21.12.00

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21.12.00

of Public Works for Downings Pier.

And that the Board is not correct in assuming that the County Council intend to erect and maintain any leading lights in future or in any way interfere with the present arrangements.

Also to inform the Board that a resolution was adopted by the County Council at a meeting held on 21st February 1900, ~~was~~ instructing the Harbour master at this Pier not to erect any from their Boat - the Grannale. That a copy of this resolution was sent to the Harbour master.

Subsidary A/c

A number of claims were sanctioned for payment out of the Subsidiary Account

Re Collector John Cassidy

With reference to the claims furnished by Collector John Cassidy for loss of emolument and which was considered by the "Claims" Committee at their meeting held on 24th November 1900 when they ascertained his income under the Grand Jury to have been £54 per annum but left over the final settlement of the matter for legal advice as to whether Mr. Cassidy was legally entitled to compensation or like remuneration in view of his having accepted the poundage fees on his last three collections. Mr. Wilson, solicitor to the Council now advised that in his opinion claimant was entitled to like remuneration and it was accordingly resolved on the motion of Captain Stoney seconded by Mr. Stannish:-

That Mr. Wilson having reported that in his opinion the fact of Mr. Cassidy accepting poundage fees on three half years collections did not, in the absence of him giving the undertaking mentioned in the resolution of the Council of 18th May 1899, disentitle him to claim like remuneration as to what he had under the

Grand Jury, we confirm the finding of the "Claims" Committee that his income should be £54 per annum subject to any reduction the Committee may make for non-collection of rates charged in his transact.

Report of Claims Committee

The report of meeting of the "Claims" Committee held prior to meeting of Finance Committee was then adopted.

Re Costs in Mr. John Delivans Case

A letter from Mr. Henderson, solicitor to Mr. Graham, stating that he could not afford to be out of his costs in this case until the next quarterly meeting of the County Council having been read, it was proposed by Mr. Stannish seconded by Mr. Wilson and resolved:-

That Mr. Wilson be authorised to pay the taxed costs to Mr. Henderson in the case of Delivans v. County Council and bring in same before the next quarterly meeting of Council.

Re County House Case

Mr. Wilson having appeared before the Committee with reference to the case "Donegal County Council v. High Sheriff" in which the Council were lately defeated in the Court of Queen's Bench and having read letter from Council recommending the County Council to appeal, it was resolved:-

That this Committee recommend the County Council to appeal in this case as per their Council's advice and to instruct their Solicitor accordingly.

Re Gweedara Bridge

A report from the County Surveyor relative to the condition of Gweedara Bridge having been read, the Secretary was directed to inform Mr. Stannish that the matter is one for the District Council and he should bring it before them at the

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Write Mr. Stannish accordingly 21.12.00

their next meeting

Christmas Holidays

It was resolved to grant holidays to the Secretary and office staff from 22nd Decr to 31st December 1900.
Confirmed.

M. J. Murray
Chairman of Committee

Adopted

M. J. Murray
Chairman of County Council

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Minutes of Special meeting of County Council held on 14th day of January 1901.

Attendance

The members of the Council present were:-
Councillors J. B. Stoney (Chairman), M. Cassidy, W. O'Leary, W. J. Hannell, P. Mooney, E. Howard, J. S. Hamilton, P. Ward, J. Kealey & J. O'Connell.

Minutes

The minutes of previous meeting were confirmed.

Quarterly Estimates & Demands

The transfer of the Quarterly Estimates and Demands to the various Boards of Guardians and District Councils as approved by the Finance Committee were sanctioned.

Reports of Committees

The following reports of Committees were adopted:-
Reports of Finance Committee meetings held on 27th November 1900, 20th December 1900 & 14th January 1901.
Of Agricultural & Technical Instruction Committee meetings held on 27th November 1900 & 14th January 1901.
Of Stabane No 2 Rural District School Attendance Committee meetings held on 27th Nov 1900 and 18th December 1900.

Licences for Employees

Short licences for Employees were granted to the following persons:-

George M. Crea	-	Ottigo
James Elliott	-	do
George Macdonnell	-	Braid Glen Columbkille
Hammond & Co.	-	Bridgetown
P. O'Doherty	-	Abalin
Wm. Thompson	-	Dunkineely
James C. King	-	Raphoe
John Raitt	-	Shanador
Laurel Crawford	-	Castlefin
Edward Boyle	-	Stewart Cunningham
Andrew Clarke & Co.	-	Thelbyl

James Kee - Ballyporey
 Wm McConnell - Newtownmumminham
 James B. Gamble - Castlefin
 P. Murphy - Ballyporey
 James Donnell - Abencorn & Diabane.
 Jm Cream, Esq - Cross Road, Kill Gordon.
 John M. Sinker - Falcarragh.

Adjournment

The remaining business was adjourned till
 next meeting of the Co. Council

Agriculture and Technical Instruction Committee

A deputation from the Lagan Agricultural and Dairy Society, having appeared before the Council and applied for representation on this Committee it was agreed, on the motion of Mr. Moore, seconded by Capt. Stone, to add the name of Mr. Samuel Marshall Jt. Sallybrook to the Committee.
 It was also resolved, on the motion of Mr. Magee seconded by Mr. P. Ward, to add the following names to the Committee viz:-
 Messrs. Jno. Johnson, J. P. Rochfield, Stranorla, Wm. Magee, Inmanmullan, Paddy Kelly, Ballynall Castlefin and Capt. Jno. D. Hamilton.

Adjournment

The remaining business was adjourned to next meeting of Council.

Confirmed.

Hugh MacDonnell Chairman

Copy minutes
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 Councillors & Council
 21/2/01

Minutes of Quarterly meeting of the County Council held on
 18th February 1901

Attendance

The members of the Council present were:-

M^r. Hugh M^cDevitt (Chairman) Councillors Joseph Alexander, John Bradley, John Byrne, F. Callaghan, M. Cassidy, Jno. Cavanagh, Wm. Colhoun, Wm. Doherty, Wm. J. Hanna, John S. Hamilton, League Magee, Hugh M^cClafferty, Hugh M^cDevitt (Bilford), Marcus M^cFadden, Hugh O'Donnell, Jno. B. Stoney, James Sweeney, C. H. Ward, P. Ward, and Wm. J. A. Wray.

Minutes

The minutes of previous meeting were confirmed.

Reports of Committees

The following reports of Committees were adopted:-

Reports of Proposal Committee meetings held on the
 1st and 11th February 1901

Same of Finance Committee meeting held on
 11th February 1901

Same of Agricultural & Technical Instruction Committee
 meeting held on 5th February 1901

Same of Live Stock Committee meetings held on
 25th January 1901 and 5th February 1901

Same of Strabane & School Attendance Committee
 meeting held on 15th January 1901

"Re" Greencastle Harbour

Councillor Cavanagh, in accordance with notice of motion given, moved, Councillor Bradley seconded and it was resolved:-

"That the County Surveyor be requested to report to the Council what steps would be necessary to take to make this Harbour convenient for fishing boats and the probable cost thereof"

"Re" Fishery Laws

A resolution of the Londonderry County Council requesting the Government to take immediate steps to have the Fishery Laws amended so that flax cultivators will not be compelled to retain the flax water in their dams after the flax is taken out of the steep, was adopted.

"Re" Compulsory Purchase.

A resolution of the same County Council calling on the Government to abolish dual ownership by promptly passing into law a Compulsory Land Purchase Act and placing the Administration of it in the hands of gentlemen in whom the tenants of Ireland can have confidence, and also calling on the Irish Members to redeem the pledges they made previous to their election, to press forward without delay this urgent and necessary reform of the Land Laws; was also, on the motion of Mr. Hanna seconded by Mr. Doherty unanimously adopted.

"Re" Portnablaghy Pier.

A letter from the Secretary to the Congested Districts Board, enclosing copy of a letter which the Board had addressed to the Dunfanaghy District Council was read, and the Secretary was directed to reply that the Council has already voted £100 for the repair of this Pier.

"Re" Teelin Pier.

A return by the Harbour Master, at this Pier as to tolls received for the past five years was referred to the Finance Committee.

"Re" Financial Relations

A resolution of the Galway County Council relative to the Financial Relations of Great Britain and Ireland, was on the motion of Councillor Magee seconded by Mr. Doherty, unanimously adopted.

"Re" Lifford Bridge

In accordance with the direction given by the Council at their previous Quarterly meeting, their Solicitor, Mr. Wilson, wrote, advising them that the proper steps to take to compel the County Tyrone to contribute towards the repairing of Lifford Bridge would be to memorialise the Lord Lieutenant naming such Counties as benefit by the bridge as Contributors. The Council, on the motion of Captain Stoney seconded by Mr. Wray, resolved to adopt the course advised by Mr. Wilson and directed him to prepare the memorial.

"Re" Alteration of Union Boundaries.

Councillor Doherty, in accordance with notice of motion given, moved and Councillor Cavanagh seconded:-

"That as the standing grievance in regard to Union Boundaries, whereby this County is deprived of the advantage of Rateable property to the extent of some £60,000 still exists notwithstanding the resolutions passed by this Council on 18th May 1899 September 1899 18th May 1900 and 20th August 1900 as well as resolutions from the several Unions involved praying the Local Government Board to use the powers given them under the 10 Victoria Chap. 31, to adjust said Boundaries and make them Co terminus with the County Boundaries; we again urge upon the Local Government Board the necessity of giving this important matter their immediate attention. And if the verification of the facts and figures so fully set forth in the aforesaid resolution be requisite we hereby demand a public enquiry instead of the usual private interpolations, at which enquiry evidence shall be forthcoming to vindicate the justice and equities of the proposed alterations of Boundaries to the satisfaction of the Board."

Mr. Hanna moved and Mr. Alexander seconded an amendment.

"That the Local Government Board be requested to take no action in the matter."

Voting

A division was taken, and the voting was as follows For Amendment:- Councillors Joseph Alexander, Mr. J. Hanna, Mrs. S. Hamilton, Thos B. Stoney, and Mr. J. A. Wray 5

Against:- Councillors McDevitt, (Glenties) Mrs. Bradley, Mrs. Byrne, Francis Gallagher, Michl. Cassidy, Mrs. Cavanagh, Mr. Colhoun, Mr. Doherty, League Magee, Hugh McClafferty, Manus McFadden, Hugh O'Donnell, James Sweeney, G. H. Ward, Peter Ward, and Hugh McDevitt (Milford) 16

The amendment was accordingly declared lost and the motion carried.

Proposals for Payment

The proposals for payment formulated by the Proposals Committee and the various Rural District Councils and recommended by the Finance Committee were adopted.

Proposals for New Works &c.

The Council then considered the Proposals for New Works and Maintenance of Works formulated by the various District Councils, and the following was their ruling with regard to the several Lists.

Ballyshannon No 1

Nos 3, 8, and 14 on List rejected. No 12 put into County Surveyor's hands, Remaining Proposals sanctioned

Donegal.

No 408 on List put into County Surveyor's hands for three months, all other Proposals for which no Tenders received or Bonds not completed were referred back; Remaining Proposals Sanctioned

Dunganaghy.

No 106 on List put into County Surveyor's hands for 3 months, the amount to be expended not to exceed £9 No 121 rejected, Remainder Sanctioned.

Glenties

Nos 4, 14, 21, 62, and 59 on List put into County Surveyor's hands, Nos 60, 65, and 75 were rejected, A resolution proposing to grant a sum of money to a contractor named Neil W. Grath. of Kilkenny Glenties in respect of increased traffic on his contract was also rejected, The remaining Proposals were sanctioned.

Inishowen

Nos 1232, 1233, 1237, 1235, 1234, 1176, 1178, 1059, 1085, 1115, 1174, 1175, and 1224, on List were rejected, Remaining Proposals Sanctioned

Letter Kenny

Nos 33 and 34 on List rejected. Remaining Proposals Sanctioned

Londonderry No 2.

No 21 on List was put into the County Surveyor's hands for 3 months not more than £10.10.0 to be expended on it during that period, Remaining Proposals were Sanctioned.

Millford.

Nos 342, 298, 344, 292, 319, 307, 314, 301, 315, 323, 322, 325, 334, & 397, on

List rejected. Nos. 296, 358, and 345 put into the County Surveyor's hands for 3 months, Remaining Proposals Sanctioned. A Contractor named Patrick Deeney of Clondallan Rathmullan applied to be relieved of his contract taken at the Spring Assize '98 No 135 on the grounds that very heavy additional traffic had lately been put on the road through the cutting down of a wood, and the County Surveyor, having recommended that the man should be relieved of his contract the Council resolved to grant his application stipulating however that he maintain the road until the 1st July next.

Strabane No 2.

All the Proposals on this List were sanctioned

Stranorlar.

All the Proposals on this List except those not tendered for - which were rejected - were sanctioned.

Re T. W. Russell Esq. & Compulsory Purchase.

A resolution of the Coleraine R. D. Council tendering their heartiest thanks to T. W. Russell Esq. for the effort he is making to further a just measure of Compulsory Purchase and expressing their opinion that there never can be peace or contentment in Ireland until all the abuses connected with dual ownership are finally abolished, was adopted

Audited Accounts of Certain Railways

Audited Statements of accounts of the West Donegal Light Railway, West Donegal Light Railway (Killybegs) and Finn Valley Railway (Stranorlar to Glenties) for half year ended 1st November 1900, were laid before the Council

Re Gweebarra Bridge

A resolution from the Glenties R. D. Council directing the Council's attention to the unsatisfactory condition of this bridge and requesting them to use their influence with the Congested Districts Board to repair the Bridge having been read, it was resolved to direct the Secretary to write to the Board in accordance with the instructions he will receive from the County Surveyor and request them to complete the work.

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reput. in 2.01
Wrote to S.D.B.
26/12/01

Re Sampling of Foods

Letters from the Department of Agriculture, urging upon the Local Authorities the importance of making effective arrangements for the systematic sampling of articles of Food under the Food and Drugs Act and enclosing names of members of the R. I. C. who act as Inspectors and requesting the Council to make such arrangements as will enable the Department to be regularly furnished with copies of any Minutes of Proceedings of the Council under the said Acts; were read, and the Council approved of the appointment of the members of the Constabulary named, as Inspectors and directed the Secretary to furnish the Department with copies of the minutes of the Council's proceedings under the Acts mentioned as requested.

Explosives Licences

Explosives Licences were granted to the following viz:-
John Bradley, Moville, Thomas Baird, Malin Road, Moville, and Thomas Kee, Augheygault

Claim by John Diver & Coy.

A claim by John Diver & Coy Contractors Donegal for compensation for contract entered into by them in January 1900 for alterations &c to County House but not fulfilled owing to action of High Sheriff and subsequent legal proceedings was referred to the Finance Committee.

Re Compulsory School Attendance.

The following resolution of the Donegal National Teachers Association was adopted,

Resolution

Resolved:-

"That as the early withdrawal of children from school renders it absolutely essential, if they are to receive even the rudiments of education, that their attendance during their short school life should be regular, we unhesitatingly declare, the grossly irregular attendance of pupils at National Schools is a matter urgently demanding the immediate consideration of our District and Co. Councillors in whom is vested the power of enforcing Compulsory attendance."

Copies sent to the Department of Agriculture 22.2.01

Re Teaching of Irish Language.

It was moved by Councillor C. H. Ward seconded by Councillor James Cweeney and Resolved:-

"That whereas the Board of National Education have now extended greater freedom to the teaching of Irish in National Schools we urge on the managers of such schools throughout County Donegal to make provisions for the teaching of our National Language in the schools under their charge, and we direct our Secretary to forward a copy of this resolution in Irish and in English to each manager of schools in the County."

Re New Road ^{Mr. Gentile} ~~St. Ann's~~ Union

A letter from the Congested Districts Board, stating that if the Council will undertake the construction of a new road to meet the requirements of the fishing industry at Lrawenagh Bary, the Board will be disposed to give a contribution towards the work, was referred to the District Council.

Appointment Of Veterinary Inspector.

There were two applications received for the position of Inspector under the Diseases of Animals Act for Ballyshannon No 1 Rural District and, on the motion of Mr. Magee seconded by Mr. Cassidy, it was resolved:- "That we hereby appoint Mr. Reavy as per terms of advertisement the appointment to be an annual one."

Re Ex. Collector Mr. Gourty.

A letter from the Patriotic Assurance Coy. urging on the Council to exercise their authority and institute criminal prosecution against Mr. Gourty who was lately dismissed from his position as Rate Collector for embezzlement, pointing out that unless this were done other cases would arise among the collectors and no Assurance Company would be willing to undertake the risk of guaranteeing them; and stating that the Company would undertake to pay all expenses and indemnify the Council against any claim for damages, having been considered, it was resolved:-

"That we hereby authorise our Solicitor to take criminal proceedings against Mr. Gourty Ex Rate Collector for embezzlement and misappropriations of certain rates received by him in his then capacity as

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Rate collector, and that he obtain a guarantee and indemnity Bond from the Patriotic Assurance Company."

Dates of Next Quarterly Meetings

The following dates were fixed for the next quarterly meetings of the County and Rural District Councils and Proposals Committee viz:-

County Council - Monday 20th May 1901
Proposals Committee - Friday 3rd " 1901

District Councils

April 6th — Dunfanaghy
" 13 — Milford.
" 15 — Strabane.
" 16 — Stranorlar & Inishowen
" 17 — Londonderry No 2 & Donegal.
" 18 — Glenties
" 19 — Letterkenny & Ballyshannon.

Law Committee Report

The following report of a meeting of the Law Committee held during adjournment of the Council was adopted.

Report

At a meeting of the Law Committee held at Lifford on 18th February 1901

Resolved

- (1) "That our Solicitor be instructed to proceed against any person found emptying rubbish into the harbour at Killybegs Pier, the particulars in such cases to be furnished by the County Surveyor to our Solicitor
- (2) "That as Pettigo and Ballintra Petty Sessions occur on same day our Solicitor be instructed to attend at Pettigo and deal with the cases, re hedge prosecutions that will be before the Court on that day.
- (3) "That in the event of the County Surveyor being unable to arrange regarding the construction of a drain near Doish School No 278 in the Stranorlar Rural District he be instructed to refer the matter to Mr. Wilson to take the necessary legal proceedings.

Advertised - 20th, 21st, 22nd Feb 1901

Copy sent Mr. Wilson - 22.2.01

Re. Portnablagh. Pier.

A letter from a Mr. Friel applying to be permitted to cure fish on Portnablagh. Pier, was referred to the Pier Committee for them to report on.

Re. Burtonport Pier

A letter from the Congested District Board requesting the permission of the County Council to their carrying out certain repairs to this Pier, was read and the permission granted.

Re. Collector Park Sweeney.

The Secretary having brought under the notice of the Council the very backward state of this collector's collection he was directed to write and warn Mr. Sweeney that unless he immediately proceeds to perform his duties properly the Council will take legal proceedings. The Secretary was also directed to notify the Patriotic Assurance Company of the state of Mr. Sweeney's collection and that the Council will hold them responsible for the recovery of the rates.

Miscellaneous Correspondence.

A number of unimportant letters and resolutions were read.

Re. Assistant-County Surveyorship West Inishowen

The County Surveyor asked the Council to sanction Mr. O'Callaghan acting as Assistant Surveyor for West Inishowen pending the result of the examination which he recently stood, being made known and the Council agreed to do so, Mr. O'Callaghan not to receive any remuneration for so acting in case he is unsuccessful at the examination.

Confirmed
R. J. Smith
Chairman

Sent as directed 22/2/01
Copy sent Mr. O'Callaghan 22/2/01

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Councillors 7/2/01

Minutes of Special meeting of the County Council held on 28th February 1901.

Attendances

The members of the Council present were:-

Councillors Hugh McDevitt (Chairman), John Byrne, Wm. Doherty, James Dunlevy, Wm. Griffith, Wm. J. Hanna, John A. Hamilton, Charles Kelly, Hugh McClafferty, Charles Mc Cormick, Hugh McDevitt (Milford), Manus McFadden, and Hugh O'Donnell.

Minutes

The minutes of previous meeting were confirmed.

Intention to make Rates

The Council directed publication of Notices of their intention to make Rates for the Service of the year ending 31st March 1902, according to Estimates recently approved of by the Finance Committee.

"Re" Train Service Lifford Railway

A letter from the Secretary, Lough Swilly Railway Company stating that they were unable to comply with the request recently made by the Council that a midday train should be run between Londonderry and Lifford on market days owing to the Board of Trade refusing to sanction a siding and signal station at Newtown Cunningham, and enclosing a copy of the letter they had received from the Board of Trade, was read.

"Re" Draft Provisional Order of Local Government Board

A draft Provisional Order of the Local Government Board amending Local Government (Procedures of Councils Order) 1899 was considered and it was resolved, on the motion of Mr. Hanna seconded by Mr. McDevitt (Chairman),:-

"That this Council approve of the suggestion in Article 12 vesting power in rural Councils to transact business at a Special meeting which should have been transacted at a Quarterly meeting had a quorum been present, but as regarding the employment of direct labour by Rural Councils we do not consider desirable. The Council also approve of

the other alterations in Provisional Order of 6th February of Local Government Board.

"Re" Downings Bay Pier Road

A letter from the Congested Districts Board relative to the proposed construction of the above New Road was referred to the District Council.

"Re" Mairies Works (Portnasat Landing Place)

A letter from the Congested Districts Board stating that they are prepared to carry out the County Surveyors requirements with respect to Portnasat Landing Place provided the Council agree to take over and maintain the Mairies Works subsequently, was adjourned to the Quarterly meeting for Mr. Skadman's attendance.

"Re" Portnablaghy Harbour

A letter from the Congested Districts Board intimating that they had decided to make a contribution of £200. towards the improvement of works at Portnablaghy Harbour, agreed on at the recent conference between the Rev. W. S. Green (the Board's representative) and the gentlemen interested in the project provided that an equal amount is contributed locally, was read and it was resolved, on the motion of Mr. Dunlevy seconded by Mr. Hanna,:-

"That we adhere to the resolution already passed on the 27th November 1900 to contribute the sum of £200. towards the improvement of works at Portnablaghy and that our Secretary put himself into communication with local parties in the District with a view of obtaining a satisfactory undertaking that contributions will be given of an equal amount."

"Re" County Officers

The question of the better accommodation of the Office Staff then came up for consideration on the report of the Council's Solicitor as to the result of the case "County Council" v. Herdman which had been adjourned from the Quarterly meeting to a Special meeting, and it was moved by Mr. Charles Mc Cormack and seconded by Mr. Hugh Mc Clafferty:-

"That the offices of the County Council be transferred to Lifford."

Mr. Doherty proposed and Mr. Hanna seconded an amendment:-

works Lifford Railway Co. v. Congested Districts Board
H. O'Farrell and J. J. O'Farrell
21/3/01

Deleted from draft
to District Council
21/3/01
J. J. O'Farrell
21/3/01

Sub. City to Council
21/3/01

"That no action as to changes of offices be taken at this meeting the matter not being on Agenda:

Voting

A division was taken and the voting was as follows:-

For Amendment: - Messrs. W. Doherty, W. J. Hanna, John Byrne, and Capt. J. Hamilton - 4

Against: - Messrs Hugh McDevitt, Jas Dunlevy, W. Griffith, C. Kelly, H. McBlafferty, C. McCormack, H. McDevitt (Jr.), Maudie McEadon, and Hugh O'Donnell - 9

Amendment was accordingly declared lost.

Mr. Byrne then proposed and Captain Hamilton seconded a further amendment:-

"That Mr. Wilson be instructed to enter into communication with the Sheriff and see what terms he is willing to propose to the County Council for their occupation of the County House."

Voting

The voting as for and against this amendment was as before and it was therefore declared lost and the original motion carried.

Mr. Hugh McBlafferty then moved, Mr. McDevitt seconded and it was resolved:-

"That a Committee be appointed to inspect the premises available in the Town of Kitterkenney and report to next Quarterly meeting result of inspection and also ascertain terms, and that the Committee consist of Messrs. J. McEadon, H. McDevitt (Jr.), Jas. Dunlevy, Wm. Doherty, Charles McCormack, and Mr. Hayes, Mr. McDevitt to be convener."

"Re" Release of Political Prisoners

A resolution of the Kinturk Rural District Council requesting His Majesty to order the Release of all Irish Political Prisoners was read and Mr. McBlafferty moved and Mr. McCormack seconded its adoption. Mr. Hanna proposed and Captain Hamilton seconded as an amendment that it should not be adopted but, on a show of hands, they were the only Councillors in support of the amendment and it was accordingly declared lost, and the resolution adopted. The following is the Resolution:-

Resolved:- "That we most respectfully request His most Gracious Majesty Edward VII. King of England, to signalise His accession to the Throne by ordering the Release of all the Irish Political Prisoners confined in the jails of the United Kingdom."

Dated 5th June 1901
to Kinturk Rural District Council
3 April 1901

Clery sub. Stone Secretary
4/2/01

Report of Strabane N.S. School Ulsterman or

Committee

The report of this Committee was adopted.

"Re" Motor Car Tour

A letter from the Irish motor news relative to the motor car tour which the Automobile Club of Great Britain & Ireland propose holding this year and suggesting that the Council should direct their Secretary to write the Secretary of the Club stating that they had heard this tour was in contemplation and urging on them to visit Ireland, having been read the Secretary was instructed to write as suggested.

wrote as directed
8/6/01

Confirmed

J. McEadon

Chairman

Reports of Committees

The following reports of Committees were adopted:-
 Reports of meetings of the Finance Committee
 held on the 28th February, 12th March & 3rd April 1901.
 Same of meetings of the Agricultural and Technical
 Instruction and Live Stock Committees held
 on the 12th March 1901
 Same of Strabane No. 2. School Attendance
 Committee meeting held on 26th March 1901
 Same of meeting of the Diseases of Animals
 Committee held on 3rd April 1901

Re Portnablagh Pier - Curing Station

A report from the Committee in charge of the
 pier recommending that permission for erecting
 a curing station should be granted to Mr. Trail
 under certain conditions, that the Council should
 satisfy themselves that the erection of a fish
 curing establishment on this Pier would not
 interfere with the convenience of persons using
 it for navigation purposes. &c. &c. having been
 read it was proposed by Captain Stoney seconded
 by Mr. James Sweeney and resolved:-

"That we are unable to agree to the proposal
 to erect curing shed upon the Portnablagh Pier
 but if the Pier Committee will propose the
 acquisition of land for this purpose in the
 immediate vicinity of the Pier the Council
 will favourably consider the Proposal.
 An application from Mr. Andrew Sharkey, J.P.
 for a site for a curing station on this Pier
 was also read.

Re Harmless Linnatics

A circular from the Local Government Board
 relative to the making of other provisions
 for the care of harmless linnatics than at
 present exist in Workhouses having been
 read, it was resolved, on the motion of
 Mr. Mooney seconded by Captain Stoney:-
 "That no action be taken by the Council

in the matter as the Local Government Board
 do not offer a sufficient capitation grant."

Re Compulsory Purchase

A resolution from the County Down County
 Council tendering their best thanks to Mr. J.W.
 Russell for the great effort he is making to
 further a just measure of compulsory sale
 of the Land to the occupying tenants; and
 expressing their opinion that there can be
 no prosperity and contentment in Ireland until
 all the abuses connected with dual ownership
 are finally abolished, was unanimously
 adopted.

Re Lifford Bridge

The consideration of a letter from Mr. Wilson,
 solicitor to the Council, re memorialising the
 Lord Lieutenant was adjourned to the
 Quarterly meeting. Mr. Wilson to again
 communicate with the Strabane Urban
 Council on the matter in the meantime.

Re Mr. John Horvath, J.P.

A letter from Mr. John Horvath, accepting
 the salary of £25 per annum, with
 allowances for attending fairs, offered
 him by the Council recently for acting
 as Veterinary Inspector for Bushmore Union,
 was read.

Re Portnablagh Harbour Improvements

Letters from John A. Law Esq., Marshall Hall
 Dungannon and J.H. Burke Murphy Esq.
 Belfast guaranteeing £50 each towards the
 cost of the proposed improvements to the
 Portnablagh Harbour were read, and the
 Secretary was directed to enquire to Mr. Murphy
 with regard to his remark that the Board of
 Works might also assist, that the people
 locally should approach them.

Copy to Secy of the Committee
 10/4/01

Copy to Secy of the Council
 10/4/01

Copy to Mr. Stoney
 Burke Murphy - 10/4/01

Re "Accession Oath of King Edward VII"

The following resolution protesting against the oath taken by His Majesty King Edward VII on his accession to the Throne of England was, on the motion of Councillor Walsh, seconded by Councillor W.J. Hannes, unanimously adopted, viz.

Resolved:

That we express in the strongest manner our indignation at the insult offered to Roman Catholics by the oath which His Majesty King Edward VII was obliged to take, according to the Laws of England on his accession to the Throne. That we believe the majority of our Protestant fellow countrymen would not in the present times be parties to such a wanton, uncalled for and scandalous insult directed against the Roman Catholic Religion, and we urge the Irish Members representing an essentially Catholic Country to advocate the elimination from the Statute Book of England of that portion of the Oath so directed.

That copies of this resolution be sent to the Prime Minister and the Members of Parliament for the County.

Re Compulsory Education Londonderry No. 2 Rural District

A resolution from the Londonderry No. 2 Rural District Council requesting the County Council to apply the provisions of the Irish Education Act of 1892 to that Rural District having been read, it was resolved, on the motion of Mr. Alexander, seconded by Mr. McGadden:

That we hereby apply the provisions of the Irish Education Act of 1892 to the Rural District of Londonderry No. 2 and adopt the regulations under said Act, and that, in pursuance thereof, we appoint the following gentleman to act as the Joint School Attendance Committee, viz. Joseph Alexander Esq. &c.

Copies to Councillors

11/4/01

Copies to Commissioners
of Education - 11/4/01

L.L.D. Mr. Jas. Hannes Esq. Whitehouse Esq. Charles Craig Esq. Inch. Joseph McArthur Esq. Bink and James Black Esq. J.P. Kestonmanning Esq.

Re County and Assistant Surveyors Salaries

A letter from the Local Government Board & settlement by the Council of the increase of remuneration to be allowed to M.A. Ferson Esq. a Surveyor and the seven assistant Surveyors who are existing officers was read and it was resolved

That a Committee be appointed to reply to the Local Government Board letter of March 13th 1901 referring to County and Township Surveyors, and that the Committee show the increase recommended in each case and the portion of the increase due to increase of duties and specifying the duties which increase is allowed. The Committee to consist of the following gentlemen, viz:- Captain Strong (Chairman), Messrs J. Healey, W.J. Hannes, Wm. Doherty, Th. Callaghan, Wm. Callaghan, James Sweeney and Joseph Alexander.

Re Portable Pies

A letter from the Congested Districts Board re works proposed to be carried out at this time was read and the County Surveyor was directed to bring in a proposal for the works before next quarterly meeting of Proposal Committee.

Re Collector Patrick Sweeney

A letter from the Patriotic Assurance Company notifying the Council that the Bond of this Collector would be cancelled on 31st March 1901, was read and a copy of it was directed to be sent to Mr. Sweeney, and

Copies to Commissioners
10/4/01

And to the
with 10/4/01

the Council's Solicitor was also directed to furnish the Insurance Company with a list of the Outstanding Rates in this collector's district.

Re Penalty Interest on Instalments of
Seed Rate Ballyshannon Union

An application by the Guardians of Ballyshannon Union to the Council to remit to them the sum of £ 4:13:6 being amount of penal interest paid by them on the second instalment of the seed loan, and a letter from the Local Government Board in connection therewith having been read, the Council declined to remit the money the error not being theirs but the clerk of the Union who did not make the demand at the proper time.

Re Action of War Office in accepting
a tender for the supply of foreign meat.
A resolution of the Limerick Rural District Council protesting against the recent action of the War Office in accepting a tender for the supply of foreign meat preferring produce to the native and superior Article &c. was unanimously adopted.

Re Leharley's Estate

The final notice to tenants on Leharley's Estate, Bannock Island was laid before the Council.

Re Law relating to Traction Engines

It was proposed by Mr. Wm. Callaghan seconded by Mr. Wm. Gray and resolved -
"That the County Council of Donegal ask the Government to amend the local Government Act in relation to the use of Traction Engines on roads and to assimilate the Law in Ireland to that of England."

That copies of this resolution be sent to the Chief Secretary and the members of Parliament for the County.

Re Ex. Collector McCoombe

A letter from the Patriotic Insurance Company re. ex. collector McCoombe was read and the matter left in the hands of the Solicitor to the Council.

Re Curlew Bridge

It was directed that a copy of a letter from the congested District Board re the Curlew Bridge be sent to the District Council.

Re Revision of Valuations

A letter from the Local Govt. Board enquiring if the County Council were aware of any objection to the Commissioners of Valuation beginning the Revisions of the Valuations a month earlier each year in future having been read, the Secretary was directed to reply that the Council see no objection.

East's Holidays

It was resolved, on the motion of Mr. Lamm seconded by Mr. Ward, to close the Council offices from the evening of the 4th inst. to the morning of the 5th inst.

Re Malicious Injury Donegal Union

A letter from the Clerk of the Donegal Union relative to a Malicious Injury claim was read, and the Secretary directed to reply that the District Council may oppose if they think it desirable. Malicious Injuries for amounts over £40 in which the County Council are opposing.

Miscellaneous Correspondence

A number of unimportant letters were read.

Re Assistant County Surveyorship
West Half Barony of Inchonon

A letter from the Local Government Board stating that Mr Edward O'Callaghan, who was recently appointed by the Council as assistant Surveyor for the West Half Barony of Inchonon, had failed to qualify at the examination recently held, having been read; the Council agreed to retain Mr O'Callaghan in this position until the next examination of the Local Govt Board in order to give him another opportunity of qualifying, his salary being paid to him in case he fails to do so.

Confirmed.

Edward O'Callaghan
Chairman

Copy to Mr O'Callaghan
12th May 1901

Adjourned 12th May
Councillors 8th
County Surveyors
24th May 1901

Minutes of Quarterly meeting of County Council
held on 20th May 1901

A quarterly meeting of the County Council was held on 20th May 1901

Attendance

The members of the Council present were:-
Councillors Edward Fadden (Chairman),
J. McDermott (Pluries), Joseph Alexander, John Bradley,
John Byrne, M. Cassidy, Mr. Cavanagh, W. O'Hanlon,
Wm. Doherty, James Dunne, Wm. Gallagher, Thos. Harp,
J. H. Humphreys, Chas. Kelly, M. Magee, P. H. Mooney,
Sam. O'Leary, Hugh O'Donnell, Thos. B. O'Sullivan,
James Sweeney, C. Ward, P. Ward, Thos. White
and Wm. J. Wray

Minutes

The minutes of previous meeting were, on the motion of the Chairman seconded by C. Sweeney, confirmed.

Reports of Committees

The following reports of Committees were unanimously adopted, viz.

Finance Committee - Reports of meetings held on the 15th April and 3rd May 1901

Proposal Committee - Reports of meetings held on the 3rd and 11th of May 1901

Coroners Committee - Report of meeting held on 3rd May 1901

Surveyors Committee - Report of meeting held on 11th May 1901, the minutes being amended by inserting that Mr. Ferguson, Collector, had agreed to accept the £50 per annum increase to his salary on the supposition that the resolution adopted by the Council requiring him to live in Letterkenny be rescinded.

Agricultural and Technical Instruction Committee - Report of meeting held on 12th May 1901

Done

"Re" Assistant County Surveyorship
West Half Barony of Inishowen

A letter from the Local Government Board stating that Mr Edward O'Callaghan, who was recently appointed by the Council as Assistant Surveyor for the West Half Barony of Inishowen, had failed to qualify at the examination recently held, having been read, the Council agreed to retain Mr O'Callaghan in this position until the next examination of the Local Govt Board in order to give him another opportunity of qualifying, no salary being paid to him in case he fails to do so.

Confirmed.

Edw O'Callaghan
 Chairman

Copy to Mr O'Callaghan
 12th May 1901

Adjourned 11.45
 Councillors 8.15
 County Surveyor 8.30
 24th May 1901

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Attendance

The members of the Council present were:-
 Councillors Edw M Fadden (Chairman),
 J. McDermott (Deputy), Joseph Alexander, Jno Bradley,
 John Byrne, M. Cassidy, Jno Cavanagh, W. Lohman,
 Wm Doherty, James Dunlop, Wm Gallagher, Jno Hayes,
 J. H. Humphreys, J. Keckley, M. Keane, J. Keogh,
 J. Keogh, J. Keogh, J. Keogh, J. Keogh,
 James Keogh, J. Keogh, J. Keogh, J. Keogh,
 and Wm J. Keogh

Minutes

The minutes of previous meeting were, on the motion of the Chairman seconded by J. Keogh, confirmed.

Reports of Committees

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Agricultural and Technical Instruction Committee - Report of meeting held on 17th May 1901

Done

Live Stock Committee - Reports of meetings held on the 3rd and 22nd of April 1901.

On it being moved by Captain Stone, seconded by Mr. Wray to adopt the report of meeting of the Live Stock Committee held on 14th May 1901. Mr. Wm. Coltham proposed and Mr. Hugh McLafferty seconded an amendment "That that part of the Report accepting for Premium two Bulls owned by John Moanfield and Mr. Jm. Elmore of Limerick be deleted and that we refuse to grant these premiums as the owners did not comply with the regulations of the Department and Committee - no application having been made, as required by the advertisement, to the Committee prior to purchasing at Dublin, our Judges, though in attendance there, not having been asked to inspect these animals, and they having failed to exhibit them at the Open Show held for their District; and also as they were not some of the District." Voting

For Amendment - Councillors Mr. Devitt, John Bradley, John Byrne, Mr. Coltham, Mr. Doherty, James Dunne, Mr. Gallagher, P. Albooney, Mr. Clafferty, Mr. Donnell, James Sweeney, Mr. Hard, P. Hard and Michael White - 14.

Against - Councillors Joseph Alexander, John Cavanagh, John Stynes, Mr. Humphreys, Chuskelly, Mr. Stone, and Mr. J. Wray - 7. The amendment was accordingly declared carried and the paragraph deleted.

Strabane No. 2 School Attendance Committee - A report of meeting of this Committee held on 16th April 1901 was adopted.

Notice of Motion

Councillor O'Hara withdrew a notice of motion he had given relative to appointing

a Sub-Committee in addition to the clerks Committee to suggest further economies to the Council

Re Road Contract No 365 - Donegal Rural District Councillor O'Hara, in accordance with notice of motion given, moved, Councillor O'Hara seconded and it was resolved:-

"That we hereby cancel Contract No 365 for building a pipe in Sunkineely, by Andy Byrne - passed 30th September 1900 - amount of Contract £9.10. the Contractor being unable to fulfill the Contract owing to ill-health.

Re Fixtures of Meetings of Council & Committees A notice of motion by Councillor Stone, re having only 12 meetings of the Council in the year and holding the Committee meetings, as far as possible on the same day, was adjourned to the Annual Meeting.

Re Approach to Railway Station at Burtonport The consideration of the matter of the approach to the Railway Station at Burtonport having been brought up on a notice of motion by Councillor James Sweeney, it was proposed by Councillor Sweeney, seconded by Councillor Mr. Daddan and resolved:-

"That considering the congested state of Burtonport Pier and the increase of traffic which the new Railway Station will entail, our Secretary be instructed to write the Secretary of Board of Works to devise a new approach to the new station at Burtonport.

Re Portlough Pier A notice of motion by Councillor McLafferty and five others to rescind a resolution refusing permission to erect a new shed on this pier passed at last meeting of the Council was adjourned to the Annual Meeting. Other correspondence in connection with

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the matter was also adjourned.

Re Donegal Quay.

Councillor Dunlevy, in accordance with notice of motion given, moved Councillor O'Hara seconded, and it was resolved:-

"That we direct our Secretary to write to the Earl of Anson's Agent and ascertain on what terms the Earl will be prepared to hand over the Donegal Quay to the County Council."

Re Bundoran Pier

A notice of motion by Councillor Cassidy & appointing a Harbour Master for Bundoran Pier was ruled out of order, a resolution being on the books which would require to be rescinded before such an appointment could be made.

Re Erection of Boat-Slips at Certain Places

Councillor O'Garra, in accordance with notice of motion given, moved Councillor Storey seconded and it was resolved:- "That the County Surveyor be requested to report on the advisability of erecting boat-slips at Port. Ma-Ling, Ballyhooriskey, Arnyneenabin, New Bridge and Chardam, and also the probable cost of same."

Resignation of Collector Pat. Sweeney

Mr. Pat. Sweeney, Ballyshannon, tendered his resignation which was accepted and the Secretary was to advertise the appointment of a collector for his District at the same poundage rate take made on the 13th June inst.

Proposals for Payments

The proposals for payment formulated by the Proposal Committee and various District Councils and

recommended by the Finance Committee were adopted.

Proposals for New Works and Maintenance of Works.

The Proposals for New Works and Maintenance of Works formulated by the various Rural District Councils were then considered.

Ballyshannon No 1

No. 29 on List put into County Surveyors hands for three months, others for which no tenders received were rejected and the remaining Proposals Sanctioned.

Donegal

Nos. 481, 491, 492, 509, 529, put into County Surveyors hands for three months. No 386, new works, also put into County Surveyors hands. Others for which no tenders received were rejected and the remaining Proposals Sanctioned.

Dunfanaghy

All Proposals for which no tenders received were rejected. Remainder Sanctioned.

Glenties

With reference to No 136 on List, it was moved by Mr. O'Garra seconded by Captain Storey to reject it. Mr. O'Hara proposed and Mr. Sweeney seconded an amendment that it should be confirmed. On a division being taken six voted for and eleven against the amendment which was accordingly declared lost and the motion carried. Nos. 88 and 191 put into County Surveyors hands for three months. Other Proposals for which no tenders received were rejected. Remainder Sanctioned.

works as directed 24/5/01

advertised 24/5/01

Re Contract held by Patrick Hannigan, Cappoy
 A resolution from the Shamorlan District Council requesting the County Council to break the Contract No. 81 entered into by Patrick Hannigan of Cappoy at the first quarterly meeting of the District Council in August 1899 as he has no means of fulfilling same and his sureties are not in a position to carry out their obligations, was read and the County Surveyor explained that Hannigan was an extremely bad contractor who would do nothing to his Contract and that the sureties who were very poor had already to pay several fines on his account. The sureties, one of whom stated he had sold out his farm and was leaving the County, also applied to have the Contract broken. The Council were of opinion the Contract should be broken but decided to leave it over to next quarterly meeting of District Council to see if an arrangement could not be entered into whereby Hannigan would give his consent to this being done.

239.

Re Proposal to Repair Road in Shamorlan Rural District

A resolution from the Shamorlan District Council requesting the County Council to take such steps as they may be advised to enforce the carrying out of the proposal for the repair of the road from the Main St Ballyboley to Lavenham St. Ballyboley and have the rights of the Council finally declared in such cases was adopted and Mr. Wilson, solicitor to the Council, instructed to take Council's opinion on the matter.

Re Granite Resources of County

A letter from Mr. John Linn, Granite Merchant, Annalong, Co. Down, enquiring as to the Granite resources of the County was read and the Council, acting on their Surveyors' opinions, directed the Secretary to reply that there are beds

Copy sent Mr. Wilson 24/10/91

Copy sent Mr. Linn 24/10/91

of Granite at Bannmore, Burtonport, Glenties, Dungloe and Greedore and that they are of the best quality.

Re Gweedah Bridge

A further resolution from the Glenties District Council requesting the County Council to again use their influence with the L.D. Board to have this Bridge repaired was read and the Council declined to do so and directed the Secretary to inform the District Council they should communicate with the Board themselves.

Re Maagharaallen Pier

A letter from the Congested Districts Board intimating that the underpinning suggested by the County Surveyor in his report of March 1900 had been carried out at Maagharaallen Pier and asking the Council to take over the pier now and maintain it was read and the County Surveyor was directed to make another report on the present condition of the Pier.

Re Rathmullen Pier

A letter from Mr. Wm. O'Rourke, solicitor, relative to the accommodation for the passenger boats plying between Glenties and Rathmullen at this Pier and letters from the Harbour Board &c. same were referred to the Pier Committee with a request that they make such arrangements as they consider best.

Re Irish Colonnels General Council

A letter from the Irish Colonnels General Council requesting the various Colonnels to contribute a sum towards the expenses of the Council having been read it was resolved to contribute a sum of £3.0.0.

Copy letter sent
25/5/01

Re Artane Industrial School

A letter from the Manager of the Artane Industrial School having been written requesting the County Council to enter into an arrangement whereby they would contribute 2/6 per week per head for boys admitted into that School from the County Donegal having been read, it was proposed by Mr. McFadden seconded by Captain Storey, and resolved -

That this Council enter into a contract with Artane Industrial School to pay 2/6 per week for each boy admitted to that Institution from this County.

Copy sent to Manager of
Artane Industrial School
24/5/01

Re Burtonport Harbour

A report from the Burtonport Pier Committee relative to the approach to the Pier &c. was read and the Secretary directed to request the Chairman of the Committee to bring the matter of the £10 desired to be expended on the Pier before the Finance and Proposal Committees.

Copy 100/10/01

Re Rate Collectors Pounding Fees

A letter from the Local Government Board enclosing copy of a Memorial they had received from the Rate Collectors relative to Pounding Fees was referred to the Finance Committee.

Dates for Holding Quarterly Meetings of Co. Council, Proposal Committee and District Councils

The following dates were fixed for the Quarterly meetings of the Co. Council, Proposal Committee and District Councils remaining to be held for the current year, viz -

County Council - August 21st, November 22, 1901 and February 26th 1902.

Proposal Committee - August 6th & November 6th 1901 and February 10th 1902.

Quarterly meetings
21/8, 22/11, 26/2, 10/2

Rural District Councils

Ballyshannon	-	July 19 th & October 18 th 1901 and January 26 th 1902	
Donegal	-	Do 14 th & 16 th "	Do 22 nd "
Dunfurnagh	-	Do 13 th & 15 th "	Do 11 th "
Glenties	-	Do 18 th & 14 th "	Do 23 rd "
Inishowen	-	Do 16 th & 15 th "	Do 21 st "
Litterkenny	-	Do 19 th & 18 th "	Do 24 th "
Londonderry	-	Do 14 th & 16 th "	Do 22 nd "
Meilford	-	Do 6 th & 5 th "	Do 18 th "
Strabane	-	Do 15 th & 14 th "	Do 20 th "
Stranorlar	-	Do 16 th & 15 th "	Do 21 st "

Re Irish Industries

A resolution from the Irish County Councils General Council relative to the encouraging of Irish Industries, was adopted, and copy was directed to be sent to the Clerk of Asylum Board.

Re Contracts Nos. 41 & 418, Donegal District

A resolution from the Donegal District Council requesting the Council to relieve the Contractors for above Contracts of their Contracts, was read.

Re Portormacmurrayham Courthouse

A letter from Mr. Andrew Jelanta, Portormacmurrayham intimating that he has built a Courthouse at that place and asking the Council to put themselves under conditions of tenancy for said Courthouse from 1st May last, was referred to the Bench of Magistrates at Portormacmurrayham. The Secretary to point out that before any new arrangement could be made due notice would require to be given to terminate the tenancy of present Courthouse.

Letter from John Quinn Esq.

A letter from John Quinn Esq. Solr. Litterkenny directing attention of the Council to a Contractor who has opened a peep and allowed it to

remain open to the danger of the Public was read and the Secretary directed to reply that steps would be taken to compel the Contractor to carry out his Contract.

Re County Asylum

The following resolutions of the Committee of Management of the Donegal District Lunatic Asylum were adopted.

Resolved - That the Committee of Management of this Asylum having had before them the question of providing additional land for the employment of the patients in this Asylum, having regard to their health mentally and physically, and having given the matter careful consideration during the past 12 months, have decided to recommend the Council of the County of Donegal to purchase the following lots and at the prices stated in the Schedule hereto, and request the County Council to apply to the Local Government Board for a loan to purchase same.

II

Proposed by Rev. Daniel Stephens seconded by Francis Gallagher Esq. M.P. and passed unanimously.

That the offers of Messrs. Corry, Fleming and Doherty, to sell their lands &c. as specified for the sums of £400, £2,000 and £400 respectively, be accepted by this Committee subject to Mr. Corry satisfying the Committee as to the right of way through the portion of the land which he reserves. The Vendor in each case making good his title at his own expense, this Committee paying cost of conveyance and approval fee only. In connection with the last resolution the Secretary was directed to write to the Clerk of the Asylum and inquire if there are houses on the

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28/6/01

Copy sent. Sumo Works with Quercus
28/6/01

portion proposed to be purchased from Mr. Corry and if so what arrangements would be proposed to be made with regard to them.

Re. Roskeg Boat Slip

A letter from the L.B. Board enquiring, if they carried out certain repairs to Roskeg Boat Slip, would the Council take it over and maintain it was referred to the County Surveyor for report.

Appointment of Deputy Checker

It was resolved, on the motion of Mr. Edw. Fadden seconded by Mr. De McLafferty, to appoint Mr. Wm. Hartigan, Clerk to the Dunfmlagh District Council, Deputy Checker for the Dunfmlagh Rural District in room of Mr. W. Henderson resigned.

Re. J.R. A. Ferguson Esq. M.B.

A letter from the Local Government Board sanctioning Mr. Ferguson's salary at £550 per annum was read.

Re. Malicious Injury Appeals

Mr. Nixon, solicitor to the Council reported having appealed certain malicious injury cases and the Council approved of his having done so and directed he should have a general discretion in such cases pending a meeting of the Council.

Miscellaneous Correspondence

A number of unimportant letters and resolutions were read while some others were adjourned to next quarterly meeting.

Adopted
Edw. Fadden
Chairman

Copy to Mr. Nelson
24.6.01

Minutes of Annual Meeting of County Council held on 13th June 1901

Attendance

The Councillors present were:-

Edward M. Fadden Esq. M.P. (Chairman), Messrs. Hugh M. Devitt, Joseph Alexander, John Byrne, Francis Gallagher, McEassidy, Jacob London, Mr. Doherty, Mr. Gallagher, Mr. James Hanna, John Hamilton, Thomas Stapp, Isaac Magee, P. L. Cooney, Mr. McLafferty, H. O'Donnell, Thos. B. Storey, Jas. Dweeney, John Sweeney, C. Howard, Felix Rand, Mr. J. B. Gray

Minutes

The minutes of previous meeting were confirmed.

Appointment of Chairman

On the motion of Captain Storey seconded by Mr. Thos. Stapp, Mr. Edward M. Fadden, M.P. was unanimously re-elected Chairman for the ensuing year.

Appointment of Vice-Chairman

Mr. Hugh M. Devitt was, on the motion of Mr. Magee seconded by Mr. Hanna, unanimously re-elected Vice-Chairman.

Appointment of Committees

The Proposal, Diseases of Animals and General Purposes Committees were re-appointed. The Law Committee with the addition of D. Alexander was re-appointed. The Finance Committee with the addition of Messrs. P. L. Cooney, James Sweeney, Hugh M. McLafferty and John Byrne, was also re-appointed. The Coroners Committee was dissolved.

Re Distances of Council and Committees Meetings
 Captain Stone, in accordance with notice of motion given, moved Mr. Wm. Gallagher seconded and it was resolved:-

That in future the meetings of the Council shall be held, where necessary, every month.

That these 12 meetings shall include all meetings presented by statute, whether Annual, Quarterly or other. That except meetings prescribed by Statute all other meetings of Council shall be held on the second Monday of the month. ^{that all meetings of the Council shall be held on the second Monday of the month} That where Committee meetings are held for urgent reasons outside Council days, the sanction of the Chairman of that Committee shall first be obtained. That this resolution does not apply to the Proposal Committee. The Secretary was also instructed to get cards printed giving the dates of the meetings and send to each member of the Council.

Re Portlabbash Pier
 The notice of motion signed by six members re rescinding of resolution refusing to allow erection of Arine sheds on this pier, was withdrawn. Other correspondence in connection with the matter was read.

Re Provisional Order of Local Government Board
 Copy of a Provisional Order made by the Local Government Board in pursuance of the Local Act (Ireland) (No. 1) 1900, varying certain of the provisions of the Local Government (Procedure of Councils) Order 1899, was read.

Re Bundoran Pier
 Councillor Cassidy, with the permission of the Council, withdrew a notice of motion which he and five other members had given to rescind a resolution passed by the Council dismissing Harbour Master who did not collect dues, as

far as it concerned Bundoran Pier.

Re Residence of J. R. A. Ferguson Esq. M.C.
 Councillor Magee, in accordance with notice of motion given and signed by five other members, moved Councillor Estorand seconded and it was resolved:-

That the resolution of the Council directing Mr. J. R. A. Ferguson County Surveyor to reside in Letterkenny be rescinded.

Secretary's Report on Office Staff &c.
 The Secretary submitted a report as to the working of the Office, the efficiency of the staff and the condition of the offices and, on the motion of Mr. Hanna seconded by Mr. J. J. McNeely, it was resolved:-

That a Special Committee be appointed to consider the matter of the reduction of the Staff and other matters in Secretary's report, and that the Committee consist of Messrs James Dwyer, Mr. Hanna, Isaac Magee, Thomas Hays, Mr. Gallagher, Captain Stone, and Chairman and Vice-Chairman of Council.

Re Income Tax on Revenue from Piers
 It was resolved to request the members of Parliament for the County to raise the question in Parliament of the Income Tax Authorities claiming Income Tax on the Revenue derived from Piers.

Re Salaries of Assistant Surveyors
 A letter from the Local Government Board stating that they had received a communication from the Assistant Surveyors dealt with by the Claims Committee at their last meeting and enquiring if the Council desired a local inquiry into the claims of these officers to

be held, having been read, it was proposed by Mr Hanna seconded by Mr. O'Hara and resolved :-

"That this Council inform the Local Government Board that they have carefully considered the additional duties imposed upon the Assistant Surveyors and found the salary of each Assistant Surveyor under the Grand Jury was, with one exception, uniformly £80 per annum; and that this Council have increased the salaries on the important districts 50 per cent viz to £120 and the less important districts the same proportion for their increased duties."

Annual Holidays

The Secretary was authorised to let the clerks away on their holidays of a fortnight each at the most convenient times and also to let his own.

Law Committee Reports

The following Reports of the Law Committee were adopted viz:

(1) Reports

At a meeting of the Law Committee held at Court House Lifford there were present the following members Capt. Hamilton (Chairman) James Sweeney & Peter Ward.

Resolved :-

① "That Mr Wilson be instructed to reply to Mr A. Stubbs regarding a letter setting forth certain claims by Mr Bustard of Tyrconnell's Killeybegs Pier and to state that the County Council claim ownership of the pier and its surroundings as defined under the Grand Jury. Furthermore to prosecute any parties reported to him by County Surveyor as throwing in rubbish to the detriment of the Harbour."

② "That Mr Wilson be instructed to make an immediate return of all decrees obtained for breaches of road contracts and that no expense short of the

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sum to be levied should stand in the way of having examples made by salutory executions —

③ "That Mr Wilson be instructed to take proceedings against those parties who have removed timber from the bridge for which Pat Quinn is contractor No. 194 Glenties Rural District."

Signed

J. S. Hamilton.

Chairman Law Committee 13/6/01

County Council Law Committee

Malford Rural District

No. 13th January 1900 Patrick Strain Contractor Golan.

Surtees { Daniel McLaughlin of Barrowmagannagh.
Patrick Strain of Golan.

To cut a hill and fill a hollow on the road from Rametton, to Glen.

Contractor commenced work, and then gave up working and left the road in a dangerous state he received a 10 day notice on 20th May to which he paid no attention. I again noticed him that he would be prosecuted and that he was responsible for the safety of the Public until his contract was certified as complete.

Prosecution recommended by Law Committee J. S. Hamilton Chairman Law Committee 13/6/01

J. K. L. Ferguson C.S.

Reports of Committees

The following Reports of Committees were adopted viz:-

Reports of meetings of the Finance and Diseases of Animals Committees held prior to Council meeting.
Report of Live Stock Committee, also held prior to Council meeting.

Re Residence of Mr Edward McLaughlin, Assistant Surveyor.

The Secretary was directed to write and request Mr McLaughlin, Assistant Surveyor,

broke Mr McLaughlin 24/6/01

for an explanation as to why he has not complied with the Council's resolution directing him to live within his district.

Re County Live Stock Schemes.

A letter from the Department of Agriculture relative to the Council's refusal to confirm the action of the County Live Stock Committee in awarding two premiums in Letterkenney District, and suggesting that the Council should direct another show for that district to be held, was read and it was proposed by Captain Stone, & seconded by Mr. Callaghan that we instruct the Live Stock Committee to hold a show for Bulls in Letterkenney. Mr. McClafferty proposed and Mr. Cassidy seconded as an Amendment:-

"That we do not direct the Committee to hold a show."

Voting.

For Amendment:- Messrs E. Cagney, M. Maguire, J. McClafferty, and C. H. Ward.

Against:- Messrs E. J. Fadden, J. Hamilton, J. Callaghan, J. H. O'Donnell, J. B. Stone, and P. J. Ward.

The Chairman gave his casting vote for the Amendment which was accordingly declared lost and motion carried.

Re Inch Road - Londonderry, 2nd District.

The County Surveyor was directed to report to the Council's Solicitor on the condition of Inch Road and the latter to advise the Council on the matter.

Re Road Contract - Strabane No 2, District.

In the case of a road contract in Strabane 2nd Rural District held by a man named Gibson in which the magistrate's refused him permission to enter a quarry, the County Surveyor was directed to report on the matter with a view to purchasing the quarry.

Re Newtownmunningham Const. House.

A communication from the Magistrates at Newtownmunningham stating that they had duly served notice terminating the tenancy of the old Cornhouse and that the rent asked by Mr. Clarke, the owner of the new one, was £10 was read, and the Secretary directed to inform Mr. Clarke that they could not pay a higher rent than £8 per annum for the Cornhouse this being the uniform rate over the County.

Re Rathmullen Pier.

The following Report of the Rathmullen Pier Committee was read:-

Report.

The Pier Committee, having considered the complaint of the Lough Swilly Steamboat Company, have come to the conclusion that if the crane, which is at present about 100 feet from the point of the pier, were shifted say about 50 or 60 feet further down it would meet the difficulty as the trouble always arises in the Steamboats having to get under it in order to discharge their cargoes. The Committee have instructed the harbour master to give every facility to the Lough Swilly Steamboat Company's Steamers or any other passenger steamers in coming alongside but they are of opinion that it is neither in their power nor in the power of the County Council to give Messrs. Trevelyan & Co. or any other Company the absolute right of a berth at the Pier.

The Committee wish to draw the attention of the Council to the fact that although they have been appointed almost two years they have not the remotest idea of how much money has been collected in the meantime nor has the harbour master ever consulted them about anything in connection with the pier. The Committee wish to impress on the County Council the necessity of having the pier Committee dealt with some authority as the pier is an important one owing to Rathmullen having been made a naval station and things should not be allowed to be carried on in the slipshod manner that they have been hitherto.

(Signed) James Deeney.

Amended by Council at meeting held on the 8th July 1901

Wrote Mr. C. Clarke 27/6/01

Copy sent to Mr. C. O. 15.6.01

Enrol collector's duty 25/6/01

It was then resolved, on the motion of Mr. James Sweeney, seconded by Mr. C. Howard :-

"That the different Harbour Masters of the County Piers are hereby instructed to have their several books audited by the Piers Committee each week and countersigned by Chairman of the Piers Committee before transmitting same to the Secretary of the County Council."

Re Collector Patk. Doherty

A letter from collector Patk. Doherty relative to rates due on Dunmore East Quay Station having been read the Secretary was directed to inform Mr. Doherty that it is his duty to take such steps as are necessary to collect the rates and that the Council will hold his sureties responsible for the amount if he does not collect it.

Re Buntport Pier

A letter from the Board of Works re this Pier was approved for consideration to next meeting of Council. Copies of same to be sent Messrs James Sweeney and John Sweeney.

Re Bundoran Pier

A letter from the Department of Agriculture and Technical Instruction offering to contribute a sum not to exceed £250 for improvements to this Pier was read.

Confirmed
Edward J. O'Brien
Chairman

Copy minutes sent L.G.B. C. Co. 15.6.01 and to Sec 12.4.01

Minutes of Special Meeting of County Council held on 8th July 1901

Attendance

The Councillors present were:-

Messrs. E. J. Fadden (Chairman), Mr. Devitt, John Byrne, Michael Cassidy, Edward Moatow, Mr. O'Connell, James O'Connor, Mr. Doherty, Mr. O'Donnell, Mrs. Hayes, J. Moate, P. Moate, Mr. Clafferty, Mr. Connick, Mr. Devitt, C. Howard, and Peter Ward.

Minutes

The minutes of previous meeting were amended by altering Councillor O'Donnell's name from having voted against to having voted for the Amendment and entering the Chairman as having given his Casting Vote Against the Amendment in the item appearing under heading "Re County Live Stock Schemes". The Minutes as amended were adopted.

Reports of Committees

Agricultural and Technical Instruction and Live Stock Committees

Reports of meetings of the above Committees held on the 21st June and 8th July 1901 were adopted.

Re Premiums to Bulls Litterkenney District

Arising out of the report of the meeting of the Live Stock Committee held on 8th July 1901 (prior to Council meeting) in which no rule had been made relative to the applications of Messrs J. H. C. Gore and Edmund Manefield of the granted Premiums for their Bulls which they had exhibited at the Show for Bulls held at Litterkenney, it was moved by Mr. O'Connell seconded by Mr. Doherty and unanimously resolved:-

"That we decline to grant Messrs J. H. C. Gore and Edmund Manefield Premiums for their Bulls on the ground that they do not reside in the district."

Accepted Department 21/7/01

Re Agricultural and Technical Instruction Committee

The name of Mr. Thomas Hayes was, on the recommendation of the Agricultural and Technical Instruction Committee, added to the List of members of the Committee.

Re County Asylum

A letter from the Resident Medical Superintendent of Donegal District Lunatic Asylum enclosing copy of Minutes passed by the Committee of Management at a meeting held on the 12th June 1901 was read and the Minutes approved of. A letter from the Local Govt. Board enclosing instructions as to procedure to obtain loan was also read and the Secretary instructed to fill up the necessary forms when he gets the Maps from the Surveyor.

Re Office of Coroner

Dr. Condon moved and Mr. John Byrne seconded the adoption of a resolution of the Ballaghannon Board of Guardians recommending the abolition of the office of County Coroners and suggesting that ~~the~~ inquests ^{where} necessary should be held by two Magistrates. Mr. Doherty proposed as an Amendment and Mr. Madden seconded that it be marked read.

Voting

The Voting was as follows.

For Amendment:- Messrs E. Madden, M. Lacey, E. Lahan, H. Coltham, Mr. Doherty, Mr. J. Hanna, Thos. Hayes, J. Keane, J. E. Cornish - 9
Against:- Messrs J. Callaghan, J. D. Condon, P. A. Mooney, H. Clafferty, Mr. Donitt, Est. Ward and Peter Ward - 9.

The Amendment was accordingly declared carried and the paper marked read.

Resolution of Letterkenny District Council

A resolution of the Letterkenny District Council requesting the Com. Council to have all rolling stones picked off the roads once a fortnight in order to prevent accidents to cyclists and driving horses, was referred to the Com. Surveyor.

Re Mr. Edward O'Callaghan

A letter from the Local Govt. Board stating that Mr. Edward O'Callaghan had again failed to satisfy the Board that he possesses the necessary qualifications prescribed by the Order for an Assistant Surveyor, but that the Board proved ready objection to his acting as such at next examination was approved for consideration at the quarterly meeting. Mr. O'Callaghan to act in the meantime.

Miscellaneous Correspondence

A number of unimportant letters and resolutions were read.

Re Mr. Grove Esq.

A letter from the Treasury Prime, Mr. Grove's pension at £300 per annum was read.

Confirmed

Stephen Donitt Chairman
21st Aug. 1901

Appt. to 1901
Councilors and
Members
26/8/01

Minutes of Quarterly Meeting of Council
A quarterly meeting of the above Council was held on the 21st August 1901

Attendance

The members of the Council present were:-
Councillors Hugh McDermott (Chairman),
John Byrne, Michael Cassidy, Michael O'Connor,
James Condon, Mrs. Doherty, D. J. Flood, W. J. Gallagher,
J. S. Hamilton, John Hayes, H. D. Humphreys,
M. Magee, P. Maloney, J. B. Stoney, J. J. Sweeney,
J. E. Ward, and J. A. Wray

Minutes

The Minutes of previous meeting were adopted.

Applications of Road Contractors

The Council refused to grant the application of Michael Slavin, Road Contractor, that he be relieved of his Contract.

Similar application by a Contractor named James Sweeney was adjourned to next Quarterly meeting of Council.
The Council also refused to relieve David Connor, Repet. of his Contract.

Re Approach to Burtonport Railway Station

A letter from the Board of Works on the subject of the approach to the new Railway Station at Burtonport having been read it was moved by Councillor James Sweeney seconded by Councillor John Byrne and resolved:-
That referring to the letter from the Board of Works dated 8th July, 1901, No 6630-01, the respectfully request the Board of Works to ask their Engineer superintending the Letterkenney to Burtonport Railway Line to see the Quarry Committee at Burtonport on his next visit and they will point out the great necessity for a road of approach to the Railway Station at Burtonport other than over the quay as at present contemplated, as the quarry cannot

Copy sent Board of Works
27th August 1901

cannot be relieved by the new quay owing to the Steamboat docks being situated at the present quay.

Re Rosbeg Slip

A letter from the Engraved District Board intimating that they are prepared to carry out certain repairs to the Slip at Portlaoise provided the Council will take over and maintain the Slip afterwards, and a report of the County Surveyor in connection therewith, having been read, the Secretary was directed to reply that if, in addition to the repairs mentioned, the Board make good the entrance to the Slip as suggested by the County Surveyor in his previous report the Council will maintain the slip.

Reports of County Surveyors re Portlaoise, Portlaoise Boat Slip, Green Castle Harbour, New Bridge Boat Slip, Portlaoise Quay Boat Slip, and Arrahemabin Landing Place.

Reports of the County Surveyors re the above Boat Slips and Harbours were referred to the Proposal Committee.

Reports of Committees

Proposal Committee

Reports of meetings of this Committee held on the 6th Augst and 13th Augst 1901 were adopted.

Finance Committee

Reports of meetings of the Finance Committee held on the 8th July & 13th Augst 1901 were adopted.

Arising out of the Report of the meeting of Finance Committee held on the 13th Augst declining to sanction payment of £23.16.6 to one James McNulty, road contractor in Strabane to v. Annual District without an explanation from the County Surveyor as to

how McNulty's name appeared in the books when the original Contract, which had not been broken, had been taken by a man named Byrne, the County Surveyor explained that McNulty had only done repairs to the road, which he (the Surveyor) was empowered to order by Act of Parliament and resolution of the Council, the Contractor having failed to fulfill his Contract which had expired in July last and had not been broken. The Council's Solicitor who was present, having been consulted, advised that the County Surveyor had acted quite legally, and that as the Finance Committee had only declined to sanction payment pending his explanation the Council could order payment.

It was then moved by Councillor J. H. Stoney, seconded by Councillor Colman that payment be ordered.

Councillor Stoney proposed and Councillor Hayes seconded as an amendment that the matter be referred to the next Quarterly meeting of the Finance Committee.

Voting
For Amendment:- Councillors Cassidy, Doherty, D.D. Flood, W. Gallagher, J. H. Stoney, J. B. Stoney, and J. H. Ward - 8.

Against:- Councillors Hugh McDermott, J. H. Stoney, W. Colman, J. D. Gordon, J. Hamilton, J. H. Humphreys, P. A. Mooney, W. J. Donnell, John Sweeney, J. Ward and W. J. H. Ward - 11.
The Amendment was accordingly declared lost and payment ordered.

Surveyor's Committee

It was proposed by Councillor Hayes seconded by Councillor McFee and unanimously resolved:-

That the report of the Assistant Surveyor Committee be adopted with this provision that

that if any future Act of Parliament modifies the procedure of Councils or any change in the Areas of District takes place the Salaries now recommended shall be subject to reconsideration by this Council and that the recommendation of the Lichoway District Council that the Parish of Clonmany be taken from East and added to West Lichoway be also adopted. All the Surveyors concerned, except Mr. Sandner, consented to accept the Salaries offered.

Londonderry No 2 School Attendance Committee

The first report of this Committee was on the motion of Capt. Stoney seconded by Mr. Doherty, adopted.

Agricultural Technical Instruction Committee
Reports of meetings of this Committee held on the 8th July, 6th Aug. and 27th Aug. 1901, were adopted.

Live Stock Committee

Reports of meetings of this Committee held on the 8th July and 2nd August 1901 were also adopted.

Clerks' Committee

The following report of the Committee appointed to conduct examination of the Clerks for 4 vacancies was, on the motion of Captain Stoney seconded by Mr. W. Gallagher, adopted.
Report

The Committee appointed to examine candidates for clerkships in the Council Office met at Lifford on Aug. 13th 1901 and again on 21st inst and examined 10 candidates as directed by Resolution of the Council for four vacancies and found the following clerks to come first in order of merit. Samuel Moore's marks being only one below the last in this list we recommend that he should be promised the next vacancy in the Office.

1. Andrew Heron.
2. James Dowds.
3. Patrick Kelly.
4. James Kelly.

5. J. B. Stoney.
6. W. Gallagher.
7. James Magee.
- A.

"Re" Areas of Charge for Sanitary Expenses in Rural Districts

The Standing Orders having been, on the motion of Mr. Wm. Doherty seconded by Captain Stone, duly sanctioned Mr. James M. O'Brien on behalf of the Irish Town District Council urged on the County Council to impress on the Local Govt. Board that Sanitary Expenses should be confined to the Areas benefited. A circular from the Local Govt. Board in connection with the matter having also been laid before the Council it was decided to adjourn the matter until next meeting of County Council the Secretary in the meantime to ask the Local Govt. Board for 35 copies of their Circular and send copy to each member of the Council, and also to ascertain the views of the District Councils on the matter.

"Re" Traction Engine - Buncrana Road

A Deputation were also heard with reference to a Traction Engine recently put on the Buncrana road for conveyance of stones and which they complained frightened horses and also prevented them passing, the road in certain places being too narrow.

The Council informed the deputation that they had no power to stop the Engine and that the only thing to be done was to widen the road which was a matter for the District Council.

Proposals for Payment

The Proposals for Payment formulated by the Proposal Committee and the various District Councils were adopted.

Proposals for New Works and Maintenance of Works

The Council then proceeded to consider the Proposals for New Works and Maintenance

of Works formulated by the various District Councils.

Ballyshannon

Nos 12, 14, 15, 24 and 17 on List put into County Surveyors hands for 12 months. Other Proposals not tendered for were rejected. Remaining Proposals sanctioned. No 8 was passed subject to amounts being lodged within ten days.

Dougal

Nos. 639, 636, 633, 634, 630, 635, 641, 637, 591, 595, 598, 606, 608 & 609, were rejected. Nos. 584, 601, 602, 603, 611 put into the County Surveyors hands. Remaining Proposals sanctioned.

Dunfarnagh

No 7 on List rejected. Remaining Proposals sanctioned.

Glenties

Nos. 214, 248, 220, 230, 200, 212, 213, 215, 217, 224, 225, 226, 227, 228, and 234 on List rejected.

Nos 201, 202, 207 and 229 put into County Surveyors hands. Remaining Proposals sanctioned. No 214 was offered by a 4th tender and the assistant surveyor admitted the proposal was unacceptably given.

Irish Town

Nos. 1423, 1401 & 1402 on List were rejected. No 1394 and 1504 put into County Surveyors hands. Remaining Proposal sanctioned.

Letterkenny

Nos 31932 on List were put into County Surveyors hands. Other Proposals not tendered for were rejected. Remaining Proposals sanctioned. With reference to No 105 on List it was resolved to break the old contract (No 105 on District Register) the Contractor, Charles Campbell being in ill health.

Londonderry No 2

Nos 7 & 8 on List put into County Surveyors hands for three months. Other Proposals not tendered for were rejected. Remaining Proposals

Proposals Sanctioned

Welford

Nos 563, 565, 534, 564, 532, 544, 518 on List. were rejected
Nos 566, 540 & 541 put into County Surveyors hands
for 3 months.

Strabane No 2

Nos 455, 449, 450, 454, 452, 446 and 447 on List. rejected
Nos 448, 456 and 457 put into County Surveyors
hands for 12 months

Stranorlar

No 346 on List. put into County Surveyors hands for
12 months. Other Proposals not tendered for were
rejected. Remaining Proposals Sanctioned.

Re Rathmullin Pier

No tenders having been received for the
repairs to this pier, the work was put into
the hands of the County Surveyor

Re Wire Fence in River Finner

A letter from the Board of Works stating that
that the Wire Fence which has been erected in
the River Finner at the masonry bridge which
carries the Stranorlar and Ballyhooley road
over the river was not contemplated by the
Contract, plans or specification and that the
Railway Coy might be in a position to give
information to the County Council as to the
transaction that may have taken place
affecting the land inside the Fencing was
read. A letter from the Rt. Revd. Mgr. M. Glynn
pointing out the great injury and inconvenience
which the Fence is causing was also read. The
Councils Solicitor was instructed to call on
the Railway Coy to remove the Fence.

Re Bundoran Pier

A letter from Cannon & Hanna P.P. Bundoran

Let Mr. Ch. Sullivan
27th Aug. '01

enclosing correspondence from the Department
of Agriculture (Fishes Branch) relative to
Bundoran Pier and requesting the Council
to give the necessary co-operation by sanctioning
the expense of the proposed repairs, having
been read the County Surveyor was directed
to inspect and report on the Pier to the
Proposal Committee

Re Mr. Edward O'Callaghan

A letter from the Local Port Board stating that
Mr. Edward O'Callaghan had again failed to
pass the examination for Assistant Surveyor
but that as he only failed in two subjects
having obtained qualifying marks in all
others, the Board would raise no objection
to his being appointed temporary pending
the next examination was read, and it was
agreed to retain Mr. O'Callaghan.

Re Donegal Anays

A letter from Anthony F. Maude Esq. relative to the
Leasing of the Donegal Anays was referred to the
Donegal District Council.

sent copy to
date 23/8/01

Audited A/cs Certain Railways

The Audited accounts of the West Donegal
Railway (Killybegs) and Finner Valley Railway
(Stranorlar & Glenfles) for half year ended
1st May 1901, were referred to the Finance
Committee

Re Portloman Pier Committee

The following gentlemen were, on the motion
of Captain Stoney seconded by Mr. O'Keefe,
appointed as a Committee for Portloman Pier,
viz: John S. Barton, Glenfles, Messrs James
Kelly, Leamblagh, James Kelly, Glenfles,
James Kelly, Portloman and Pat. Borland. &c.
James

Notified Committee
of 27th August
and Mr. Barton
conclude 27/8/01

Copy to Mr. L. J. O'Connell
sent 27th August 1901

Mr. O'Connell
sent 27/8/01

Re Case Co Council V. Woods

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sub. d. C. 10/1/01
A letter from Mr. Wilson, Solicitor, enclosing Council's opinion in Action Co Council V. Woods, Ball's Bridge, was referred to the District Council.

Re Criminal Injuries to Live Stock

It was proposed by Mr. McCallagher, seconded by Mr. Humphreys and resolved:-

"That where a malicious injury to Live Stock occurs in any district the County Councillor of such district will have power to call a Veterinary Surgeon to examine the injury and the cost of such be paid by the County."

"That a request be made to the County Inspector to ask the Sergeants in charge of districts to report the occurrence to the nearest County Councillor as early as possible."

Re Messrs Grove and Blaufield's Bulls

The consideration of a letter from the Agricultural Department re the action of the Council in refusing premiums to Messrs Grove and Blaufield Bulls, was adjourned to next meeting of Council.

Re Pier Tolls

A letter from Mr. Wilson advising on the question submitted to him as to whether dues are payable on the loading or unloading of vessels at the various Piers throughout the County, was referred to the Finance Committee.

Re Commuting Pension

A letter from Mr. Wilson advising that in his opinion the Council cannot commute a pension without the consent of the Pensioner, was also read.

Re Office Accommodation for Secretary of County Council and Clerk of Crown and Peace

The Clerk of the Crown and Peace having applied for better office accommodation, and the question of providing suitable offices for the Secretary

and Staff of the County Council having also been brought up it was proposed by Mr. H. Gallagher seconded by Mr. Jaques Magee and resolved:-

"That a Committee be appointed to consider the best way of getting proper accommodation for the clerks of the Council and the meetings of the Council and also provide accommodation for the Clerk of the Peace and report to the Council, the Committee to consist of, Capt. Stoney (Chairman), Messrs. Mr. Fadden, Mr. McDevitt, James Sweeney, Mr. Hayes, Mr. Hanna, Mr. Devitt, Mr. Doherty and Mr. Gallagher."

Re Guarantee in respect of the West Donegal Light Railway

A draft Order which the Local Govt. Board propose to issue in connection with the adjustment of the Guarantee in respect of the West Donegal Light Railway, was referred to the District Council for their observations.

Re Sudden Breaches

A resolution of the Inishowen District Council requesting the Council to authorise the County Surveyor to have sudden breaches, where the cost of repair would not be estimated to exceed £10, repaired without delay, on the recommendation or order of two District Councillors was read and the Secretary directed to reply that any two County Councillors can give such an order.

Re Mr. Joseph Lynch - Rate Collector

A letter from the Local Govt. Board enclosing letter received from a Mr. Doherty, Inishowen, stating that Mr. Joseph Lynch, Rate Collector, is engaged in the retail trade was read, and a letter from Mr. Lynch, in reply, having also been read the Secretary was directed to furnish the Local Govt. Board with a copy of Mr. Lynch's letter.

Donaghadee Railway Deviations and Abandonment Portions
Schedules of Deviations 1, 2, 3, 4, 5 and 6, together with Schedules 1, 2, 3, 4, 5 and 6 of portions abandoned corresponding to Deviations are Plans and Sections of such Deviations 1, 2, 3, 4, 5 and 6 were submitted by the Secretary and approved of

sub. d. C. 23/1/01

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in rural Districts and resolutions of the various District Councils on the subject. It was proposed by Captain Storey and seconded by Mr. Ubagge:-

"That we inform the Local Government Board that it is the opinion of this Council that the Dispensary District should be the minimum area of charge except in cases where the population is over 300 and the expenditure £500 when the Downland should be the area."

Mr. Hugh McDermott proposed and Mr. Byrne seconded as an Amendment:-

"That the localities immediately benefited by the Scheme should bear the expense the minimum area like the Downland."

Voting

A division was taken and the voting was as follows:-

For Amendment - Messrs. McDermott, Byrne, Gallagher, H. Hanna, and H. A. Wray - 5

Against - Messrs. E. Ladden, J. D. Humphreys, Ubagge, McDermott, B. Storey, Ward - 6

The Amendment was accordingly declared lost and the motion carried.

Re Messrs Grove and Olanefield's Bulls

A letter from the Department of Agriculture relative to the action of the Council in refusing Premiums to two Bulls the property of Messrs Grove and Olanefield was marked "read".

Reports of Committees

The reports of a Finance Committee meeting held on 21st August 1901, of a meeting of the Officers Committee held on the 11th October, 1901, of a Live Stock Committee meeting held on the 11th October, 1901 and of a Law Committee meeting held prior to the Council meeting on 14th 1901, were adopted.

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On it being moved by Mr. Hanna seconded by Captain Storey to adopt the report of a meeting of the Agricultural and Technical Instruction Committee held on the 11th October 1901, it was proposed as an amendment by Mr. Ubagge and seconded by Mr. Gallagher that that portion of the minutes making grant of £100 to the Department of Agriculture's Flax Scheme be deleted and that we do not make any grant unless the Department confirm the competition to the County.

Voting

A division was taken and the voting was as follows:-

For Amendment - Messrs. J. Byrne, H. Hanna, Ubagge, John Sweeney, and T. Ward - 5

Against - Messrs. H. Hanna, B. Storey, and H. A. Wray - 3

The amendment was accordingly declared carried and that portion of the report deleted.

Re Case of H. Gibson Road Contractor

Report of the County Surveyor relative to this case in which the Contractor cannot get the necessary order from the Ubagge's to enter a quarry which the Surveyor is of opinion contains suitable road metal having been read it was proposed by Captain Storey seconded by Mr. Gallagher and resolved:-

"That we instruct the County Surveyor to enter the field at Leamshanagh in Mr. Alexander's land and ascertain the quantity of stone suitable for road making therein at a cost not exceeding £5."

Signing

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Signing of Warrants for Collection of Second moiety of Rate

The Warrants were signed for the collection of the second moiety of the rate made for the year ending 31st March, 1902

Application of Mr. Hugh Osborne - Kannelton

An application by Mr. Hugh Osborne, Kannelton, requesting the Council to grant him permission to make an opening in the wall opposite the door of a coal store, in what is known as the "wee tide", for carts to pass in and out, was considered and it was resolved to leave the matter in the hands of the County Surveyor who will have the necessary agreements signed.

Re Mr. John Gairdner - Assistant Surveyor

A letter from Mr. John Gairdner, Assistant Surveyor, declining to accept the salary (£109 per annum) proposed to be fixed by the County Council was read and the Secretary instructed to pay Mr. Gairdner his old salary of £80 per annum in accordance with the terms of the report of the Surveyor's Committee which only recommended the above salary as a settlement of the matter and on conditions if was accepted.

Re Collector J. W. Lynch

A letter from the Local Government Board respecting the allegation against Collector J. W. Lynch and stating that in their opinion the continuance of the arrangement whereby ratepayers are obliged to attend at the premises of a person engaged in business in order to pay their rates is undesirable and requesting the Council to instruct Mr. Lynch to provide an office for the receipt of rates in some premises to which such an objection cannot be taken having been read, the Secretary was directed to reply that the Council is satisfied that Mr. Lynch has

Copy sent Mr. Osborne
18th Oct. 1901

at present a suitable office & having a separate entrance and not in any way connected with his brother's business, and also to bring under their notice that the man who was supposed to have written to them with reference to this matter repudiates the authorship of the letter.

Re Local Government Act 1901

A letter of the Local Govt. Board enclosing a copy of the Local Government (Ireland) Act 1901 which amends Sections 54, 56, 57 and 71 of the Local Govt. (Ireland) Act 1898 and also deals with the making of rates in Urban Districts, was read.

Re Wire Fence in River Finner

A letter from the Council's Solicitor enclosing reply received to his letter to the Secretary of the Donegal Railway Company regarding the wire fence in the river Finner having been read, Mr. Wilson was instructed to write to the Board of Works for a copy of the conveyance of land to the Railway Co.

Report of Mr. Edm. Clay, V.S.

A report of Mr. Edm. Clay, V.S. re a keeper the property of or in the possession of Mr. Maurice Sweeney of Glasnevin, Ballymore, Ballyham, supposed to have been maliciously killed and stating that in his opinion the animal's death was due to inflammation of the kidneys, was read.

Letter from Harbour Master - Downings

A letter from the Harbour Master, Downings, re refusal of the Scotch Inspectors employed by the Congested Districts Board to remove their boats to allow the S.D. Inverness to discharge cargo was read and the Secretary directed to inform the Harbour Master that he has power to arrest any person failing to comply with his orders, and also to bring the matter under the notice of the Congested Districts Board.

Copy sent C.D. Board
19/10/1901

Ranelagh Fever Hospital Committee

A letter from the Secretary of the Ranelagh Fever Hospital Committee stating that there was a vacancy on the Committee through the death of Mr. Andrew Gamble and suggesting that the name of the Rev. Mr. Wallace should be added as a member. Having been read it was resolved, on the motion of Mr. Hanna seconded by Captain Storey, to add Mr. Wallace's name as a member.

Re Local Govt. Board Provisional Order, Confirmation

A circular from the Local Govt. Board enclosing copy of the Local Govt. Board (Ireland) Provisional Confirmation (No. 3) Act 1901, partially annulling and varying certain of the provisions of the Local Govt. (Provisions of Councils) Order 1899, was read and approved of.

Re Agricultural and Technical Instruction Committee Aps

A letter of the Local Govt. Board re forms of Accounts Income and Expenditure connected with schemes framed under the provisions of the Agricultural and Technical Instruction Ireland Act, 1899, was read.

Re Dublin Pier

A letter of the Congested Districts Board stating that they have agreed to defray to the extent of £400, the cost of the repairs required to the Pier at Dublin and requesting the Council to authorise the Commissioners of Public Works to carry out the repairs on behalf of the Board having been read, it was resolved "That we authorise the Board of Works to carry out the repairs at Dublin Pier to the extent of £400, to be paid by the Congested Districts Board for Ireland."

Re New Works

Letter from Clerk, Donegal District Council.
A letter from the Clerk, Donegal District

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19/10/1901

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Public Works
19/10/1901

Council enquiring whether the County Council have made a rule that in future all proposals for new works must be accompanied by maps and Consents also whether any arrangement has been made that the County or Assistant Surveyors will provide these maps at the request of the District Councillors who require them. It was read and the Secretary directed to reply that all Proposals for new works must be accompanied by 6 inch Ordnance Maps and Consents, the maps to be lodged with the Notice of Abatement.

Re Mr. Francis Callaghan

An application by Mr. Francis Callaghan, late Assistant Surveyor for balance of salary due him for the period from 1st April '99 to 21st August 1901, as per scale fixed by County Council, was read.

Application of Miss Annie McElone

An application of Miss Annie McElone, representative of the late Philip McElone, late Assistant Surveyor, for balance of salary due him from 1st April 1899 to 11th August 1899 as per scale fixed by the Council was also read.

Re Sheds on Rathmullen Pier

A letter from the Harbour Master, Rathmullen re Sheds or Stores on the Pier which require certain repairs to roof. It was read and it having also been brought under the notice of the Council that Messrs. McEneaney & Co. are claiming these Sheds as private property, the Secretary was directed to ask the Pier Committee for information as to who erected them and also to ask the County Surveyor to report on the matter.

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19/10/1901

Copy sent to Miss McElone
19/10/1901

Copy sent to Har. Com. (as desired)
21/10/01

Re Late Mr. Michael White J.P. Comm. Councillor
 It was moved by Councillor Edward M. Yadden, seconded by Councillor J.W. Stoney, and resolved that we offer our Condolence to the family of the late Mr. Michael White who represented Camdonagh Division in this Council and was a highly respected member of our body.

Co-opting of Mr. John White

It was also resolved, on the motion of Mr. M. Yadden seconded by Mr. Magee, to co-opt Mr. John White, Mr. Michael White's son, as a member of the Council in his room.

Orders of Local Government Board

An adjutant Order of the Local Govt. Board re West Donegal Light Railway (Killybegs) Guarantees, and Sealed Orders of the Board determining Area of charge for lighting of Buncrana, Camdonagh, and Moville, and of Bundoran Water Supply, were read.

Licences for Explosives

Licences for Explosives were on the motion of Mr. Magee seconded by Captain Stoney granted to the following:-

James M. Donogh, merchant, Camdonagh;
 Samuel Dixon, do, Carricknashane
 Mrs. Elizabeth Davidson, do, The Hall, Ramelton
 Stephen R. Buttle, do, Camdonagh
 Donald Carr, Land Steward, Glenveigh Castle
 James Buchanan, Ghinst
 Mr. Thomas Baird, Moville
 William McGill, Falcarragh
 And Mr. Laane, do
 Mr. James M. Yadden, J.P. Glenties

Re Falcarragh Pier

A letter from the Harbour Master, Falcarragh enclosing a letter he had received from the Donegal Steamship Co. complaining of the accommodation at this Pier was referred to the Pier Committee for their

report and the Harbour Master instructed to bring such matters before the Committee in future.

Re Collectors Mulhern and Hayes Lweeney
 List of the Outstanding rates in the County having been submitted, the Council considered the rates outstanding in these Collectors districts excessively large and it was resolved to instruct the Secretary to censure Mulhern and, in the case of Lweeney, who is being paid like remuneration, to deduct 2% in the future from his salary on all recoverable amounts being the rate at which he is being paid.

Miscellaneous Correspondence

A number of unimportant letters and resolutions were read.

Confirmed,
 Edward M. Yadden

Chairman

annd. Lweeney 18/10/01

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Licences sent 16/10/01

Letter sent Mr. M. White to Mr. Laane 21/10/01

Colony of 9/13
Councils. 20. 21. 22. 23. 24.
Mr Nelson 5/12/07

Minutes of Quarterly Meeting of County Council held on the 22nd November, 1901

Attendance

The members of the Council present were:-
Councillors Mr. Tadden (Chairman), Mr. Dentt,
J. Callaghan, Mr. Dorahy, James Dunlevy,
Wm. Gallagher, Mr. Hanna, Thos. Hayes, Mr. Humphrey,
J. Magee, Elabon, (Capt.) R. Stoney, Edward, and
John White and Peter Ward

Minutes

The minutes of previous meeting were confirmed

Applications of Road Contractors

Applications from John McGill of Beemakillaw and
James Sweeney, Lackenagh, Binstonport to be
relieved of their Contracts were read.

Reports of Committees

The following reports of Committees were
adopted viz:-

Finance Committee:- Reports of meetings held
on 14th October, 1901, 6th Nov. 1901, 15th Nov. 1901 & 22nd Nov. 1901

Proposal Committee:- of meetings held on the
6th Nov. 1901

Law Committee:- of meeting held on 22nd Nov. 1901

Agricultural & Tech. Instruction Committee:- of meetings
held on the 14th Oct. and 6th Nov. 1901

Re Prosecuting Road Contractors

A notice of motion by Councillor John Sweeney re
authorising the County Surveyors to prosecute
road Contractors in their own name &c. was
advised for consideration to next meeting.

Re Importation of Canadian Cattle

The following resolution of the Stranorlar
Rural District Council was, on the motion
of Mr. Magee seconded by Mr. Callaghan,
unanimously adopted, and copies of same
directed to be sent to the Department of Agriculture

and Technical Instruction in England and Ireland
viz:-

Resolved:-

"That we, the Stranorlar Rural District
Council strongly protest against the attempt
that is being made by a portion of the Scotch
farmers to permit Canadian Store Cattle
to be imported into the British Isles, as such
imports, if admitted by the Government, are likely
to again introduce diseases that have done
serious injury to Cattle Owners of the three
Kingdoms in previous years."

Re Contract Stranorlar No. 2 Rural District

A resolution of the Stranorlar No. 2 Rural District Council
recommending the rescinding of a contract
taken by Mr. Saml. Moore & Son, Ballinacraig,
(20421) for building a pipe at Shereheen as the
Council learned that the work, as proposed, would
not be effective was, on the motion of Captain
Stoney seconded by Mr. Hanna, adopted.

Proposals for New Works

The Council then considered the List of Proposals
for New Works and Maintenance of Works
formulated by the various District Councils.

Ballyphannon

All proposals for which no tenders received were
rejected. Remaining Proposals sanctioned 11

Donegal

Nos. 644, 648, 653, 705, 674, 675, 676, and 684 on List were
rejected. The remaining proposals were sanctioned,
Nos. 649, 659, and 662 being put into the County
Surveyors hands for 12 months.

Glenfles

Nos. 287, 287, 287, 263, 266, 267, 272, 283 & 289 on List were
rejected. Remaining Proposals were sanctioned,
Nos. 283, 284, 296 and 297 being put into County
Surveyors hands for 12 months

Inishowen

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Nos 1519 and 1520 were referred back to District Council.
All Proposals for which no tenders were received were rejected. Remaining Proposals sanctioned.

Lettistown

No 234 on List put into County Surveyor hands, other Proposals untendered were rejected. Remaining Proposals sanctioned.

Londonderry No 2.

No 10 put into County Surveyor hands. Nos 4 and 9 were rejected. Remaining Proposals sanctioned.

Strabane No 2

Nos 453 and 458 were rejected. Nos 464 and 473 were put into County Surveyor hands. Remaining Proposals sanctioned.

Stranorlar

In connection with the ~~list~~ for Stranorlar Rural District the County Surveyor mentioned that the amount was in excess of the limit of Expenditure allowed. No 283 on the List was, therefore, only sanctioned provided the Local Govt Board sanction an application to be made by the District Council to extend the limit for this year. No 425 on which a Division was taken was sanctioned by 11 votes to 1. Nos 403, 404, and 405 were put into the County Surveyor hands for 3 months. Other Proposals for which no tenders were received were rejected. Remaining Proposals sanctioned.

Dunfanaghy and Lifford

No Proposals were received from Dunfanaghy or Milford District Councils.

Re Road Contractors Sureties

It was resolved, on the motion of Councillor Brand seconded by Councillor McCallaghan, "That our Secretary

be asked to write to the clerks of the several Rural Districts in the County, requesting them to lay before their Councils the fact that none sure solvent Sureties be taken in road Contracts.

Proposals for Payment

Proposals for payment in respect of Quarters ended 30th September 1901 formulated by the Proposal Committee and the various R.D. Councils and recommended by the Finance Committee were adopted.

Re Road Contract Stranorlar R. District

The consideration of a resolution of the Stranorlar Rural District requesting the Council to break the Contract of a mill in Loughlin, No 75, owing to largely increased traffic on his Contract caused by a heavy rain, was adjourned for 3 months. Legal proceedings being pending against the Contractor.

Re Roske Boat Slip

A letter from the C.D. Board intimating that the Board were not prepared to carry out the extension to Roske Boat Slip recommended by the County Surveyor and hoping the Council would accept the Proposal already made by the Board having been read, it was agreed, on the motion of Captain Stoney seconded by Mr. O'Sherry, to do so and to take over the Slip when the County Surveyor certifies that the other repairs have been carried out.

Re Road Letterkenny Rural District

A resolution of the Letterkenny District Council recommending the County Council to notify Messrs Pauling and Co. not to close up the County Road between ~~Letterkenny~~ Duncannon and Gabra, on which gates have been erected, or to interfere with any of the rights of way in the Letterkenny Rural District was read and the County Surveyor directed to report to the County Solicitor, Mr. Nelson, on the matter to have the rights of the County ascertained.

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Write to Surveyor 24/11/1901

and for Mr. Wilson taking the matter before the Board of Works.

Re Glenvar Bridge

A letter from the L.R. Board enclosing copy of a letter addressed to Mr. Wilbenham relative to Glenvar Bridge, was referred to the District Council. A copy of another letter addressed by the Board to the County Surveyor approving of the Plan and Specification for this Bridge submitted by him was read.

Resolutions of Glenties District Council

Two resolutions of the Glenties District Council re paying a Contractor named Owen Diver some amount in respect of work performed by him but not in accordance with the County Surveyor's Specification, and requesting the Council to supply copies of Specifications to road contractors at 6s each, were mentioned.

Re Rathmullen Pier

A letter from Mr. Wilson, Solicitor to the Council, enclosing copy of agreement between the late Grand Jury and Messrs. McCrea and O'Farland relative to the sheds occupied by them on Rathmullen Pier was read and it was resolved in accordance with the terms of same, to serve one month's notice on Messrs. McCrea and O'Farland, to remove said sheds, with a view to having a new agreement entered into.

Re Bunsfoot Roadway. Flooding

A letter from the Honble. Mr. Brassington, Agent, denying liability for the flooding of Bunsfoot Roadway, having been read, Mr. Wilson was instructed to take Council's opinion on the matter.

Re Donegal Quay

A letter from Mr. Maude stating that the Earl of Antrim was prepared to give a Lease of the

Donegal Quay to the County Council at a yearly rent of £8 having been considered, it was resolved on the motion of Mr. Doherty, seconded by Captain Storey,

that in reply to Mr. Maude's letter the Council consider that, taking into consideration the cost of a Harbour Master and the expense of the maintenance of the Donegal Quay and the return before us of last year's damage at the quays, they could not afford to offer more than £1 per annum for a 99 years lease of the Quay.

Explosives Licences

Licences for Explosives were granted to the following persons, viz:-

Messrs James Sweeney, Buntport-st., John McKeown, Ballyshannon, Wm. Hammond Ballintra, Wm. O'Connor, Buncree, Michael Gillispie, Tullybeg, The Liffey, Pettico, Geo. Clark Bay, Ballintra, John Sweeney, Dungloe, Wm. O'Brien Ballyshannon and Sara O'Donnell Carrondagh.

Re Sudden Breaches to Bunsfoot Road

A letter from James Donaghy, road Contractor Bunsfoot claiming £4 for repairs of sudden breaches caused by the Traction Engine belonging to Mr. W. Mitchell was read and the matter referred to Mr. Wilson for his opinion, the County Surveyor to report to him as to whether the Sudden Breaches referred to were caused by the Traction Engine.

Re Slavery Road

A letter from Anthony Donaghy, road Contractor, Bunsfoot, stating that owing to the extra traffic caused by Mr. W. Mitchell's Traction Engine passing over the Slavery Contract road, for which he is Contractor, there will be at least 200 tons of Stones required in addition to that mentioned in Specification was read, and the Council directed the County Surveyor to issue an advertisement applying for a Contractor to supply the extra tonnage required on this road.

Wrote Mr. Maude 23/11/07

Minutes and Mr. Wilson will request to attend to this 4/12/07

Minutes and Mr. Wilson to attend 4/12/07

In connection with this matter a resolution of the Inishowen R.D. Council asking the County Council to prohibit the traction engine running on part of the road between Buncrana and Glenties, and requesting the Council to pass a Bye Law prohibiting the engine from running on narrow roads in the County, was also read and referred back to the District Council for re-consideration as the Council have no power to pass such a Bye Law.

Re Local Tax

A letter from Mr. Nelson, enclosing copy of agreement between the South Inny and Mr. John Vance, Lifford, with respect to the field attached to the goal was read and it was resolved to request Mr. Vance to give up possession and, in the event of him declining to do so, proceedings are to be instituted against him by Mr. Nelson.

Re Light on Island Lough

A letter from the C.B. Board stating that they were prepared to erect a light for the benefit of the fishermen on Island Lough provided the Council would obtain the necessary permission from the Commissioners of Irish Lights and take over the light when erected and arrange for its subsequent maintenance was read and it was agreed to take over and maintain the light and apply for the permission to erect.

Re Mr. Edward O'Callaghan

A letter from the Local Govt. Board stating that Mr. Edward O'Callaghan had again failed to satisfy the Board that he possesses the necessary qualifications prescribed by Article 4 of the Board's Order of the 9th February, 1900, for Assistant Surveyors and that, having regard to the place taken by this gentleman at the recent examination, the Council should take steps to appoint a person properly qualified.

qualified for the position, having been considered, it was resolved, on the motion of Councillor White seconded by Councillor H. Stoney:-

That as Mr. Edward O'Callaghan qualified in all subjects at examination held in June only Arithmetic and Measurement and seeing that he has qualified in these subjects at a recent examination having taken higher marks in the same than some of the other candidates who passed, this County Council asks the Local Govt. Board to sanction his appointment as Assistant Surveyor or give him another opportunity to take this examination.

Re Appointment of Returning Officer

A Circular from the Local Govt. Board relative to the appointment by the Council of a Returning Officer for the election of County Councillors and Rural District Councillors in the County was read, and the matter adjourned to next Monthly meeting of Council.

Re Erection of Crane at Downings Pier

An application from the "Mulroy Granite Coy" for permission to erect a crane at Downings Pier was considered and permission granted subject to the County Surveyors approval and the Pier Committee being asked to report if they have any objection.

Claim by Messrs Ferguson & Co. - Downings

A claim by Messrs Ferguson & Co., Fishermen, Downings Bay, for £2. value of a barrel of kerring lost through rolling over the side of the boat. S. McNamee and alleged to have been destroyed through a lifting force of the Pier being displaced was read, and the Secretary directed to reply that the Council deny liability.

Re Letterpenay Bridewell

A letter from the General Prisons Board stating,

Wrote Mr. Nelson.
9/12/07
Mr. Nelson directed to
see rules 3, 21, 27

Wrote C.B. B. 3/12/07
For permission - 6/12/07

Wrote Mr. Ferguson & Co.
9/12/07
Mr. Ferguson & Co.
9/12/07

that the Bridewell at Letterkenny which was closed by order of the Lord Lieutenant, dated 10th December, 1900, will on the 10th ~~last~~ December 1901 be transferred to and vest in the County Council, and requesting that steps might be taken to have the building taken over by the Council on that date. Having been read, it was agreed to take over the Bridewell and the Secretary was directed to notify Mr James Wilson, the present Comptroller, that he now comes under the Council as keeper of the Courthouse and Bridewell.

"Re" Ordnance Maps. Scale of

A letter from the Clerk, Letterkenny District Council relative to scale of maps required to be lodged with applications for New Road was read and the Secretary directed to reply that 6 inch Ordnance Maps would be sufficient.

"Re" Erection of Telegraph Poles

Permission was granted for the erection of Telegraph Poles from Traill to Rosbeg, provided the Postal Authorities satisfy the County Surveyor that they will not encroach on the County road.

"Re" Area of Charge. Sewerage, Mooville

A Sealed Order of the Local Board fixing Area of Charge for the Construction of a Sewer in Quay St, Mooville, was read.

"Re" Defaulting Contractors

It was proposed by Councillor Magee, seconded by Councillor McFadden and resolved -
"That the County Surveyor be directed to furnish lists of all Contractors, whom they propose presenting to such meeting of the Council instead of the Law Committee."

Miscellaneous Correspondence

A number of unimportant letters and resolutions were read.

Confirmed.

J. B. Stoney Chairman

Donegal Chamber
District Council
22/11/01
County Council
22/11/01

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County Council
22/11/01

Write Mr. W. J. Wray
Department of Public Works
Dublin
22/11/01

Minutes of Special Meeting of Council

A special meeting of the County Council was held on the 9th December, 1901

Attendance

The members present were -
Captain J. B. Stoney (Chairman), Councillors
T. Callaghan, M. Casady, W. Doherty, J. D. Hood,
H. Sallaghan, Mr. Hanna, J. L. Hamilton,
Magee and P. H. Nash.

Minutes

The Minutes of previous meeting were confirmed

Report of Finance Committee

The report of meeting of Finance Committee held prior to Council meeting was, on the motion of Mr. Doherty seconded by Captain Stoney, adopted

Appointment of Returning Officer

Mr. Bernard McFadden, Secretary to the Council, was, on the motion of Mr. Magee seconded by Mr. Hanna, appointed Returning Officer for the forthcoming Local Government Elections.

"Re" Fixtures of Monthly Meetings

Councillor Stoney, in accordance with notice of motion given and signed by five other Councillors, moved and Councillor Hanna seconded and it was resolved

"That that portion of the resolution of this Council of the 13th June, 1901, fixing the monthly meeting of the Council, which are not Statutable meetings, for the second Monday of the month be hereby rescinded, and that if be further resolved that these meetings be held on the third Monday of the month."

Mr. Cassidy, F. Gallagher, and J. Lweeney.

Re Agricultural and Technical Instruction Committee

It was resolved, on the motion of Mr. Cassidy seconded by Mr. Magee to add the Rev. Bernard Kelly's name to the list of members of this committee.

Miscellaneous Correspondence

A number of unimportant letters and resolutions were read.

Christmas Holidays

It was decided to grant holidays to the Secretary and Office Staff from the 23rd to the 28th December, 1901 (inclusive).

Conformed
J. H. Magee Chairman
20th January, 1902

Copies sent to
Councillors. Mr. O'Brien.
Mr. H. Wilson 24-1-02

Minutes of Special meeting of County Council held on 20th January 1902

Attendance

The members present were:-

Councillors B. Stoney (Chairman), John Byrne, Jas. Gallagher, Jas. Dunleavy, Wm. Gallagher, W. J. Hanna, J. L. Hamilton, Thos. Hayes, Mr. Magee, Ed. Mooney, Mr. Cornick, Peter Ford and W. J. H. Wilson.

Minutes

The minutes of previous meeting were confirmed.

Reports of Committees

Report of meetings of the Finance Committee held on the 9th December 1901 and 20th January 1902, of the Diseases of Animals Committee held on 20th January 1902, of the Agricultural and Technical Instruction Committee held on 9th December 1901 and 20th January 1902 and of the Executive Live Stock and Co. Breeding Committee held on 30th December 1901 were, on the motion of Mr. Hanna seconded by Mr. Magee adopted.

Re Killbeggs and Donegal Railway Guarantee
Councillor Dunleavy having brought under the consideration of the Council a letter received from the Board of Works dated 24th December 1901 on the subject of this guarantee by the Committee appointed by the Council to deal with the matter and also the liabilities which the Committee were informed the Ratepayers were under for accidents &c. it was unanimously resolved, on the motion of Mr. Dunleavy seconded by Mr. Peter Ford:-

(a) That this Council in view of the serious disclosures made with reference to the unlimited liability of the Ratepayers of the Barony of Banagh for accidents, wear and tear of the

Copies and directed
26-1-02

line, and the necessary expenditure that must be borne in replacing rails, sleepers, &c., and protecting the line from the ravages made by the sea, and after considering the possibilities of the future, even if the Ballyshannon line were made, are strongly of opinion that every effort should be made to get rid of the existing unjust tax and we direct the Committee already appointed to urge the case of the Ratepayers with all the force they can command, so that a remedy may be provided in the Bill at present being promoted by the Donegal Ry. Coy.

(b) That this Council considering the Treasury bears no such onerous liability as the Ratepayers for accidents wear and tear &c., but have taken care to limit their liability to an annual maximum of £20, and have so safeguarded their interests that they are not only entitled to be recouped but are also entitled to receive all profit made, in the event of the line hereafter paying, are strongly of opinion that it is most inequitable and unjust that the Treasury should endeavour to keep the ratepayers tied for an indefinite period to a bargain so palpably unfair, simply for the purpose of retaining to themselves the right of securing any surplus.

2. That copies of these resolutions be sent to the Board of Works in answer to their letter, and that copies (together with copies of the Board's letter) be sent to the Chief Secretary and each of the M.P.s of the County.

Re Support of County Asylums.

The following resolution of the County Dublin County Council relative to the Support of County Asylums was unanimously adopted.

That in view of the Annual increase in the cost of the maintenance and equipment of Lunatic Asylums in Ireland, consequent on the most scientific and humane treatment of the insane

this Council is of opinion that the entire of this rapidly increasing burden should now be transferred from the local to the Imperial Sanction Account; as that Account receives a very large Annual Sum from the various Excise duties, and we most respectfully urge on His Majesty's Government the imperative necessity of giving immediate relief to local taxpayers by adopting this course.

Re Town Property.

The following resolution of Blackrock Urban District Council re improvements to town property was unanimously adopted.

Resolved - That this Council do petition Parliament to make such Legislative provision in the coming Session of Parliament as will enable tenants in towns to claim Compensation for all permanent improvements within the meaning of the 17th Section of the Land Act of 1870, or provide indefeasible title similar to that accorded by the Landlord Estate Court; and that this resolution be printed and sent to every County, Urban, and Rural Council in Ireland.

Re Lifebuoy Stand - Downings Pier.

A letter from the Congested District Board requesting permission to erect a stand for a lifebuoy which the Royal Humane Society had offered to supply at Downings Pier was read and the permission granted.

Re Road in Stannoglar R. District.

A letter from Mr. Nixon, Solicitor to the Council, enclosing letter which he had received from Mr. James Ke declining to set back a fence which encroaches on his land the County road at Gortness, having been read, the matter was left in the hands of the County Surveyor to instruct Mr. Nixon.

Re: Sudden breaches, Buncrana Road

A letter from the Council's Solicitor relative to the sudden breaches caused to Buncrana road by a traction engine the property of Mr. G. H. Mitchell having been read. The Council refused to sanction payment of any sum to the Contractor and instructed the Secretary to inform him he should apply to Mr. Mitchell for amount which the County Surveyor thought would cover the damage, viz. £1.

Re: Stedson Rathmullen Pier

A letter from Messrs. McGee & Co. on behalf of the notice served on them requiring them to remove their sheds off Rathmullen Pier was read and the Secretary directed to reply that the Council will be prepared to enter into a new agreement giving them a year's tenancy, terminable on six months notice by either side, at a nominal rent of one shilling a year. Costs of the agreement to be borne by the tenants.

Re: Scale of Election Expenses

A letter from the Local Govt. Board stating that the Council should make provision in their Scale of Election Expenses for the procuring of a place for the declaration of the Poll in a Rural District in which there was no workhouse was read and the Secretary directed to reply that the Council considered that there was not such a case.

Requisition to Jan. Solicitor Bill of Costs

A requisition to Jan. Mr. Wilson's Bill of Costs was signed. Mr. James Jones, Solicitor, being appointed to represent the Council.

Re: Donegal Quay

A letter from Mr. A. F. Munnis stating that the

Bar of Antrim accepted the offer of the Council for the Donegal Quay was read and the Secretary directed to inform Mr. Munnis that he might have a draft lease prepared and submitted to the Council's Solicitor for approval.

Re: Collector Joseph Lynch

A letter from the Local Govt. Board relative to Mr. Joseph Lynch's claim was referred to the Finance Committee.

Resolution of Glenties District Council

A resolution of the above Council calling on the County Council to furnish a detailed statement of the expenses chargeable to the Rural District and that in future a detailed statement of the Receipts and Expenditure be sent to each member in pamphlet form at end of each half-year was read and the Secretary directed to reply that it was not in the Council's power to give statements asked for.

Memorial of Robert O'Hagerty

A memorial of a road Contractor named Robert O'Hagerty, Ormston, requesting the Council to cancel a decree which they had obtained against him was read.

Re: Rathmullen Pier

Letters from the Revd W. H. Lloyd and Mr. James Lanning complaining of the state in which the Rathmullen Pier was, according to their statements, being kept and also a letter from the Harbour Master denying the accuracy of certain of the statements and giving an explanation with regard to other matters were carefully considered and the following modified resolutions suggested by the Pier Committee adopted, viz:-
Resolved - (1) That if the timber at present on the pier below the coal shed be removed

Copy sent to Mr. Munnis - 26th Nov. 1902

with contractor
25/11/02

with Mr. McGee & Co. on behalf of
noting reply 28/11/02

with J. J. Lanning
27-2-1903

removed at once the shipper be prosecuted for trespass.

(2) That in future permission shall not be given to deposit timber or any other material on pier below coal shed till within six working days of shipment and that such permission be got in writing from Chairman of Pier Committee.

(3) That Pier books be audited, as already ordered by County Council, once a week at the office of the Harbour Master.

The Secretary was also instructed to inform the Pier Committee that they regard the 'road' traffic of great importance to the County and cannot sanction any regulations which might tend to restrict it.

With reference to the resolution requesting the Council to add certain names to the Pier Committee the Council did not see their way to make any alteration in the Constitution of same at present.

"Re" Limit of Expenditure - Stranorlar District
The following resolution of the Stranorlar Rural District requesting the ~~County Council~~ Local Govt. Board to sanction the limit of expenditure on roads in that district was unanimously adopted, viz:-

Resolved: That owing to the expenditure on road during the standard year on which the limit of expenditure on roads was fixed for the purposes of the Local Government Act being the lowest on the record of Stranorlar Union; the present amount available is merely sufficient for the maintenance of existing county roads, not one penny being left for the construction of necessary new roads. Several of which have been disallowed for want of funds and besides the Union is in danger of losing grants by the congested District Board in aid of deserving new works owing to the inability of the County Council

to take the initiative in passing such works as County work. Re the Stranorlar District Council hereby request the County Council to apply to the Local Government Board for an extension of the limit of expenditure on County roads in the Stranorlar Union to the amount of £100 yearly for a term of 3 years.

"Re" Inquiry into Assistant Surveyor

Gairdner's Claim

The Council, at the request of Mr. E. L. Lamer, Local Govt. Board Inspector, named the 10th February 1902 as a suitable date for an inquiry into Mr. Gairdner's appeal against the salary fixed by the County Council and instructed Mr. Wilson, solicitor, to represent them and also each of the members of the Finance Committee as shall be present at the meeting, which held on that date.

"Re" Flooding of Bunnfoot Roadway

A letter from Mr. Wilson forwarding Council's opinion in this case was read and Mr. Wilson, who was present, having intimated that he had since obtained new information on the subject, he was instructed to come on same to Council.

"Re" Downings' Pier

A letter from the Congested Districts Board relative to the complaint made by the Harbour Master, at the request of the Inspector employed by the Board at this Pier (being with his directions having been read, the Secretary was directed to forward copy of it to the Pier Committee with the Council's opinion that the suggestion made by the Board therein is reasonable and should be complied with.

"Re"

Sent in District
24/1/02

Encl. notifying Mr. Lamer
24/1/02

Copy sent Mr. Lamer
24/1/02
Chairman's Committee

Re "Gaol Field"

Mr. Wilson having reported that Mr. Vance took no notice of his letter he was instructed to serve notice on him to "quit" and sue for the rent due.

Licences for Explosives

Licences for Storing Explosives were granted to the following:

George McCreary, Pettigo	Edward Boyle, Newtownmuremham
James Elliott, Main St. Pettigo	James, Ballyboppy
George Maxwell, Bradda	John McQuinley, Falcarnagh
Hammond Roy, Bridgetown	W. McConnell Roy, Newtonmuremham
Patrick Doherty, Malin	Andrew C. Lark, do
Sam Thompson, Dunbinnish	James B. Hamble, Castlespin
James Leane, Raphoe	Patrick Murphy, Ballyboppy
John Raitt, Stranorlar	John McQuinley Roy, Kelly Gordon
Luac Crawford, Castlespin	John Bradley, Moorville
Thomas Re, Anghyrt	James Stewart, Rathmurdham
and P. Bacon, Carrigart	

Re Patriotic Assurance Coy.

A letter from the Patriotic Assurance Coy. stating that they would not be prepared to renew the rate Collectors Bonds after expiration of present term unless on certain conditions was read and the Secretary directed to inform the Company that if they do not see their way to renew the bonds under existing terms the Council will get some other company to do so.

Re Buntingford Pier

The letter from the Board of Works relative to the clearing out of Buntingford Harbour was marked "read" the Local Government Board having written calling on the District Council to perform the work which they considered a sanitary one.

Re County Surveyors Report

The County Surveyor S. D. submitted a report re defaulting

Road Contractors and legal proceedings were directed to be taken against the following:-

Stranorlar Rural District:- Patrick Doherty, Patrick Boyle, Joseph Gallagher, Andrew Gordon, Andrew Gordon, Thos. Keel, James McGinty, Chas. McGlinchy, John Fallon, Michael McLaughlin, Michl. McLaughlin, Michael Fallon, Chas. E. Keel, Hugh Gallagher, Patrick Hughes, John Kelly, Andw. Connaghan, Thomas Morrow, Thos. Morrow, Thos. Paton, Thos. Paton, Wm. McCafferty, Michael Bryson, Wm. McLaughlin, Hugh O'Donnell, John O'Brien, and John McMonagle.

Stranorlar No. 2 Rural District:- Patrick McCormack, William Finney, Wm. Finney, Wm. Finney, Wm. Finney
Kesh Rural District:- W. J. Thompson and Patrick Kelly.

The County Surveyor S. D. was directed to refer to Mr. Wrenn a quarry case heard at Donegal Petty Sessions for his advice as to how the County Council should deal with same.

Confirmed.
Wm. Doherty Chairman

Clerk sent Mr. J. C. C. to
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28/1/02.

Copy Minutes
sent to R. B. C. C.
Mr. P. J. O'Connell
6th March
1902

Minutes of Quarterly meeting of County Council

A quarterly meeting of the County Council was held on the 26th February, 1902

Attendance

The members present were:-

Councillors Mr. O'Doherty (Chairman), John Bradley, Mr. Byrne, Mr. H. Cassidy, Mr. Gallagher, Mr. Griffiths, John S. Hamilton, Mr. Hayes, Mr. Healy, Mr. Magee, Edward Mahon, Mr. Devitt (Milford), Mr. B. Stoney, John Sweeney, Mr. Ward, John White and Mr. B. Wray.

Minutes

The minutes of previous meeting were confirmed.

"Re" Heating of Courthouse

The County Surveyor was instructed to inspect and report on the heating apparatus of the Courthouse as it did not appear to be in proper order.

"Re" Prosecution of Road Contractor

It was resolved, on the motion of Councillor Sweeney seconded by Councillor Gallagher to request the Local Government Board to state can the Council institute proceedings against defaulting road contractors in the name of the County Surveyor and be represented by him in place of by their Solicitor.

"Re" Boatlip on Inishinnee Island

The County Surveyor was directed to make a report as to the most suitable site on Inishinnee Island for a boatlip and the cost of making same on the motion of Mr. Griffiths seconded by Mr. Stange.

Law Committee

It was resolved to reappoint the Law Committee with the addition of Councillors John White and Mr. Gallagher and to refer the matter of framing bye-laws for the controlling of traction engines to them.

"Re" Harbour Master - Burtport Pier

Mr. James Sweeney having written stating that the Harbour Master at Burtport Pier had failed to comply with the Council's instruction to get his books audited by the Law Committee and that the Committee did not know who was Harbour Master and Mr. John Sweeney having also spoken on the matter it was resolved to instruct the Secretary to warn the Harbour Master that serious action will be taken by the Council if he does not comply with their instructions, and to send the Paying Order for his salary in care of Mr. John Sweeney.

Reports of Committees

Reports of meeting of the Finance Committee held on the 10th Feb, and 18th Feb, 1902, of the Proposal Committee held on the 10th and the 18th February, 1902 of the Strabane Boys School Attendance Committee held on the 17th December, 1901 and 21st January, 1902, and of the Agricultural and Technical Instruction and Executive Live Stock Committee held on the 20th January & 10th February were, on the motion of Mr. Stange seconded by Captain Stoney, adopted.

"Re" Assistant Surveyors who were Non-Existing Officers

The consideration of a Notice of Motion by Councillor James Sweeney and five other Councillors to rescind the finding of the Council on the 9th December, 1901 re the Salaries of Assistant Surveyors who were

Non-existing Officers as in detail it did not fully carry out the intentions of the County Council in not putting these Officers in as good a position as Officers who existed under the Grand Jury. was adjourned to next meeting, the Secretary to examine and see if these Officers Salaries were not in accordance with the scale fixed by the Council and to report to the Council.

Re: Barrier at Newbliss

The Standing Orders having, on the motion of Mr. Hayes seconded by Mr. Magee, been duly suspended, Mr. McNeill, Solicitor, brought under the consideration of the Council, on behalf of the fishermen of the place, the necessity for the erection of a barrier and requested them to approach the Congested Districts Board on the matter. The Council, however, were of opinion that the matter was one for the District Council whom they also recommended to also approach the Board of Works.

Re: County Offices

Captain Storey on a notice of motion brought under the notice of the Council a letter which he had received from the Sheriff enquiring as to whether the Council proposed altering the County House on the lines previously suggested by him, and it was resolved to refer the matter to a special Committee consisting of Captain Storey, Councillors Magee, Hanna, Gallagher, Hayes and Chairman and Vice Chairman of Council.

Re: Buncrana & Mooville Waterworks

It was moved by Councillor John White seconded by Councillor Thompson and resolved: - That about the sum of £632 raised off the entire Rural District of Lincroven in repayment of the Loans for Buncrana

and Mooville Waterworks be refunded to the entire Rural District, now that the Local Govt. Board have altered the area of charge to the Townships directly benefitted by these Loans."

Proposals for Payment

The List of proposals for payment in respect of Quarter ended 31st December, 1901, formulated by the Proposal Committee and the various R.D. Councils and approved by the Finance Committee were adopted.

Proposals for New Works

The List of proposals for New Works and maintenance of Works formulated by the various District Councils were then considered.

Ballyphannon No 1

No 2 on List was put into the County Surveyors hands. Nos. 10 and 13 were rejected. The remaining Proposals were Sanctioned.

Donegal

Nos. 112 and 180 and all Proposals on List for which no tenders were received were rejected. Remaining proposals Sanctioned.

Dunfannon

No 8 which was not tendered for was rejected, remaining proposals sanctioned.

Glenties

No 45 was passed subject to proper consent being lodged. No 9 was put into the County Surveyors hands for 15 months and No. 59 was also put into the County Surveyors hands. Other untendered for Proposals and Nos. 41, 42, 43, 44, 45, 46, 47, 48, 49, 50, 51, 52, 53, 54, 55, 56, 57, 58, 59, 60, 61, 62, 63, 64, 65, 66, 67, 68, 69, 70, 71, 72, 73, 74, 75, 76, 77, 78, 79, 80, 81, 82, 83, 84, 85, 86, 87, 88, 89, 90, 91, 92, 93, 94, 95, 96, 97, 98, 99, 100 were rejected. Remaining proposals sanctioned. With reference to No 54 which was for repairs to Mulltown Bridge the County Surveyor was instructed to inspect and report to the District Council.

ask to how flooding of land round Long Meale caused by the small size of the bridge and the inadequacy of the outlet to the sea might be best remedied. ^{With reference to Nos. 1, 2, 5, 6, 58 the contracts of the previous Contractor numbered 577, 604, 64, 64 and 538 on the part of the contractors were broken down by heavy rain, obtained against the various parties}
Inshaven

Nos. 1581, 1583, 1580, 1594, 1599, 1598, 1582, 1584, 1585, 1610, 1587, 1586, 1585, 1602, 1608, 1604, 1609, 1593, 1590, 1591, 1589, 1640, 1646, 1641, 1633, 1640, 1652, 1654, 1434, 1668, 1635, 1638, 1632, 1637, 1445, 1449, 1493, 1441, 1444, 1494, 1450, 1468, 1469, 1448, 1481, were sanctioned, all the other proposals rejected.

Letterkenny

Nos. 143, 141, and 269 on list were rejected. Remaining proposals were sanctioned.

Londonderry

Nos. 21, 34, and 37 rejected. Remaining proposals sanctioned.

Malford

Nos. 618 and 614 were put into the County Surveyor's hands for three months. No 592 was rejected and the remaining proposals sanctioned.

Strabane No 2

All untendered for proposals were rejected. Remaining proposals sanctioned.

Stranorlar

All the Proposals in Stranorlar Union were sanctioned. With reference to No. 420 it was resolved on the recommendation of the County Surveyor to break the Contract of Patrick Hannigan the previous Contractor (No 81 on the List of Payments, taken October, 1899) who would do nothing to his Contract and had been prosecuted.

The County Gaol

The County Surveyor having completed a schedule of the material in the disused County Gaol, the Secretary was instructed

to advertise same for sale.

Quarterly meetings of County Council
 The following dates were fixed for the Quarterly meetings of the County Council, Populal Committee and District Councils for the year 1902-3.
County Council:- May 23rd, August 25th and November 26th 1902 and February 23rd 1903.
Populal Committee:- May 7th, August 9th and November 10th 1902 and February 7th 1903.

Rural District Councils

Ballyshannon:- April 18th, July 18th and October 24th 1902 and January 23rd 1903.
Donegal:- April 16th, July 16th and October 22nd 1902 and January 26th 1903.
Dimbulagh:- April 12th, July 12th and October 18th 1902 and January 14th 1903.
Glenties:- April 14th, July 14th and October 23rd 1902 and January 22nd 1903.
Inishowen:- April 15th, July 15th and October 21st 1902 and January 20th 1903.
Letterkenny:- April 18th, July 18th and October 24th 1902 and January 23rd 1903.
Londonderry No 2:- April 16th, July 16th and October 22nd 1902 and January 21st 1903.
Malford:- April 5th, July 5th and October 11th 1902 and January 10th 1903.
Strabane No 2:- April 14th, July 14th and October 20th 1902 and January 19th 1903.
Stranorlar:- April 15th, July 15th and October 21st 1902 and January 20th 1903.

Notice of Intention to make Rates
 The Council authorised the publication of the intention to make Rates as per the estimate approved of by the Finance Committee.

Election of County and Rural Commissioners
 It was resolved on the motion of Mr Magee

seconded by Mr. Hayes. To be Thursday the 29th
 being as the date for the election of County and
 Rural District Councillors.

Application of James McGinley

A letter from James McGinley, Drumnahoney,
 Talcarnagh, requesting the Council to relieve
 his son Edward McGinley of his contract as
 Drumnahoney Rural District on the grounds of
 ill health was approved by the Council at their
 meeting in order to enable the County Surveyor
 to bring in a new contract.

Re Inquiry into proposed Alteration of Union Boundaries

A letter from the Local Govt. Board intimating
 that they had instructed their Inspector, Mr.
 Richard Kelly, to hold an inquiry on Oath in
 regard to a proposal that the portions of
 the Unions of Londonderry and Strabane
 which are situated in the County Donegal
 should be transferred to the Unions of Lishowen,
 Letterkenny and Stranorlar, and a further letter
 stating that the inquiry would not be held
 until the Autumn was read.

Rail Collectors Bonds &c.

A letter from the Patriotic Assurance Coy
 re Rail Collectors Bonds & a further letter stating
 that they were being unable to continue to
 guarantee the Rail Collectors at less than 7/6%
 were referred to the Finance Committee.

Re Landing Accommodation at Rathmullen Pier

A letter from the Board of Trade enclosing
 extract from a letter received from Captain
 J. D. Irvine R.N. Comdr. Rathmullen with
 regard to the alleged deficiency of the apparatus
 provided for the landing and embarking of
 passengers at the Pier of Rathmullen and

Jahan was read and the Secretary instructed
 to send copy of the correspondence to Messrs
 McGee and McFarland for their observations.

Re Agriculture and Technical Instruction Act

A letter from the Local Government Board
 requesting the views of the Council on an
 amending Act proposed to be introduced to enable
 the Council to exempt Angled Districts from
 rating under the Agriculture and Technical
 Instruction Act if they so choose, was read and
 it was resolved to approve of the proposed Act.

Re Derryport Harbour

A letter from the Board of Works stating that
 if the County Council cannot see their way
 to remove the obstructions and silt which
 may have accumulated therefrom, the provisions
 of the Act 16 and 17, Vic. C. 136 under which His
 Excellency the Lord Lieutenant may authorise
 the Board to carry out the work at the cost
 of the County Council might be put in force
 was read and consideration of the matter
 adjourned to next meeting, the Secretary to
 inform the Board that the Council are enquiring
 into the matter.

Council Board
 1st March 1902

12/3/02
 Mr. McGee

Letter from Commissioners of Valuation

A letter from the Commissioners of Valuation
 re clause 13 of the Londonderry and Lough Swilly
 Railway (Carrington Extension) Order 1899 was
 referred to the Council's Solicitor for his opinion
 on the point involved, viz: whether the line
 should be rated as Land or other hereditaments.

Re Collection of dues on S. S. Lochmor

A letter from the Harbour Master, Downings,
 re collection of Harbour Dues from the
 Lochmor Steamship Coy. having been read
 it was resolved to instruct him to furnish an
 account.

Council Board
 12/3/02

account to the Company every six months

Re Collection of Rates - Ballyshannon Union
A letter from the Local Govt. Board relative to the slow progress made by the Collector, especially by those of the Ballyshannon Union, in respect of the work of the collection of the Levy for the current half year was read, and the Secretary reported that in consequence of the warning recently issued by the Council there was a considerable improvement.

Appointment of Auditor - Donegal Railway
It was resolved, on the motion of Mr. Gallagher seconded by Mr. Magee, to appoint Mr. George McLoughlin, Spanmortar auditor under clause 34 of the West Donegal Light Railway (Bill) Order 1886 and 35 of the West Donegal Light Railway Order 1886.

Application for Store Licence
The application of John Porterfield of Lifford for a Store Licence was granted.

Re Sheds on Rathmullin Pier
The Secretary was directed to request Messrs McCreagh and Farland for a definite reply as to whether they will pay the cost of agreements in this matter.

Re Power of Council to enter Quarries
The County Surveyor, H. D. was instructed to consult the Council's Solicitor as to the power of the Council and the steps necessary to be taken to enter a quarry where the Magistrate's refused an Order.

Re Defaulting Road Contractors
The County Surveyor, H. D. was authorized to take proceedings against the following defaulting Road Contractors:-

Donegal Rural District - Henry Boyle, John Kelly, John McCall, Edw. Sweeney, Campbell, Henry McCall, Hugh McGraw, Henry Maguire, Mrs. McCreagh, H. Campbell, John Gallagher, Hugh Martin, Thomas Kelly, Ed. Sweeney, Jas. Gallagher, Thomas Kelly, Owen Martin, H. Sweeney, H. Martin, Pat. Kelly, Thomas Doherty, John McGraw, Mrs. Abraham, Samuel Doherty.

Ballyshannon R. District - Robt. Barrow, Pat. McCowley, H. O'Donnell, John Lynette, Jas. McShea, Robt. Barrow, Brian Doherty, James McCadden, Mrs. Doherty, John Roche and Mrs. Doherty.

Glenkeel R. District
Brian Boyle, James Martin, John McCall, Ed. McGraw.

Miscellaneous Correspondence
A number of unimportant letters and resolutions were read.

Confirmed
Wm. Doherty Chairman

encl. to be read in explanation.

Copies sent
to G.B. Council
also Union Ass.
and Mr. P. H. O'Connell
26th August 1902

Minutes of Special meeting of County Council held on the 18th March, 1902.

Attendance

The members of the Council present were:-
Councillors Mr. Doherty (Chairman), Edward
Mcadden, F. Callaghan, McEassidy, Jas.
Dunley, D. J. Flood, Mr. Gallagher, W. J. Hanna,
Jno. S. Hamilton, Eugene Magee, J. B. Stoney,
John Sweeney and Peter Ward.

Minutes

The minutes of previous meeting were confirmed.

Re Assistant Surveyors Not Existing Officers

In accordance with directions received at previous meeting, the Secretary furnished a report as to the Salaries of the Assistant Surveyors who were not "existing" Officers from which it appeared that the salaries of all these officers, with the exception of Mr. Peter McNulty, whose salary was £5.10 in process - were approximately according to the scale fixed by the County Council. The report was adopted.

Alteration of Name of Ballyshannon Rural District

A resolution of the Ballyshannon Rural District Council requesting the Council to change the name of the District Council from "Ballyshannon Dist" to "Ballyshannon" was read and it was resolved, on the motion of Mr. Magee seconded by Mr. Hanna to alter the name as decided.

Re Flooding Burnfoot Roadway

Council's opinion on Supplemental case re flooding of Roadway at Burnfoot was read.

Re Burnfoot Harbour

A letter from the Board of Works relative to the cleaning of the bed of Burnfoot Harbour having been read, the County Surveyor was directed to inspect and report on the harbour to next meeting of Council.

Re Alteration of Union Boundaries

With reference to the inquiry held by the Local Government Board into the proposed alteration of certain Union Boundaries in the County it was moved by Mr. Doherty & seconded by Mr. Magee:-

"That, while we deprecate the signed surprise of the Deputy Guardians over the County and Union Boundary adjustment. Inquiry now after years agitation by this Council, we are of opinion that the only objection to the Inquiry lies in the fact that the £1000 a year of clear profit unjustly taken from this County (as admitted by themselves) is in danger. - We at the same time deplore the annoyance given to the Local Govt. Board by the misleading questions asked in the House of Commons by these Guardians through their Representatives, and though we desire to hasten the Inquiry yet this Council is satisfied that kind is in our favour and that a just and honourable cause will not lose by its transparency to the new Councils."

Mr. Hanna proposed and Captain Stoney seconded as an amendment:-

"That the Local Government Board be requested to allow the Boundaries to remain as they are."

Voting

For Amendment:- Captain Stoney, Captain Hamilton and Mr. Hanna - 3.

Against:- Messrs. Callaghan, McEassidy, Mr. Doherty, Jno. Dunley, D. J. Flood, Mr. Gallagher, Magee, Jno. Sweeney and Peter Ward - 9.
The amendment was accordingly declared lost and motion carried.

Re Date of Local Government Elections

Notice of motion signed by Councillor Magee and five other Councillors having been duly given to rescind the resolution of the Council fixing the date for the holding of the Local Government Elections as the 29th May, 1900, and it was resolved to fix the 28th May as the date for same.

Re Gortnasali Harbour

The consideration of a letter from the D. Board re Gortnasali Harbour was adjourned pending a further report on the harbour from the County Surveyor.

Applications to open County Roads

The Council considered applications from the Longvale Brick Lime Works Co., Clontarf, and Messrs Andrew Spence, Limestone Condensers and Lough Swilly Railway Coy. and Mr. Delaney, Castle Don, for permission to open the County Roads for the construction of sewers at Clontarf, Fahan and Castle Don respectively and it was resolved, on the motion of Captain Stoney seconded by Mr. Hanna, to grant permission in each case subject to the work being carried out under the direction of the County Surveyor.

Re Sale of Lifford Gaol

The Secretary having applied for a direction on the matter he was instructed to advertise Lifford Gaol for sale in the following papers, viz. Irish Times, Freeman's Journal, Irish News, News Letter, Glasgow Herald, Scotsman and three other papers.

Letter from John M. C. Grove Esq.

A letter from John M. C. Grove Esq. Castlebar, requesting to be furnished with copies of resolutions passed by the Council in connection with the Agricultural and Technical Instruction

Committee was directed to be marked "read".

Re Scale of Election Expenses - Guardians and County Councillors in Urban Districts

A letter from the Local Government Board re Scale of expenses at elections of Guardians and County Councillors in Urban districts fixed by the Council having been read it was resolved not to alter the figures in part II of the Scale but to insert a clause that the total fee payable should not exceed £6:6:0.

Re Light Railways & Tramways Bill

It was moved by Mr. Madden seconded by Captain Stoney and resolved:-

"That we the County Council of Donegal in view of the recent decision of the Privy Council rejecting the scheme for a system of Tramways from Donnybrook to Enniskerry - which had been approved of by the County Councils of Dublin and Wicklow, and the Urban Councils of Pembroke, and Bray, which decision is of so far reaching effect that it practically makes the Tramways Acts inoperative in Ireland and prevents it from obtaining tramway facilities, so much needed, call upon the Government to aid in the passing of the bill now before Parliament to amend the legislation relating to Light Railways and Tramways in Ireland, with such modifications and amendments, as may be deemed necessary and thus enable, Tramways, and Light Railways to be constructed, in this country with the sanction of the Privy Council in Ireland and that we earnestly request the Irish Members of Parliament to support the Bill in this present session."

"Copies of this resolution to be sent to the Chief Secretary, and to the Irish members of Parliament for the County."

copies as directed
24.3.00

sent by Mr. Spence
24.3.00

sent by Mr. Hanna
24.3.00

sent by Mr. Grove
24.3.00

Application for Store Licence

An application of Mr. John S. Meir, Assistant Comptroller for a Store licence was granted.

Re Appointment of Foreigner as Examiner in Irish by Intermediate Board

It was moved by Mr. Edward M. Madden seconded by Mr. M. J. Callaghan and unanimously resolved:-

That we hereby protest against the appointment of foreign examiners by the Intermediate Board to examine in Irish and that copies of this resolution be sent to the Chief Secretary and the Intermediate Board.

Re Harbourmaster's Office - Portsalon Pier

A letter from Mr. Patrick Callaghan, Harbourmaster at Portsalon Pier, stating that he was leaving home for a short time and requesting the Council to allow his brother to act as Harbourmaster during his absence having been considered it was agreed to appoint, subject to the approval of the Council, Daniel Callaghan to act on the same terms as temporary Harbourmaster during his brother's absence.

Re Assistant Surveyor Gairdner

The question of the salary allowed Assistant Surveyor Gairdner in regard to which a Local Government Board inquiry had been recently held having been brought up and it having been mentioned that there was a possibility of an amicable settlement it was resolved, on the motion of Captain Storey seconded by Mr. Edward M. Madden:-

That in consideration of the long distances he has to travel to attend the District Council at Galway, Mr. Gairdner be granted an addition of £4 to the salary already fixed.

Reports of Committees

Reports of meetings of the Finance Committee held on the 26th February, 1907, and of the Linc. Stacks and the Agricultural and Technical Instruction Committee held on the 3rd March, 1907 were, on the motion of Captain Storey seconded by Mr. Maugh, adopted.

Easter Holidays

It was resolved to grant holidays to the Office Staff from the 28th March to the 31st March, both days inclusive.

Miscellaneous Correspondence

A number of unimportant letters and resolutions were read.

Re Standing Orders

The Secretary having brought under the notice of the Council that the Local Government Board had not given formal approval of the Standing Orders of the Council it was resolved to refer the Orders to the General Purposes Committee for revision and then forward with the Council's Seal to the Local Government Board for approval.

Re Road Prosecutions

The County Surveyor South Division was authorized to prosecute the following defaulting Road Contractors.

Donegal Rural District:- Robt. Harrow, no. 95, Mick Finney no. 98, Patk. Hilly, no. 214, John McGoary, no. 415, William Abraham, no. 508, Patrick Hilly, no. 494, Samuel O'Herby, no. 613, John Devany, no. 651, Edw. Cassidy, no. 347, Tho. O'Herby, no. 298, and Robt. Elliott, no. 301.

Plunket Rural District:- John McGill, no. 590, & John McGill, no. 594.

Confirmed

Edward Madden

Chairman

Office of the Clerk
29. 4. 07

Minutes of Special meeting of County Council held on the 21st day of April 1907.

Attendance

The members present were:-

Councillors Mr. Ladden (Chairman), Mr. Alexander, John Byrne, T. Callaghan, Jas. D. Connor, Mr. Doherty, Jas. Dunne, Mr. Gallagher, Mr. Hamilton, J. H. Humphreys, T. Meagher, P. J. Mooney, Jas. Sweeney, A. Ward, Peter Ward, and Mr. J. H. Gray.

Minutes

The minutes of previous meeting were confirmed.

Reports of Committees

The following reports of Committees were adopted:-

Reports of meetings of the Finance, Officers, Law, Live Stock and Agricultural and Technical Instruction Committees held on the 18th March 1907.

Re Suppression of United Irish League

A resolution of the Clare County Council condemning the action of the Clare Grand Jury at the last Assizes in passing the resolution calling for the suppression of the Peoples Organization - the United Irish League - was unanimously adopted.

Re Bundoran Pier

A resolution of the Ballyshannon District Council relative to the ~~proposed~~ improving of Bundoran Pier was referred to the Proposal Committee.

Re Rathmullen Pier

A letter from the Board of Trade relative to the landing accommodation at Rathmullen Pier and copy of correspondence with Messrs. McEnea and McFarland were referred to the Pier Committee.

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Re Erection of Telegraph Poles

An application by Mr. G. Chatham, Acting Superintendent Engineer, Belfast, for permission to erect a line of Telegraph Poles between Carrick and Rathmuckhill was read and the permission granted subject to the supervision of the County Surveyor.

Re Mr. Edward O'Callaghan

A letter of the Local Govt. Board intimating that Mr. Edward O'Callaghan had satisfied them that he possessed the qualifications prescribed by the Order of the 9th February, 1900, for Assistant Surveyor was read.

Re Patriotic Bazaar

A letter from the Patriotic Bazaar Committee giving notice of their intention to terminate Collector Bonds upon the expiration of the Financial half-year ending 30th September, 1907, was read and the Secretary instructed to bring the matter up again.

Re Deed of Mortgage - Letterkenny Asylum

A letter from the Office Public Works enclosing for approval of the Council draft deed of Mortgage for £1500 in respect of proposed loan for the purpose of obtaining additional land in connection with Letterkenny Lunatic Asylum was read and the draft deed referred to the Council's Solicitor to be approved if in order.

Re Arranmore Courthouse

A letter from Mr. Michael Boyle, Comptroller, Arranmore, relative to the dilapidated state of the Courthouse in Arranmore was read and copy of it directed to be forwarded to the owner, the C.D. Board, with a request that they have it put in proper repair.

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Letter to Mr. Chatham
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Re Assistant Surveyor Gairdner
A letter from Mr. John Gairdner, Assistant Surveyor, accepting a salary of £113 in settlement of his claim and a letter from the Local Govt. Board approving of the special agreement between the Council and Mr. Gairdner fixing his salary at this amount, were read.

Re Donegal & Killybegs Railway
The consideration of a letter from the Office of Public Works relative to the resolution of the Council in respect of the Donegal and Killybegs Railway was adjourned to next meeting. Copies of the letter were sent to the members of the Committee previously appointed to consider the matter.

Re Bunsana Road
A letter from Mr. James Langhlin, D.C. Leekinn, Bunsana with reference to the damage caused to the road between Bunsana and Slernagorry by a traction engine was read.

Mr. Hugh C. O'Doherty, Solicitor, also appeared before the Council in connection with the same matter. He said that the condition of the road was such that there might be a serious accident at any time and that a bridge over which the engine passed was especially dangerous. He reminded them of the legal liability cast upon them and requested them to have the road put in order.

It was decided to instruct the County Surveyor to have a notice put up on the bridge that it was dangerous for traction engines to pass over and to leave over the further consideration of the matter till the Quarterly meeting of the Council.

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sent copies of letter as directed - 28-4-07

Re Rating of Camdonagh Railway Extension
The consideration of Mr. Wilson's opinion re rating of the Camdonagh Railway Extension and letter from Commissioners of Valuation on same subject was adjourned to next meeting.

Application for Store Licence
An application by Mr. James Stewart; Campt. for a renewal of Licence under the Explosive Act, 1875 was granted.

Order of Local Govt. Board
An order of the Local Govt. Board re maintenance of roads by direct labour was read.

Re Collectors H. Doherty & A. Campbell
A letter from the Local Govt. Board relative to the collection of rates in the County in which they called special attention to the manner in which Collectors Henry Doherty and A. Campbell were discharging their duty and expressed their opinion that the Council should warn these collectors that unless they display more energy in the discharge of their duties they would be in question of their retention in office. Having been considered it was resolved to notify these collectors that they will be dismissed if they do not lodge the arrears of last year's rates immediately, they receive their books and do not discharge their duties more satisfactorily in future.

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