

A meeting of Bray Township Commissioners was held in the Town Hall Bray at 10/30 am on Monday 6th July 1896

Present: -

Edward Breslin Esq J.P.C. (in chair)

Alderman Sir Hy Cochrane B.L.

William King Esq J.P.

Martin Langton

James E. Mc Cormick

Robert Cuthbert

Richard Clifton +

Captain J. N. Patuckson

3485 The minutes of meeting of 15th June and of special meeting of 29th June were read and confirmed.

3486 The minutes and report of General Purposes Committee were read and adopted.

3487 Report dated 4th July 1896 from Engineers in reference to progress of Harbour works and stating that the works were now nearly completed and recommending that a further sum of £140 be expended in re Lighthouse and also that the Contractor be paid £500 out of reserve money.

It was ordered that a cheque for £500 issue in favour of Contractor and that a Committee comprising Chairman, Sir Henry Cochrane, Mr Cuthbert, Mr Mc Cormick wait on Irish Lights Board in reference to Lighthouse Messrs Strype and Comber wrote asking for payment on account of Parliamentary costs. Read

3488 Letter dated 3rd July from Mr Hammond in re electrical fees and stating that if all the extensions had passed through his hands the ordinary commis-

ion would justify the merging of original report. As however the Commissioners only required him to deal with a portion of the work he would do so for a fee of 5% exclusive of travelling and other expenses in England. Expenses to be paid if tests were required at Bray. He enclosed draft agreement re Alternator.

Ordered: - Expression "The Commissioners" to be inserted in certain clauses instead of the "Consulting Engineer" - Mr Hammond to be engaged. Agreement amended accordingly.

3489 Letters dated 1st and 2nd July from Clerk Rathdown Union and enclosing copy of letters received from Mr H. Brown offering plot of ground opposite R.C. Church on Herbert Road for proposed Cemetery and copy of letter from Mr Shannon solicitor to Guardians in same matter. Read

Mr Henry Brown wrote suggesting to the Commissioners that the plot of ground next Dispensary on Herbert Road suited for Cemetery. Read

3490 Circular dated 1st June 1896 from Gechrist Lecture Committee in re advisability of giving lectures in Bray &c. Read

3491 The Town Clerk submitted lodgement receipts for £10:4:3 and £5:18:5 being amount of Dublin Corporation and Rathmines + Rathgar Dividends Warrants for half year and quarter on sinking Fund investments respectively to 1st July 1896. Ordered: Received and lodged to credit of Loan Fund account.

3492 An application was received for a transfer of Hackney Car licence to Mrs Martha Whitton from

her late husband Richard Whitton. Granted
 3493 On the motion of Captain Patrickson the Com-
 mitted already appointed to give evidence against
 Dublin Corporation Bill in House of Lords.
 was reappointed to attend to give evidence
 against Bill in House of Commons.

3495 The following transfer of Bray Township
 3 $\frac{3}{4}$ % Redeemable Debenture Stock was sub-
 mitted and approved and a certificate sealed
 and issued viz:-
 From Mr Auliffe to Lillis and Nealon £500-

3496 The Overseer reported that the cost of con-
 creting the various footpaths of the Township
 was as follows: -

Meath Road	6 $\frac{3}{4}$ ^d	per	sq yard
Strand Road	6 $\frac{1}{2}$ ^d	"	"
Sidmonton Avenue	6.05 ^d	"	"
Back Street	8 $\frac{3}{4}$ ^d	"	"

Considered satisfactory

3497 Mrs Jessie Atson applied for permission to
 bring an automatic fortunetelling machine
 on to the Esplanade on Band nights. Refused

3498 Circular dated 4th July 1896 from Mr Thomas
 Potter in re Parks for Irish Towns &c. Read

3499 Letter dated 4th July 1896 from Mr Thomas Clifford
 in re necessity of placing a surface trap at
 corner of Sunnyside House. Referred to
 Overseer for attention

3500 Letter dated 4th July from Messrs Casey and
 Clay in re taxation of Messrs Keogh's costs.
 Referred to Town Clerk

3801 Letter dated 4th July 1896 from Mr Jeremiah
 Sutton asking that the footpaths opposite his
 property on Dargle Road be concreted
 Referred to Overseer for attention

3802 Mr B Heazle wrote asking to have a foot-
 path placed opposite Bruce's Terrace.
 Postponed indefinitely

3803 Letter dated 4th July 1896 from Waterworks
 Committee in re excessive consumption of
 water in Bray. Referred to Water Inspector

3804 It was ordered that the footpaths on
 Seymour Road, & Seapoint Road be concreted
 and that the verry Road path be narrowed and
 concreted to Convent Gate.

The following accounts were passed for pay-
 ment and cheques signed.

General Account

Workmens Wages £160 : 0 : 0

Mr Benjamin Heazle
 Poundage on collection of
 Township Rates 8 : 19 : 3

Messrs Mr Martin & Co
 Paints Oils &c
 Esplanade £10 : 16 : 4
 Ladies Baths 7 : 1 : 3 17 : 17 : 7

Mr Frederick Jacob
 Brushes &c
 underpinning sea
 wall 2 : 16 : 10

The Alliance & Consumers Gas Co

Gas consumed in Town Hall
& Market House from Sept-
ember 1894 to March 1896 48 : 4 : 4

P Macdonnell

Three months salary as Town
Clerk, Executive Sanitary Officer
and Registrar Bray Stocks to
30.6.96 41 : 10 : 0

Mrs Mrs Ouel

Salary for June as Car
Inspector £ 3 : 10 : 0
Sub Sanitary Officer 16 : 8 4 : 6 : 8

Electric Light Account

Mr G M Harriss

One months salary as en-
gineer at Electric Light station 13 : 13 : 0

Mr G M Harriss

Travelling and Hotel Expenses
visiting London, Erith (Kent),
and Cardiff to inspect Electrical
Plant &c as directed viz: —
Travelling expenses, Bray
to London, London to Erith
& back, London to Cardiff &
Cardiff to Bray . . . 8 : 13 : 10
Hotel expenses 6 : 6 : 0 14 : 19 : 10

Harbour Loan Account

Mr J F Carroll

Salary as Clerk of Works
from 15th June to 22nd
June 1896 . . . 2 : 2 : 0

Mr J F Carroll

Salary as Clerk of Works
from 22nd to 29th June 2 : 2 : 0

Mr J F Carroll

Salary as Clerk of Works
from 29th June to 6th July 2 : 2 : 0

W. J. Doherty Esq J.P.

On acc of contract for Harbour
Works Certificate No 52 £ 334 89
Previous payments 329 89 500 : 0 : 0

20 July 1896 *Henry Cook*

A meeting of Bray Township Commissioners was held in the Town Hall Bray at 10.30 am on Monday 20th July 1896.

Present:-

Alderman Sir Henry Cochrane D.L. (in chair)
William King J.P.
James E. Mc Cormick
Robert Cuthbert
Richard Clifton
Philip Condron
William Rossiter
Captain J. H. Paterson

On the motion of Mr King the chair was taken by Sir Henry Cochrane.

3805 The minutes of meeting of 6th July 1896 were read and confirmed.

3806 Pursuant to advertisements a tender was received for erection of chimney and for carrying out alterations at Electric Light Station

In consequence of only one tender being received it was ordered that the consideration of the matter should be postponed until meeting of 3rd August and that tenders should be again invited by advertisement

3807 Letters dated 11th and 13th July from Irish Lights Board in re Lighthouse for Harbour and asking that the Commissioners place in ~~their~~^{writing} their views as to class of light which they would propose should be permanently exhibited from the end of the Pier at Bray Harbour. Consideration postponed.

3808 Letter dated 14th July 1896 from the Secretary D.W.

and W Railway Co stating that his Board would either convey the land to the Commissioners with power of resumption or without guaranteeing title, and that as regards the cottage the Company would accept £10 per year. Ordered:- matter referred to Mr Craig to carry through draft agreement or lease to be submitted to Commissioners.

3809

Report dated 13th July 1896 from Mr P. J. Comber in reference to proposed cemetery for Bray and stating that he had examined the four sites referred to him by the Commissioners viz:- Old Connaught site, Thornhill site, Berryfield site and Boghall site. He considered that old Connaught site was the best suited for Burial Ground. Next to old Connaught he would recommend Thornhill site. Neither Boghall, or Berryfield sites were suited for a Burial Ground.

A letter from Mr Thomas Pigot in same matter was read.

It was ordered that a copy of Mr Comber's report be sent to Rathdown Guardians

3810

Letter dated 13th July 1896 from Miss Lyons thanking the Commissioners for granting use of Town Hall for Convalescent Home sale of work on 9th and 10th September. Read

3811

Letters dated 13th and 16th July 1896 from Messrs Mollay and Mollay stating that they had got the plans in re Promenade Pier ready and would submit them if the Board required them to do so. Ordered:- Commissioners would be pleased to receive plans at next meeting.

3812 Letter dated 15th July 1896 from Mr A. M. Holmes asking permission to give conjuring and other entertainments on the esplanade. Refused

3813 Letters dated 11th and 14th July 1896 from Waterworks Committee alleging excessive consumption of water in Bray for weeks ending 6th and 13th July. Referred to Water Inspector.

3814 Mr King handed in notice of motion to create £500 Bray Township Redeemable Debenture Stock (Harbour Loan) at next meeting.

3815-6 Letters from Messrs Strype and Comber, Casey and Clay, and Holmes Greig & Greig in re Parliamentary costs Bray Act 1895. Postponed

3817 Letter from Messrs Barton and Copland enclosing Netherman Banks receipt for £1 : 15 : 11 being 1/4 years dividend on Government Stock. Read

3818 Report dated 15th July 1896 from Mr P. F. Comber recommending that Messrs Taylor and Evans be granted licence to erect a slaughterhouse on Seapoint Road. Report adopted

3819 Letter dated 19th July 1896 from Mr John Butler in re necessity of placing a water main opposite Fontenoy Terrace.

The Water Inspector reported that 80 yards of 2 inch pipe would be required for water main at Fontenoy Terrace. He also asked for 120 yards of 2 inch pipe for rear of Back Street Little Bray.

Report to be acted upon and materials ordered.

3820 Letter dated 16th July 1896 from Miss Courtney in

waterpipes which supply No 1 Springmount and cottages at rear

3822 It was ordered that the concreting of Strand Road should be completed with as little delay as possible.

3823 Miss Gibson wrote asking to have footpaths opposite her houses on Dargle Road concreted. Referred to Overseer for report.

Read & Confirmed
B. Augustin
John Austin

A meeting of Bray Township Commissioners was held in the Town Hall Bray at 10.30 am Monday 3rd August 1896.

Present: -

Edward Breslin J.P.C. & C. (in chair)
Alderman Sir My Cochrane D.L.
William King J.P.
Martin Langton
Philip Condron
Richard Clifton
William Rossiter +
Captain J. N. Patuckson.

3824 The minutes of meeting of 20th July 1896 were read and confirmed.

3825 Letters dated 31st July and 1st August from Mr K to Mr Clay stating that the Dublin Corporation Bill had with the assistance of The Hon Horace Plunkett been re-committed to a new and independent Committee and stating that it would be advisable to send over Town Clerk or a Commissioner well acquainted with the water question. The Bill would likely to be in Committee on Tuesday 4th August.

Ordered: - Town Clerk and any Commissioner required to go to London if necessary to look after Commissioners interests when noticed so to do.

It was proposed by Mr King and seconded by Mr Langton:

"That the best thanks of Bray Commissioners are due and hereby tendered to The Hon. Horace Plunkett M.P. for his efforts to rectify the gross injustice imposed on the Townships by the water clauses of the Dublin Corporation Bill"

Passed unanimously.

3826

Pursuant to advertisement tenders were received for erection of Chimney and for carrying out alterations at Electric Light Station from the following viz: -

For Chimney: -

Mr William Beckett	£546 : 0 : 0
Mr Bernard Brady	557 : 13 : 10
Mr D. J. Quinn	1,025 : 0 : 0

For Alterations: -

Mr Bernard Brady	£234 : 14 : 0
Mr D. J. Quinn	350 : 0 : 0

Mr William Beckett's tender for Chimney at £546 being the cheapest and best offer was accepted and it was ordered that necessary agreement and personal bond should be executed.

The tenders for alterations being considered too high it was decided that the Resident Engineer should make temporary alterations.

It was ordered that Mr J. F. Carroll be offered post of Clerk of Works at new Chimney at 36/- per week as his services were no longer required at Harbour Works, it being imposed as a condition that he should perform any other duties from time to time required by the Commissioners.

3826

Pursuant to notice of motion Mr King moved and Captain Patuckson seconded: -

That pursuant to offer of Hibernian Bank as per their letters dated 2nd September and 6th September 1895 (No 43315) to give £110 per cent for all allotments of the Bray Township 3 $\frac{3}{4}$ % Redeemable Debenture Stock and in exercise of the powers of Bray Township Act 1895 and resolution of 16th September 1895 creating over £35000 Bray Township 3 $\frac{3}{4}$ % Redeemable Stock we hereby allot to The Hibernian Bank Limited 27

10/10/96

College Green Dublin £500 of said stocks at £110 per cent that is to say £110 for every nominal amount of £100 Stocks and authorize the Registrar to issue sealed certificate for same to said Bank. Proceeds to be placed to credit of Bray Township Harbours Account"

Adopted and a certificate sealed and issued accordingly.

3828 Letter dated 23rd July 1896 from Clerk Rathdown Union in re proposed Cemetery. Read

It was proposed by Sir Henry Cochrane and seconded by Mr King:-

"That the Town Clerk apply for a copy of report of special Committee of Rathdown Guardians and that it be referred to Mr Comber for further report and that the Town Clerk send a circular to the guardians in support of Mr Perrins motion to rescind resolution adopting Herbert Road site"

Passed unanimously.

3829 Report dated 1st August 1896 from Engineers stating that the Harbour Works were practically finished and that with the exception of the lighthouse and a few other matters the Contractor had fulfilled his contract

It was ordered that the Engineers should see if the West Pier light at Kingstown Harbour would suit Bray, and that application be made to Board of Trade for a certificate to authorize the levying of tolls &c as provided in Act of 1890.

It was also ordered that the Overseer should remove the walls of the old coal yards and have the place gravelled.

It was proposed by Mr King and seconded by Mr Langton:-

"That His Excellency the Lord Lieutenant be invited to fix a date when it would suit him to open the Harbours and that the following gentlemen be appointed a Committee to make all necessary arrangements for completion of Harbour and reception of His Excellency viz:- The Chairman, Sir Henry Cochrane, Captain Patricson, Mr King, Mr Langton, Mr Mc Cormick and Sir Rowland Fanning"

Passed unanimously

3830 The Parliamentary accounts (as taxed by Parliamentary taxing master) connected with passing of Bray Township Act 1895 were submitted as follows viz:-

Messrs Casey and Clay and
Messrs Clay and Close £2358 : 1 : 0
Messrs Strype and Comber 421 : 13 : 6

Messrs Casey and Clay had been paid £450 on account of costs which would leave a balance of £1608 : 1 : 0 with interest at 4% from date of certificate of taxation (4th July). Messrs Strype and Comber had been paid £60 on account which would leave a balance of £361 : 13 : 6.

Messrs Holmes Greig and Greig wrote asking payment of £7 : 4 : 0, their fee in re taxation of Parliamentary Costs of Bray Act 1895.

It was ordered that a cheque for £361 : 13 : 6 issue in favour of Messrs Strype and Comber and a cheque for £7 : 4 : 0 in favour of Messrs Holmes Greig and Greig. Messrs Casey and Clay to be informed that as soon as they obtained sanction of Local Government Board in re issue of Stock for payment of costs of Act, their account would be paid.

3831 Letter dated 19th July 1896 from Mr William Mills

- in re bathing accident at Bray Head. Read.
- 3832 It was ordered that the State Book be sent to Clerk Rathdown Union for Revision.
- 3833 Letter dated 1st August from Hon Secretary Bray Regatta Committee asking permission to erect enclosure on Esplanade for Regatta on 14th and 15th Inst and also to bring a switchback Railway inside enclosure.
On the motion of Mr Langton it was decided to grant permission to the Committee to erect enclosure on condition that they did not bring a switchback Railway to the place.
- 3834 Mr Langton handed in notice of motion for next meeting to create £500 Bray Township Redeemable Debenture Stock in re concreted footpaths.
- 3835 Messrs Casey and Clay wrote stating that they had objected to certain items in Messrs Keogh's Bill of Costs which would come before the taxing master on 5th Inst and enclosing a letter from Messrs Keogh and Son asking for £200 on account. It was ordered that necessary cheques be handed to Messrs Casey and Clay when they ascertained how much of the costs were chargeable against Harbour and General Accounts respectively as certified by Taxing Master.
- 3836 It was ordered that Mr Carroll should superintend underpinning of Sea Wall.
- 3837 The Troubadours wrote asking for permission to perform in one fixed position on the Esplanade and also for permission to sing during intervals at afternoon bands.
Referred to Town Clerk & Mr Syme to arrange.

- 3841 A memorial signed by several ratepayers living on Dargle Road asking to have footpaths on that Road concreted was submitted. A letter from Captain Fox in same matter was read.
Ordered: - Footpaths on Dargle Road to be concreted when footpaths at present in hands are finished.
- 3842 Letter dated 3rd August 1896 from Mr William Rossiter complaining of neglect of overseer in having the Roadway opened in Novara without any protection for the public and also of the impertinence given him by four of the workmen who were suspended for one day after his complaint to overseer and were then taken back. Read
On the motion of Mr Clifton it was ordered the workmen should be refunded their day's pay.
- 3843 Circular dated 31st July from Local Government Board enclosing copy of the Housing of the Working Classes (Ireland) Act 1896 which received Royal Assent on 2nd July. Read & noted.
- 3844 Letter dated 1st August 1896 from Waterworks Committee alleging excessive consumption of water in Bray for weeks ending 20th & 24th July 1896. Referred to Water Inspector.
- 3845 Mr John McDermott wrote asking to have footpaths opposite his houses in main Street concreted. Referred to Overseer for attention when works in hands completed.
- 3846 It was ordered that permission given Mr Miller to perform with troupe on Esplanade be withdrawn.

The following accounts were passed for pay -
ment and cheques signed:-

General Account

Hottmens Wages £345 : 0 : 0

Mr John Murray
Forage 3 : 14 : 3

Mr Nicholas Ledwidge
14 cwt 3 qrs Hay at 5/-
per cwt 4 : 8 : 9

Mr Phelim Devitt
Smithwork
Roads 4 : 14 : 3
Sea Wall 8 : 0
Baths 4 : 6
Sanitary 5 : 6 5 : 18 : 3

Mr William O'Neil
Salary for July as Car
Inspectors £ 3 : 10 : 0
Sanitary Sub Officer 16 : 8 4 : 6 : 8

Messrs George Keogh & son
In payment of bill of costs
204 : 18 : 8

Parliamentary Costs &c

Messrs Holmes Greig & Greig
Fee in re Taxation of Par-
liamentary bills of costs 4 : 4 : 0

Messrs Strype and Comber
Bill of costs in connection

with passing of Bray Township
act 1895. £361 - 13 - 6

Harbour Loan &c

Mr J. F. Carroll
Salary as Clerk of Works
from 6th to 13th July 1896 2 : 2 : 0

Mr J. F. Carroll
Salary as Clerk of Works
from 13th to 20th July 1896 2 : 2 : 0

Mr J. F. Carroll
Salary as Clerk of Works
from 20th to 27th July 1896 2 : 2 : 0

Mr J. F. Carroll
Salary as Clerk of Works
from 27th July to 3rd Aug 1896 2 : 2 : 0

Messrs George Keogh
In payment of Bill of
Costs 35 : 6 : 4

Electric Light &c

George Harris Esq
One months salary as Engineer
at Electric Light Works 13 : 13 : 0
Sundries 4 : 4 : 5 18 : 0 : 5

Mr Phelim Devitt
Smithwork 1 : 14 : 4

Messrs Johnston and Phillips
Carbons &c 14 : 2 : 1

Adopted

Martin Tully
17/8/96

A meeting of Bray Township Commissioners was held in the Town Hall Bray at 10.30 am on Monday 14th August 1896.

Present: -

Martin Langton Esq (in chair)
Alderman Sir Hy Cochrane D.L.
Robert Luthbert
Philip Condron +
Richard Clayton

On the motion of Sir Henry Cochrane D.L. the chair was taken by Mr Langton.

3847 The minutes of meeting of 3rd August 1896 were read and confirmed.

3848 Mr R. N. Clay wrote stating that the Dublin Corporation Bill had been defeated in the House of Commons on 13th August 1896 by three votes.

The following letter was read from The Hon Horace Plunkett M.P. viz: -

House of Commons
August 11th 1896.

Dear Sir,

Absence from London has prevented my replying to your letter of the 6th Inst. Please thank the Bray Township Commissioners for their kind resolution referring to my efforts to rectify the injustice of the water clauses of the Dublin Corporation Bill.

You will have seen before you get this that the Franchise clauses have all been knocked out in the Lords. I have some hopes that this will give us an opportunity of preventing the burden which we anticipate being imposed upon the Townships. The next three days will decide matters one way

or the other.

Yours faithfully
Horace Plunkett

P. Macdonnell Esq

Ordered: - to be inserted on minutes

The following letter was read from Mr James O'Connor M.P. viz: -

House of Commons
August 15th 1896

P. Macdonnell Esq

Town Clerk

Bray

Dear Sir,

Your letter of the 12th Inst reached me just in time to sharpen my desire to defeat the Dublin Corporation Bill, by any means in my power.

Since the day you stated the facts to me outside the Committee Room door, I have striven, in the interests of Bray, to save the Township from being rackrented by the imposition upon the ratepayers of an unfair and iniquitous water tax.

The part I took in helping to defeat the Bill was trifling compared with the vigorous onslaught made upon it by Mr Kealy when it arrived at its last and most critical stage. Our motives were not identical, but our objects were the same once the Franchise clauses was struck out of the Bill by the Lords Committee, for which the Lords be thanked inasmuch as it was the Lords who delivered Bray from the hands of the Ventry monopolists of the Dublin Corporation. I may, however, venture to say that my private canvassing of members of Parliament did undoubtedly effect the result of the division. And at my request other members acted as

propagandists in opposition to the scheme. Knowing from my experience how much personal persuasion affects the fate of Private Bills, I directed my attention to carry on a quite canvass, because upon this I relied more than upon arguments in the Chamber. English and Scotch members are usually indifferent as to how they vote on Irish Private Bills, for they don't understand them. They are therefore not hard to lead towards one side or the other. The only consideration which does influence them is the amount of ratepayers money which it costs when a Bill is thrown out.

I had no intention at the start of writing so long a letter. My main purpose was to congratulate the Commissioners and people of Bray upon the narrow escape they have had from an unjust water tax. I think you too are deserving of thanks for your industry in making out a good case on behalf of your Township.

Yours sincerely

(signed) James O'Connor

Ordered :- To be inserted on minutes

It was proposed by Mr Langton and seconded by Mr Richard Clifton :-

That the best thanks of Bray Township Commissioners are due and hereby tendered to Mr James O'Connor M.P for Co Wicklow for the great services which he rendered to the Ratepayers of Bray, in working for moving and carrying the rejection of the Dublin Corporation Bill which if carried would have deprived the Township of the benefits to which it is entitled under its statutory Agreement with the Corporation

we fully recognise and admit that but for the fact that Mr O'Connor felt it to be his duty under very trying circumstances to protect the interests of this portion of the County he so diligently and efficiently represents a gross injustice might have been sanctioned by Parliament to the detriment of Bray and the other Townships"

Passed unanimously

It was proposed by Sir Henry Cochrane and seconded by Mr Euthbert

That the Bray Township Commissioners beg to tender our most sincere sympathy to the respected M.P for County Wicklow Mr James O'Connor in his great bereavement caused by the death of his brother Mr Patrick R O'Connor who was for many years a valued member of this Board and that a copy of this resolution be forwarded to the family of our former colleague.

Passed unanimously

3849

Letter dated 12th August 1896 from Board of Trade asking to be supplied with a plan showing the whole of the works at Harbour which have been executed by the Commissioners. Ordered :- plans to be supplied.

Letter dated 14th August 1896 from Engineers in re plans &c required by Board of Trade. Read.

Letter dated 14th August 1896 from Engineers enclosing a letter from Mr Doherty stating that the works he contracted for would be completed on 15th Inst and asking final settlement of his account &c. Read

Letter dated 14th August from Messrs Strype and Comber stating that they had called at the

Irish Lights Board Office and discussed with Mr Douglass (Engineer to Irish Lights Board) as to the suitability of the West Pier Light at Kingstown for Bray Harbour and had come to the conclusion that the light would not be suitable for Bray.

It was proposed by Sir Henry Cochrane and seconded by Mr Clifton:-

That the improved lighthouse lantern and foghorn arrangements recommended by engineers in their report of 4th July for Harbour Works be adopted and approved having regard to the fact that the West Pier Light is not available and the additional price therein stated is hereby sanctioned as an extra.

Passed unanimously
Applications for the post of Harbour Master and Light keeper were received from Messrs P. Morgan and John Bowden respectively

Postponed

3850

Pursuant to notice of motion Mr Langton moved and Sir Henry Cochrane seconded:-

That pursuant to offer of Nibonian as per their letters dated 2nd September and 6th September 1895 (B/3315) to give £110 per cent for all allotments of the Bray Township 3½% Redeemable Debenture stock and in exercise of the powers of Bray Township Act 1895 and resolution of 16th September 1895 creating over £35,060 Bray Township 3½% Redeemable Debenture stock we hereby allot to The Nibonian Bank Limited 27 College Green Dublin £500 of said stock at £110 per cent that is to say £110 for every nominal amount of £100 stock and authorize the Registrar to issue sealed certificate for same to said Bank. Proceeds

14.11.97

to be placed to credit of Bray Township General Account in re converting of footpaths pursuant to section 14 clause D of Bray Township Act 1895"

Adopted and a certificate sealed and issued accordingly.

3852

Letters dated 4th July and 4th August from Mr Maurice Knight objecting to removal of gravel from beach opposite Esplanade. Ordered:- Sand to be taken from north beach within limit to be taken over by Commissioners.

3853

Letter dated 6th August 1896 from Mr Thomas Craig in re contract for Chimney. Ordered:- Information given and bond completed.

Letter dated 14th August 1896 from Mr B. Brady in re contract for Chimney at Electric Light Works. Read - Town Clerk to reply.

3854

Mrs Fledish wrote stating that during the past two years there had been an outbreak of scarlatina at the Meath Industrial School and asking for an order for disinfection of bedding.

The Town Clerk informed the Commissioners that he had given directions to Overseer to arrange to have the goods brought over to Loughlinstown for disinfection and that his instructions had been carried out. Ordered:- Action taken in matter approved of.

3855

Mr Edward N. Wynne Secretary County Wicklow Grand Jury enclosing Summer Warrant for 1896

Referred to General Purposes Committee

3856

The following transfer of Bray Township 3½% Redeemable Debenture Stock was submitted and a

certificate sealed and issued accordingly viz:-
From Messrs Warner, Howard, + Fleming to Messrs
Howard, Fleming, and Hind Smith £9000.

3857 Dr James Flaverly wrote stating that Sub Sanitary
Officer O'Neill was unwell and unfit for work
and recommending that he be granted leave of
absence for a fortnight. Granted.

3858 Mr John Muller musician applied for a certificate
from the Commissioners re performances on Esplanade
Ordered :- Town Clerk to give certificate

3859 Letter dated 15th August 1896 from Waterworks
Committee alleging excessive consumption of
water in Bray for weeks ending 10th August 1896.
Referred to Water Inspector.

3860 Letter dated 15th August 1896 from Messrs Casey
and Clay in reference to Messrs Keogh's costs.
Read and considered satisfactory.

3861 The Yost Typewriting Company wrote enclosing
an estimate for Typewriter viz:- £23:0:0 less
5% discount. Ordered:- Yost
The Town Clerk recommended that a
Typewriting machine should be procured and it was
ordered:- Yost Typewriter and appliances to be pro-
cured on as reasonable terms as possible.

3862 Letter dated 15th August 1896 from Mr W. G. Dyme
Hon Sec Bray Amusements Committee asking
the Commissioners to allow the Regatta hoarding
to remain up for purpose of holding a concert
in enclosure in aid of Amusements Committee.
Granted

3863 Mr J. Coghlan wrote asking to have the footpaths

of Ardee and Maitland streets concreted.

It was ordered that the following foot-
paths of roads be concreted viz:-

Ardee Street, Maitland Street, Eglington Road,
Dublin Road (north side), Rutland Road opposite
Sydenham Villas.

3864 Mr Carroll reported as to cement, stones, +
timber required for underpinning sea wall.

It was ordered that the work should be
done similar to work already executed. Offset
to be reduced to about two feet.

3865 It was ordered that the Overseer should keep
the Peoples Park in good condition.

3866 Mr J. M. Harris submitted tenders received for
lightning conductor required for Chimney shaft
The tender of Messrs Hulse and Co
Nottingham at £5:15:0 for 130 feet accepted,
allowance to be made for any additional length
required afterwards, and it was ordered - new laths to be procured.

3867 Thomas Traynor applied for a Hackney Carriage
Drivers Licence. Postponed.

3868 Mr A. Sutherland applied for permission to
give musical performances on the Esplanade
Permission to play on Esplanade opposite
Esplanade Hotel granted during pleasure of Com-
missioners.

The following accounts were passed for payment
and cheques signed:-

General Account

Workmens Wages.

£290:0:0

Mr John Heatherton
1 ton 2 cwt 2 qrs Hay
at 4/- per cwt. £4 : 10 : 0

Mr Benjamin Heazle
Foundage on collection of Town-
ship Rates. 11 : 11 : 3

Mr Robert Foley
Harness 19 : 5 : 6

Mr C Byrne
Kerbings &c 4 : 12 : 9

Messrs Hodges Figgis and Co
Acts of Parliament &c 1 : 2 : 6

Electric Light Account

Messrs Johnston and Phillips
Carbons &c 16 : 9 : 4

J. M. Mork
9.9.96.

A special meeting of Bray Township Commis-
sioners was held in the Town Hall Bray at 10.30 am
on Saturday 29th August 1896 pursuant to the
following requisition:—

Town Hall

Bray 26th Aug 1896

To the Town Clerk

Bray

Please convene a special
meeting of Bray Township Commissioners to
be held in the Town Hall Bray at 10.30 am
on Saturday 29th Inst for the purpose of
considering application from D. W. & W. Railway
Company for water supply; matters in re
Harbour, Electric works and others.

Signed:—

Richard Clifton

Robert Luthbert

Philip Condren

Martin Langton

R. F. N. Fanning

Present:—

Edward Breslin Esq J.P.C.J.C (in chair)

Alderman Sir Henry D.L.

Sir Rowland Fanning J.P.

Martin Langton

Richard Clifton &

Captain J. H. Patricsson.

Mr J. B. Grierson C. E. D. W. & W. Ry Company
was in attendance.

3890

The Town Clerk read the requisition and notice
convening the meeting

3891

Letter dated 25th August 1896 from Mr J. B. Grierson
Chief Engineer D. W. & W. Ry Co stating that great
inconvenience was caused to the residents of Bray

by the unpunctuality of the trains which was owing to insufficient water supply and asking permission to make a connection with the Railway Company's mains at Electric Light Works so as to utilize the Turbine and water power of the Electric Light Works as an experiment for pumping water into the Kellarney main and a letter from Mr. Harriss in same matter were read.

Ordered:- In the interests of the public the D. W. W. Co. to be allowed to pump water for their engines during the pleasure of Commissioners. No charge to be made for the permission. The legal rights of the Commissioners to be inquired into in the meanwhile.

3842 Mr. G. M. Harriss wrote submitting a tender from The Coil Clutch and Pulley Company Ltd for clutch required for 45 H.P. Steam Alternator (£55 : 10 : 0 less 2½%) and recommending its acceptance.

Ordered:- Clutch to be ordered from The Coil Clutch and Pulley Co. and supplied in accordance with Alternator Specification to Messrs. Easton and Anderson.

3843 Mr. W. G. Stoye wrote describing form of light to be erected at Harbour (South Pier).

Ordered:- Particulars to be supplied to Irish Lights Board as requested.

Letter inviting His Excellency the Lord Lieutenant to open Bray Harbour in September was read and adopted and it was decided that Sir Henry Cochran and Sir Rowland Fanning should meet Sir William Kaye on 31st Inst and present the letter of invitation to Lord Lieutenant to open Harbour.

3844 Letter dated 14th August from Mr. J. Coghlan Traffic Manager D. W. W. Co. in re whistling of engines

and closing of gates at Bray level crossing.
Read

3845 Letter dated 22nd August from Waterworks Committee alleging excessive consumption of water in Bray for week ending 14th August 1896.
Referred to Water Inspector.

3846 Thomas Traynor applied for a Hackney Drivers Licence.
Postponed.

3844 Letter dated 24th August 1896 from Messrs. Casey and Glay in re costs Bray Act 1895. read
Ordered:- Local Government Board to be asked to sanction creation of stocks in re payment of Parliamentary costs Bray Act 1895 & empowered by section 30 of said Act.

J. M. Lomnick

7. 9. 96.

A meeting of Bray Township Commissioners was held in the Town Hall Bray at 10-30 am on Monday 7th September 1896.

Present:—

James E. Mc Cormick Esq (in chair)
Sir Rowland Fanning
Martin Langton
Philip Condron
Richard Clifton
Robert Cuthbert +
Captain J. H. Patrickson J.P.

On the motion of Sir Rowland Fanning the chair was taken by Mr James E. Mc Cormick.

3878 The minutes of meeting of 14th August 1896 and of special meeting of 29th August 1896 were read and confirmed.

3879 Letter dated 1st September from The Lords Commissioners of the Admiralty stating that the removal of the Boathouse to Harbour as suggested by the Commissioners would entail its removal to a distance of a mile from the Coast Guard station and that such removal would not be a benefit to the service, under the circumstances they were unable to meet the views of the Commissioners in matter. Read.

3881 Letter dated 1st September 1896 from Mr Thomas Craig in reference to transfer of Bray Head from Railway Company to Commissioners. read Referred to Bray Head Committee.

3882 The following letter from Mr James O'Connor M.P. was read viz:—

House of Commons
August 31st 1896

P. mac Donnell Esq
Town Clerk
Bray.

Dear Sir,

I beg to acknowledge the receipt of two resolutions - one regarding my action on the corporation Bill, the other being a vote of condolence on account of my Brother's death - which were passed by your Board at their meeting on the 14th inst.

Will you kindly convey to your Board my sincere thanks for both resolutions; to which you will be good enough to add that I am very grateful to the Board for their more than generous recognition of my services to the Township of Bray, and that I am deeply touched by the resolution, and the expressions of sympathy towards my deceased brother.

Yours sincerely
(signed) James O'Connor

3883 Letter dated 5th September 1896 from Mr Maurice Knight asking that the footpaths of Newtown-reway road should be concreted. Consideration postponed until paths already in hands were finished. It was ordered that the paths opposite Clanaboy and path from Railway Bridge at Albert Avenue to corner of Meath Road be concreted.

3884 Letters dated 29th August 1896 and 5th September 1896 from Waterworks Committee alleging excessive consumption of water in Bray for weeks ending 24th and 31st August 1896. Referred to Water Inspector.

3885 Thomas Fraynor applied for a Hackney Carriage Drivers Licence. Refused.

3886 Pursuant to recommendation of Magistrates it was ordered that George Stephenson be suspended from driving a Hackney Carriage for one fortnight.

3887 The Town Clerk was authorized to make arrangements for extension of Messrs Lockett & Co's contract for stationery for a period of 12 months.

3888 Mrs O'Neil wrote stating that owing to illness her husband would be unable to resume his duties as Sanitary Sub Officer and asking the salary due him be forwarded to her.

It was ordered that the Town Clerk advertise for a temporary Sub Sanitary Officer and Car Inspector.

3889 Report dated 4th September 1896 from Messrs Casey and Gloy in reference to taxation of Messrs Keogh and Sons costs. Read - Town Clerk to reply.

3890 Letter dated 31st August 1896 from Mr J. B. Grierson thanking the Commissioners for granting the Railway Company permission to use turbines &c at Mully to pump water for engines &c at Bray Railway Station. Read.

3891 The Master Southdown Union wrote enclosing account for £8 - 10 - 0 in re clothes &c disinfected belonging to Meath Industrial School. Postponed.

3892 Letter dated 29th August from Mr Robert Hammond enclosing contract with Messrs Easton Anderson and Golder in its final revised form for

approval of Commissioners. It was ordered that the agreement be sealed.

3893 Letter dated 27th August 1896 from Messrs Toomey and Toomey asking payment of their costs in re Harbour &c. Ordered: - Bill of costs to be taxed.

3894 Letter dated 27th May from Mr J. D. Godkin asking that a lamp be placed in Daltons Lane. Ordered: - Incandescent Lamp to be erected.

3895 Letter dated 4th September 1896 from The National Boiler and General Insurance Company in re insurance of new Electrical Plant at Electric Light works. Referred to Mr Harriss.

3895 The following letter was received from Mr William Rossiter: -

4 Richmond Terrace
Meath Road

Bray 4th September 1896

To the Chairman and Commissioners
of this day's meeting of Bray Township
Commissioners.

Gentlemen,

This is a letter of my resignation of the position I was elected into on the 15th October 1895 as a Commissioner for the East Ward of Bray, which position I now resign (whether any legal mistake was made or not by the Board of Commissioners of 1895 in preparing for that election it is not for me to decide, yet I regret I could not with safety to myself act independently at this Board as a Commissioner in the interests of the Ratepayers of the East Ward of Bray

who elected me one of their Commissioners and head of the poll.

I am delighted to say that if any legal mistake was made in connection with said election neither myself nor the ratepayers who elected me were in any manner responsible for same.)

I respectfully request that you gentlemen shall accept my resignation at your meeting today as I shall not re-consider or withdraw it.

I am

Gentlemen

Yours truly

(signed) William Rossiter

Ordered: - Letter from Mr Rossiter to be inserted on minutes.

3898 Messrs Taylor and Evans write enclosing plans of proposed new Slaughter house to be erected off Seapoint Road. Referred to Mr Comber

3899 Mr George M Harris reported that the new works &c at Electric Light works were progressing satisfactorily. He recommended that the ceiling of Engine Room should be sheeted with galvanized iron and that the Town Hall be connected with works by Telephone

It was ordered that telephone connection should be completed and that Engine Room be ceiled. Local Government Board to be asked to sanction necessary capital for electrical plants, alterations &c.

The following accounts were passed for payment and cheques signed.

General Account

Workmens Wages £250 : 0 : 0

Mr Frederick O'Keilly

Ironmongery 20.

Roads 6.3.3

Sanitary 1.15.8

Water Works 1.3

Town Hall 3.6

Esplanade 1.16.9

Ladies Baths 8.4.0 18 : 4 : 5

Mr Frederick O'Keilly

Ironmongery 20

Concreting footpaths 13 : 19 : 7

Mr John Ryan

2 1/2 tons at 2/4 per ton 2 : 9 : 0

Mr William O'Neil

Salary as Gas Inspector for

August £3 : 10 : 0

Sub Sanitary Officer 16.8 4 : 6 : 8

Electric Light Account

Mr G. M. Harris

Salary for one month as

Engineer at Electric Light

Station. £13 : 13 : 0

Sundries 4 : 15 : 10 18 : 8 : 10

Messrs Hodges, Figgis & Co

Supplying maps in re Provisional Order. 5 : 5 : 0

Messrs W. O'Connell & Co

35 ton Coal at 18/6 per ton 32 : 7 : 6

Messrs W. O. Mc Cormick & Co
 42 tons coal at 18/6 £38 : 14 : 0

Messrs W. O. Mc Cormick & Co
 21 tons coal at 18/6 19 : 8 : 6

Messrs Booth Brothers
 Drawing Board, 3 Squares &c 2 : 4 : 7

Mrs J. Roberts
 Runken Valve 7 : 11

Mrs John Thompson
 Making & repg barrows, ladders &c 4 : 18 : 0

Messrs Johnston and Phillips
 Carbons 4 : 5 : 11

Messrs Hudson & Kearns
 Tracing paper, inks &c 14 : 10

Messrs J. Fowler & Co
 4 H. P. Transformer 15 : 0 : 6

The India Rubber Company
 Battery of testing set repairs 2 : 6 : 0

The Westinghouse House Electric Co
 Meters and repairs 53 : 2 : 0

Read & Confirmed
 Edward Breslin

A meeting of Bray Township Commissioners was held in the Town Hall Bray at 10.30 am on Monday 21st September 1896.

Present: -

Edward Breslin J.P.C. 186 (in chair)
 Alderman Sir My Cochran D.L.
 Sir Rowland Fanning J.P.
 William King J.P.
 James E. Mc Cormick
 Martin Langton
 Philip Condron
 Richard Clifton +
 Captain J. H. Patrickson R. Cuthbert.

3900 The minutes of meeting of 4th September 1896 were read and confirmed.

3901 Mrs William J. Doherty Harbour Contractor wrote enclosing an estimate from Mrs James Bouske for painting required at Harbour Works viz £2 : 14 : 0. Read.

Letter dated 19th September 1896 from Mrs William J. Doherty in reference to payments in re Harbour Contractor. Read.

Letter dated 1st September 1896 from The Board of Trade enclosing draft advertisement to be inserted (at the cost of the Commissioners) in the following papers viz: - "The Bray Herald", "The Freeman's Journal", and "The Irish Times" in re Harbour certificate required by the Commissioners. The Board of Trade would require to be supplied with copies of the papers containing the advertisement, and with an undertaking on behalf of the Commissioners to defray the costs of the Harbour Inspection. Ordered: - Directions

of Board of Trade to be followed and costs of inspection guaranteed.

Letter dated 31st August from Sir William Kaye stating that owing to prior engagements His Excellency, The Lord Lieutenant would be unable to open the Harbour in the month of September.

Read

3902

Pursuant to advertisement applications were received for the post of Car and Sanitary Inspector from the following viz:— Messrs Richard Cuthbert, Denis Doyle, Daniel Casey, Patrick Morgan, David Walsh, Joseph Boshell, Patrick Flynn, Patrick O'Shaughnessy, D. Mc Clelland, Arthur Daurt, George Widdis, John Crimmins, Michael Westby, Ex Colours Sgt. John Dwan, D. Harrahan and George Mc Kelvey.

On a poll being taken there voted for Richard Cuthbert, 6 and Denis Doyle 3.

The Chairman declared Mr Cuthbert elected

3903

Circular dated 8th September 1896 No 102/m: 1896 from the Secretary Local Government Board enclosing copy of The Public Health (Ireland) Act 1896.

Read and noted

3904

Captain Massey wrote asking that the path from Town Hall to Newtown Vevay be concreted.

On the motion of Sir Rowland Fanning seconded by Sir Hy Cochrane it was ordered that the path be concreted.

Mr S. P. John wrote asking that the path in Loretto Terrace be concreted.

On the motion of Sir Henry Cochrane seconded by Mr J. B. McCormick it was ordered that the path be concreted.

3905

Letter dated 19th September 1896 from The Rev Mr Armstrong

drawing the attention of the Commissioners to need of an additional lamp in Brighton Terrace Road. Mr Gordon drew attention to the insufficient lighting of Seapoint Road.

It was ordered that lamps be erected at Brighton Terrace and Seapoint Road. Mr Harris to see Mr Gordon in reference to the latter.

3906

Mr Harris wrote recommending that Messrs Johnston and Phillips tender be accepted for carbons and Messrs Le Broquy and Co's for oil.

On the motion of Sir Henry Cochrane seconded by Sir Rowland Fanning Messrs Johnston and Phillips tender was accepted for carbons and Messrs Le Broquy's tender for oil.

Report dated 19th September from Mr George M. Harris asking permission to order four transformers from Messrs Johnston and Phillips, 200 yards of L. F. main (for purpose of lighting two houses on Meath Road) steam pipes &c necessary to connect new spare engine to Boiler and new belt to couple it up to the Alternator. Mr Harris drew attention to the fact that Messrs Wallace and Co had failed to supply bricks according to their contract and that he had since been getting them from Mr Murray of Bray at a cheaper rate. He also reported that the erection of chimney was progressing favourably and recommended that a tablet with date of erection &c be inserted in chimney. The pumping of water for the Railway Company had turned out satisfactory. Mr Guerson intended connecting Railway station with mill by telephone if the Commissioners had no objection.— Ordered.— Transformers, cable and tablet to be procured and orders for any bricks required to be given to Mr Murray.

3904

Letter dated 14th September from the Town Clerk Dublin asking that a census of the present population of the Township be taken. Ordered: - Town Clerk to write asking whether the Corporation would abide by census taken in all matters relating to water question.

3908

Letter dated 15th September from Messrs Leckie and Co stating that they were willing to continue stationery contract for one year on same terms as previous contract. Read and accepted.

3909

Letter dated 11th September from Messrs Moleoy & Moleoy asking if the Commissioners would rescind the resolution postponing the consideration of the Electric Tramway scheme for six months.

The Town Clerk informed the Commissioners that he had replied to Messrs Moleoy and Moleoy's letter that the notices in re Electric Tramway scheme would not require to be published until the expiration of the six months and that the Commissioners would like to hear something in re Promenade Pier.

Ordered: - Town Clerk's reply approved of

3910

Letters dated 11th & 18th September 1896 from the Waterworks Committee alleging excessive consumption of water in Bray for weeks ending 4th & 14th September 1896.

Referred to Water Inspector

3911

Mr J. B. Grierson Engineer and Mr E. M. Cowan Secretary D. N. & R. Railway Company wrote acknowledging receipt of letter from Commissioners in re removal of Railway Gas Works. Read

3912

Letter dated 21st September 1896 from Mr Frank G. Cuthbert asking if the Commissioners would dispose

or give him three of the old Township Gas lamps. He required them for the erection of a canvass covering or sun shade over his shop, read. Ordered: - Mr Cuthbert to be asked to submit plans of sun shade.

3913

The Town Clerk asked for instructions in re preparation of voters lists for ensuing elections.

Ordered: - Lists to be prepared in the same manner as last years lists.

3914

Mrs Rice wrote drawing attention to the state of the sewers near Bladdagh Cottage. Referred to Overseer.

3915

Sir Henry Cochrane drew attention to necessity for concreting Albert Walks. Ordered: - Town Clerk to write to Engineer D. N. and R. Ry in matter

3916

It was ordered that directions be given to Overseer to have spaces at shelters concreted.

The following accounts were passed for payment and cheques signed: -

General Account

Workmens Wages £290 : 0 : 0

Mr Peter Ledwidge
Wages 8 : 6 : 0

Mr John Thompson
Barrows &c 13 : 18 : 4

Mr John Murray
Storage 14 : 6 : 0

Read & Confirmed
31/9/96
E. Bruskin

A meeting of Bray Township Commissioners was held in the Town Hall Bray at 10.30 am on Monday 5th October 1896.

Present: -

Edward Breslin Esq J.P.C. (in chair)
 Alderman Sir Henry Cochrane D.L.
 Sir Rowland Fanning J.P.
 William King J.P.
 James S. Mc Cormick
 Martin Langton
 Philip Condun +
 Robert Cuthbert.

3914 The minutes of meeting of 21st September 1896 were read and confirmed.

3918 Letter dated October 2nd from Mr W. J. Doherty enclosing copy of letter from Engineers asking him to remove plant and surplus material remaining at Harbour Works. Read.

3919 Letter dated 2nd October 1896 from Mr Joseph Abbott Board of Works Arbitrator enclosing draft award in re compulsory purchase of portion of foreshore north of Bray Harbour as authorized by Bray Township Act 1895 viz: -

Below low water mark	2	18	£	10-0
Between high & low water mark	1	29		1-0
Above high water mark	2	1-26		250:0:0

Sir Henry Cochrane moved: -

"That in as much as it is the opinion of this Board the draft award is excessive it is hereby decided to vary same"

Mr Langton seconded the motion.

Mr Mc Cormick moved and Sir Henry Fanning seconded: -

"That the consideration of the matter be postponed"

Sir Henry Cochrane withdrew his motion in favour of the amendment which was adopted.

3918

The Chairman appointed the following Commissioners to act as presiding officers at ensuing elections to be held on Thursday 15th October 1896 viz: -

East Ward Messrs Edward Breslin J.P. and William King J.P.

West Ward Captain J. H. Patricsson J.P. and Mr Robert Cuthbert.

Little Bray Ward. Messrs Philip Condun and Richard Clifton.

On the motion of Mr Edward Breslin seconded by Mr William King Mr J. H. R. Craig was appointed to act as Returning Officer's Assessor.

3919

Pursuant to notice of motion Mr Langton moved and Sir Henry Cochrane seconded: -

That pursuant to offer of Hibernian Bank as per their letters dated 2nd September and 6th September 1896 (23315) to give £110 per cent for all allotments of the Bray Township 3 $\frac{3}{4}$ % Redeemable Debenture Stock and in exercise of the powers of Bray Township Act 1895 and resolution of 16th September 1895 creating over £35060 Bray Township 3 $\frac{3}{4}$ % Redeemable Stock we hereby allot to The Hibernian Bank Limited 24 College Green Dublin £500 of said at £100 per cent that is to say £110 for every nominal amount of £100 Stock and authorize the Registrar to issue sealed certificate for same to said Bank. Proceeds to be placed to credit of Bray Township General Account in re converting of footpaths pursuant to section 14 clause D. of Bray Township Act 1895"

Passed unanimously and certificate sealed and issued accordingly.

3920 Letter dated 21st September 1896 from Messrs Molloy and Molloy in re Electric Tramway scheme for Bray. Read.

3921 Letter dated 21st September from Mr R. K. Clay enclosing draft letter to be sent to Dublin Corporation by Dalkey Commissioners in re water question. Read.

Letter dated 29th September from the Town Clerk Dublin acknowledging receipt of Commissioners letter in re question of taking a census of the present population of the Township. Read.

Letters dated 25th September 1896 and 2nd October from Waterworks Committee alleging excessive consumption of water in Bray for weeks ending 21st and 28th September. Referred to Water Inspector, who was also directed to make a house to house inspection.

3922 Letters dated 29th September 1896 from Messrs J. J. Studd and James W. Moore asking on behalf of the Helchrist Lecture Committee for free use of Town Hall during the winter months. Granted.

3923 Mr Otway Johnston wrote enclosing estimate for piles &c required for underpinning Sea Wall. Accepted.

3924 The Town Clerk submitted lodgement receipt for £5 : 18 : 5 being amount of Rathmines and Rathgar Dividend Warrant for quarter ending 1st October 1896. Ordered: - Received and lodged.

3925 It was ordered that oil suits be supplied to the following workmen viz: - John Bruen, Frank Byrne, Peter Byrne, William Coleman, and Thomas Keogh.

3926 Messrs Booth Brothers wrote enclosing estimate in re safes, doors for strong room &c. Consideration postponed.

3927 Report dated 3rd October 1896 from Mr Comber recommending the approval of plans submitted by Messrs Taylor and Evans in re proposed slaughter house. Referred to Medical Officer of Health, for report.

3928 Mr Denis Doyle submitted plans of proposed alterations at Mrs Harrison's house on Sunnybank Bray. Referred to Mr Comber.

3929 Letter dated 18th October 1896 from the Local Government Board asking to be supplied with information in reference to new sanitary sub-officer. Read and attended to.

3930 Letter dated 30th September 1896 from The Lush Lights Board asking for a more definite description of the light to be erected at Bray Harbour. Ordered: - Further description of light to be supplied.

3931 Letter dated 30th September 1896 from Messrs Casey and Clay enclosing Bill of Costs in re Electrical Provisional Order viz: - £340 : 13 : 6. Referred to General Purposes Committee.

Mr Hopkins wrote drawing the attention of the Commissioners to the fact that there were no lamps along the Dargle Road on the 3rd Inst where heaps of clay remained after the concreting of footpaths and stating that an accident had been caused thereby, his trap having upset and his man and horse been injured. Ordered: - Sir Henry

cochrane and Mr King to see Mr Hopkins and arrange matter.

The following accounts were passed for payment and cheques signed:—

General Account

P. mac Donnell Esq

Three months salary as Town

Clerk Executive Sanitary

Officer and Registrar Bray

Stock to 30th September 1896. £71 - 10 - 0

Workmens Wages

£260 - 0 - 0

Electric Light Account

Mr George W Harris

One months salary as Engineer

at Electric Light Works £13. 13. 0

Petty Cash Account 1. 12. 0 15. 5. 0

Read & Confirmed
19/10/96
Edw Breslin

The annual meeting of Bray Township Commiss-
ioners was held in the Town Hall Bray at 10.30 am on
Monday 19th October 1896.

Present:—

Edward Breslin Esq J.P. & C. J. (in chair)

Alderman Sir Henry Cochrane D.L.

Sir Rowland Fanning J.P.

William King J.P.

Martin Langton

Mr H. McFarland

William Rossiter

Richard Clifton

Robert Cuthbert +

Philip Condren.

3933

The Commissioners returned at annual elections on
15th Inst signed the usual statutory declarations
and took their seats at the Board viz:—

East Ward Mr William Rossiter, Mr W. H.

McFarland + Sir Henry Cochrane.

West Ward Sir Rowland Fanning.

Little Bray Ward Mr Martin Langton.

3934

The minutes of meeting of 5th October 1896 were read
and confirmed.

3935

Mr Martin Langton proposed and Mr William Rossiter
seconded:—

"That Mr Edward Breslin be elected chairman
for the ensuing year of this Board"

Mr Breslin moved as an amendment and Mr Cuthbert
seconded:—

"That Alderman Sir Henry Cochrane D.L. J.P. be
elected chairman of the Board for ensuing year
or until his successor is appointed."

There voted for the amendment Messrs Breslin, King,
Cuthbert, Fanning, McFarland, Cochrane (6) against

Messrs Langton, Kossiter, Condun and Clifton (4)
The amendment was carried and put as a substantive resolution when Mr Kossiter moved and Mr Philip Condun seconded as a further amendment:—

"That Mr Martin Langton be elected chairman for the ensuing year"

The chairman put this amendment and there voted for Messrs Kossiter, Clifton, Langton and Condun (4) against Messrs Dreslin, Mr Farland, Cuthbert, King, Sir Rowland Fanning and Sir Henry Cochrane (6)

The Chairman declared the amendment lost.

The motion in favour of the election of Sir Henry Cochrane was then put and carried, the same division being accepted.

The Chairman declared Sir Henry Cochrane duly elected.

Sir Henry Cochrane then took the chair and returned thanks for the honour conferred on him.

3936 A deputation comprising Messrs Isaac Molloy, J. H. Ryan & Co, A. E. Forte & Co, Edwin Liller, Edward H. Nolan & Co, John Ryan, Thomas Campbell, James Mills, and James Gilligan waited on the Commissioners in reference to proposed Electric Tramway and Promenade Pier.

Mr Molloy on behalf of the promoters explained the provisions of the proposed scheme.

It was proposed by Mr Langton and seconded by Sir Rowland Fanning:—

That the promoters of the Tramway and Pier projects be asked to submit plans and details of projects, with as little delay as possible showing widths of streets & cars &c and designs of all posts &c.

Passed unanimously.

3938 Mr F. J. Cullinan Chief Secretary's Office Dublin Castle wrote enclosing draft for £13:1:1 being the balance of the amount payable to the Commissioners as Road Authority under Probate Duties (Scotland and Ireland) Act

The draft was signed by the Chairman and two Commissioners and ordered to be lodged to credit of General Account.

3939 Letter dated 6th October 1896 from Mr Greening asking that footpath ^{or lane} leading from Novara to Meath Road be concreted read.

Ordered:— Footpath and lane to be concreted when work in hands completed.

3941 The Arbitrators Award in re foreshore north of Harbour, and letter dated 13th October 1896 from Messrs Casey and Blay suggesting that it would be a great risk for Commissioners to dispute Arbitrators Award in re foreshore were submitted, read.

Ordered:— Suggestion to be acted upon and Messrs Casey and Blay advised accordingly and informed of special sitting of Arbitrators to hear objection.

3942 Letter dated 13th October 1896 from Messrs Hamilton and Craig in re transfer of Railway portion of Bray Head to Commissioners, read. Referred to Bray Head Committee.

3943 The Town Clerk submitted returns to Local Government Board claiming refund of moiety of salaries of Sanitary Officers. Signed and endorsed by Chairman.

3944 Letter dated 10th October 1896 from Mr John Butler asking permission to use inch pipe in re new water service to Fontenoy Terrace.

Ordered:— Mr Butler to be allowed a 3/4 inch service. Separate service for each house preferred.

3945 Letter dated 13th October 1896 from Mr William Beckett asking for £250 on account of his contract for

new chimney at Electric Light Works.

Mr Harris wrote stating that Mr W^m Brett was entitled to £250 under his contract as the chimney had reached half its height. The work had been carried out to his entire satisfaction.

Ordered: - Cheque for £250 to issue in favour of Mr Brett.

Mr Harris wrote asking permission to purchase a small hand cart, required for carrying tools etc when working on street mains. Ordered: - Hand cart to be purchased.

3946 Report dated 12th October 1896 from Dr H. Brew Medical Officer of Health and Dr J. Raverty Consulting Sanitary Officer recommending the approval of plans submitted by Messrs Taylor and Evans in re Slaughter house proposed to be erected off Seapoint Road. read. Plans approved.

3947 Letter dated 5th October 1896 from Mr J. B. Grierson stating that if the Commissioners would concrete Albert Walk the Railway Company would transfer their portion to the Commissioners. Postponed.

3948 Letter dated 9th October 1896 from Mr Thomas Porter complaining that the supply of water at Tervay House was very intermittent.

The Town Clerk informed the Commissioners that he had written to the Corporation in re head of water at Valve house.

Letters dated 14th October 1896 from Mr Spencer Harty City Engineer and letter dated 13th October 1896 from Mr H. Campbell Town Clerk Dublin stating that the valves at Bray had not been interfered with and that the Corporation were delivering the water at a greater head than they were obliged to under the statute. read.

Ordered: - Record to be kept.

Letter dated 14th October from Waterworks Committee in re invitation to Commissioners to have a census of the present population of the Township taken & read - consideration postponed.

Letters dated 9th & 13th October from Waterworks Committee alleging excessive consumption of water in Bray for weeks ending 5th and 12th October.

Referred to Water Inspector.

3949 Letter dated 15th October from Mr J. B. Shaw District Inspector stating that there was no objection to the Commissioners connecting Police Station and Town Hall by telephone read. Ordered: - Telephone to be erected.

3950 Letter dated 10th October 1896 from Local Government Board approving of Mr Richard Cuthbert's appointment as Sanitary Sub Officer at a salary of £10 per annum. Read & noted and ordered that a uniform be purchased for Inspector.

3952 Mr McFarland handed in notice of motion for next meeting in re opening Florence Rd.

3953 Letter dated 15th October 1896 from Mrs O'Neil asking to be paid salary due her late husband William O'Neil (Car Inspector) read.

Ordered: - Cheque for £4:6:8 to be forwarded to Mrs O'Neil.

The following accounts were passed for payment and cheques signed: -

General Account

Workmens Wages £260: 0: 0

Mr Richard Cuthbert

Salary as Car Inspector
for one month £3:10:0

Sanitary Sub Officer 16.8 £4 : 6 : 8

James Kavanagh Esq. M.D.
 Salary as Consulting Sanitary
 Officer to 29th September 1896 10 : 0 : 0

Mr Benjamin Skazle
 Poundage on collection of Township
 Rates 4 : 14 : 3

Mr Daniel Casey
 Serving 28 Summons @ 1/4 : 8
 1 day's salary for Judge @ 2/6 2 : 6 16 : 0

Mr John Kyaw
 12 tons stone @ 1/6 per ton 18 : 0

Mr Christopher Byrne
 Kurbings 13 : 15 : 5

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Messrs J Kelly & Son
 Timber 4 : 14 : 0

Messrs J Goodman & Co
 Cartons 15 : 0

Mr Joseph Brown - Ladder 1 : 18 : 6

Mr John Murray - Lead pipe &c 10 : 2 : 10

Messrs Davey, Paxman & Co - Double flange &c 16 : 4

Messrs W^m O. McCormick & Co - 63 ton coal @ 15/8 49 : 4 : 0

Mr Fred Jacob - Soap, handles &c 6 : 6 : 0

Messrs J. C. Johnson & Co - 10 tons cement at 33/4 16 : 14 : 6

Patent Exhaust Steam Co
 Regulating spindle 18 : 9

Messrs H Martin Son - Glass - 6 : 3

Messrs Bagshaw Bros - Rod packing - 19 : 3

Mr Phelim Devitt - Smithworks - 1 : 5 : 2

The Lancas Patent Belting hose Co
 Belting 13 : 13 : 6

Mr W^m Wilby - Belt 5 : 8

The India Rubber & Co 2 : 18 : 0

Messrs Edison & Swan - Lamps &c 14 : 12 : 8

Messrs Ross & Malpole - Hoists &c 10 : 3 : 2

Mr William Beckett
 on ac of contract for chimney 250 : 0 : 0

2/11/96 Henry Johnson

A public meeting of the Ratepayers of Bray Township was held in the Town Hall Bray at 4.30 pm on Monday 26th October 1896 to consider the advisability of sanctioning the proposed Electric Tramway and Promenade Pier schemes.

Alderman Sir Henry Cochrane D.L. J.P. C. 96 presided.

Amongst those present were:-

Messrs Edward Breslin J.P. 96, William King J.P., Martin Langton, J.C. William Rossiter J.C. Philip Condren J.C. Robert Cuthbert J.C. W. H. McFarland J.C. Captain Lewis Kiall J.P. Captain H. Massy, Devaynes Smyth J.P. Maurice Knight J.P. Alfred E. West, Edward E. Gournier D'albe, Thomas J. Mc Cann, Matthew O'Byrne, James Coffey, Edward Beggs, John N. O'Kelly, John Hanagan, Thomas Allen, Robert B. Andrews, George M. Harris, Thomas Campbell, Loftie Stonny, Charles Mc Crea, Thomas O'Kelly, John Stuart, Peter Robinson, James Lesware, Louis Nolan, Thomas Scraggs, Sylvester Byrne, John Bunkett, John Farrelly, William Mc Lellan, R. C. Thomas, Percy Russell, David Donnelly, Charles Freeman, Michael J. Hillen, John Junstead, Jeremiah Sutton, John Merrigan, John Cooke, Joseph Field, James Murphy, Joseph Dempsey, John Hayes, Matthew Birney, James Gilligan, Peter Kelly, John Graynor, Michael Shields, Thomas Balance, Lawrence Keenan, William Keenan, William Goble, Martin Doyle &c.

Messrs Isaac Molloy, J. H. Ryan, C. E. A. E. Forte &c.

Sykes & Co and Edwin Liller attended on behalf of the promoters.

3954 The Town Clerk read the published notice and poster convening the meeting.

3955 A memorial signed by several ratepayers &c in favour of the Tramway scheme was submitted. Read

3956 Memorials protesting against the Tramways scheme were also submitted. Read

3957 Letters were received from Mr John Ryan, Mr James E. McCormick, Mr James Mills, regretting inability to attend meeting and expressing approval of the proposed schemes were read.

A letter was read from Miss Howard against the scheme.

3958 It was proposed by Mr E. E. Gournier D'albe and seconded by Mr Thomas J. Mc Cann:-

"That we the Ratepayers of the Bray Township in public meeting assembled hereby approve of the Pier and Tramway projects as now shown to us and respectfully request the Town Commissioners to give the necessary sanction thereto." The Chairman declared the resolution carried and a division was not challenged. Mr De Varney Smyth handed in a written protest against the ruling.

A meeting of Bray Township Commissioners was held in the Town Hall Bray at 10.30 am on Monday 2nd November 1896.

Present: -

Alderman Sir Noy Cochrane D.L. (in chair)

Sir Rowland Fanning J.P.

Edward Bruslin J.P.

William King J.P.

Martin Langton

Philip Condun

W. H. McFarland

William Rosster +

Richard Clifton

3959 The minutes of meeting of 19th October 1896 were read and confirmed.

3960 The minutes of meeting of ratepayers of 26th October were read and noted.

3960^a It was proposed by Sir Rowland Fanning and seconded by Mr Langton: -

"That we the Bray Township Commissioners desire to place on record our sense of the great loss which this Board and the entire Township has sustained in the lamented death of our esteemed colleague Captain James H. Paterson and we tender to his bereaved widow and children our heartfelt sympathy and condolence in their bereavement"

Passed in silence.

3960^b It was proposed by Mr Edward Bruslin and seconded by Mr Martin Langton: -

"That we have learned with the most profound regret of the death of Mr James F. Graham P.L.C. who during his good and useful life endeared himself to all who knew him and we desire to record our sense of the great loss which all sections of the community have

sustained in his death and we tender our most sincere condolence and sympathy in their bereavement to his afflicted widow and relatives"

Passed in silence.

3961 It was ordered that the General Purposes and Harbour Committees for ensuing year compose the full Board of Commissioners and that those Commissioners form *agorum*.

3962 It was ordered that the Board and Committee meetings be held at 10 O.C. on same days as heretofore for ensuing year viz Board Meetings 1st & 3rd Monday each month. Committee on preceding Thursday.

3963 Pursuant to notice of motion Mr McFarland moved and Mr Condun seconded: -

"That the Town Clerk take the necessary steps with a view to having the Florence Road next the main street opened out"

The resolution was referred to General purposes Committee for report.

3964 Letter dated 26th October 1896 from Mr Harris stating that he was unable to settle details of new plant with Coal Clutch Pulley Co by correspondence and he suggested that he should be authorized to go to Slough to settle the matter and to Hyde to see new boiler tested.

Ordered: - Mr Harris to visit Hyde and Slough as suggested.

3965 Letter dated 20th October 1896 from The Board of Trade enclosing copy of letter signed by William Collier, Robert Cuthbert, James E. Mc Cormick and Mrs E. Cuthbert Coal Merchants of Bray objecting to the granting of a certificate to levy tolls in re Bray Harbour. Read.

Referred to Chairman and Town Clerk.
Letter dated 26th October 1896 from The Irish Lights Board sanctioning the exhibition at Bray Harbour of a white

intermittent (or occulting) light, of about 450 candle power giving 30 flashes per minute, each flash lasting one and a half seconds and the light showing over a radius of 6 miles in fine weather. Read and noted.

3965 Mr W. J. Liberty wrote stating that after the 6th November he would not be responsible for the lights at end of Harbour
Read.

3965 Letter dated 29th October from The Arrow's Bridge and Roof Co Ltd in reference to payment of £480: 4: 11 in re bridge at Harbour and Town Clerk's reply. Read - reply approved.

3966 Mr William King submitted a report in reference to improvement of Bray Head and suggesting that the transfer of Lord Meath's walk to the Commissioners should be completed at once. Ordered:- Deputation comprising the Chairman, Sir Rowland Fanning, Mr Breslin, Mr King, and Town Clerk to wait on Lord Meath at earliest opportunity in matter.

Mr King handed in notice of motion for meeting of 4th December in re confirming resolution of 29th June adopting Public Parks (Ireland) Act and acts amending and extending same. It was ordered that the necessary notices be published in the matter.

3964 Letter dated 19th October 1896 from The Waterworks Committee enclosing copy of report from The City Engineer in re Bray water supply.

Letter dated 19th October from Mrs S. V. Porter in re intermittent water supply to Terry House. Read.

Letter dated 24th October 1896 from Waterworks Committee alleging excessive consumption of water in Bray for weeks ending 19th October. Read. Referred to Water Inspector.

3968 Letters dated 21st and 30th October 1896 from Mrs Liller enclosing plans in re proposed Electrical Tramway and letter dated 21st October from Messrs Molloy and Molloy enclosing plan

of proposed Pier

Read.

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Letter dated 31st October 1896 from Messrs Casey and Clay stating that clients of theirs intended coming over from London to examine into a scheme in re constructing a Promenade Pier and Electrical Tramways in Bray. Should the consent of the Commissioners be granted, as evidence of bona fides they would be prepared to lodge such sum of money as may be agreed upon in the name of a Trustee on their behalf and in that of the Chairman of Commissioners of Bray which sum would be subject to forfeiture on terms read. Ordered:- Commissioners would be glad to receive deputation in matter.

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Letter dated 26th October from Mrs B. O'Neil stating that she could not get cheque made out in her husband's name cashed and asking that one be issued in favour of herself. Ordered:- Town Clerk to arrange to have cheque cashed.

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The following transfer of Bray Township 3 $\frac{1}{2}$ % Redeemable Debenture Stock was submitted and approved and a certificate sealed and issued accordingly viz:-
From the Northern Bank to the Rev F. Cotter and others £500

3971

Report dated 25th October from Mr R. F. Comber recommending approval of Mrs Harrison's plans in re alterations to her house at Sunnybank with exception of proposed bay window which he considered would be unsightly. Report adopted - Mr Comber to be asked if his attention had been drawn to the fact that the bay window was only on upper floor.

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Mr Wm Mc Lelland submitted plans in re cottages proposed to be erected on Strand Road. Referred to Mr Comber.

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Mr Michael Traynor submitted plans in re proposed

cottages to be erected on Seapoint Road
Referred to Mr Comber.

3943 Circular dated 31st October from The Secretarys National
Education in re Irish Education Act 1892. Consideration
postponed.

3944 The Town Clerk submitted Dividend Warrant for
£5:13:11 half years interest on £410 Lurgan Stocks
Received and lodged.

3945 Mr William Rossiter handed in notices of motion for
next meeting in re witnesses expenses and accident to
Mr Hopkins' coachman &c

The Chairman refused the latter as the matter
had been settled by order of the Board.

The following accounts were passed for payment and
cheques signed:-

General Account

Messrs Ham Baker & Co

Hydrants £2 : 6 : 0

Mr Peter Ledwidge

Straw 4 : 1 : 0

Mr John Malone

Hay 10 : 8 : 3

The Post Typewriter Co

Post Typewriter & appliances 24 : 3 : 9

Mr Benjamin Hezle

Poundage on collection of
£584:0:1 @ 4^d 9 : 15 : 8

Mr Robert Simpson

Stand Pipe, Hydrants &c £24 : 6 : 6

Mr Alex Mc Donnell

Repairing roof Town Hall 4 : 13 : 6

Mr Thomas Doyle

Repairs to Town Hall 3 : 13 : 6

Mrs A Fitzgerald

Supplying Bathing suits, Towels,
&c for Ladies Baths. 23 : 0 : 3

Mr George Mc Cullagh

Contract for winding Town Hall
Clock &c up to 3rd Oct 1896 4 : 0 : 0

Mr David Towson

Repairing carts &c 4 : 9 : 0

Workmens Wages

70 : 0 : 0

Electric Light Account

Messrs Goodman and Co

cut outs and switches 3 : 12 : 6

G. M. Harris Esq.

One months salary as
Engineer at Electric Light
Station 13 : 13 : 0

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A meeting of Bray Township Commissioners was held in the Town Hall Bray at 10 a.m. on Monday 16th November 1896

Present:-

Alderman Sir Henry Cochrane D.L.C.C. (in chair)

Edward Breslin J.P.

William King J.P.

Martin Langton

William Kossiter

Philip Condron

Richard Clifton

W. H. MacFarland +

Robert Luthbert.

3946 The minutes of meeting of 2nd November 1896 were read and confirmed.

3947 The minutes and report of General Purposes Committee were read and adopted.

3948 Circular dated 31st October 1896 from The Board of National Education in re School Attendance Committee and stating that it devolved upon the Local Authority to appoint before 30th November half the members of the Committee - five - who would act from 1st January 1897 for statutory term.

On the motion of Mr MacFarland the following Commissioners were appointed to act on the Committee viz:- Sir Rowland Fanning, Mr William King, Mr Philip Condron, Mr Martin Langton, and Mr William H. MacFarland.

3949 Pursuant to notice of motion Mr Kossiter moved and Mr Condron seconded:-

That a detailed account of all money including travelling or other expenses paid directly or indirectly to or on behalf of any Commissioners of Bray Township, or witness or official, giving separate the amount for each person, describing why this money was allowed to them, whether acting on Committees, deputations or

witnesses and in what cause or what purpose this money was allowed to them for the year ended 31st December 1895

Passed and return asked for submitted.

3950

Letter dated 10th November from Mr William Beckett stating that his contract for chimney at Electric Light Station was completed and that he was entitled to a payment of £242. The balance £54 would be due in six months time from completion of contract. read. Consideration postponed.

Letter dated 13th November from Board of Trade in re Electric Lighting Order 1896 and asking for particulars in re system of supply proposed to be adopted by the Commissioners. Ordered:- Town Clerk to give particulars.

Letter dated 9th November 1896 from Board of Trade enclosing form of accounts prescribed by them in the case of Local Authorities who have obtained powers under the Electric Lighting Acts read. The Town Clerk informed the Commissioners of the system he had adopted (with the approval of the Board and of Mr J. W. Drury Local Government Board auditor) in re keeping of Electrical Accounts. Ordered:- Books already in use and approved of by the Commissioners and Auditor to continue.

Report dated 16th November from Mr George Harris in reference to his visit to England in re testing of Boiler arrangement of clutches &c. He found everything satisfactory. Mr Harris reported that it would be necessary to remove the remaining portion of the dilapidated and dangerous buildings in the yard including portion of house occupied by the Engine Driver's Coates. He would recommend that the Commissioners should give directions that a few rooms should be built for Coates.