

men at 13/- per week - 3 Carters at 11/- and his own wages at 10/- total £4.13.0 per week.

Mr. Hennessy proposed and Mr. Craig seconded that the Chairman be empowered to make all necessary arrangements for lights for the St. Kevin's Band to perform on the People's Park. Passed unanimously.

Mr. Comber submitted his amended report in relation to the Railway Bridges a copy of which was ordered to be sent to the Railway Co.

A Car licence was granted to Pat. Fitzsimons Baray and a drivers licence to William Barwell Baray.

It was ordered to pay William Coleman's wages who was disabled in Commissioners Employment.

A letter from Mr. Bolton, Rathmines asking permission to fix timber to the Promenade Railing for hauling up his boat was read - Ordered to reply, Explained not yet taken over from Contractor.

Mr. Comber read his report on the Sea Wall stating that both contracts had been completed with the exception of the Campo, and submitted an account for extra work from Mr. Dr. Alpine on N. 1 Section amounting to £199.17.5 - Certified Correct - also certificate for £4.9.1 on first Section and £653.1.8 on second Section and recommending the first Section to be taken over from the Contractor having been read, and Mr. Dr. Alpine having been called before the Board - after a lengthened consideration, there being but 5 members present the meeting adjourned to specially consider the whole matter, 1/2 of 1/2 on Wednesday the 21st July 1886. The question of the Electric Light to be also dealt with.

Cheques were signed for the following Accounts -

Cundries:

Wages.	40.0.0.
W ^m . O'Neil sub Sanitary officer disinfecting houses	1.9.10
Michael Doyle, Assistant to Car Inspector White Road	0.5.0.
R. Foley - Harness maker	0.5.3
	✓ 42.0.1

Edward Krumpsey

Quarter's Salary as Town Clerk	✓ 42.10.0.
Due 30 th April 1886.	

Income Tax

✓ 16.10.8.

Matthew Langton 2nd / 8 / 86

An Adjourned Meeting of the Bray Townships Commissioners was held in the Town Hall Bray, on Wednesday the 27th July 1886. at 7 o'cl P.M. to take into Consideration Mr. Comber's report of the 19th July 1886 on the Sea Wall Contracts and the Electric Light Question.)

Present

Martin Raughton Esq. J.P. (Chairman)
 James Doyle
 John Plunkett
 W. Duoney
 L. Craig Esq.
 W. Coghlan Esq.

Mr. Comber C.E. and Mr. Keogh Solicitor were in attendance

The notice convening the meeting was read.

The Secretary submitted the Contracts for Nos. 1 and 2 Sections of the Sea Wall - Specifications for same and the priced quantities for No. 1 Section, also Mr. Stoney's two reports on the Sea Wall.

Mr. Comber having read his report of the 19th and the whole subject of the Contracts having been fully discussed:-

Mr. Craig proposed and Mr. Duoney seconded

That in consequence of not having a Certificate from the Engineer that the works are completed in accordance with the Specifications we cannot give this matter of taking over Sea Wall any further consideration at present.

Passed unanimously.

Mr. Craig proposed and Mr. Doyle seconded.

That Mr. M. Alpine be paid £500 on acc of second Section of the Sea Wall.

Passed unanimously.

The Cheque was accordingly signed

Mr. M. Alpine appeared before the Board.

With reference to the Electric Light Question the Secretary was directed to write again to the Gas Co^y to know when the 16 lamps will be ready for lighting

Martin Raughton
 27/7/86

A Meeting of the Bray Township Commissioners was held at the Town Hall Bray on Monday the 2^d August 1886 at 11 O'Clock A.M.

Present

Martin Langton Esq J.P. (Chairman)
 Columba Deane
 James Doyle
 Edward Beggs.
 Joseph Coghlan
 Richard Cuthbert
 James Hennessy Esq
 Nicholas Mooney Esq^{rs}.

Geo Keogh Esq attended also P. F. Comber Esq

The minutes of previous meetings were read and confirmed

The Finance Committee's report was read and cheques signed.

Letter from the Gas Co. in reference to the Electric Light was read and their Mr. Port waited upon the Board on the same subject

Letter from Mr. Browne Bray Mills in reference to same was referred to Mr. Comber

A draft proposed address to be presented to His Excellency the Lord Lieutenant on the occasion of his departure from Ireland having been submitted - On the motion of Mr. Hennessy seconded by Mr. Coghlan it was unanimously adopted

Mr. Doyle proposed and Mr. Beggs seconded

That the address be engrossed and when ready the Township Seal to be affixed thereto. The Chairman to carry out this resolution Passed unanimously.

A letter from Colonel Lattenham in answer to Mr. Craig's resolution of the 19th July on the question of the Township being represented on the Grand Jury of Wicklow was read.

The Secretary reported having sent a copy of the same resolution to the High Sheriff but had not received a reply.

Letter from the Railway Co. stating that the Board's letter of the 27th Inst. V. relative to the Bridges had been referred to their Engineer was read

Letter from Mr. M. Alpine asking that No. 1 Contract (Sea Wall) might be taken off his hands and that he be paid the balances on Nos 1 & 2 sections also the reserve on No. 1 Contract (£500) having been read, the Board declined to entertain the application until Mr. Comber had reported.

The Secretary was directed to acknowledge the receipt of the letter which will be considered in due course.

Mr. Plunkett tendered his resignation as a Commissioner. The Secretary was directed to ask him to reconsider same, on of Mr. Hennessy seconded by Mr. Mooney and passed unanimously.

A letter from Captain Massey Newcourt complaining of the fact that the Dway road was seldom or never watered was read.

It was ordered to take 50 tons of broken stones from John Pluck at 2/10 per ton. Same to be weighed on the Township Councils.

The Inspector of nuisances report was read

A draft testimonial to Mr. Whitty late Clerk of works on the Sea wall was read and approved of and the Chairman & Town Clerk authorized to sign same.

A memorial from a number of inhabitants on the Lower Dargle Road asking for the road to be lighted with Gas having been read, the Secretary was directed to forward a copy of it to the Gas Co.

A letter from Mr. Collins, Bray Head Lodge asking for a water supply and fountain was read also a report from Mr. Comber stating that the expense would be about £4. 10. 0 having been also read:

Mr. Hennessy proposed and Mr. Moorey seconded:

That a water main be laid to supply Mr. Collins house Bray Head with a supply of water

Passed unanimously.

Mr. Comber was authorized to carry out the matter.

Cheques were signed for the following accounts:

Quodries:

Wages	40. 0. 0
J. Cadell	} 2. 8. 9
Harness maker	
J. Tyrrell	} 1. 11. 9
Blacksmiths	
	✓ 44. 0. 6

William O'Neil

One month's salary as Inspector of Nuisances &c. due 31st July 1886. ✓ 4. 6. 8.

John Keill

May ✓ 3. 4. 0

Matthews
D/6/8/86

A Meeting of the Bray Township Commissioners was held in the Town Hall Bray on Monday the 16th August 1886 at 11 o'Clock.

Present

Martin Haughton Esq. (Chairman)
 Robert St. Davis
 Columba Deane
 Dr. Raverty
 James Doyle
 James Hennessy &
 Joseph Coghlan Esquires

Leo Keogh Esq. Solicitor and P. T. Comber Esq. C.E. were in attendance

The minutes of previous meeting were read and confirmed

The Finance Committee's report was read and adopted and cheques signed.

The Road-overser was called before the Board and remonstrated with as to the manner in which he carries out his duties.

Letter from Mr. McAlpine stating that he would call on the Board for payment, in the terms of his letter of the 28th ult., was read. Mr. McAlpine appeared before the Board. But pending the receipt of Mr. Comber's report no action was taken in the matter.

Mr. Plunkett's resignation as a Commissioner was read and accepted he having declined to withdraw same.

Mr. Davis gave the following notice of motion

To move at next meeting that James Coffey be elected a Commissioner in the room of Mr. Plunkett resigned.

Letter from the Gas Co^y stating that the memorial relative to the righting of the Lower Dargle road would be placed in their manager's hands was read

Mr. Carnegie wrote complaining of the neglected state of the People's Park and the Secretary directed to call Darby Mooney's attention to the matter.

A letter from Mr. Shannon Carleton Ferraro complaining of the state of the roadway at Novara Corner &c. was read.

Mr. Finlay's notice of Audit for the 6th Sept. was read.

The Road-overser's report having been read, the Secretary was directed to advertise for tenders for the foraging of 3 or more horses, for 6 months at 20 shillings per horse, per week to be supplied with the best hay, bran, oats & straw. It was also ordered that a crossing be laid at Novara Corner of old blocks pedressed.

On the Inspector of nuisances report being read, the Secretary was directed to call immediate attention of the Honorary Secretary of the Regatta Committee to the complaints that dangerous holes had been left in the Esplanade.

The Secretary was authorised to pay the men employed in connection with the

Electric light.

The following letter was received from Lord Aberdeen late Lord Lieutenant of Ireland, in answer to an address presented to him by the Board on the occasion of his departure from Ireland:—

August 3rd 1886.
Vice Regal Lodge
Dublin

Sir

I am directed by Lord Aberdeen to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 2nd August forwarding a Resolution adopted at a meeting of the Bray Township Commissioners which his Excellency much regrets that time fails him to reply to personally.

I am to request that you will express to the Commissioners the warm thanks of their Excellencies for their kind farewell which they deeply appreciate and will long remember

Yours faithfully

Alfred E. Turner.

Martin Langton Esq.

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On the application of Thomas Berney New Dargle road it was ordered to insert his name in the Rate Book as the occupier of premises on Bray Commons instead of Timothy Berney (his father who is dead.)

It was ordered to take 40 tons of broken Stones at 2/3 per ton from William W. Devoy Bray Commons.

A Hackney Carriage licence was granted to John Hayes Novara.

Cheques were signed for the following accounts:—

Expenditure:—

Wages	45. 0. 0.	
Henry Barrow Esq. {		
Wages re Electric light {	1. 11. 6	
J. J. Mulhall Esq. {		
Solicitor - Row Costs		
re defending Mr. Loomes		
Civil Bill in Wicklow	0. 8. 3.	
		✓ 46. 19. 9
Mr. G. Loomes Esq. Solicitor		
Row Costs.		✓ 6. 13. 11
Wicklow Grand Jury		
First moiety of C ^d at large		
Charge at Spring Assizes 1886.		✓ 144. 11. 7.

Martin Langton
13/9/86

An Adjourned Monthly Meeting of the Bray Township Commissioners was held at the Lower Hall Bray, on Monday the 13th Sept. 1886 at 11 O'Clock.

Present

- Martin Langton Esq. J.P. (Chairman)
- W. Ravelly
- Joseph Coghlan
- John F. Racy
- Alderman Cochrane J.P.
- Columba Dunne Esquires.

P. F. Comber Esq. C.B. attended

The minutes of previous meeting were read and confirmed

Cheques were signed as stated hereafter

Alderman Cochrane moved and Mr. Coghlan seconded:-

That on the recommendation of Mr. Porter (who was present) 1000 Carbons be ordered, also 500 Yards of cable for 2 additional lamps for the electric light

Mr. Davis not being present his motion of the 16th Aug. re Mr. Coffey's election fell through

A letter from the Gas Co. relative to the lighting of the R. Dargle Road was referred to Mr. Dunne

The advertisement for tenders for forage was read - One tender from John Neill was received and referred to the Finance Committee

Letters of the 21st Aug. and 3rd Sept. from Mr. Dr. Alpine also Mr. Comber's report relative to the Sea wall Contracts were read and referred to the Finance Committee.

A Car licence was granted to John Mr. O'rdle Emmiskerry

A Drivers' licence was granted to Michael Mounts, Bray.

A request from Mr. Kelly Bodinnville to have the footpath in front of his premises improved and a lamp altered was granted.

The Road-oversers report was read in which he asked for Gully Draps for different parts of the Township - Ordered to be procured

It was ordered that Council should cut the grass on the Esplanade

A deputation of Car owners waited on the Board to complain of strange Carmen being allowed to ply for hire on the Race day

Mr. Comber was requested to report as to the necessity of having Urinals on the Esplanade

Cheques were drawn as follows:-

Wages.		✓ 15 . 0 . 0.
1 st re Electric light J. Farrell	1 . 3 . 5	} 12 . 7 . 6.
"	5 ⁰ 0 . 16 . 4	
"	5 ⁰ Mr. Broome 7 . 17 . 9	
"	5 ⁰ 2 . 10 . 0	

Mr. Brown
For wages re Electric light ✓ 5. 0. 0.

William Quates
Wages re Electric light ✓ 3. 14. 0

Mr. Arthur Porte
For Carpenters and Foreman ✓
Wages re Electric light 18. 6. 3.

Martin Langton
20/9/86

A Meeting of the Bray Township Commissioners
was held at the Town Hall Bray on Monday the
20th September 1886 at 11 O'Clock.

Present

Martin Langton Esq. D.P. (Chairman)

D. Raverty

Columba Dunne

Nicholas Mooney

John F. Racy

James Doyle

Thomas Craig

Edward Beggs Esq.

Robert H. Davis (D.P.) Esquires

P. J. Cumber Esq. C.D. attended.

Mr. Keogh Junior also attended

The minutes of previous meeting were
read and confirmed

Cheques were signed as recommended
by the Finance Committee

An account from Mr. Brown Bray Mill
for wages - to 5. 14. 10 was referred to the Finance
Committee

John Keells tender for forage at Fourteen
shillings per horse per week in accordance
with the advertisement was accepted for one
month.

A letter of the 17th Sept 1886 from Mr. McAlpine

applying for payment of the balances due upon the Sea wall account was read as also Mr. Couber's report of the 13th Sept. 1886. Certifying the works to be completed:—

Mr. Craig moved and Mr. Raverty seconded

That Mr. Couber's report now read be adopted and that the balance due to Mr. W. Alpine on the 1st and 2nd Sections of the Sea wall be paid to him including extras (£387. 6. 6) in all
Passed unanimously.

A. Cheque was ordered to be drawn in Mr. W. Alpine's favour for the sum of £34. 9. 1. balance due on 1st Section, £155. 0. 0. balance due on second section and £199. 17. 5 for extra works on the first section making in all £387. 6. 6. which was accordingly done

Captain Massey, Newcourt again complained of the Devay road not being watered. Pluck was cautioned over the matter

The Inspector of Amusement report was read in relation to the strange Carman working in Paray on the day of the Races.

Mr. Craig moved and Mr. Doyle seconded.

That Four or Five of the worst cases be prosecuted and that Mr. Geo. Beogh do carry out the prosecution
Passed unanimously

An application from Mr. Thomas Purcell to have "Purcell's Square South" gravelled was read and granted.

Plans of houses for Patrick Harold and Jeremiah Sutton Paray Commons were submitted & approved of.

An application from James Nolan, who lost his arm at the Sea wall, for employment was read

Mr. Racy moved and Mr. Davis seconded

That James Nolan be appointed Lamp-lighter until the Gentlemen's Baths are closed, in Henry Hughes' place.

Mr. Craig moved an Amendment which Mr. Beggs seconded:—

"That the latter portion of the resolution relative to Hughes be omitted."

Messrs. Craig, Mooney and Beggs (3) voted for, and Messrs. Racy, Doyle, Davis, Dunne & Langton (5) against the Amendment which was lost.

Mr. Craig moved a further Amendment which Mr. Beggs seconded:—

"That the further consideration of the matter be postponed until the Gentlemen's Baths be closed."

The following voted for the Amendment Messrs. Craig, Mooney, Beggs & Dunne (4) against it Messrs. Racy, Doyle, Davis & Langton (4). The Chairman gave his casting vote against the Amendment which was accordingly lost.

Mr. Mooney moved another Amendment which Mr. Beggs seconded:—

"That the matter be adjourned till after the Elections"

Messrs. Craig, Mooney, Beggs & Dennis (4) voted for and Messrs. Lacy, Doyle, Davis & Raughton (4) against the amendment, the Chairman gave his Casting vote against the amendment which was declared lost

The original resolution was then put and carried and an order made that Hughes should cease to be Lamp-lighter from Friday next and that Nolan should take his place

It was ordered that James Connell shall not allow Boats on the Sea wall or Esplanade in future

Cheques were signed for the following accounts:-

Wages.	✓	40. 0. 0.
William O'Neil		
One month's salary as Inspector of nuisances &c. due 31 st Aug. 1886	✓	4. 6. 8
Mr. Bernard Brady		
For Balance of Contract and Extra works at Ladies Baths	✓	17. 0. 9
Mr. Geo Dixon		
Granite Curbing	✓	51. 18. 4
William M. Levy		
Broken Stones	✓	5. 6. 8
Hibernian Bank		
For stamping Bonds re Sea wall Loan.	✓	2. 10. 0.

John Neil		
Hay	✓	5. 10. 0
Mr. Benjamin Hazle (Collector)		
on account of Poundage	✓	25. 0. 0
Robert M ^c . Alpine Esq.		
Balance (Exclusive of Reserve)		
due on the 1 st Section of Sea wall Contract		34. 9. 1
do on Second Section		153. 0. 0
Account for Extra works on first Section	£	199. 17. 5 ✓
		387. 6. 6

Matthew Saughton
4/10/86

A meeting of the Bray Township Commissioners was held in the Town Hall, Bray, on Monday the 4th day of October, 1886, at eleven o'clock A.M.

Present:

M. Langton, Esq., in the Chair.

Messrs. James Doyle
Joseph Loughlan
Columba Dunne
James Hanessy
Robert Henry Davis, J.P.
Nicholas Mooney
Stephen Roserty, M.D.
John F. Lacy
Thomas Craig

Mr. Keogh, Jun. Sol. and Mr. Pember, C.E. were also present.

The Chairman requested Mr. Pember to act as Secretary to the meeting for Mr. Dempsey, who was in the adjoining room, but was too ill to perform the duty.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and confirmed.

The Finance Committee's Report was read and cheques were signed for payment of a/c. as hereinafter noted.

A letter was read dated 28th. September, 1886, from Mr. John Pluck, requesting payment of a/c. for repairing flagging and kerbing on the main street and Quinborough Road, and for extending the water main to a point opposite the
Dangle

Dangle Tavern, Little Bray, which had been outstanding for some time. The Board having discussed the matter passed bills a/c. for payment, namely £43.11.0 for flagging and kerbing, and £5.15.0 for extending the water main, making together £49.6.0; and it was resolved that a cheque be prepared and signed for that amount, which was done accordingly.

A letter dated 4th. Oct. 1886, from Mr. H. Brown of Bray Mills was read enclosing an a/c. for wages amounting to £8.14.10 re electric lighting. The Board decided owing to the illness of Mr. Dempsey, who had paid the wages in connection with the electric lighting, that the matter be postponed to next meeting to get his report; and that Mr. Copley the manager at the Mills be informed accordingly.

A letter dated 28th. September, 1886, was read from Messrs. George Keogh & Son, Solicitors, stating that they had received Mr. Inspector O'Neil's report with reference to certain owners and drivers of cars and other vehicles who resided in Kingstown and other places outside of Bray, and who it was alleged were plying for hire within the Bray Township on the day of the last races, without license or authority from the Commissioners, in which O'Neil expressed his doubt if he could sustain the present cases before the Magistrates, and suggested that the proceedings be let drop. Messrs. Keogh were inclined to agree with him, and asked for further instructions. During the discussion which followed a telegram from Mr. George Keogh which was handed in at Euston addressed to the
Chairman

Chairman was received and read. It was as follows: "From O'Neil's explanation, think evidence insufficient advise wait better cases failure would be injurious my son will attend to-day in my absence George Krogh" The matter was fully discussed and it was considered advisable owing to the strong feeling of a large number of the ratepayers on the subject to proceed with the prosecution. The following resolution was proposed by Mr. Mooney and seconded by Mr. Neunessy:

That the Solicitor to the Board be instructed to proceed with the prosecution of the carmen of other Townships who plied for hire within the Bray Township without license; and that Edmund Seamy, Esq. B. L. be employed as counsel.

Passed unanimously.

A letter dated 2nd October, 1886, was read from Patrick W. Donald and five other car owners in Bray complaining that unlicensed cars were allowed to take passengers in the Township, while licensed cars were idle, on the day of the last Bray Races, and of the Car-Inspector's remissness of duty in the matter. No order made, as it was considered that the wishes of the writers would be met by proceeding with the prosecutions which had already been decided upon.

A letter was read from Mr. Michael Doyle, Car owner, Little Bray, dated 2nd October 1886, denying that he ever made the statement attributed to him reflecting on the character of the Car-Inspector.

A letter dated September 27th. 1886, from the

the Clerk of the Rathdown Union was read, enclosing a copy of the register of persons who have been registered as Cow Keepers or Purveyors of milk, and requesting that the receipt of same be acknowledged. Ordered that the Secretary send the necessary acknowledgment.

A letter was read from Sir Robt. Stewart drawing attention to what he considered the want of underpinning to the wall of his property at Holywood, owing to the lowering of the roadway by the Commissioners, which was referred to the Engineer for report.

A letter was read from Mrs. Lawlor complaining that there were holes in the gravelled footpath in front of her house opposite the Town Hall. Ordered the Road Engineer to have the necessary repairs done.

A letter was read from Mr. R. C. Thomas, 5, Brennan's Terrace, dated 22nd Sept. 1886, complaining of the names of persons being on the list of voters for the Bray Township who had not paid their rates. The letter was referred to the Town Clerk.

With reference to the appointment of Returning Officers for the approaching election of Commissioners for the Bray Township, on the motion of Mr. Davis, J.P., seconded by Mr. Dunne and carried unanimously, Mr. Langton, J.P. was appointed for the East Ward, and Mr. Mooney for the West ward; and on the motion of Mr. Dunne, seconded by Mr. Langton, J.P. Mr. Davis, J.P. was unanimously appointed for the Little Bray Ward. The Town Clerk to supply in due

due time the form of declaration to be made by the Returning Officers.

The Auditor's Report for the year 1885 was read; and it was proposed by Mr. Davis J.P. and seconded by Mr. Mooney:

That the Auditor's Report with abstract of ac. be printed and a copy of same be placed in the hands of each member and officer of the Board. Passed unanimously.

Ordered that 50 copies be printed.

Mr. Keogh, Jun. submitted the amended Bye Laws of the Gray Township as finally approved by the Local Government Board; and it was moved by Mr. Hennessy and seconded by Mr. Davis J.P. that the Township seal be now affixed thereto. The document was sealed and signed accordingly in the presence of the Chairman and the Town Clerk, and taken charge of by Mr. Keogh, Jun. The Board instructed Mr. Keogh to have 150 copies of same printed.

The Road Overseer's and sub sanitary officer's Reports were read.

Cheques were signed for the following acs.

William O'Neil - one month's salary as Inspector of Nuisances to 30 th Sept.	£ 4: 6: 8
P. Dondron for oats and straw	✓ 19: 2: 6
B. Fitzsimons for broken stones	✓ 13: 13: 0
Edwd. Dempsey to pay wages	✓ 40: 0: 0
D. H. Raverty - one year's salary as Consulting Sanitary Officer	✓ 10: 0: 0
Mr. J. Foghlan for Bathing dresses	✓ 2: 3: 3
Carried over	£ 89: 5: 5

Brought forward £ 89: 5: 5

Browne & Nolan for stationery and printing ✓ 25: 13: 0

P. F. Tomber, J.P. one quarter's salary as Township Surveyor ✓ 37: 10: 0

John Pluck for repairing flagging and Kerbing £ 43: 11: 0

for extending water main in Little Gray £ 5: 15: 0 ✓ 49: 6: 0

Martin Lacroston
18/10/86

The Annual Meeting of the Bray Township Commissioners was held at the Town Hall Bray on Monday the 13th day of October 1886 at 11 O'Clock.

Present

Martin Langton Esq. J.P. (Chairman)
Edward Breslin J.P.
Thomas Craig
Nicholas Mooney
Columba Dunne
Stephen Raverty Esq.
Alderman Cochrane J.P.
Marinus De Groot
Jeremiah Sutton
Joseph M^r. Dermott
Joseph Coghlan
James Hennessy &
Robert Henry Davis (J.P.) Esquires

Geo Keogh Esq. Solicitor & P. L. Comber Esq. etc. attended

The minutes of previous meeting were read and confirmed

Mess^{rs}. Craig & De Groot having signed the Statutory declaration took their seats at the Board as Commissioners for East Ward, Mr. Joseph M^r. Dermott for West Ward, and Mr. Jeremiah Sutton for Little Bray Ward.

The Election of Chairman for the ensuing year was then proceeded with, when Mr. Hennessy proposed and Mr. Coghlan seconded:—

That Mr. Langton J.P. be appointed Chairman of this Board for the coming year.

Alderman Cochrane proposed as an Amendment which Mr. Craig seconded:—

"That E. Breslin Esq. J.P. be elected Chairman for the coming year."

The Amendment having been put the following voted for it Mess^{rs}. Cochrane, Craig, Breslin, M^r. Dermott and De Groot (5) against Mess^{rs}. Hennessy, Coghlan, Sutton, Mooney, Raverty, Davis, Dunne & Langton (8)

The Amendment was accordingly declared lost.

The original was then put and declared carried the same division being agreed to.

The Committees for the ensuing year were next appointed as follows:—

Finance Committee

On the motion of Mr. Davis seconded by Mr. Hennessy it was unanimously agreed to that the full Board should constitute the Finance Committee

Lighting, Water, Roads & Sanitary Committee

Mr. Breslin, Mr. Doyle, Mr. Lacy, Mr. Dunne, Mr. Mooney, Mr. Craig, Mr. Davis, Mr. De Groot & Mr. Sutton

Cephalax, Baths & Boats Committee

Mr. Lacy, Mr. Breslin, Mr. Davis, Alderman Cochrane, Mr. Craig, Mr. Raverty, Mr. Dunne, Mr. De Groot & Mr. Hennessy

Car Committee

Mr. Lacy, Mr. Doyle, Mr. Dunne, Mr. Mooney & Mr. Hennessy.

Markets Committee

Mr. Mooney, Mr. Hennessy, Mr. Doyle, Mr. Coghlan
Mr. Lacey, Mr. Craig, Mr. Sutton & Mr. Mc Dermott.

Harbour Committee

The full Board

It was ordered that in future the Finance Committee shall meet at 7-30 P.M. on the Thursday preceding the meeting of the Board.

A letter from Mr. Dr. Cornack in relation to the new road through his property was read and referred to Mr. Comber

The Commissioners for the Little Bray Ward with Mr. Comber were requested to inspect the breach in the river wall on Bray Commons and report thereon

Mr. Comber was authorized to have the position of a lamp on Seapoint road also one on Meath road changed

A letter from the Clerk of the Rathdowns Union relative to the appointment of an Inspector under the Contagious (Animals) Act 1886 was read & referred to the Finance Committee

It was ordered that James Conwell should in future assist William O'Neil in the discharge of his duties

A Cheque for the sum of Forty pounds to pay wages was signed.

Robert H. Davis
1 Nov 1886

A meeting of the Bray Township Commissioners was held at the Town Hall Bray on Monday the 1st Nov 1886 at 11 o'clock A.M.

Present

R. H. Davis Esq J.P. (Chairman)
B. Breslin J.P.
L. Craig
L. Hennessy
C. Dunne
L. Sutton
M. De Groot J.P.
L. Coghlan &
H. Mooney Esq

Geo Keogh Esq Solicitor & N. F. Comber Esq attended

Mr. R. H. Davis J.P. was duly moved to the Chair.

The minutes of previous meeting were read and confirmed

The Finance Committee's report was read and Cheques signed as passed, with the exception of Mr. Langton's ac for Drummongert, & on which a vote of the Board was taken - Messrs. Hennessy, Coghlan, Mooney, Sutton & Dunne (5) voting for the signing of the Cheques and Messrs. Breslin, Craig & De Groot (3) against, the Chairman declined to vote, the Cheque was then signed

It was ordered that the Assistant-Car Inspector's services be dispensed with from Friday next as also James Nolan's as Camp light & that Henry Hughes shall resume his

former position as Camp Lighter on the motion of Mr. Mooney seconded by Mr. Sutton

It was ordered that no goods shall be supplied in future without an order from the Town Clerk and that Order books be provided for the purpose

Messrs. Barton & Copland Foster Place, Dublin Stock brokers forwarded the Will and Probate of of the late Major Henry Shaw of Wilton Place Dublin in which he appointed Charles William Percinell of No 36 Northumberland Road in the County Dublin as of Executors and also forwarded Bonds on Sea Wall Loan for £100 each. Nos 21, 22 and 23, requesting that they should be transferred to the names of Mary Healy and Julia Healy, both of 64 Dawson Street Dublin. Spentars. It was ordered that the transfer should be made. Two letters from Mr John Fitzgerald tenant to the Ladies Baths, asking for an allowance of £10 off his Rent on account of not getting possession at the stipulated time having been read, the matter was referred to Mr Keogh to report upon at next meeting

On the reading of James Connells (Esplanade Caretaker) Report. It was that in future he shall summon any party found riding bicycles or tricycles on the Esplanade, having warned them first

Market Bye laws were submitted by Mr Keogh, when on the motion of Mr Craig seconded by Mr Hennessy. It was unanimously resolved that they be repealed which was accordingly done, when they were handed to Mr Keogh

It was ordered that Mr. Keany and Mr Keogh should prosecute the owners of Boats who trespassed on the Esplanade, as also the strange Carmen who plyed for hire without licence on the day of the Bray Races.

Three circular letters from the Local Government Board also one from the Clerk of the Rathdown Union relative to appointing a Dairy Inspector for the Township, under the Contagious Animals Act 1886, having been read it was unanimously resolved that James Connell Esplanade Inspector be appointed, but without further remuneration.

A crossing was ordered for Castle Street little Bray, on request from a number of ratepayers.

On the reading the road overseers report, it was ordered to sell one of the old Horses to Knacker.

It was ordered to have crossing already ordered put down near Deane Lees Gate main street. Mr Craig proposed and Mr Hennessy that the crossing recently taken up from Quinstons Road be

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relaid, and that in future the Road
overseer do not undertake such works
without the sanction of the Board given
through Town Clerk

Passed

M^r. Comber was requested to make
out a report as to the necessity of
Urinals for the Esplanade

On the reading of the Car Inspector's
report. M^r. Craig moved and M^r. Buslin
seconded. That having read Car Inspector
report we hereby Cancel Patrick Traynor's
licence

Passed

The Secretary to send him notice
to that effect

M^r. Comber's report relative to the
recent floods on Bray Commons
having been read M^r. Mooney
moved and M^r. Craig seconded
That it be adopted.

Passed Unanimously

M^r. Craig proposed and M^r. Hennessey
seconded that a Copy of the Engineer
reports as relates to the Weir flooding
consequent on same be forwarded
to the Earl of Meath, including the
recommendation of the Engineer

Passed

It was ordered to advertise for tenders
for the building of the breach on
Bray Commons for next Board day

M^r. Comber reported that he would
recommend the Board to take over the New
Road recently constructed by ^{James} ~~James~~ ^{James} ~~James~~
which was agreed to.

It was ordered that no Lamp in
future be turned off before 11.30 P.M.
Two lamps were ordered for the Back
Street Little Bray

A letter from Isaac Jones Meath Road
offering to supply gravel at 2^d per ton
was refused.

The usual supply of Coals was ordered
for Darby Mooney, Peoples Park Keeper

Cheques were signed for the following accounts
William O'Keefe Car Inspector &c L. S. D.
One months salary to 31st October 86 ✓ 4. 6. 8
Wages ✓ 40. 0. 0

M^r. M. Langton
For Ironmongery oils Paint &c ✓ 45. 0. 2

M^r. William Collins
Bathing dresses for Ladies Baths ✓ 24. 15. 6
Edward Dempsey Town Clerk

One quarters salary to 31st July 1886 ✓ 42. 10. 0
John McMill

For Forage ✓ 9. 11. 0
M^r. David Lawson

For repairs of carts wheels making
Barrows &c ✓ 12. 13. 6

John Innell
Blacksmith ✓ 3. 16. 0

M^r. Hays
For scrivener ✓ 0. 10. 3

Viscount Bratton
Half years rent on Town Hall
due and ending 1st July 1886
(less Income tax) ✓ 42. 6. 8

Christopher Byrne
For granite Crossings ✓ 3. 14. 8
M^r. B. Henzle Collector ✓ 25. 0. 0

on account of Poundage ✓
15/11/86

A meeting of the Bray Township Commissioners was held in the Townhall, Bray on Monday the 15th of November 1886, at 11 o'clock A.M.

Present:

Martin Langton Esq, in the chair.

Edward Breslin J.P.

Joseph McDermott.

Alderman Cochrane J.P.

Thomas Craig.

Stephen Ravery, M.D.

Columba Deane

Jeremiah Sutton

James Hennessy

Nicholas Mooney, Esquires.

Mr. Keogh Solicitor and Mr. Comber C.E. were also present.

In the absence of Mr. Dempsey Mr. Comber was requested by the Chairman to act as Secretary to the meeting.

Before the minutes of the former meeting were read Mr. Thomas Craig as Solicitor for Mr. Edward Breslin J.P. read a Notice addressed to Martin Langton Esq, informing him that Counsel had advised he was not eligible for the office of Chairman when elected on the 18th October last, inasmuch as he was concerned in a Contract with the Township Commissioners, and that Counsel had further advised that Mr. Edward Breslin, J.P. was duly elected as Chairman on that occasion. The notice was dated 15th Nov. 1886 and signed by Hamilton & Craig Solicitors for Edward Breslin Esq.

Mr. Breslin claimed the seat as duly

elected Chairman; and Mr. Langton replied that as he had only received the notice a few minutes before the meeting commenced he would not vacate the chair until he got legal advice on the matter.

The minutes of the former meeting were then read and confirmed.

Mr. Langton's position was discussed and Alderman Cochrane, J.P. moved and Mr. McDermott seconded that the meeting be adjourned to Monday, 22nd November, instant, at eleven o'clock A.M. Passed unanimously.

Mr. James Hennessy handed in the following notice of motion:

"I give notice of motion that the resolution passed on the 1st November, 1886, passing Mr. Langton's account be rescinded at our next meeting"

The meeting then adjourned.

Robert H. Davis

20/11/86

An adjourned Meeting of the Bray Township Commissioners was held at the Town Hall Bray, on Monday 22nd Nov 1886 at 11 o'c. A.M.

Present:

- R. H. Davis Esq (Chairman).
- E. Breslin J.P.
- M. De Groot J.P.
- C. Dunne
- J. Mc Dermott.
- J. Raverty.
- J. Hennessy
- J. Sutton.
- J. Craig.

Geo Keogh Esq. Solicitor attended.
P. F. Comber Esq. C.E. also attended

Mr. Hennessy moved and Mr. Dunne seconded:

That Mr. R. H. Davis do take the chair.
Passed unanimously.
Mr. Davis accordingly took the chair.

Mr. Craig handed in the following notice:

Sir,
I hereby require you to withdraw from the chair of this Board and permit Mr. Edward Breslin J.P. the legal Chairman of the Board to occupy the said chair.
Thos. Craig, J.C.
To Robert Henry Davis Esq.

Mr. Davis declined to leave the chair.

The advertisement for tenders for the building of the breach in the river wall Bray Common was read.

Tenders were received and opened from the following:

Geo. Dixon - Sandycove.	94:17:8
John Pluck - Kilmacanogue.	72:0:0
Bernard Brady - Bray.	86:12:6

A cheque for £ 8:8:0 payable to Mr. Keogh for Mr. Bartons fees in prosecuting Carmen and Boatmen was signed.

A cheque for Jas. Cadells' Harness makers account for £ 2:7:6 was also signed.

James Connells report stating that Thos. Brien had by Mr. Breslins directions removed paving stones from off the Beach near the Ladies Baths was read. It was ordered that that the Town Clerk should write to Mr. Breslin asking him if he authorized this to be done.

All accounts in connexion with the electric light were referred to the Finance Committee.

A Circular letter from the Corporation of Dublin with a copy of a resolution passed by them, in reference to the American Mail Service having been read.

Mr. Craig proposed and Mr. Hennessy seconded:

Resolved - That this Board having regard to the immense importance of preserving the American Mail Service for the Irish

route and the prejudicial influence which the contemplated change to a Monthly System of Contracts seems likely to exercise on Dublin, on the Local Interests of the South of Ireland and on Irish Interests generally, protests in the strongest manner against that or any other change calculated to interfere with Lucanstown as the port of call for these mails.

That copies of this resolution be forwarded to the Prime Minister, to the Chancellor of the Exchequer, and the Postmaster-General and the Secretary to the Treasury.

Passed unanimously.

Two reports from the Road overseer having been read. It was ordered a Veterinary Surgeon should see one of the old horses which is unwell - that an extra horse be employed and that Mr. Robt. Smith Main St. shall repair the paving over where the old well was himself.

The Inspector of Nuisances report was read.

A letter from Mr. Joseph Coghlan resigning his seat as a Commissioner was read, when Mr. Hennessy proposed and Mr. Dume seconded: "That Mr. Coghlan's resignation be accepted."

Passed.

Mr. Craig handed in the following protest: "I protest against Mr. Coghlan's resignation being accepted."

Mr. Hennessy handed in the following notice of motion: - "I hereby give notice that at our next meeting I will move that

Thomas Mayne Esq. M.P. Prince of Wales Terrace Bray be co-opted a member of this Board for the West Ward in place of Mr. Joseph Coghlan."

A number of inhabitants in Castle St. petitioned the Board to lay a crossing opposite Mr. Tobias Burke's was read and the Secretary was directed to inform Mr. Burke, that the Commissioners have already ordered a crossing for the centre of Castle St.

An application from James Nolan for employment was referred to Dan Pluck.

A letter from the Rev. Robt. Humphreys relative to his rates was referred to Mr. ~~Hugh~~ Heazle.

Cheques were signed as follows:

Edward Dempsey £ 50:0:0

Board of Works 5
years instalments on
Sanitary and Roads
Loans to 1 Nov. 1886 £ 272:7:4

Robert D. ~~W.~~
20/11/86

A meeting of the Bray Township Commissioners was held in the Town Hall, Bray, on Monday the 6th day of December, 1886, at eleven o'clock A.M.

Present.

Robert Henry Davis, Esq. J.P. in the chair
 Alderman Cochrane, J.P.
 Edward Breslin, J.P.
 W. De Groot J.P.
 James Hennessy
 John Lacy
 Jeremiah Sutton
 Nicholas Mooney
 Columba Dunne
 Stephen Raverty, M.D.
 Thomas Craig Esquires.

W. George Keogh Solicitor to the Board and
 W. P. J. Comber, C.E. also attended.

On the motion of W. Hennessy, seconded by W. Dunne, the chair was taken by W. Robert Henry Davis, J.P.
 Passed.

W. Craig handed in the following protest:
 "I claim on behalf of W. Breslin that he is entitled to take the Chair"
 Signed "Thomas Craig"

On the motion of W. Davis, J.P. seconded by W. Mooney, W. Comber, C.E. was requested to act as Secretary to the Board until a successor ~~was~~ appointed to the late W. Dempsey.
 Passed unanimously.

The late Town Clerk.

W. Davis proposed "That a vote of condolence be passed to the mother and family of our late Town Clerk, Edward Dempsey, on the sad loss they have sustained by his decease, and that a copy of this vote of condolence be forwarded to the bereaved family" The resolution was seconded by W. Hennessy and passed unanimously. W. Davis referred in feeling terms to the faithful and zealous services rendered to the Board for a long term of years by the late W. Dempsey. The entire Board cordially agreed with the remarks of the Chairman.

W. Miley, Solicitor, attended on the part of the relatives of the late W. Dempsey, Town Clerk, and informed the Board that he was instructed to hand over the Keys and books in their possession. He would ask by the favour of the Board to be present at the opening of the safe, and that any private papers belonging to the late Town Clerk be handed to him. He handed in the cheque book belonging to the Commissioners and stated that a cheque for £50 had been drawn in W. Dempsey's favour by the Board for the payment of wages, but it had not been severed from the block, nor signed by the late Town Clerk, and he would ask that the cheque in question be left in the hands of the Solicitor to the Board until it was ascertained whether the money belonged to the Commissioners or to the representatives of the late W. Dempsey. He also stated that W. Dempsey had advanced £20 to the Road Overseer to pay wages the day

before his death. Mr. Davis said the feeling of the Board was in every way friendly to the proposition of Mr. Miley, and that Mr. Keogh, Solicitor to the Board, would take over the documents on behalf of the Commissioners. Mr. Keogh and Mr. Miley then adjourned to the Secretary's room, and on their return Mr. Keogh informed the Board that he had gone carefully over the papers in the safe, and had handed over to Mr. Miley a lease and two deeds of assignment belonging to the late Mr. Dempsey which he had found there. He also said they had found notes and cash in the safe as follows:

Bank of Ireland notes	£ 8:0:0
Silver	7:7:0
Copper	1:3½

Total £ 15:8:3½

all of which they had placed in a sealed envelope, together with a Post Office order issued by the Bray Post office for £ 1:2:8 dated 3rd October 1886, and left it in the safe, the key of which he handed to the Chairman who then handed it to Mr. Comber. Mr. Keogh took charge of the £ 50 cheque referred to above.

Mr. John Lacy signed the Statutory declaration as a Commissioner and took his seat at the Board.

A letter was read from Mr. James Doyle tendering his resignation as a Commissioner

Alderman Cochrane, J.P. moved that Mr. Doyle be asked with the usual courtesy to reconsider his resignation, which was seconded by Mr. De Groot.

Mr. Mooney moved as an amendment that Mr. Doyle's resignation be accepted, and said that he was personally aware that Mr. Doyle had made up his mind not to attend again. Mr. Hennessy seconded the motion. There voted for the amendment Messrs. Mooney, Sutton, Drume, Lacy, Hennessy (5). Against Messrs. Cochrane, De Groot, Breslin, Raverty, and Craig (5). The Chairman gave his vote for the amendment and the resignation was accepted.

Mr. Mooney handed in the following notice of motion: That we proceed on this day fortnight to co-opt Mr. Peter Cunningham Main Street, Bray, in the room of Mr. James Doyle resigned.

Dr. Raverty handed in his resignation as a Commissioner which was accepted.

It was proposed by Mr. Hennessy and seconded by Mr. Drume

That Thomas Mayne, Esq. M.P. be co-opted a member of this Board for the West ward in place of Mr. Joseph Coghlan.

Mr. Mooney moved as an amendment which was seconded by Mr. Lacy

That Mr. James Robinson, Main Street, Bray, be co-opted in the room of Mr. Joseph Coghlan.

Mr. Craig as Solicitor for Mr. Breslin

objected to the Co-optation of any person in the room of Mr. Coghlan and handed the Chairman a printed notice to that effect.

There voted for the amendment:
Messrs. Mooney, Dunne, Lacy, Sutton (4).
Against: Messrs. Hennessy and Craig (2).

The Chairman declared the amendment carried. The original resolution was then put and declared rejected on the same division.

Mr. Hennessy handed in the following notice of motion:

"I hereby give notice that I will at our next meeting move that Thomas Mayne, Esq. M.P. be co-opted a member of this Board in place of Dr. Raverty resigned.

A letter was read from the Accountant of the Public Works Department dated 2nd December, 1886, asking for payment of £272:7:4 being one half year's instalment on Sanitary and Roads Loan to 1st November 1886. Order made that the cheque which had been already prepared be forwarded by the Acting Secretary.

A letter dated December 3rd was read from the Earl of Meath relative to the weir in Bray River and referred to the Engineer for report.

A letter was read from Mr. Bernard Brady relative to a wall on the upper Dargle Road and referred to the Engineer for report.

The Statutory notice relative to the Bray Electric Tramway was received from Messrs. Hamilton & Craig, Solicitors, and referred to the Engineer for report.

A letter was read dated 26th Nov^r from Messrs. D & T. Fitzgerald, Solicitors, asking for payment of £15:15:0 being it stated the amount due to Mr. Hassard, C.E. for fees re the Corporation (Water) Provisional Order Session, 1885. The letter was referred to the Finance Committee, and the acting Secretary was instructed to acknowledge the receipt of the letter.

A letter was read from the Rev. Father Healy requesting the Board to restore the license of Pat Traynor Car driver which was granted.

A letter was read from Mr. Waller stating that the outlet of the Cock brook was blocked with shingle. The Road overseer was instructed to keep the outlet clear.

A letter was read from James Coumell relative to the boats on the esplanade. Order made that the boats be put South of Boat House and North of Kelly's Baths. If this be not done the Magistrate's order to be carried out.

A letter was read from Mr. Doyle, V.S. stating that the old horse was not worth culling. Order made to send him to the knacker.

An application was received from James Neary and Valentine Crauley requesting the sum of 10^s for saving the spring boards and other timber at the Ladies Baths, which was carried out to sea in the recent gales. Application granted.

A letter was read from James Mulligaw of Iona Cottage, Strand Road asking for permission to build a cottage on the public footpath. Application refused.

The Road Overseer's report was read in which he asked permission to employ one good man at 14^s a week and dismiss two. Permission granted.

Mr. Craig handed in a report of the Finance Committee meeting held on the 2nd Dec. Order made: Insert Report in Finance Book.

On the motion of Alderman Cochrane seconded by Mr. Breslin it was unanimously decided to employ Messrs O'Hart and Cunningham, Accountants, to write up and put in order the Township books and to prepare the annual statement of a/c's for the Government Auditor. Fee not to exceed £ 8: 8: 0

Mr. Davidson kindly undertook to act as Clerk of the Borough Court until a successor to Mr. Dempsey be appointed

Cheques were signed for the following a/c's.

William O'Connell one months salary as Car Inspector and Inspector of Nuisances to Nov^r 30th 1886.
£ 3: 10: 8

D^o as sub-Sanitary Officer. 16: 8 ✓ £ 4: 6: 8
P. F. Comber C.E. to pay wages ✓ 40: 0: 0

It was proposed by Mr. Hennessey and seconded by Mr. Mooney.
"That this meeting stand adjourned to Monday 13th instant, at eleven o'clock A.M. for the purpose of defining the duties and emoluments of the new Town Clerk. The meeting adjourned accordingly.

Robert H. Davis

20th Dec 1886

An adjourned meeting of the Bray Township Commissioners was held in the Town Hall, Bray, on Monday the 13th day of December 1886 at eleven o'clock A.M.

Present

Alderman Cochrane, J.P. in the Chair

Edward Breslin, J.P.

M. De Groot, J.P.

Joseph M. Dermott

Nicholas Mooney

John Lacy

Jeremiah Suttow

Columba Dunne

James Hennessy

Robert H. Davis, J.P. Esquires.

Alderman Cochrane J.P. was duly moved to the Chair.

The Chairman asked that letters received since last meeting be read. There were only two: one from W. Martin Langton and the other from the Secretary of the Alliance & Consumers Gas Co. Both were read and referred to next meeting.

The Acting Secretary read the notice calling the meeting; and the Board having carefully considered the business before it, namely, to define the duties and emoluments of the new Town Clerk, the following statement of duties to be performed by that officer, and the conditions to govern the appointment were agreed to:—

Statement of Duties.

To attend all Meetings of the Board and its Committees, and to give notice of same to each Commissioner, to the Solicitor to the Board, and to the Township Engineer; to make Minutes of the proceedings of the Board in two Minute books, as also that of the Committees; to answer all letters on Township business; to keep the several Account-books of the Township, and submit the yearly balance sheet showing the receipts and expenditure for the previous year, as also the statement of assets and liabilities; to make estimates of the Rates for each year, and give the regular legal notices of intention to strike Rates, and of Rates having been struck; to prepare Rate-book for each year; to check collector's accounts and abstract, also Rebates; to fill up and issue Hackney Carriage licenses each year; to prepare for yearly audit of accounts, and attend before the Auditor, &c.; to prepare all notices in connection with the annual election of the Commissioners, and make all necessary preparation for the carrying out of the election; to prepare annually an alphabetical register of the persons entitled to vote at said elections, &c.; to fill all Summonses for the Township Court (held fortnightly) for offences against the Town Improvement Act (1854), the Bray Township Act (1866), and for breaches of the Car Bye-laws, Esplanade Bye-laws, Fair's Bye-laws, Lodging house Bye-laws &c.; to issue and file Warrants for all fines imposed which may not be

paid, and attend the sitting of the Court each Court day; to keep separate Minutes of the Sanitary business of the Township, and forward copies of same to the Local Government Board; to see all notices properly filled, and send the several returns required by the Local Government Board from time to time, and answer all correspondence &c.

To keep the Board fully informed when the interest on bonds, and all payments as regards loans will fall due.

To attend at the Town Hall daily from 10 o'clock A.M. to 4 o'clock P.M. - Sundays and Government Holidays excepted.

To see to the interests of the Township generally.

Conditions of Appointment.

The Town Clerk will be required to find two solvent sureties, subject to the approval of the Board, to be bound under a penalty of Two hundred and fifty pounds Sterling each for the faithful discharge of his duties.

The salary as Town Clerk and Clerk to the Township Court will be £150 per annum, and as Executive Sanitary officer £10 per annum.

The Commissioners reserve to themselves the power to dismiss the Town Clerk should he fail to perform the duties set forth, by notice of one month being given or one months salary.

The appointment will be subject to the approval of the Local Government Board.

The Board further agreed to invite applications for next meeting for filling the office. Mr. Davis drafted the advertisement of which the Board approved and the Acting Secretary was instructed to advertise once in the Freeman's Journal, Express, Irish Times, and Wicklow People.

The following cheque was signed

W. J. Tomber - to pay wages £10.

The bond of new Town Clerk is to be a joint & several bond with two sureties in the sum of five hundred pounds.

In addition to the duties hereinbefore described - The new Town Clerk is to perform such other duties as the Board shall from time to time direct & prescribe.

Robert H. Downey
20/12/86

A meeting of the Bray Township Commissioners was held in the Town Hall Bray on Monday the 20th day of December 1886. at eleven o'clock A.M.

Present:—

Robert H. Davis, Esq. J.P. in the chair
Alderman Cochrane ~~J.P.~~ J.P.
Edward Breslin, J.P.
Marinus De Groot, J.P.
Joseph M. Dermott.
James Hennessy
John Lacy
Nicholas Mooney
Columba Dunne
Jeremiah Sutton
Thomas Craig Esquires.

Mr. Keogh Solicitor to the Board and Mr. Comber, C.E. were also present.

Mr. Hennessy moved that the chair be taken by Robert H. Davis, Esq. J.P.

Mr. Dunne seconded the motion.

Mr. Craig moved as an amendment that the chair be taken by Alderman Cochrane, J.P. which was seconded by Mr. M. Dermott.

Those voted for the amendment:— Messrs De Groot, Breslin, Mr. Dermott, Craig and Alderman Cochrane (5). Against:— Messrs Dunne, Hennessy, Lacy, Mooney, Sutton and Davis, (6).

The amendment having been lost the original resolution was taken on the same division; and Mr. Davis took the chair accordingly.

The minutes of meetings 15th and 22nd Nov. and 6th and 13th December were read and adopted. Before signing the minutes of 13th Dec. the Chairman at the request of the Board added two paragraphs with reference to the Bond and extra duties of the new Town Clerk.

With regard to the duties of the new Town Clerk as set forth in the minutes of 13th December.

Mr. Craig moved and Mr. M. Dermott seconded: That the Town Clerk shall not be engaged in any other permanent situation save that of the Commissioners.

On a division being taken there voted for the Resolution: Messrs Cochrane, Breslin, De Groot, Mr. Dermott, Craig, (5) Against: Messrs Hennessy, Lacy, Mooney, Dunne, Sutton, Davis, (6). The Chairman declared the Resolution lost.

Mr. Hennessy moved that Thomas Mayne Esq. M.P. be co-opted a member of the Board in room of D^r. Raverty resigned.

Mr. Mooney seconded the motion.

Mr. M. Dermott moved as an amendment that Mr. Mathew Byrne be co-opted in room of D^r. Raverty. Mr. Craig seconded the motion.

A division was taken and there voted for the amendment, Messrs Cochrane, Breslin, De Groot, Mr. Dermott and Craig (5). Against: Messrs Hennessy, Lacy, Mooney, Dunne, Sutton, and Davis (6).

The amendment having been lost the same division was taken on the original resolution which the Chairman declared to be carried.

Mr. Mayne, M.P. was then introduced, made his declaration and took his seat at the Board.

Mr. Mooney moved the Co-opting of Mr. Peter Cunningham as a member of the Board in room of Mr. James Doyle resigned, which was seconded by Mr. Dunne.

Mr. Craig handed in the following protest: "I object to the Board co-opting any gentleman in room of Mr. James Doyle"
"Thomas Craig"

A division was taken and there voted for the Resolution: Messrs. Cochrane, Lacy, Mooney, Dunne, Hennessy, Mayne, (6). Against: Messrs. Breslin, M^c. Dermott, Craig, De Groot, (4).

The Chairman declared the resolution carried.

Mr. Cunningham was then introduced and made his declaration, but he did not take any part in the subsequent proceedings of the meeting.

The following resolution was moved by Mr. Mayne, M.P. and seconded by Mr. Hennessy:

That the law agent be instructed to prepare a case for counsel on the question raised by Mr. Craig as to the validity of the action of the Board in the matter of the resignation of Mr. Doyle and the co-opting of a successor to him, and that when counsel's opinion is had it be submitted to the Board at the next meeting.

A division was taken and there voted for the Resolution: Messrs. Mooney, Hennessy, Dunne, Mayne, (4) Against Messrs. Cochrane,

Breslin, De Groot, M^c. Dermott, Lacy, Sutton, and Craig (7).

The Chairman declared the resolution lost.

Mr. James Robinson who was co-opted a member of the Board on the 6th Dec. in room of Mr. Joseph Coghlan was introduced to the meeting.

Mr. Craig handed in the following protest: "I protest against Mr. James Robinson acting as a Commissioner of this Board he not being duly elected as such Commissioner."

"Thomas Craig"

Mr. Robinson made his statutory declaration, but he did not take any part in the subsequent proceedings of the meeting.

Election of Town Clerk.

There were thirteen applicants for the office and amongst those the following four gentlemen were proposed, namely, Mr. Patrick M^c. Donnell by Mr. James Hennessy, Mr. Thomas M^c. Cann by Mr. M^c. Dermott, Mr. Con Doherty by Mr. Breslin J.P. and Mr. Charles Bryan by Alderman Cochrane, J.P.

It was decided that the voting should be open, and that the first candidate who first secured an absolute majority should be elected.

The voting was as follows:

For Mr. M^c. Donnell: Alderman Cochrane, Messrs. Lacy, Dunne, Mooney, Sutton, Hennessy, Mayne, and Davis (8).

For Mr. M^c. Cann: Alderman Cochrane,

Messrs Breslin, De Groot, M^c Dermott, Lacy, and Craig (6). For M^r: Doherty: Alderman Cochrane, Messrs Breslin, De Groot, Craig (4)
For M^r: Bryan: Alderman Cochrane, Messrs Breslin, De Groot, M^c Dermott, Lacy, Craig (6).

The Chairman declared M^r: Patrick M^c Donnell duly elected.

M^r: M^c Donnell was then introduced to the meeting and informed by the Chairman of the result. The Chairman read for him the two paragraphs relating to the bond &c which had previously been added to the minutes of the meeting of 13th December. M^r: M^c Donnell expressed his consent, and briefly thanked the Board for his election.

Alderman Cochrane moved and M^r: M^c Dermott seconded that the Solicitor to the Board be instructed to prepare the necessary Bond.

Passed unanimously.

M^r: Keogh accordingly took charge of M^r: M^c Donnell's letter which gave the names of the proposed Sureties.

Alderman Cochrane moved and M^r: Mooney seconded that the Sureties proposed by M^r: M^c Donnell be approved of
Passed unanimously.

A letter was read from Martin Langton Esq. and M^r: Hennessy proposed and Alderman Cochrane seconded.

That the letter of M^r: Langton be inserted on the minutes and the question of accepting his resignation be postponed until after the decision of the Court of Queen's Bench

be given

Passed.

The following is the text of the letter:

5 Linsboro' Road
Bray 11th Dec: 1886.

Sir,

Be good enough to inform the Board of Commissioners that I cannot receive from them payment of the amount due to me for goods supplied by my shopmen to employees of the Commissioners.

I have been advised by my Solicitor that it was illegal of me to permit goods to be supplied without having received payment for the same on delivery.

I was misled by the fact that your Board passed a resolution forbidding such dealings and afterwards passed a second resolution rescinding their former one. I may add that M^r: Craig one of your Commissioners while acting as Chairman between October 1884 and October 1885 not only acquiesced in these transactions with me and others but also actually initialled the accounts and signed the cheques for such payments.

M^r: Craig being a Solicitor I naturally expected that his action would be legal and proper: I now find to my surprise that acting for M^r: Breslin he has issued a Writ to recover from me penalties for transactions precisely similar to those which he himself authorized and completed.

I leave the people of Bray to judge of his conduct in the matter and I have to ask you to lay before your Board this letter by which I release the Commissioners