

1 per cent; and that the words "not exceeding one per cent" be omitted from said resolution, which is hereby also <sup>further</sup> amended by inserting the words "or after" between 'on' and '15<sup>th</sup> December 1892

Town Hall Wicklow  
16<sup>th</sup> December 1897

Your Redeemable Stock Committee met this evening and have directed your Town Clerk to proceed to Bray on tomorrow 17<sup>th</sup> Inst. and to instruct Mr Mac Donnell to draft a letter to the Directors of the Hibernian Bank accepting their terms and if necessary wait on the Bank and obtain from them a final arrangement

Signed Thomas O'neil, Chairman  
Frank McHail  
Edward N. Wynne  
William Desais

Proposed by Mark Byrne, seconded by John Neill and resolved - "That the Report of the Redeemable Stock Committee be confirmed and adopted"

Wicklow 3<sup>rd</sup> January 1898

Gentlemen,

I respectfully beg to report that during the past month the Public Lighting of the Town was well maintained. The Scavenger was careful and attentive to his duties. I made usual inspections during the month and served four notices under the Public Health Act for abatement of nuisance - The Medical Officers attention I have directed to some Sanitary matters

I have the honor to be &c  
Michael Doyle Sub San Officer

Read Waterworks caretakers Report showing the reservoir is two inches <sup>done</sup> of overflow and enumerating certain works during the month, also drawing the attention of the Board to the state of the hose and that he would be cleaning the filtering beds this month.

Resolved "That the Waterworks Overseers Report be referred to the Waterworks Committee"

Woodlawn Killarney 31<sup>st</sup> 12<sup>o</sup> 97

Mr F.W.M. Thail

Sir,

I have just received the enclosed resolution from the Chairman of North Ballinacore Presentment Sessions. There is also one in my Office which was passed at Skillelagh Sessions on the same subject. See that the resolution passed at the last Harbour Board Meeting is brought before the Town Commissioners Meeting on Monday and get a resolution passed giving the Harbour Commissioners similar authority to credit the Barones with so much of the £384 promised them as is available each year as was given to the Board of Works. You should read the letter from the Board of Works to the Meeting showing that the Board do not see their way to carry out the wish of both Commissioners but say there is nothing to prevent the Harbour Commissioners giving effect to this desire on their part - If this resolution is passed I would on my return consult with the Commissioners of Public Works as to the best form of said authority and then submit a draft of it to the Town Commissioners for their approval or alteration - I am most anxious that we should show the Barones that in every step we wish to act in a straightforward and bona fide manner towards them and to keep full faith with our promises

Yours faithfully  
E. N. Wynne

The resolution I refer to is not matter for a notice of motion for it arises out of the correspondence coming from the Harbour Board, and the authority has already been unanimously granted to the Board of Works, and you read their reply.

Ballyshemane House Rathdrum  
Wicklow 27<sup>th</sup> December 1897

Dear Sir,

I request that you bring the enclosed before the next meeting of your Board

Yours truly  
Albert A. Bourke Esq.

The Chairman  
Wicklow Harbour Commissioners



Proposed by Albert A. Bourke, Seconded by Henry Saul "That having observed that the Board of Works do not see their way to comply with the request of the Wicklow Harbour Commissioners with regard to crediting the guaranteeing Baronies with a certain amount of the net income of the Harbour. We the Magistrates and Cesspayers at North Ballinacor Presentment Sessions request the said Harbour Board to take steps to secure that the guaranteeing Baronies get the benefit of the £9000 which they were distinctly promised by said Board and which the Board of Works state there is nothing to prevent the Harbour Commissioners doing themselves

Passed unanimously

17. 12. 97

Albert A. Bourke (Chairman)

Read a similar resolution passed at the Shillelagh Presentment Sessions and signed by Francis F. Brady JP. Chairman.

Harbour Commissioners Office  
Wicklow 1st January 1898

To the Chairman &  
Town Commissioners of Wicklow

Gentlemen,

I am directed by the Harbour Commissioners of Wicklow to forward you copy of a resolution unanimously adopted at their meeting held on 13th December ultimo:

Proposed by Mr Edward M. Wynne, Seconded by Mr Patrick Fadin and unanimously resolved "That this Harbour Board hereby desire the Wicklow Town Commissioners to give to this Board a similar authority to credit the guaranteeing Baronies with the annual amount (namely £384 or so much thereof as is available) as was given to the Board of Public Works but which said Board state there is nothing to prevent the Harbour Commissioners from carrying out the object of their resolution on this subject; they the Board of Works are not in a position to do so

I am gentlemen  
Your Obedt Servant  
Francis W. MacPhail  
Harbour Secretary.

Resolved, "That the resolutions of the Baronial Sessions and Harbour Commissioners be adjourned until Mr Wynne is present at a meeting to explain the matter contained in said resolutions"

Wicklow 30th December 1897

Mr Thomas Darcy J.C.

Dear Sir,

Being unable to attend the meetings of the Town Commissioners for some time I beg to place my resignation in your hands

Yours truly

John Passant

P.S.

In order to save time I may add it will be useless asking me to reconsider above. D.P.

Proposed by Thomas Darcy, Seconded by Patrick Fadin and unanimously resolved "It is with great regret we are obliged to comply with Mr John Passant's request by accepting his resignation as a Member of this Board. We hope that in the near future he will again be able to lend his valuable assistance in advancing the interest of the Township"

21 St Andrew St Dublin

14th December 1897

Dear Sir.

Wicklow Township Property

Having considered copy of resolution which you were good enough to leave with us today we beg to state that before we could give an idea of what the expense would be in connection with the proposed work you should let us have full particulars and date of Charter etc

Yours faithfully

Casey & Co

F. W. MacPhail  
Town Clerk

Local Government Board Dublin  
16th December 1897

Sir,

I am directed by the Local Government Board for Ireland to return herewith duly confirmed, the Bye Laws made by the Wicklow Urban Sanitary Authority for the regulation of Whirligigs, Springs etc and I am to request that the Board may be furnished with two copies thereof printed as confirmed

H. J. Mac Sheahan, Assistant-Secretary



General Post-Office Dublin  
9<sup>th</sup> December 1897

Sir,

With reference to your letter of the 21<sup>st</sup> October, I beg leave to state for the information of the Wicklow Town Commissioners that the matter has been carefully enquired into, but it is found with regret that the circumstances would not warrant the erection of a letter box either opposite the Grand Hotel, Wicklow or in Ballyguile.

I am Sir etc

R. C. Day, pro Secretary.

Proposed by Patrick Padiu, seconded by Joseph Mc Garrall and unanimously resolved "That owing to the very unsatisfactory letter received from the Secretary of General Post-Office with regard to the postal letter receivers in Abbey St and Convent Wall (Bay View Terrace Road) we instruct our Town Clerk to write a strong letter to the Post Master General requesting him to investigate same with a view of having the wants of the neighbourhood supplied."

Chambers & Upper Ormond Quay  
Dublin 16<sup>th</sup> December 1897

Dear Sir,

Wicklow Town Commissioners  
Sports Committee Lease

We are in receipt of yours of the 10<sup>th</sup> Inst. As to rights over the Murrrough we beg to point out that the policy of the Commissioners hitherto and which was a wise policy was not to admit any such rights and they have on more than one occasion contested the matter. We think that of the three rights mentioned only one namely the road or pathway to the Chemical Works but the Commissioners can grant a lease subject to all rights and easements which legally exist.

To answer your questions in order No 1. This is a matter of the merest detail. The boundaries in the report are not intended for any other purpose than the temporary purposes of the report and we would require a map to be endorsed on the Lease. No 2 & 3. The Commissioners can grant a lease subject to all rights of way and easements which legally exist. They cannot give power to divert any lawful existing right of way. No 5 The Commissioners must leave us to devise a method when drafting the Lease to meet this objection. No 7 & 8 same remark. We think a practicable lease following the Commissioners instructions to the letter is not possible but if the Commissioners give us a free hand we think a lease can be prepared which will meet the approval of all parties concerned. No reason has been alleged to us why the Commissioners have not power to grant a lease of the Murrrough in the same manner as they lease the other Township Property.

To Mr. William Rogers  
Wicklow

Toomey & Toomey

Proposed by Patrick Padiu, seconded by Peter O'Brien and unanimously adopted "That having heard read our Solicitors letter on the question of leasing a portion of the Murrrough for the purposes of a recreation ground: we are of opinion that the Commissioners themselves should render available the entire space for public recreation and extra military training ground. To carry this into effect the following are appointed a Committee— Messrs Neill, McPhail, Padiu, Haskins, O'Brien, Lees, the Chairman, Agent and Town Clerk, with power to clear, level and improve the ground as they think necessary. Tenders for the work will be subject to approval of the Board at a special meeting to be convened for the purpose."

Chambers & Upper Ormond Quay  
Dublin 17<sup>th</sup> December 1897

Dear Sir,

Wicklow Town Commissioners Township Rate

Referring to our interview of the 14<sup>th</sup> Inst. we beg to say in our opinion the apportionment of the rate is correct but it would be advisable that Mr. Matheson should be asked to settle the documents you left with us. We have however done this to the best of our ability and send you therefore

No 1 Form of Receipt Settled  
2 " Warrant  
3 " Application

We also return you signed Estimate of local rate and resolution at foot

Yours truly  
J. W. McPhail. Toomey & Toomey

Proposed by Patrick Padiu, seconded by Frank McPhail and unanimously resolved—"That we confirm the Chairmans direction to Messrs Toomey & Toomey authorising them to obtain the assistance of Mr. Matheson L.C. in preparing the necessary documents connected with the Local Rate"

Read letter from Mr. Northey dated Dec 20<sup>th</sup> 1897 stating the matter has our attention

Read Second letter from Mr. Northey enclosing Cheque value £3.10/- for supply of water to the Works for the time used at previous rent.—  
Dec 24<sup>th</sup> 1897,



## Catholic University Question

Catholic University  
Stephens Green Dublin  
Dec 14<sup>th</sup> 1897

Dear Mr. Chairman,

We enclose a copy of resolutions, to be proposed at a Public Meeting which will be held at the Mansion House, Dublin, on the 11<sup>th</sup> January 1898 at 4 p.m. on the subject of Catholic University Education in Ireland.

If these resolutions should meet with the approval of your Body, we are requested by the Committee in charge of the arrangements to ask that they would express that approval in a formal resolution and appoint Delegates to attend the Meeting. We should feel obliged by your sending the resolution to us as soon as possible.

We are, Dear Sir

Yours Faithfully

A. Birmingham, M.P.

Daniel F. Browne

Michael F. Cox M.P.

Charles Dawson

Charles F. Doyle

Hon

Secs

Proposed by Thomas O'arcy Seconded by Patrick Padiu and resolved: "That we the Commissioners of the Town of Wicklow, hereby resolve to adopt the recent declarations of the Irish Catholic Laymen on the subject of University Education and that we direct our Town Clerk to insert in our minutes the resolutions as set out in circular letter to be adopted at a meeting to be held at the Mansion House on 11<sup>th</sup> Instant and further that we call on the Government to interpose no further delay in dealing with this urgent and important question and on our County Members to use every effort to press it forward."

Proposed by Mark Byrne, Seconded by John Neill and resolved "That we appoint a Deputation from this Board to attend Meeting at the Mansion House Dublin on the 11<sup>th</sup> Instant at 4 p.m. to advance the subject of Catholic University Education in Ireland and that the following Commissioners act as Delegates Messrs O'arcy, Padiu and O'Brien"

## Copy of Resolutions referred to in Commissioners resolution

"That it is the constitutional right of all British subjects to adopt whatever system of Collegiate or University Education they prefer."

"That perfect religious Equality involves Equality in all Educational advantages afforded by the State."

"That a large number of Irishmen are at present precluded from the enjoyment of University Education, honours, and emoluments, on account of conscientious religious opinions regarding the existing systems of Education."

"That we therefore demand such a change in the system of Collegiate and University Education as will place those who entertain these conscientious objections on a footing of Equality with the rest of their fellow-countrymen as regards Colleges, University honours and emoluments, University Examination, government, and representations"

Read letter from Mr. Bernard Manning dated 10<sup>th</sup> December 1897 stating that the subject of providing a Cemetery for Wicklow District has been referred to the Wicklow Dispensary Committee.

Read a letter from the Technical Education Association for Ireland enclosing the following resolution—

"That we consider the immediate establishment of a central organisation to foster Agriculture and Industries with the aid of State Funds as essential for the preservation of Irish Agriculture and Industries, and that in case the Government are unable to pass a Bill this Session dealing with the subject, we call upon His Excellency the Lord Lieutenant to establish such an Organisation by Charter"

Proposed by Patrick Padiu, Seconded by Peter O'Brien and resolved "That we the Town Commissioners of Wicklow hereby resolve to adopt the resolutions of the Technical Education Association and direct that a copy of same be forwarded to the Lord Lieutenant, Chief Secretary and Mr. James O'Connor M.P."



Proposed by Alexander Flynn, Seconded by Frank McPhail and unanimously resolved "That we the Town Commissioners of Wicklow hereby adopt the resolutions of the Irish Cattle Traders and Stockowners Association and direct that copies of same be forwarded to Lord Salisbury, Lord Lieutenant and Chief Secretary"

Read fine letters from the War Authorities in reference to the supply of water to the Artillery Barracks

Proposed by Patrick Padin, Seconded by Alexander Flynn and unanimously resolved "That our Town Clerk be directed to write to the War Authorities and inform them that the Agreement is necessary and that we require one"

Proposed by John Neill, Seconded by Mark Byrne and unanimously resolved "That Denis Bruen's Tender of £3. 15/- for cleaning the streets month of January be accepted on the usual conditions"

Thos Darcy Chairman  
Feb 17<sup>th</sup> 1898

Town Hall Wicklow  
3<sup>rd</sup> January 1898

A special meeting of the Town Commissioners was held this evening in pursuance to a requisition signed by Messrs Frank McPhail, John Neill, Walter Roche, John Shaw, Robert Lees, Nicholas H. Haskins, Gerald Byrne, Andrew Finlayson, Thomas Kavanagh, Mark Byrne and Thomas Darcy Chairman: To transact the following business viz:

To open Tenders for Wicklow Town 3 $\frac{1}{4}$  per cent Redeemable Debenture Stock and allot same in accordance with the terms of the Prospectus and Local Government Board Consent Order: Also to make arrangements with Mr Luscombe as to discharging his Mortgage, and if necessary, pay him amount of same:

Members present Mr Thomas Darcy Chairman Messrs Patrick Padin, John Neill, Alexander Flynn, Frank McPhail, Peter O'Brien, Walter Roche, Mark Byrne, Nicholas H. Haskins, John Phillips & Gerald Byrne

On the motion of the Chairman. "The Tenders for Stock were opened and entered in Allotment Book viz: —

No	Date	Name	Address	Amt Stock Tendered for	Price per Cent Offered	Amt Stock allotted	Deposit Lodged
1	Dec 29	Louise Ellen L. Smythe.	20 Herbert St. Dublin.	£ 200	£ 102 <sup>s</sup>	£ 200	£ 20 <sup>s</sup>
2	"	Thomas Campbell.	11 Vesey Place. Kingstown.	£ 500	£ 103 "	500	50 "
3	" 30	Robert Butcher Longan.	Dungarvan, Co. Waterford.	£ 350	102 "	350	35 "
4	"	John G. Nutting.	16 Bachelors Walk. Dublin.	£ 3000	102.1	3000	300 "
5	"	Francis B. Gregg	Church St. Wicklow.	£ 100	102 "	100	10.4
6	"	William Desais	Main St. Wicklow	£ 250	102 "	250	125 "
7	"	Philip Condren	Castle St. Little Bray	£ 300	102 "	300	30 "
8	"	John C. Luscombe	Dundrum House. Dundrum.	£ 11,764.14	102 "	11,764.14	
9	"	Guinness Mahon & Co	17 College Green. Dublin	£ 20,500	102	✓	✓
Francis W. MacPhail.. Town Clerk..							



Mr. Tooke. C. Luscombe tendered and wrote offering to convert his £12,000  $4\frac{1}{2}$ % Mortgage into £11,764. 14/-  $3\frac{1}{4}$ % per cent Wicklow Town Redeemable Stock and a letter was also read from Messrs Collis & Ward in the same matter:

The offers and tenders being considered highly satisfactory the Town Clerk was directed to acquaint the parties that their offers were accepted and first dividend for full half years interest would be paid on 1<sup>st</sup> July next:

Messrs Guinness Mahon & Co. underwriting tender for £20,500 at £102. Subject to discount or underwriting Commission of £1. 17. 0 on whole amount so as to leave Commissioners £100. 3/- and enable them to issue at £102 per cent was also submitted and approved and there remained £4035. 6/- to be allotted to underwriters or their nominees:

It was ordered that Messrs Guinness Mahon & Co. should be advised that after 17<sup>th</sup> or 18<sup>th</sup> January 1898 all payments would be made of balance in such amounts and at such times as might suit the convenience of the Commissioners or be mutually agreed upon:

All matters connected with consolidation scheme were considered satisfactory and the Town Clerk was directed to convene a special meeting of the Commissioners to be held on Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> January 1898 at the hour of Eleven o'clock a.m. to confirm all proceedings and resolutions having reference to Stock and pass such resolutions as might be necessary in repaying off outstanding Mortgages, Expenses etc.:

The Town Clerk was further directed to <sup>write to</sup> the Board of Public Works referring them to the Notice of Repayment (dated 20<sup>th</sup> September 1897) of certain outstanding Loans and to enquire what amount of money they would require say on the 16<sup>th</sup> proximo for redemption of the outstanding Mortgages; viz:

- (1) Amt of principal money outstanding
- (2) Amt of fine to be paid for redemption
- (3) Amt of interest which will be due on 16<sup>th</sup> proximo

and to request an immediate reply: —

Proposed by Thomas Darcy, seconded by Patrick Padin and unanimously resolved "That Messrs Collis & Ward and Mr. Luscombe be advised that the offer to accept £11,764. 14/- Wicklow Debenture Stock will be accepted and interest at  $3\frac{1}{4}$ % per cent will be paid on that amount on 1<sup>st</sup> July 1898 and that the Board of Works be asked to state whether

they will be prepared to accept payment of their Mortgages on say 16<sup>th</sup> day of February proximo and that the consideration of Tenders for Stock be reconsidered at Special meeting of the Commissioners to be held on 18<sup>th</sup> Inst to affirm and adopt resolution creating £20,500 Wicklow Town Redeemable Debenture Stock" —

Thos Darcy Chairman  
Feb 7<sup>th</sup> 1898



Town Hall Wicklow  
18<sup>th</sup> January 1898

A special meeting of the Town Commissioners was held this day in pursuance to the following requisition:

Wicklow 4<sup>th</sup> January 1898

To the Town Clerk

Wicklow:

"Public Health Acts (Amendment) Act, 1890."

"Please convene a Special meeting of the Wicklow Town Commissioners to be held in the Town Hall Wicklow at 11 o'clock a.m. on Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> day of January 1898 for the purpose of confirming and adopting resolution creating £20,500 Wicklow Town £3 1/4 per cent Redeemable Debenture Stock pursuant to Local Government Board Consent Order No 42, 247 and to pass such resolutions as may be necessary in reference to paying off outstanding Mortgages, Expenses etc

Signed John Phillips, S. Mason Kent, John Neill,  
Nicholas H. Haskins, Frank McPhail, Peter O'Brien,  
Walter Roche, John Shaw, Peter Loolett, Thomas  
Karanagh, Andrew Finlayson, Gerald Byrne, Mark  
Byrne and Thomas Darcy" Chairman "

Members present at above meeting Mr Thomas <sup>Darcy</sup> Chairman, John Neill,  
Thomas Karanagh, Mark Byrne, Andrew Finlayson, Samuel M. Kent,  
Robert Lees, Walter Roche, Peter O'Brien, Edward M. Wynne, Patrick  
Padiu, Gerald Byrne, Nicholas H. Haskins, Alexander Flynn:

Proposed by Patrick Padiu, Seconded by Samuel M. Kent and unanimously resolved "That we the Town Commissioners of Wicklow being the Sanitary Authority of the Urban Sanitary District of the Town of Wicklow at a meeting of our body specially convened for the purpose and holden in the Town Hall Wicklow on Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> day of January 1898 at the hour of 11 o'clock in the forenoon: hereby confirm and adopt resolutions of 16<sup>th</sup> December 1897 and 3<sup>rd</sup> January 1898 creating and having reference to the Wicklow Town £3 1/4 per cent Redeemable Debenture Stock and resolved first:

"That with the Consent of the Local Government Board for Ireland and subject to the regulations of that Board prescribed under the Public Health Acts (Amendment) Act 1890 and pursuant to Consent Order No 42, 247: 1897: We the Said Town Commissioners of Wicklow do hereby in exercise of our powers create Stock to be called "The Wicklow Town 3 1/4 per cent Redeemable Debenture Stock and to be issued to an amount which shall be sufficient for the following purposes but not exceeding £20,500 (Twenty thousand five hundred pounds):

[A] For raising the following sums (amounting in the aggregate to the sum of £2,540 which has not been raised) viz: -

- |  |        |   |
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| (1) Erection of Houses for Working classes | £ 1700 | } |
| (2) Erection of Houses for Working classes | 840    |   |

[B] For raising the sum of £16,950 5 6 for paying off or redeeming the following Statutory Securities viz: -

- |  |                |
|--|----------------|
| (3) Construction of Waterworks         | £ 4104 " 0 " 0 |
| (4) Sanitary Works                     | 540 " 0 " 0    |
| (5) Sanitary Works                     | 66 " 13 " 4    |
| (6) Sanitary Works                     | 163 " 18 " 1   |
| (7) New Meter for Waterworks           | 75 " 14 " 1    |
| (8) Improvement of the Town of Wicklow | 12000 " 0 " 0  |

(C) For paying fine levied by Her Majesty's Treasury for in respect of redemption of Loans advanced through Board of Works (Ireland) and paying expenses of consolidation of Debts and Scheme including an underwriting Commission etc contracted by Redeemable Stock Committee etc: £1009 " 14 " 6

And that "The Wicklow Town Redeemable Debenture Stock" be from time to time or forthwith issued to realize the amount of £20,500, aforesaid shall: - (A) [Bear interest at the rate of £3 1/4 5 0 per cent per annum on the nominal amount of such Stock payable by Equal half yearly dividends on the 1<sup>st</sup> day of July and 1<sup>st</sup> day of January in each year, the first of such half yearly dividends (for such amount as may have been previously allotted and paid for) to be paid on the 1<sup>st</sup> day of July 1898: -

(B) Be issued at not less than par that is to say £100 for every nominal amount of £100 Stock: -



(C) Redeemable at par that is to say at the price of £100 for every nominal amount of £100 Stock on the 15<sup>th</sup> day of December 1957 or at the option of the Wicklow Town Commissioners on or after the 15<sup>th</sup> day of December 1922 ©

And that after the first issue of Redeemable Stock the Commissioners shall be entitled to charge the following fees:—

On original issue of Stock certificate	£	2	6
" Any new	"	2	6
" Transfer including	"	5	0
" Any issue of certificate to Bearer in respect to every ten pounds of Stock specified therein	"	"	6
" Re Entry in Stock Register of Stock specified in Stock certificate to Bearer	"	5	"

That the said Stock be transferable by deed and that the Debenture Stock created and to be issued by virtue of this resolution shall so far as relates to the payment of dividends rank pari passu with all Redeemable Stock which may be issued pursuant to any Statutory borrowing power by the Commissioners and there shall not be any priority or preference between the different issues of any such Redeemable Stock all of which shall form one and the same class of Stock: ©

Proposed by Peter O'Brien, seconded by Mark Byrne and unanimously resolved

"That all the proceedings of the Redeemable Stock Committee be confirmed including their acceptance of Messrs Guinness Mahon & Co offer to underwrite the issue at £102 per cent for a commission of £1" 17" 0 the Commissioners to receive all premiums at or over £102 and underwriters their commission on entire issue."—

Thos Darcy Chairman  
Feb 7/98

WICKLOW TOWN £3 5s. PER CENT. REDEEMABLE DEBENTURE STOCK.  
RESOLUTION OF WICKLOW TOWN COMMISSIONERS ADOPTING SAID STOCK.

At a meeting of the Wicklow Town Commissioners, being the Sanitary Authority of the Urban Sanitary District of Wicklow, specially convened for the purpose, the following Resolution was unanimously adopted:—

Resolved: That we, the Town Commissioners of Wicklow, being the Sanitary Authority of the Urban Sanitary District of the Town of Wicklow, at a Meeting of our body specially convened for the purpose, and holden in the Town Hall, Wicklow, on Tuesday 18th day of January, 1898, at the hour of Eleven o'clock, in the forenoon: hereby confirm and adopt resolutions of 16th December, 1897, and 3rd January, 1898, creating and having reference to the Wicklow Town £3 5s. per cent. Redeemable Debenture Stock, and resolve first:—

"That with the Consent of the Local Government Board for Ireland, and subject to the regulations of that Board, prescribed under the Public Health Acts Amendment Act, 1890, and pursuant to Consent Order No. 42,247, 1897, we, the said Town Commissioners of Wicklow, do hereby in exercise of our powers create stock to be called 'The Wicklow Town 3½ per cent. Redeemable Debenture Stock,' and to be issued to an amount which shall be sufficient for the following purposes, but not exceeding £20,500 (Twenty thousand, five hundred pounds):—

- (A) For raising the following sums (amounting in the aggregate to the sum of £2,540, which has not been raised) viz:—
- |  |        |
|--|--------|
| (1) Erection of houses for working classes | £1,700 |
| (2) Erection of houses for working classes | 840    |
- (B) For raising the sum of £16,950 5s. 6d. for paying off or redeeming the following statutory securities, viz:—
- |  |            |
|--|------------|
| (3) Construction of Waterworks         | £4,104 0 0 |
| (4) Sanitary Works                     | 540 0 0    |
| (5) Sanitary Works                     | 66 13 4    |
| (6) Sanitary Works                     | 163 18 0   |
| (7) New Meter for Waterworks           | 75 14 1    |
| (8) Improvement of the town of Wicklow | 12,000 0 0 |

(C) For paying fine levied by Her Majesty's Treasury for in respect of redemption of Loans advanced through Board of Works (Ireland) and paying expenses of consolidation of debts and scheme, including an underwriting commission, etc. contracted by Redeemable Stock Committee, £1,009 14s. 6d.

And that "The Wicklow Town Redeemable Debenture Stock" be from time to time or forthwith issued to realise the amount of £20,500 aforesaid shall:—

- (A) Bear interest at the rate of £3 5s. per cent. per annum, on the nominal amount of such stock, payable by equal half-yearly dividends on the 1st day of July, and 1st day of January in each year; the first of such half-yearly dividends (for such amount as may have been previously allotted and paid for) to be paid on the 1st day of July, 1898—
- (B) Be issued at not less than par, that is to say, £100 for every nominal amount of £100 stock.
- (C) Be redeemable at par; that is to say, at the rate of £100 for every nominal amount of £100 stock on the 15th day of December, 1957, or at the option of the Wicklow Town Commissioners on or after the 15th day of December, 1922.

And that after the first issue of Debenture Stock the Commissioners shall be entitled to charge the following fees:—

	s.	d.
On original of Stock Certificate	2	6
" Any new	2	6
" Transfer including	5	0
" Any issue of certificate to bearer in respect to every Ten Pounds of Stock specified therein	"	6
" Re Entry in Stock Register of Stock specified in Stock Certificate to bearer	5	0

That the said Stock be transferable by deed, and that the Debenture Stock created and to be issued by virtue of this resolution shall so far as relates to the payment of dividends rank pari passu with all Debenture Stock which may be issued pursuant to any Statutory Borrowing Powers by the Commissioners, and there shall not be any priority or preference between the different issues of any such Debenture Stock, all of which shall form one and the same class of Stock.

By Order,  
FRANCIS WILLIAM M'PHAIL,  
Town Clerk.

Dated this 18th day of January, 1898. (12)



Town Hall Wicklow  
24<sup>th</sup> January 1898

A special meeting of the Town Commissioners was held this evening in pursuance to a requisition signed by Peter Doolittle, Peter O'Brien, Thomas Karanagh, Andrew Finlayson, Gerald Byrne, John Phillips and Walter Roche: To transact the following business viz:

To make further allotments and to complete all matters in connection with the Redeemable Stock Scheme including the payment of expenses etc: —

Also to consider Tenders for improvements on Murragh: —  
Members present: Mr Thomas Darcy, Chairman Messrs Edward M. Wynne, Andrew Finlayson, Frank McPhail, Thos Karanagh, Mark Byrne, Walter Roche, Peter O'Brien and John Neill.  
Proposed by Mr Edward M. Wynne, seconded by Mr Thomas Darcy and unanimously resolved: — "That we direct our Town Clerk to write a letter of condolence to Mrs Passant expressing our great sympathy with her and family in the sad loss they have sustained through the death of our respected townsman Mr John Passant."

Proposed by Frank McPhail, seconded by Andrew Finlayson and unanimously resolved: — "That we the Town Commissioners attend the funeral of the late Mr John Passant on tomorrow and that we direct the Town Sergeant to carry the Mace, same to be draped as a token of sincere respect to his remains."

Read a letter from Mr Robert Lees regretting not being able to attend special meeting for the purpose of making arrangements to attend the late Mr John Passant's funeral and stating that he heartily approves of suggestion that the Commissioners attend in a body with the mace draped: —

Mr S. Mason Kent and Mr John Nolan through the Town Clerk expressed their regret at not being able to attend meeting, but that approve of the Commissioners attending the funeral in a body:

Town Hall Wicklow 24<sup>th</sup> January 1898

A special Finance Committee Meeting of the Town Commissioners was held this evening, To Finance Accounts in connection with the Redeemable Stock Scheme:

Having carefully gone into the items of the different accounts laid before us, we recommend the following be paid: —

W. F. Kennehy	Advertising Prospectus etc in "Daily Nation"	£ 6 " 0 " 0
James Carlyle	" " " " "Irish Times"	10 " 14 " 0
J. F. O'Connor	" " " " "Freemans Journal"	5 " 12 " 0
J. H. Parker	" " " " "Daily Express"	5 " 13 " 0
Daily Independent Printing Co	" " " " " "	5 " 17 " 0
Joseph Dollard	Debitors Stock Ledger	" 19 " 6
Charles Chambers	3 Ledgers, allotment, Transfer & Stock holders	4 " 19 " 0
Miss McPhail	Advertising Prospectus in "Wicklow NewsLetter"	} 28 " 14 " 6
	Printing Prospectus, Tender forms, Stationary etc	
John M. Walsh	Advertising Prospectus, Resolution etc in "Wicklow People"	8 " 4 " 0
Wicklow Star Co	Advertising Prospectus	5 " 18 " 0
W. Leckie & Co	Stock Certificates	" 15 " 0
Total		£ 83 " 6 " 0

We have received a Bill of Costs from Messrs Casey & Hay incurred in connection with the Redeemable Stock Scheme and we recommend that said account be taxed: —

Signed Thomas Darcy Chairman  
Walter Roche  
John Neill

Proposed by Andrew Finlayson, seconded by Thomas Karanagh and unanimously resolved: — "That the Report of the Special Finance Committee be confirmed and adopted and that cheques be drawn for the General Accounts": —



Proposed by Mark Byrne, seconded by Thomas Darcy and unanimously resolved: -

"That this meeting of the Wicklow Town Commissioners specially convened for the purpose hereby endorse all the proceedings of the Board and Redeemable Stock Committee in connection with the creation and issue of Wicklow Town £3. 5/- per cent Redeemable Debenture Stock and that the undermentioned allotments as made by the Redeemable Stock Committee be and are hereby confirmed and that Stock certificates therefor be sealed and issued: -

Name	Amount of Stock tendered for	Amt of Stock allotted
1 Louisa Ellen Lyster Smythe	£ 200	£ 200
2 Thomas Campbell	£ 500	500
3 Robert Toucher Longan	£ 350	350
4 John G. Nutting	£ 3000	3000
5 Francis B. Greff	£ 100	100
6 William Desaix	£ 250	250
7 Philip Gaudin	£ 300	300
8 Joke. C. Luscombe	£ 11764 " 14/-	11764 " 14/-
9 Guinness Mahon & Co	£ 20500	✓
10 Francis B. Greff	£ 100	100
11 Murrough O'Brien	£ 400	400
12 John Byrne Power	£ 100	100
13 Robert Darby Guinness	£ 700	700

"And that the balance of the Stock not now allotted be held over for order of Messrs Guinness Mahon & Co: -

Proposed by Frank McPhail, seconded by Walter Roche and unanimously resolved: "That in Mr Luscombe's case the Town Clerk forward <sup>him</sup> his certificate and that Mr Barboon of Messrs Somers & Somers' Office with Town Clerk and Agent be authorised to wait upon Mr Luscombe and take over the Mortgage Deed and all documents and other Securities named in or connected with said Mortgage: -

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18th January 1898

Proposed by Patrick Padiu,  
Seconded by John Neill.

and resolved "That we the members of the Murrough Improvements Committee direct that advertisements be issued inviting tenders for grubbing and clearing the entire inner Murrough of furze bushes and other surface refuse: -

Signed Patrick Padiu

John Neill

Frank McPhail

William Desaix

John O'Brien

Robert Lees

Nicholas H. Haskins

Thomas Darcy, Chairman,

Francis Wm McPhail, Town Clerk,

Jan 18th 1898:

Proposed by Edward M. Wigne, seconded by Walter Roche and unanimously resolved "That in order to show our respect for our late colleague and townsman Mr John Passant we now adjourn this meeting having finished only such business as was absolutely urgent and we hereby empower the Managing Committee to deal with the remaining business on our agenda paper: -

Thos Darcy Chairman.  
Feb 7/98



Town Hall Wicklow  
7<sup>th</sup> February 1898.

The usual monthly meeting of the Town Commissioners was held this day in pursuance to notice:

Members present: Mr Thomas Wacey Chairman Messrs John Neill, Gerald Byrne, Walter Roche, Edward N. Wynne, Frank McPhail, Mark Byrne, Nicholas H. Haskins, Peter Doolittle, Alexander Flynn, John Shaw, Patrick Radin, Thomas Kavanagh, Andrew Finlayson, Peter O'Brien, John Phillips and Robert Lees

The minutes of the former meetings were read over and ordered by the Board to be signed after which the following business was proceeded with:

- 1 - To Co-opt two Commissioners in the room of the late Mr John Passant and Mr William Greff:
- 2 - To fill vacancies on Finance and Managing Committee's:
- 3 - To consider Finance Committee's Report:
- 4 - To consider the advisability of appointing the Town Clerk Registrar of Stock, and to fix his salary for same:
- 5 - To consider resolution from <sup>Harbours</sup> Board - viz: "That this Board hereby desire the Wicklow Town Commissioners to give to this Board a similar authority to credit the Guaranteeing Barones with the annual amount (namely, £384 or so much thereof as is available) as was given to the Board of Public Works, but which said Board state there is nothing to prevent the Harbours Commissioners from carrying out the object of their resolution on this subject; they, the Board of Works, are not in a position to do so."
- 6 - Captain John Neill's Notice of Motion - I hereby give notice that I will move, at our next meeting, that the resolution of the 14<sup>th</sup> of October 1897 authorising the Board of Public Works to credit the Contributing Barones with the annual sum of £384 per annum out of the surplus Harbours Revenue, be rescinded, and that <sup>we</sup> substitute Section 5, Sub Section 2, A and B of the Wicklow Harbours <sup>Act</sup> Advances, 1897.
- 7 - Mr Wacey's Notice of Motion - I hereby give notice that I will move at our next meeting the advisability of inviting tenders for the construction of Cross Roads cottages, in accordance with plans, Specification and Estimate prepared by the late Mr James Price C.E.
- 8 - To consider Tenders for Improvements on Murragh:

- 9 - To consider miscellaneous correspondence:
- 10 - To consider Sanitary Officers Reports:
- 11 - To consider Waterworks Caretakers Report:
12. To consider Tenders for cleaning streets:

Proposed by John Shaw, Seconded by Peter Doolittle and resolved "That Mr David Haskins be Co-opted a Commissioner in the room of the late Mr John Passant."

Proposed by Nicholas H. Haskins, Seconded by Frank McPhail and resolved. "That Mr Edward Gleeson be Co-opted a member of this Board in the room of Mr William Greff."

Proposed by Frank McPhail, Seconded by Peter Doolittle and resolved. "That Mr Peter O'Brien be elected a member of the managing Committee to fill the vacancy now existing."

Proposed by John Shaw, Seconded by Peter Doolittle and resolved "That Mr Frank McPhail be elected a member of the Finance Committee to fill a vacancy now existing."

Town Hall Wicklow  
14<sup>th</sup> February 1898

Our Finance Committee met this evening and checked over accounts, books, and vouchers and found that during the past month there was lodged to our credit the following sums

Mr William Desaix	Agent	£ 74 . 10 . 5
F. W MacPhail	Town Clerk	8 . 11 . 1
Michael Doyle	Water Rate etc	8 . 12 . 8
Total		£ 92 . 1 . 2

Giving a Cr Balance of £ 131 . 9 . 4



We recommend the following payments

Francis W. Macphail	One months Salary	£5 " 0 " 0
Same	Petty Cash Outlay	7 " 6 " 8
Michael Doyle.	One months Salary	4 " 11 " 8
Edward O'Connor.	Witto	5 " 0 " 0
Denis Brien.	Tender cleaning streets	3 " 15 " 0
William Carroll.	Contract building breach in wall College St. and repairs to coping etc	5 " 10 " 0
Same	Contract taking down and building 17ft boundary wall between Kinsella & Byrnes premises	4 " 0 " 0
Edward Storey.	County Cess	" 9 " 4
Charles Toole	Repairs to gate on Kilmartin Hill	1 " 0 " 0
"Wicklow Star"	Advertising Times Market	" 6 " 0
Joseph Darcy.	Amount of account	11 " 15 " 1
Thomas Douglas.	County Cess	6 " 10 " 6
Wicklow Gas Co.	Am't of acct for Town Hall and Contract for repairs to fittings in Market Hall	4 " 13 " 3
Total to		<u>59 " 17 " 6</u>

With regard to the account furnished by Mr. Douglas for County Cess we have again to draw your attention to the fact of the houses being kept on his list that have fallen and which have been struck off by us repeatedly for the past two years, the same complaint arises with regard to Thomas Dowling Poor Rate Collector, we have deducted the premises referred to from their accounts and recommend that in future if such accounts are furnished that they do not be paid until an accurate statement is furnished.

We recommend that cheques be drawn from the Capital account to pay off Board of Works Loans £4868. 3. 7 and £657. 4/- penalty demanded by Treasury for redemption - With regard to the interest £60. 10. 6 due on 16<sup>th</sup> February 1898 it appears we cannot pay same out of the Capital Account, some satisfactory arrangements should therefore be made for the payment of this: We further recommend that a cheque be drawn in favour of John A. Rooney for the same £3. 10/-

Signed Thomas Darcy Chairman  
Edward N. Wynne  
John Keill

Proposed by Patrick Padiw, seconded by Nicholas H. Haskins and resolved -  
"That the Finance Committee's Report be confirmed and adopted"

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Office of Public Works Dublin  
12<sup>th</sup> January 1898.

Sir,

I am directed by the Commissioners of Public Works to refer to previous correspondence, on the subject of loans made to the Wicklow Town Commissioners and to observe that the letter of the 20<sup>th</sup> Sept-1897 was a notice from your Commissioners of an intention to repay their loans at par. It will be remembered that when, in reply, it was pointed out that this could not be done, and that payment should be made at the price current at the time of payment, the Wicklow Town Commissioners did not express concurrence with this decision and an intention to pay in accordance with it, but claimed exemption from the regulations as to repayment by anticipation.

The Board as at present advised, are not at liberty to accept the present notice to repay on the 16<sup>th</sup> February as sufficient; in view of the rule that a notice of three months must be given but they will inquire and will duly apprise you of the result. - There remains due as principal £4868. 3. 7, bearing interest (£60. 10. 6) to 16<sup>th</sup> February 1898.

When payment by anticipation takes place the price of local loans stock, seven days before the repayment, determines the exact amount required to redeem the loan - If the price of local loans stock seven days before repayment were at its present quotation - 113½ - the redemption of the loans would necessitate an additional payment of £657. 4. 0

I am Sir etc

H. Williams Secretary

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Office of Public Works Dublin 15<sup>th</sup> January 1898

Sir,

In further reference to your letter of the 5<sup>th</sup> Inst on the subject of the proposed repayment of loans by the Wicklow Town Commissioners, I am directed by the Commissioners of Public Works to inform you that they have now been empowered to accept on the 16<sup>th</sup> February anticipatory repayments on the terms laid down in their previous letters.

I am Sir etc

H. Williams, Secretary, -



Town Hall Wicklow  
7<sup>th</sup> February 1898

To the Chairman

& Town Commissioners of Wicklow

Gentlemen,

As the Wicklow Town Redeemable Debenture Stock is now in circulation it will be necessary for this Board to formally appoint a Registrar of your Stock. — As I have been conversant with the scheme from its inception and have had management of the Books and have same written to date I confidently expect that you will appoint me to said office. — The question of salary I entirely leave with your Board

I am gentlemen etc  
Francis W. McPhail. Town Clerk.

Proposed by Thomas Darcy, seconded by John Neill and resolved. — "That we hereby appoint our Town Clerk as Registrar of Stock at a salary of Fifty pounds per annum from this date, and that the fees be lodged to the credit of the Sanitary Authority."

Amendment proposed by Edward M. Wynne, seconded by Robert Lees "That a salary of £20 be given the Town Clerk as Registrar of the Redeemable Stock, that the fees allowed be lodged to credit of the Town Commissioners"

The Chairman having first put the Amendment thus voted as follows: For the Amendment Wynne, McPhail, Haskins, Doolittle, Shan and Lees (6) For the resolution and against the Amendment Messrs Neill, Gerald Byrne, Roche, Flynn, Padi, Kavanagh, O'Brien, Finlayson, Phillips and the Chairman (10): The Chairman then declared the resolution carried:

Mr Nicholas H. Haskins then handed in a "Notice of Motion" That the resolution appointing the Town Clerk as Registrar of Stock be rescinded at salary of £50 per annum: —

Collation Estate Office

Shillelagh Co Wicklow 30<sup>th</sup> Jan 1898

Dear Sir,

I hear that the matter as regards the Town of Wicklow guarantee towards Wicklow Harbour Loan will be before the Town Commissioners this week — I trust there will be no hesitation whatever in passing the resolution which is required so that the mistake in the Bill may be rectified at once and the pledge given by the Town Commissioners to the Baronies carried out to the letter — You will no doubt remember writing to me and asking for Lord Fitzwilliam's support in getting the

Baronies to join in the guarantee for the Harbour Loan. — I think I am not saying too much when I assert that it was in a great measure his Lordship's influence that prevailed on many Barony Representatives to vote in favour of further taxation — but Lord Fitzwilliam and I clearly understood that the Baronies were safeguarded by the Town Commissioners guaranteeing £100 a year being interest on £2,500 and the Harbour Board guaranteeing their Surplus Revenue so as to pay the interest on £9,000 — This we expect carried out no matter what mistakes or errors may have been made in the Bill — And I am certain you will write and tell me that as far as the Town Commissioners are concerned they have done their part:

Yours faithfully  
Frank Brooks

F. Wm Phail: Town Clerk:

To the Chairman and Town Commissioners of Wicklow  
Gentlemen,

We the undersigned Ratepayers of the Town of Wicklow have had under observation for the past three months, discussions at Town and Harbour Board Meetings, together with leaders in certain local papers in reference to the guarantee given by the Ratepayers of Wicklow: As we understand from the report of your last monthly meeting that the Harbour Board request you to relinquish our legal claim, we therefore respectfully demand you to preserve our rights in accordance with the Wicklow Harbour Advances Act 1897:

We most emphatically contend that at the Public Meeting of the Ratepayers of the Township of Wicklow held in the Town Hall on 16<sup>th</sup> June 1897 "It was resolved" That the Town of Wicklow should guarantee the interest on the sum of £2,500, or in other words, the payment of £100 per annum, provided that they were to have the first charge on the Surplus revenue of the Harbour, and have priority over all other claims on the Excess Harbour Revenue (See resolution public meeting 16<sup>th</sup> June 1897) and no mention was made of any other claim on the surplus revenue when seeking the support of the Wicklow Township Ratepayers, which has been fully borne out by the Act of Parliament passed last session. — We also beg to remind you that if the resolution as proposed by the Harbour Commissioners be adopted it will saddle the Ratepayers of this Town with an extra rate of 4<sup>d</sup> in the £ over and above the amount levied by the Grand Jury. — In the event of your betraying the trust reposed in you, we the undersigned shall consider at the next elections the advisability of electing men who will act just and fearlessly. —



We are Gentlemen William Magee Esq. Samuel Mathers, William Carragh, Irvine Johnston, George Waters, Samuel E. Pinn, Arthur Doolittle, Joseph Pinn, Michael Roney, Kate Caldwell, Richard Ost, Thomas Filchist, Denis Doyle, Patrick Hogan, James St. Halpin, J. J. Jellott, Peter Flood, James Flanagan, Joseph A. Mulhall, James P. Byrne, Andrew Kehoe, Thomas Gregory, Lew, Thomas Gregory, Dan, William White, William Greff, Charles J. Kerr, Francis Kennedy, David St. Haskins, Matthew MacDonald, Silas Stenens, S. St. Robb, Edward Kennedy: —

Proposed by Edward M. Wynne, seconded by Frank McPhail "That we the Town Commissioners of Wicklow as the first beneficiaries under the Wicklow Harbour Advances Act 1897 hereby authorize and request the Wicklow Harbour Commissioners (in accordance with the understanding with the Baronies guaranteeing the new consolidated <sup>Harbour</sup> Loan) to lodge with the County Treasurers to the credit of the said Baronies prior to Spring Assizes next so much of the sum of £192 as may be available, and henceforth in each month of June and December, during the continuance of this guarantee, to lodge in like manner such sums as shall amount to £384 annually, or so much thereof as shall be available in each year and we further direct that a copy of this resolution duly signed and sealed, be forwarded to the Wicklow Harbour Commissioners: —

Amendment proposed by John Keill, seconded by Peter O'Brien "That we the Town Commissioners of Wicklow refuse the request of the Wicklow Harbour Commissioners and that we insist on the Commissioners carrying out the Wicklow Harbour Advances Act 1897"

The Chairman having first put the Amendment thus voted as follows for Keill, O'Brien, Kavanagh & <sup>Padiu</sup> ~~Finlayson~~ (4) For the resolution: Wynne, McPhail, Haskins, Lees, Mark Byrne, Doolittle and Shaw (8) The Chairman then declared the resolution carried. —

Proposed by Patrick Padiu, seconded by Thomas Darcy and resolved. — "That we authorize the Managing Committee to advertise for Tenders for building Cross Roads cottages, same to be considered at next monthly meeting. —

Five Tenders were opened for Improvements on Murragh: William Doyle £205. 3. 11; Peter Flood £115; Edward Kylands £55; John Connor £30 and Thomas Doyle £28: —

Proposed by Patrick Padiu, seconded by Frank McPhail and resolved "That Thomas Doyle's Tender be accepted at £28, provided he gives security in £15 and sign an Agreement to carry out the work within two months to the satisfaction of the Managing Committee, a reasonable weekly allowance to be made same to be fixed by our Agent. —"

Main St. Wicklow Feb 4<sup>th</sup> 1898

Dear Mr. Macphail,

Will you please convey to the Chairman and Town Commissioners of Wicklow our sincere thanks for their very kind letter of sympathy to myself and family in our sad bereavement — Not only will his great loss be felt by us, but with all those with whom he came in contact

Believe me

Very faithfully yours

Enleem. S. Passant

Read letter from Collis Ward demanding underwriting commission of 5% per cent on Mr. Luscombe's £12,000

Resolved "That the reply as drafted by Messrs Toomey & Toomey, be forwarded to Messrs Collis Ward: —

Read Notice from Mr. Drury fixed fixing Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> February 1898 for Audit of Wicklow Town Commissioners accounts —

Read letter and resolution from the Wicklow National Teachers Association thanking our Chairman Mr. Darcy for the use of the Town Hall for their Meeting held on 29<sup>th</sup> Jan 1898: —

Read letter from Lord Salisbury acknowledging receipt of resolution in connection with an Irish Board of Agriculture and Veterinary College in Dublin. —

Read two letters from the Chief Secretary acknowledging receipt of resolution as above and also a further resolution in favour of the establishment of a central organisation to foster agriculture and industries —

Read two letters from the Lord Lieutenant acknowledging receipt of resolution on same subject —