

The Secretary read applications received from Messrs. James Byrne, Rocklag, Arklow; William M. Brennan, Tinnahinch, Ovoca; and Sergeant P. Byrne, Dunblane, in reply to the advertisement for a Rate Collector for No 14 Collecting District, in place of Collector James McAnanama, deceased.

WICKLOW COUNTY COUNCIL.
POOR RATE COLLECTOR WANTED.
THE above-named Council will, at its Quarterly Meeting to be held in the Courthouse, Wicklow, on the 10th December, 1900, proceed to appoint a Poor Rate Collector for the Electoral Divisions of Arklow No 1, Arklow No 2 and Arklow Rural, in the Rural District of Rathdrum, at a remuneration of 5s in the £, collected and lodged within the financial half-year. No poundage will be paid unless the entire amount of the warrant is lodged with the County Treasurer within its respective half-year; irrecoverable arrears, approved by the Local Government Board, will be refunded the Collector.
Written applications to be lodged in my Office not later than 11 o'clock on the morning of the Quarterly Meeting, and the names and addresses of the Applicant, and the names and addresses of two solvent sureties willing to enter into a joint bond for the due performance of the Collector's duties, in a sum of £1,000 or else the name of an approved Guarantee Society, willing to give a bond for the same purpose in a sum of £500.
By Order, EDWARD N. WYNNE,
Secretary to the County Council, Wicklow.
November 22, 1900. (p803)

Meeting, giving

A vote being taken, there voted:— For James Byrne:—
Councillors— E. C. Walsh, E. P. O'Kelly, W. Burke, M. Langton, M. Byrne, R. Norman Thompson, J. Dunne, D. J. Hogan, W. Costelloe, A. Mitcalfe, S. J. Doyle, M. Kelly, Viscount Milton, J. Sheppard, E. J. Byrne, J. McCarroll, R. P. Drought and T. Lawless— 18.
For W. M. Brennan:—
Councillors James Byrne, P. J. Carey, and W. G. Murphy.— 3

The Chairman, thereupon, declared James Byrne duly elected, and it was ordered that Warrants for collection be issued him on his lodging his Bond with the Secretary.

Secretary's Report.

To the County Council,
Wicklow.

Gentlemen,

Your Finance Committee recommend that the Council should meet in future in the Record Court. I would support this recommendation in the strongest manner. If adopted by the Council, I would ask that a short connection of tube be made from the Speaking Tube in the Secretary's Office to inside the door of the Record Court and the

room behind it, as it would be a very great assistance at Council Meetings.

There are two proposals to come before you to-day, one from Kaas, and one from Rathdrum, where the amounts and the matter of the original provisional proposals have been materially altered, contrary to the order.

The Books and the Financial Minutes for the last Quarterly Meeting have not yet been signed by the Council.

Collector Freyler has not yet closed his Collection. I have to mention that the payments for the Rural District of Shillelagh exceed the limit fixed for the expenditure on roads in that District.

I am,

Yours obediently,
E. N. Wynne

Secretary's Report.

On the Powers and Duties of the County Council under the Technical Instruction (Ireland) Act, 1899.

The County Council should prepare schemes for Agricultural and Technical Instruction, and for the promotion of industries for the County, and submit them to the Department.

Detailed estimates of all proposed expenditure must accompany all schemes forwarded to the Department, together with a statement of the amounts that will be available from local rates and fees of students, and the probable grants from the Science and Art Department.

The Council may depute this duty to a Committee, to be appointed under Section 14. In any case a Secretary must be appointed to communicate with the Department, and a Chairman appointed for each Committee.

The County Instruction Committee should consist partly of Members of the Council, and partly of co-opted Members representative of educational establishments in the County, or other persons specially qualified.

The Department is precluded from making or sanctioning grants, in the absence of special considerations, for schemes for which local aid is not forthcoming. The amount of local aid forthcoming will influence, in a large degree, the amount of the contribution from the funds at the disposal of the Department. The County Council should, therefore, at the beginning of the financial year, raise a rate for the purposes of the Act generally, and not necessarily for a particular scheme, and depute to the C. I. Committee the duty of applying portions of the sum raised to particular schemes.

Money provided by Local Authorities, or from other local sources, or applied by the Department for the purposes of Agricultural and Technical Instruction, may be expended for the following purposes:—

The provision of suitable buildings, either by hiring, purchasing, or building.

The alteration of existing buildings, so as to adapt them to the purpose.

The provision of farms, or plots of land, for agricultural school purposes.

The provision of land for experimental plots.

The payment of teachers, assistants, and expert advisers.

The provision of scholarships and exhibitions, tenable locally or otherwise.

The care and maintenance of buildings and equipment.

The payment of such expenses of administration as are approved by the Department.

In addition to the money applied locally for purposes previously enumerated, the Department will aid the promotion of Technical Instruction as follows:—

By supplying organizing inspectors to assist

local Committees in arranging instruction in any subject.

By supplying information, including plans of buildings, lists of apparatus, syllabus of courses, drawings of fittings, etc.

By supplying apparatus on loan.

By supplying lecturers and experts to give pioneer instruction in any locality.

By arranging for inspection and examination.

By providing instruction for teachers at suitable schools.

Each County Council receiving a grant from the Department must make a proportionate local contribution, by levying a rate, or by local subscriptions and donations. Where capital expenditure of any consequence is involved such as the purchase of school farms or premises, County Councils are entitled to borrow for the purposes of this Act.

I am,

Gentlemen,

Your obedient servant,

E. N. Wynne.

Order—Copy hereof to be sent to each County Councillor, the subject hereof to be considered at next Meeting.

County Surveyor's Report.

To the County Council
of the County Wicklow?
Gentlemen,

As the Statement for the Half year ended 30th September last must now be made out, I beg to call your attention to the necessity of having it prepared in a somewhat different manner to that in which the previous Statements have been prepared.

The Statement should be made out on the lines of the old Abstracts; that is, it should not only contain lists of payments that have been made, but those that are to come on for payment at each Quarterly Meeting for

the ensuing three quarters, so far as ascertainable.

In the Statements already published only the payments that have been made are given, and the absence of the latter information is the cause of great loss of time to myself and my assistants, and is liable to cause many errors.

The lists suggested should also show what amounts had been deferred, and what struck off in the previous half-year. All the above information was given in the old Abstract, and it is absolutely necessary that the present Statement should also contain it.

I also think that the names and addresses of the Sureties, or guarantors, should be given with each Contract. I beg to submit copies of Statements from other Counties, which give the information needed. I sent a copy of that for County Carlow, which seems to contain the required information, to your Secretary on 15th June last, with a letter, of which the following is a copy:—

Dear Sir,

I have just received the inclosed copy of the County Council Statement for County Carlow, and I think ours should be got out on same lines, as all concerned require the information contained in it. The abstract of payments to be made should embrace the three quarters ended 31st December next, as your Statement will be for Half-year ended 31st March last.

Yours faithfully
Carter Draper.

I did not receive any reply to above. I beg to report that Mr. Pansing, Assistant Surveyor, has met with a slight accident, which may possibly prevent him from completing his quarterly inspection within the proper time, so that I presume ^{that} you will sanction any special arrangements I may possibly have to make in the circumstances, as the matter is urgent.

I am, Gentlemen,
Your obedient Servant,
Carter Draper.

8th December, 1900.

Order— The Statement in future to be made out as in book produced from County Carlow. The County Surveyor to have work done in Mr. Pansing's absence, or disablement.

County Surveyor's Report.

To the Finance Committee
of the Wicklow County Council.
Gentlemen

With reference to Form 14 from Rathdrum Rural District Council, last Quarterly Meeting, dealing with payments for roads numbered 1 to 4 and 6 to 10 in Statement of Spring 1899, which roads are in the Wicklow Urban District, I beg to report as follows:—

The Grand Jury paid on each of these Contracts one-half the annual sum at Spring Assizes, 1899, in respect of the period commencing Summer Assizes, 1898. The Wicklow Urban District Council came into office 1st April, 1899, and took over the payments for these roads within their boundary from that date. The interval from Summer Assizes, 1898, to 1st April, 1899, was 251 days, which is 68½ days in excess of the half-year paid for by the Grand Jury.

The sums set down in Form 14 in these cases represent the amounts for this excess not paid for by the Grand Jury, and not included in the payments from 1st April, 1899, made by the Urban District. No claim was made by the Contractors concerned until shortly before the last Quarterly Meeting of the Rathdrum Rural District Council, but I have since been able to look into the matter, and there appears to be some difficulty about now discharging these amounts, having regard to Sec. 51. (7) of the Local Government Act. The amounts, too, being for a period prior to 1st April, 1899, would have been chargeable to the baronies of Arklow and Newcastle, in both of which the Wicklow Urban District was situated, and not to the present Rural District, which is of much larger area.

The certificate I gave on Form. 14 for the above payments was merely to bring the matter forward, and is only to be taken as showing the amounts unpaid to the several Contractors; but not as authorizing the payments to be made until the County Council obtain sufficient authority to do so, which I suppose the Local Government Board could give.

The total sum unpaid to the Contractors is £52-18-10, of which £14-16-9 was chargeable to the Barony of Arklow, and £38-2-1 to the Barony of Newcastle; so that the amount which should have been paid by the portions of the Baronies representing the present Wicklow Urban District is:—

Valuation of part of Arklow Barony in Urban District.	£14-16-9
together with — (Valuation of Arklow Barony)	
Valuation of part of Newcastle Barony in Urban District.	£38-2-1
(Valuation of Newcastle Barony)	

As this area was liable for the portion of the cost of keeping these roads for the 68½ days in question, in the proportion of its valuation to the valuations of the two Baronies, the rest of the sum, in the circumstances, might be charged to the present Rural District.

I beg to suggest that the matter be laid before the Local Government Board, with the view of their sanction being obtained to make the payments in question to the several Contractors, as it would be a hardship on them were they to lose this money.

I am, Gentlemen,
Your obedient Servant,
23rd November, 1900. Carter Draper.

Order — The Local Government Board be requested to sanction these payments.

Official Correspondence.

Office of Public Works, Custom House,
Dublin. 1st December, 1900.

Enclosing notice showing terms of repayment of the Loan granted to Rathdrum Guardians.

Dublin Castle
3rd December, 1900.

Order in Council varying the times for deposits under Tramways Acts.

No. 69,767: 1900. Local Government Board,
Wicklow County Dublin. 4th December, 1900.
Recommending Council to consult their Solicitor re County Payments on failure of Proposal Committee.

No 71, 183: 1900. Local Government Board,
Wicklow County Dublin. 5th December, 1900.
Sir,

With reference to your letter of the 3rd instant, on the subject, I am directed by the Local Government Board for Ireland to return the lists of arrears of Rate furnished by the Collectors to the Wicklow County Council; and I am to state that the Board assent to the items of rates set forth in these lists being declared irrecoverable on the grounds specified.

By Order of the Board
A. R. Barlas.

The Secretary
to the County Council, Wicklow.

No 68,526: 1900. Local Government Board,
Wicklow County Dublin. 24th November, 1900.

Re Scale of Election Expenses.
Proposed by — Councillor E. C. Walsh
Seconded by — " D. J. Coogan.
Resolved — That the printed copy of the

Scale of Expenses at Elections in Urban Districts, and of Town Commissioners, be signed and sealed and sent forward to the Local Government Board.

Passed.

No. 68,043: 1900

Local Government Board,
Dublin. 23rd November, 1900.

Correspondence re illegal alteration of - a Provisional Proposal in Rathdrum Rural District.

22nd November, 1900. Acknowledgement of Resolution forwarded the Prime Minister.

23rd November, 1900. No 21,683. Acknowledgement of Resolution forwarded the Chief Secretary for Ireland.

23rd November, 1900. No. 21,807. Acknowledgement of Resolution forwarded the Lord Lieutenant.

No 215 M/1900.
Miscellaneous.

Local Government Board,
Dublin. 28th November, 1900.

Inclosing notice of intention to issue an Order fixing County-at-Large Charges from which Urban Districts should be exempted.

No 68,722: 1900

Wicklow County

Local Government Board,
Dublin. 23rd November, 1900.

Relative to the claim of Assistant Clerk of the Rathdown Union, Mr. Flower, for remuneration of £10 for bringing the Act into force.

No 62,228: 1900

Wicklow County

Local Government Board,
Dublin. 23rd November, 1900.

Pointing out that a Half-yearly Audit of Accounts is prescribed by Order in Council, and the Board have no authority to alter an Order in Council.

Office of National Education,
Dublin. 12th December, 1900.

Appointing School Attendance Committee for Gaas
No 2 Rural District

Board of Agriculture, &
Technical Instruction, Dublin.

20th November, 1900.

Swine Fever (Movement from Ireland) Temporary Order of 1900, continuing the Order of 1894 to the 30th November, 1901.

7th December, 1900. From same. Inclosing copies of Cattle and Horse Breeding Schemes, 1901.

Order - To be considered at next meeting. Copies to be sent to each Councillor.

7th December, 1900. From same. Notifying refund of half payments to 30th June, 1900, under "Diseases of Animals Act, 1894."

General Correspondence.

Wicklow,

5th November, 1900.

Application from Joint Committee of Management of the County Infirmary.

Public Analysts Report.

To the County Council of the County of Wicklow.

Mr. Chairman and Gentlemen,

I beg to report that I have made the following analyses during the quarter ended on the 30th day of September, 1900.

For the Sergeants of the Royal Irish Constabulary, acting as Inspectors of Food, the following articles were analysed: -

July 2nd For Sergeant J. Lane, Arklow, 2 specimens of Buttermilk, one of Flour, and one of Tea, were analysed. They were all of good quality.

July 16th A specimen of Buttermilk analysed for Sergeant Connor, Bray, was of fairly good quality.

July 25th Two specimens of Butter and a specimen of Whiskey analysed for Sergeant Barry, Rathdrum, were pure.

July 30th For Sergeant Connor, Bray, 2 specimens of Milk were analysed. One was under the average quality of pure milk.

August 2nd Two specimens of Whiskey and a specimen of Butter analysed for Sergeant J. Hennessey, Laragh, were pure.

August 30th For Sergeant P. Carroll, Dunlavin, 3 specimens of Whiskey were analysed. One was 29 degrees under proof, and was, therefore, adulterated with 5.33 per cent of added water.

September 4th For Sergeant E. McManus, Aughrim, a specimen of Whiskey was analysed. It was free from adulteration.

September 6th A specimen of Whiskey analysed for Sergeant M. Delaney, Carnew, was pure.

September 7th A specimen of Whiskey analysed for Sergeant Hughes, Enniskerry, was of good quality.

September 12th For Sergeant E. Barry, Rathdrum, 2 specimens of Whiskey, 2 of Milk, and one of Butter, were analysed. They were free from adulteration.

September 14th A specimen of Whiskey analysed for Sergeant M. Donagh, Finahely, was pure.

September 19th For Sergeant Kennedy, Newtown-Mount-Kennedy, 2 specimens of Butter were analysed. They were both of good quality.

September 21st A specimen of Whiskey analysed for Sergeant Sullivan, Ballyglass, was pure.

September 28th For Sergeant O'Brien, Arklow, 2 specimens of Buttermilk, and a specimen of Whiskey were analysed. The specimens of Buttermilk were

of very poor and doubtful quality, but not sufficiently so to warrant certificates of adulteration.

July 4th For the Guardians of Rathdrum Union, 2 Drugs were analysed. The specific gravity of one of them - viz., Syrup of Ferrous Iodide, was 1.413; whereas, according to the Pharmacopoeia, it should be from 1.380 to 1.387.

July 19th Two Drugs analysed for the Guardians of Shillelagh Union were correct.

August 6th For the Guardians of Shillelagh Union 3 Drugs were analysed. One of them, viz., Pepsine, only digested one-third the amount of egg albumen which the Pharmacopoeia states it should digest.

August 18th On this date 3 Drugs analysed for the same Institution were correct.

August 29th For the Guardians of Rathdrum Union, 2 Drugs were analysed. One of them - viz., Tincture of Ferric Chloride, was slightly deficient in iron.

September 14th A specimen of Water analysed for the Guardians of Ballyglass Union had the following composition: -

One Imperial gallon contained in grains: -

Total solid matters	53.900
including	
Albuminoid Ammonia	0.008
Saline Ammonia	0.010
Nitric Acid	9.050
Chlorine	8.747
Sulphuric Acid	4.680
Equal to Calcium Sulphate.	6.500

A tolerably, but not very-good Water.

September 21st On this date a specimen of Water analysed for the same Institution, had the following composition:—

One Imperial gallon contained in grams.

Total solid matters	—
Including	
Albuminoid Ammonia.	0.007
Saline Ammonia.	0.011
Nitric Acid.	Trace
Chloride	0.894
Sulphuric Acid	None
Equal to Calcium Sulphate	None

A rather inferior Water.

For Naas Union, which is partly situated in the County of Wicklow, 15 Drugs, one specimen of Mustard, and one of Water, were analysed. One of the Drugs only digested one-half the amount of egg albumen, which the Pharmacopoeia states it should digest. The specimen of Mustard was pure.

The specimen of Water had the following composition:—

One Imperial gallon contained in grams:—

Total solid matters	23.100
Including	
Albuminoid Ammonia	0.008
Saline Ammonia	0.005
Nitric Acid	Trace
Chlorine	0.994
Sulphuric Acid	Trace
Equal to Calcium Sulphate.	Trace

A tolerably good Water.

In the above Report, only a mere outline of the analyses is given, but when the specimens were reported upon, full details were given, including Chemical, microscopical, and bacteriological examinations. Total

analyses 62.
I am,

Gentlemen,

Your obedient Servant,

Charles A. Cameron.

Public Analyst for
the County of Wicklow.

17 Castle Street,

Dublin.

27th October, 1900.

Memorial from Rate payers, re building a bridge over the River Slaney at Davidstown.

38 Upper O'Connell Street,

Dublin. 9th November, 1900.

Invitation and tickets to attend Irish National Convention on the 11th inst.

Proposed by— Councillor Dr. Langton

Seconded by— " J. McCarroll.

E. P. O'Kelly, E. C. Welsh, J. McCarroll, W.

Burke, James Bysne, W. G. Murphy.

Resolved— That the foregoing names be appointed as Delegates from the Wicklow County Council to the National Convention, to be held in Dublin, on 11th inst.

Carried.

Knockrobin,

Wicklow. 22 November, 1900.

From H. Barker, complaining of conduct of Collector Thomas Dowling.

Order— Copy of letter, demanding explanation, be sent to Collector Dowling.

26th November, 1900. From Clerk, Naas No 2 Rural District Council, enclosing resolution suggesting the compulsory acquisition of land for purpose of fencing Ballyknockan road.

3rd December, 1900. From J. H. McCarroll, Solicitor, stating Bond for Printing Contract had been entered into, and he would have it stamped

22nd November, and 6th December, 1900. From Clerk of Naas No 2 Rural District Council, re failure of Collector George Meyler to have his accounts checked.

3rd December, 1900. From Manager, National Bank, Ltd., Wicklow, stating Collector Meyler has not made any lodgment since the 1st November, 1900.

8th December, 1900. Letter from Mr. George Meyler, and telegram from Clerk of Naas Union, read.

Order - Solicitor to be instructed to proceed.

Correspondence from Patriotic Assurance Company, re Collector George Meyler's failure to close his Collection.

Application from Joint Committee of Management, Richmond District Asylum, for £861-1-1, County's proportion for Repayment of Loans.

26th November, 1900. From Clerk, Baltinglass No. 1. Rural District Council, re compensation for loss of emoluments.

Application for compensation for loss of emoluments from Messrs. Manning and Dagg.

7th December, 1900. From the Clerk of Naas No 2 Rural District Councils, enclosing agreement in connection with land required for Lackan Road.

Proposed by - Councillor A. Zeller.

Seconded by - " J. McCarroll.

Resolved - That the Agreement to grant the land for the widening of the Lackan road free

be signed and sealed by the Council.

Carried.

The Agreement was then duly signed and sealed by the Chairman, in the presence of the Secretary.

Letters of 23rd November, and 3rd December, 1900. From Clerk of Baltinglass No. 1 Rural District Council, enclosing resolutions in connection with the Contract of James Brady, Pleyca, Dunlavin; also resolution relative to the repair of the road leading to the Turf-bog on Foor mountain.

Read.

28th November, 1900. Letter from Town Clerk, Bray, enclosing list of queries in reference to County-at-Large Charges.

Order - Expenditure be supplied.

29th November, 1900. From A. H. Wynne Estate Office, Colton, Drogheda, re Drap of new roads at Greystones.

Order - Drap to be returned.

The following resolutions from various Bodies were read: -

14th November, 1900. From Secretary, Cavan County Council, re arterial drainage, and re-afforesting waste lands in Ireland.

15th November, 1900. From Secretary, Londonderry, County Council re amendment of Fishery Laws.

15th November, 1900. From same, re Compulsory Land Purchase Act.

From "Frath na Gall" re Irish Delegation and Second Class Receptions.

Letter dated 8th December, and letter and telegram of 9th December, from the Solicitor to the Dublin, Leamp. and Inniskerry Tramway Company.

Read.

Proposed by - Councillor M. Langton
Seconded by - " D. J. Cogan. M.P.,

Resolved - That this Meeting adjourn to 21st January, 1901. for the purpose of considering the application of the Donnybrook, Inniskerry, and Bray Tramway Company.

Carried.

Special Meeting of the Council, held in the Council Chamber, Court House, Wicklow, at 11-30 am. on Tuesday, the 8th January, 1901.

The following Councillors attended: -

Councillor - E. P. O'Shelly - Chairman.

Councillors - M. Byrne, A. Zeller, W. Harrington, D. J. Cogan, M.P., Joseph Gahan, W. G. Murphy, E. J. Byrne, J. Sheppard, A. Metcalfe, and J. McCarroll.

Business.

To consider the Circular from the Department of Agriculture and Technical Instruction for Ireland, regarding the Cattle and Horse Breeding Schemes, 1901, dated 7th December, 1900.

The suspension of Standing Orders having been moved by Councillor E. J. Byrne, Seconded by - Councillor J. Sheppard, and carried, the following letter was read: -

No. 74,559 : 1900.
Wicklow County

Local Government Board
Dublin. 3rd January, 1901.

Sir,

The Local Government Board for Ireland have had before them the replies to their inquiries respecting the appointment of Mr. James Byrne to the office of Poor Rate Collector, in Wicklow County, and the Board desire to express their approval of the appointment on the terms specified in the replies.

I am,

Sir,

Your obedient Servant,
H. M. Swaine.

Secretary.

The Secretary,
Wicklow County Council,
Wicklow.

Proposed by - Councillor E. J. Byrne.

Seconded by - " J. Sheppard.

Resolved - That the appointment of Mr. James Byrne as Rate Collector for District No 14, having been confirmed by the Local Government Board, his Collecting Warrants be now signed and sealed.

Passed.

Proposed by - Councillor J. Sheppard.

Seconded by - " E. J. Byrne.

Resolved - That the Chairman do sign the application for the refund of half the expenses under the Diseases of Animals Act for the past quarter.

Passed.

Shelton Abbey,
Arklow. 4th January, 1901.

Dear Sir,

As I am unexpectedly summoned to rejoin my Regiment in London, I regret that I shall be unable to attend the meeting of the County Council at Wicklow, on the 8th inst., I am the more sorry, as the questions under discussion would be of the greatest interest to me.

Yours faithfully,
Wicklow.

The Chairman,
Wicklow County Council.

The following Resolution, dated 5th January, 1901, from the Shillelagh Rural District Council, was read: -

Resolved - That owing to the increase in the County rate, owing to recent burnings, that we are of opinion that the taxes in this Union are high at present, and that we think it would not be a fitting time to add any further increase in the rates to bring the Agricultural and Technical Act

into operation in this Union at present.

The Secretary's Report on the order of business before the Council under the Department's Circular, was then read as follows: -

Cattle and Horse Breeding Schemes, 1901.

To the Wicklow County Council.

Gentlemen,

By desire of your Chairman, I beg to report that the following would appear to be the order of the business before you to-day in connection with the above Schemes: -

1. To determine whether you will strike a rate for the purposes of Agricultural and Technical Education in this County.
2. To fix the amount of that rate.

1d in the £ will raise	£1037-15-6
½d " " "	518-17-9
¼d " " "	259-8-10
3. To determine what portion of that rate you will set aside for the purposes of the above schemes during the coming year.
4. To form a special County Committee for Live Stock. The Department of Agriculture strongly recommends that this should be a small working Committee.
5. To give the Committee appointed authority for administering the sum to be applied for these Schemes, and such further Schemes as the Department may issue.

I am,

Gentlemen,
Yours faithfully,
E. H. Wynne

Secretary.

Proposed by - Councillor A. Zeller

Seconded by - " D. J. Cogan, M.P.

Resolved - That a rate of one penny in the £ be raised over the whole County, save the

Urban Districts, for the purposes of the scheme of Agricultural and Technical Instruction, and that a Committee be appointed to put the Scheme into operation.

As an amendment, it was proposed by Councillor M. Byrne, seconded by Councillor A. Metcalfe.

Resolved - That we postpone the consideration of this subject for one year.

For the amendment there voted: - Councillors - M. Byrne, A. Metcalfe, J. Sheppard, E. J. Byrne, and J. Gahan. 5.

Against the amendment - Councillors - E. P. O'Kelly, D. J. Hogan, Mr. P., J. McCarroll, A. Teller, W. G. Murphy, and W. Harrington. 6

The amendment was rejected by six votes to five. Councillor Teller's resolution was then put to the meeting and carried on the same division.

Proposed by - Councillor D. J. Hogan, Mr. P.
Seconded by - " J. McCarroll.

Resolved - That the following gentlemen be appointed to constitute the "Live Stock" Committee for the County of Wicklow, viz: -

A. Metcalfe, R. Norman Thompson, W. G. Murphy, Lord Powerscourt, E. J. Byrne, R. R. Drought, P. J. Carey, William Harrington, Pierce Mahony, and Ernest M. Lucas.

Carried.

Proposed by - Councillor A. Teller.

Seconded by - " W. Harrington.

Resolved - That the following sums be apportioned: - For Cattle £330; For Horses £200; For Pigs £100; For Sheep £100; For Technical Instruction £300.

Carried.

Proposed by - Councillor W. Harrington

Seconded by - " J. McCarroll

Resolved - That we, the County Council, hereby authorise the "Live Stock" Committee for this County to administer the sums applied for the improvement of Live Stock for the current year.

Carried.

Proposed by - Councillor - E. J. Byrne

Seconded by - " J. Sheppard.

Resolved - That Patrick J. Healy be appointed Secretary to the "Live Stock" Committee, at a salary of £40 (Forty Pounds) per annum.

Carried.

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Adjourned Quarterly Meeting of the County Council, held in the Council Chamber, Court House, Wicklow, at 12 noon, on Monday, the 21st January, 1901.

The following Members attended :-

- Councillor - Mr. Byrne - Chairman.
- Councillors - J. H. Coleman, R. Norman Thompson, W. G. Morris, E. C. Walsh, William Burke, A. Metcalfe, William Osborne, A. Zeller, Joseph Dunne, William Harrington, Joseph Gahan, P. J. Carey, W. G. Murphy, M. Langton, D. J. Cogan, E. J. Byrne, and J. McCarroll,

Agenda.

1. To sign the Quarterly Transfers for Money on Demand to the several Unions and District Councils.
2. " elect a Poor Rate Collector for Naas No 2 Rural District, in place of late Collector, subject to approval of the Local Government Board.
3. " consider the application of the Dublin, Scalp, and Enniskerry Tramways, and the Bray and Enniskerry Tramway, or Light Tramways Company
4. " consider the Secretary's Report on the powers and duties of the County Council in connection with Technical Education, under the Act of 1899, and the several communications from the Department of Agriculture and Technical Instruction on the subject.

Recommendation of Finance Committee.

We, the Finance Committee of the Wicklow County Council, hereby recommend the following Transfers being made to the several Boards of Guardians and

Rural District Councils named :-
Boards of Guardians.

	L s. d.
Baltinglass.	875-9-9
Naas.	225-0-0
Rathdown.	984-18-0
Rathdrum.	2316-16-0
Shillelagh.	900-2-6

Rural District Councils.

	<u>General.</u>	<u>Separate.</u>
Baltinglass No 1.	204-0-0	20-0-0
Naas No 2	51-5-0	29-0-0
Rathdown No 2	Nil.	Nil.
Rathdrum	311-5-3	45-12-1
Shillelagh	9-17-6	57-11-3

We recommend the Council to order the Sudden damage Order for £ 3-10 to Mr. Michael Cahill to be paid.

Signed :- D. J. Cogan, Chairman of the Finance Committee.

21st January, 1901.

Proposed by Councillor D. J. Cogan, Mr. P.
Seconded by - " E. J. Byrne.

Resolved - That the recommendation of the Finance Committee be adopted.
Carried

Proposed by - Councillor P. J. Carey.
Seconded by - " E. J. Byrne.

Resolved - That we sign the Transfers to the Boards of Guardians and to the Rural District Councils, as recommended by the Finance Committee.
Passed.

No. 2003/1901.

Wicklow County.

Sir,

Local Government Board,
Dublin. 17th January, 1901.

With reference to the resolution adopted by the Wicklow County Council on the 3rd ultimo, relative to Poor Rate Collector Meyler, I am directed by the Local Government Board for Ireland to state that they have received a report from their Inspector, Mr. E. A. Sanderson, respecting the manner in which this Collector has discharged the duties of his office, and having regard to all the circumstances of the case, the Board have decided not to remove the suspension by the County Council of Mr. Meyler.

The County Council should, therefore, proceed to dismiss him from office, and take the necessary steps for the appointment of another person to the post in question.

I am,

Gentlemen,

Your obedient Servant,

A. M. Swaine.

The Secretary,

Wicklow County Council

Secretary.

Proposed by - Councillor J. H. Coleman.

Seconded by - " R. Norman Thompson.

Resolved - That the Local Government Board having confirmed the Council's action in the matter, we hereby finally dismiss Mr. George Meyler from the position of Poor Rate Collector for Naas No 2 Rural District

Passed.

The Secretary read the advertisement published in the Wicklow News-Letter, People, and Standard, and in the Leinster Leader,

WICKLOW COUNTY COUNCIL.

POOR RATE COLLECTOR WANTED.

THE above-named Council will, at its Adjourned Quarterly Meeting to be held in the COURT-HOUSE, WICKLOW, on the 21st JANUARY, 1901, proceed to appoint a Poor Rate Collector for the Electoral Divisions in the Rural District of Naas No. 2, at a remuneration of 5d. in the £, collected and lodged within the financial half-year. No poundage will be paid unless the entire amount of the warrant is lodged with the County Treasurer within its respective half-year; irrecoverable arrears, approved by the Local Government Board, will be refunded the Collector.

Written applications to be lodged in my Office not later than 11 o'clock on the morning of the Adjourned Quarterly Meeting, giving the name and addresses of the Applicant, and the names and addresses of two solvent Sureties willing to enter into a joint bond for the due performance of the Collector's duties, in a sum of £2,000, or else the name of an approved Guarantee Society, willing to give a bond for the same purpose in a sum of £1,000.

By order,

EDWARD N. WYNNE,
Secretary to the County
Council, Wicklow.

and three replies received from Mr. Michael McGrath, Bloghlea, Manor-Kilbride; Mr. John Doyle, Ballyboys, Blessington; and Mr. Richard P. Dowling, Portersize.

The Councillors having voted as follows: -

For McGrath - Councillors William Osborne, R. Norman Thompson, D. J. Cogan, A. Metcalfe, E. J. Byrne, J. McCarroll, W. G. Morris, Alfred Teller, P. J. Carey, J. Gahan, and W. G. Murphy. (11)

For Dowling - Councillors Mr. Byrne, E. C. Walsh, William Burke, J. Dunne, and William Harrington. (5)

For Doyle: - Councillors Mr. Langton, and J. H. Coleman. (2)

Proposed by - Councillor Wm. Osborne.

Seconded by - " A. Teller.

Resolved - That Mr. Michael McGrath be appointed Rate Collector for Naas No 2 Rural District, in accordance with the terms of the advertisement.

Passed.

Proposed by - Councillor D. J. Cogan, M.P.

Seconded by - " P. J. Carey.

Resolved - That we now proceed with business No 4 on the Agenda.

Carried.

Professor Carroll having spoken.

Proposed by - Councillor D. J. Cogan, M.P.

Seconded by - " E. C. Walsh.

Resolved - That the rate of 1d. in the £ be raised under the Technical Instruction Acts of 1889 and 1891, and that the Urban District of Wicklow be included in the area of charge.

Passed.

Lord Powerscourt having written to ask that some one else should be appointed on the "Live Stock" Committee in his place.

Proposed by - Councillor R. Norman Thompson.

Seconded by - " J. McCarroll.

Resolved - That the name of Mr. Patrick Mac Donnell be added to the "Live Stock" Committee instead of that of Viscount Powerscourt, who wishes his name to be withdrawn.

Passed.

Proposed by - Councillor E. J. Byrne.

Seconded by - " W. Harrington

Resolved - That the Chairman, Vice-Chairman, Messrs. D. J. Logan, M.P., Alfred Teller, E. C. Walsh, Joseph McCarroll, William Osborne, and Simon Doyle, represent this Council on the Technical Instruction Committee, and that other Bodies entitled to representation be invited to nominate representatives, whose names shall be submitted to this Council for confirmation.

Passed.

Mr. H. W. Jackson, Q.C. - instructed by Mr. A. Lane Joynt - appeared before the Council in support of the application of the General Electric Company of Ireland, Limited, for the approval of the County Council to the Dublin, Scalp, and Enniskerry Tramways, and the Bray Tramways Scheme.

Mr. J. Pini, B.L. - instructed by Mr. George Keogh - appeared to oppose on behalf of the Dublin, Wicklow, and Wexford Railway Company, having lodged a Memorial complaining of non-compliance with Standing Orders in one hundred and thirty (130) particulars.

9 & 10 King Street, Cheapside,
London, E.C. 18th January, 1901.

Bray and Enniskerry Railway; Dublin
Scalp, etc. Light Railway Company.

Dear Sir,

We are desired by the Directors of the Bray and Enniskerry Railway Company to inform you that they will be represented at the various inquiries by Messrs. Maxwell, Weldon, & Company, and by that Firm only, and that they have not authorised any other person or Firm to represent them with reference to their opposition of the above Bill.

We are,

Yours faithfully,
Dalman & Pritchard.

The Clerk,

Wicklow County Council,
Wicklow, Ireland.

Dublin, Scalp, and Enniskerry Tramways,
and Bray Tramways.

County Surveyor's Report to the County Council
of the County of Wicklow at their Meeting, 21st January, 1901.

Mr. Chairman & Gentlemen of the County Council,

As required by the 5th Section of the Tramways (Ireland) Act, 1860, I beg to submit the following Report upon the above projects, as set forth in the plans and other documents lodged for inspection.

The Promoters are the General Electric Company of Ireland, Limited, and it is proposed to seek powers to construct, maintain, and work by steam, electricity or other mechanical power, or animal power, the

following tramways or light railways.

A Tramway (sub-divided into tramways Nos. 1 to 5 inclusive) commencing by junctions with the existing termini of the Dublin United Tramways at Donnybrook, Clonskeagh, and Upper Rathmines, proceeding thence via Dundrum, Stepaside, and Golden Ball, and terminating in Inniskerry by a junction with the termination of the authorised Bray and Inniskerry Railway, and a tramway, called No 6, commencing at Bray Railway Station, and terminating by a junction with the Bray and Inniskerry Railway immediately below the Dargle Bridge.

Branches are also proposed, viz., tramways Nos. 7 to 11, inclusive, in various directions within Bray Urban District.

From above it will be seen that in order to have a continuous line from Dublin to Bray, via Inniskerry, it will be necessary to run over the authorised Bray and Inniskerry line between Inniskerry and the Dargle Bridge. The Promoters' Engineer estimates the cost of above lines complete, including equipment, at £220,000.

The only lines with which you are here concerned are a length of about $1\frac{1}{2}$ chains of No 4, at the north end of the Scalp, which is situate in the County Wicklow, the whole of No 5 between the county boundary, where it again crosses the Scalp road south of above, and the termination in Inniskerry of the authorised Bray and Inniskerry Railway, a length of 2 miles and 6 chains, and that part of No 6 between the County of Dublin bounds at the County Brook and its junction with the Bray and Inniskerry Railway near Dargle Bridge, as above, a length of one mile and 4 chains. These lines, according to the deposited plans, will be laid along the County roads, except for a length of about $\frac{1}{4}$ mile, between St. Valery and Dargle bridges, where it will be laid through the lands on the west side of the road, and carried over the river by a bridge

between the above County bridges.

The gauge is to be the Standard Irish Gauge of 5 feet 3 inches, or nearly so, in order to allow of the junctions described above with the Dublin United Tramways.

The gradients are moderate. The steepest are a short one at the Scalp end of No 5 Tramway, where 1 in 19 occurs, and another of 1 in 18 at 1 mile $5\frac{1}{2}$ furlongs of same tramway, and where passing along the street of Inniskerry gradients of 1 in 16.4 and 1 in 11.5 occur, which are very steep.

The curves on the whole are very good, and easily worked round.

The line is to be single, with passing places.

Very little information as to details is given in the deposited documents; but I have been able to gain the following particulars at the Board of Works Inquiry held in Bray on 14th inst.

The lines in the County Wicklow are, I understand, to be generally laid on a raised platform, similar to that of the Dublin and Blessington and Poulaphuca Tramways, such platform being formed, ballasted, and curbed with stone somewhat like a footpath, about 11 feet wide, and for this purpose the road between the Scalp and Inniskerry is to be widened so as to leave a sufficient width of carriage way between the tramway and the opposite footpath or roadside boundary. This minimum width of carriage way is fixed by Statute at 18 feet, but I consider that the Promoters should agree to increase the width to not less than 21 feet on this road.

In the case of the road between the County Brook and St. Valery Bridge, one of the most important in the County, where the tramway is to be on a raised platform, the width of carriage way should be not less than 25 feet. Where not laid on a raised platform it is intended to lay the tramway flush with the road surface. Such places being the streets of Inniskerry, and for about a quarter of a mile from the County Brook on the road to the Dargle. It is intended to work the lines electrically, on the

-overhead trolley system, with posts erected along the road sides, and similar to the Dublin and Howth Electric Tramway. The position of the Power Station has apparently not yet been fixed. The cars to be used are, I understand, to be similar to those of the Dublin United Tramways Company.

I have carefully read the draft proposed Order in Council, and find that it contains some clauses necessary for the safeguarding of the County interests, but some are omitted, and others need modification.

I consider it absolutely necessary, should you approve of these lines, that you should be represented before the Privy Council, in order that all necessary provisions may be inserted in the Order in Council, for which purpose your Solicitor should be instructed to consult with me as to such provisions.

This course is fully impressed on me by the very great difficulties encountered in having the present tramways in your County properly carried out.

The following conditions should also, I think, be provided for, should you approve of the proposed lines:—

1. That where the line is laid on a raised platform along the Scalp and Dargle roads, the clear width between the curb of the tramway and that of the footpath shall, in the case of the former road, be not less than 21 feet, and in the latter 25 feet, and that the raised platform be close to roadside, and continuously curbed with granite curb, of description approved of by the County Surveyor, and provided with sufficient drainage outlets.

2. That the lines where passing through the village of Inniskerry, and such other places as may be directed by the County Surveyor, shall be laid level with the road surface, and paved between the rails, and for 18 inches outside same on each side, with

squared setts on a bed of concrete. Such paving to be afterwards maintained by the Company.

3. That any interference with the County roads, bridges, or other works, to be subject to the approval of the County Surveyor.

4. That the Promoters, before lapse of time for entering opposition to the project before the Privy Council, shall lodge to the credit of the County Council of Wicklow a substantial sum to be retained until the entire works, as affecting the County roads and works, are completed to the satisfaction of the County Surveyor.

I am,

Gentlemen,

Your obedient Servant,

Carter Draper.

16th January, 1901.

Proposed by - Councillor E. C. Walsh.

Seconded by - " J. M. Carroll.

Resolved - That Mr. Jackson's objections to the Memorial be over-ruled.

Passed.

Proposed by - Councillor D. J. Egan, M.P.,

Seconded by - " E. J. Byrne.

Resolved - That the objection of Counsel acting on behalf of the Dublin, Wicklow, and Wexford Railway Company, regarding the advertisement of the Promoters, be, and is hereby over-ruled.

Carried.

The Chairman having asked for a vote on the question whether Standing Orders had been substantially complied with, there voted in the affirmative:— Councillors - M. Byrne, R. Norman Thompson, E. J. Byrne, William Burke, M. Langton, J. Gahan, William Harrington, and P. J. Carey. 8
In the negative - Councillor - E. C. Walsh. 1

Proposed by - Councillor P. Norman Thompson.

Seconded by - " M. Langton.

Resolved - That this Council, having considered the application of the Promoters of the Dublin and Lealg and Bray and Enniskerry Tramways, approve of same, subject to the draft Order in Council being amended to the satisfaction of the Council, and that the Solicitor and County Surveyor are hereby instructed to draft the necessary amendments to said draft Order in Council, and that the Council be represented by Counsel at the hearing before the Privy Council.

Carried - Councillor E. C. Walsh dissenting.

Edward Phily Chairman

25/2/1901.

The Winter Quarterly Meeting of the Council, held in the Council Chamber, Court House, Wicklow, at 11-30 a.m. on Monday, the 25th February, 1901.

The following Members attended: -

Councillor - E. P. O'Shelly - Chairman.

Councillors - M. Byrne, P. Norman Thompson R. R. Drought, William Osborne, A. Zeller, M. Langton, W. G. Murphy, P. J. Carey, S. J. Byrne, J. Sheppard, W. G. Morris, William Costello, James Byrne, J. McCarroll.

Agenda

1. To consider Proposals from the Proposals Committee.
2. " " " " " Five Rural Districts.
3. " " Report of Finance Committee.
4. " sign Treasurer's Authorities for Quarter's Payments.
5. " " and seal accepted Contracts.
6. " " Warrants for Rate Collector Mr Grath.
7. " Consider the Secretary's Report.
8. " " County Surveyor's Report.
9. " " Official Correspondence.
10. " " General "

Report of the Proposals Committee.

The Proposals Committee met on the 7th February, 1901. The following Members present: -

Councillor - P. Norman Thompson - Chairman.

Councillors - D. J. Hogan, Dr. P., E. C. Walsh, A. Metcalfe, M. Langton.

Having all the facts laid before us by a large and influential deputation, including Rev. J. Carberry, P.P., Rev. Canon Roske, Rev. M. Clarke, C.C., Colonel C. G.

Tottenham, D.L., Mr. W. H. H. Kennedy, Mr. Henry Shepard, and Dr. Truell, D.L., this Committee recommends the Council to comply with the request of the Committee of Governors of the County Infirmary, by entering into a contract with that Committee to contribute a sum of £500 annually to the support of the County Infirmary for a period of 21 years, in order that the Infirmary Committee of Management will be in a position to avail themselves of the generous offer which has been made by a number of benevolent gentlemen to subscribe a sum of £500, in order to put that Institution into a proper state of efficiency, and unless such contribution is forthcoming, the Council will not have to make this grant.

Having received a resolution from the Committee of Management of Newtown-Mount Kennedy Fever Hospital, pointing out that through the altered mode of payment under the Local Government Act, the payments to this Hospital are £20 in arrear.

We recommend the County Council to accede to the request conveyed in this resolution, and grant the sum of £20 in arrear.

Thomas Nicholson, Court Keeper, failed to accompany his affidavit of Coals used, by the necessary Notice of Motion for payment for same.

Councillor Murphy submitted a Notice of Motion to pay William Ruddock £1-5 for keeping Rathdrum Court House.

We adhere to the former order in this case, - and disallow the payment. Mr. Ruddock also failed to send in a Notice of Motion for payment of coals supplied to above Court House.

Mr. Foomey sent in a claim for payment for

communicating with Baltinglass Jurors in April, 1899.

This account was already disposed of by the County Council, and we cannot recommend that it be re-opened.

A Notice of Motion by Councillor Dr. Carroll to give the County advertisements to the Wicklow Standard was disallowed, it not being in order according to Section 33, Sub-section 2, of the Act.

Signed - R. Norman Thompson,
Chairman of the Proposals Committee.

Proposed by - Councillor R. Norman Thompson.

Seconded by - " M. Langton.

Resolved - That the Report of the Proposals Committee be adopted.

An Amendment proposed by Councillor Mr. Byrne, Seconded by Councillor William Osborne: -

That we adopt the recommendation of the Proposals Committee, except in Paragraph I, where we recommend that the sum to be granted annually to the County Infirmary be £300 a year.

A vote being called for, there voted for the amendment - Councillors E. P. O'Kelly, Mr. Byrne, William Osborne, J. Sheppard, E. J. Byrne, Alfred Zeller, P. J. Carey. - 7.

Against - Councillors Mr. Langton, R. Norman Thompson, William Costello, James Byrne, J. Dr. Carroll, R. R. Drought, W. G. Morris, W. G. Murphy. - 8.

For the resolution there voted - Councillors Mr. Langton, R. Norman Thompson, William Costello, James Byrne, J. Dr. Carroll, R. R. Drought, W. G. Morris, P. J. Carey, W. G. Murphy. - 9.
Against - Councillors E. P. O'Kelly, Mr. Byrne.

Wm Osborne, J. Sheppard, E. J. Byrne, Alfred Teller - 6

Proposals for payment submitted to the County Council from :-

Baltinglass No 1 :-

Proposed by - Councillor E. P. O'Kelly.

Seconded by - " M. Byrne.

Resolved - That we approve of the foregoing proposals for payment, amounting to £ 835-4-5, as altered and initialled by our Chairman, and order the same to be paid.

Nias No 2 :-

Proposed by :- Councillor A. Teller.

Seconded by :- " Wm Osborne.

Resolved - That we approve of the foregoing proposals for payment, amounting to £ 320-4-10, as altered and initialled by the Chairman, and order the same to be paid.

Rathdown No 2 :-

Proposed by - Councillor W. G. Murphy.

Seconded by - " R. Norman Thompson.

Resolved - That we approve of the foregoing proposals for payment, amounting to £ 587-14-0, as altered and initialled by the Chairman, and order the same to be paid.

Rathdrum :-

Proposed by - Councillor P. J. Carey.

Seconded by - " Wm Costello.

Resolved - That we approve of the foregoing proposals for payment, amounting to £ 2886-19-11 as altered and initialled by the Chairman, and order the same to be paid.

Shillelagh :-

Proposed by - Councillor M. Byrne.

Seconded by - " E. J. Byrne.

Resolved - That we approve of the foregoing proposals for payment, amounting to £ 838-7-10 as altered and initialled by the Chairman, and order the same to be paid.

Wicklow Urban :-

Proposed by - Councillor J. McCarroll.

Seconded by - " M. Langton.

Resolved - That we approve of the foregoing proposals for payment, amounting to £ 60-5-2 as altered and initialled by the Chairman, and order the same to be paid.

Report of the Finance Committee.

The following members of your Committee met on the 23rd February, 1901.

Councillor - R. Norman Thompson - Chairman.

Councillors - R. R. Drought, and E. J. Byrne.

The Proposals from your Proposals Committee, and from the Five Rural District Councils, having been laid before us, we recommend the County Council to issue authority to the County Treasurer for payment of the following amounts, as set forth in the Schedules from those bodies :-

County at Large :- £ s. d. £ s. d. 2990-5-3

Baltinglass No 1 :-

District Proposals. 820-15-3

Proposals Committee Proposals. 9-12-6 830-7-9

Nias No 2

District Proposals 317-19-4

Proposals Committee Proposals 2-5-6 320-4-10

<u>Rathdown No 2:-</u>	£ s d	£ s d
District Proposals	501-10-3	
Proposals Committee Proposals.	<u>76-3-9</u>	577-14-0

<u>Rathdrum:-</u>	£ s d	£ s d
District Proposals	1757-17-10	
Proposals Committee Proposals	<u>1129-2-1</u>	2886-19-11

<u>Shillelagh:-</u>	£ s d	£ s d
District Proposals.	536-5-5	
Proposals Committee Proposals.	<u>302-2-5</u>	838-7-10

<u>Wicklow Urban:-</u>	£ s d
Proposals Committee Proposals.	60-5-2

Total payments on Proposals Committee's
 Schedule passed, amount to 4569-16-8

Dr. McCann, dispensary doctor of Kiltegan, whose emoluments have been reduced through the alteration of his District under the Local Government Act, applies for compensation for the emoluments thus lost, and sends in the required affidavit on the subject.

We recommend that the sum of £ 4-16-8 be granted him, this sum being calculated on the same scale as previous compensations were granted on.

An application was received from Dr. Little, late Assistant Surveyor, for payment of the proportion of the increased salary (as granted other Assistants) from the 1st April, 1899, till the time he left.

We recommend the Council to obtain the opinion of the Local Government Board whether the amount claimed can be paid under the circumstances.

The application from Veterinary Inspector Young for an increase of salary, we refuse, this being a

new appointment, and his salary in the same proportion as that of other Veterinary Inspectors in this County in regard to the area, valuation, and number of cases reported in their respective Districts. The Secretary to communicate the grounds of the refusal to the applicant.

The Petty Sessions Clerk of Bray applies for the return of fines, under the Food and Drugs Act, amounting to £ 20-6-8 in Margarine prosecutions.

Having consulted Mr. McCarroll, we recommend that this application be refused.

Richmond Asylum Committee of Management wrote regarding the withholding from that Institution of three months of the Government Capitation Grant.

We recommend the Council to support that Committee's application for the payment of the Grant thus withheld.

Collector Tutty, who writes about the collection of rates in certain cases, we refer to his own Solicitor in the matter.

We recommend that a copy of Collector John F. Evans' letter, in explanation of certain cases stated to be irrecoverable rates, be sent to the Local Government Board.

On reading the letter from the County Surveyor, we recommend the payment of £ 9-10 to Mr. Boyd, and £ 8-18 to Dr. Gallagher, Assistant Surveyors, for work and out of pocket expenses during the illness of Dr. Pansing.

The following Audited Accounts and Auditor's Reports were laid before us and examined:— From Rathdown No 2 Rural District Council, and Rathdown

Union; Shillelagh Rural District Council, and Shillelagh Union.

We submit herewith a Statement of the receipts and expenditure from the Subsidiary Account for the past Quarter, and recommend that £177-10-10 be transferred to credit of that account.

The Local Government Board, by Letter No. 68722-1900, of 23rd November, 1900, having sanctioned the payment of £10, recommended by the Rathdown Rural District Council, to Mr. Daniel Flower, as remuneration for bringing the Local Government Act, 1898, into operation, we recommend the Council to order the payment of said £10.

A deputation from the Bray Urban Council attended before the Committee, on the invitation of the Chairman of the Finance Committee, but as the Committee were unable to find that the County Council had given any authority in that direction, and the matter being in the hands of their Solicitor, the Committee were unable to take any formal action in the matter.

Signed - R. Norman Thompson - Chairman.
25/11/1901.

Proposed by - Councillor R. Norman Thompson.

Seconded by - " R. R. Drought.

Resolved - That the Finance Committee's Report be adopted.

Carried.

Proposed by - Councillor J. McCarrall.

Seconded by - " J. Sheppard.

Resolved - That we sign the Payment Authorities on the County Treasurer for the Quarter's payments just passed.

Carried.

The Treasurer's Authorities were then signed by the Chairman and Councillors, as follows: - E. P. O'Shelly, M. Byrne, and R. Norman Thompson.

Proposed by - Councillor E. J. Byrne.

Seconded by - " J. Sheppard.

Resolved - That this Wicklow County Council would support, in the strongest possible manner, the application of the Committee of Management of Richmond District Asylum for the payment to that Institution of the three months' Capitation Grant, which has clearly been withheld from it. Copies of this resolution to be sent to the Chief Secretary, the Clerk of Richmond Asylum Committee, and to the County Members.

Carried *Dem Con.*

Proposals for New Works and for Maintenance Contracts from: -

Baltinglass No 1: -

Proposals approved of and confirmed, except Contract No 224 rejected by the Council. The Council approved of and confirmed the action of the District Council in refusing contracts to Terence and Garrett Reilly for unfair tendering.

Naas No 2: -

Road No 1 given in charge of County Surveyor till 30th June, 1901, no contract having been entered into.

Rathdown No 2: -

Proposals approved of and confirmed.

Rathdrum: -

The County Council entered into a contract with John O'Brien, Clara, for the repair, for one year, of 773 perches of road, between Ballydowling and Parkmore 3 roads, at 2/- p.p. The County Surveyor

was directed to expend £10 repairing Haughton Bridge, and £90 repairing Glaskaboy Bridge.

The remaining contracts entered into by the District Council were confirmed.

Shillelagh:—

Proposals approved of and confirmed.

Proposed by— Councillor P. J. Carey.

Seconded by— " W. G. Murphy.

Resolved— That this Council do now sign and seal the contracts approved of, as forwarded by the Rural District Councils.

Carried *dem con.*

No. 7,653/1901
Wicklow County

Local Government Board,
Dublin. 13th February, 1901.

Sir,

The Local Government Board for Ireland have had before them the replies to their inquiries relative to the appointment of Dr. Michael McGrath as Poor Rate Collector in Wicklow County, and the Board sanction the appointment on the terms specified in the said replies.

By Order of the Board,
A. R. Barlas.

The Secretary
of the Wicklow County Council,
Wicklow.

Proposed by— Councillor Dr. Byrne.

Seconded by— " R. Norman Thompson.

Resolved— That the Warrants for Dr. McGrath's Rate Collection be signed and sealed.
Passed.

The Secretary's Report.

Gentlemen,

I have received an application from Kynoch & Co. for the Council's approval of a new License for the Factory in Arklow.

I communicated with your Chairman, and have fixed Monday, the 18th March, for the hearing of the application, and have had the statutory notices published.

I had hoped to have the Estimates for the Rates ready for you to approve of and pass to-day, and have all the figures and calculations ready on my part for the purpose; but on writing to the Valuation Office for the valuation of the Urban District, and the total of the County at-Large, I was informed that these would not be ready or sent to me till the 1st March. I regret, therefore, it is impossible to strike the rates to-day, which will prevent my getting the Warrants out as early as I had hoped this year and for which I had worked hard.

The Order in Council requires the County Council to strike the Rates after the 8th February, and not later than the 1st March, but I do not see how this is to be done if the valuations cannot be obtained till the 1st March—the very day by which the Order requires that the Estimate is to be adopted. I wrote some time ago to the Local Government Board on the point, and this morning received a letter from them, saying I could take last year's valuations for the Urban Districts as near enough; but in face of the violent opposition shown by those Districts to pay the Council's Demands, on every possible technicality, I think it would be a dangerous experiment to make; and in any case, the letter was received too late to act on for this meeting.

I would recommend that a direction be sent to the Rural District Councils, that when urgent works are not tendered for at their Adjourned Quarterly Meetings, they should direct their Clerk to re-advertise them,

directing that tenders should be sent to the Secretary to the County Council for these meetings, so that, if necessary, this Council could enter into contracts for such works.

I have again to call the Council's attention to the fact that the Financial Minutes have not yet been signed for any of the Quarterly Meetings since May last. The condition of your Accounts is also becoming a serious matter. The office Books were given into the charge of your Accountant by the Finance Committee on the 22nd of last September, and he was made responsible for them, and this was confirmed by the Council, but the Accounts are not yet ready for Audit, though the time has long since elapsed within which they should have been sent in to the Local Government Board.

The Auditor wrote in the early part of January to ask when they would be sent in, but on examining them I had to reply that they would take a long time still to complete. The Local Government Board Inspector has since been down, and inquired into the delay. I asked him not to report on them, as they were in course of preparation, and I would see how far they were by the next meeting. Since September last I have taken care that the Accountant should have nothing but Accountancy work, have given him every Order in Council, and every document connected with the Accounts, have taken pains to explain every difficulty or point that has arisen; but the work is going on a great deal too slowly, though I have allowed him the assistance of the other clerks all through.

There is also the want of office experience, which I have previously mentioned, which seriously hampers me in my work, for I cannot get documents and papers which are constantly referred to replaced when used, though I have given direct orders on the subject. I cannot complete the figures or calculations

for the Estimates, for the balances to debit and credit of the Several Rural and Urban Districts have not yet been made out. I have everything else ready, but this stops the work now. No entry has been made in the Financial Statement Book of Receipts since last September.

One of your Rate Collectors, Mr. Charles Sutton, has completed his Collection, and has lodged the full amount of his Warrant for the Half year ending 31st of March next.

The Local Government Board has approved of the appointment of Mr. McGrath as Rate Collector for Gaas No 2 Rural District, so I have prepared his Warrants for signature at this meeting.

The payments and new proposals authorised by Shillelagh Rural District Council exceed the limit of yearly expenditure on roads fixed by the Order of the 6th July, 1899, by £162-15. You will, therefore, have, in accordance with the Local Government Board's letter of the 20th August, 1900, on this occasion to reject that District's Proposals for New Works, and even then the limit will be exceeded by £64-13-4.

Mr. Wailles has got in the full amount of the Council's Demand on the Wicklow Urban District to the 1st October. The last instalment due by that District in the beginning of January is still outstanding. Mr. Wailles was only employed at the time to collect the amount due to October.

Bray Urban District owes the entire amount for the last year. Mr. McCarroll has instituted proceedings to recover it, and has obtained a Conditional Order for payment.

Yours faithfully,
E. D. Wynne.

Adopted. Order - That we call on Mr. Doyle, our Clerk, to have books ready for Audit by our next Meeting, on Monday, the 18th March.

County Surveyor's Report.

To the County Council of the County Wicklow, at
 their Quarterly Meeting, 25th February, 1901.

Mr. Chairman and Gentlemen,

I have drafted for your approval, or otherwise, amendments and additions to the Draft Order in Council for the Dublin, Scalp, &c. Tramways. These amendments apply, of course, only to matters as affecting the County roads and works. All the clauses should be carefully gone into by your Solicitor, as many of them have a legal bearing. The question of charging for way-leave may occur to you, but I have not, of course, dealt with it.

With regard to the roads and works passed at the last Quarterly Meetings of the District Councils, I shall here only refer to the following, but am prepared to afford any necessary information that may be desired with regard to the others:—

Baltinglass No 1:—

To keep in repair for 3 years, 423 perches of road, from Tyrrell's turf gate at bounds of Ballymoney and Kilcoagh to end of road at Kilcoagh East. In this case, as the road commences at a gate across it, ends in a bog, and has no house along it, it would appear not to be a proper case for maintenance by the County.

Rathdrum:—

" To keep in repair for 2½ years, 50 perches of road, from Newtown-cross-roads to Two Mile Water Bridge. The object of this is to put it on the County, so that application may be made to repair at the expense of the County a broken bridge on this road over the Three-Mile-Water River."

This road and bridge are only required for private use, and the application should be rejected by you, as it was when previously applied for at your Quarterly Meeting, 25th May, 1900. In this District I applied

for works necessary for the public safety—namely:—the re-building of two retaining walls at Newtown-Mount Kennedy, which have fallen, but the applications were rejected. I also have twice applied in the same District for the necessary painting of footbridge in Arklow, but on each occasion the application was disallowed.

The road in this District between the Gorey road and Quarries at Arklow Rock, over which very heavy traffic passes, was passed by the District Council at 8/- per perch, with the proviso that half the contract sum should be lodged with you before your Quarterly Meeting. I communicated with the quarry owners on the matter, but as they decline to lodge the money, the road must lie out of contract after 31st March next.

In Naas No 2 I applied for a most necessary work—namely:—the building of an additional gullet at Ballysmuttan bridge, to avoid frequent tearings of the road there by floods, and its repair as a sudden damage, but the application was rejected.

I am, Gentlemen,

Your obedient Servant,

Carter Draper.

23rd February, 1901.

Approved, excepting the paragraph on Two Mile Water Bridge Road.

Proposed by—Councillor R. P. Drought.

Seconded by— " E. J. Byrne.

Resolved—That the following works, not tendered for at the adjourned meetings of the District Councils, be placed in charge of the County Surveyor for execution:—

1. Rathdrum.—To rebuild in part and repair in part Glashaboy Bridge, on the road over Wicklow Gap. £90.

2. Naas No 2 — 620 perches of road and footpath, Dublin to Kilbride, between the County Dublin bounds at Brittas and the three roads at Kilbride Manor Post Office, at $1\frac{1}{4}$ per perch per annum.

For Quarter ending 30th June, 1901.

3. Rathdrum — To repair Haughton's Bridge, on the road between three roads on Cornagower East and the "open" at Ardaraury, £ 10

County Analysts Report

To the County Council
of the County of Wicklow.

Mr. Chairman and Gentlemen,

I beg to report that I have made the following analysis during the quarter ended on the 31st day of December, 1900: —

For the Sergeants of the Royal Irish Constabulary, acting as Inspectors of Food, the following articles were analysed: — Butter 21; Whiskey 16; Milk 9; Margarine 5; Cheese 2; Beer 1; Rum 1; Flour 1; Mustard 1; Indian Meal 1; Butter-milk 1; Total 59.

Of the specimens of Butter, three were composed almost entirely of fats foreign to Butter, prepared in imitation of Butter.

Of the specimens of Whiskey, one was 31.8 degrees under proof, and was, therefore, adulterated with 9.07 per cent of added water.

The five specimens of Margarine were composed almost entirely of fats foreign to Butter. Margarine must not contain more than 10 per cent of Butter.

The specimen of Buttermilk was adulterated with 32 per cent of added water, exclusive of 25 per cent allowed for churning purposes.

Of the specimens of Milk, one was of very poor and doubtful quality, but not sufficiently so

to warrant certificate of adulteration. The remaining articles were of good quality.

October 10th For the Guardians of Rathdrum Union, three Drugs were analysed. They were correct.

October 19th Five Drugs analysed for the Guardians of Baltinglass Union were correct.

October 26th On this date, for the same Institution, a specimen of Water was analysed. It had the following composition: —

One Imperial gallon contained in grains —	
Total solid matters	25.200
Including	
Albuminoid Ammonia	0.008
Saline Ammonia	0.006
Nitric Acid	0.550
Chlorine	0.894
Sulphuric Acid	None
Equal to Calcium Sulphate	None

A fairly good water.

October 30th Three Drugs analysed for the Guardians of Rathdrum Union were correct.

November 13th For the Guardians of Baltinglass Union, two Drugs were analysed. They were correct.

November 29th Three Drugs analysed for the Guardians of Shillelagh Union were correct.

December 3rd For the Guardians of Baltinglass Union, three Drugs were analysed. They were correct.

December 5th For the Guardians of Rathdrum Union, three Drugs were analysed. One of them, namely, Glycerine of Pepsine, did not digest the proper amount of egg albumen which the Pharmacopoeia states it should digest.

December 8th On this date, for the same Institution, three Drugs were analysed. One of them, namely, Tincture of Ferric Chloride, was slightly deficient in Iron,

December 19th On this date, for the same Institution, three Drugs were analysed. They were correct.

For J. Gardiner, Esq, Ashford, two specimens of Cotton Cake, and a specimen of decorticated Cotton Cake were analysed, with the following result:—

	<u>Cotton Cake</u> A	<u>Cotton Cake</u> B	<u>Decorticated</u> <u>Cotton Cake</u>
Moisture	11.27	11.03	8.33
Ash	6.93	6.66	7.47
Oil	11.50	10.70	9.87
Albuminoids	42.01	42.01	45.50
Carbohydrates	28.29	29.60	28.83
Total	100	100	100
Nitrogen	6.72	6.72	7.28

For Naas Union, which is partly situated in the County of Wicklow, twenty five Drugs were analysed. One of them, namely, pepsine, did not digest the proper amount of egg albumen, which the Pharmacopoeia states it should digest.

Total analyses 116
 Adulterated and defective articles 13

I am,
 Sir,
 Your obedient Servant,
 Charles A. Cameron
 Public Analyst.

17 Castle Street,
Dublin.

23rd February, 1901.

Greystones Harbour — Counsel's Opinion.

Query I. Whether the ownership of said Harbour is now vested in the County Council of the County of

Wicklow, having regard to the fact that their predecessors declined to take over same, and never exercised any act of ownership over said Harbour or piers.

Answer— It is very difficult to give a definite opinion, but having carefully read the Acts mentioned in this case, and considered same, I have arrived at the conclusion that the Power given to the Board of Works to vest piers and Harbours in the Grand Jury of the County appears to be confined to piers and Harbours made prior to the 16 and 17 Vic., c. 136, and also to piers and Harbours constructed out of two sums of £ 40,000 and £ 50,000, mentioned in Section 7 of the 16 and 17 Vic, cap. 136, and the provisions of 29 and 30 Vic, cap. 45, Secs. 3 and 6, enabling loans to be made for the extension and improvement for works previously executed, and directing that the Acts 16 and 17 Vic, cap. 136, and 19 and 20 Vic., cap 57; and 29 and 30 Vic, Cap. 45, should be used, as one code do not seem materially to affect the question, and that, therefore, I am of opinion, but with great doubt, that having regard to the practice that this Order of the Board of Works, purporting to vest the pier and so-called Harbour of Greystones in the Grand Jury was null and void, and even if I am wrong in this view, still I think that having regard to the incomplete and disgraceful state of the works when the Board of Works purported to make their Order, dated July, 1896, that the works had not been erected or constructed within the true intent and meaning of Section 7 of the 16 and 17 Vic, Cap. 136, as it can hardly have been the intention of that Act to enable the Board of Works to foist on the Grand Jury and the County an unfinished and dangerous structure.

Query II— If the piers and Harbours are the property of the County Council, is it their duty to maintain same, so that any vessel using the Harbour may

not be injured.

Answer — No; as in my opinion the obligations of the County Council with respect to piers and harbours — even assuming the piers and harbours to have been properly vested in the Grand Jury — and under the Seal of the Privy Council Order of the 16th July, 1899, (Adaptation of Irish enactments), precisely the same as those of the Grand Jury, which were the same as to piers and harbours as to any other public works or road; that is to say, there was no compulsion to make any presentment for maintenance or repair; but in case of the Grand Jury's failure to do so in certain cases, means were provided for the execution of the works, and the charging of the costs thereof to the County; thus in the case of this so-called harbour, under Secs. 11 and 12, the 16 and 17 Vic., Cap. 136, that is in the case of a pier or harbour properly vested — which this is not, in my judgment — and not properly maintained; the Board of Works can maintain and repair the pier or harbour, and the Chief Secretary for Ireland can certify the amount to the County Council, who would then be bound to pay same.

Query III Assuming that No 2 be answered in the affirmative, is it necessary that a light house or adequate lights should be built on either pier?

Query IV What would the legal result of allowing the harbour to get into a complete state of dilapidation be?

Answer - III and IV. In my opinion the County Council are not bound to erect a light house, or otherwise light the pier, so long as they don't take over the structure, or interfere with it in any way. If the pier and harbour is not vested in them, the

County Council are not liable to make good any dilapidation, but if the pier has vested under Secs. 11 and 12 of the 16 and 17 Vic., Cap. 136, the County can indirectly be made to pay for maintenance and repair; but so long as the County do not take over the pier or harbour, the County Council are not liable for accidents arising from its defective condition.

Query V. If the harbour and piers are the property of the County Council, are there any means by which the Commissioners of Public Works could be compelled to place the work in a proper and thorough state of repair?

Answer — No; there is no legal means of doing so outside pressure, such as public opinion or agitation in Parliament. Nothing further occurs to me at present.

Wood G. Jefferson.
3 Mount St., Crescent

17/2/1901.

Official Correspondence.

No. 72, 195/1900.
Dublin County.

Local Government Board,
Dublin. 20th December, 1900.

Informing County Council that they have sanctioned another Loan of £ 372,200 to Richmond Asylum.

No. 8455/1900.
Dublin, etc. County.

Local Government Board,
Dublin. 22nd December, 1900.

Forwarding Draft Order adjusting liabilities of Dublin and Blessington Tramway between Baltinglass and Naas Rural Districts.

Order — To be sent to Naas District Council to report on.

No 74,844/1900
Wicklow County.

Local Government Board,
Dublin. 5th January, 1901.

Stating that Poor Rate Collectors are not entitled to additional remuneration for services in connection with the Revision of Valuation Lists, as it forms part of their ordinary duties as Collectors.

No. 1591/1901.
Wicklow County.

Local Government Board,
Dublin. 11th January, 1901.

Inclosing application from Thomas Little,
late Assistant Surveyor.

Recommendation of Finance Committee
adopted.

No 1100/1901
Wicklow County.

Local Government Board,
Dublin. 14th January, 1901.

Stating that as twelve months have elapsed since the payments referred to in Wicklow Urban District became due, the Board have no power to sanction them now. The Council must take the responsibility of the payments, if made.

Ordered — That the Secretary bring the letter before the notice of the Auditor; the matter to be adjourned, pending his approval of the payments.

No. 2674/1901.
Wicklow County

Local Government Board,
Dublin. 17th January, 1901.

Sir,

I am directed by the Local Government Board for Ireland to inform the Wicklow County Council — that they have received a report from their Inspector, Mr. Sanderson, to the effect that the closing of the half-yearly accounts of the County is greatly delayed by the late date at which the Quarterly Meetings of the County Council take place.

This is apparently caused by the long period over which the Meetings of the District Councils are extended, and Mr. Sanderson suggests

that the difficulty might be obviated if the Meetings of the District Councils were fixed at shorter intervals, as is the case in other Counties.

The Inspector further states that the dates of the District Council Meetings during the last Quarter made it impossible for the County Council to hold their Quarterly Meeting before the 10th December, which is a month later than in other and larger Counties.

The Board, therefore, trust that the above matters will be taken into consideration by the County Council, with a view to giving effect to the Inspector's suggestion.

By Order of the Board,
A. R. Barlas.

To the Secretary,
Wicklow County Council.

No 9 M/1901.

Local Government Board,
Dublin. 18th January, 1901.

Inclosing draft form of Rate Book and Demand Note, under the Local Government (Ireland) Act, 1900.

No 21 M/1901.

Local Government Board,
Dublin. 1st February, 1901.

Informing Council that road money not earned in time, and struck off, cannot be reinstated.

No. 28 M/1901.

Local Government Board,
Dublin. 6th February, 1901.

Inclosing Draft Provisional Order, amending the Procedure of Councils' Order, 1899.

Order — To be considered at next Meeting.

No 6575/1901.
Rathdown No 2 R.D.

Local Government Board,
Dublin. 11th February, 1901.

Inclosing copy of letter to Rathdown No 2 Rural District, re Estimate and Demand.

No 133 M / 1900.
Miscellaneous.

Local Government Board,
Dublin. 15th February, 1901.

Inclosing memorandum in connection with applications for loans, with blank forms.

No. 8789 / 1901.
Wicklow County.

Local Government Board,
Dublin. 19th February, 1901.

Recommending the Council's Solicitor being consulted respecting the collection of certain rates where the occupation has changed since revision was made.

Finance Committee's recommendation adopted.

No 10373 / 1901.
Wicklow County.

Local Government Board,
Dublin. 19th February, 1901.

Informing Secretary that the Commissioners of Valuation will be informed of the desirability of having the Valuation Lists ready by 1st February, yearly.

No 22073

General Valuation Office,
Dublin. 14th February, 1901.

Stating that revised Valuations of Urban Districts will not be available till 1st March.

No 298 / 1901.

Department of Agriculture & Technical Instruction,
Veterinary Branch, Dublin. 26th Jan'y, 1901.

Inclosing copy of Order on the Importation of Dogs into Ireland.

A / No. 9

Department of Agriculture & Technical Instruction for Ireland. Dublin.

Field trials with seeds and manures.

Richmond District Asylum,
Dublin. 24th November, 1900.

Inclosing letter from the Assistant Under Secretary for Ireland, re claim for withheld Capitation Grant.

Office of Public Works,
Custom House, Dublin, 19th Dec., 1900.

Notifying issue of loan of £ 14.00 to Baltinglass No. 1 Rural District Council for Labourers' Cottages.

No 17425 / 1900.

Office of Public Works,
Dublin. 9th January, 1901.

Giving notice of Engineering Inquiry to be held in Bray and Dublin into merits of the Dublin and Bray Tramway.

Office of Public Works,
Custom House, Dublin. 29th Dec., 1900.

Notifying issue of loan of £ 550 to Rathdrum Rural District Council.

No 292 / 1901.

Office of Public Works,
Custom House, Dublin. 10th January, 1901.

Notifying advance of £ 3760 to Shillelagh Rural District Council under Labourers' (Ireland) Acts.

R. 17087 / 1900.

Office of Public Works, Accountants' Department,
Dublin. 16th February, 1901.

Notifying the advance of £ 20,000 to Richmond Asylum Committee.

Powerscourt,
23rd February, 1901.

From Lord Powerscourt, regretting his inability to attend.

Ballinacoola, Glenageary,
25th February, 1901.

From Councillor Drought, resigning membership of "Live Stock" Committee.

Resignation accepted.

On the recommendation of Councillor Osborne, William Cotton Esq., J.P., Humphreystown, Blessington, was appointed in his place.

Local Registration of Title Office
Court House, Wicklow. 15th January, 1911.

Application to have a fire-proof room supplied for storing the Records under the Registration of Title Act, 1891

Order - The Secretary to apply to the Treasury for the necessary safe accommodation.

23rd February, 1901. From Secretary to General Post Office, Dublin, asking leave to erect Telegraph Poles in Rathdrum.

Granted, subject to the County Surveyor's approval of the position of the Poles

Crown and Peace Office,
Wicklow. 29th January, 1901.

Re hearing of Baltinglass Court House.

Postponed until Mr. O'Sullivan and the Baltinglass Councillors are present.

5th September, 1900. From Baltinglass No. 1 Rural District Council - giving names of School Attendance Committee for Dunlavin.

Approved, and names to be sent forward to Board of National Education.

12th December, 1900. From Same, re School Attendance Committee.

4th February, 1901. From same, enclosing resolution as follows: -

"Resolved - That the County Council be requested, in putting the Education Act in force in the Dunlavin County Electoral Division to separate therefrom the Electoral Divisions of Luglass and Togh, and place same in charge of the Inspector appointed in Naas No. 2, as such an arrangement will be the most convenient, and this Council will pay the sum of £8 yearly

for such services. "
Approved.

16th February, 1901. From same, stating Collectors Tutty and Kelly had not yet attended to have their collections checked.

4th February, 1901. From Naas No. 2 Rural District Council, enclosing resolution.

16th January, 1901. From same enclosing resolution asking that application be made to Government for a contribution towards cost of repairs of roads to Shankhill Camp.

Secretary to apply for the contribution.

18th February, 1901. From same enclosing resolution, asking that the Local Government Board be written to for authority to pay the late Collector, George Meyler. Proposed by - Councillor M. Langton.
Seconded by - " P. J. Carey.

Resolved - That Mr. George Meyler, late Rate Collector for Naas District, having now lodged to the credit of the County Council of Wicklow the full amounts of his Warrants, we strongly recommend the Local Government Board to sanction the payment of his Poundage Fees.

Passed.

18th December, 1900. From Rathdown Board of Guardians, enclosing resolution.

28th January, 1901. From Rathdrum Rural District Council, asking to have Rathdrum Rural District Quarterly Meetings fixed for Mondays.

3rd January, 1901. From Shillelagh Rural District Council, re County Infirmary.

24th December, 1900. From Bray Urban District Council,
re Bye-laws for cycles, &c.

15th January, 1901. Coppengagh House, Tullow. ap-
plication from Veterinary Inspector W. A. Young.

12th January, 1901. Application from Bray Petty
Sessions Clerk, for return of Food and Drugs Fines in
Margarine Cases.
Refused.

13th February, 1901. From Kynoch, Limited,
Cordite Works, Arklow. — Application for Council's
approval of Draft Licenses for Explosive Factory.

16th February, 1901. Application from D. McCann
for Compensation for loss of emoluments.
Granted.

Preliminary notice of application for £ 10
Compensation under Local Government Act, 1898,
from Bernard Smith, Naas No 2 Rural District.

Irish County Councils' General Council, 19 Lincoln
Place, Dublin, 8th February, 1901. — Giving notice
that next meeting will be held in Dublin, on 12th April,
1901.

Order — Members on Council to be notified.

1st February, 1901. From J. H. McCarrall, Solicitor,
stating the Clerk of Bray Urban Council acknowledged
his application for payment of County Council's Demand.

15th January, 1901. Council's Auditors' Report on
Dublin and Blessington Tramways Accounts.

1st January, 1901. From Messrs. Browne & McKinnon,
Solicitors, Naas, re assignment of road contracts

from Laurence Donohoe.
Assignment approved.

3rd January, 1901. From the Patriotic Assurance
Company, applying for return of W. Meyler's Bond.
Refused.

8th February, 1901. From R. J. McCredy, Editor of
the Irish Motor News, Dame Court, Dame Street Dublin
asking the County Council to encourage the holding
of the Motor Tour in Ireland this year.
Secretary to write recommending the Automobile
Club to hold this year's tour in Ireland.

14th December, 1900. From R. M. Barrington,
Fassaroe, Bray, enclosing resolutions re Greystones Water
supply.
Read.

3rd January, 1901. From Collector Thomas Dawling,
in reply to Mr. Barker's letter

3rd January, 1901. From A. C. Macgregor, 18 Vesey
Place, Kingsstown, re Mines Bridge at Avoca.

22nd February, 1901. From the Solicitor to
Baltinglass Rural District Council, asking liberty
to acquire land for a new road.
Consideration postponed.

Resolutions from Various Bodies.

From Shareholder — re Dublin and Blessington Tramway
Company.

Code of resolutions from Association for Suppression
of Intemperance.

January, 1901. From Irish Cattle Traders' and Stockowners' Association, re over-taxation and Foreign Supplies in Ireland.

7th January, 1901. From Coleraine Rural District Council - re Compulsory Sale of Land in Ireland.

20th January, 1901. From Secretary, United Irish League, Toghher, Roundwood re putting in force of Agricultural and Technical Education Act.

4th December, 1900. From Galway County Council re Financial Arrangements under the 58th Section of the Local Government (Ireland) Act of 1898.
Adopted.

18th January, 1901. From County Council of Salop - re Sheep Scab.
E. M. M. 294/1901.

Meeting of the County Council, held in the Council Chamber, Court House, Wicklow, at 11-30 am. on Monday, the 18th March, 1901.

The following Members attended:—

Councillor - Mr. Byrne - Chairman
Councillors - P. Norman Thompson, R. R. Drought, E. C. Walsh, W. Osborne, Joseph Dunne, William Costello, Joseph McCarroll, W. G. Murphy, J. Sheppard, James Byrne, M. Langton.

Agenda.

1. To hear and consider an application from Synoch, Limited, of Birmingham and London, (of which due notice has been published, in accordance with the provisions of the Explosives Act of 1875) for the Council's assent to the extension of their existing Factory for manufacture of Explosives at Ferrybank and Innabast, Arklow, in accordance with the Draft Amending License, Plan, and Specification, approved by one of His Majesty's principal Secretaries of State, which have been deposited in this Office.
2. " Strike the Rates for the year 1901-02.
3. " Consider Dublin and Blessington Tramway Draft Adjustment Order, and Daas No 2 Rural District Council's resolution thereon.
4. " Consider application re Heating Baltinglass Court House
5. " Consider Draft Provisional Order, amending Procedure of Councils Order
6. " Consider Councillor McCarroll's Notice of Motion re Tourists
7. " Consider Finance Committee's Report.
8. " " Secretary's Report.
9. " " County Surveyor's Report.

10. To consider Official Correspondence.
 11. " " General Do.

Captain E. St. Finch, Chief Inspector, Arkelon,
 attended to represent Kynoch, Limited, and made the
 following application:—

In accordance with the provisions of the Explosives
 Act, 1875, Section 6, I beg to forward herewith Amending
 Draft License, No X $\frac{60348}{24}$ for this Factory, with the
 assent of His Majesty's Secretary of State of an application
 being made to the Local Authority, viz:— Wicklow
 County Council, for approval thereof, which application
 I now make on behalf of Messrs. Kynoch, Limited.

— Explosives Act, 1875. — *and acts amending same*

Proposed by - Councillor E. C. Walsh.

Seconded by - " J. McCarroll.

Resolved - That we, the majority of the
 County Council of the County Wicklow, assembled at
 Wicklow, in the County of Wicklow, being the Local
 Authority as defined by the above-mentioned Acts,
 with respect to the place at which it is proposed
 to extend ^{and alter} the existing Factory for Explosives, in
 accordance with the terms of this Draft License,
 having considered the application for extension of such
 Factory, and it having been shown to us that the
 requisite notices of the time and place of hearing this
 application were duly published, as required by the
 Act, not less than one month before the date of hearing,
 do hereby assent to the extension of such Factory for
 Explosives, in accordance with the terms of this Draft
 Amending License, and that the Seal of the Council be
 affixed to this assent.

Passed.

Proposed by - Councillor E. C. Walsh,

Seconded by - " W. Osborne,

Resolved - That this Council, as representing
 the people of the County Wicklow, is giving expression to the
 universal abhorrence in which the terms of the blasphemous
 oath, and the gross insult to the religious feelings of
 the vast majority of our fellow-countrymen, and the many
 millions of his Catholic subjects which the King, through
 the infamous Declaration of Rights, was obliged to take on
 his accession to the Throne, and we call upon the
 Government to take immediate Steps to so alter the form
 of the Declaration that it will not give such needless
 offence to those who cherish a firm belief in, and veneration for,
 the Roman Catholic Faith.

That our County Members be requested to give
 this matter their immediate attention; and that copies
 of this resolution, sealed with the County Seal, be
 forwarded to His Grace The Most Rev. D. Walsh, Archbishop
 of Dublin, the Lord Lieutenant of Ireland, and the Prime
 Minister of England.

Passed.

Proposed by - Councillor R. Norman Thompson

Seconded by - " R. R. Drought.

Resolved - That Standing Orders be suspended
 to enable the Finance Committee to consider the annual
 Estimates, the apportionment of the Rates, and the other
 business of which the Members received notice for Saturday
 last, and that this Council Meeting do stand adjourned
 until 1-p.m., to allow that Committee to hand in its
 Report.

Passed.

— Finance Committee's Report. —

Your Finance Committee met this day, and (A)
 having examined the Estimates of the Expenditure for the
 coming Financial Year, ending 31st March, 1902,

prepared by the Secretary, - and the apportionment of the rates to meet the expenditure, (B) recommend the adoption of the same, - as follows: - (C)

General Charges.

Rural District	On Land	On other Hereditaments
Baltinglass	2-1	3-8
Naas	2-4 $\frac{3}{4}$	3-11 $\frac{1}{4}$
Rathdown	2-1 $\frac{1}{2}$	3-2 $\frac{3}{4}$
Rathdrum	2-1 $\frac{1}{4}$	3-5 $\frac{3}{4}$
Shillelagh	2-3	3-8 $\frac{3}{4}$

Separate Charges.

Public Health Charges

No. 1. Baltinglass	$\frac{1}{2}$
2. Naas	$\frac{1}{4}$
3. Rathdown	$\frac{1}{2}$
4. Rathdrum	1
5. Shillelagh	1 $\frac{1}{4}$
3 rd Greystones Harbour	$\frac{1}{2}$
6. Arklow "	5
7. Wicklow "	5
8. Blessington Tramway.	12

The foregoing Rates are for the whole year, under the Act passed last year, and will be raised in two half-yearly moieties.

The Estimates and Demands on the Urban District Councils for their proportion of the foregoing Estimates - after allowing in each case credit for the balance to those Districts in the Councils' Books at the close of the previous Financial Year - are: -

	General Charges	Separate Charges.
	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
Bray Urban Council	2434-17-8	Nil.
Wicklow Do.	686-17-11	208-2-1

and we recommend that they be adopted and signed.

It was recommended that Mr. Wailes be instructed to write to the Wicklow Urban District Council demanding payment of the amount due to the County on the foot of Demands, - and to inform the Urban Council that unless the amount in full, as due in January, 1901, is paid before the end of the Financial Year he will take the necessary legal proceedings, to recover it.

We recommend the cancelling of Orders Nos. 224/99, 523/3/00; 57/3/00; 541/3/00; 541/5/00; 522/5/00.

D. J. Hogan, Chairman

18th March, 1901.

Proposed by - Councillor R. Norman Thompson.

Seconded by - " R. P. Drought.

Resolved - That the Report of the Finance Committee be adopted.

Passed.

Upon Councillor Osborne drawing attention to the large rate for Blessington Tramway exceeding the 1/- limit of the rate, the Secretary explained that the hanging half year which had heretofore existed in the case of the harbour and Tramway payments, on account of the dates of the former Assizes, had now to be provided for, under the Local Government Act, and therefore the Estimate on this occasion included three half-years' instalments in these cases to bring the payments within the financial year, as required, but it was correct that the tramway rate was limited to 1/- in the year, the extra three farthings would therefore have to be struck out in this case, making the rate 1/-.

Proposed by - Councillor R. Norman Thompson.
 Seconded by - " E. C. Walsh.

Resolved - That we approve and adopt the Estimate for the Expenditure for the financial year ending 31st March, 1902, - and the apportionment of the rates for that period, now laid before us by the Secretary, and recommended by the Finance Committee, - and direct that they be now signed.

Passed.

Proposed by - Councillor J. Sheppard,
 Seconded by - " W. G. Murphy.

Resolved - That the Chairman sign the Estimates and Demands on the Urban District Councils of Bray and Wicklow, as recommended by the Finance Committee.

Passed.

No 8455/1900.

Local Government Board,
 Dublin. 22nd December, 1900.

Forwarding Draft Order adjusting liabilities of the Dublin and Blessington Tramway between Baltinglass and Naas Rural Districts. Resolution from Naas Rural District Council thereon.

Ordered - The Secretary to forward resolution to Local Government Board.

Crown and Peace Office,
 Wicklow. 29th January, 1901.

Re heating Baltinglass Court House.

Again postponed till Councillor O'Shelly and the Baltinglass Councillors are present.

No. 28 Dn/1901.

Local Government Board,
 Dublin. 6th February, 1901.

Enclosing Draft Provisional Order amending the Procedure of Councils Order, 1899.

Order - Secretary to inform the Local Government

Board that the County Council do not approve of the employment of direct labour.

To consider Councillor McCarroll's Notice of Motion - re developing Tourist Traffic in County Wicklow?

Notice of Motion fell through, owing to Councillor McCarroll not being present.

Secretary's Report

To the Wicklow County Council,

Gentlemen

Having, since your last Meeting, - obtained the valuations from the Valuation Office, I am now able to lay the apportionment of the rates for the coming Financial Year before you. As, however, the books of the Office were not made up in time - although I waited till the latest possible moment for them - I have not been able to allow for the balances to credit or debit of the various Rural Districts in my Estimates.

I have myself made out and allowed for the balances of the Separate Charges, and also for those of the Urban Districts in their respective Estimates and Demands.

I must ask the Council now to make some definite and final arrangement with regard to the book-keeping of the office, for your business cannot longer be carried on under the present amateur accountancy provided by the Council. The work at present is only done mechanically by slavishly copying from the work of the previous accountants, but without knowledge or experience, so the moment any matter arises which was not dealt with in a previous account a deadlock immediately occurs. Instead of my having an accountant to apply to when I require information from your books, your accountant has to come to me when the slightest accountancy problem arises. The work is so enormously in arrears that it is quite useless to me in my duties,

and throws very greatly increased work and responsibility upon me, for, to use a nautical phrase, I have to work almost entirely by dead reckoning, as I have practically no books to refer to.

The present account, which you directed last Meeting should be ready for Audit by this day, you must clearly understand is for the Half-year commencing the 1st April, 1900, and ending the 30th of September last. It is now within 13 days of six months since that period closed, but though the Council gave the books into the charge of your Accountant on the 22nd of September last, and made him responsible for their being kept, not one single stroke of the pen has yet been entered in the Office Ledger for the current half-year, nor was a single entry made in the Financial Statement of Receipts for the same period until four days ago; so that you see that I have nothing to refer to for the many matters which are constantly arising. The present account which is being worked upon, is solely for the Audit, from books which have been in charge of the Accountant ever since the end of last June, with the exception of three weeks when on leave, and are practically of no use to the Office, as the books for the months of July on were only posted for this Account shortly before your last Meeting, and, therefore, much too late for me to use when they were wanted. This account has been in hands more than three times as long as the time allowed for it by the Local Government Board, and is not yet quite finished or correct.

Since your last Meeting, the Government Auditor sent the official notice fixing the Audit for next Wednesday, but though the account was to be ready for Audit by to-day, I have had, at the Accountant's request, to write to Captain Gibson to postpone the Audit and withdraw his notice, as the account would not be ready.

I can assure you it is a most unpleasant task to me to have to report on this matter, and

I would not do so but that my responsibility in the matter is too great, as it concerns some £87,000 passing through my office in the year.

As I have more than once said, it is not the character of your Clerk I would deal with. I have said it is putting men in an unfair position to themselves, expecting them to perform work they have had no experience in, and it is still more unfair to me, your Secretary.

In case the question should be asked at the next Audit, I think it would be well that Mr. P. Healy should give security, as your other Clerks have done.

Yours faithfully
E. D. Wynne.

18th March, 1901.

Order - Mr. Doyle to get the Ledger written up as soon as possible.

County Surveyors' Report.

To the County Council
of the County Wicklow
Gentlemen,

I beg to report that Mr. John Pansing, Assistant Surveyor, having taken up other business, has resigned his situation, so that it will be necessary to take immediate steps to fill the vacancy.

I am,

Gentlemen,

Your obedient Servant
Carter Draper.

18th March, 1901.

Church Hill,

Dear Sir,

Wicklow, 18th March, 1901.

Having taken up other business, I am obliged to tender you my resignation as Assistant County Surveyor,

I am, Dear Sir,

Truly yours,

Carter Draper, Esq., C.E.

J. Pansing.

Proposed by - Councillor P. Norman Thompson.
 Seconded by - " R. R. Drought.

Resolved - That the County Surveyor advertise in the "Independent," "Freeman's Journal," and "Irish Times," for an assistant Surveyor in place of Mr. J. Pansing, resigned, at a salary of £105 per annum, candidates to attend the next meeting of the County Council, and that meanwhile the County Surveyor make such arrangements as he may deem necessary for carrying on the work in the vacant District.

Proposed by - Councillor R. R. Drought.
 Seconded by - " E. C. Walsh.

Resolved - That the County Surveyor be empowered to buy a Chimney Sweeping Apparatus for use in the County Court House.
 Passed.

Official Correspondence.

No. 14822/1901.
 Wicklow.

Local Government Board,
 Dublin. 15th March, 1901.

Stating the Board will raise no objection to the proposal of the Council to pay late Collector George Dreyler his Poundage Fees.
 Approved.

Proposed by - Councillor D. G. Murphy.
 Seconded by - " W. Osborne.

Resolved - That the Rate Collector Michael McGrath, of the Meas No 2, get an extension of time to close his Collection up to 30th April next, in consequence of his not getting his Warrant until the 2nd March last, which leaves him less than one month, and impossible for him to close in this short time.

Passed.

Proposed by - Councillor P. Norman Thompson.
 Seconded by - " J. Sheppard.

Resolved - That we hereby authorise the "Live Stock" Committee to open an account in the National Bank, Wicklow, to be named the "Wicklow County Council No² account," and that our Treasurer be directed to honour Paying Orders on said account, signed by three Members of that Committee and counter-signed by its Secretary. The Committee to apply to the Department of Agriculture for an advance of £100 to meet expenses. That a copy of this resolution, along with a list giving the names and signatures of the Members of the "Live Stock" Committee and of its Secretary, be sent to our Treasurer.

Proposed by - Councillor P. Norman Thompson.
 Seconded by - " R. R. Drought.

Resolved - That the Secretary of the "Live Stock" Committee be granted leave of absence from March 29th to April 5th, in order that he may be able to attend the several Shows to be held in the County under the Scheme for Improvement of Live Stock.
 Passed.

No. 31 M/1901.
 Miscellaneous.

Local Government Board,
 Dublin. 26th February, 1901.

With reference to the best means of dealing with the question of the maintenance and treatment of "Chronic Lunatics, not dangerous to themselves or others."
 Read.

Kilbride, 303

R. E. Office,
 Dublin Castle, 15th March, 1901.

Sir,

I beg to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 13th March, 1901, asking for a contribution of £100 towards the cost of the maintenance of the roads from Aghfarrell road to Shankhill Camp, and in

reply, to inform you that on the 17th August, 1899, it was pointed out in a letter from the Treasurer to the Financial Secretary at the War Office, that the proposal for a contribution, such as that which you now ask for, could not be entertained, because "contributions from the rates vote (calculated on the rateable value of the range) will, as a matter of course, be given in aid of all local expenditure, including maintenance of this road, and such contributions will, no doubt, meet the justice of the case."

I am,

Sir,

Your obedient servant,

J. B. Sharpe,

Lieut.-Colonel Commanding Royal Engineers,
Dublin District.

Edward H. Wynne, Esq.,

Secretary to the County Council,
Court House, Wicklow.

Order — Secretary to write again.

No. 4, 192

Dublin Castle,

1st March, 1901.

Acknowledging copy of the resolution on the subject of the Grant in aid of the Maintenance of Pauper Lunatics.

Treasury Chambers,

Whitehall, S.D. 1st March, 1901.

Acknowledging receipt of letter of 28th ultimo, applying for Fire-proof Safe.

House of Commons,

1st March, 1901.

From D. J. Hogan, Esq., Jnr., acknowledging receipt of resolution, re Richmond District Asylum with-held Capitation Grant.

Richmond District Asylum,
Dublin, 2nd March, 1901.

Acknowledging receipt of resolution re with-held Capitation Grant.

51 Portland Place, W.

London, 14th March, 1901.

From Lord Powerscourt, regretting inability to attend County Council Meeting of 18th March.

14th March, 1901, From Clerk, Baltinglass No. 1 Rural District Council, reporting that collector Lutty had not complied with the Poor Rate Collectors' Order, with regard to lodging rates.

16th March, 1901. From same, with similar complaint regarding collector Kelly, who, he stated, had been unwell.

15th March, 1901. From Clerk, Rathdrum Rural District Council, enclosing copy of resolution re promotion of Fruit-growing Industry.

4 St Stephen's Green, North,

Dublin, 14th February, 1901.

Re Dublin, Scalp, and Inniskerry Railways. Asking the Council to expedite the preparation of the Draft clauses required.

The Council having read the Draft clauses prepared by the County Surveyor and Mr. Dr. Carroll, Solicitor,

Proposed by — Councillor Dr. Langton

Seconded by — " R. Norman Thompson.

Resolved — That we hereby approve of the Draft clauses prepared for insertion in the Draft Order in Council, for the Dublin, Scalp, and Inniskerry Tramways, as initialled by our Chairman.

Passed.

16th March, 1901. From Secretary to the County Infirmary, enclosing draft agreement for the approval of the Council.

Proposed by - Councillor J. McCarroll.

Seconded by - " Mr Langton.

Resolved - That we approve of the Draft Agreement prepared by the Committee of Management of the County Infirmary, and hereby authorise our Chairman to sign and seal the Agreement on our behalf when the same is engrossed.

Passed.

22nd February, 1901. From J. P. Lyndall, Solicitor, 11 Fleet Street, Dublin, re Davidstown Bridge, River Slaney.

12th March, 1901. From Brown & McCann, Solicitors, preliminary notice of Criminal Injury claim for £110, in Baltinglass No 1. Rural District.

Resolutions from Various Bodies.

16th February, 1901. From Kanturk Rural District Council - re release of all Irish Political Prisoners.

20th February, 1901. From Royal Irish Academy of Music, 36 Westland Row, Dublin, on subject of Grants for education in Music.

27th February, 1901. From Londonderry County Council - resolution of thanks to J. W. Russell, M.P., for his services in connection with Compulsory Land Sale in Ireland.

7th March, 1901. 32 Lower Abbey Street, Dublin, re Direct Labour for the making and maintenance of roads

6th March, 1901. From Inniskillen No 1. Rural District Council - re opening of Coal Mines in this Country.

5th March, 1901. From Galway County Council, with reference to the elimination from the Statute Book of the Coronation Oath.

Edward Healy C.M. 20/4/1901.

Meeting of the Council, held in the Council Chamber, Court House, Wicklow, at 1 o'clock p.m. on Saturday, the 20th April, 1901.

The following Members attended :-

Councillor - E. P. O'Shelly - Chairman.
Councillors - R. R. Drought, E. C. Walsh, J. Sheppard, E. J. Byrne, J. McCarroll, W. G. Murphy, R. Norman Thompson.

~ Agenda. ~

1. To sign Transfers for the amounts due on foot of the Estimates and Demands from the several Unions and Rural Districts for the three months ending 30th June, 1901.
2. " sign application for refund of half the expenses under the Diseases of Animals Acts.
3. " sign and seal the copies of the resolution regarding the King's Oath.
4. " consider Reports from Committees
5. " " " County Officers.
6. " " Official Correspondence.
7. " " General Correspondence.

~ Finance Committee's Report. ~

The Committee met this 20th April, 1901.

The following Members present :-

Councillor - E. P. O'Shelly - Chairman.
Councillors - E. C. Walsh, W. G. Murphy, E. J. Byrne, R. Norman Thompson, and R. R. Drought.

The Committee recommends the County Council to authorise the following Transfers of money

on Demand to the several Unions and Rural Districts named :-

~ Union Charges. ~

	£	s.	d.
Baltinglass.	855	18	4
Naas.	205	0	0
Rathdown.	779	2	6
Rathdrum.	2304	1	2
Shillelagh.	755	17	6

~ Rural District Councils' Charges. ~

	~ General ~	~ Separate ~
Baltinglass.	97-16-10	24-18-2
Naas.	55-10-0	4-5-0
Rathdown.	100-0-0	15-0-0
Rathdrum.	283-13-1	133-8-1
Shillelagh.	93-18-6	47-0-0

We recommend that Mr. W. H. H. Kennedy's application be granted, - and that his pension be commuted into a lump sum of £19-16, under Section 6 of the Act of last year.

A correspondence in connection with the Fines in Margarine Cases having been laid before us, we recommend that the Council direct Mr. McCarroll to obtain the opinion of Mr. Samuels, K. C., on the matter, as it seriously affects the Council's interests.

We have found in the Lists of Irrecoverable Rates returned by the Rate Collectors, a very large number of Holdings marked "House down," or "House in ruins." As they have had pointed out to them that it is their duty to have these Houses struck off by the Revising Officer, we recommend that the Collectors be informed that in future this explanation will not be accepted, and that irrecoverable arrears will not be refunded on houses down, or in ruins.

Urban Districts applying for particulars of the County Estimates for Rates and Demands, should be informed that the Books are open for inspection in the Council's Office, where every facility will be given.

We recommend that a sum of £545-5-10 be transferred to the credit of the Subsidiary Account.

We have checked the Rate Collectors' Irrecoverable Rates Lists, and will report on same to the next Quarterly Meeting of the Council.

Signed: - Edward P. O'Shelly - Chairman.
20/4/1901.

Proposed by - Councillor P. Norman Thompson.
Seconded by - " E. J. Byrne.
Resolved - That the Report of the Finance Committee be adopted.
Carried.

Transfers for the amounts due on foot of the Estimates and Demands from the several Unions and Rural Districts for the three months ending 30th June, 1901, were then signed.

A Transfer of £545-5-10 to credit of the Subsidiary Account was also signed.

The Quarterly application for refund of half the Expenses under the Diseases of Animals Acts was passed and signed.

Proposed by - Councillor E. C. Walsh,
Seconded by - " E. J. Byrne,
Resolved - That copies of the Resolution in reference to the King's Oath be now Sealed.
Passed.

The Agreement with County Infirmary Committee of Management was signed and sealed.

County Surveyor's Report.

To the Chairman and County Council,
County Wicklow.

Gentlemen,

With regard to Mr. Pansing's resignation at your last Meeting, he now states he regrets his action, and wishes to withdraw his resignation. Should you agree to this, I suggest that you reinstate him for six months only, and that he agree to give at least two months' notice should he wish to resign at any time. Since his resignation I have employed Mr. Pansing temporarily, and he has discharged his duties to my satisfaction.

I have again to call your attention to the delay in issuing the Half-yearly Statement, which was urgently required for the current Quarterly Meetings. More than four months have now elapsed since the date at which its preparation could have been commenced. The unnecessary labour and trouble which the want of this Book causes me and my Assistants is very great indeed. Unless this Book is regularly produced within a reasonable time, I cannot be held responsible for the proper carrying out of the County business.

The Contractor for Dunlavin Streets has practically abandoned his Contract. I have notified to him and his surviving Surety that proceedings will be taken against them for the recovery of the penalty on the Bond should the work not be proceeded with at once, so that I request you to direct the Secretary to instruct your Solicitor to take the necessary proceedings should the necessity arise.

I am, Gentlemen,

Your obedient Servant,
Carter Drooper.

19th April, 1901.

Adopted.

Order - The requirements of County Surveyors to be complied with; the District Clerks to send in the Schedule of Quarterly Payments, with District Register numbers. The Secretary was directed to have the Statement re-printed precisely the same as the marked Carlow Statement with leave to add the payments on account of separate charges and Rate Collections to each list of road payments, the "payments due" not required in the County at Large.

The following Notice of Motion was handed in by Councillor J. McCarroll: - "I will, at our next meeting, move that the resolution accepting the resignation of Mr. J. Pansing, passed on March 18th, 1901, be hereby rescinded."

Bond submitted by Mr. P. J. Nealy was approved, and the Secretary directed to get Bond stamped.

Official Correspondence

No. 12,393/1901.

Local Government Board,
Dublin, 19th March, 1901.

Granting Mr. Little's application for increase in his remuneration to date of his resignation.

No. 13,949/1901
Miscellaneous.Local Government Board,
Dublin, 23rd March, 1901.

Inquiring whether County Council are aware of any objection to the Annual Revision of Valuation beginning one month earlier.

Order - Secretary to state there is no objection.

No. 17,214/1901.
Wicklow CountyLocal Government Board,
Dublin, 27th March, 1901.

Re application to extend the time for Mr. McGrath to close his Collection.

No. 17,915/1901.

Wicklow County.

Local Government Board,
Dublin, 2nd April, 1901.

Correspondence in connection with payment of Secretary under Jurors' and Voters' Acts.
Read.

No. 17,514/1901.

Wicklow County.

Local Government Board,
Dublin, 15th April, 1901.

Gentlemen,

With reference to your letter of the 3rd instant, relative to the Salary of Mr. Wynne, Secretary to the County Council of Wicklow County, I am directed by the Local Government Board for Ireland to state that the Salary of £400 a year allowed to Mr. Wynne was not inclusive of any Fees which might become payable to him for duties performed under the Provisions of Section 83 (7) of the Local Government (Ireland) Act, 1898.

I am,

Gentlemen,

Your obedient Servant,

H. M. Swaine

Secretary.

Messrs. Hamilton & Craig,
SolicitorsLocal Government Board,
Dublin, 4th April, 1901.Adjustment Order, Dublin and Blessington Steam
Tramway Guarantee, (Co. Wicklow.)

No. 73,763/1901.

Local Government Board,
Dublin, 19th March, 1901.

Re area of charge for erecting a Pump at Stratford,
in Baltinglass No. 1 Rural District

No. 947/1901.

Department of Agriculture & Technical Instruction
for Ireland, Dublin, 28th March, 1901.

Circular and Order relative to Sheep Seal.

No 4433/1901. From same, 2nd April, 1901. Loans for equipping Creameries with Pasteurizing Plant.

Kilbride.

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Re contribution towards maintenance of roads to Shankhill Camp.

Royal Engineer Office,
Dublin Castle. 11th April, 1901.

Kilbride

303.

Further letter on same subject.
Order - ~~County Surveyor~~ ^{Secretary} to reply to same.

Royal Engineer Office,
Dublin Castle. 17th April, 1901.

10th April, 1901. From Clerk, Baltinglass No 1. Rural District Council. Enclosing copies of resolutions re acquiring Land for Davidstown Bridge, and protesting against the Agricultural and Technical Instruction Rate.

Order - Secretary directed to request District Council to ascertain and inform the County Council what the probable cost of the whole proceedings in connection with acquiring the said Land by Compulsory Purchase would be.

18th March, 1901. From Clerk, Rathdown No 2. Rural District Council - re joining with the Bray Technical Instruction Committee.

Crown & Peace Office,
Wicklow. 29th January, 1901.

Re Meeting of Baltinglass Court House.
Order - Refer to Chairman and County Surveyor.

Correspondence regarding the Fines in Inargame Prosecutions.

Order - Counsel's opinion to be obtained.

County Council Offices,
Court House, Wexford.
4th April, 1901.

Enclosing resolution from Wexford County Council in favour of returning to Half-yearly payments.

Proposed by - Councillor P. Norman Thompson.
Seconded by - " E. J. Byrne

Resolved - That this Council hereby applies to the Local Government Board for power to revert to the former half-yearly, instead of Quarterly, payments, as we consider quarterly payments unnecessary.
Adopted.

Final notice in Simon Doyle's Criminal Burning in Baltinglass Rural District

Chambers, 4 Upper Ormond Quay,
Dublin. 6th April, 1901.

Notice of intention to apply for an order extending the time for service of notices in Patrick Padin's Malicious Burning, on 21st October, 1900.

Order - Mr. De Carroll, Solicitor, to be instructed to appear and oppose this application.

16th February, 1901. Resolution from County Wicklow National Teachers' Association.
Consideration adjourned.

63 South Main Street,
Wexford. 16th April, 1901.

From W^m. Sears, offering copies of "The Wexford Surveyors' Case" for Three Guineas.

18th April, 1901. Application from Mr. W. H. H. Kennedy to have his pension commuted under last year's Act.
Approved. See Finance Committee's Report.

Edward Phelan Chairman
28/5/1901.

The Spring Quarterly Meeting of the Council, held in the Council Chamber, Court House, Wicklow, at 11-30 am. on Tuesday, the 28th May, 1901.

The following Members attended:—

Councillor - E. P. O'Kelly - Chairman.
Councillors - J. H. Coleman, M. Byrne, R. Norman Thompson, R. R. Drought, E. C. Walsh, A. Metcalfe, M. Kelly, J. Dunne, W. Costello, James Byrne, D. J. Cogan M.P., J. M. Carroll, W. G. Murphy, P. J. Carey, E. J. Byrne, M. Langton, W. Harrington.

Business

1. To consider Report from the Finance Committee
2. " " the Proposals from the Proposals Committee,
3. " " " " for payment from each of the Five Rural District Councils.
4. " Consider and sign Orders for the past Quarters payments
5. " Consider Proposals for Contracts from each of the Five Rural Districts
6. " consider Tenders sent forward from District Councils.
7. " Seal such Contracts sent forward from the District Councils and Proposals Committee as have been approved.
8. " fix the Quarterly Meetings for the Financial Year.
9. " Co-opt a Councillor to fill the vacancy on the County Council.
10. " Consider Councillor M. Carroll's Notice of Motion:—
"I will, at our next Meeting, move that the resolution accepting the resignation of Mr. Pansing, passed on March 18th, 1901, be hereby rescinded."
11. " Consider the Irish County Councils' General Councils' resolution:— "That Irish manufactures deserve, and should receive the earnest and practical support of the people of Ireland."

12. To receive County Surveyors and Secretary's Reports.
13. " Consider Official Correspondence.
14. " " General do.
15. " make, sign, and seal the Rates for the year ending 31st March, 1902.
16. " sign and seal the Rate Collectors' Warrants for the collection of the above-mentioned rates.

Finance Committee's Report.

Your Committee met on the 11th May, 1901. when the following Members attended:—

Councillor - D. J. Cogan - Chairman.
Councillors - R. Norman Thompson, R. R. Drought, E. J. Byrne, and E. C. Walsh.

A report from the County Surveyor, recommending that Mr. Pansing be paid his Quarters salary in full, as he had been employed, with only one day's interval; also suggesting a Power of Attorney, instead of an Assignment, in Brady's Contract case, was adopted.

Having considered the various Proposals, the Committee recommend the payment of the following:—
Proposals for payment by the Proposals Committee.

	£ s. d.
County-at-Large.	3027-7-10
Baltinglass.	102-5-5
Naas.	87-18-8
Rathdown.	21-10-5
Rathdrum.	281-3-6
Skilliclagh.	92-5-8
Total.	<u>£3612-11-6</u>

Total payments for the County-at-Large, and for each District, as follows:—
County-at-Large. £3027-7-10

Baltinglass:

District Proposals.	£ s. d.	
	652-12-10	
Proposals Committee Proposals.	102-5-5	£ s. d.
		754-18-3

Naas.

District Proposals	325-16-3	
Proposals Committee Proposals.	87-18-8	413-14-11

Rathdown

District Proposals	397-3-5	
Proposals Committee Proposals.	21-10-5	418-13-10

Rathdrum.

District Proposals	1682-18-6	
Proposals Committee Proposals.	281-3-6	1964-2-0

Shillelagh.

District Proposals	517-2-6	
Proposals Committee Proposals.	92-5-8	609-8-2

Irrecoverable Rates.

Claim from Collector Doyle, District No 1., for refund of 2/8, Rates on Baltinglass Court House, disallowed.

Claim from Collector Thomas Tutty, District No 3, for refund of £ 3-17-7, rates on divided holdings, disallowed. Already dealt with in February last.

Claim from Collector M. McGrath, District No 6, for refund of 3/11 — allowed.

Local Government Board letter, 3rd May, 1901, No. 24946/1901, on Irrecoverable Rates Lists, having been read, No 12, John F. Evans' application for refund of £ 30-18-11 was passed, subject to the conditions in the Local Government Board's letter. Deduct 15/6 poundage.

No 14. James Byrne, for refund of 8d., on the grounds of "Three houses built on site." allowed; Councillor Walsh stating they were unoccupied.

Letter from Mr. Denis Kavanagh, re rates on houses down. Secretary to call Revising Officer's attention to the case. Council cannot refund payments made.

Application from Mr. Lanpher, Solicitor, for leave to assign late James Brady's contract to his Sureties; and second letter, submitting Form of Power of Attorney for approval.

Power of Attorney approved of.

Audited Accounts from Rathdrum and Shillelagh Rural Districts, and Rathdrum and Shillelagh Unions, were submitted.

Mr. McCarroll, Solicitor, submitted Messrs. Batten & Co's Bill of Costs, and asked the Committee to make an order, giving instructions to the Secretary to sign a Requisition for Taxation of same.

Secretary directed accordingly.

Signed — D. J. Hogan.

Proposed by — Councillor P. Norman Thompson.

Seconded by — " E. J. Byrne.

Resolved — That the Report, as read, be adopted.

Passed.

Report of the Proposals Committee.

Spring Quarterly Meeting, 1901.

A Quorum not having been in attendance on the 7th May,

the date fixed for the Proposals Committee Meeting. The Committee met on the 11th May. The following Members present:—

Councillor - R. Norman Thompson - Chairman.
Councillor - E. J. Byrne, D. J. Logan, M.P., and
E. C. Walsh.

Having considered the Notices of Motion laid before us, we formulated the following Proposals thereon, and hereby submit them for your approval:—

County Infirmary and Fever Hospitals.

The Treasurer - Wicklow County Infirmary.	£. s. d.
" Secretary - " Fever Hospital.	125-0-0
" " - Newtown-Mt-Kennedy Fever Hospital.	37-10-0
	20-0-0

Court House Expenses.

Thomas Williams - Cleaning, etc. -	10-11-9
Griffith Jones - like.	19-5
Michael Doyle - like	2-3-7
Thomas Williams - Coal -	9-9-0
Griffith Jones - like.	1-2-6
Michael Doyle - like	2-1-6
William Ruddock - like	2-10-0

Coroners Expenses.

Thomas B. Doyle - Expenses incurred. -	2-6-0
James Murray - like	8-1-6

Printing.

That the various advertisements connected with the business of this Council be published in an additional paper circulating in the County, and that Tenders for same be advertised for, at a charge not to exceed 2d. per line.

An application for £ 1-16-1 from the Court Keeper at Arklow we disallowed, as no correct Notice of Motion accompanied it.

One Notice of Motion was lodged with the Secretary after the prescribed time, and was not considered by us.

Our Proposals for Payment will be found on the Secretary's Schedule, initialled by our Chairman. We have included therein a full Quarter's Salary to Mr. Pansing, as recommended by the County Surveyor. A charge for extra printing we have postponed for the Secretary to lay before the Auditor.

The Poundage to Collectors Tutty and Dowling we have disallowed, their Collections not having been closed, as prescribed in the Order in Council, and in the Local Government Board's Letter.

The total amount of our Proposals for Payment are:—

County-at-Large.	30 31-7-10
Baltinglass	102-5-5
Naas.	87-14-9
Rathdown.	21-10-5
Rathdrum.	281-3-6
Shillelagh.	92-5-8
	<u>£ 3616-7-7</u>

A child having been sent by the Court at Rathdrum, contrary to the Order issued by the County Council - to an Industrial School not among those with which the Council had entered into an agreement, on the grounds that there was no vacancy in the Council's Schools, an account for its support was received at a higher rate than in the County's Schools.

The Secretary having ascertained that at the time this child was sent to Dundalk there were upwards of 80 vacancies in the Council's Schools, we have disallowed the payment.

The Tender of the "Wicklow People" was accepted for the Advertising, to the 30th September, 1903, at 2d. per line,

as per advertisement.

Signed - R. Norman Thompson.

Proposed by - Councillor J. McCarroll.

Seconded by - " W. G. Murphy.

Resolved - That the Report, as read, be adopted.

Passed.

Certificate under County (Poor Rate Collectors)
No 2 Order, 1899.

I, Edward D. Wynne, Secretary to the County Council of the County of Wicklow, hereby certify, in accordance with article 1 of the above-named Order in Council, that the following Seventeen Poor Rate Collectors: -

- | | |
|----------------------|-----------------------|
| 1. Joseph Doyle, | 2. Richard Geoghegan. |
| 4. Nicholas Byrne, | 5. Michael Kelly. |
| 6. Michael McElrath, | 7. Charles Sutton, |
| 8. John Fallon, | 9. Joseph Keane, |
| 10. John Murphy, | 12. John F. Evans, |
| 13. George Evans, | 14. James Byrne, |
| 15. John Brennan, | 16. William Smith, |
| 17. Philip Doyle, | 18. Thomas Elbs, |
| 19. Terence Byrne. | |

have duly and properly lodged with your Treasurer the entire amount of rates named in their respective Warrants within the time prescribed by the above-named Order in Council.

Mr. Thomas Dowling, No 11, has again failed to close his Collection in accordance with his Bond. This Collector has only once since his appointment closed his Collection in time.

Mr. Thomas Luddy, No 3, though written to upon the subject, refuses to lodge the balance of his Warrant, £3-17-7, as he says it corresponds with the amount due upon a Holding of Mr. Fenton, since sub-divided.

2nd April, 1901.

E. N. Wynne.

Proposals for Payment from the Five Rural Districts: -

Ballyglass No 1.

Proposed by - Councillor R. Norman Thompson.

Seconded by - " R. R. Drought.

Resolved - That we approve of the foregoing proposals for payment, amounting to £ 754-18-3, as altered and initialled by the Chairman, and order the same to be paid.

Passed.

Naas No 2.

Proposed by - Councillor W. Harrington

Seconded by - " A. Metcalfe.

Resolved - That we approve of the foregoing proposals for payment, amounting to £ 413-14-11, as altered and initialled by the Chairman, and order the same to be paid.

Passed.

Rathdown No 2.

Proposed by - Councillor J. Byrne,

Seconded by - " W. G. Murphy.

Resolved - That we approve of the foregoing proposals for payment, amounting to £ 418-13-10, as altered and initialled by the Chairman, and order the same to be paid.

Passed.

Rathdrum.

Proposed by - Councillor D. J. Cogan, Dr. P.,

Seconded by - " R. R. Drought.

Resolved - That we approve of the foregoing proposals for payment from Rathdrum Rural District, amounting to £ 1964-2-0, as altered and initialled by the Chairman, and order the same to be paid.

Passed.

Shillelagh.

Proposed by - Councillor - M. Byrne,
Seconded by - " R. Norman Thompson.

Resolved - That we approve of the foregoing proposals for payment, amounting to £ 609-8-2, as altered and initialled by the Chairman, and order the same to be paid.

Passed.

Proposed by - Councillor E. C. Delah.
Seconded by - " M. Langton.

Resolved - That the Treasurer's Authorities for the payments which have passed this Council be now signed.

Passed.

Proposed by - Councillor R. Norman Thompson,
Seconded by - " R. R. Drought.

Resolved - That the Local Government Board be requested to grant permission to the County Council to pay collector Dowling the amount of his Poundage, as he has now lodged the amount in full.

Carried.

On considering the Proposals for Contracts from the Five Rural Districts: -

Baltinglass No 1.

Insran Baltinglass,
23rd May, 1901.

County Council
Wicklow.

Mr. Chairman and Gentlemen,

I beg to bring under your notice an occurrence which took place at Dunlavin Adjournd Road Sessions, No 1. Rural District Council, Baltinglass, - on 14th inst. - viz: - Road Register No 240, 754 perches, &c., old Contractor, Patrick Benson, Forristeen, 2/2 per perch; new Contractor, Thomas Lawlor, Usk, 1/10; Sureties: -

John Mahar, Rathcallagh; Thomas Byrne, Rathcallagh, solvent men.

Though there being a resolution on the Minutes of our Board more than a year that the lowest Tender in all cases get the Contract, the Road was voted by nine against two to the highest Tender - Chairman and Vice-Chairman included in the nine - simply giving away about £ 60 of the rates without any return.

I find it is in your power not to allow this but to give the Road to the lowest Tender, and I hope you will do so.

I am, Gentlemen,

Your obedient Servant,

John Deuli D.C.

Register No 240 - Contract rejected: given in charge to County Surveyor till next Quarterly Meeting. No 241 - Tender of Patrick Mooney accepted at 6d. per perch.

Remaining proposals approved of and confirmed.

Naas No 2.

Proposals approved and confirmed.

Rathdown No 2.

No Proposals received.

Rathdrum.

No 182. Adjourned for Lodgment of Money. No 199. Tender of John Brady accepted at 4d. per perch. No 204. Tender of John Jordan accepted at 10 3/4 per perch. No 209. Given in charge to County Surveyor till next Quarterly Meeting.

Remaining proposals approved and confirmed.

Shillelagh.

No 3 - Rejected. Remaining proposals approved and confirmed.

The following Tenders, sent forward from the Rural District Councils, were accepted.

Baltinglass No 1

No 241. Patrick Mooney, Tynanstown Dunlavin

Guarantors: - { John Keogh, Kinsellastown, Dunlavin,
John White, Toberby, Dunlavin.

Rathdrum.

No. 199. John Brady, Ballinahinch Upper, Newtown-Dt-Kennedy.

Guarantors: - { John Keogh, Cooladagle, Hermetage, Newtown-Dt-Kennedy.
James Cruise, Seizon Park, Newtown-Dt-Kennedy

No. 204. John Jordan, Rathdrum.

Guarantors: - { Thomas Wheatley, Redcross, Rathdrum,
Joseph Condell, Garrymore, Rathdrum.

Proposed by - Councillor P. P. Drought,
Seconded by - " R. Norman Thompson.

Resolved - That Tenders be invited for next meeting of the County Council for works Nos. 154 and 158, in Rathdrum.

Passed unanimously.

Proposed by - Councillor James Byrne,
Seconded by - " Wm Costello.

Resolved - That the maintenance of the following roads be placed in charge of the County Surveyor: -

Baltinglass No 1.

No. 240. 754 perches of road, From Summer Assizes, 1901, to next Quarterly Meeting of the County Council, at 2/3 p.p. per annum.

Rathdrum.

No 209. 570 perches of road. From 30th June, 1901, to next Quarterly Meeting of the County Council, at 1/9 per perch per annum.

Passed.

Proposed by - Councillor - E. C. Walsh.
Seconded by - " Wm Costello.

Resolved - That the Arklow Town Commissioners be given an opportunity till next meeting of County Council to lodge a moiety of contract sum for flagging, which should have been lodged before date of present meeting
Accepted.

Proposed by - Councillor P. Norman Thompson.
Seconded by - " R. R. Drought,

Resolved - That the Town Commissioners of Arklow be given until the 8th June, 1901, to lodge their moiety of the contract for the flagging in Arklow, failing which our Chairman be authorised and requested to cancel said contract.

Accepted.

Proposed by - Councillor E. C. Walsh.
Seconded by - " J. McCarroll,

Resolved - That this Council direct the special attention of the Rathdrum District Council to the unsatisfactory state of the road leading from Parnell's Quarries, Arklow, and to point out how necessary the proposed maintenance of this road is to so important an industry.

Proposed by - Councillor S. J. Byrne,
Seconded by - " J. McCarroll,

Resolved - That the Secretary be instructed to write the Clerk of Shillelagh Union if, and when, a Provisional Proposal to build a Bridge at Ballycumber, passed at last Quarterly Meeting at Shillelagh, was forwarded to the Office of County Council.
Passed.

Reply Telegram: -

"Wynne, Court House, Wicklow?

I believe Provisional Proposal, £ 190, Ballycumber Bridge, forwarded you 29th April. Copy follows
Hopkins "

Proposed by - Councillor P. R. Drought,
Seconded by - " M. Byrne,

Resolved - That the Council do now sign
and seal the Contracts that have been approved at
this Quarterly Meeting.

Carried.

No 2674 1901.

Wicklow County.

Local Government Board,

Dublin. 17th January, 1901.

Sir,

I am directed by the Local Government Board for
Ireland to inform the Wicklow County Council that
they have received a report from their Inspector,
Mr. Sanderson, to the effect that the closing of
the Half yearly accounts of the County is greatly
delayed by the late date at which the Quarterly
Meetings of the County Council take place.

This is apparently caused by the long period
over which the Meetings of the District Councils are
extended, and Mr. Sanderson suggests that the
difficulty might be obviated if the Meetings of
the District Councils were fixed at shorter intervals,
as is the case in other Counties.

The Inspector further states that the dates
of the District Council Meetings during the last
Quarter made it impossible for the County
Council to hold their Quarterly Meeting before the
10th December, which is a month later than in
other and larger Counties.

The Board therefore trust that the above
matters will be taken into consideration by the
County Council, with a view to giving effect to the
Inspector's suggestions.

By Order of the Board,
A. R. Barlas.

To the Secretary,
Wicklow County Council,

Quarterly Meetings of the County Council, and
Proposals Committee.

According to the directions of the Local Government
Board's Inspector, I recommend that the Quarterly
Meetings of the Council be held on the Mondays
following the 15th August, November, and ^{February} March, and
the Monday before the 15th May; and that the
Proposal Committee Meetings be held on the 3rd Tuesday
prior to said Council Quarterly Meetings.

E. D. Wynne.

Secretary.

On the recommendation of the County Surveyor, the
following dates were fixed:—

Name of District and Place of Meeting.	Hour.	1901.		1902.	
		Day	Date	Day	Date
RATHDOWN No. 2 ... Court-house, Ennis- kerry.	11-30	Mon.	July 1	Mon. Oct. 28	Mon. Jan. 6 Mon. Apl. 7
RATHDRUM ... Court-house, Rath- drum.	12	Mon.	" 15	Mon. Nov. 11	Mon. " 20 Mon. " 21
NAAS No. 2 ... Court-house, Bles- sington	1-45	Tues.	" 16	Tues. " 12	Tues. " 21 Mon. " 14
SHILLELAGH ... Court-house, Shil- lelagh	1	Fri.	" 19	Fri. " 15	Fri. " 24 Fri. " 25
BALTINGLASS No. 1 ... Court-house, Bal- tinglass.	11-30	Mon.	" 22	Mon. " 18	Mon. " 27 Mon. " 28
PROPOSAL COMMITTEE Court-house, Wick- low.	11-30	Tues.	" 30	Sat. " 23	Thurs. Feb 6 Tues. May 6
COUNTY COUNCIL ... Court-house, Wick- low.	11-30	Mon.	Aug 19	Mon. Dec. 9	Mon. " 24 Mon. " 26

Regent's Park Barracks,
London, N.W. 26th May, 1901.

Dear Sir,

I regret extremely my inability to attend the
Meeting of the County Council at Wicklow on Tuesday.
It is impossible for me to go over to Ireland
at present.

Wicklow.

Proposed by - Councillor J. J. Carey,
 Seconded by - " James Byrne,
 Resolved - That Mr. William Byrne, Coolbeg,
 be co-opted to fill the vacancy now on this Council.
 Passed.

According to Notice of Motion, it was: -

Proposed by - Councillor J. McCarroll,
 Seconded by - " W. Costello,
 Resolved - That the resolution accepting
 the resignation of Mr. Pansing, passed on March, 18th, 1901,
 be hereby rescinded.
 Passed.

Proposed by - Councillor D. J. Cogan, M.P.,
 Seconded by - " J. McCarroll,
 Resolved - That the resolution of the
 Irish County Councils' General Council, with reference
 to Irish Industries, be adopted by us, and entered on
 our "Minutes," and that in future a clause be inserted
 in all our advertisements for supplies as follows: - "Reference
 will be given to articles produced in Ireland, provided
 the Irish goods be of satisfactory quality, and fair
 price. All Tenders must state whether the goods
 tendered for are of Irish manufacture, and Contractors,
 whose Tenders have been accepted, must prove that
 the goods they supply, as Irish made, are Irish made."
 Accepted.

County Analysts Report.

To the County Council
 of the County of Wicklow

Mr. Chairman and Gentlemen,

I beg to report that I have made the
 following analyses during the Quarter ended on
 31st March, 1901: -

For the Sergeants of the Royal Irish Constabulary,
 acting as Inspectors of Food, the following articles were
 analysed: - Whiskey, 13; Butter, 12; Milk,
 4; Margarine, 1; Total 27.

Of the specimens of milk, one was of very poor and
 doubtful quality, but not sufficiently so to warrant
 certificate of adulteration. The specimen of Margarine
 was composed almost entirely of fats foreign to
 Butter. The remaining articles were of good quality.
January 24th - For the Guardians of Shillelagh Union
 two Drugs were analysed. They were correct.

February 2nd Three Drugs analysed for the Guardians
 of Rathdrum were correct.

February 6th A specimen of Castor Oil analysed for
 the Guardians of Shillelagh Union was pure.

February 14th For the Guardians of Rathdrum Union
 three Drugs were analysed. They were correct.

March 7th Four Drugs analysed for the Guardians
 of Baltinglass Union were correct.

Received from the Guardians of Rathdrum Union
 on 18th March, Three Drugs, which are in process of analysis.

March 19th Received from the Guardians of Shillelagh
 Union Three Drugs. They are in process of analysis.

Received from Daas Union, which is partly situated
 in the County of Wicklow, Fourteen Drugs. Twelve were
 correct. The remaining two are in process of analysis.

March 21st On this date three Drugs were received
 from the Guardians of Baltinglass Union. They are
 in process of analysis.

Four specimens of Manure, analysed for the Dublin and Wicklow Manure Company, Wicklow, with the following results:—

	100 parts contain:			
	No. 1.	No. 2.	No. 3.	No. 4.
Phosphate of Lime (soluble)	26.81	23.32	23.74	22.62
Phosphate of Lime (insoluble)	0.42	2.79	3.63	3.91
Total Phosphates	27.23	26.11	27.37	26.53
Nitrogen.		1.12	1.19	1.33
Equal to Ammonia.		1.36	1.45	1.62

Total articles received for analysis in the Quarter— 76.

I am, Gentlemen,
Your obedient Servant,
Charles A. Cameron.

17 Castle Street,
Dublin

16th May, 1901.

Public Analyst.

County Surveyor's Report.

To the County Council of the County of Wicklow.
Assembled at their Quarterly Meeting, 28th May, 1901.

Mr. Chairman and Gentlemen,

The applications for public works approved of at the last Quarterly Meetings of the Rural District Councils, which will be submitted for your approval, or otherwise, may be classified as follows:—

- 38 Renewals of road maintenance contracts.
- 3 New gullies and repairs of existing gullies.
- 5 Protection Walls
- 3 Repairs and improvements to old roads
- 1 New road.
- 2 New Bridges.
- 3 New footpaths & improvements to existing footpaths.
- 4. Miscellaneous and Permissive

Total. 59

Tenders have been provisionally accepted at the adjourned Quarterly Meetings for all these roads and special works, except 14, and of these (if they be not tendered for at your Meeting) it will only be necessary to place one, viz:— the Ballymerryan road, No 209, Rathdrum— into my charge until 30th September next.

Owing to the non-attendance of a Quorum on the day fixed for the adjourned Quarterly Meeting of Rathdrum No 2 Rural District Council, the works approved of at the Quarterly Meeting cannot (under existing rules) be proceeded with. Fortunately no public inconvenience will in consequence result.

With regard to the Proposal, No 154, in Rathdrum District, to build a new Bridge to replace the existing one over the Avoca River at Ligroney, £250, I reported as follows to you a year ago:— "This Bridge is of little or no public benefit, having been built by the Mining Company a long time ago for the use of the Mines; but not for the public." The existing County Bridges above and below this Bridge, viz:— the Lion's and Avoca Bridges,— are only about two miles apart, and are, in my opinion, quite sufficient for the public needs.

Another proposal in same District, No 159, is to widen and repair a road between the County road at Knockrath and Cullentragh Brook, £85, is of little or no public utility.

In this District I applied for the rebuilding of two Walls, necessary for the public protection, but they were disallowed.

In Shillelagh Rural District there is a Proposal, No 3 to put on the County 70 perches of lane leading from the County Road at Carrigroe to the Townland of Ballycumber South. This Lane has never been on the County, and the object is to take a preliminary step towards building a Bridge over the river at the ford on this part of the lane.

With regard to the Half yearly Statement delivered at your last Meeting, I beg to state that in addition to its not being prepared in proper form, it is full of mistakes. Among them I may mention :-

The quantities of metal required for the different roads are, in some cases, not given at all, and in others given wrong.

The terms of the contracts are given wrong, such as roads for which the term was only one year, are stated to be for five years.

The dates at which the contracts commence are not given.

In some cases the description of the roads are incorrect.

I have repeatedly requested that proofs be sent to me for correction, but they were not. The re-printed Statement ordered by you at your Meeting on 20th April last is not yet issued, and the time has now arrived at which the new Statement for past half-year should be prepared, so that there is now practically a half-yearly Statement in arrear.

A printed schedule of proposals for roads and works from the Rural Districts to be submitted to you, has, on this occasion, been provided, which, of course should always be prepared.

I notice in it that the prices per perch at which the road maintenance contracts have been provisionally contracted for are not given in Baltinglass No 1 or No 2, and that in Rathdrum, works disallowed by the District Council are included in the Schedule. Again, the dates at which the contracts commence are not given.

It is essential that the exact dates at which the contracts commence, and end, should be given, both in Schedule and Half-yearly Statement. In the Schedule before you, as a matter of fact, some contracts will commence on 30th June next, and some at next Summer Assizes; but no distinction in

date is made. I offered to correct the proofs of Schedule, but was not given an opportunity of doing so. Your Secretary wrote to me as follows, in reply to my request that proofs be sent to me :- "As they must be copies of Form II, I don't see where your correction comes in, but it is nothing to me." If such matters are nothing to your Secretary, I cannot see how the County documents can be properly prepared, or, consequently, the County business properly carried on.

With regard to the item in printed "Minutes" of your last Meeting - "Official Correspondence, Killbuck 303, R. E. Office, Dublin Castle, 17th April, 1901. Further letter on same subject. Order - County Surveyor to reply to same." This is not my recollection of what occurred. The letter was handed to me on my offering to give your Secretary some information on the matter to enable to reply. This I did on 22nd April last, and returned to him the official letter.

I have requested your Secretary to instruct your Solicitor to take proceedings against the Contractors and their Sureties in the cases of Michael Driley, Contractor for Dunlavin Streets, and of Francis Goss for not completing the repairs of two Bridges in Baltinglass No 1 by 1st November, 1899, as undertaken by him. Goss has since informed me that he has resumed work on one of these Bridges.

I have attached a list of the dates which I propose for the Quarterly Meetings for the ensuing year. I have fixed the days of the week for the District Meetings to suit the convenience of the District Councils. The Autumn Meetings must of course be fixed later than the others, in order to allow the necessary time for the providing and measurement of the metal supplies previous to the Quarterly Meeting.

I am, Gentlemen,
Your obedient Servant
Carter Draper.

27th May, 1901.

Proposed by - Councillor D. J. Hogan, M.P.,
Seconded by - " M. Byrne.

Resolved - That the County Surveyor's Report be considered paragraph by paragraph.
Carried.

Proposed by - Councillor J. McCarroll,
Seconded by - " E. J. Byrne

Resolved - That Mr. Frank McPhail be sent for.

The Secretary read the following Statement, prepared by direction of the Council: -

"Return showing for the past ten years the annual estimate and demand from the Richmond District Lunatic Asylum, and also the average number of County Wicklow patients maintained, and the cost per head of same for each year, exclusive of the Capitation Grant.

Year	Demand.	No. of Patients	Cost per Head.
1890	1396-0-0	107.7	12-19-3
1891	1571-0-0	121.0	12-19-8
1892	1738-0-0	125.3	13-17-5
1893	2015-4-2	135.8	14-16-9
1894	2111-10-4	129.2	16-6-10
1895	2243-7-6	127.1	17-12-11
1896	2565-3-10	140.8	18-4-4
1897	3438-12-2	158.4	21-14-3
1898	3598-13-6	166.	21-13-7
1899	3378-15-6	174.2	19-7-10
1900	5076-19-6	174.2	29-2-11

E. N. Wynne.

Proposed by - P. J. Carey, (Councillor)
Seconded by - E. J. Byrne "

Resolved - That we now sign and seal the rates made for the Financial Year ending 31st March, 1902.

Passed.

Proposed by - Councillor D. J. Hogan, M.P.,
Seconded by - " James Byrne.

Resolved - That the Rate Collectors' Warrants for the collection of the Rates, made for the year ending 31st March, 1902, be signed and sealed.

Passed.

The Rate Books and Warrants were then signed and sealed.

The consideration of the correspondence was postponed.

Edward Phelley
19/8/1901

The Annual Meeting of the Council, held in the Council Chamber, Court House, Wicklow, at 11-30 am. on Thursday, the 13th June, 1901.

The following Members attended:—

Councillor - E. P. O'Shelly - Chairman.
Councillors - M. Byrne, R. Norman Thompson, R. R. Drought, P. J. Carey, W. Costello, M. Langton, J. Sheppard, J. H. Coleman, W. Byrne, E. J. Byrne, E. C. Walsh, J. McCarroll.

— Agenda. —

1. To elect a Chairman
2. " " " Vice-Chairman
3. " appoint the Standing Committees.
4. " consider Tenders for a new Bridge at Kilkashel, Ovoca; and for new Road at Ballinacoola, Glenealy.
5. " receive and consider Reports from Committees.
6. " " " " Reports from County Officers.
7. " consider Official Correspondence.
8. " " " General Correspondence.

Proposed by - Councillor M. Langton.

Seconded by - " R. R. Drought.

Resolved - That E. P. O'Shelly, Esq. J.P., be elected Chairman of the Wicklow County Council for the ensuing year till his successor is appointed.

Carried - dem con.

Proposed by - Councillor - P. J. Carey.

Seconded by - " W. Costello.

Resolved - That Mr. Michael Byrne be appointed Vice-Chairman for the ensuing year.

Carried - dem con.

Attendances of County Councillors.

	During last year. 1900-1901	From the beginning.
D. Thompson,	11	33
E. J. Byrne,	11	32
Michael Byrne,	11	31
W. G. Murphy,	11	25
Edward P. O'Shelly,	10	30
Martin Langton,	10	28
J. McCarroll,	10	28
R. R. Drought,	9	28
E. C. Walsh,	9	29
Thos. Sheppard,	8	26
Wm. Costello,	8	23
D. J. Cogan,	8	24
A. Metcalfe,	7	19
A. Zeller,	7	16
Wm. Osborne,	5	16
J. Dunne,	5	16
J. Byrne,	5	21
W. G. Morris,	5	15
P. J. Carey,	5	19
J. Gahan,	4	17
W. Harrington,	4	11
J. H. Coleman,	3	8
Wm. Burke,	3	16
T. J. Troy,	2	17
S. J. Doyle,	2	14
Michael Kelly,	2	11
Thomas Lawless,	2	11
Lord Milton,	1	5
Lord Powerscourt	0	7

Attendances of Members of the Finance Committee during the past Twelve Months.

Fifteen Meetings of the Committee were summoned. Two Meetings fell through from want of a Quorum attending.

Councillor D. Thompson	attended	13	times
" R. R. Drought	"	12	"
" D. J. Cogan	"	11	"
" E. J. Byrne	"	10	"
" M. Byrne	"	6	"
" W. G. Murphy	"	6	"
" E. C. Walsh	"	6	"
" E. P. O'Kelly	"	5	"
" P. J. Carey	"	2	"
" J. J. Troy	"	2	"
" W. Burke	"	0	"

E. D. Wynne

Attendances of Members of Proposals Committee.

Three out of the four Quarterly Meetings of the Proposals Committee fell through for want of a Quorum. Two adjourned meetings were held.

Councillor D. Thompson	attended	3	times
" E. J. Byrne	"	2	"
" D. J. Cogan	"	2	"
" E. C. Walsh	"	2	"
" A. Metcalfe	"	1	"
" M. Langton	"	1	"
" E. P. O'Kelly	"	1	"
" M. Byrne	"	1	"

E. D. Wynne

Proposed by - Councillor R. Norman Thompson,

Seconded by - " M. Byrne,

Resolved - That the following Councillors do form the Committees named for the coming year, along with the Chairman and Vice-Chairman of the Council.

Finance Committee.

D. J. Cogan,	R. R. Drought,	William Byrne,
D. Norman Thompson,	E. C. Walsh,	P. J. Carey,
E. J. Byrne,	William Burke,	W. G. Murphy.

Proposals and Works Committee.

D. J. Cogan,	M. Langton	D. Norman Thompson,
Cap. A. Zeller,	E. J. Byrne,	E. C. Walsh,
P. J. Carey	A. Metcalfe,	J. Lawless.

General Purposes Committee.

Wm Harrington,	J. McCarroll,	D. Norman Thompson,
W. Byrne,	William G. Morris,	E. C. Walsh,
R. R. Drought,	D. J. Cogan,	W. G. Murphy.

Carried

Proposed by - Councillor Michael Byrne,

Seconded by - " R. Norman Thompson,

Resolved - That the following gentlemen be re-appointed as the Veterinary Committees for the coming year:

DISEASES OF ANIMALS AND VETERINARY COMMITTEES.	
Baltinglass No. 1 Rural District.	
J H Coleman, J.P., Griffinstown, The Grange, Athy.	M Harbourn, Baltinglass.
J Rochford, Dunlavin.	W Flinter do.
	P P Morrin, J.P. do.
Naas No. 2 Rural District.	
Alfred Zeller, Chairman, Lackan House, Blessington.	Daniel M'Evoy, Ballyknocken, Blessington.
James M'Grath, Cloughleagh, Kilbride.	James J. Dowling, Blessington.
	Philip Lawler do.
Rathdown No. 2 Rural District.	
Thomas Lawless, Delgany	Simon T Doyle, Killincarrig, Delgany
Dr R N Thompson, Kindlestown, Delgany	Wm G Morris, Windgates House, Bray
Rathdrum Rural District.	
Patrick J Carey, J.P., Tomanierin, Aughtrim	Martin Doyle, Ballinsin, Kilbride,
William Byrne, Coolbeg, Wicklow	Wicklow
Edward Ellison, Cortallis, Rathdrum	Garrett Byrne, Ballyvaltron, Wicklow dead.
Shillelagh Rural District.	
Edward J Byrne, J.P. Chairman, St Mullins, Tinahely	Michael Fleming, Ballynultagh, Shillelagh
Joseph Gahan, Vice-chairman, Boley, Shillelagh	John Gahan, Park, Clonegall
	John O'Keefe, Knockananna, Hackets-town

Court House,
Wicklow. 12th June, 1901.

To the Chairman and Members
of the Wicklow County Council
Gentlemen,

I have received the accompanying Abstract of Account from your Accountant to send forward for Audit.

As the Local Government Board rules require me, as Secretary, to certify each Account in it as correct, under my hand, before sending it forward, I have examined it, and found so many errors in it that I am not able to certify it, I would therefore respectfully ask your directions in the matter.

Along with the Abstract you will find a duplicate copy upon which I have marked the errors in red ink.

Yours faithfully,
E. D. Wynne

Proposed by - Councillor R. Norman Thompson.

Seconded by - " J. H. Coleman.

Resolved - That the Accounts to September 30th, 1900, prepared by the Accountant, Mr. Doyle, and which the Secretary is obliged to certify as correct, and which he refuses to do on account of the many errors contained therein, be sent forward to the Local Government Board, and that the Local Government Board be asked to send down an Inspector, or Accountant, to examine the Accounts and report to the Council on the same.

Carried.

Secretary's Report.

To the Wicklow County Council
Gentlemen,

I have again to report that neither of the

Urban Districts have yet made any payment on foot the Council's Demand for the current year. There is a sum of £832-9-5 already two months over-due on these Demands.

These Urban District Arrears are a source of constant and considerable loss to the Rates in interest and law. Some Order in Council on the matter should be obtained to secure some sort of punctuality in the payments, more particularly as the County Council are required to pay on the Unions and Rural District Demands at the beginning of each Quarter - in advance of the levy - upwards of Six Thousand Pounds, and a letter from the Local Government Board, which will come before you to-day, proposes that you should now make payments to the Lunatic Asylum Committee also in advance.

The Arklow Town Commissioners have lodged their moiety of the cost of the flagging Contract.

I would ask the Council to grant me Six weeks leave in the year, to be taken at such times and in such manner as the Chairman shall approve, so that the same shall not interfere with the business of your Office. I think your Staff should also have certain leave allotted to them, to be taken in like manner, with the approval of the Secretary.

Yours faithfully,
E. D. Wynne

Proposed by - Councillor J. H. Coleman.

Seconded by - " R. Norman Thompson.

Resolved - That the two Urban District Councils be written to, that, failing the payment by them before the 4th July of the monies then due on the Council's Demand, legal steps will be taken to recover same. Should these payments not be made, the Secretary be hereby directed to employ Mr. Arthur Wiles, and Mr. J. H. McCarrall, as before, to recover the instalments due.

Carried.

Proposed by - Councillor M. Langton

Seconded by - " J. H. Coleman,

Resolved - That the leave asked for be granted; the other officers allowed three weeks subject of the approval of the Secretary.

Tenders for a new Bridge at Kilcaskel, Drogheda, from Mr. William Clarke, Church Street, Wicklow -
Sureties: - Patrick Fitzsimons, Abbey Street, Wicklow -
and Joseph Clarke, Ballanagh, Drogheda, - accepted at £250.

Proposed by - Councillor W. Byrne,

Seconded by - " W. Costello,

Resolved - That the Secretary re-advertise for Tenders for the Glenealy Road for our next Quarterly Meeting.

Carried.

Proposed by - Councillor W. Byrne,

Seconded by - " M. Langton,

Resolved - That Mr. Clarke's Contract for Kilcaskel Bridge be now sealed.

Carried.

The Contract was then sealed and signed.

The Quarterly application for refund of half the Expenses under the Diseases of Animals Act was signed.

Letter No. 31268/1901. of 7th June, 1901, and No. 33684/1901, of 12th June, 1901, from the Local Government Board, dealing further with the Secretary's Salary, and his claim for payment for preparing Voters and Jurors Lists, were read by the Chairman.

Proposed by - Councillor E. P. O'Shelly,

Seconded by - " M. Byrne,

Resolved - That this Council having, on the 28th December, 1899, fixed the Salary of the County Secretary at £500, we adhere to our resolution.

Passed - Councillor R. Norman Thompson dissenting.

Proposed by - Councillor J. McCarroll,

Seconded by - " E. J. Byrne,

Resolved - That this Council heartily approves of the stand made by the Westford Council, and its able Chairman, Sir Thomas Emond, in opposing the attempt of the Local Government Board to force the Representatives of the People of Ireland to pay their Officers more than what is justified by the work these Officers have to perform, and we hope the Westford County Council will continue to defend the rights of the People.

Carried.

Official Correspondence.

No. 24944/1901.

Wicklow County.

Local Government Board,

Dublin. 30th April, 1901.

Acknowledging receipt of resolution re Valuation Revision.

No. 24945/1901.

Wicklow County.

Local Government Board,

Dublin. 30th April, 1901.

Acknowledging receipt of resolution re Half-yearly payments.

No. 88 M/1901.

Local Government Board,

Dublin. 11th May, 1901.

Inclosing copy of Local Government Board's Annual Report for 1899-1900.

Ordered to be Bound.

No 25941/1901.
Miscellaneous.

Local Government Board,
Dublin. 11th May, 1901.

Re paying Lunatic Asylums Half-yearly in advance.

Secretary to write explaining the difficulty herein, which would be too great.

No. 22118/1901.
Miscellaneous.

Local Government Board,
Dublin. 26th April, 1901.

Re-examination for position of Assistant Surveyor.

No 26273/1901.
Wicklow County.

Local Government Board,
Dublin. 8th May, 1901.

Stating that Collector Tutty is not entitled to receive any Fees for any portion of his Collection if the terms of his Bond have not been complied with.

No. 27612/1901
Miscellaneous.

Local Government Board,
Dublin. 17th May, 1901.

Provisional Order amending Local Government (Procedure of Councils) Order, 1899.

Downing Street
London, S.W., 24th April, 1901.

Acknowledging resolution forwarded Lord Salisbury.

No. 8068

Chief Secretary's Office,
Dublin Castle. 26th April, 1901.

Acknowledging the resolution forwarded the Lord Lieutenant.

Kilbride.
303.

Royal Engineer Office,
Dublin Castle. 9th May, 1901.

Declining to recommend a payment towards Shankhill Camp Roads.

County Surveyor desired to write again on the subject.

Dublin Castle,
22nd May, 1901.

Order in Council varying dates for Tramway Notices.

8148/1901.

Treasury Chambers,
15th May, 1901.

Declining to supply Safe for Registration of Title Deeds.

7064/1901.

Department of Agriculture & Technical Instruction
for Ireland. Dublin. 22nd May, 1901.

Re Breach of the Sale of Food and Drugs Acts.

6008/1901.

Department of Agriculture & Technical Instruction
for Ireland. Dublin. 3rd May, 1901.

Inclosing Schemes for Improvement of Breeds of Sheep and Swine.

Department of Agriculture & Technical Instruction
for Ireland. Dublin. May, 1901.

Regulations for the distribution of Grants to Secondary Schools in Ireland.

Department of Agriculture & Technical Instruction
for Ireland. Dublin. 3rd April, 1901.

The Water Supply on Railways (Ireland) Order of 1901.

Office of Public Works,
Custom House, Dublin.
16th May, 1901.

Notice of intention to advance Loan of £160 to Baltinglass Rural District under Labourers Acts.

27956/1901.

11th May, 1901.Auditors Report on Baltinglass Rural
District Accounts.

Read.

Irish County Councils' General Council,
10 Leinster Street Dublin.27th April, 1901.

Re arrangement to pay its Expenses.

Proposed by - Councillor E. P. O'Selly.

Seconded by - " M. Langton.

Resolved - That a sum of £3 per annum
be paid.

Carried.

7th May, 1901. From Clerk, Baltinglass No. 1 Rural
District Council - re cost of obtaining Land for
Davidstown Bridge; and re information required
for insertion in end of Statement.6th May, 1901. From Clerk, Naas No. 2 Rural
District Council - re information required for in-
sertion in Statement.Recommendations from the Agriculture and
Technical Instruction Act Committee appointed by
the Naas No. 2 Rural District.20th May, 1901. From Clerk, Naas No. 2 Rural
District Council - enclosing copies of resolution passed by
the Joint Committee of the Dublin and Blessington
Steam Tramway.

Approved.

14th May, 1901. - Resolution from Shillelagh Poor
Law Union - re Coal Mine, and Slate Quarry in that
District.11th and 17th May, 1901. From Chief Clerk, Richmond
District Asylum.

Proposed by - Councillor M. Langton,

Seconded by - " R. Norman Thompson,

Resolved - That the Secretary be directed to re-
quest the Asylum Committee to have the application for
the payment due on the Asylum Loans sent in entered on
the new Demand Form now in force when the Council
will pay their proportion at the Quarterly Meeting. Sec-
retary not to issue payment until this Demand Form
be received.

Carried.

17th May, 1901. From Clerk, Urban District Council,
Wicklow - resolution re Water Supply to Court House.

Proposed by - Councillor R. Norman Thompson,

Seconded by - " R. P. Drought.

Resolved - That the resolution of the Wicklow
Urban Council - to cut off the Water Supply from the
County Court House unless the Council sign an Agreement
to pay for same 6d per Thousand Gallons, be referred
to the Local Government Board, with a Statement that
the Water has been in use for years past in connection with
the Sanitary arrangements of the County Court House.

Carried.

16th February, 1901. Resolution from County Wicklow
National Teachers Association.

Read.

Decrees for £82-8-6 to John Moore, and £74-8-6
to Simon Doyle - for Criminal Injuries in Baltinglass
Rural District - submitted.Notices of intention to apply for £275 compensation for the
burning of Church Mountain, Baltinglass No. 1. Rural District.

14th May, 1901. From J. H. R. Craig, Solicitor —
Preliminary Notice of Application for Compensation for
Criminal Injury. £4-10-0. Michael Kearns,
Rathdown No. 2 Rural District.

24th June, 1901. From same — Notice of application
for same.

House of Commons,
London, 30th April, 1901.

From James O'Connor, M.P. acknowledging copy
of resolution sent him.

Application to cancel a Contract from Mr. John
Finn, Lathalee, Baltinglass. 20th May, 1901.

8th June, 1901. From Mr. R. B. Freeman, announc-
ing the death of his Brother, late Veterinary Inspector,
and offering to continue to perform his duties till
a successor is appointed.

11th June, 1901. From the Department of Agriculture
— on the same subject.

Proposed by — Councillor R. Norman Thompson.

Seconded by — " Mr. Byrne.

Resolved — That Mr. R. B. Freeman, M.P.C.V.S.,
be hereby requested and empowered to carry on the
duties of Veterinary Inspector for the County Wicklow
portion of Rathdown Union, until such time as a
successor is appointed in place of the late Inspector,
John Freeman.

Carried.

Proposed by — Councillor Mr. Byrne.

Seconded by — " R. Norman Thompson,

Resolved — That the Secretary be directed
to advertise for a Veterinary Inspector under the

Diseases of Animals Act for the County Wicklow por-
tion of Rathdown Union at a Salary of £30 (Thirty
Pounds) per annum, to cover all expenses, etc. The
appointment to be made at the Quarterly Meeting.

Carried.

10th June, 1901. From Bray Urban Council — suggesting
that the County Council should advertise the various
scenic attractions of the County Wicklow.

Consideration adjourned.

From the several Rural District Councils, with the
exception of Rathdown No. 2 — announcing the re-elections
of the several Chairmen, and Vice Chairmen.

11th June, 1901. From Wicklow Urban Council, asking
for a Statement giving full and complete information on
all items that go to make up the Council's Demand.

Proposed by — Councillor E. J. Byrne.

Seconded by — " E. C. Walsh.

Resolved — That the Wicklow Urban District
Council be again informed that any day their Town
Clerk calls at the Council's Office, which is only a few
yards from the Town Hall, every facility will be given
him to inspect the Books during Office hours, and to
obtain information on the subject.

Carried — Councillor Mr. Carroll dissenting.

3rd June, 1901. From Clerk of Baltinglass, announcing
that the Dunlavin Division School Attendance Committee
had appointed Mr. Patrick Gorman of Dunlavin Secretary
and School Attendance Officer, at a Salary of £25
a year, and asking for the Council's confirmation of
the appointment.

Order — Appointment approved.

30th May, 1901. A Sealed Order from the Local Government Board, making the Rural District of Rathdown No 2 the area of charge for the expenses incurred in erecting a Conduit at Templecarrig Reservoir.

Resolutions from Various Bodies.

18th April, 1901. From Cork County Council — protesting against the Funds of the Department of Agriculture being allocated to equipping Creameries with Pasteurizing Plant.
Adopted.

8th June, 1901. From Kings County Council — To call on Parliament to abolish the Office of Coroner.
Read.

7th May, 1901. From the Municipal Council of the City of Dublin — relative to the County Courts (Ireland) Bill, 1901.

16th April, 1901. From Irish National Teachers' Organization — re School Attendance Committees.

23rd May, 1901. From Dublin County Council — That the County Representatives on the Richmond Asylum Committee be requested to oppose the proposed expenditure of £ 10,000 on making roads at Portrane Asylum.
Adopted.

7th June, 1901. From the Cork Chamber of Commerce — Calling upon the Irish Members and Public Bodies to press on the immediate attention of our Rulers that whereas during the past seven years the population of Ireland has con-

tinuously decreased more than three per cent, the Revenue extracted from the Country has steadily increased more than 26 per cent.

Adopted.

Edward Healy Chairman
15/6/1901

Special Meeting of the Council, held in the Council Chamber Court House, Wicklow, - at 11-30 am. on Monday, the 8th July, 1901.

The following Members attended :-

Councillor - E. P. O'Shelly - Chairman.
Councillors - M. Byrne, R. Norman Thompson, R. R. Drought, E. C. Walsh, D. J. Cogan, William Costello, M. Langton, J. Gahan, E. J. Byrne, J. Sheppard, W. Harrington, W. Byrne, J. Lawless, J. M. Carroll.

~ Agenda ~

1. To consider the Secretary's Report on the state of the Accounts received.
2. " consider the Chairman's Report in reference thereto, and to take all such actions upon same as may be deemed desirable.
3. " Consider a resolution proposed by the Chairman, that the Secretary's Salary be fixed at £400 a year, exclusive of Statutory Fees, and Salary under Diseases of Animals Act.

Secretary's Report on the state of the Accounts, and Chairman's Report thereon, having been received :-

Proposed by - Councillor R. Norman Thompson,
Seconded by - " R. R. Drought.

Resolved - That the Secretary be directed to write to Mr. Shearer and ask him to prepare the County Accounts, at his usual Fee, for Half year ending 30th September, 1900, for Audit, and that his Accounts, and those of Mr. Doyle be submitted to the Local Government Auditor, and that this Council will

take action on his Report.

Passed unanimously.

The following Notice of Motion was handed in by Councillor E. C. Walsh :-

"That Mr. Wynne, our Secretary; and Mr. Doyle, our Chief Clerk, be called upon to resign their respective Offices."

Proposed by - Councillor J. M. Carroll,
Seconded by - " D. J. Cogan, M.P.

Resolved - That as this Council is of opinion they made an agreement with the Secretary on December 28th, 1899, fixing his Salary, we hereby decline to re-open the matter, and adhere to that agreement.

Carried - Councillor R. Norman Thompson dissenting.

Proposed by - Councillor M. Byrne,
Seconded by - " E. J. Byrne.

Resolved - That the Standing Orders be suspended in order to consider the following urgent letters :-

1. From Town Clerk, Wicklow, to Sign Water Agreement.
2. " Petty Sessions Clerk, Bray, to refund Food and Drugs Fines.
3. " General Post Office, for leave to erect Telegraph Poles at Roundwood.

Carried - *dem con.*

2nd July, 1901. Letter from Town Clerk, Wicklow, threatening to cut off the Water Supply from the County Court House, if the Water Agreement was not signed within ten days; - and letter from Local Government Board, No. 35522/1901, 25th June, 1901, were read.

Proposed by - Councillor M. Langton,
Seconded by - " J. Gahan.

Resolved - That the Secretary reply to the Secretary of Wicklow Urban Council that this Council

will give them an answer to their application for entering into a Contract for a Water Supply to the County Court House, and if this Council find they are liable for the payment of Water Supply, heretofore supplied free to the Grand Jury, the above-named reply to be given immediately after our next Quarterly Meeting.
Carried.

Application from General Post Office for leave to erect certain Telegraph Poles in Roundwood.

Proposed by - Councillor R. Norman Thompson,
Seconded by - " R. R. Drought.

Resolved - That this Council grant leave to the Post Office Authorities to move four Telegraph Poles to the new Post Office at Roundwood, subject to approval of County Surveyor.

Carried - Councillor Dr. Carroll dissenting.

Court House,
Bray. 17th June, 1901.

Sir,

I have been directed by the Registrar of Petty Sessions Clerks to write to you, as the matter of Fines under the Margarine Act has now been under consideration of the County Council for some months, and to ask for a definite answer regarding the refund of £20-6-8 without further delay.

I am, Sir,

Your obt. Servant,

Patrick Henry.

Clerk of Petty Sessions.

E. D. Wynne, Esq. J.P.,
Secretary, Co. Council,
Wicklow

Order - Secretary to write to Mr. Dr. Carroll to have Council's Opinion with Secretary within present week.

A request to the Postmaster-General from the Shillelagh Rural District Council to establish a Sub-Post office at Kilquiggan was recommended by the Council.

Edward Phelly

15 August 1901.

The Summer Quarterly Meeting of the Council, held in the Council Chamber, Court House, Wicklow, at 11-30 am. on Monday, the 19th August, 1901.

The following Members attended:—

- Councillor - E. P. O'Kelly - Chairman.
- Councillors - R. Norman Thompson, R. R. Drought, Mr. Byrne, W. G. Morris, E. C. Walsh, W^m Burke, Mr. Langton, J. Dunne, S. J. Doyle, J. Lawless, J. McCarroll, D. J. Cogan, M.P., W. G. Murphy, E. J. Byrne, J. Sheppard, W^m Osborne, J. A. Coleman, W^m Byrne, and W^m Costello.

Business.

1. To consider Report from the Finance Committee.
2. " " the Proposals from the Proposals Committee.
3. " " Proposals for Payment from the Five Rural Districts.
4. " sign Treasurer's Authorities for the past Quarters Payments.
5. " consider Proposals for Contracts from the Five Rural Districts.
6. " " Tenders sent forward to the County Council.
7. " Seal such Contracts as have been approved by the County Council.
8. " appoint a Veterinary Inspector for Rathdown No 2. Rural District.
9. " consider a Circular from the Local Government Board, asking for a definite expression of opinion from the County Council in favour of, or against, making the entire Rural District the area of charge for Sanitary Expenses; or sub-dividing the area, and thereby creating a number of separate small areas of charge.
10. " Consider Councillor E. C. Walsh's Notice of Motion:—
"That Mr. Wynne, our Secretary; and Mr. Doyle, our Chief Clerk, be called upon to resign their respective offices."

11. To consider Scalp and Enniskerry Tramway Companies' Amendments to Draft clauses submitted by the County Council.
12. " receive and Consider Reports from Committees.
13. " Consider Reports from County Officers.
14. " " Official Correspondence.
15. " " General Correspondence.

Finance Committee's Report.

The following Members of your Finance Committee:—
Councillor - D. J. Cogan, M.P. - Chairman.

Councillors - R. Norman Thompson, E. J. Byrne, W. G. Murphy, E. C. Walsh, and R. R. Drought, having examined the various Accounts and Proposals submitted to us, we recommend the County Council to make the following payments:—

Transfers to Funds of Unions.

	£	s.	d.
Baltinglass -	855	18	5
Naas -	205	0	0
Rathdown -	779	2	7
Rathdrum -	2304	1	3
Shillelagh -	755	17	6
Total.	4899	19	9

Transfers to Funds of Rural District Councils.

	General	Separate
Baltinglass No 1. -	97-16-10	24-18-2
Naas No 2. -	55-10-0	4-5-0
Rathdown No 2. -	100-0-0	15-0-0
Rathdrum. -	283-13-1	133-8-1
Shillelagh.	93-18-6	47-0-0

Total payments for the County at Large, and for each District, as follows:—
County-at-Large. 3789-8-3

Baltinglass. L. s. d.
 District Proposals. 616-10-3 L. s. d.
 Proposals Committee's Proposals. 253-7-2 869-17-5

Naas.
 District Proposals. 350-8-9
 Proposals Committee's Proposals. 271-4-0 621-12-9

Rathdown.
 District Proposals. 308-12-9
 Proposals Committee's Proposals. 40-5-7 348-18-4

Rathdrum.
 District Proposals. 1585-7-1
 Proposals Committee's Proposals. 1228-7-5 2813-14-6

Shillelagh.
 District Proposals. 436-10-8
 Proposals Committee's Proposals. 326-4-4 762-15-0

Wicklow Urban
 Proposals Committee's Proposals. 64-5-11. 64-5-11

Dunlavin School Attendance Committee's Certified Expense. 4-10-4

An account from Messrs. Dollard was enclosed, for £6-15-11, but as it was not either vouched, or included in the Certificate, we do not recommend payment of same.

Audited Accounts from Richmond District Asylum; Baltinglass Do, Rural District; Baltinglass Union; Rathdown Do 2 Rural District; Rathdown Union; Shillelagh Rural District; and Shillelagh Union, were submitted.

We instructed the Secretary to bring the Auditor's Report on the Richmond Asylums Accounts before the Council for its consideration.

Signed: — D. J. Cogan — Chairman.
 Finance Committee.
 19th August, 1901.

Proposed by — Councillor D. J. Cogan,
 Seconded by — " E. C. Walsh.
 Resolved — That the Report of the Finance Committee be adopted.
 Adopted.

The Report of the Auditor on the Accounts of Richmond Asylum was read.

Report of the Proposals Committee.

Summer Quarterly Meeting, 1901.

A Quorum not having been in attendance on 1st August, the date fixed for the Proposal Committee Meeting, the Committee met on 19th August.

The following Members present: —
 Councillor — R. Norman Thompson — Chairman.
 Councillors — D. J. Cogan, E. J. Byrne, — and E. C. Walsh.

Having considered the Notices of Motion laid before us, we formulated the following Proposals thereon, and hereby submit them for your approval: —

County Infirmary and Fever Hospitals

The Treasurer — Wicklow County Infirmary — L. s. d. 125-0-0
 " Secretary — Wicklow Fever Hospital — 37-10-0
 " " — Newtown-Mt. Kennedy Fever Hospital — 20-0-0

Court House Expenses.

Thomas Williams — Cleaning, etc. — 11-14-2
 Griffith Jones — do. — 1-2-7
 Thomas Nicholson — do. — 1-16-1
 Michael Doyle — do. — 2-5-0
 George Sager — do. — 1-1-3
 Griffith Jones — Coal — 15-6
 Michael Doyle — do. — 1-6-6
 William Ruddock — do. — 6-0

To Parties employed by County Surveyor to repair, and keep in repair, the Court Houses at Wicklow, Arklow, Bray, Baltinglass and Tinahely. £ s. d. 100-0-0

Our Proposals for Payment will be found on the Secretary's Schedule, initialled by our Chairman.

The total amount of our Proposals for Payment are:—

Table with 2 columns: Location and Amount (£ s. d.). Rows include County-at-Large (3789-8-3), Baltinglass (253-7-2), Naas (271-4-0), Rathdown (40-5-7), Rathdrum (1228-7-5), Shillelagh (326-4-4), Wicklow Urban (64-5-11), and Total (£ 5973-2-8).

We recommended the payment of £2-2 to the Salthill Industrial School, Galway, for the support of a boy, William Sealy, sent there from Little Bray, but we recommend that an application be made to have this boy transferred to one of the Schools in the Scheduled List of Schools issued by this County Council.

Signed - R. Norman Thompson - Chairman Proposals Committee.

19th August, 1901.

Proposed by - Councillor R. Norman Thompson. Seconded by - " E. J. Byrne. Resolved - That the Report of the Proposals Committee, as read, be adopted. Adopted.

Proposals for Payment from the Five Rural Districts: - Baltinglass No. 1.

Proposed by - Councillor J. A. Coleman, Seconded by - " J. Sheppard.

Resolved - That we approve of the foregoing Proposals for Payment, amounting to £ 869-17-5 as altered and initialled by the Chairman, and order the same to be paid.

Carried.

Naas No 2: -

Proposed by - Councillor W. Osborne, Seconded by - " J. Dunne.

Resolved - That we approve of the foregoing Proposals for Payment, amounting to £ 621-12-9, as altered and initialled by the Chairman, and order the same to be paid.

Carried.

Rathdown No 2: -

Proposed by - Councillor D. G. Morris. Seconded by - " M. Langton.

Resolved - That we approve of the foregoing Proposals for Payment, amounting to £ 348-18-4, as altered and initialled by the Chairman, and order the same to be paid.

Carried.

Rathdrum: -

Proposed by - Councillor W. G. Murphy. Seconded by - " J. McCarroll.

Resolved - That we approve of the foregoing Proposals for Payment, amounting to £ 2813-14-6, as altered and initialled by the Chairman, and order the same to be paid.

Carried.

Shillelagh :-

Proposed by - Councillor J. Sheppard,

Seconded by - " E. J. Byrne,

Resolved - That we approve of the foregoing Proposals for Payment, amounting to £762-15-0 as altered and initialled by the Chairman, and order the same to be paid.

Wicklow Urban :-

Proposed by - Councillor J. McCarrall,

Seconded by - " D. J. Cogan,

Resolved - That we approve of the foregoing Proposals for Payment, amounting to £64-5-11, as altered and initialled by the Chairman, and order the same to be paid.

Carried.

Proposed by - Councillor W. G. Murphy,

Seconded by - " D. J. Cogan,

Resolved - That the Treasurer's Authorities for the payments which have been passed by this Council be now signed.

Carried.

Proposed by - Councillor M. Langton,

Seconded by - " J. Dunne,

Resolved - That the Treasurer's Authority for the Quarterly Transfers to the Five Boards of Guardians, and to the Five Rural District Councils, be now signed.

Carried.

On considering the Proposal for Contracts from the Five Rural Districts :-

Baltinglass No 1 :-

Proposals approved and confirmed.

Naas No 2 :-

Contract No. 91 was given in charge to the County Surveyor. The County Council approved of the recommendation of the District Council that Clause 4 of the Specification of this Contract, relating to the deepening of the Tail Drain, be struck out.

Remaining Proposals approved and confirmed.

Rathdown No 2 :-

Contract No 110 given to James O'Carroll, Pier View, Greystone, at £65. Sureties - John Byrne, Ashford, and Thomas McAuley, Ashford.

Remaining Proposals approved and confirmed.

Rathdown :-

Contract No. 158 given to William Hender, Ashford, at £250. Sureties - Michael O'Reilly, Ballinahinch, Ashford, and Charles Flanagan, Ballyguile, Wicklow.

Contract No. 216 given same Contractor - at 2/6 p.p., amounting to £71-5 annually. Sureties - Michael O'Reilly, Ballinahinch, Ashford, and Charles Flanagan, Ballyguile, Wicklow.

Remaining Proposals approved and confirmed.

Shillelagh :-

Proposals approved and confirmed.

Proposed by - Councillor W. Osborne,

Seconded by - " J. Dunne,

Resolved - That the repairing of the Gulleets on the Lisheens Road, Naas No. 2., for which £18 was passed, not having been tendered for, the work be given in charge to County Surveyor.

Carried.

Proposed by - Councillor W. G. Morris,

Seconded by - " M. Byrne.

Resolved - That the several Contracts which

have been approved at this Quarterly Meeting be now sealed and signed.

Carried.

The Secretary read the Advertisement published in the Wicklow News-Letter, Wicklow People, and Recorder, relative to the appointment of a Veterinary Inspector for Rathdown No 2 Rural District, and three replies received from W. J. Richardson, Esq. M.R.C.V.S., Castle Street, Bray; G. Newsom, Esq. M.R.C.V.S., Killoughter, Ashford, Wicklow; and M. J. Carroll Esq. M.R.C.V.S., 3 Albert Terrace, Bray.

WICKLOW COUNTY COUNCIL.
VETERINARY INSPECTOR WANTED.

THE above Council will, at their Quarterly Meeting, to be held in the Council Chamber, Courthouse, Wicklow, at 11.30 a.m. on Monday, 19th August, 1901, proceed to elect a duly qualified veterinary surgeon as inspector under the Diseases of Animals Acts for the portion of Rathdown Union, within the County of Wicklow, at a salary of £30 (thirty pounds) per annum, to cover all expenses.

The Inspector appointed to perform all the duties required by the said Acts, and the several Orders in Council issued under them, and to carry on the various inspections at fairs and elsewhere.

Applications for the above appointment, giving name, address, and qualifications, to be lodged with the undersigned not later than two o'clock p.m. on Saturday, 17th August, 1901.

EDWARD N. WYNNE,
Secretary to the County Council.
Wicklow.
(p774)

The Councillors having voted as follows:—

For Richardson:— Councillors— P. Norman Thompson, E. J. Byrne, W. G. Morris, and J. Lawless. 4

For Newsom:— Councillors:— M. Byrne, E. C. Walsh, J. Sheppard, R. P. Doughty. 4

For Carroll:— Councillors— E. P. O'Shelly, W. Osborne, W. Burke, M. Langton, J. Dunne, D. J. Cogan, Wm. Byrne, W. Costello, S. J. Doyle, J. McCarroll, J. H. Coleman, and W. G. Murphy. 12

Proposed by— Councillor M. Langton,
Seconded by— " J. H. Coleman.

Resolved— That M. J. Carroll, Esq. V.S., be appointed Veterinary Inspector under the Diseases of Animals Acts for the portion of Rathdown Union within the County of Wicklow, in accordance with the terms of the Advertisement, at a Salary of (£30) Thirty Pounds per annum.

Carried.

Circular No. 113 M/1901. of 25th July, 1901, from the Local Government Board, asking for a definite expression of opinion from the County Council in favour of, or against, making the entire Rural District the area of charge for Sanitary Expenses, or sub-dividing the area, and thereby creating a number of separate small areas of charge.

Proposed by— Councillor P. Norman Thompson,
Seconded by— " D. J. Cogan, M.P.

Resolved— That this Council, while recognizing there are some County Districts and small Villages where it would be unnecessary and inconvenient to fix a restricted area of charge for small sanitary works, is in favour of restricting the area of charge for such works, when carried out for the benefits of Towns and populous Districts, to the District immediately benefited by such Sanitary Improvements.

That the letters of the Local Government Board be referred to the Finance Committee to inquire into and frame an answer to the last paragraph thereof, to be submitted to the Council for its consideration on as early a date as convenient.

Carried.

In accordance with Notice of Motion:—

Proposed by— Councillor E. C. Walsh,
Seconded by— " W. Burke,

Resolved— That Mr. Wynne, our Secretary, and Mr. Doyle, our Chief Clerk, be called upon to resign their respective offices.

Amendment.

Proposed by— Councillor E. J. Byrne,
Seconded by— " W. Byrne,

Resolved— That the consideration of Councillor Walsh's Notice of Motion be postponed.
Amendment carried.

A letter, dated 12th July, 1901, from a Lane Jyunt. by, Solicitor, 4 St. Stephen's Green, D., Dublin - enclosing Dublin, Scalp, and Innskerry Tramways, and Bray Tramways Order, 1901, with Draft Clauses of County Council amended by Promoters, referred to County Surveyor for Report.

County Surveyor's Report.

to the
County Council of the County of Wicklow at
their Quarterly Meeting — 19th August, 1901

Mr. Chairman and Gentlemen

At the recent Quarterly Meetings of the Rural District Councils the works passed were not very numerous, but the following should be carefully considered by you:—

Rathdown No 2:— To widen and repair a Road at Hillgar. £46.

Rathdown:— To widen and repair a Road at Killahurley Upper. £48-13-4. And to widen and repair another road at Carrig-censhinagh. £73-4-0

None of the above three roads lead anywhere in particular, and are of the horse class, and not thoroughfares. They have not been made, or ever repaired by the County. They are roads not for public use, but for the use of those whose lands and houses they afford approaches to. They are in no sense public roads, and should not, I think, be repaired at the cost of the Ratepayers.

In Skillelagh Rural District there is a Proposal to put on the County 70 Perches of lane leading from the County road at Carrigroe to the Townland of Ballycumber South. This lane has never been on the County, and the object is to make it a public road in order that a Bridge may be built over the river there, for which a Proposal was adopted by the District Council at a cost of £185.

I beg to report that the Contractor for that most important road from Newtown Dr. Kennedy to Barry's Bridge, in Rathdown Rural District, Mr. David Kelly, has almost totally neglected the conditions of his Contract.

I reported to the Rural District Council of Baltinglass No. 1. that the Contractor for the road from Ballinlea to Stranahely and Seskin, Mr. Daniel O'Brien is not fulfilling his Contract, as the road is in a disgraceful state of neglect, especially between Seskin Bridge and Knicken Ford.

I beg to recommend that in the above, and all similar cases, proceedings be taken against the Contractors and their Sureties for recovery of the Penalties on the Bonds.

At your Meeting on 10th December last year, you ordered your Secretary in future to make out the Half-yearly Statement as in Book produced from County Carlow. On 20th April last, after an interval of over four months, the book was produced, but not made out in accordance with your instructions. You then made a further order that your previous instructions should be strictly carried out. I, at your Meeting on the 28th May last, further pointed out that the Statement, as issued was full of mistakes, and indicated numbers of them. Although over eight months have now elapsed since your original order, the revised Book for Half-year ended 30th September last is not yet issued.

At intervals between 12th June and 19th July I have received proofs of pages 1 to 48, but they are a mass of mistakes and omissions, and indicate that the copy has been handed to the Printer without any care having been taken in its preparation. As an example, I may mention that in the Rural District of Naas No 2 the road Contracts were left blank as to the Contract amounts, reducing the whole thing to an absurdity.

There are now two Half-yearly Statements in arrear, as the printing of that for Half-year ending 31st March last

is, as far as I know, not even commenced. These Half-yearly Statements were produced promptly, and free from errors, in the Grand Jury time, and I fail to see why the same cannot now be done.

The result of all this is that the County business of my Department is obstructed to an extent which should not longer be tolerated. A large proportion of my time, and that of my Assistants, is now wasted through having to hunt up the necessary information from a number of documents, instead of having the Half-yearly Statement regularly issued in proper time. I have been able to keep matters straight to the present, by an enormous expenditure of time, which would be unnecessary were the Statements promptly and accurately produced.

I will now ask you to take the matter into your most serious consideration. Your Secretary has written to me to say that the Statement is prepared precisely in accordance with the instructions given to him on the 20th April last. In the first place these instructions were given to him as far back as 10th December last, but they have not been complied with.

I beg to recommend that you order that the Statement for the Half-year ending 30th September last be issued by 5th September next, and that for the Half-year ending 31st March last, by 30th September next, and that for the future these Statements be issued not later than one month after the Quarterly Meeting held in respect of the above Quarters. Unless some such arrangement is carried out, I most respectfully beg to say that it will be impossible for me to properly carry out the work of my Department.

I only received the proof of the Quarterly Schedule of Works on morning of the 17th inst.

I am,

Gentlemen,

Your obedient Servant,

Carter Draper.

17th August, 1901.

Adopted.

Proposed by - Councillor E. P. O'Shelly

Seconded by - " J. H. Coleman,

Resolved - That the undermentioned Contractor having been decreed for Breach of Contract, the Contract standing in his name be hereby cancelled.

Ballinglass No 1 :- No. 23 - Summer, 1899. Michael Driley - 140 p. of Road. £ 42-0-0
Carried.

Proposed by - Councillor - E. P. O'Shelly,

Seconded by - " J. H. Coleman.

Resolved - That the County Surveyor having reported to the County Council that certain Contractors are not complying with the conditions of their Contracts, he is hereby authorized in such cases to cause proceedings to be taken against said Contractors and their Sureties for the recovery of the penalty on the Bonds.
Carried.

Proposed by - Councillor E. J. Byrne,

Seconded by - " Wm. Burke,

Resolved - That we consider Mr. E. M. Wynne should correct all "copy" before going to the Printer, and that we hold him responsible for the present mistakes, and caution him against further mistakes arising.
Carried.

19th August, 1901.

Gentlemen,

I shall feel obliged by your granting me leave of absence for about a month.

Your obedient Servant,
Carter Draper.

To the County Council,
Co. Wicklow.

Granted.

Official Correspondence

34332/1901.

Wicklow County.

Local Government Board,
Dublin. 14th June, 1901.

Sanctioning the payment of Poundage Fees to Collector Dowling for the Half year ended March, 1901, and adding that he must not expect a similar concession in future, if full amount of his Warrant is not lodged within the proper period.

No. 38092/1901.

Sealed Order fixing Area of Charge for Well and Pump at Coolkenno over the Rural District of Shillelagh

Local Government Board,
Dublin. 19th July, 1901.No. 37276/1901.
Dublin County

Sanctioning a Loan of £30,000 to the Joint Committee of Richmond District Lunatic Asylum for works in connection with Portrane Asylum.

Local Government Board,
Dublin. 22nd July, 1901.No. 116 D/1901.
Office.

Local Government Board,
Dublin. 31st July, 1901.
Stating that in future the Accounts of County Wicklow will be audited by Mr. J. H. Calvert, Local Government Auditor.

2356/1901

Department of Agriculture & Technical Instruction for Ireland. Dublin. 19th June, 1901.
Sanctioning the proposed employment of Mr. R. B. Freeman M.R.C.V.S. temporarily pending a definite appointment to the vacancy of Veterinary Inspector in Rathdown No. 2. Rural District

8394/1901.

Department of Agriculture and Technical Instruction for Ireland. Dublin. 3rd August, 1901.

Approving of the Proposal of the County Lure Stock Committee to grant £150 to Rathdown Agricultural Society's Show, subject to the County Council's consent being obtained. Amount to be taken from sum devoted originally to Technical Instruction; Department contributing an equal amount.

Proposed by - Councillor P. Norman Thompson,
Seconded by - " J. McCarrall.

Resolved - That this Council grant the sum of £25 out of the unappropriated Balance of the Rate raised under the Agriculture and Technical Instruction (Ireland) Act, as a Grant to the General Fund of the Rathdown Agricultural Society's Show.

Carried - Councillors Walsh and E. J. Byrne dissenting.

2373/01

1257/01

Department of Agriculture & Technical Instruction for Ireland. Dublin.

Relative to Sheep Seal.

No. Order made.

No. 9725/01

Department of Agriculture & Technical Instruction for Ireland. Dublin. 9th July, 1901.
Inclosing copies of a Memorandum on Agricultural Education for Ireland.

Richmond District Asylum,
Dublin. 22nd June, 1901.

Inclosing Demand Form, duly filled - and signed.

Office of Public Works, Custom House,
Dublin. 5th July, 1901.

Notifying intention to advance £10,000; £10,000; £2,200; and £350 to the Joint Committee of Richmond Lunatic Asylum.