

WICKLOW  
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MINUTES OF MEETING ON 21st FEBRUARY, 1910.

The Winter Quarterly Meeting of the County Council, held in the Council Chamber, Courthouse, Wicklow, at 1 o'clock p.m., on Monday, the 21st February, 1910. The following members attended:—Councillor Edward P. O'Kelly (Chairman); Councillors Michael Byrne, James Byrne, John J. Reilly, John Murphy, P. J. Carey, William Byrne, John Storey, Joseph Dunne, William Costello, Wm. Osborne, B. McDonald, W. H. McFarland, Patrick Short, J. W. Reigh, E. C. Walsh, Joseph McCarroll, Edward Byrne, D. J. Cogan, Patrick Kenny, James Galvin, E. J. Byrne, and Morgan Travers.

BUSINESS:

- 1.—To consider report from the Finance Committee.
- 2.—To sign Quarterly Transfers on foot of Demands, from the several Unions and Rural District Councils.
- 3.—To consider the proposals from the Proposals Committee.
- 4.—To consider proposals for payment from the five Rural Districts.
- 5.—To sign Treasurer's Advice Notes for the past quarter's payments.
- 6.—To consider proposals for contracts from the five Rural Districts.
- 7.—To consider Tenders sent forward to the County Council.
- 8.—To seal such contracts as have been approved by the County Council.
- 9.—To sign Applications for Refund of Expenses under the Diseases of Animals Acts.
- 10.—To consider the Estimates and strike the Rates for the year ending 31st March, 1911.
- 11.—To appoint a Veterinary Inspector for the portion of Naas Union within the County of Wicklow.
- 12.—To appoint a Poor Rate Collector for No. 3 (Donard) Collecting District.
- 13.—To sign and seal Warrants for new Poor Rate Collector for No. 3 Collecting District.
- 14.—To sign and seal Supplemental Application for Bounty in Lieu of Rates.
- 15.—To appoint the Council's moiety of the School Attendance Committee for the Dunlavin Division of Baltinglass No. 1 Rural District for the three years commencing 1st May, 1910.
- 16.—To consider report from the Committee appointed "to look into the general condition, etc., of the County Courthouse and Offices, and report to the County Council on the best steps to be taken with regard to the same."
- 17.—To consider applications received for Licenses under the Poisons and Pharmacy Act, 1908.
- 18.—To receive and consider Reports from Committees.
- 19.—To consider Reports from County Officers.
- 20.—To consider Official Correspondence.
- 21.—To consider General Correspondence.

Minutes of previous Meetings were confirmed and signed.

Proposed by Councillor E. P. O'Kelly, seconded by Councillor E. C. Walsh. Resolved—That we, the Wicklow County Council, as our first act at this our first meeting since the General Election, beg to assure our Leader, Mr. John E. Redmond, M.P., of our unflinching confidence on this memorable day of anxiety for him and for Ireland. That this resolution be now sent by telegram.—Passed, nem. con.

## FINANCE COMMITTEE'S REPORT.

Your Finance Committee met on Wednesday, the 2nd February, 1910, when the following members attended:—Councillor Patrick Short (in the chair); Councillors Wm. Byrne, J. J. Reilly, and Joseph McCarroll.

The Committee, having examined the proposals for payment by the Proposals Committee, and from the Rural District Councils, recommend them for payment as follows:—

	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
County-at-Large—				£5,451	2	3
Baltinglass No. 1—						
District Proposals	697	3	1			
Proposals Committee's proposals	31	2	8	—728	5	9
Naas No. 2—						
District proposals	285	10	8			
Proposals Committee's proposals	268	5	8	—553	16	4
Rathdown No. 2—						
District proposals	387	1	6			
Proposals Committee's proposals	88	11	7	—475	13	1
Rathdrum—						
District proposals	1,567	6	6			
Proposals Committee's proposals	331	7	0	1,898	13	6
Shillelagh—						
District proposals	490	18	4			
Proposals Committee's proposals	71	6	11	—562	5	3
Wicklow Urban—						
Proposals Committee's proposals				17	9	4
Transfer to credit of Subsidiary Account (included in total for county-at-large)				1,103	14	9

The Committee examined the Union and Rural District demands submitted to them, and recommend the Council to make the following payments on foot of same:—

## TRANSFERS TO FUNDS OF UNIONS.

	£	s.	d.
Baltinglass	938	0	0
Naas	284	0	0
Rathdown	1,049	0	0
Rathdrum	2,795	0	0
Shillelagh	781	0	0
Total	£5,847	0	0

## TRANSFERS TO FUNDS OF RURAL DISTRICT COUNCILS.

	£	s.	d.
Baltinglass No. 1	276	0	0
Naas No. 2	139	5	0
Rathdown No. 2	839	0	0
Rathdrum	682	0	0
Shillelagh	385	0	0
Total	£2,321	5	0

The Secretary's estimates of the amounts required to provide for the liabilities and requirements of the Council for the ensuing financial year, 1910-1911, were approved and adopted.

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PATRICK SHORT, Chairman.

Proposed by Councillor Patrick Kenny, seconded by Councillor D. J. Cogan. Resolved—That the Finance Committee's Reports be hereby adopted. Passed.

Proposed by Councillor Michael Byrne, seconded by Councillor P. Short. Resolved—That the Treasurer's Advice Note for the Transfers on foot of Demands from the several Unions and Rural Districts be now signed. Passed.

Proposals for payment from the Proposals Committee, and from the five Rural District Councils, were passed as follows:—

## COUNTY - AT - LARGE:

Proposed by Councillor Michael Byrne, seconded by Councillor E. J. Byrne. Resolved—That we hereby approve of the foregoing Proposals for Payment on the County-at-Large, amounting to £5,451 2s. 3d. (any modification made therein having been first initialled by the Chairman), and order the same to be paid. Passed.

## BALTINGLASS NO. 1:

Proposed by Councillor B. McDonald, seconded by Councillor J. Dunne. Resolved—That we hereby approve of the foregoing Proposals for Payment on Baltinglass No. 1 Rural District, amounting to £728 5s. 9d. (any modification made therein having been first initialled by the Chairman), and order the same to be paid. Passed.

Proposed by Councillor Wm. Osborne, seconded by Councillor J. Dunne. Resolved—That we hereby approve of the foregoing Proposals for Payment on Naas No. 2 Rural District, amounting to £553 16s. 4d. (any modification made therein having been first initialled by the Chairman), and order the same to be paid. Passed.

## RATHDOWN NO. 2:

Proposed by Councillor John Storey, seconded by Councillor D. J. Cogan. Resolved—That we hereby approve of the foregoing Proposals for Payment on Rathdown No. 2 Rural District, amounting to £475 0s. 1d. (any modification made therein having been first initialled by the Chairman), and order the same to be paid. Passed.

## RATHDRUM:

Proposed by Councillor P. J. Carey, seconded by Councillor Patrick Short. Resolved—That we hereby approve of the foregoing Proposals for Payment on Rathdrum Rural District, amounting to £1,898 13s. 6d. (any modification made therein having been first initialled by the Chairman), and order the same to be paid. Passed.

## SHILLELAGH:

Proposed by Councillor E. J. Byrne, seconded by Councillor Michael Byrne. Resolved—That we hereby approve of the foregoing Proposals for Payment on Shillelagh Rural District, amounting to £562 5s. 3d. (any modification made therein having been first initialled by the Chairman), and order the same to be paid. Passed.

## WICKLOW URBAN:

Proposed by Councillor J. McCarroll, seconded by Councillor Patrick Short. Resolved—That we hereby approve of the foregoing Proposals for Payment on Wicklow Urban District, amounting to £17 9s. 4d. (any modification made therein having been first initialled by the Chairman), and order the same to be paid. Passed.

Proposed by Councillor D. J. Cogan, seconded by Councillor E. C. Walsh. Resolved—That the Treasurer's Advice Notes for the

Quarterly Payments, as approved by this Council, be now signed. Passed.

Proposals for Contracts from the Proposals Committee and the Five Rural District Councils:

**PROPOSALS COMMITTEE:**

Contracts, as submitted, were approved and confirmed.

Forms of Minute prescribed in pursuance of Section 18 of the Local Government (Ireland) Act, 1902, were submitted with Contracts Nos. 1 and 2.

**BALTINGLASS NO. 1:**

Contracts, as submitted, were approved and confirmed.

Road No. 246 in the District Register, 1,090 perches, was given in charge of the County Surveyor for three months.

A letter, dated 19th February, 1910, was read from Road Contractor J. McGrory, Knockendarragh, Donard, asking the Council to look into the question of a sum of £47 10s. 0d. "struck off" in connection with the maintenance of his road.

**NAAS NO. 2:**

Contracts, as submitted, were approved and confirmed.

**RATHDOWN NO. 2:**

Contracts, as submitted, were approved and confirmed.

Road No. 339 in the District Register, 985 perches, was given to Patrick Byrne, Downs, Delgany, at 1s. 5½d. p.p. Guarantors—Edward Connolly, Downs, Delgany, and Patrick Cullen, Newtownmountkennedy.

Road No. 346 in the District Register, 160 perches, was given to Charles McDonald, Killough, Kilmacanogue, at 3s. p.p. Guarantors—Denis Doyle, Borhilla, Kilmacanogue, and Christopher Doyle, Kilmacanogue.

Road No. 340 in the District Register, 738 perches, was given in charge of the County Surveyor for three months.

**RATHDRUM:**

Contracts, as submitted, were approved and confirmed.

Forms of Minute, prescribed in pursuance of Section 18 of the Local Government (Ireland) Act, 1902, were submitted with contract numbered 830 in the District Register.

Road No. 813 in the District Register, 1,559 perches, was given to William Steadman, Barniskey, Ovoca, at 9d. p.p. Guarantors—John Prestage, Snugboro, Arklow, and George Woolmington, Ballinvalley, Redcross.

Road No. 833 in the District Register, 478 perches, was given to Richard White, Upper Monckton Row, Wicklow, at 10½d. p.p. Guarantors—Nathaniel White, Upper Monckton Row, Wicklow, and Patrick Dowling, Ballylusk, Ashford.

Road No. 850 in the District Register, 945 perches, was given to Patrick Cullen, Newtownmountkennedy, at 1s. 4d. p.p. Guarantors—William Clarkson, Kiltimon, Ashford, and Edward Connolly, Downs, Delgany.

Work No. 857 in the District Register, was given to Myles King, Barniskey, Ovoca, at £4 14s. 6d. Guarantors—William Clarke, Church street, Wicklow, and Michael John O'Brien, Market Square, Wicklow.

Road No. 825 in the District Register, 774 perches, and road

No. 827 in the District Register, 539 perches, were given in charge of the County Surveyor for three months.

A Provisional Proposal to re-make by steam-rolling 3,132 perches of road from the Milltown road to the Rural District bounds at the Glen of the Downs, at 24s. 5d. per perch, to be raised on loan, was also submitted.

A letter, dated 18th February, 1910, was read from Captain Charles Acton, Kilmacurragh, Rathdrum, calling the Council's attention to the very bad state of the road from Mr. McCoy's public-house for about one mile in towards Wicklow.

A letter, dated 18th February, 1910, was submitted from Contractor John Manley, Ballyduff, Ashford, stating that it was completely out of his power to fulfil his contract on the road leading from Ballinahinch to Roundwood, owing to the immense traffic on it to the Waterworks, and asking the Council to grant him increased remuneration, or else to relieve him of his contract.

Proposed by Councillor P. Short, seconded by Councillor J. McCarroll. Resolved—That we take a surrender of Mr. Manley's contract of his road, subject to the sanction of the Local Government Board. Passed, Councillors E. J. Byrne and Michael Byrne dissenting.

**SHILLELAGH:**

Contracts, as submitted, were approved and confirmed.

Forms of Minute prescribed in pursuance of Section 18 of the Local Government (Ireland) Act, 1902, were submitted with contracts numbered 59, 78, 79, 83, 86, and 95 in the District Register.

Road No. 80 in the District Register, 192 perches, was given in charge of the County Surveyor for three months.

Proposed by Councillor J. McCarroll, seconded by Councillor P. Short. Resolved—That the several contracts which have been approved of at this Quarterly Meeting be now signed and sealed. Passed.

Proposed by Councillor Michael Byrne, seconded by Councillor Wm. Costello. Resolved—That we now sign and seal the two Certificates for Refund of Expenses under the Diseases of Animals Acts. Passed.

**THE SECRETARY'S REPORT.**

To the County Council, 21st February, 1910.

Gentlemen,—

The most important matter to come before you to-day is the Budget for this county for the coming year.

You have had copies of my estimates laid before you, and as they show a rise all round from the rates of last year a few words of explanation will doubtless be expected from me.

In the first place the rise appears the greater coming after last year, which happened to be the year in which we credited the Rural District Councils with no less than £840 which had accumulated as a balance in the bank, leaving just enough balance to pay our way till the rates began to come in, and thus bringing down the rates from 2½d to 5d. below what they had been the previous year, 1908-9. In fact, the rates this time, as shown by my estimates in two of the Rural Districts, viz.—Rathdown and Shillelagh, are exactly the same to the farthing as they were in that year, 1908-9.

There are several matters which have continued to raise the rates this time. The county-at-large charges have been increased 1d. by the continued rise in the monstrous charge for Richmond Asylum (which exceeds the total of any other charge on the county-at-large added together), the sheep-dipping expenses, the proposed new day technical schools, repairs to courthouses, etc.

Then, in spite of what we were led to understand (when we protested some years ago against the withdrawal of £3,111 from the Government Grants coming to this county, because of land purchase failures), namely, that we should not again suffer from this cause, we have now had a further sum of £2,511 18s. 5d. withdrawn from us. On the previous occasion we were ordered to make this up by striking an additional rate to meet the deficit thus caused, but we refused to do so, as we then had a fair balance in bank to keep us going; but now, having credited what balances we could last year to each Rural District, we have nothing to fall back on, and this withdrawal leaves us without funds to pay the half-year's instalments on the Union and Rural District demands which fall due before the rates comes in. We have therefore to raise this amount now to enable us to pay our way.

Comparing the estimates for each Rural District with those of last year show the chief causes of the increased rates:—

#### BALTINGLASS UNION.

1909 Demand	£3,650	£
1910 do.	£3,684	increase 34
Grants withdrawn		219
Credits from Exchequer contributions:		
1909	£644	
1910	£563	decrease 81
		<u>£334 or 1½d.</u>

#### BALTINGLASS R. DISTRICT.

1909 Demand	£692	
1910 do.	£500	decrease 192
Grants withdrawn		233 difference 41
Credits 1909	£319	
do. 1910	£273	46
Ledger balance credited last year		300
Increased roads expenditure		400
		<u>£787 or 4d.</u>

#### NAAS UNION.

1909 Demand	£1,013	£
1910 do.	£1,107	increase 94
Grants withdrawn		58
Credits as above 1909	£194	
1910	£167	27
		<u>£179 or 3d.</u>

#### NAAS R. DISTRICT.

1909 Demand	£259	£
1910 do.	£316	increase 57
Grants withdrawn		120
Credits as above 1909	£190	
1910	£155	35
Ledger balance credited last year		140
		<u>352</u>
Roads and law expenditure less this year		135
		<u>217 or 3½d.</u>

#### RATHDOWN UNION.

1909 Demand	£3,893	£
1910 do.	£3,998	increase (½d. to R.D.) 52
Grants withdrawn	£191	(do.) 95
Credits from Exch. Contr. 1909	£588	
1910	£499; £89 (do.)	45
		<u>£192 or 1½d.</u>

#### RATHDOWN R. DISTRICT.

1909 Demand	£546	
1910 do.	£456	decrease £90
Grants withdrawn	£107	} difference 17
Law expenditure		50
Credits as above, 1909	£196	
1910	£158	decrease 38
		<u>£105 or 1d.</u>

#### RATHDRUM UNION.

1909 Demand	£9,488	£
1910 do.	£10,900	increase 1,412
Grants withdrawn		521
Credits as above 1909	£1,729	
1910	£1,439	decrease 290
		<u>£2,223 or 4d.</u>

#### RATHDRUM R. DISTRICT.

1909 Demand	£1,564	
1910 do.	£1,402	decrease £162
Roads expenditure increase	1,100	} d'fnce 938
Grants withdrawn		593
Credits as above 1909	£1,041	
1910	£724	317
Ledger balance credited last year		200
		<u>£2,048 or 3½d.</u>

#### SHILLELAGH UNION.

1909 Demand	£3,480	
1910 do.	£3,100	decrease 380
Grants withdrawn		181
Credits 1909	£589	276
1910	£494 less 95	} net d'crease £104 or ½d. d'cr'se

## SHILLELAGH R. DISTRICT.

1909 Demand	£490	£	
1910 do.	£710 increase	220	
Grants withdrawn		205	
Credits 1909	£297		
1910	£121 decrease	176	
Ledger balance credited last year		100	
			£701 or 4½d.

Adding the foregoing amounts together shows the increase in the rates in each Rural District as follows:—

Baltinglass.—Co.-at-Large, 1d.; Union, 1½d.; R.D., 4d.; Total, 6½d.  
 Naas.—Co.-at-Large, 1d.; Union, 3d.; R.D., 3½d.; Total, 7½d.  
 Rathdown.—Co.-at-Large, 1d.; Union, 1½d.; R.D., 1d.; Total, 3½d.  
 Rathdrum.—Co.-at-Large, 1d.; Union, 4d.; R.D., 3½d.; Total, 8½d.  
 Shillelagh—Co.-at-Large, 1d.; Union, less ½d.; R.D., 4½d.; Total, 5d.

My printed estimates, of course, have the correct figures for every item of income and of expenditure named and set out, and the totals of these work out to the figures given as the rates for each district.

The following are the rates this year for each Rural District, and also the amounts by which they exceed last year's rates (which were reduced by having the balances in bank credited to them), and also how they compare with the previous year's rates when no balance was credited

	1910.	1909.	1908.
	s. d.	d.	d.
Baltinglass ... ..	3 10¼	6½ more	4¼ more
Naas ... ..	4 7	7½ "	5 "
Rathdown ... ..	3 9¼	3½ "	The same.
Rathdrum ... ..	4 0½	8¾ "	6¾ more.
Shillelagh ... ..	4 1¼	5 "	The same.

I regret I cannot recommend the reduction of any one of the above rates.

## E. N. WYNNE.

Proposed by Councillor E. C. Walsh, seconded by Councillor Wm. Osborne. Resolved—That we hereby confirm and adopt the Estimates (Forms 45 and 46) now submitted to us, and determine the rates in the £1 to be levied in each Rural District in the County by means of the Poor Rate:—

Name of Rural District	Rates on Land.		Rates on other Hereditaments.	
	s.	d.	s.	d.
Baltinglass No. 1 ... ..	2	3	3	10¼
Naas No. 2 ... ..	3	0½	4	7
Rathdown No. 2 ... ..	2	7½	3	9¼
Rathdrum ... ..	2	7¾	4	0½
Shillelagh ... ..	2	7¼	4	1¼

## SEPARATE CHARGES.

Baltinglass Sewerage, 0¼d.; Dunlavin do., 1¼d.; Hollywood and Dunlavin Co. Divisions—Compulsory Education, 0½d.; Naas No. 2, Public Health charge, 0½; Naas No. 2—Criminal Injury, 0¼d.; Rathdown No. 2—Public Health charge, 1d.; Greystones Sewerage,

12¼d.; Greystones Water Supply and Delgany Sewerage, 2½d.; Enniskerry Sewerage, 3½d.; Greystones Lighting, 1½d.; Rathdrum—Public Health Charge, 0¼d.; Criminal Injury, Balinaclash E. D., 2d.; Newbridge Water Supply, 2d.; Kilpedder Sewerage, and Newcastle and Stylebawn Water Supplies, 5¼d.; Newcastle Dispensary District, Compulsory Education, 0½d.; Shillelagh—Public Health Charge, 0¼d.; Criminal Injury, Shillelagh E.D., 5d.; Arklow Harbour, 2¼d.; Wicklow Harbour, 4d.; Dublin and Blessington Steam Tramway, 6¼d.; Criminal Injury, County-at-Large, 0¼d.; Criminal Injury, Barony of South Ballinacor, 2¼d. Passed.

Proposed by Councillor E. C. Walsh, seconded by Councillor Wm. Osborne. Resolved—That we hereby, in accordance with the Estimates on Forms 45 and 46, and with the Valuation Lists (so far as they have been supplied to us by the General Valuation Office) do determine the amounts to be demanded from each Urban District Council, as follows:—

Name of Urban District.	General Charges.			Separate Charges.			Total.		
	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
Bray ... ..	3,161	16	5	17	8	6	3,179	4	11
Wicklow ... ..	857	10	0	152	6	0	1,009	16	0

Passed.

Proposed by Councillor D. J. Cogan, seconded by Councillor E. C. Walsh. Resolved—That the Secretary be and is hereby instructed to look into the question of the withdrawal of a sum of £ by the Government from the Grants payable to this Council in relief of rates, and to ascertain whether that withdrawal ought to have been made in view of the promises made by the Government and the passage of the Land Act, 1909. Also to ascertain what sums, if any, should be credited to this county on account of the tenant purchasers having paid their interest on pending purchases, or their purchase instalments. Passed.

The Secretary read the advertisement published in the "Leinster Leader," "Wicklow People," "Wicklow Press," and "Wicklow News-Letter," for a Veterinary Inspector under the Diseases of Animals Acts, for the portion of Naas Union with the County of Wicklow, and one reply received from Edward Nichols, V.S., Dunlavin, Co. Wicklow.

Wicklow County Council—Veterinary Inspector Wanted. The above Council will, at their Quarterly Meeting, to be held in the Council Chamber, Courthouse, Wicklow, at 1 o'clock, p.m., on Monday, the 21st February, 1910, proceed to elect a duly qualified Veterinary Surgeon as Inspector under the Diseases of Animals Acts for the portion of Naas Union within the County of Wicklow, at a salary of Ten Pounds (£10) per annum, to cover all expenses. The Inspector appointed shall perform all the duties required by the said Acts, and by the several Orders from time to time issued in connection with same, and carry out the various inspections required at fairs and elsewhere. Applications for the above appointment, giving name, address, and qualifications, to be lodged with the undersigned not later than 2 o'clock, p.m., on Saturday, the 19th February, 1910. Edward N. Wynne, Secretary to the County Council.

Proposed by Councillor W. Osborne, seconded by Councillor Michael Byrne. Resolved—That Mr. Edward Nichols, V.S., Dunlavin, be appointed Veterinary Inspector under the Diseases of Animals Acts for the portion of Naas Union within the County of Wicklow, in accordance with the terms of the advertisement, at a salary of Ten Pounds (£10) per annum. Passed.

The Secretary read the advertisement published in the "Leinster Leader," "Wicklow People," "Wicklow Press," and "Wicklow News-Letter," for a Poor Rate Collector for No. 3 (Donard) Collecting District, and seven replies received from:—Patrick Healy, Rathdangan, Baltinglass; Richard Lynch, Ballineddin, Knockenargan; Thomas Tutty, Cloanshannon, Knockenargan; Edward Parke, Whitestown, Stratford-on-Slaney; Thomas S. Norton, Rathallagh, Dunlavin; Patrick J. O'Toole, Munroe, Donard; Patrick Smyth, Brusselstown, Knockenargan.

Wicklow County Council—Poor Rate Collector Wanted. The above-named Council will, at its Meeting to be held in the Council Chamber, Courthouse, Wicklow, on Monday, the 21st February, 1910, proceed to appoint a duly qualified Poor Rate Collector for the Electoral Divisions of Donaghmore, Donard, Imaal North, and Imaal South, at a remuneration of 6d. in the £, collected and lodged within each 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 rates approved by the Local Government Board will be refunded the Collector. Written applications to be lodged in my office not later than 11.30 o'clock on the morning of the meeting, giving the name and address 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 £600, or else the name of an approved Guarantee Society, willing to give a bond for the same purpose in a sum of £300. Candidates to be in attendance in the Council Chamber at 1.30 p.m. on 21st February, 1910. By Order, Edward N. Wynne, Secretary to the County Council.

On a poll being taken the Council voted as follows:—

For Lynch—Councillors W. H. McFarland, Joseph Dunne, James Byrne, Patrick Kenny, William Byrne (Coolbeg), and Patrick Short—6.

For Norton—Councillors Wm. Osborne, D. J. Cogan, and John Storey—3.

For Tutty—Councillor James Galvin—1.

For O'Toole—Councillors Michael Byrne, Morgan Travers, E. J. Byrne, and Edward Byrne—4.

For Parke—Councillors J. W. Reigh, B. McDonald, J. J. Reilly, J. McCarroll, and John Murphy—5.

For Smyth—Councillors E. C. Walsh, E. P. O'Kelly, Wm. Costello, and P. J. Carey—4.

The candidates Healy, Norton, and Tutty having dropped out, the councillors voted in the second round as follows:—

For Lynch—Councillors Wm. Osborne, W. H. McFarland, Joseph Dunne, James Byrne, John Storey, James Galvin, Patrick Kenny, Patrick Short, and Wm. Byrne (Coolbeg)—9.

For O'Toole—Councillors Michael Byrne, Morgan Travers, E. J. Byrne, and Edward Byrne—4.

For Parke—Councillors J. W. Reigh, D. J. Cogan, B. McDonald, J. J. Reilly, J. McCarroll, and John Murphy—6.

For Smyth—Councillors E. C. Walsh, E. P. O'Kelly, Wm. Costello, and P. J. Carey—4.

A poll was then taken between the two lowest candidates:—

For O'Toole—Councillors J. W. Reigh, Michael Byrne, Morgan Travers, D. J. Cogan, James Byrne, John Storey, E. J. Byrne, J. McCarroll, and Edward Byrne—9.

For Smyth—Councillors E. C. Walsh, E. P. O'Kelly, Wm. Osborne, W. H. McFarland, J. Dunne, Wm. Costello, B. McDonald, J. J. Reilly, James Galvin, P. Kenny, Wm. Byrne (Coolbeg), John Murphy, P. J. Carey, and Patrick Short—14.

O'Toole therefore dropped out, and there voted in the final round:—

For Lynch—Councillors Wm. Osborne, W. H. McFarland, Michael Byrne, Joseph Dunne, James Byrne, John Storey, James Galvin, P. Kenny, E. J. Byrne, Wm. Byrne (Coolbeg), Edward Byrne, and Patrick Short—12.

For Parke—Councillors J. W. Reigh, Morgan Travers, D. J. Cogan, B. McDonald, J. J. Reilly, J. McCarroll, and John Murphy—7.

For Smyth—Councillors E. C. Walsh, E. P. O'Kelly, Wm. Costello, and P. J. Carey—4.

Richard Lynch having obtained an absolute majority over the combined votes of the other two candidates in the final round, the Chairman declared him elected.

Proposed by Councillor Patrick Kenny, seconded by Councillor E. J. Byrne. Resolved—That Mr. Richard Lynch, of Ballineddin, Knockenarrigan, be appointed Poor Rate Collector for No. 3 (Donard) Collecting District, on the terms of the advertisement, in room of Collector Thomas Tutty, deceased, subject to the approval of the Local Government Board, at a poundage fee of sixpence in the £1, and that we approve of Mr. Michael Kelly, of Snugborough, Donard, and Mr. Peter Carroll, of Reddenagh, Aughrim, as his sureties in a sum of £600. Passed.

Proposed by Councillor P. Kenny, seconded by Councillor E. J. Byrne. Resolved—That we now sign and seal the warrants for the newly-appointed Poor Rate Collector for No. 3 Collecting District, the same not to be issued until his appointment has been approved by the Local Government Board and his bond completed. Passed.

Proposed by Councillor Wm. Osborne, seconded by Councillor Michael Byrne. Resolved—That we apply to the Local Government Board to extend the time for closing Collector Lynch's collection until 30th April, 1910. Passed.

Proposed by Councillor Michael Byrne, seconded by Councillor John Storey. Resolved—That the supplemental certificate for bounty in lieu of rates be now signed and sealed. Passed.

Proposed by Councillor Michael Byrne, seconded by Councillor John Murphy. Resolved—That we hereby appoint the following persons as members of the new School Attendance Committee for the Dunlavin Division of Baltinglass No. 1 Rural District for the three years commencing 1st May, 1910:—Rev. J. Doyle, C.C., Donard; E. McDonald, Lemonstown; T. Grace, Uppertown, Dunlavin; J. Rochford, Dunlavin; C. Lawler, Dunlavin. Passed.



## COURTHOUSE COMMITTEE'S REPORT.

County Council, Quarterly Meeting, 21st February, 1910.

Gentlemen,—Your Committee met on the morning of 21st inst. and considered the report, plans, and estimates of the County Surveyor, and decided to recommend that—

1. The strong room and porch be erected, and the alterations be made in the Sanitary Offices in the Courthouse yard.

That the County Surveyor be requested to make a recommendation at the next Proposals Committee meeting to expend a sum not exceeding £250 on this work.

2. That the County Surveyor be directed to obtain estimates for heating the block at the County Council Offices by hot water.

The other works referred to in County Surveyor's report are recommended to be postponed.

D. J. COGAN, Chairman.

Adopted.

## COUNTY SURVEYOR'S REPORT.

Quarterly Meeting, 21st February, 1910.

Chairman and Members, County Council, Wicklow.

Gentlemen,—The weather of the past quarter has been most trying on the roads in this county, but with certain exceptions they are in as good order as can be expected. The exceptions are (1) those roads subject to timber and extraordinary traffic, and in particular the roads leading to Roundwood, which are subject not only to heavy traffic of stores, etc., to the works at the new reservoir, but are also subject to heavy timber traffic; (2) the following roads on which the contractors have done little or no work:—No. 42, Milltown road to Newtownmountkennedy, James Duffy, Rathdrum R.D.; No. 104, Newcastle Station to Newcastle village, same, do.; No. 15, Leabeg to Five-Mile-Point three roads, same, do.; No. 84, The Rathmore road, L. Cullen, do.; No. 17, Deacon's Lane, J. Lambe, Rathdown No. 2; No. 18, Agour gate to Kilmurry S. three roads, W. Gaskin, do.; No. 86, Ballyhook to Griffinstown, J. Flood, Baltinglass No. 1. I recommend that authority be given to serve ten day notices to these contractors, and that, if necessary, to be followed up by legal proceedings against contractors and bails.

The Wicklow District Gas Company propose to extend their powers over certain areas within the county. It will be advisable that you should take such steps as will be necessary to protect your interests as the road authority.

An unusually large number of road contracts come before you for confirmation. Most of these contracts have been taken at reasonable prices. In one case a contract has been given to the old contractor who (in the expiring contract) was most useless and negligent.

One provisional proposal will be read—this is for a road improvement by steam rolling—the money for which is proposed to be provided by a five years' loan. Should proposal mature there is no doubt that a fair share of the cost will be recouped by the Government grant for road improvements. The conditions of traffic are (as you are aware) so rapidly changing that it is hardly necessary to press upon you the absolute necessity of steam rolling at least the leading roads in the county.

It is satisfactory to note that, despite the heavy snow storms, no serious sudden damage has occurred.—Your obedient servant,  
S. G. GALLAGHER.

Orders—Paragraph 1: Ten day notices to be issued, and prosecutions to follow, if necessary. Adopted—except paragraph 4—steam rolling.

Proposed by Councillor J. McCarroll, seconded by Councillor Michael Byrne. Resolved—That the roads in Baltinglass No. 1, Rathdrum and Shillelagh Rural Districts, not tendered for, be placed in charge of County Surveyor for three months. Passed.

18th February, 1910. From Colonel H. Leskie-Ellis, F.S.A., Magherymore, Wicklow, offering to take certain steps for the preservation and protection of the Ogham stone at present lying by the roadside at Castletimon, and also for the revival of the inscription stone set in the parapet of Three-Mile-Water Bridge, and asking the Council's permission to do so. "Read."

## COUNTY ANALYST'S REPORT.

City Laboratory, 17 Castle street, Dublin, 17th February, 1910. Report of Sir Charles Cameron, C.B., M.D., Public Analyst for the County Wicklow, on articles submitted to him for analysis during the quarter ended 31st December, 1909. 89 articles were received from the Food Inspectors, R.I.C., as follows:—Article—Butter, 37; milk, 31; whiskey, 16; cheese, 2; buttermilk, 1; lard, 1; margarine, 1; total, 89. They were pure. There were nine specimens of butter analysed by directions from the Department of Agriculture and Technical Instruction for Ireland, Upper Merrion street, Dublin, which were taken up in the County Wicklow, and were pure.

For the Guardians of Baltinglass Union six drugs and one specimen of water were analysed. Two of the drugs were incorrect. The specimen of water had the following composition:—One imperial gallon contained in grains—Total solid matters, 58.800, including albuminoid ammonia, 0.004; saline ammonia, 0.010; nitric acid, 5.000; chlorine, 7.653. A good water.

One specimen of water analysed for Baltinglass Rural District Council had the following composition:—One imperial gallon contained in grains—Total solid matters, 34.300, including albuminoid ammonia, 0.005; saline ammonia, 0.0025; nitric acid, 2.650; chlorine, 2.385. A pure water.

For the Guardians of Shillelagh Union three drugs were analysed, and were correct.

Five specimens of water analysed for Wicklow Urban District Council had the following compositions:—One imperial gallon contained in grains—

	No. 1	No. 2	No. 3	No. 4	No. 5.
Total solid matters,	9.100	9.100	10.500	9.800	8.400
including					
Albuminoid ammonia	0.014	0.010	0.010	0.012	0.015
Saline ammonia	0.006	0.001	0.004	0.0045	0.004
Nitric Acid	None	None	None	None	None
Chlorine	1.689	1.689	1.689	1.689	1.689

All tolerably good waters.

One specimen of water analysed for Rathdrum Rural District Council had the following composition:—One imperial gallon con-

tained in grains—Total solid matters, 19.600; including, albuminoid ammonia, 0.008; saline ammonia, 0.014; nitric acid, trace; chlorine, 1.888. A fairly good water.

For the Guardians of Rathdrum Union fourteen drugs, eight specimens of milk, one of butter, and one of whiskey were analysed. Two of the drugs were incorrect.

Three specimens of milk analysed for Mr. J. Dowling, Knockrobin, Wicklow, were of good quality.

There were five fertilisers analysed for the Dublin and Wicklow Manure Company, Wicklow.

For Naas Union, which is partly situated in the County Wicklow, thirty-two drugs and four specimens of milk were analysed. Two of the drugs were incorrect.

For the Richmond District Lunatic Asylum three specimens of butter, two of shell cocoa, one of milk, one of tobacco, and one of soap were analysed, and were pure.

Total analyses, 191; adulterated and defective articles, 6.

#### C. A. CAMERON.

The Secretary submitted the applications received for Licenses to store and sell certain poisonous substances under the Poisons and Pharmacy Act, 1908, for agricultural and horticultural purposes.

The applications for Licenses received from the following were granted:—Thomas M. Barker, Coolboy House, Tinahely; Ireton Jones (Pennick and Co.), Delgany; Frederick Jacob, 4 Main street, Bray; John E. Griffin and Sons, 23 Main street, Bray.

The application of the following was refused, the reasonable requirements of the public in the district being satisfied—The Agricultural Stores (W. E. Hanan, Manager), Wicklow.

The reports from the deputy checkers of the various Unions on the attendance of the Poor Rate Collectors and the state of their collections were submitted.

#### OFFICIAL CORRESPONDENCE.

No. 110878/1909. Local Government Board, Dublin, 20th October, 1909—Copy of Sealed Order outlining the Rules for carrying into effect the Polling Districts and Registration of Voters (Ireland) Act, 1908.

No. 158/1909; Miscellaneous. Local Government Board, Dublin, 31st December, 1909—Enclosing circular letter regarding the Health Resorts and Watering Places (Ireland) Act, 1909, and also copy of the Act.

No. 7197/1910; Wicklow County. Local Government Board, Dublin, 21st January, 1910—Enclosing copy of the Auditor's Report on his audit of the Council's Accounts for the half-year ended 30th September, 1909:—Gentlemen,—I have the honour to report that I have audited the accounts of the County Council of Wicklow for the half-year ended September last, and I forward herewith a certified abstract thereof in pursuance of your Order in that behalf made. The accounts were prepared and submitted for audit in a very satisfactory manner, and no item of expenditure calls for any remark on my part.—I have the honour to be, gentlemen, your obedient servant, C. D. Barry.

No. 5414/1909. Department of Agriculture, Dublin, 2nd December, 1909—Approving of the temporary appointment of Mr.

Edward Nichols, V.S., as Veterinary Inspector in Naas No. 2 Rural District, pending the appointment of the late Mr. Christopher Black's successor.

No. 267/1910. Department of Agriculture, Dublin, 19th January, 1910—Stating that the Department offer no objection to the salary to be attached in future to the Veterinary Inspectorship of Naas No. 2 Rural District being at the rate of £10 per annum.

No. 24888/1909. Department of Agriculture, Dublin, 10th December, 1909—Enclosing copy of the Weeds and Agricultural Seeds (Ireland) Act, 1909, and circular letter drawing the Council's attention to the main provisions of the Act.

No. 40354/1909. Department of Agriculture, Dublin, 30th December, 1909—Stating that three samples of butter taken up in Arklow by the Department's Inspector under the Food and Drugs Acts were found on analysis to be pure.

No. 46/1910. Department of Agriculture, Dublin, 10th January, 1910—Transmitting, for the information of the Council, copies of the Conveyance of Horses (Ireland) Order of 1909.

No. 839/1910; Fishery Branch. Department of Agriculture, Dublin, 9th February, 1910—Circular letter inviting the views of the Council on the subject of the necessity that exists for dredging certain harbours on the coast of Ireland, and also as to how the expense of procuring and working the necessary equipment is to be met by local bodies and harbour authorities.

No. 3536/1910. Department of Agriculture, Dublin, 16th February, 1910—Enclosing a copy of the Fertilisers and Feeding Stuffs (Ireland) Regulations, 1910.

No. 1602/ Dublin Castle, 7th February, 1910—Stating the Treasury terms under which inmates are admitted from County Wicklow to the St. Brigid's Inebriate Home for Women, Wexford. Adopted.

18th February, 1910. From Superioress, Convent of St. John of God, Wexford—Asking the Council to make themselves contributory for the maintenance of women committed under the Inebriates Act to the Inebriate Home opened under her control in connection with that Institution.

Office of Public Works, Dublin, 19th January, 1910—Notifying particulars of a supplemental loan of £29 to the Shillelagh Rural District Council under the Public Health (Ireland) Act, 1878.

Office of Public Works, Dublin, 1st February, 1910—Notifying particulars of a loan of £1,920 to the Joint Committee of Management of Richmond Asylum under the Local Government (Ireland) Act, 1898.

C.O. 761. Office of National Education, Dublin, 28th January, 1910—Notifying the names of the full School Attendance Committee for Naas No. 2 Rural District for the three years from 1st January, 1910.

2nd February, 1910. From Clerk, Baltinglass No. 1 Rural District Council—Notifying that late Collector Tutty's son had handed over to him the collecting books for the district over which his deceased father was rate collector.

2nd February, 1910. From the sureties for late Collector Tutty—Notifying the Council that they are willing to complete, through his son, the rate collection, and, if necessary, sign a further bond.

31st January, 1910. From Clark, Rathdrum Rural District Council—Enclosing copy of a resolution asking the Council to put in force the provisions of the Education Act in the Annamoe Dispensary District.

24th January, 1910. From Mr. S. J. Doyle, 7 Leitrim Place, Wicklow—Reporting on his audit of the Dublin and Blessington Tramway Company's accounts for the half-year ended 31st December, 1909.

Proposed by Councillor Patrick Short, seconded by Councillor Wm. Osborne. Resolved—That, in view of the auditor's report, we hereby direct the Secretary to write to the arbitrators appointed for the Dublin and Blessington Steam Tramway and draw their attention to the condition upon which the guarantee was granted, namely, that an undertaking be entered into with the United Tramways Company for the passage without transhipment of goods over their respective lines. This condition has not been complied with, and this Council request the arbitrators to see that the presentment of the Grand Jury be complied with before they certify for the payment of the guarantee. Passed.

Form 2. Preliminary Notice of application for compensation for alleged malicious injury to property on the lands of Fannanerin, Rathdrum Rural District. Amount claimed £12. A. G. Archer. Police report on same.

27th January, 1910. From the Secretary, County Wicklow Committee of Agriculture—Stating that his committee considered that only persons with expert knowledge could give an opinion on the subject of the use of preservatives in cream.

27th January, 1910. From same—Notifying a vacancy on his Committee caused by the resignation of Rev. T. Graham, C.C.

Proposed by Councillor E. C. Walsh, seconded by Councillor J. McCarroll. Resolved—That we hereby appoint Mr. D. J. Cogan to replace the Rev. Thomas Graham, C.C., on the Committee of the County Wicklow Committee of Agriculture. Passed.

10 Edward VII., Session 1910. Copy of a proposed Bill for conferring powers of supply on the Wicklow District Gas Company, Limited, and for other purposes.

17th January, 1910. From Secretary, County Joint Committee for Technical Instruction—Informing the Council that the Department of Agriculture had agreed to give the sum of £300 in support of the Scheme for Technical Instruction, with a view to securing the Council's supplemental grant of £125 per annum.

Proposed by Councillor E. P. O'Kelly, seconded by Councillor E. C. Walsh. Resolved—That, this Council having been informed that the Department of Agriculture and Technical Instruction for Ireland has agreed to make a special grant of £300 in accordance with the terms of this Council's resolution of 24th May, 1909, this Council does now resolve that the necessary steps be taken to raise a loan for the purpose of erecting permanent buildings for technical instruction purposes in Arklow and Baltinglass, and that our officers be instructed to assist the County Wicklow Joint Technical Instruction Committee for the purpose of carrying out this resolution. Passed.

7th February, 1910. From same—Notifying the resignation of Rev. T. Graham from membership of his Committee. Referred to resolution of 22nd November, 1910.

1st February, 1910. From Acting Postmaster, Wicklow—Asking the Council's permission for the erection of a pillar letter box at Dunganstown cross-roads. Order—Granted.

12th January, 1910. From Honorary Secretary, Hampton House Industrial School, Balmoral Avenue, Belfast—Notifying the terms under which that school would accept Protestant girls from the county under the Children's Act. Order—Approved.

January, 1910. From Secretary, Irish County Councils General Council, 10 Leinster street, Dublin—Enclosing copy of a proposed draft Bill, re rates on labourers cottages, and asking for particulars on certain points relating to same.

January, 1910. From same—Enclosing copy of a resolution of his Council dealing with the question of tobacco growing in Ireland.

February, 1910. From same—Circular letter dealing with the legality of the extensive cancellations of old age pensions recently made by the Local Government Board.

Pamphlet giving speech of J. E. Redmond, M.P., in Dublin, on 17th November, 1909, on the Irish Party and the Budget.

January, 1910. From the Manager of the Official Organ of the Gaelic League, 25 Rutland Square, N., Dublin—Asking for a share of the advertising of the Council.

From Secretary, Y.M.C.A., Dublin—Enclosing copy of a letter cut from Dublin daily paper—Dealing with method of making appointments in the Veterinary Branch of the Department of Agriculture.

25th November, 1909. From Secretary, the Irish Creamery Managers' Association, 8 Copley street, Cork—Circular letter criticising the appointment of Creamery Instructors under the Department of Agriculture.

17th February, 1910. From Rev. R. C. Hallows, Ballyraine, Arklow—Asking the County Council to include the Balmoral Industrial School in the list of Reformatories and Industrial Schools to which the Council were contributory, so that the account for the boy, Robert McRoberts, committed from Arklow, might be paid. Order—Approved as per resolution.

Proposed by Councillor E. C. Walsh, seconded by Councillor W. H. McFarland. Resolved—That we pay for the boy McRoberts at present in Balmoral School without binding ourselves to send any more children to that school in the circumstances. Passed.

20th February, 1910. From Councillor Daniel Condren, 81 Lower Main street, Arklow—Letter supporting the application of Rev. R. C. Hallows with regard to the payment for maintenance of the boy, Robert McRoberts, in Balmoral Industrial School.

7th December, 1909. From Waterford County Council—Resolution criticising the unjust administration of the Pensions Act, and calling on the Government to introduce an amending Act.

*18<sup>th</sup> May*MINUTES OF MEETING, ~~21st~~ FEBRUARY, 1910.

The Spring Quarterly Meeting of the County Council, held in the Council Chamber, Court House, Wicklow, at 12.30 p.m., on Monday, the ~~21st~~ February, 1910. The following members attended:—Councillor Edward P. O'Kelly (Chairman); Councillors Michael Byrne, D. J. Cogan, E. C. Walsh, William Byrne (Coolbeg); Michael Kelly, James Byrne, John J. Reilly, J. W. Reigh, Patrick Kenny, Edward Byrne, James Galvin, John Murphy, Daniel Condren, and William Costello.

*18<sup>th</sup> May*

## BUSINESS:

- 1—To consider reports from the Finance Committee.
- 2—To sign Quarterly Transfers on foot of Demands, from the several Unions and Rural District Councils.
- 3—To consider the proposals from the Proposals Committee.
- 4—To consider proposals for payment from the five Rural Districts.
- 5—To sign Treasurer's Advice Notes for the past quarter's payments.
- 6—To consider proposals for contracts from the five Rural Districts.
- 7—To consider Tenders sent forward to the County Council.
- 8—To seal such contracts as have been approved by the County Council.
- 9—To make the Rates for the financial year ending 31st March, 1911, and sign and seal the Rate Books and the Rate Collectors' Warrants.
- 10—To authorise the Secretary of the County Council to appoint a Deputy or Deputies for the discharge of his duties in examining the Books of the Collectors of the Poor Rate.
- 11—To sign and seal Demands (Form 51) on the Urban District Councils of Bray and Wicklow.
- 12—To sign Application for Refund of Expenses under the Diseases of Animals Acts.
- 13—To appoint an Auditor for the Accounts of the Dublin and Blessington Steam Tramway Company, to represent the County Council for the current year.
- 14—To receive and consider Reports from Committees.
- 15—To consider Reports from County Officers.
- 16—To consider Official Correspondence.
- 17—To consider General Correspondence.

Minutes of previous Meetings were confirmed and signed.

## FINANCE COMMITTEE'S REPORT NO. 1.

Your Finance Committee met on Wednesday, the 4th May, 1910, when the following members attended:—Councillor D. J. Cogan (in the chair); Councillors Patrick Short, and William Byrne.

The Committee, having examined the proposals for payment by the Proposals Committee, and from the Rural District Councils, recommend them for payment as follows:—

	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
County-at-Large—				£3,472	15	8

Baltinglass No. 1—			
District Proposals	714	9	8
Proposals Committee's proposals	69	17	2
	784	6	10
Naas No. 2—			
District proposals	286	18	3
Proposals Committee's proposals	32	16	10
	319	15	1
Rathdown No. 2—			
District proposals	381	4	7
Proposals Committee's proposals	121	9	4
	502	13	11
Rathdrum—			
District proposals	1,687	6	2
Proposals Committee's proposals	1,060	3	5
	2,747	9	7
Shillelagh—			
District proposals	456	6	8
Proposals Committee's proposals	298	11	8
	754	18	4
Wicklow Urban—			
Proposals Committee's proposals		57	14
		6	
Transfer to credit of Subsidiary Account (included in total for county-at-large)			
	361	13	2

The Committee examined the Union and Rural District demands submitted to them, and recommend the Council to make the following payments on foot of same:—

TRANSFERS TO FUNDS OF UNIONS.

	£	s.	d.
Baltinglass	904	0	0
Naas	269	10	0
Rathdown	950	0	0
Rathdrum	2,655	0	0
Shillelagh	769	0	0
<b>Total</b>	<b>£5,547</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>0</b>

TRANSFERS TO FUNDS OF RURAL DISTRICT COUNCILS.

	£	s.	d.
Baltinglass No. 1	26	0	0
Naas No. 2	30	15	0
Rathdown No. 2	79	0	0
Rathdrum	370	0	0
Shillelagh	30	0	0
<b>Total</b>	<b>£535</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>0</b>

We recommend the payment of the following Irrecoverable Rates to the several Rate Collectors, Paying Orders in respect of same not to issue until the respective amounts have been ratified by the Local Government Board:—

Amount of Refund.

	£	s.	d.
1.—Joseph Doyle	10	14	6
2.—Richard Geoghegan	4	11	6
3.—Richard Lynch	10	11	8
4.—William Burke	0	18	9
5.—Michael Kelly	0	13	7
6.—Michael McGrath	7	0	5

8.—Patrick Toole	2	9	7
9.—Joseph Keane	4	0	0
10.—John Murphy	8	4	7
11.—John Kelly	2	0	7
12.—John F. Evans	4	12	4
13.—George Evans	3	19	1
14.—James Byrne	18	1	7
15.—John Brennan	12	2	9
16.—P. J. Carey, junior	4	12	6
17.—Charles Byrne	3	3	11
19.—Terence Byrne	0	5	11

An application was submitted from Collector John F. Evans, late Poor Rate Collector in Rathdrum Rural District, to grant him a superannuation allowance, and, if approved of, fix the amount of allowance, he having resigned his post after a service of twenty-seven years.

The Committee recommend the Council to accept his resignation and to grant him an annuity of £40, to be paid him until his death.

The Committee recommend that the Subscription to the General Council of County Councils be increased to £5 per annum.

The Committee desire to point out to the Council that a boy named McRoberts, Arklow, was committed by the Magistrates to the Balmoral Industrial School under a Section of the Children's Act by which the Council is not obliged to pay for him, but a resolution was adopted by the Council in February last agreeing to pay for his maintenance.

The Committee now find that the charge made by the school is 5s. 6d per week, and under the above resolution the Committee saw no other alternative but to recommend this payment, as there was no limit fixed by the resolution of the Council. The Committee, however, consider this demand excessive; the contribution to all the other Industrial Schools for Children sent from this county being 2s. per week per capita.

D. J. COGAN, Chairman.

4th May, 1910.

FINANCE COMMITTEE'S REPORT NO 2.

Your Finance Committee met on Wednesday, the 18th May, 1910, when the following members attended. Councillor D. J. Cogan (in the chair); Councillors E. P. O'Kelly, J. W. Reigh, James Byrne, and William Byrne (Coolbeg).

The Committee, having examined the following additional Proposal for Payment by the Proposals Committee, recommends the same to the Council for payment:—

COUNTY - AT - LARGE:

Bray Urban Council—Electric Light 18s. 0d.

D. J. COGAN, Chairman.

Proposed by Councillor D. J. Cogan, seconded by Councillor Michael Byrne. Resolved—That the Finance Committee's Reports be hereby adopted. Adopted.

Proposed by Councillor Michael Byrne, seconded by Councillor Michael Kelly. Resolved—That the Treasurer's Advice Note for the

Transfers on foot of Demands from the several Unions and Rural District Councils be now signed. Passed.

Proposed by Councillor Daniel Condren, seconded by Councillor Edward Byrne. Resolved—That we pay the Demand as made by the Balmoral School on this occasion for the maintenance of the boy McRoberts, and that we now agree to place said school on our list of Industrial Schools to which children from this county may be sent, provided that they agree to accept from 1st April, 1910, on the weekly payment of 2s. 6d (two shillings and sixpence) per head per week for every child sent or to be sent to them from this county. Further, that we hereby agree with the Malone Male Protestant Reformatory to pay for boys sent to that Reformatory at the rate of 2s. 6d. per head per week. Passed nem. con.

Proposals for Payment from the Proposals Committee, and from the Five Rural District Councils, were passed as follows:—

#### COUNTY - AT - LARGE:

Proposed by Councillor Michael Byrne, seconded by Councillor William Byrne (Coolbeg). Resolved—That we hereby approve of the foregoing Proposals for Payment on the County-at-Large, amounting to £3,473 13s. 8d. (any modification made therein having been first initialled by the Chairman), and order the same to be paid. Passed.

#### BALTINGLASS NO. 1:

Proposed by Councillor Michael Kelly, seconded by Councillor J. W. Reigh. Resolved—That we hereby approve of the foregoing Proposals for Payment on Baltinglass No. 1 Rural District amounting to £784 6s. 10d. (any modification made therein having been first initialled by the Chairman), and order the same to be paid. Passed.

#### NAAS NO. 2:

Proposed by Councillor James Byrne, seconded by Councillor D. J. Cogan. Resolved—That we hereby approve of the foregoing Proposals for Payment on Naas No. 2 Rural District, amounting to £319 15s. 1d. (any modification made therein having been first initialled by the Chairman) and order the same to be paid. Passed.

#### RATHDOWN NO. 2:

Proposed by Councillor Edward Byrne, seconded by Councillor J. J. Reilly. Resolved—That we hereby approve of the foregoing Proposals for Payment on Rathdown No. 2 Rural District, amounting to £502 13s. 11d. (any modification made therein having been first initialled by the Chairman), and order the same to be paid. Passed.

#### RATHDRUM:

Proposed by Councillor William Byrne (Coolbeg), seconded by Councillor James Byrne. Resolved—That we hereby approve of the foregoing Proposals for Payment on Rathdrum Rural District, amounting to £2,747 9s. 7d. (any modification made therein having been first initialled by the Chairman) and order the same to be paid. Passed.

#### SHILLELAGH:

Proposed by Councillor Michael Byrne, seconded by Councillor Edward Byrne. Resolved—That we hereby approve of the foregoing Proposals for Payment on Shillelagh Rural District, amounting to

£754 18s. 4d. (any modification made therein having been first initialled by the Chairman), and order the same to be paid. Passed.

#### WICKLOW URBAN:

Proposed by Councillor D. J. Cogan, seconded by Councillor William Byrne, Coolbeg. Resolved—That we hereby approve of the foregoing Proposals for Payment on Wicklow Urban District, amounting to £57 14s. 6d. (any modification made therein having been first initialled by the Chairman), and order the same to be paid. Passed.

Proposed by Councillor Michael Byrne, seconded by Councillor Michael Kelly. Resolved—That the Treasurer's Advice Notes for the Quarterly Payments, as approved by this Council, be now signed. Passed.

Proposals for Contracts from the Proposals Committee and the Five Rural Districts.

#### PROPOSALS COMMITTEE:

Contract for Strong Room, as submitted, was approved and confirmed.

#### BALTINGLASS NO. 1:

Contracts for steam-rolling Nos. 275 and 276 in the District Register were rejected, and given in charge of the County Surveyor at £150 and £200 respectively. Remaining contracts, as submitted, were approved and confirmed. Contract No. 151 in the District Register, Winter, 1908, Contractor John Flood, was cancelled on the report of the County Surveyor, as from 1st July, 1910, and was given in charge of the County Surveyor.

#### NAAS NO 2:

No contract submitted.

#### RATHDOWN NO. 2:

Contracts, as submitted, were approved and confirmed.

#### RATHDRUM:

Road No. 863 in the District Register, 774 perches, was given to Bernard Meath, Coolharbour, Roundwood, at 5s. per perch per annum. Guarantors—John Manley, Tomcoyle, Ashford; and John Murphy, Mullinaveigue.

Road No. 864 in the District Register, 1,254 perches, was given to John Manley, Tomcoyle, Ashford, at 4s. per perch per annum. Guarantors—Bernard Meath, Coolharbour, Roundwood; and John Murphy, Mullinaveigue, Roundwood.

Works, Nos. 865, 868, and 869 in the District Register were given in charge of the County Surveyor to expend the money to the best advantage.

Remaining contracts, as submitted, were approved and confirmed.

Proposed by Councillor E. P. O'Kelly, seconded by Councillor E. C. Walsh. Resolved—That we hereby cancel Mr. Manley's contract (No. 547 in District Register, 1,254 perches, Winter, 1906) provided he takes up the same road on contract at the price now offered, 4s. per perch; the County Surveyor to modify the specification to meet the average rate of wages as now reported. Passed.

14th May, 1910. From Henry A. Cowper, Trudder, Newtownmountkennedy, application for permission to raise a boundary wall between his place and the county road, so as to erect a hay shed

on same, plan of which was submitted to the County Surveyor. Order—Granted.

#### SHILLELAGH:

Road No. 104 in the District Register, 192 perches, was put in charge of the County Surveyor for three months.

6th October, 1910. From Thomas Donnelly, Knockatomcoyle—Asking for permission to make a covered sewer across the road from his yard to empty in the field opposite. Order—Permission granted if done to satisfaction of County Surveyor; also if applicant undertakes the upkeep of surface over it, and indemnifies the Council against any claims in consequence of this permission.

Proposed by Councillor D. Condren, seconded by Councillor James Byrne. Resolved—That the several contracts which have been approved of at this Quarterly Meeting be now signed and sealed. Passed.

Proposed by Councillor James Byrne, seconded by Councillor Daniel Condren. Resolved—That we now sign and seal the Rates for the financial year ending 31st March, 1911. Passed.

Proposed by Councillor Edward Byrne, seconded by Councillor Wm. Costello. Resolved—That we hereby authorise the Secretary to the County Council to appoint a Deputy or Deputies for the discharge of his duties in examining the books, etc., of the Collectors of the Poor Rate. Passed.

Proposed by Councillor James Byrne, seconded by Councillor Daniel Condren. Resolved—That the Rate Collectors' Warrants for the collection of the rates for the financial year ending 31st March, 1911, be signed and sealed, the warrants not to be issued until the several collectors' bonds are duly lodged with the Secretary. Passed.

Proposed by Councillor Michael Byrne, seconded by Councillor D. J. Cogan. Resolved—That we now duly sign and seal Demand (Form 51) on the Urban District Council of Bray for the amount of £3,179 4s. 11d. determined to be demanded for the financial year ending the 31st March, 1911. Passed.

Proposed by Councillor Wm. Byrne (Coolbeg), seconded by Councillor James Galvin. Resolved—That we now duly sign and seal Demand (Form 51) on the Urban District Council of Wicklow for the amount of £1,009 16s. 0d. determined to be demanded for the financial year ending the 31st March, 1911. Passed.

Proposed by Councillor E. C. Walsh, seconded by Councillor J. W. Reigh. Resolved—That we now sign the two certificates for Refund of Expenses under the Diseases of Animals Acts. Passed.

Proposed by Councillor Wm. Byrne (Coolbeg), seconded by Councillor D. J. Cogan. Resolved—That Mr. S. J. Doyle be appointed Auditor of the Dublin and Blessington Tramway Company, to audit their accounts on behalf of the Wicklow County Council, for the year ending 31st March, 1911. Passed.

Proposed by Councillor Wm. Byrne (Coolbeg), seconded by Councillor E. C. Walsh. Resolved—That whereas, the April quarterly meeting, 1911, in Rathdrum Rural District falls on Easter Monday, we hereby fix the quarterly meeting for Rathdrum Rural District in April, 1911, to be held on the following day, Tuesday, the 18th April. Passed.

Proposed by Councillor James Byrne, seconded by Councillor Patrick Kenny. Resolved—That the following dates be fixed for the

meetings of the Rural District Councils, of the Proposals Committee, and of the County Council, for the year 1910-1911, as submitted by the Secretary in his report:—

Name of District and Place of Meeting.	Hour.	Summer Quarter 1910.	Autumn Quarter 1910.	Winter Quarter 1911.	Spring Quarter 1911.
RATHDOWN No. 2 ... Court-house, Ennis-kerry.	11-30	Mon. July 4	Mon. Oct. 10	Mon. Jan. 9	Mon. Apl. 3
RATHDRUM ... Court house, Rathdrum.	12-15	Mon. ,, 11	Mon. ,, 31	Mon. ,, 30	Tues. ,, 18
BALTINGLASS No. 1 ... Court-house, Baltinglass.	12-30	Mon. ,, 18	Mon. ,, 24	Mon. ,, 23	Mon. ,, 10
NAAS No. 2 ... Court-house, Blessington	1-45	Tues. ,, 19	Tues. ,, 25	Tues. ,, 24	Tues. ,, 11
SHILLELAGH ... Court-house, Shillelagh	1	Fri. ,, 15	Fri. ,, 28	Fri. ,, 20	Fri. ,, 21
PROPOSALS COMMITTEE Court-house, Wicklow.	11-30	Tues. ,, 26	Wed. Nov. 2	Wed. Feb. 8	Tues. ,, 25
COUNTY COUNCIL ... Court-house, Wicklow	11.30	Mon. Aug 15	Mon. ,, 21	Mon. ,, 27	Mon. May 15

Passed.

### COUNTY SURVEYOR'S REPORT.

Spring Quarter, 1910.

Gentlemen,

Par 1.—Owing to the somewhat sudden setting in of dry weather at the end of last quarter many of the roads are rough with unbound metal, but otherwise, except where subject to heavy and extraordinary traffic, the greater number of the roads are in much the usual order.

Par. 2.—The contracts coming before you to-day contain two for steam-rolling roads in Glen Imaal district. Unfortunately the proposed cost of those works was fixed by the Engineer appointed by the Secretary of State for War, at too low a sum, the only tenders received being for sums in excess of the amounts passed by the Rural District Council. Careful consideration should be given to this matter.

Par. 3.—I beg to report that I found two men, apparently employed by the road contractor, removing road metal from one road on which the contract was expiring to another adjacent contract held by the same contractor. As all material deposited on a road by a contractor is the property of the County Council, and is only to be used on the road, this removal of material constitutes a serious offence.

Par. 4.—It was found necessary to enter on contract for road No. 86, Baltinglass No. 1 R.D., as contractor was neglecting the contract. I recommend that this contract be now cancelled.

Par 5—I understand that the Local Government Board has consented to the cancellation of the contract for road No. 101, Rathdrum, and, in anticipation of your action in this matter, I made a recommendation to the Rural District Council to formulate a proposal for this road, which they did; however, no tenders were received at the adjourned quarterly meeting.

Par. 6—On a road in Shillelagh Rural District a wooden hut or shed has been erected on some unused ground, near, and within the fence on the county road, and at less distance than 30 feet from the centre of road. Some doubt exists as to the parties who should be compelled to remove this erection, and I recommend that you refer the matter to your solicitor.

Par 7—There is also a house being erected near Rathnew within the prescribed distance from the road, but not within the fences thereof, as the site is on the corner of a cross-roads the building would obstruct and screen the view of vehicles approaching the cross-roads, and thus constitute a danger to the public.

Par 8—I have caused notices to be erected on Ashford Bridge in accordance with the Act 24 and 25 Vic., cap 7. This bridge is 80 feet span and loads up to 25 tons at least have been drawn over it. Such loads I consider excessive for an old cast iron bridge.

Par. 9—The Greystones Electric Light Co. have now practically completed the laying of mains, etc., and at an early date will be entitled to a release of the greater part of the sum deposited in accordance with the terms of the agreement.

Par. 10—The level crossing near Rathnew is in a neglected state. I recommend that authority be given to me to serve the contractor with a ten-days' notice, and, if necessary, take legal proceedings.

S. G. GALLAGHER.

Orders—Paragraph 2—Reject contract and put into hands of County Surveyor. Paragraph 3—To be prosecuted. Paragraph 4—Cancelled. Paragraph 5—See resolution. Paragraph 6—Refer to solicitor. Paragraph 7—If necessary to prosecute. Paragraph 8—Confirm and approve of action of County Surveyor. Paragraph 9—To release such sums from time to time as the County Surveyor thinks fit. Par. 10—Leave to prosecute given.

Wicklow, 18th May, 1910. To the Wicklow County Council. Gentlemen,—I should be glad if you would grant me one week's leave of absence about the 1st June next.—Your obedient servant,

S. G. GALLAGHER.

Order—Granted.

Proposed by Councillor J. W. Reigh, seconded by Councillor E. P. O'Kelly. Resolved—That we, the County Council of the County of Wicklow, desire to express our sincere sense of the great loss which has been sustained by the world at large through the death of His Majesty King Edward, and to offer to their Majesties King George and Queen Mary, Her Majesty the Queen Mother, and the Royal Family our respectful and deep sympathy with them in this their time of sorrow and bereavement. Passed unanimously.

Proposed by Councillor William Byrne (Coolbeg), seconded by Councillor James Galvin. Resolved—That we, the members of Wicklow County Council, wish to express our sincere sympathy with our colleague, Mr. Patrick Short, on the death of his sister, Mrs. Burke,

Ovoca, and that our Secretary have copies of this resolution forwarded to Mr. Short. Passed unanimously.

Proposed by Councillor D. J. Cogan, seconded by Councillor E. C. Walsh. Resolved—This Council desires to add its emphatic protest against the action of the Cunard Steamship Company in prohibiting their mail steamers from calling at Queenstown for the purpose of landing Irish mails and Irish passengers. As these steamships are granted a very heavy subsidy by the Government out of Imperial funds, we urge the Government to use its influence with this company towards securing for the port of Queenstown and for Ireland that which as taxpayers they are justly entitled, viz., a reversion to the long established practice which, by every test, has been proved to be the best and most expeditious, of calling at Queenstown for inward and outward mails and passengers; and that a copy of this be sent to the Postmaster-General. Passed.

Proposed by Councillor D. J. Cogan, seconded by Councillor Michael Byrne. Resolved—This Council protests against the principle of Compensation for Malicious Injuries, as it imposes a most unjust burden upon an innocent and law-abiding community, and we call for an alteration of the law, so as to place this country on the same footing as England in this matter. That copies of this resolution be sent to the Chief Secretary and the Irish Members of Parliament. Passed nem con.

Proposed by Councillor D. J. Cogan, seconded by Councillor William Byrne (Coolbeg). Resolved—That as the time has now arrived when a properly organised effort should be made and a convenient opportunity afforded to the people of this county of testifying their undying gratitude and devotion to the memory of their brilliant and distinguished fellow-countyman, the late Charles Stewart Parnell, it is hereby resolved: (1) That this Council do hereby inaugurate a county subscription for the purpose of making a fitting contribution towards the cost of the monument to be erected to his memory in the capital of Ireland. (2) That in order to carry out this purpose the Council do hereby form itself into a committee to promote the collection. (3) That the Chairman of this Council, E. P. O'Kelly, Esq., M.P., and the Vice-Chairman, Michael Byrne, Esq., J.P., do act as treasurers, and Mr. S. J. Doyle, county accountant, is hereby requested to act as Hon. Secretary to take charge of the collection, and to do all necessary things to make the fund a credit to the native county of the most illustrious and skilful political leader of the nineteenth century, and that Mr. John Byrne, Secretary to the County Committee of Agriculture, be requested to act as Assistant Hon. Secretary. (4) That we cordially invite the Officers and Members of the several Rural and Urban District Councils, Boards of Guardians, Town Commissioners, Harbour Boards, Branches of the Irish National Foresters, Hibernians, and Gaelic Athletic Associations, also the Clergy, and all other persons who are in sympathy with this object, to promptly and actively co-operate with us. Passed nem. con.

The reports from the Deputy Checkers of the various Unions on the attendance of the Poor Rate Collectors and the state of their collections were submitted.

The Secretary submitted the applications received for Licences to store and sell certain poisonous substances under the Poisons and Pharmacy Act, 1908, for agricultural and horticultural purposes.



The applications for licences received from the following were granted—Edward Byrne, Muskeagh, Tinahely; Andrew Byrne, Quinsboro' Road, Bray; The Agricultural Supply Stores, Ltd. (W. E. Hanan, Manager), Fitzwilliam Square, Wicklow. The application of the following was refused—(Mrs.) Mary Doyle, Licensed Spirit Dealer, Balinglass.

#### OFFICIAL CORRESPONDENCE.

No. 14903/1910; Miscellaneous. Local Government Board, Dublin, 22nd February, 1910—Enclosing copy of the Cinematograph Act, 1909, and also a copy of the Regulations made in pursuance of the Act. Order—Adopted—at £1 0s. 0d. and 5s. fees—under Section 2, Sub-Section 5 of the Act.

No. 20706/1910; Wicklow County. Local Government Board, Dublin, 4th March, 1910—Approving of the appointment of Mr. Richard Lynch as Poor Rate Collector for No. 3 Collecting District, and assenting to an extension of time to the 30th April for the completion of his collection.

No. 24908/1910; Wicklow County. Local Government Board, Dublin, 22nd March, 1910—Stating that the Board, under the very exceptional circumstances of the case, will raise no objection to the Council's proposal to relieve Mr. John Manley of the balance of his road contract. See resolution.

No. 33305/1910. Local Government Board, Dublin, 2nd May, 1910—Enclosing two copies of the Order in Council issued under the Motor Car (International Circulation) Act, 1909, for the purpose of giving effect to the International Automobile Convention, concluded at Paris on the 11th October last.

10th December, 1909. Letter from the Department of Agriculture—Enclosing copy of the Weeds and Agricultural Seeds (Ireland) Act, 1909; submitted at February Quarterly meeting.

Proposed by Councillor James Byrne, seconded by Councillor John Murphy. Resolved—That we, the County Council of the County of Wicklow, hereby consent to an order being made declaring that throughout the County of Wicklow, Ragwort, Charlock, Colts-foot, Thistle, and Dock, are noxious weeds within the meaning of the Weeds and Agricultural Seeds (Ireland) Act, 1909, and that this resolution be now sealed. Passed.

The following notice of motion was handed in by Councillor Michael Byrne—"I give notice that I will move, or some one for me, at next meeting of this Council, that the resolution adopting the Noxious Weeds Bill be rescinded."

(No. 102). Order of the Department of Agriculture, dated 27th January, 1910—Entitled "The Bovine Tuberculosis Notification (Ireland) Order of 1910."

(No. 103). Order of the Department of Agriculture, dated 24th February, 1910—Entitled "Prohibition of Landing of Hay and Straw from Sweden."

No. 1005/1910. Department of Agriculture, Dublin, 28th February, 1910—Approving of the appointment of Mr. Edward Nichols, M.R.C.V.S., as Veterinary Inspector for the Naas No. 2 Rural District.

6th April, 1910. From Clerk, Naas No. 2 Rural District Council, Naas—Notifying that his Council approved the resolution of

the School Attendance Committee, asking the County Council to discontinue the working of the Compulsory Education Act in the Naas No. 2 Rural District.

31st January, 1910. From Clerk, Rathdrum Rural District Council, Rathdrum—Enclosing copy of a resolution asking the Council to put the Compulsory Provisions of the Education Act in force in the Annamoe Dispensary District.

The following notice of motion was handed in by Councillor John J. Reilly—I hereby give notice that at the next meeting of the County Council I will move that the Compulsory Provisions of the Education Act be put in force in the Annamoe Dispensary District, and that the expenses in connection therewith be a charge on the said Annamoe Dispensary District.

2nd May, 1910. From Clerk, Shillelagh Union—Enclosing copy of a resolution asking the County Council to take the necessary steps to see that the injustice of a levy of a special rate of 5d. in the £1 on Shillelagh Electoral Division for a burning at Park, in the Electoral Division of Ballingate, is rectified.

Proposed by Councillor D. J. Cogan, seconded by Councillor Daniel Condren. Resolved—That where the Solicitor considers an appeal necessary against the decision of the County Court Judge in malicious injuries, he is to proceed no further than the lodgment of the appeal without the instruction of the Rural District Council interested, who are to be instructed by the solicitor of the nature of the decision and the chances of a successful appeal. Passed nem con.

16th May, 1910. From Collector Thomas Fleming, Ballynultagh, Shillelagh—Asking the Council to allow him to substitute the name of Mr. Peter Breen, Cronyhorn, for that of Mr. Joseph Deegan, as surety in his bond. Order—Refer to Secretary.

3rd and 5th May, 1910. From Clerk, Bray Urban District Council—Enclosing a copy of a resolution to be moved at a meeting of his Council on 7th June, adopting Part I. of the Tuberculosis Prevention (Ireland) Act, 1908, and asking the Council to formally approve of the same. Approved.

4th May, 1910. From Chairman of the County Council—Outlining the proposals of the War Department with regard to the upkeep of certain roads leading to Glen Imaal Artillery Range.

2nd May, 1910. Certificate from Rev. P. Kavanagh, C.C., Chairman of Dunlavin School Attendance Committee—Stating that Andrew J. Gorman, of Dunlavin, has been appointed School Attendance Officer to the said Committee.

12th March, 1910. From Secretary, Irish County Councils' General Council, 10 Leinster street, Dublin—Stating that his Executive Committee find it necessary to ask the Council to increase the amount of the Council's affiliation fee to £10. See Finance Committee's Report.

Malicious Injury Applications placed in the hands of J. H. McCarroll, Solicitor:—

Applicant.	Rural District.	Amount.
Mary Myley	Naas No. 2	£80 Forms 2, 5, and Police Report.
Colonel Kemmis	Rathdrum	£12 same
do.	do	£50 same
Alfred G. Archer	do	£6 Forms 2 and 5.

5th May, 1910. From late Collector John F. Evans, 1 Upper

Main street, Arklow—Stating that he is quite satisfied with the amount of retiring allowance to him recommended by the Finance Committee, viz.—£40.

9th May, 1910. From County Inspector, R.I.C., Wicklow—Sending forward the name of Sergeant Thomas Slator, R.I.C., Bray, for appointment as Food and Drugs Inspector. Order—Appointment approved.

24th March, 1910. From Secretary, United Irish League, 39 Upper O'Connell street, Dublin—Asking the Council to appoint Delegates to the Divisional Conventions. The following Councillors were appointed as Delegates to attend:—West Wicklow—D. J. Cogan, Michael Byrne, Edward Byrne, Patrick Kenny. East Wicklow—J. W. Reigh, John Murphy, Wm. Costello, Morgan Travers.

23rd March, 1910. From Hon. Secretaries to Public Meeting, held in Tipperary on 20th March—Enclosing resolution relative to the question of making Irish essential in the new University.

28th April, 1910. From Secretary, Irish Branch of the Surveyors' Institution, 110 Grafton street, Dublin—Enclosing memorandum on the subject of the employment of Surveyors for the preparation of Bills of Quantities for Public Works.

30th April, 1910. From Central Secretary, Irish National Teachers' Organisation, Ballymote, Co. Sligo—Enclosing copies of a series of resolutions passed at the Teachers' Congress, dealing with questions affecting the Educational Interests of Ireland.

23rd April, 1910. From Hon. Secretary, British Scholars' Lifeboat Guild, Old Trinity House, Water Lane, London, E.C.—Circular letter seeking the Council's support in carrying into effect the aims and intentions of the founders of the above Guild.

Report of proceedings of a public meeting of the Ratepayers of Baltinglass No. 1 Rural District—Requesting the County Council not to tax haybarns, as they are of opinion that the Act, 15 and 16 Vic., Cap 53, does not apply to such structures, and also asking if any such structures are rated, and to have them rated separately, as they are very often taken down. Order—Adopted.

#### RESOLUTIONS FROM VARIOUS BODIES.

7th May, 1910. From Wexford County Council—Resolution in favour of making the Irish Language an essential subject for Matriculation in the National University.

From the Committee representing the Gaelic League of Dublin—Resolution expressing grave dissatisfaction with the action of the Senate of the National University in ignoring the demand that Irish be made an essential subject for matriculation.

#### MINUTES OF MEETING, 15TH JUNE, 1910.

The Annual Meeting of the County Council, held in the Council Chamber, Courthouse, Wicklow, at 11.30 a.m., on Wednesday 15th, June, 1910. The following members attended:—Councillor E. P. O'Kelly (chairman); Councillors E. C. Walsh, D. Condren, Michael Byrne, Morgan Travers, Joseph Dunne, D. J. Cogan, William Costello, J. J. Reilly, James Byrne, John Storey, Michael Kelly, James Galvin, J. McCarroll, Wm. Byrne (Kilmurry), John Murphy, P. J. Carey, Edward Byrne, Patrick Short, William Byrne (Coolbeg).

Councillors Edward Byrne and William Byrne (Kilmurray), signed their declarations accepting office, and took their seats on the Council.

#### BUSINESS:

- 1.—The chair will be taken by the outgoing Chairman.
- 2.—To elect a Chairman.
- 3.—To elect a Vice-Chairman.
- 4.—To recommend Revisions required in the Valuation Lists.
- 5.—To appoint a Poor Rate Collector for No. 12 (Dunganstown) Collecting District.
- 6.—To sign and seal Warrants for new Poor Rate Collector for No. 12 Collecting District.
- 7.—To consider and, if approved, pass the following resolution:—  
“That a superannuation allowance of Forty Pounds (£40) be granted to Poor Rate Collector John F. Evans, who is 74 years of age, and who has resigned his appointment as Poor Rate Collector after twenty-seven years of service.”
- 8.—To consider the following Notice of Motion by Councillor John J. Reilly:—“I hereby give notice that at the next meeting of the County Council I will move that the Compulsory Provisions of the Education Act be put in force in the Anamoe Dispensary District, and that the expenses in connection therewith be a charge on the said Anamoe Dispensary District.”
- 9.—To consider the following Notice of Motion by Councillor Michael Byrne:—“I give notice that I will move, or someone for me, at next meeting of this Council, that the resolution adopting the Noxious Weeds Bill, be rescinded.”
- 10.—To receive and consider Reports from Committees.
- 11.—To receive and consider Reports from County Officers.
- 12.—To receive and consider Official Correspondence.
- 13.—To receive and consider General Correspondence.

The chair was taken by the outgoing Chairman, Councillor Edward P. O'Kelly, and the minutes of previous meeting were read and signed.

Proposed by Councillor J. McCarroll, seconded by Councillor D. Condren. Resolved—That Councillor Edward P. O'Kelly be and is hereby re-elected Chairman of the County Council for the ensuing

year, and until his successor shall have been appointed. Passed nem. con.

Proposed by Councillor J. McCarroll, seconded by Councillor John Murphy. Resolved—That Councillor Michael Byrne be and is hereby re-elected Vice-Chairman of the County Council for the ensuing year, and until his successor shall have been appointed. Passed nem. con.

Proposed by Councillor Michael Byrne, seconded by Councillor James Galvin. Resolved—That we, having considered the changes and alterations necessary in the Valuation Lists, as given on the accompanying Revision Sheets, request the Valuation Office to have the Lists revised accordingly. Passed.

The Accountant read the Advertisement published in the "Wicklow People," "Wicklow Press," and "Wicklow News-Letter," for a Poor Rate Collector for No. 12 (Dunganstown) Collecting District, and three replies received from—William J. Cardiff, Hillside House, Rathdrum; John Dunne, Burkeen, Wicklow; Laurence J. Kelly, Main Street, Rathdrum.

Wicklow County Council.—Poor Rate Collector Wanted.—The above-named Council will, at its Annual Meeting, to be held in the Courthouse, Wicklow, on the 15th June, 1910, proceed to appoint a fully qualified Poor Rate Collector for the Electoral Divisions of Dunganstown East, Dunganstown West, and Dunganstown South, at a remuneration of 6d. in the £1 collected and lodged within each 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 rates approved by the Local Government Board will be refunded the Collector. Written applications to be lodged in my office not later than 11.30 o'clock on the morning of the meeting, giving the full name and address 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. Applicants must be in attendance in the Council Chamber at the hour named.—By order, Edward N. Wynne, Secretary to the County Council. Courthouse, Wicklow.

On a Poll being taken, the Council voted as follows:—

For Cardiff—Councillors E. C. Walsh, D. Condren, E. P. O'Kelly, Michael Byrne, Morgan Travers, Joseph Dunne, D. J. Cogan, Wm. Costello, J. J. Reilly, James Byrne, Michael Kelly, J. McCarroll, Wm. Byrne (Kilmurry), John Murphy, P. J. Carey, Edward Byrne, Patrick Short, and William Byrne—18.

For Kelly—Councillors John Storey and James Galvin—2.

The Chairman then declared Mr. William J. Cardiff elected by 18 votes to 2.

Proposed by Councillor J. McCarroll, seconded by Councillor D. J. Cogan. Resolved—That Mr. William J. Cardiff of Hillside House, Rathdrum, be appointed Poor Rate Collector for No. 12 (Dunganstown) Collecting District, on the terms of the advertisement, in room of Collector John F. Evans, resigned, subject to the approval of the Local Government Board, at a Poundage Fee of Sixpence in the £1, and we approve of the Law, Car, and General Assurance Corporation as his surety in a sum of £500. Passed.

Proposed by Councillor Michael Byrne, seconded by Councillor Edward Byrne. Resolved—That we now sign and seal the Warrants for the newly-appointed Poor Rate Collector for No. 12 Collecting District, the same not to be issued until his appointment has been approved by the Local Government Board, and his Bond completed. Passed.

## REPORT FROM THE SECRETARY TO THE COUNTY COUNCIL.

15th June, 1910.

Gentlemen—In accordance with your resolution, I have examined into the question of the withdrawal of the sum of £2,647 16s 7d from the Government grants payable to this county in reduction of the rates, under section 6 of the Land Purchase Act, 1891, etc.

This deduction was made on 26th March, 1909, when our rates for the year 1909-10 had already been struck.

As it was therefore too late to include that year, the amount has had to be debited to this year's rates.

The Land Act of 1909 was passed on the 3rd December, 1909, and since that date no such deduction has been made from the Government grants to this county.

At the death of the Queen Victoria and the accession of the late King Edward we were called upon to replace all the stamps, dies, etc., used by the Inspectors of Weights and Measures, by new ones with E.R. upon them instead of the V.R. We shall doubtless now again be called upon to provide an entire new set for every police district with G.R. in place of E.R.

This change entails considerable cost, as these cutting stamps with letters, numbers, and the Crown, have to be engraved in strong relief and hardened steel, and a considerable number of different sizes supplied to each police district in the county.

I would suggest a resolution being passed, asking that the present stamps should be continued in use till such time as they require renewing from wear, when they could be then replaced with others having G.R. upon them.

As in addition to these stamps being impressed on the weights and measures, there must at the same time be stamped on each weight and measure the date of so stamping, no confusion or trouble could arise. It is the Board of Trade, I believe, issue the Order.

Yours faithfully,

E. N. WYNNE.

Adopted.

## COUNTY SURVEYOR'S REPORT.

Annual Meeting, 15th June, 1910.

Gentlemen,—I beg to submit tender received for the steam rolling of Leitrim and Whitestown Hills, the cost of which is to be contributed by the War Department. Previous to the last adjourned Quarterly Meeting in Rathdrum, I prepared a plan and specification for the rebuilding of Aughavannagh Bridge, in masonry; the work was duly advertised, and tenders asked for on this plan, but no tenders were received. A letter was read at the Rathdrum District Council, protesting against the use of concrete for this work, which

letter was endorsed and approved of by the Council, and forwarded to me. In the face of this letter, I do not wish to proceed with the construction of a ferro-concrete bridge (which was passed as an alternative to masonry by the District Council, at their Quarterly Meeting) unless I receive direct instructions from you to do so.—Your obedient servant, S. G. GALLAGHER.

Order: Paragraph 1—County Surveyor directed to accept the tender of Robert Mosley, 3 Herbert Road, Bray, for the steam-rolling of 100 perches of Leitrim Hill, for £200, and for the steam-rolling of 100 perches of road at Whitestown Hill, for £150.

Proposed by Councillor P. J. Carey, seconded by Councillor James Byrne. Resolved—If the County Surveyor fails to secure a contractor for construction of Aughavannagh Bridge in masonry, within a fortnight, the whole question be referred back to the District Council. In the meantime, the County Surveyor be authorised to advertise for a contractor. Passed.

18th February, 1910. From Lieut.-Colonel H. Leslie-Ellis, Magherymore, Wicklow—Asking the Council to allow him to remove the Inscription Stone set in the parapet of Three-Mile-Water Bridge, and to have the inscription re-cut, and the stone replaced in its original position in the bridge, at his own expense. Order—Leave granted.

8th June, 1910. From Sergeant W. S. Adams, R.I.C., Newtown-Mount-Kennedy—Informing the Council that Patrick Crane, residing in Newcastle Upper, has started to build a wooden structure on the Slate lane within about 5 feet of the centre thereof. Order—County Surveyor to take action in the matter.

#### ANALYST'S REPORT.

City Laboratory, 17 Castle Street, Dublin, 25th May, 1910. Report from Sir Charles Cameron, C.B., M.D., Public Analyst for the County Wicklow, on articles submitted to him for Analysis during the quarter ended 31st March, 1910:—Forty-eight articles were received from the Food Inspectors, R.I.C., as follows: Butter, 23; whiskey, 11; milk, 7; cheese, 5; lard, 1; rum, 1—total, 48. One certificate sent to Sergeant Dowling, Dunlavin, for specimen of milk adulterated with at least 32 per cent. of added water. One certificate sent to Acting Sergeant Kerins, Baltinglass, for specimen of whiskey which was 33 degrees under proof, and was therefore adulterated with 10.67 per cent. of water. There was one specimen of butter analysed by directions from the Department of Agriculture and Technical Instruction for Ireland, Upper Merrion Street, Dublin, which was taken up in the County Wicklow, and was pure. For the Guardians of Shillelagh Union nine drugs were analysed; one was defective. For the Guardians of Baltinglass Union fifteen drugs were analysed; two were defective. For the Guardians of Rathdrum Union twenty-three drugs, ten specimens of milk, one of butter and one of whiskey, were analysed; four drugs were defective; one of the milks was deficient of at least 20 per cent of its fats. There were six fertilizers analysed for the Dublin and Wicklow Manure Company, Wicklow. One specimen of milk analysed for R. H. Bookey, Esq., Aravon, Bray, was of rich quality. For the Richmond District Asylum two specimens of butter, two of soap, and one of cocoa were analysed, and were pure. For Naas Union, which is partly situated

in the County Wicklow, twenty-one drugs, four specimens of milk, and one of buttermilk were analysed; two drugs were defective. Total analyses, 146; articles found defective and adulterated, 12.

CHARLES A. CAMERON.

Proposed by Councillor D. J. Cogan, seconded by Councillor Michael Byrne. Resolved—That, due notice of this resolution having been issued to each Member of the Council, we hereby grant a retiring allowance of Forty Pounds (£40) per annum to Mr. John F. Evans, late Poor Rate Collector in Rathdrum Rural District, in the County of Wicklow, after twenty-seven years of service. Passed unanimously.

In accordance with Notice of Motion, it was proposed by Councillor J. J. Reilly, seconded by Councillor John Murphy—That the Compulsory Provisions of the Education Act be put in force in the Annamoe Dispensary District, and that the expenses in connection therewith be a charge on the said Annamoe Dispensary District.

As an amendment, it was proposed by Councillor D. Condren, seconded by Councillor W. Costello. Resolved—That the question of putting the Education Act in force in Annamoe be postponed till next meeting of the Council, so that the people of the district affected may be allowed an opportunity to express their opinion thereon.

On a poll being taken, the Chairman declared the amendment carried by 13 votes to 3.

In accordance with Notice of Motion, it was proposed by Councillor Michael Byrne, seconded by Councillor Wm. Costello. Resolved—That the resolution adopting the Weeds and Agricultural Seeds (Ireland) Act, 1909, passed at the County Council Quarterly meeting held on the 18th May, 1910, be rescinded and that a sealed copy of this resolution be forwarded to the Department of Agriculture.

A poll being taken, there voted:—

For—Councillors E. C. Walsh, D. Condren, Michael Byrne, Joseph Dunne, Wm. Costello, John Storey, Michael Kelly, J. McCarroll, Wm. Byrne (Kilmurry), Edward Byrne, and William Byrne (Coolbeg)—11.

Against—Councillors E. P. O'Kelly, Morgan Travers, D. J. Cogan, J. J. Reilly, James Byrne, James Galvin, John Murphy, and Patrick Short—8.

The Chairman thereupon declared the resolution passed by 11 votes to 8.

Proposed by Councillor Michael Byrne, seconded by Councillor Wm. Costello. Resolved—That the Department of Agriculture be requested to revoke their Noxious Weeds (County Wicklow) Order, 1910, dated 30th May, ult., issued by them under the Weeds and Agricultural Seeds (Ireland) Act, 1909, and that this resolution be now sealed and a copy thereof forwarded to the Department of Agriculture and Technical Instruction for Ireland. Passed.

Proposed by Councillor D. Condren, seconded by Councillor D. J. Cogan. Resolved—We protest strongly against the offensive reference in the Accession Oath to the Roman Catholic Religion, and call upon all sections and creeds to join in having this obnoxious clause removed. Passed nem. con.

Proposed by Councillor D. J. Cogan, seconded by Councillor J. McCarroll. Resolved—That a copy of the letter No. 8058/1910, dated April 30th, from the Department of Agriculture and Technical Instruction, be sent to each member of this Council, together with a copy of the Report of the Departmental Committee on Irish Forestry; that the further consideration of this question is hereby adjourned to the next meeting of the Council; and the Secretary is hereby instructed to place the matter in an early and prominent position in the agenda for next meeting. Passed.

Proposed by Councillor J. McCarroll, seconded by Councillor James Byrne. Resolved—That, for the real advancement of the Irish Tongue in the National Schools of Ireland, all the restrictions now hampering its cultivation and extension be removed at the earliest moment, by and through the strong action of the Irish Party on the Irish Chief Secretary and the Government, and that copies of this resolution be forwarded to Mr. John E. Redmond, the Irish Chief Secretary, Mr. O'Kelly, and Mr. Muldoon. Passed.

Proposed by Councillor J. McCarroll, seconded by Councillor D. J. Cogan:—

#### EDUCATIONAL GRANTS.

Resolved—1—That we, the Wicklow County Council, hereby declare that in our opinion the present unsatisfactory system of Irish Primary Education is mainly due to the parsimony of the British Treasury, which, while overtaking this country to the extent of some millions per annum, has for a number of years, in defiance of justice and constitutional right, withheld from this country an average annual grant of nearly half a million sterling.

2—That as for the efficiency of Irish Primary Education—an essential element of national progress—it is absolutely necessary that adequate financial provision should be made for schools, pupils and teachers. We hold that as an instalment of justice to this country which has hitherto been, in comparison with England and Scotland, educationally starved, the Treasury should immediately provide for Irish Education increased grants on as liberal a scale as are given for the education of the people of Scotland.

3—That the increased grants should be allocated for the following purposes:—(a) To improve the Teachers' Pension Scheme which, to put it mildly, is a disgrace to the British Government; (b) to provide for the proper equipment, sanitation, heating, and staffing of the National Schools, and free supplies of books and requisites to scholars; (c) to provide the small sum required to give security of tenure to Assistant Teachers by allowing a margin between the averages which warrant their appointment and those which compel their dismissal; (d) to abolish the standard numbers which debar from promotion to the higher grades hundreds of teachers who are eminently entitled to it by long and efficient service; (f) to provide for a generous system of scholarships which will enable pupils of industry and ability in Primary Schools to go forward to the Secondary Colleges and thence to the Universities, thus allowing to the children of the masses equality of opportunity, and placing at the disposal of the nation the best available talent; and that copies of these resolutions be sent Mr. Birrell, the Chancellor of the Exchequer, Mr. J. E. Redmond, and Mr. Muldoon. Passed—Nem. con.

Attention having been drawn to the fact that the Summer

Quarterly Meeting of the Council had been fixed for Monday, the 15th August, a Catholic Holiday, the Council, on the motion of the Chairman, directed that the meeting be held on the following Wednesday, the 17th August, 1910.

#### OFFICIAL CORRESPONDENCE.

No. 38767/1910. Local Government Board, Dublin, 3rd June, 1910—Consenting to the proposed change by Collector Thomas Fleming of Mr. Peter Breen, of Croneyhorn, for Mr. Joseph Deegan, Ballyknocker, as surety in his personal bond as Poor Rate Collector. Approved.

No. 38528/1910; Miscellaneous. Local Government Board, Dublin, 2nd June, 1910—Enclosing copies of an Order made by the Board authorising the Irish Automobile Club for a period of six months to perform the duties in Ireland specified in Article 1 (1) of the Motor Car (International Circulation) Order, 1910.

No. 40483/1910; Miscellaneous. Local Government Board, Dublin, 9th June, 1910—Forwarding copy of amended Regulations issued in pursuance of the Cinematograph Act, 1909, together with an explanatory memorandum on the subject.

No. 11390/1910. Department of Agriculture, Dublin, 27th May, 1910—Stating that three samples of butter taken in Rathdrum under the Food and Drugs Act were found on analysis to be pure.

No. 11925/1910. Department of Agriculture, Dublin, 1st June, 1910—Stating that three samples of butter taken in Wicklow under the Food and Drugs Act were found on analysis to be pure.

No. 11281/1910. Department of Agriculture, Dublin, 31st May, 1910—Enclosing copy of an Order under Part I. of the Weeds and Agricultural Seeds (Ireland) Act, 1909, declaring certain plants to be noxious weeds, in accordance with the Council's resolution of 18th May, 1910. See resolution.

No. 8058/1910. Department of Agriculture, Dublin, 30th April, 1910—Circular letter transmitting, for the information of the Council, a copy of the Report of the Committee on Irish Forestry, appointed by the Department in 1907, which was postponed from the Council meeting in May. See resolution.

9504. Dublin Castle, 24th May, 1910.—Sir,—I am directed by the Lord Lieutenant to inform you that the resolution adopted by County Council of County Wicklow has been laid before His Majesty King George V., who has commanded His Excellency to thank the Council for their message of sympathy and condolence on the lamented death of His Most Gracious Majesty King Edward VII.—I am, Sir, your obedient servant, J. B. Dougherty. To the Secretary, County Wicklow County Council, Courthouse, Wicklow.

No. 9123. Dublin Castle, 18th May, 1910—Enclosing copy of an Order made by their Excellencies and Privy Council on the 17th inst., under the Polling Districts and Registration of Voters (Ireland) Act, 1908.

No. 259213/1910. General Post Office, London, 8th June, 1910—Acknowledging the Council's resolution respecting the cessation of the call at Queenstown on the voyage from New York to this country by certain steamships of the Cunard Line.

Rathnew, June 11th, 1910—Sir,—I beg to acknowledge, with thanks, receipt of yours of 23rd ult., containing copy of resolution

passed at County Council meeting, and to express my gratitude to members of County Council and you for the kind expression of sympathy on the death of my sister.—I remain, Sir, yours truly, Patrick Short. E. N. Wynne, Esq., Secretary, Wicklow County Council, Wicklow.

9th June, 1910. From Clerk, Baltinglass No. 1 Rural District Council—Notifying the re-election of Mr. William Byrne, Kilmurry, Baltinglass, as Chairman of his Council for the ensuing year.

9th June, 1910. From Clerk, Naas No. 2 Rural District Council—Telegram and letter notifying the re-election of Mr. Myles Healy, Woodend, Blessington, as Chairman of his Council for the ensuing year.

9th June, 1910. From Clerk, Rathdown No. 2 Rural District Council—Notifying the re-election of Mr. John Murphy, Vive-Vale, Delgany, as Chairman of his Council for the ensuing year.

13th June, 1910. From Secretary, Rathdown No. 2 Rural District School Attendance Committee—Transmitting for the County Council's information copy of his Committee's Annual Report.

9th June, 1910. From Clerk, Rathdrum Rural District Council—Notifying the re-election of Mr. P. J. Carey, Tomanierin, Aghrim, as Chairman of his Council for the ensuing year.

9th June, 1910. From Clerk, Shillelagh Rural District Council—Stating that Mr. Edward Byrne, J.P., Muskeagh, Tinahely, has been again nominated on the County Council for the ensuing year to take the place of the Chairman of the District Council, who is already a County Councillor.

6th June, 1910. From J. H. McCarroll, Solicitor, Church street, Wicklow—Reporting that the County Court Judge gave a decree for £2 and costs, and £1 10s. 0d. witnesses' expenses in Colonel W. H. O. Kemmis's malicious injury application; the area of charge to be Ballinacor South.

6th June, 1910. From same—Reporting that the County Court Judge gave a decree for £5 15s. 0d. and costs and £1 10s. 0d. witnesses' expenses, in Colonel W. H. O. Kemmis's malicious injury application; the area of charge to be Ballinacor South.

6th June, 1910. From same—Reporting that the County Court Judge gave a decree for £6 and costs and 15s. witnesses expenses in Alfred C. Archer's malicious injury application; the area of charge to be the Barony of Balinacor South.

24th May, 1910. From Secretary, Irish County County Councils General Council, 10 Leinster street, Dublin—Relative to the position of the County Councils of Ireland in reference to Irish being made an essential subject for matriculation in the New University.

25th May, 1910. From Secretary, Wicklow Harbour Commissioners—Forwarding a copy of the abstracts of the accounts of the Wicklow Harbour Commissioners for year ended 31st December, 1909.

10th June, 1910. From Manager and Secretary, Balmoral Industrial School, West End Park, Balmoral, Belfast—Agreeing to accept children in his school from County Wicklow at 2s. 6d. per head per week if committed under Section 58, Sub-Section 1, 2 or 3 of the Children's Act, 1908.

11th June, 1910. From M. Murtagh, 5 St. Patrick's Road, Wicklow—Asking if the County Council would kindly receive a de-

putation of teachers, with a view to passing a resolution on the present inadequate Grants from the Treasury for Primary Education in Ireland; also to hear a brief statement on the Compulsory Attendance Clauses of the Education Act of 1892. See resolution.

14th June, 1910. From Collector John Kelly, Ballece, Rathdrum—Asking the Council to remove the impression conveyed by the abstract of the Council's accounts that he had failed to lodge the full amount of his warrant in each half-year. Order—Due by former collector to appear on the abstract.

#### RESOLUTIONS FROM VARIOUS BODIES.

25th May, 1910. From Galway County Council—Resolution disapproving of the proposal of the Committee of the Irish Medical Association to create a National or State Medical Service in Ireland.

31st May, 1910. From Shillelagh Board of Guardians—Resolution calling on the County Council not to strike a rate in aid of the National University until Irish is made necessary at matriculation.

June, 1910. From Secretary, Dublin United Trades Council and Labour League, Trades Hall, Capel street, Dublin—Resolution asking the Irish Party to prevent the imposition of the increased duties in the distilling and brewing industries.

8th June, 1910. From Kerry County Council—Resolution calling on the Chief Secretary for Ireland to take some steps to deal with the great reduction in the income of the Intermediate Education Board this year.

## MINUTES OF MEETING, 17TH AUGUST, 1910.

The Summer Quarterly Meeting of the County Council, held in the Council Chamber, Court House, Wicklow, at 11.30 a.m., on Wednesday, the 17th August, 1910. The following members attended:—Councillor Edward P. O'Kelly (Chairman); Councillors Michael Byrne, Patrick Short, Edmond C. Walsh, Edward Byrne, E. J. Byrne, D. J. Cogan, Joseph McCarroll, Daniel Condren, James Byrne, John J. Reilly, William Costello, William Byrne (Coolbeg), and John Storey.

## BUSINESS.

- 1—To consider reports from Finance Committee.
- 2—To consider the proposals from the Proposals Committee.
- 3—To consider proposals for payment from the five Rural Districts.
- 4—To sign Treasurer's Authorities for the past quarter's payments.
- 5—To consider proposals for contracts from the five Rural Districts.
- 6—To consider Tenders sent forward to the County Council.
- 7—To seal such contracts as have been approved by the County Council.
- 8—To sign Certificates for Refund of Expenses under the Diseases of Animals Acts.
- 9—To sign return for Bounty in lieu of Rates.
- 10—To sign return for Bounty in lieu of Rates on Avondale Estate.
- 11—Consider circular letter from the Department of Agriculture and Technical Instruction, and Departmental Committee's Report on Irish Forestry.
- 12—To consider the following Notice of Motion by Councillor J. J. Reilly—consideration of which was postponed from the 15th of June, 1910:—"I hereby give notice that at the next meeting of the County Council I will move that the Compulsory Provisions of the Education Act be put in force in the Anamoe Dispensary District, and that the expenses in connection therewith be a charge on the said Anamoe Dispensary District."
- 13—Consider Memorial asking the Council to alter the Close Season for Hares from 20th September to 12th August.
- 14—To receive and consider Reports from Committees.
- 15—To consider Reports from County Officers.
- 16—To consider Official Correspondence.
- 17—To consider General Correspondence.

Standing Orders having been suspended, on the motion of Councillor E. C. Walsh, seconded by Councillor J. McCarroll, it was proposed by Councillor E. C. Walsh, seconded by Councillor Daniel Condren. Resolved—"That we, the County Council of the County of Wicklow, desire to publicly express our dissatisfaction with the apparent indifference of the Estates Commissioners in connection with the re-instatement of the evicted tenants in this county, and strongly urge upon our Representatives and the Irish Party generally to

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actively impress upon the Commissioners the urgency that exists for prompt action on their behalf, so as to provide holdings for those tenants whose claims they have already passed, as the Compulsory Provisions of the Evicted Tenants Act will come to an end next year, and that we recommend the convening of a county meeting before the opening of Parliament to protest against the needless delay in providing homes for the victims of land reform in this county." Passed nem con.

Proposed by Councillor Patrick Short, seconded by Councillor William Byrne. Resolved—"That a deputation from this Council be appointed to wait on the Estates Commissioners to force a restoration of the evicted tenants of our county; deputation to consist of E. P. O'Kelly, John Muldoon, D. J. Cogan, E. J. Byrne, Joseph McCarroll, E. C. Walsh." Passed.

Proposed by Councillor J. McCarroll, seconded by Councillor Michael Byrne. Resolved—"That having read with great satisfaction the findings of the Viceregal Commission on Irish Railways, we unhesitatingly approve of the Majority Report as the only solution calculated to develop and protect Irish industries and give Agricultural Ireland a fair chance of holding its own against foreign competition, and we pledge ourselves to support the Majority Report till it becomes the law of the land, and that copies of this resolution be forwarded to the Irish Leader, Mr. John E. Redmond; to the Prime Minister, Mr. Asquith; to the Irish Chief Secretary, Mr. Birrell; and to the Members of East and West Wicklow, Mr. John Muldoon and Mr. E. P. O'Kelly." Adopted unanimously.

Proposed by Councillor E. P. O'Kelly, seconded by Councillor Michael Byrne. Resolved—"That we, the County Council of Wicklow, present our warmest congratulations to His Grace the Most Rev. William J. Walsh, Archbishop of Dublin and Primate of Ireland, on his Silver Episcopal Jubilee, and hope he may be long spared to continue his eminent services in the cause of religion and education. Copy of this resolution to be sent to His Grace the Archbishop." Passed nem con.

## FINANCE COMMITTEE'S REPORT NO. 1.

Your Finance Committee met on Tuesday, the 26th July, 1910, when the following members attended—Councillor Patrick Short (chairman), Councillors Michael Byrne and William Byrne.

The Committee, having examined the proposals for payment by the Proposals Committee, and from the Rural District Councils, recommend them for payment as follows:—

	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
County-at-Large—		5,017 10 11
Baltinglass No. 1—		
District Proposals	666 11 11	
Committee's do.	35 8 11	702 0 10
Naas No. 2—		
District Proposals	259 18 11	
Committee's do.	352 9 0	612 7 11

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	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
Rathdown No. 2—		
District Proposals	387 12 5	
Committee's do.	19 11 11	407 4 4
Rathdrum—		
District Proposals	1,589 5 6	
Committee's do.	319 1 6	1,908 7 0
Shillelagh—		
District Proposals	433 5 11	
Committee's do.	64 9 0	497 14 11
Wicklow Urban—		17 10 6
Committee's Proposals—		
Transfer to credit of Subsidiary Account (included in County-at-Large total)		692 12 5

The Committee examined the Union and Rural District Demands submitted to them, and recommend the Council to make the following payments on foot of same:—

## TRANSFERS TO FUNDS OF UNIONS.

	£ s. d.
Baltinglass	938 0 0
Naas	284 0 0
Rathdown	1,049 0 0
Rathdrum	2,795 0 0
Shillelagh	781 0 0
Total	£5,847 0 0

## TRANSFERS TO FUNDS OF RURAL DISTRICT COUNCILS.

	£ s. d.
Baltinglass No. 1	276 0 0
Naas No. 2	139 5 0
Rathdown No. 2	839 0 0
Rathdrum	682 0 0
Shillelagh	385 0 0
Total	£2,321 5 0

The Committee checked the Subsidiary Account for the Quarter ended 30th June, 1910, with the vouchers, and found same correct, and recommend a transfer to credit of same, as above.

Signed, PATRICK SHORT, Chairman.  
26-7-10.

## FINANCE COMMITTEE'S REPORT NO. 2.

Your Finance Committee met on Wednesday, the 17th August, 1910, at 11 a.m., when the following members attended:—Councillor E. C. Walsh (chairman); Councillors E. J. Byrne, Michael Byrne, and E. P. O'Kelly.

The Committee had before them the following additional Pro-



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posal for Payment, and recommend the same to the Council for payment:—

## County-at-Large—

To Bray Urban District Council for Electric Lighting	£	s.	d.
of Bray Courthouse	...	...	0 9 6

Signed, EDWARD C. WALSH, Chairman.

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Proposed by Councillor E. C. Walsh, seconded by Councillor P. Short. Resolved—"That the Finance Committee's Reports be hereby adopted." Passed.

Proposed by Councillor D. J. Cogan, seconded by Councillor J. McCarroll. Resolved—"That the Treasurer's Advice Note for the Transfers on foot of Demands from the several Unions and Rural Districts be now signed." Passed.

Proposals for Payment from the Proposals Committee, and from the Five Rural District Councils, were passed as follows:—

## COUNTY-AT-LARGE:

Proposed by Councillor Michael Byrne, seconded by Councillor J. McCarroll. Resolved—"That we hereby approve of the foregoing Proposals for Payment on the County-at-Large, amounting to £5,018 0s. 5d. (any modification made therein having been first initialled by the Chairman) and order the same to be paid." Passed.

## BALTINGLASS NO. 1:

Proposed by Councillor Edward P. O'Kelly, seconded by Councillor E. C. Walsh. Resolved—"That we hereby approve of the foregoing Proposals for Payment on Baltinglass No. 1 Rural District, amounting to £702 0s. 10d. (any modification made therein having been first initialled by the Chairman) and order the same to be paid." Passed.

## NAAS NO. 2:

Proposed by Councillor E. J. Byrne, seconded by Councillor John Storey. Resolved—"That we hereby approve of the foregoing Proposals for Payment on Naas No. 2 Rural District, amounting to £612 7s. 11d. (any modification made therein having been first initialled by the Chairman) and order the same to be paid." Passed.

## RATHDOWN NO. 2:

Proposed by Councillor John Storey, seconded by Councillor Patrick Short. Resolved—"That we hereby approve of the foregoing Proposals for Payment on Rathdown No. 2 Rural District, amounting to £407 4s. 4d. (any modification made therein having been first initialled by the Chairman) and order the same to be paid." Passed.

## RATHDRUM:

Proposed by Councillor D. J. Cogan, seconded by Councillor J. J. Reilly. Resolved—"That we hereby approve of the foregoing Proposals for Payment on Rathdrum Rural District, amounting to

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£1,908 7s. 0d. (any modification made therein having been first initialled by the Chairman) and order the same to be paid." Passed.

## SHILLELAGH:

Proposed by Councillor Michael Byrne, seconded by Councillor E. J. Byrne. Resolved—"That we hereby approve of the foregoing Proposals for Payment on Shillelagh Rural District, amounting to £497 14s. 11d. (any modification made therein having been first initialled by the Chairman) and order the same to be paid." Passed.

## WICKLOW URBAN:

Proposed by Councillor J. McCarroll, seconded by Councillor Patrick Short. Resolved—"That we hereby approve of the foregoing Proposals for Payment on Wicklow Urban District, amounting to £17 10s. 6d. (any modification made therein having been first initialled by the Chairman) and order the same to be paid." Passed.

Proposed by Councillor Michael Byrne, seconded by Councillor Edward Byrne. Resolved—"That the Treasurer's Advice Notes for the Quarterly Payments, as approved by this Council, be now signed." Passed.

Proposals for Contracts from the Five Rural District Councils:—

## BALTINGLASS NO. 1:

Contract, as submitted, approved and confirmed.

11th July, 1910.—Application from Joseph F. Turtle, for Herbert Webb, Ltd., General Merchant, Baltinglass, for permission to raise the bridge wall adjoining his premises at Baltinglass four feet for twenty yards. Order—Granted.

## NAAS NO. 2:

No contracts received.

19th July, 1910.—From James A. Parsons, Blessington, application for permission to erect a railing in front of his private house in Blessington, thirty-one feet long and nine feet high, in continuation of Colonel Maude's, to protect his place from cattle coming to his hall-door on fairdays. Order—Approved, subject to the approval of the Rural District Council.

## RATHDOWN NO. 2:

Contract, as submitted, approved and confirmed.

Contract No. 877 in the District Register, 1,365 perches, was given to Thomas Darcy, Kilpatrick, Redcross, Wicklow, at 4½d. per perch. Guarantors—Wm. J. Kavanagh, Ballymoyle, Arklow; and Henry Oughton, Ballymoyle, Arklow.

11th July, 1910.—From T. E. Green, Arklow Cycle and Motor Co., Arklow, asking for permission to erect a sign post opposite his business establishment in Arklow, in unused lamppost hole for convenience of motor traffic and tourists. Order—Refer to new Urban District Council.

## SHILLELAGH:

Contract, as submitted, approved and confirmed.

Road No. 107 in the District Register, 192 perches, was placed in charge of the County Surveyor.

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Proposed by Councillor D. J. Cogan, seconded by Councillor E. J. Byrne. Resolved—"That the several contracts which have been approved of at this quarterly meeting be now signed and sealed." Passed.

Proposed by Councillor Wm. Byrne (Coolbeg), seconded by Councillor John Storey. Resolved—"That we now sign and seal the two Certificates for Refund of Expenses under the Diseases of Animals Acts." Passed.

Proposed by Councillor Edward Byrne, seconded by Councillor Daniel Condren. Resolved—"That the Certificate for Bounty in lieu of Rates be now signed and sealed." Passed.

Proposed by Councillor E. C. Walsh, seconded by Councillor J. McCarroll. Resolved—"That the Certificate for Bounty in lieu of Rates on Avondale Estate be now signed and sealed." Passed.

#### COUNTY SURVEYOR'S REPORT.

Quarterly Meeting, 17th August, 1910.

Gentlemen,

Par. 1—The majority of the roads in your county are in comparatively fair order, especially those roads untouched by timber traffic. None of the contracts coming before you require any particular mention as they are all for the usual class of county works.

Par. 2—Owing to exceptional circumstances the road from Glencree to the County Dublin bounds (Featherbed road) got broken up and dangerous to traffic. I was compelled to apply to Rathdown No. 2 Rural District Council for permission to expend money as a sudden damage; the Rural District Council gave the required consent. It will be necessary that you apply to the Local Government Board for a further extension of the limit of expenditure for this district.

Par. 3—I regret to report that owing to my being disabled, as the result of an accident, I was unable to make the inspection of the Dublin and Blessington Tramway in time for this meeting; however, I hope to carry out this early next month.

Par. 4—The road from Kilpatrick to Scratenagh has been broken up by traction engine traffic, and is now being repaired. In due course proceedings to recover costs of this work should be entered into.

Par. 5—Arklow bridge has also been broken by a traction engine, and is being repaired. I have ordered notice boards to be placed on this bridge, and request that you confirm my order in the matter.

Par. 6—The Rathdrum Rural District Council have asked that nothing further be done to Aughavannagh bridge. I request that the work be now taken out of my charge.

Your Obedient Servant,

S. G. GALLAGHER.

Orders:—Paragraph 4—Proceedings to be taken in due course. Paragraph 5—Order of County Surveyor confirmed. Paragraph 6—Aughavannagh bridge to be withdrawn from charge of County Surveyor.

Proposed by Councillor P. Short, seconded by Councillor Wm. Byrne (Coolbeg). Resolved—"That the Rural District Council of

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Rathdown No. 2 having requested the County Council to obtain an extension of the limit of expenditure on road repairs in that district to enable them to carry out the urgent repairs of the road from Glencree to the County Dublin Bounds, we, the County Council of the County of Wicklow, approve of said extension, and we hereby apply to the Local Government Board to grant that the limit of expenditure on roads in Rathdown No. 2 Rural District be extended to £2,132 (two thousand one hundred and thirty-two pounds)." Passed unanimously.

Proposed by Councillor Michael Byrne, seconded by Councillor D. J. Cogan. Resolved—"That, now that the alterations have been carried out in the County Courthouse, the County Surveyor be directed to have a notice painted or affixed on the glass entrance door from the street—"No admittance except on Business"—and the Court Keeper be directed that he is not to permit loiterers in the hall or passage leading from that entrance, and also that the door to the yard and strong room is to be at all times kept fastened, except when the Council or the Court is sitting. Ventilators to be provided in the several doors in the entrance passage." Passed.

County Surveyor's Office, Courthouse, Wicklow, 17th August, 1910. To the Wicklow County Council. Gentlemen,—I will be glad if you accord me a month's leave of absence from Monday, 21st inst., to the 20th September, and also if you would direct and authorise the Assistants to attend to any urgent matters which may require attention during that period.—Your obedient servant, S. G. Gallagher. Order—Granted.

Proposed by Councillor Michael Byrne, seconded by Councillor J. McCarroll. Resolved—"That we, the County Council for County Wicklow, having been applied to for that purpose by the Rural District Council of Naas No. 2, and also by the Naas No. 2 School Attendance Committee (both which bodies gave strong reasons for their application) to discontinue the working of the Irish Education Act in the Naas No. 2 Rural District, hereby approve of said application, and direct that the working of the said Act be now discontinued within the Naas No. 2 Rural District." Passed.

It was proposed by Councillor E. C. Walsh, seconded by Councillor J. McCarroll—"That, in consequence of the urbanisation of Arklow, probably causing some change in the chargeability of the repayment of any loan which may have to be raised for the erection of the proposed Technical School in Arklow, we hereby request the Joint Technical Instruction Committee not to take any definite steps in connection with said school or loan until the chargeability for said repayment has been definitely ascertained and fixed; and that said committee be further directed to ascertain clearly how the scheme for providing the above school will be affected through Arklow being made an Urban District, and report fully thereon to the next meeting of the County Council." A show of hands being taken, the Chairman declared the motion "Rejected."

Proposed by Councillor E. P. O'Kelly, seconded by Councillor J. McCarroll. Resolved—"That a lease for 99 years be granted to the Baltinglass Town Hall Company at one shilling (1s.) per year for the portion of the Courthouse premises in their possession." Passed.

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Proposed by Councillor D. J. Cogan, seconded by Councillor E. C. Walsh. Resolved—"That this Council is alive to the necessity of preserving the existing woodlands of the county, and of the many advantages derivable from an increased area under timber in the county, and being aware that there are in several districts many acres of land suitable for planting of timber, as well as small woods of growing timber, which might be acquired by the County Council under an afforestation scheme, it is hereby resolved that each member of the Council is requested to make a report to the Council at its next Winter Quarterly Meeting in February, 1911, of the number of small woods in the county, their general condition, and whether they could be acquired by the Council under an afforestation scheme; also whether there are any small areas of land suitable for tree planting which would be sold to the Council for that purpose, and that the Proposals Committee do report to the Council, generally, and make what recommendations it deems desirable at the earliest possible date. That we urge the Department of Agriculture to frame and carry out a large State Scheme of Afforestation in this county in addition to any County Scheme that may be adopted. A poll being called for, there voted:—For—Councillors E. C. Walsh, D. Condren, E. P. O'Kelly, D. J. Cogan, James Byrne, John Storey, J. McCarrroll, and Patrick Short—8. Against—Councillors Michael Byrne, William Costello, Edward J. Byrne, William Byrne (Coolbeg), and Edward Byrne—5. The Chairman then declared the resolution carried by eight votes to five.

Proposed by Councillor D. J. Cogan, seconded by Councillor E. C. Walsh. Resolved—"That a form of query be sent to the members of Council at the earliest possible date by the Secretary to enable them to supply the information required by the Forestry resolution." Passed.

The question of putting in force the Compulsory Clauses of the Irish Education Act in Annamoe Dispensary District, having been postponed by resolution of the Council at their annual meeting in June, it was proposed by Councillor J. J. Reilly, seconded by Councillor D. J. Cogan. Resolved—"That the Compulsory Provisions of the Education Act be put in force in the Annamoe Dispensary District from the 1st April, 1911, for three years only, and that the expenses in connection therewith be a charge on the said Annamoe Dispensary District." Passed.

Proposed by Councillor D. J. Cogan, seconded by Councillor E. J. Byrne. Resolved—"That the following persons be appointed as the Council's moiety of the new School Attendance Committee for the Annamoe Dispensary District—Michael Keenan, Nicholas Molloy, John Richardson, James Murphy, Matthew Mason." Passed.

9th July, 1910.—From Albert A. Bourke, J.P., Ballyshemane House, Rathdrum—Letter presenting a memorial signed by ten tenants or owners of shootings, asking the Council to make the close season for hares the same as it was before—viz., from 1st March to 12th August. A show of hands being taken, the application was rejected by seven votes to four.

#### ANALYST'S REPORT.

City Laboratory, 17 Castle street, Dublin, 11th August, 1910.  
Report of Sir Charles Cameron, C.B., M.D., Public Analyst for the

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County Wicklow, on articles submitted to him for analysis during the quarter ended 30th June, 1910:—One hundred and seven articles were received from the Food Inspectors, R.I.C., as follows:—Article—Milk, No., 44; butter, 38; whiskey, 13; cheese, 9; buttermilk, 2; rum, 1; total, 107. They were all pure. There were six specimens of butter analysed by directions from the Department of Agriculture and Technical Instruction for Ireland, Upper Merrion street, Dublin, which were taken up in the County Wicklow, and were pure. For the Guardians of Rathdrum Union twenty-three drugs, twelve specimens of milk, two of butter, and one of whiskey were analysed. Three drugs were incorrect. One of the specimens of milk was adulterated with at least 10 per cent. of added water. For the Guardians of Shillelagh Union three drugs were analysed and were correct. For the Guardians of Baltinglass Union six drugs were analysed and were correct. Two fertilizers were analysed for the County Committee of Agriculture. For the Dublin and Wicklow Manure Company, Wicklow, four fertilizers were analysed. For Naas Union, which is partly situated in the County Wicklow, twenty-five drugs, six specimens of milk, two of buttermilk, two of bread, two of soap, and one of butter were analysed. Four drugs were incorrect. One of the specimens of milk was adulterated with at least 13 per cent. of added water, and was also deficient of at least 30 per cent. of its fats. For the Richmond District Lunatic Asylum four specimens of soap, two of butter, two of cocoa, and one of milk were analysed, and were pure. Total analyses, 213; adulterated and defective articles, 9.

C. A. CAMERON.

Proposed by Councillor Wm. Byrne, seconded by Councillor Patrick Short. Resolved—"That the members of this County Council wish to express our sympathy with our colleague, Mr. Joseph Dunne, on the death of his sister-in-law, and that copy of this resolution be sent to Mr. Dunne." Passed nem con.

The reports of the Deputy Checkers of the various Unions on the attendance of the Poor Rate Collectors, and the state of their collections, were submitted.

The Secretary submitted the applications received for Licenses to Store and Sell Poisonous Substances under the Poisons and Pharmacy Act, 1908, for agricultural and horticultural purposes. The applications for licenses were refused, as the Council considered that the reasonable requirements of the public in the matter had been satisfied, from James W. Bailey, Mill street, Baltinglass; W. Barker, Yew Tree House, Balisland, Shillelagh; Mrs. Mary Jane Freeman, Blessington.

#### OFFICIAL CORRESPONDENCE.

No. 44146/1910; Rathdrum Rural District. Local Government Board, Dublin, 23rd June, 1910—Enclosing copy of the Act confirming the Arklow Urban District Order, 1909, and stating that Arklow will accordingly become an Urban Sanitary District as from the 1st October next.

No. 44582/1910; Wicklow County. Local Government Board,

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Dublin, 29th June, 1910—Approving of the appointment of Wm. J. Cardiff as Poor Rate Collector in the county, subject to his furnishing a Bond for an amount not less than one quarter the amount of his yearly warrant.

No. 48520/1910; Wicklow County. Local Government Board, Dublin, 15th July, 1910—Stating that the Board had received a letter from the County Surveyor, dealing with the limit of road expenditure in the Rathdown No. 2 Rural District, and that the Board, on receipt of an application from the County Council, would be prepared to approve of an extension of the limit of road expenditure in this District. See resolution on County Surveyor's report.

27th July, 1910. From Clerk, Rathdown No. 2 Rural District Council—Enclosing copy of a resolution asking the Council to obtain an extension of the limit of road expenditure in Rathdown No. 2 Rural District. Approved, and passed unanimously. See resolution following County Surveyor's report.

No. 48365/1910; Miscellaneous. Local Government Board, Dublin, 25th July, 1910—Stating that the Board have been requested by the Board of Trade to bring under the Council's notice the Provisions of the Trade Boards' Act, 1909 (copy enclosed), for their guidance in giving contracts which involve employment in certain trades.

No. 52540/1910; Wicklow County. Local Government Board, Dublin, 8th August, 1910—Returning the Bond of Collector Thomas Fleming, and stating that the same is in satisfactory form.

No. 54446/1910; Wicklow County. Local Government Board, Dublin, 16th August, 1910—Enclosing Auditor's Report on his Audit of the Council's Accounts for the half-year ended 31st March, 1910.

No. 54466/1910; Wicklow County. August 13th 1910. Gentlemen—I have the honour to report that I have audited the Accounts of the County Council of Wicklow for the half-year ended March last, and I forward, herewith, a certified Abstract thereof, in pursuance of your order. The Accounts were prepared and submitted for Audit in a most satisfactory manner, and no item of expenditure calls for any remark on my part.—I have the honour to be, gentlemen, your obedient servant, C. D. BARRY, Auditor. To the Local Government Board, Dublin.

No. 2665/1910. Department of Agriculture, Dublin, 21st June, 1910—Enclosing, for the information of the Council, copies of the Animals (Notification of Disease) (Ireland) Order of 1910, which comes into force on the 1st proximo.

No. 13738/1910. Department of Agriculture, Dublin, 23rd July, 1910—Enclosing copy of an Order made by the Department, revoking the Noxious Weeds (County Wicklow) Order, 1910, in accordance with the Council's resolution of the 15th inst.

No. 3642/1910. Department of Agriculture, Dublin, 25th July, 1910—Memorandum stating that, owing to the occurrence of an outbreak of Foot and Mouth Disease in Great Britain, all importations of ruminating animals and swine into Ireland from that country are, for the time being prohibited.

The Road Board, 4 Cowley street, Westminster, London, S.W., July, 1910—Circular letter drawing the Council's attention to the provisions in the Development and Road Improvement Funds Act,

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1909, relating to road improvement, and stating that the Board are now prepared to receive applications from County Councils for advances in accordance with the Act.

Order—To be referred to Special Committee to be composed of the members of Proposals Committee to consider and deal with.

Board of Trade Labour Exchange, Copper Alley, Lord Edward street, Dublin, 17th June, 1910—Calling attention to the Labour Exchange now established by the Board of Trade under the Labour Exchanges Act, 1909, at Dublin.

Office of Public Works, Dublin, 14th June, 1910—Notifying particulars of a loan of £2,286 to the Rathdown No. 2 Rural District under the Public Health (Ireland) Act, 1878.

Office of Public Works, Dublin, 13th July, 1910—Notifying particulars of a loan of £800 to the Guardians of Rathdown Union under the Dispensary Houses (Ireland) Act, 1879.

Office of National Education, Dublin, 17th June, 1910—Stating that the Commissioners of National Education can give no instructions as to the steps to be taken for the discontinuance of the working of the Compulsory Clauses of the Irish Education Act, 1892, in the Naas No. 2 Rural District, and directing attention to the terms of the Third Schedule, and to Section 3 (4) of the Act in this connection.

8th August, 1910—From Clerk, Naas No. 2 Rural District Council—Enclosing two copies of resolutions passed by his District Council, calling on the County Council to levy no further rates in that district under the Agriculture and Technical Instruction Acts, as the District Council are unanimously of opinion that no sufficient benefit results from the operation of the Acts. Order—Approved, to be considered at striking of next rate. :

16th August, 1910—From Collector Wm. J. Cardiff—Asking the Council to obtain for him an extension of time for one month to enable him to close his collection. Order—Extension to be applied for.

5th July, 1910—From William Collen, County Surveyor, 11 Rutland Square, Dublin—Acknowledging the Council's resolution relative to the Blessington Tramway Line.

21st July, 1910—From Sir John G. Barton, C.B., Foxrock—Acknowledging the Council's resolution relative to the Blessington Tramway Line.

20th June, 1910—From Denis Kílbride, M.P., House of Commons, London—Stating that he is again re-introducing the Margarine Bill, and asking the Council to support him by passing a resolution in its favour and sending it to the Press. Order—Approved.

14th June, 1910—From County Inspector, R.I.C., Wicklow—Asking for the necessary authority to have the broken scale beam belonging to Bray Petty Sessions District repaired, and a case procured for same. Order—County Inspector to inquire into the matter. A strong deal box to be procured.

Form No. 5—Notice of Application for Compensation for alleged Malicious Injury by Fire to a dwellinghouse. Applicant, William Hicks, of Cloone, Enniskerry. Amount claimed, £50.

5th July, 1910—From W. J. Richardson, V.S., Bray—Notifying a case of anthrax on the farm of W. H. Odlum, Herbert road, Bray.

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5th July, 1910—From the Clerk, Town Commissioners, Arklow—Enclosing copies of two resolutions passed by his Board; (1) asking the County Committee for Technical Instruction to re-consider the question of a site for a Technical School in Arklow, it being the general opinion that the site selected is most undesirable, inconvenient, and unsuitable; and (2) asking the Council to have the proposed Technical School in Arklow built of Irish material and Irish workmanship, as far as possible.

8th August, 1910. From Richard Wake, Secretary Joint Technical Instruction Committee, Wicklow—Asking the Council to take such steps as are necessary to raise a loan of £3,000 for the purpose of building Technical Schools in Baltinglass and Arklow, in accordance with the Council's resolutions of the 27th May, 1909, and the 22nd February, 1910; £500 to be the amount of the expenditure in Baltinglass, and £2,500 to be the amount of the expenditure in Arklow.

Letters of acknowledgment were submitted from the following in reply to the Council's resolution re malicious injury:—William Doris, M.P.; William Field, M.P.; William Delaney, M.P.; John Muldoon, M.P.; Under Secretary, Dublin Castle; W. Abraham, M.P.

## RESOLUTIONS FROM VARIOUS BODIES.

27th June, 1910—From the Secretary, Irish Medical Association—Resolution recording their marked disapproval of the anti-vaccination literature being circulated throughout Ireland.

8th July, 1910—From Secretary, Irish Brewers' Association—Enclosing a resolution for the approval of the Council, requesting Irish members of Parliament to insist upon the smaller Irish breweries being relieved of the extra burdens imposed by last year's Budget.

25th July, 1910—From the Secretary, Irish Trades Union Congress—Enclosing a series of resolutions passed at the Seventeenth Annual Irish Trade Union Congress. Read.

4th August, 1910—From Secretary, Wexford County Council—Enclosing copy of the following resolution. Resolved—"That we request the General Council of Irish County Councils to call a special meeting at the earliest possible date to consider the advisability of drafting a joint trunk road scheme for all Ireland for submission to the Road Board." Adopted.

## MINUTES OF MEETING, 12th NOVEMBER, 1910.

Special meeting of the County Council, held in the Council Chamber, Court House, Wicklow, at 12.30 o'clock on Saturday, the 12th November, 1910. The following members attended:—Councillors Michael Byrne (in the chair), Edward Byrne, E. J. Byrne, D. J. Cogan, Joseph McCarroll, Patrick Short, and William Byrne (Coolbeg).

## BUSINESS:

To consider the following three points in connection with the Charges for Lunatic Asylums, in reply to queries from the Chief Secretary, and to appoint two Delegates to attend a meeting in the City Hall, Dublin, to be held at an early date, in connection with the matter:—

- (1) Whether it is considered that the best settlement of the question would be a contribution by the Treasury of a sum in respect of each lunatic confined in Irish Asylums, increasing or decreasing automatically with the increase or decrease of lunacy in the country?
- (2) Whether it is considered that the cost of the upkeep of lunatics should be an Imperial charge or a local charge? and
- (3) Whether, assuming this charge to be an Irish one, it should be universally Irish, or, should it be paid by districts or localities according to their need and ability?

To receive and consider Reports from Committees.

To receive and consider Reports from County Officers.

To receive and consider Official Correspondence.

To receive and consider General Correspondence.

Proposed by Councillor D. J. Cogan, seconded by Councillor J. McCarroll. Resolved—"This Council calls for an immediate revision of the Government contribution to local rates, so that a Capitation Grant equal to half the annual cost of pauper lunatics should be made, and the contributions as fixed by Paragraphs (a) and (b) of Sub-Section 2, Sec. 58, of the Local Government (Ireland) Act, 1898, should be paid in full. That Section 58 of the Local Government (Ireland) Act, 1898, and Section 6 of the Local Government (Ireland) Act, 1902, should be modified accordingly. That we appoint Messrs. Cogan and E. J. Byrne to represent this Council at the Conference to be held next week, and they are instructed to represent our views, as contained in this resolution, to the Conference." Passed.

Proposed by Councillor D. J. Cogan, seconded by Councillor J. McCarroll. Resolved—"That a copy of the resolution now passed be sent immediately to the Town Clerk of Dublin, and also to the Parliamentary representatives of the Richmond Asylum District." Passed.

Proposed by Councillor Patrick Short, seconded by Councillor D. J. Cogan. Resolved—"That the Seal of the Council be attached to the requisition to tax Mr. McCarroll's bill of costs." Passed.

## MINUTES OF MEETING OF 21st NOVEMBER, 1910.

The Autumn Quarterly Meeting of the County Council, held in the Council Chamber, Courthouse, Wicklow, at 11.30 a.m. on Monday, the 21st November, 1910. The following members attended:— Councillor Michael Byrne (in the chair); Councillors John Murphy, John J. Reilly, William Osborne, E. C. Walsh, Daniel Condren, Joseph McCarroll, D. J. Cogan, E. J. Byrne, Edward Byrne, Patrick Short, William Byrne, William Costello, and John Storey.

## BUSINESS:

- 1—To consider reports from the Finance Committee.
- 2—To sign Quarterly Transfers on foot of Demands from the several Unions and Rural District Councils.
- 3—To consider the Proposals from the Proposals Committee.
- 4—To consider Proposals for Payment from the five Rural Districts.
- 5—To sign Treasurer's Advice Notes for the past quarter's payments.
- 6—To consider proposals for Contracts from the five Rural Districts.
- 7—To consider Tenders sent forward to the County Council.
- 8—To seal such contracts as have been approved by the County Council.
- 9—To sign Applications for Refund of Expenses under the Diseases of Animals Acts.
- 10—To sign and seal Poor Rate Collector's Bond for No. 12 Collecting District.
- 11—To appoint a Returning Officer for the Local Government Act Elections in 1911.
- 12—To receive an application from certain Local Government Electors of the Urban County District of Arklow, to take into consideration the following matters, that is to say:—
  - (1) The division of the said Urban County District into Wards.
  - (2) The alteration of the number of Wards or Electoral Units at present existing, and of the number of Members of said Urban County District Council of Arklow, and the apportionment of such Members among the Wards.
  - (3) The definition of the boundaries of the aforesaid Wards.
  - (4) For such other or further Order in the matter as to the said County Council may seem fit.

And if the County Council shall be satisfied that a prima facie case is made out, as required by Article 26 of the Schedule to the Local Government (Application of Enactments) Order, 1898, as respects said Urban County District for a proposal for all or any of the aforesaid matters, then to cause such inquiry to be made in the locality, and such Notices to be given as are prescribed by the above-named Order.
- 13—To receive and consider Reports from Committees.

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- 14—To consider Reports from County Officers.  
 15—To consider Official Correspondence.  
 16—To consider General Correspondence.

Minutes of previous meetings were confirmed and signed.

## FINANCE COMMITTEE'S REPORT No. 1.

Your Finance Committee met on Wednesday, the 2nd November, 1910. Present:—Councillor Patrick Short (Chairman); Councillors Joseph McCarroll, and William Byrne.

The Committee, having examined the proposals for payment by the Proposals Committee, and from the Rural District Councils, recommend them for payment as follows:—

	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
County-at-Large				4,102	4	1
<b>Baltinglass No. 1—</b>						
District proposals	589	18	11			
Proposals Committee's proposals	43	0	2	632	19	1
<b>Naas No. 2—</b>						
District proposals	250	12	2			
Proposals Committee's proposals	20	7	1	270	19	3
<b>Rathdown No. 2—</b>						
District proposals	260	10	7			
Proposals Committee's proposals	221	3	9	481	14	4
<b>Rathdrum—</b>						
District proposals						
Proposals Committee's proposals	1,071	17	0			
<b>Shillelagh—</b>						
District proposals	436	7	3			
Proposals Committee's proposals	295	15	4	732	2	7
<b>Wicklow Urban—</b>						
Proposals Committee's proposals				57	15	10
Transfer to the Subsidiary Account				409	6	7
(Included in the total for the County-at-Large).						

The Committee examined the Union and Rural District demands submitted to them, and recommend the Council to make the following payments on foot of same:—

## TRANSFERS TO FUNDS OF UNIONS.

	£	s.	d.
Baltinglass	904	0	0
Naas	269	10	0
Rathdown	950	0	0
Rathdrum	2,655	0	0
Shillelagh	769	0	0
<b>Total</b>	<b>£5,547</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>0</b>

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## TRANSFERS TO FUNDS OF RURAL DISTRICT COUNCILS.

	£	s.	d.
Baltinglass No. 1	26	0	0
Naas No. 2	30	15	0
Rathdown No. 2	79	0	0
Rathdrum	370	0	0
Shillelagh	30	0	0
<b>Total</b>	<b>£535</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>0</b>

We recommend the payment of the following Irrecoverable Rates to the several Rate Collectors, Paying Orders in respect of same not to issue until the respective amounts have been ratified by the Local Government Board:—

	Amount of Refund.
	£ s. d.
1.—Joseph Doyle ...	11 5 4
2.—Richard Geoghegan ...	6 8 7
3.—Richard Lynch ...	5 15 6
4.—William Burke ...	2 6 9
5.—Michael Kelly ...	0 14 8
6.—Michael McGrath ...	5 19 8
7.—Charles S. Sutton ...	103 6 5
8.—Patrick Toole ...	1 9 8
9.—Joseph Keane ...	3 16 1
10.—John Murphy ...	7 15 2
11.—John Kelly ...	3 9 3
12.—Wm. J. Cardiff ...	4 4 1
13.—George Evans ...	3 13 6
14.—James Byrne ...	21 11 0
15.—John Brennan ...	9 11 0
16.—P. J. Carey, junior ...	3 11 9
17.—Charles Byrne ...	2 15 2
19.—Terence Byrne ...	0 5 6

The Committee directed that the following Paying Orders be cancelled:—

No. 16 Book—Paying Order 371, issued 29th November, 1906, to John Cullen, Rathdrum R.D., and not collected from Treasurer	£1 12 7
No. 18 Book—3 paying orders never issued from office.	
Paying Order No. 117.—To T. B. Doyle	£12 10 0
"  "  No. 118 do.	1 7 11
"  "  No. 706 do.	7 13 5

Proposed by Councillor William Byrne, seconded by Councillor Joseph McCarroll. Resolved—"That having in May last fully considered Rate Collector John F. Evans' claim for a retiring allowance, we granted him an annuity of £40, and regulated the number of years to be added to his service, so as to correspond with that amount. His letter dated 26th September, 1910, giving 1st September, 1887, the date of his original appointment, having been submitted to us; we now confirm the annuity of £40 then granted to him, and desire that the number of years added to his service be altered to correspond with this

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amount and with the service shown by the date given in the letter referred to." Passed.

Signed,  
PATRICK SHORT, Chairman.  
4th November, 1910.

## FINANCE COMMITTEE'S REPORT NO. 2.

Your Finance Committee met on Monday, the 21st November, 1910. Members present:—Councillor E. J. Byrne (Chairman); Councillors E. C. Walsh, and Michael Byrne.

The Committee considered the following additional Proposals, and recommended them to the County Council for payment:—

	£	s.	d.
County-at-Large—			
Bray Urban District Council	0	13	0
Mrs. M. A. Corcoran, "Free Press" Offices, Wexford	1	3	0
Naas No. 2—			
D. J. Purcell, Secretary Naas No. 2 School Attendance Committee	5	0	0
Rathdrum—			
District Proposals, Form 22	1,436	13	11

The County Surveyor reported that the £100 placed at his disposal for the purpose of Courthouse repairs is now exhausted, and applied for a similar amount to be placed at his disposal. Recommended.

20th September, 1910. From A. H. Middleton and Son, solicitors—Application on behalf of Dr. Leeper for a refund of rates on an old mill at Ballinglen, for the past four years, on the grounds that the mill was vacant and unused during the period.

The Committee recommend that the half-year's rates to 30th September, 1910, amounting to 14s. 9d., be refunded, and that the rates for the half-year ended 31st March, 1911, be struck out of the Collector's books.

Signed,  
E. J. BYRNE, Chairman.  
21st November, 1910.

Proposed by Councillor E. J. Byrne, seconded by Councillor E. C. Walsh. Resolved—"That the Finance Committee's Reports be hereby adopted." Passed.

Proposed by Councillor J. J. Reilly, seconded by Councillor Wm. Osborne. Resolved—"That the Treasurer's Advice Note for the Transfers on foot of Demands from the several Unions and Rural Districts be now signed." Passed.

Proposals for Payment from the Proposals Committee, and from the Five Rural District Councils, were passed as follows:—

## COUNTY-AT-LARGE:

Proposed by Councillor E. J. Byrne, seconded by Councillor J. McCarroll. Resolved—"That we hereby approve of the foregoing Proposals for Payment on the County-at-Large, amounting to £4,104

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0s. 1d. (any modification made therein having been first initialled by the Chairman), and order the same to be paid." Passed.

## BALTINGLASS NO. 1:

Proposed by Councillor Wm. Osborne, seconded by Councillor D. J. Cogan. Resolved—"That we hereby approve of the foregoing Proposals for Payment on Baltinglass No. 1 Rural District, amounting to £632 19s. 1d. (any modification made therein having been first initialled by the Chairman), and order the same to be paid." Passed.

## NAAS NO. 2:

Proposed by Councillor E. J. Byrne, seconded by Councillor E. C. Walsh. Resolved—"That we hereby approve of the foregoing Proposals for Payment on Naas No. 2 Rural District, amounting to £275 19s. 3d. (any modification made therein having been first initialled by the Chairman), and order the same to be paid." Passed.

## RATHDOWN NO. 2:

Proposed by Councillor John Murphy, seconded by Councillor Daniel Condren. Resolved—"That we hereby approve of the foregoing Proposals for Payment on Rathdown No. 2 Rural District, amounting to £481 14s. 4d. (any modification made therein having been first initialled by the Chairman), and order the same to be paid." Passed.

## RATHDRUM:

Proposed by Councillor D. J. Cogan, seconded by Councillor Edward Byrne. Resolved—"That we hereby approve of the foregoing Proposals for Payment on Rathdrum Rural District, amounting to £2,508 10s. 11d. (any modification made therein having been first initialled by the Chairman), and order the same to be paid." Passed.

## SHILLELAGH:

Proposed by Councillor E. J. Byrne, seconded by Councillor Michael Byrne. Resolved—"That we hereby approve of the foregoing Proposals for Payment on Shillelagh Rural District, amounting to £732 2s. 7d. (any modification made therein having been first initialled by the Chairman), and order the same to be paid." Passed.

## WICKLOW URBAN:

Proposed by Councillor D. J. Cogan, seconded by Councillor D. Condren. Resolved—"That we hereby approve of the foregoing Proposals for Payment on Wicklow Urban District, amounting to £57 15s. 10d. (any modification made therein having been first initialled by the Chairman), and order the same to be paid." Passed.

Proposed by Councillor P. Short, seconded by Councillor J. McCarroll. Resolved—"That the Treasurer's Advice Notes for the Quarterly Payments, as approved by this Council, be now signed." Passed.

Proposals for Contracts from the Five Rural District Councils:—

## PROPOSALS COMMITTEE:

Form 21—Provisional Proposal to raise a Loan of £3,000 for the



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purpose of erecting and equipping buildings in Arklow and Baltinglass for Technical Instruction purpose. Submitted.

## BALTINGLASS NO. 1:

Works Nos. 279 and 282 in the District Register were placed in charge of the County Surveyor.

Remaining Contracts, as submitted, approved and confirmed.

The following resolution, sent forward from the Rural District Council, was submitted:—"Resolved—That this Council approves of the proposed re-construction of the road from Baltinglass to Kiltegan, and would be willing to ask the County Council to obtain a loan of £5,800, and to undertake the upkeep of this road, and also to pay the interest on a rate not exceeding 3½ per cent. on outstanding balances of principal, provided that the Roads Board provide the annual sum required to pay the instalments of principal."

## NAAS NO. 2:

No contracts.

## RATHDOWN NO. 2:

Road No. 366 in the District Register, 790 perches, was given in charge of the County Surveyor until a new contract is obtained.

Contract, as submitted, approved and confirmed.

Form 21 (Provisional Proposals) also submitted.

The following resolution, sent forward from the Rural District Council, was submitted:—"Resolved—That the roads in this district are subject to a large volume of through traffic, and also of local traffic, from those who do not contribute towards the upkeep of the roads; that for the purpose of re-making and improving these roads, and executing the works recommended by the County Surveyor, and set out in the schedule hereto attached, this Council will be willing to request the County Council to apply for a loan of £16,000, if necessary, on condition that the annual sum in repayment of principal be provided by the Roads Board; that this Council agree to provide the annual sum required to discharge the interest on the outstanding balances of said loan at a rate not exceeding £4 per cent. per annum, and undertakes to efficiently repair and maintain such roads and works during the period of the loan, provided that the amount of payment of interest on said outstanding balances does not exceed the present amount for upkeep of the roads."

## RATHDRUM:

Works Nos. 2, 4, and 5 in the District Register were given in charge of the County Surveyor.

The following resolution, sent forward from the Rural District Council, was submitted:—"Resolved—Subject to the obtaining of further information we provisionally approve of the scheme of road re-construction submitted by the County Surveyor, and we request the County Council to learn from the Roads Board the terms they will make with us."

## SHILLELAGH:

Road No. 108 in the District Register, 70 perches, was referred back to the District Council, with an instruction that the contract be modified so that the County Wexford shall bear its proportion of the

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costs of maintenance, half the road being on the County of Wexford.

Remaining contract, as submitted, approved and confirmed.

Proposed by Councillor E. J. Byrne, seconded by Councillor D. Condren. Resolved—"That the several contracts which have been approved of at this Quarterly Meeting be now signed and sealed." Passed.

Proposed by Councillor J. McCarroll, seconded by Councillor E. J. Byrne. Resolved—"That we now sign and seal the two Applications for Refund of Expenses under the Diseases of Animals Acts." Passed.

Proposed by Councillor William Byrne, seconded by Councillor J. McCarroll. Resolved—"That we now sign and seal Mr. William J. Cardiff's Bond as Poor Rate Collector for No. 12 Collecting District." Passed.

The Secretary read the advertisement for a Returning Officer for the Local Government Elections in 1911, which was published in the "Wicklow News-Letter," "Wicklow People," and "Wicklow Press," and also the one application received—from Mr. Simon J. Doyle, 7 Leitrim Place, Wicklow.

"Notice.—Wicklow County Council.—The County Council will, at its Quarterly Meeting, to be held in the Council Chamber, Court-house, Wicklow, at 11.30 a.m., on the 21st November, 1910, proceed to appoint a Returning Officer for the Local Government Elections to be held in 1911. Payment to be made according to the Scale of Fees approved by the Local Government Board.—Edward N. Wynne, Secretary to the County Council."

Proposed by Councillor J. McCarroll, seconded by Councillor D. J. Cogan. Resolved—"That Mr. Simon J. Doyle, of 7 Leitrim Place, Wicklow, be appointed Returning Officer for the Local Government Elections for the year 1911." Passed.

Proposed by Councillor E. J. Byrne, seconded by Councillor E. C. Walsh. Resolved—"That in future Pharmacy Licenses be only granted at the November or the February Quarterly Meetings, and that such Licenses run from 1st January annually, and that we now grant Licenses to T. F. Phelan and P. McCarthy, of Aughrim." Passed.

## COUNTY SURVEYOR'S REPORT.

County Surveyor's Office, Wicklow,  
21st November, 1910.

Gentlemen,

Par. 1—Only one contract coming before you requires special notice; that is the contract to repair 70 perches of road, Shillelagh to Newtownbarry, from William Birch's gate at Ballingate (Glenshouk bounds) and the County of Wexford bounds at Coolmelagh.

Par. 2—This road should also be put in contract by Wexford County Council before you could undertake to maintain it. The Co. Surveyor of Wexford informs me that at present the Wexford County Council have not a proposal before them to repair this road, but that at the next Quarterly Meeting he will bring the matter before them.

Par. 3—The metal supply for the winter repairs of the roads is

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most unsatisfactory, some contractors having made little or no attempt to supply the specified quantities or properly repair their roads. I annex herewith a list of the worst cases, in which I should receive authority to issue 10 days' notices and take legal proceedings.

Par. 4—The proposed road improvements for which you have applied to the Roads Board for a Free Grant, were laid before the different Rural District Councils, and, except in Shillelagh Rural District, they were approved of.

Par. 5—There are two cases of buildings being erected nearer the road than 30 feet. In one case (at Rathnew Brick Works) it is claimed that the new building has been erected behind the site of an old building which had been sometime there, and had been pulled down. In the other case (at the new Paint Factory, Ovoca) the boundary wall beside the road has been raised, and an office built, of which the wall forms a gable. No trespass has been made on the county road.

Par. 6—The road from Glencree to Featherbed Bog, which was so greatly damaged by extra traffic as to become dangerous to traffic was repaired by a sudden damage order, but as the present contractor seems incapable of properly carrying out his contract, I recommend that it be cancelled as from 1st of January, 1911.

Your obedient servant,

S. G. GALLAGHER.

The following road contractors have failed to properly carry out their contracts in respect to metal supply and repair of roads:—

Shillelagh Rural District:—No. 15, John Jones; No. 16, James Tallon; No. 20, Andrew Malone; No. 27, Patrick Ryan; No. 32, Patrick Ryan; No. 44, Patrick Condren.

Baltinglass No. 1 Rural District:—No. 55, Michael Farrington; No. 63, Joseph Kelly; No. 72, Peter Byrne; Nos. 37 and 129, John McGrory; No. 77, Garrett Reilly; No. 82, Michael Curran; No. 93, John Flood; No. 161, Laurence Allen; No. 103, George Reilly; No. 120, William Dody; No. 240, John Dwyer; No. 46, Matthew Byrne; No. 47, Robert Miliey; No. 126, James Byrne.

Rathdrum Rural District:—No. 81, Loughlin Cullen; No. 104, James Duffy; No. 93, Patrick Pluck, no measurement, road abandoned; No. 147, Same, do., do.; No. 150, Peter Kelly, do., do.; No. 152, John Brady, do., do.; No. 39, John O'Neill; No. 116, John Brady; No. 162, Thomas Fleming; No. 118, Thomas Short; No. 4, Thomas Bradshaw; No. 9, James Pharr; No. 10, John Timmins; No. 13, John Timmins; No. 15, James Duffy; No. 48A, Laurence Byrne; No. 34, John Brady; No. 135, Matthew Doherty; No. 137, Thomas McDonald; No. 42, Patrick Cullen.

I also present a special report on road No. 42, received from the Assistant in the district.

Orders:—Paragraph 2.—See Form 20, Shillelagh Rural District. Paragraph 5.—The Council desire no action to be taken relative to these constructions, as they believe they do not interfere with the use of the roads by the public. Paragraph 6.—Cancelled. See resolution.

Proposed by Councillor Patrick Short, seconded by Councillor

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William Byrne (Coolbeg). Resolved—"That the Council direct their Surveyor not to put in force the powers conferred by 14 and 15 Victoria, chap. 92, section 9, sub-section 2, with regard to new Office at Rathnew Brickworks." Passed.

Proposed by Councillor Patrick Short, seconded by Councillor E. C. Walsh. Resolved—"That contract for maintenance of road through Featherbed Bog be cancelled, on recommendation of County Surveyor, subject to approval of Local Government Board." Passed.

COUNTY SURVEYOR'S REPORT, RE DUBLIN AND  
BLESSINGTON STEAM TRAMWAY.

To Wicklow County Council.

Gentlemen,

The annual inspection of the Dublin and Blessington Steam Tramway was carried out by me on July 19th and October 6th, and later dates.

The permanent way is in the usual grass and weed-grown condition, which, in conjunction with the generally defective drainage, tends to the rapid decay of the green timber sleepers.

The work of re-sleeping would appear to be progressing very slowly; in a few places, especially near The Lamb Station, the 14½ mile post, and near Cross Chapel, the need of this work is becoming very urgent.

The joints and fastenings would appear to be somewhat better attended to, but a few of the fish plates and holding down bolts were found very loose; however, these were afterwards attended to by the platelayer who was working on the section.

On some of the curves the stay rods do not appear to be doing much work, as they are too slack; these require adjustment.

The engine shed at Blessington is in very bad repair, and should be thoroughly overhauled and repaired as early as possible, as also the engine shed and workshop at the Templeogue Depot.

The Dublin United Tramways Company have extended the electric wiring to beyond the station at Terenure; this is necessary for the through running of the goods traffic.

The rolling stock is well maintained. On my visit to the depot two engines were up for repairs, also two goods waggons were being reconstructed. The wheels of seven goods and cattle trucks have been prepared for the through running, and I understand wheels for nine more are on order. These, with four trucks to be supplied by the Dublin United Tramway Company, will give a fair stock to this branch of the traffic, which should augment the receipts of the company.

I remain, your obedient servant,

S. G. GALLAGHER, Co. Surveyor.

November 17th, 1910.

Adopted.

Proposed by Councillor D. J. Cogan, seconded by Councillor E. J. Byrne. Resolved—"That the attention of the Local Govern-

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ment Board be drawn to the manner in which certain Councils issue Motor Drivers' Licences, in contravention of Articles XIV. and XVI. of the Motor Car (Registration and Licensing) (Ireland) Order, 1903, and that they be requested to take such steps as they consider best to put a stop to such a practice by which this county, among others, lose fees which should go to the relief of the ratepayers. And, further, that the Constabulary Authorities be requested to see that the provisions of the Motor Car Act, 1903, are complied with." Passed.

A Deputation from certain Local Government Electors in the Urban County District of Arklow attended before the Council, represented by — Lupton, B.L. (instructed by Mr. George F. Fleming, solicitor), and laid their application, as it appears under item No. 12 on the Agenda, before the Council.

A Deputation from the Arklow Urban District Council also appeared before the Council to oppose the application, and a letter was received from the Arklow Workingmen's Association, in opposition to the application.

After fully considering the matter, it was proposed by Councillor E. C. Walsh, seconded by Councillor D. J. Cogan. Resolved—"That this Council, having heard and considered the representations made on behalf of certain Local Government Electors of the Urban District of Arklow, seeking to have Arklow Urban divided into Wards, are not satisfied that a prima facie case has been made out, and that we therefore decline to cause any Inquiry to be made into the matters alluded to in said application." Carried.

Proposed by Councillor D. J. Cogan, seconded by Councillor E. J. Byrne. Resolved—"That the County Surveyor be and is hereby exempted from the preparation of Plans for the Technical Schools at Arklow and Baltinglass, and that the Joint Technical Instruction Committee is hereby authorised and directed to prepare those plans." Passed.

## ANALYST'S REPORT.

City Laboratory, 17 Castle street, Dublin, 8th November, 1910. Report of Sir Charles Cameron, C.B., M.D., Public Analyst for the County Wicklow, on articles submitted to him for analysis during the quarter ended 30th September, 1910:—Twenty articles were received from the Food Inspectors, R.I.C., as follows.—Article—Whiskey, number 10; butter, 6; brandy, 1; cheese, 1; milk, 1; rum, 1; total, 20. They were pure. For the Guardians of Baltinglass Union nine drugs were analysed. One was incorrect. Two specimens of water analysed for Baltinglass Rural District Council had the following compositions:—One Imperial gallon contained in grains—Total solid matter, No. 1, 31.360, No. 2, 43.400; including—Albuminoid ammonia, No. 1, 0.040; No. 2, 0.009. Saline ammonia, No. 1, 0.300; No. 2, 0.017. Nitric acid, Nos. 1 and 2, trace. Chlorine, No. 1, 2.186; No. 2, 1.292. No. 1 was polluted and unfit for use; No. 2 was of rather inferior quality. For the Guardians of Shillelagh Union nine drugs were analysed, and were correct. For the Guardians of Rathdrum Union nine drugs, eight specimens of milk, one

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of whiskey, and one of butter were analysed. Two drugs were defective. One specimen of water analysed for the Dublin Joint Hospital Board had the following composition:—One Imperial gallon contained in grains—Total solid matter, 12.880; including—Albuminoid ammonia, 0.005; saline ammonia, 0.006; nitric acid, 0.500; chlorine, 0.894. A good water. For Naas Union, which is partly situated in the County Wicklow, thirty drugs and two specimens of milk were analysed. Five drugs were incorrect. The milks were of good quality. Total analyses, 95; adulterated and defective articles, 8.

C. A. CAMERON.

Proposed by Councillor E. C. Walsh, seconded by Councillor D. J. Cogan. Resolved—"That we hereby appoint our Secretary our Officer for the purpose of carrying out the provisions of the Cinematograph Act, 1909, issuing Licences, etc. That the charges for Licences be those given in section 2, sub-section 5 of that Act, and that our Officer be paid 1s. for each Licence issued." Passed.

Proposed by Councillor Patrick Short, seconded by Councillor J. J. Reilly. Resolved—"That Messrs. John Storey, John Murphy, and Michael Byrne, be selected to appoint Temporary Clerks." Passed.

An application was read from the Poor Rate Collectors in the County to have their Collecting Books compiled in future in a smaller form, like those used by the Collectors in County Wexford, a sample copy of which was enclosed.

The Council, having heard a Deputation from the Poor Rate Collectors on the matter, ordered that the alterations asked for be made in the Collecting Books, provided it does not cost more than £2.

The Reports from the Deputy Checkers of the various Unions, on the attendance of the Poor Rate Collectors and the state of their collections, were submitted.

## OFFICIAL CORRESPONDENCE.

No. 56282/1910; Wicklow County. Local Government Board Dublin, 30th August, 1910—Enclosing Sealed Order, assenting to an increase of the Limit of Road Expenditure on Roads in Rathdown No. 2 Rural District to £2,132 for the year ending 31st March, 1911.

No. 125081/1909; Wicklow County. Local Government Board, Dublin, 20th October, 1909—Returning the Bonds of Collectors Wm. Burke, and C. S. Sutton, and stating that they are in satisfactory form.

No. 70011/1910; Wicklow County. Local Government Board, Dublin, 14th November, 1910—Sealed Order, consenting to the superannuation allowance of £40 per annum to John F. Evans, lately Poor Rate Collector for No. 12 Poor Rate Collecting District.

No. 144M/1910; Miscellaneous. Local Government Board, Dublin, 28th September, 1910—Notifying a stoppage of 32 per cent from the Government Grant in respect of the expenditure incurred for Medical and Educational Purposes by the Boards of Guardians in the County for the half-year ended 31st March, 1910, owing to the Local Taxation (Ireland) Account being insufficient to pay the full

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proportion. Amount of Paying Order received, £636 7s. 11d.; amount deducted, £299 9s. 7d.

No. 143M/1910; Miscellaneous. Local Government Board, Dublin, 30th September, 1910—Notifying a stoppage of 32 per cent. from the Government Grant in respect of the amounts which were paid as Salaries to the Sanitary Officers of the Rural Districts in the County for the half-year ended 31st March, 1910, owing to the Local Taxation (Ireland) Account being insufficient to pay the full proportion. Amount of Paying Order received, £95 10s. 6d.; amount deducted, £44 19s. 1d.

Chief Secretary's Office, Dublin Castle, 12th October, 1910—Notifying a stoppage of 32 per cent. from the Government Grant in respect of the Cost of Maintenance of Pauper Lunatics for the year ended 31st March, 1910, in the Richmond District Lunatic Asylum, owing to the Money available in the Local Taxation (Ireland) Account being insufficient to pay a larger proportion than 68 per cent. of the estimated charges falling to be met from the Account. Amount of Paying Order received, £574 1s. 3d.; amount deducted, £957 4s. 1d.

No. 107. Department of Agriculture, Dublin, 31st August, 1910—Printed copy of Sealed Order revoking the Order of 24th February, 1910, No. 103, prohibiting the Importation of Hay and Straw into Ireland from Sweden.

Department of Agriculture, Dublin, August, 1910—Circular letter dealing with the Importation Restrictions imposed in connection with Foot and Mouth Disease to be relaxed in Ireland from 1st September, 1910, inclusive.

No. 21639/1910. Department of Agriculture, Dublin, 21st October, 1910—Stating that two samples of Butter, taken in Newtownmountkennedy under the Sale of Food and Drugs Acts, were found on analysis to be pure.

No. 21640/1910. Department of Agriculture, Dublin, 21st October, 1910—Stating that four samples of Butter taken in Wicklow Butter Market under the Sale of Food and Drugs Acts were found on analysis to be pure.

From the Department of Agriculture and Technical Instruction for Ireland—Book showing the General Abstracts of the Agricultural Statistics of Ireland in each County and Province, year 1909-1910.

Dublin Castle, 1st November, 1910—From Under Secretary—Enclosing a copy of the Winter Assizes Order, 1910.

R/ST3269. Standards' Department, Board of Trade, Old Palace Yard, Westminster, London, S.W., 10th October, 1910—Stating that there is no objection to the continued use of the verification stamps bearing the mark "E.R." until such time as they may need replacing, owing to wear or damage.

No. A. 556. The Roads Board, 4 Cowley street, Westminster, London, S.W., 5th November, 1910—Acknowledging the Council's application for advances for re-construction of roads, dated 28th ultimo, with enclosures, which will be laid before the Roads Board at their next meeting.

Office of Public Works, Dublin, 3rd October, 1910—Notifying

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particulars of a loan of £1,400 to the Guardians of Rathdown Union under the Dispensary Houses (Ireland) Act, 1879.

29th October, 1910. From Clerk, Baltinglass No. 1 Rural District Council—Stating that his Council adopted the County Council's resolution respecting the Local Taxation (Ireland) Account.

7th November, 1910. From Clerk, Naas No. 2 Rural District Council—Enclosing copy of a resolution endorsing the terms of the County Council's resolution respecting the Local Taxation (Ireland) Account.

28th October, 1910. From Clerk, Rathdown No. 2 Rural District Council—Stating that his Council approved of the County Council's resolution respecting the Local Taxation (Ireland) Account.

15th November, 1910. From Clerk, Rathdrum Rural District Council—Enclosing copy of a resolution asking the Council to take the necessary steps to have the Close Season for Hares altered back to the 12th August in each year in the Rathdrum Rural District. Order—Read and noted.

Merginstown Glen, Dunlavin, 19th November, 1910. To the Chairman and Gentlemen of County Council.—“Gentlemen—I beg to return thanks for your kind vote of sympathy, passed at your meeting, relative to the deeply regretted death of my late sister-in-law, Mrs. Butterfield, Rathalla.—I remain, yours sincerely, Joseph Dunne.”

“Archbishop's House, Dublin, 5th September, 1910. Dear Sir,—I have great pleasure in acknowledging the resolution of congratulation and good wishes adopted by the County Council of the County of Wicklow in reference to the recent anniversary of my Episcopal Consecration. I beg to thank the Council for its kindly action in the matter. I remain, Dear Sir, your faithful servant, William J. Walsh, Archbishop of Dublin.”

17th November, 1910. From J. H. McCarroll, Solicitor, Church street, Wicklow—Asking the Council to have a Committee appointed to confer with Arklow Urban District Council and Rathdrum Rural District Council, relative to the Financial Adjustments rendered necessary by reason of the Arklow Urban District Order, 1909.

Proposed by Councillor E. C. Walsh, seconded by Councillor Patrick Short. Resolved—“That the question of Adjustment of our Finances with Arklow Urban be referred to the Finance Committee of this Council, with power to confer with the other bodies interested.” Passed.

7th October, 1910. From J. H. McCarroll, Solicitor, Church street, Wicklow—Reporting that the County Court Judge refused compensation at the hearing of the Hicks' Malicious Injury Claim.

7th October, 1910. From same—Reporting that the County Court Judge refused compensation at the hearing of Dr. Brady's Malicious Injury Claim; also reporting that Dr. Brady had served notice of appeal to the coming Assizes.

19th October, 1910. From same—Reporting that Dr. Brady's Solicitor had served notice of withdrawal of the appeal lodged in this case.

Form No. 2. Notice of Application for Compensation for Alleged

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Malicious Injury to the property of John Doyle, Park, Shillelagh. Amount claimed £100. Police report on same.

From A. O. Hood, Glenart Estate Office, Arklow—Correspondence relative to the letting of a plot of ground in Arklow by Colonel Proby to the County Council for the erection of a Technical School. Order—The lease to be with the County Council.

3rd November, 1910. From County Inspector, R.I.C., Wicklow—Reporting on the result of the inquiry into the breakages occurring to certain articles of the sub-standard weights and measures supplied to the Ex-Officio Inspectors of Weights and Measures in the County. Order—Four boxes to be ordered.

July, 1910. From Hon. Secretary, North of Ireland Veterinary Medical Association, Belfast—Enclosing resolution, viewing with disfavour the retrograde action of Dungannon Agricultural Association in discarding the veterinary examination of live stock exhibits.

3rd September, 1910. From Hon. Secretaries, Irish Roads Congress, 10 Leinster street, Dublin—Asking that the series of resolutions (enclosed), which were adopted by the Congress, be brought before the next County Council meeting.

21st September, 1910. From Secretary, Irish County Councils' General Council, 10 Leinster street, Dublin—Enclosing copy of a Memorandum prepared by his Executive Committee for submission to the Roads Board on the subject of a Joint Trunk Road Scheme for Ireland.

21st September, 1910. From same—Enclosing printed Report of the Higher Education Committee of his Council on the subject of proposed County Scholarships in the National University.

22nd September, 1910. From same—Asking if the Council desired any matters considered by his Council at their annual meeting, to be held in Dublin, on the 9th December, 1910.

29th August, 1910. From Rev. P. J. Dowling, C.M., St. Vincent's, Sheffield—Enclosing, for the Council's consideration, copies of his Scheme for the formation of an Irish Bureau of Industries, as submitted to the Irish Technical Instruction Association, and approved at their Sligo Congress.

November, 1910. From Assistant Secretary, United Irish League, Dublin—Enclosing printed copies of an article written by Mr. J. J. Clancy, M.P., K.C., on the question of Local Grants, recently occupying the attention of public bodies.

19th November, 1910. From Manager, St. Brigid's Inebriate Reformatory, Wexford—Asking the Council to agree to contribute 5s. 6d. per week towards the maintenance of inebriate women committed from County Wicklow to this Home.

## RESOLUTIONS FROM VARIOUS BODIES.

12th August, 1910. From Galway County Council—Copy of a resolution setting forth the claim of Galway to be made a Trans-Atlantic Port, and the advantages to be derived by all Ireland by this proposal being carried into maturity; and asking all County Councils to pass a similar resolution.

14th October, 1910. From Resident Medical Superintendent,

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Sligo District Lunatic Asylum—Enclosing copy of a resolution of his Committee of Management, dealing with the subject of the reduction of the Grants in aid to Irish Asylums to 68 per cent. of the sums claimed.

20th October, 1910. From Resident Medical Superintendent, Down District Lunatic Asylum, Downpatrick—Enclosing copy of a resolution of his Committee of Management dealing with the same subject.

26th October, 1910. From Clerk, North Dublin Union—Enclosing copy of a resolution of his Board of Guardians, relative to State aid for the Blind and Deaf Mutes.

MINUTES OF MEETING, 27TH FEBRUARY, 1911.

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The Winter Quarterly Meeting of the County Council, held in the Council Chamber, Court House, Wicklow, at 11.30 a.m., on Monday, the 27th February, 1911. The following Members attended:—Councillor Michael Byrne (in the chair); Councillors D. Condren, E. C. Walsh, Morgan Travers, John Murphy, Patrick Short, Edward Byrne, Joseph McCarroll, D. J. Cogan, E. J. Byrne, and James Galvin.

The Secretary read a telegram from the Chairman, Councillor E. P. O'Kelly, regretting he was unable to attend, owing to the storm.

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BUSINESS.

- 1—To consider report from the Finance Committee.
  - 2—To sign Quarterly Transfers on foot of Demands from the several Unions and Rural District Councils.
  - 3—To consider the proposals from the Proposals Committee.
  - 4—To consider proposals for payment from the five Rural Districts.
  - 5—To sign Treasurer's Advice Notes for the past quarter's payments.
  - 6—To consider proposals for contracts from the five Rural Districts.
  - 7—To consider Tenders sent forward to the County Council.
  - 8—To seal such contracts as have been approved by the County Council.
  - 9—To sign Applications for Refund of Expenses under the Diseases of Animals Acts.
  - 10—To consider the Estimates and strike the Rates for the year ending 31st March, 1912.
  - 11—To consider applications received for Licenses under the Poisons and Pharmacy Act, 1908.
  - 12—To receive and consider Reports from Committees.
  - 13—To consider Reports from County Officers.
  - 14—To consider Official Correspondence.
  - 15—To consider General Correspondence.
- Minutes of previous Meeting were read and confirmed.

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## FINANCE COMMITTEE'S REPORT No. 1.

Your Finance Committee met on Wednesday, the 8th February, 1911. Present—Councillor D. J. Cogan (chairman), Councillors Michael Byrne, and Joseph McCarroll.

The Committee, having examined the proposals for payment by the Proposals Committee, and from the Five Rural District Councils, recommend them for payment as follows:—

	£	s. d.	£	s. d.
County-at-Large—			6,015	17 3
Baltinglass No. 1—				
District Proposals	778	16 3		
Committee's Proposals	27	17 6	8 6	13 9
Naas No. 2—				
District Proposals	287	7 11		
Committee's Proposals	183	4 2	4 0	12 1
Rathdown No. 2—				
District Proposals	598	9 10		
Committee's Proposals	125	8 6	723	18 4
Rathdrum—				
District Proposals	1,818	3 10		
Arklow Roads	100	3 3		
Committee's Proposals	572	3 0	2,490	10 1
Shillelagh—				
District Proposals	504	18 6		
Committee's Proposals	102	2 9	607	1 3
Wicklow Urban—				
Committee's Proposals			18	1 0
Transfer to credit of Subsidiary Account (included in the County-at-Large total)			1,143	9 7

The Committee examined the Union and Rural District Demands submitted to them, and recommend the Council to make the following payments on foot of same:—

## TRANSFERS TO FUNDS OF UNIONS.

	£	s. d.
Baltinglass	870	5 0
Naas	270	5 0
Rathdown	1,042	0 0
Rathdrum	2,900	0 0
Shillelagh	755	10 0
	<u>£5,838</u>	<u>0 0</u>

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## TRANSFERS TO FUNDS OF RURAL DISTRICT COUNCILS.

	£	s. d.
Baltinglass No. 1	227	10 0
Naas No. 2	119	15 0
Rathdown No. 2	891	10 0
Rathdrum	1,137	10 0
Shillelagh	407	10 0
	<u>£2,783</u>	<u>15 0</u>

The Committee recommend for payment, subject to the approval of the Local Government Board, the following amount of rates declared to be irrecoverable:—No. 7—Collector C. S. Sutton, for the half-year ending 31st March, 1911, £104 7s. 6d.

The Committee recommend for payment a sum of £300 to the Returning Officer, Mr. Simon J. Doyle, to defray the expenses of the forthcoming Local Government Elections, under Article 6 (3) of the Application of Enactments Order, 1898.

Mr. Frank McPhail attended before the Committee in reference to his Account for Printing under his Contract, and claimed he is entitled to be paid for 100 copies when less are at first ordered, and for 1,000 in the same way, and to be paid for 50 or 500 additional at the rate per 100 or 1,000 subsequently ordered.

The Committee agreed to recommend this to be done, subject to Mr. McPhail giving an undertaking, in writing, should any surcharge be made by the Auditor that he will refund the sum so surcharged.

The Chairman read a letter, dated 2nd January, 1911, addressed to him by Robert Mosley, Bray, applying to the Committee to be paid as Contractor for the repairing of the Featherbed Road the sum of money contributed towards these same repairs by Mr. Guinness.

The Committee looks upon the contribution made by Mr. Guinness to the repair of this road as payable to the County Council in relief of the extra cost of these special repairs, and cannot admit the claim made by the Contractor, Mr. Mosley, who made his agreement with the County Surveyor, and entered into a contract to do the work at the price and for the sum set forth in such contract.

The Secretary's Estimates of the amounts required to provide for the liabilities and requirements of the Council for the ensuing Financial Year, 1911-1912, were submitted.

It will be observed that, although there is a decrease in the Estimate, amounting to £483 in the General County-at-Large expenditure, there is an increase of £1,232 in the Richmond District Lunatic Asylum Demand, which is explained in the letter of the Chief Clerk accompanying the Demand, copy of which is attached to this report. On the other hand, there is an estimated increase in Government Grants and other receipts of £270, after deducting which from the estimated expenditure, shows a net increase on the Estimate of £479, equal to One Shilling in the £1 on the estimate for the year 1911-1912, as against 11½d. in the £1 for the current Financial Year.

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Baltinglass Union shows a decrease in its Demand under the head of General Charges and Repayment of Loans of £270, while there is also an estimated increase of £185 to be placed to its credit, consisting of Government Grants and balance to credit at the end of the Financial Year, which will require a rate of 11½d. in the £1, as against a rate of 1s. 4½d. in the £1 for the current year.

The Rural District Council shows a decrease of £130 in its Demand, while there is an increase of £314 in road and other expenditure, showing a net increase of £184. However, this is reduced to £36 by an excess of credits of £148 over that of last year. There is an additional credit of £200 estimated balance on 31st March next, thus requiring a rate in the £1 of 1s. 4d., against 1s. 6d. for the present year.

Naas Union also shows a reduction in its Demand, reducing the rate from 1s. 4½d. in the present year to 1s. 2d. in the £1 for the ensuing year.

Naas No. 2 Rural District Council's Demand amounts to £1,418, as against £1,744 last year, which sum is further reduced by Government Grants and credit balances by £474, reducing it to £944, compared to £1,589 last year, thus requiring a rate of 1s. 4d. in the £1, as against a rate of 2s. 2½d. for the current year.

Rathdown Union shows a net reduction of £391, which reduces the rate to 1s. in the £1, against a rate of 1s. 1½d. for the current year.

Rathdown No. 2 District Council's nett requirements are less by £104 than last year, thus reducing the rate from 1s. 8d. to 1s. 7d. in the £1.

Rathdrum Union shows an increase of £400 in the amount of its Demand, the amount of last year's Demand being £10,900, while this year's amounts to £11,300, but whereas there was a sum of £521 added to the Demand last year for Government Grants withdrawn, this year there is an estimated increase of £493, making a difference in the balance of £1,014. The rate in the £1 for the ensuing year is one penny less than for the current year, being 1s. 5½d., against 1s. 6½d. respectively.

Rathdrum Rural District Council's Demand shows the very large increase of £1,656, notwithstanding that the estimate under the head of road expenditure shows a reduction of £200, in addition to which there is an estimated balance to credit at the end of this year of £1,000, and that the Urban District of Arklow reduces the area of the Rural District. Owing, however, to the substantial increase in the estimated receipts from Government Grants, and the large balance to credit, there is but little variation in the rate required—viz., 1s. 7d. in the £1, as against 1s. 6½d. for the current year.

Shillelagh Union Demand is reduced by £100, and owing to an increase of £166 in the Government Grants, the rate required is 1s. 3½d. in the £1, against a rate of 1s. 6½d. for the present year.

Shillelagh Rural District Council's Estimate is practically the same as last year, but owing to a substantial increase in the estimated Government Grants, and a credit balance of £367, the rate is reduced from 1s. 7d. for the current year to 1s. 3d. in the £1 for the ensuing year.

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It will be observed that in the case of Unions in last year's Estimate, a total sum of £1,170, distributed over the five Unions, and a further sum of £1,258, distributed over the five Rural Districts, had to be added to the Estimates under the head of Government Grants withdrawn under Land Act, 1903, making a total of £2,428 over the county, and that there is no such charge in this year's Estimates. This is due to the beneficent effects of the Land Act of 1909. This accounts in a large measure for the substantial sums to be brought to the credit of each Council and Board of Guardians.

On the other hand, we are threatened with a serious reduction in the sum payable by the Government as Capitation Grant for the maintenance of lunatics, and contributions under the Medical Charities, Sanitary, and other Acts, having got notice some months ago of a reduction in these Grants of 33 per cent. It is hoped, however, that when the Government comes to deal with the re-adjustment of Local Taxation this matter will be satisfactorily settled.

The Committee had under consideration the following resolutions of the Naas No. 2 Rural District Council, remitted to it by the County Council, but are unable to recommend the Council to adopt them, and have therefore included the rate under the Agriculture and Technical Instruction Acts in their Estimate for the ensuing year:—

Resolved—“That the Council consider the propriety of adopting a resolution calling upon the Wicklow County Council to levy no further rate in the Naas No. 2 Rural District under the Agriculture and Technical Instruction Acts, having regard to the fact that there is practically no benefit resulting therefrom to the ratepaying public, who are of opinion that the Acts should be at once discontinued.”

Resolved—“That the County Council be informed that this Council are unanimously of opinion that no sufficient benefit results from the operation of the Acts, and as the present high rates press heavily upon the ratepayers, the Council feel that the County Council should take prompt steps to put an end to what is regarded as a waste of public money.”

The following resolution was adopted, and if the Council approves of it it will be necessary to add the rate agreed on to the County-at-Large Estimate for the ensuing year:—

It was proposed by Councillor Joseph McCarroll, seconded by Councillor D. J. Cogan, and resolved—“That we recommend the County Council to strike a rate not exceeding a half-penny in the pound, for the purposes of Scholarships in the National University, the conditions of bestowing these Scholarships to be arranged by a Committee to be appointed by the County Council at their next meeting.”

All which your Committee beg to submit as their Report this 8th day of February, 1911.

D. J. COGAN, Chairman.



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APPENDIX I.  
COUNTY CHARGES.

	1911-12	1910-11	Increase	Decrease
	£	£	£	£
Asylum Demand ... ..	10,513	9,281	1,232	
Other Expenditure ... ..	7,802	8,285		483
<b>Total</b> ... ..	<b>£18,315</b>	<b>£17,566</b>	<b>£749 nett</b>	
Credits—Government Grants ... ..	3,080	2,680	400	
Other Receipts .. ..	791	921		130
<b>Total</b> ... ..	<b>£3,871</b>	<b>£3,601</b>	<b>£270 nett</b>	

Nett increase in the Estimate, £479.

BALTINGLASS UNION.

	Demand 1911-12	Demand 1910-11	Increase	Decrease	Govt. Grants withdrawn and debited last year.	Estimated balance in favour 31st Mar., '11
	£	£	£	£	£	£
General Charges ... ..	3,347	3,616		269	219	
Loans ... ..	67	68		1		
<b>Total</b> ... ..	<b>£3,414</b>	<b>£3,684</b>		<b>£270</b>	<b>£219</b>	
Credits (other than Money supplied on Demand)—viz, Govt Grants, Estimated Credit Balance ... ..	748	563	185			400

BALTINGLASS NO. 1 RURAL DISTRICT.

	1911-12	1910-11	Increase	Decrease	Govt. Grants withdrawn and debited last year.	Estimated balance in favour 31st Mar., '11
	£	£	£	£	£	£
Demand ... ..	370	500		130		
Road Expenditure ... ..	3,200	2,900	300			
Other Expenditure ... ..	256	242	14		233	
<b>Total</b> ... ..	<b>£3,826</b>	<b>£3,642</b>	<b>£184 nett</b>		<b>£233</b>	
Credits (other than Money supplied on Demand)—viz, Govt Grants and Credit Balance ... ..	421	273	148			200

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NAAS UNION

	Demand 1911-12	Demand 1910-11	Increase	Decrease	Govt. Grants withdrawn and debited last year.	Estimated balance in favour 31st Mar., '11
	£	£	£	£	£	£
General Charges ... ..	1,023	1,078		55	58	
Loans ... ..	29	29				
<b>Total</b> ... ..	<b>£1,052</b>	<b>£1,107</b>		<b>£55</b>	<b>£58</b>	
Credits (other than Money supplied on Demand)—viz, Govt Grants, Estimated Credit Balance ... ..	226	167	59			

NAAS NO. 2 RURAL DISTRICT.

	1911-12	1910-11	Increase	Decrease	Govt. Grants withdrawn and debited last year.	Estimated balance in favour 31st Mar., '11
	£	£	£	£	£	£
Demand ... ..	188	316		128		
Road Expenditure ... ..	1,100	1,200		100		
Other Expenditure ... ..	130	108	22		120	
<b>Total</b> ... ..	<b>£1,418</b>	<b>£1,624</b>		<b>£206 nett</b>	<b>£120</b>	
Credits (other than Money supplied on Demand)—viz, Govt Grants and Credit Balance ... ..	274	155	119			200

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## RATHDOWN UNION.

	Demand 1911-12	Demand 1910-11	Increase	Decrease	Govt. Grants withdrawn and debited last year.	Estimated balance in favour 31st Mar., '11
General Charges ...	£ 3,768	£ 3,800	£	£ 32	£ 191	£
Loans ...	200	198	2			
Total ...	£3,968	£3,998		£30 nett	£191	
Credits (other than Money supplied on Demand)—viz, Govt Grants, &c. ...	669	499	170			

## RATHDOWN NO. 2 RURAL DISTRICT.

	1911-12	1910-11	Increase	Decrease	Govt. Grants withdrawn and debited last year.	Estimated balance in favour 31st Mar., '11
Demand ...	£ 326	£ 456	£	£ 130	£	£
Road Expenditure ...	2,200	1,882	318			
Other Expenditure ...	482	425	57		107	
Total ...	£3,008	£2,763	£245 nett		£107	
Credits (other than Money supplied on Demand)—viz, Govt Grants, &c. ...	400	158	242			

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## RATHDRUM UNION.

	Demand 1911-12	Demand 1910-11	Increase	Decrease	Govt. Grants withdrawn and debited last year.	Estimated balance in favour 31st Mar., '11
General Charges ...	£ 11,000	£ 10,620	£ 380	£	£ 521	£
Loans ...	300	280	20			
Total ...	£11,300	£10,900	£400		£521	
Credits (other than Money supplied on Demand)—viz, Govt Grants, &c. ..	1,932	1,439	493			

## RATHDRUM RURAL DISTRICT.

	1911-12	1910-11	Increase	Decrease	Govt. Grants withdrawn and debited last year.	Estimated balance in favour 31st Mar., '11
Demand ...	£ 3,200	£ 1,402	£ 1,798	£	£	£
Road Expenditure ...	7,400	7,600		200		
Other Expenditure ...	809	751	58		593	
Total ...	£11,409	£9,753	£1,656 nt		£593	
Credits (other than Money supplied on Demand)—viz, Govt Grants and Credit Balance ...	1,123	724	399			1,000

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## SHILLELAGH UNION.

	Demand 1911-12	Demand 1910-11	Increase	Decrease	Govt. Grants withdrawn and debited last year.	Estimated balance in favour 31st Mar., '11
	£	£	£	£	£	£
General Charges ...	2,978	3,076		98	181	
Loans ...	22	24		2		
<b>Total</b> ...	<b>£3,000</b>	<b>£3,100</b>		<b>£100</b>	<b>£181</b>	
Credits (other than Money supplied on Demand)—viz, Govt Grants, &c. ...	660	494	166			

## SHILLELAGH RURAL DISTRICT.

	1911-12	1910-11	Increase	Decrease	Govt. Grants withdrawn and debited last year.	Estimated balance in favour 31st Mar., '11
	£	£	£	£	£	£
Demand ...	735	710	25			
Road Expenditure ...	2,075	1,850	225			
Other Expenditure ...	188	221		33	205	
<b>Total</b> ...	<b>£2,998</b>	<b>£2,781</b>	<b>£217 nett</b>		<b>£205</b>	
Credits (other than Money supplied on Demand)—viz, Govt Grants and Credit Balance ...	359	121	238			367

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## APPENDIX II.

Richmond District Asylum,  
Dublin, January 28th, 1911.

The Secretary, Wicklow County Council, Court-house, Wicklow.

Dear Sir,

I am directed by the Joint Committee to forward herewith official estimate and demand on the County Council of Wicklow for the ensuing financial year, 1911-12, amounting to a total of £10,513.

The total asylum estimate includes an item of £6,000 for the maintenance of 300 additional workhouse lunatics whom the Joint Committee propose to take over at the beginning of next financial year from the Poor Law Union authorities of the district, in fulfilment of the statutory obligation imposed on them by section 9 (1) and section 58 (2) (c) of the Local Government Act, 1898.

For a considerable number of years after the passing of the Act nothing was done to provide additional accommodation for the lunatics who remained in the workhouses of the district. Portrane Asylum, which was originally designed to provide for them, as well as to cope with the ordinary increase in insanity, proved quite unable to accommodate them, the increase in the asylum population having been such that the ordinary admissions filled all the additional accommodation which had been provided. In the year 1894, when the plans for Portrane were ordered to be prepared, the average number of lunatics resident was 1,503. In 1909-10, the last financial year for which the records are complete, the daily average number resident was 3,137, representing a total increase of 1,630 patients in fifteen years, or 400 more than the new asylum at Portrane was able to accommodate.

As the additional expense consequent upon the transfer of workhouse lunatics to the asylum could not in the ordinary course of events be compensated for by a corresponding reduction in the Poor Law Union charges, save to an inconsiderable degree, the Joint Committee hesitated to impose further capital expenditure on the ratepayers, pending the report of the Poor Law Commission. It was hoped that, as this difficulty existed in practically every county in Ireland, some National settlement of the matter might result from their recommendations. This has not been the case, however, and the Lord Lieutenant, as he is empowered to do by the Local Government Act, called upon the Committee two years ago to carry out the full obligations imposed upon them by the Act, and to assume their legal responsibility for the care of every lunatic in the district.

Over 200 patients have already been taken in from the workhouses, and the additional buildings in course of erection at Richmond for the accommodation of 300 more are now practically complete, and the furniture is on order.

For the purpose of comparison with last year's estimate, if the sum of £6,000 for these additional patients is excluded from our present demand, the total amount is £104,840, as against £104,861 last year, the figures being practically identical for a similar number of patients. Last year's estimate, however, included a deficit of £1,161 brought

forward from the previous year, and, under ordinary circumstances, our estimate this year should be less by this amount for the same number of patients. It is counterbalanced, however, by the very general increase which has taken place in the price of all supplies under our last annual contracts, particularly in the case of provisions. Butter increased 11s. 6d. per cwt., adding £450 to our expenses; sugar increased 72s. 6d. per ton, adding £220; bacon increased 16s. 6d. per cwt.; beef, mutton, and other provision supplies also showed considerable advances, and the same thing occurred under other heads of expenditure. As there is no indication of any general decrease in prices—rather the contrary—the Committee are bound to frame their present estimate on the revised figures of last year's contracts. In provisions alone this has added £1,000 to our expenses.

In apportioning the total demand, £110,840, the Co. Wicklow share works out at £10,513, which is £1,232 in excess of last year's demand. £566 of this is the proportion of the extra sum of £6,000 for workhouse lunatics. The balance, £666, is due to the fact that next year the County Wicklow pay a very much higher PROPORTION of the expenses than they have been paying for the last twelve years—viz., 9.446 per cent. For the three years ending March, 1911, the proportion of expenses chargeable against Wicklow was 8.796 per cent., this being less by .65 per cent. than the average for the next three years, equivalent to between £650 and £700 per annum.

Under Sub-section 7 of Section 9 of the Local Government Act, asylum expenses must be defrayed by County Councils, "in proportion to the number of lunatics from each county, according to the average of the three local financial years which ended next before the last triennial election of County Councillors." The year 1911-12 will commence a new triennial period, under the Act, and the nearest approximation which can be made to the average which will then be in force is the proportion 292-3091 (equal to 9.446 per cent.) of the total number of patients to 31st March, 1911, based on the ascertained figures for two and a-half years.

For the first triennial period, ended March, 1902, the County Wicklow paid a higher proportion of the expenses than the proportion of their patients to the total in the same period, but the reverse has been the case in the succeeding periods ended March, 1905, March, 1908, and March, 1911. In the current three years to 31st March, 1911, Wicklow has paid 8.796 per cent. of the expenses, whereas the number of County Wicklow patients to the total number resident has been 9.446 per cent.

The system of using an average three years old is cumbersome, and highly unsatisfactory as well, in dealing with large financial transactions. The Joint Committee have drawn the attention of the Government to the matter, and have endeavoured to get the law amended, but without effect. The old system prevailing prior to the Local Government Act of charging each county with the actual cost of the maintenance of its patients each year was much more satisfactory.

The Joint Committee regret that their estimate is not a more favourable one, but in view of the enormous increase in the number of patients in recent years, the estimates both for capital charges and maintenance were bound to very largely increase. I enclose a table,

showing the increase in the County Wicklow patients since 1890, and also showing the triennial averages used in apportioning the expenses. Since 1890 the daily average number of County Wicklow patients resident has increased from 108 to 295, and the same thing has been the case with the other counties of the asylum district.

If the Capitation Grant is paid in full to the County Wicklow Council next year the Committee estimate it will amount to £2,960. Unless, however, Parliament increases the income of the Local Taxation Account, it is insufficient to discharge the obligations placed on it, and this figure will be subject to considerable reduction, as in the present year.

The Crown have accepted the decision of the Court of Appeal with regard to the claim for arrears of Capitation Grant for the first three months of 1899. The claim in the case of County Wicklow amounts to the sum of £423 6s. 7d., and it will be paid in a short time.

Yours faithfully,

W. J. MURPHY,

Chief Clerk.

Table showing the daily average number of patients resident in the Asylum from the County of Wicklow for each year since 1890:

Year.	No.	
1890	108	
1891	121	
1892	125	
1893	136	
1894	129	
1895	127	
1896	141	Average No. 158 = 8.532 per cent. of population (1852).
1897	158	
1898	166	
(13 months) 1899-1900	174	Average No. 175 = 7.894 per cent. of population (2217).
1900-1	174	
1901-2	175	
1902-3	197	Average No. 208 = 8.163 per cent. of population (2548).
1903-4	204	
1904-5	211	
1905-6	237	Average No. 249 = 8.796 per cent. of population (2831).
1906-7	250	
1907-8	260	
1908-9	289	Average ABOUT 292 = 9.446 per cent. of population (3091).
1909-10	295	
1910-11	(Not yet ascertained).	

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FINANCE COMMITTEE'S REPORT No. 2.

Your Finance Committee met on Friday, the 24th February, 1911. Present:—Councillor P. Short (in the chair); Councillors J. J. Reilly, and Joseph McCarroll. The Committee recommend for payment by the County Council the following additional proposal:—Naas No. 2—

To Thomas M. Cobbe, amount of Malicious Injury  
Decree ... .. £9 0 8  
(Signed), P. SHORT, Chairman.

24th February, 1911.

FINANCE COMMITTEE'S REPORT No. 3.

Your Finance Committee met on Monday, 27th February, 1911. Present:—Councillor D. J. Cogan (Chairman). Also present: Councillors E. Byrne, Joseph McCarroll, and P. Short. The Committee recommend that a cheque be drawn and be made payable to the Urban District of Arklow on the first day of April next, for the sum of £553 9s. 3d., being the estimated balance which will be then standing to the credit of the Arklow Urban District.

(Signed), D. J. COGAN, Chairman.

27th February, 1911.

Proposed by Councillor D. J. Cogan, seconded by Councillor E. J. Byrne. Resolved—That the Finance Committee's Reports be hereby adopted. Passed.

Proposed by Councillor E. J. Byrne, seconded by Councillor P. Short. Resolved—That the Treasurer's Advice Note for the Transfers on foot of Demands from the several Unions and Rural Districts be now signed. Passed.

COMMITTEE'S REPORT ON FINANCIAL ADJUSTMENTS,

Rendered necessary by Arklow Urbanisation.

The Joint Committee, consisting of Representatives from the Wicklow County Council, the Rathdrum Rural District Council, and the Arklow Urban District Council, appointed to confer together on the Financial Adjustments rendered necessary by reason of the Arklow Urban District Order, 1909, met in the Council Chamber, Court House, on Tuesday, the 31st January, 1911. Present:—Councillor D. J. Cogan (in the chair); Councillors Patrick Short, J. J. Reilly, and Joseph McCarroll, representing the County Council. Messrs. P. J. Carey, J.P.; William Byrne, J.P.; Joseph Clarke, and J. H. McCarroll, solicitor, representing the Rathdrum Rural District Council. Mr. E. C. Walsh, Lord Wicklow, Mr. Michael Waldron, and the Acting Town Clerk, Mr. T. P. Kavanagh, representing the Arklow Urban District Council.

Having carefully considered the several matters involved, the

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following agreements were come to, and signed by the several representatives:—The representatives appointed by the Urban District Council of Arklow to confer with the representatives of the County Council, and of the Rural District Council of Rathdrum, relative to the Financial Adjustments requisite in consequence of the Urbanisation of Arklow, promise and agree that the Urban District Council of Arklow will pass a resolution authorising the County Council to continue the collection of the current poor rates within the Arklow Urban District, up till and including the 31st March, 1911; and further authorising and requesting the County Council to continue to discharge the payments due on existing contracts up to the 31st March, 1911, and that the County Surveyor, with the consent of the County Council, be authorised and requested to enter into short contracts on behalf of the Urban District Council of Arklow for the upkeep of the roads within the Urban District until the 30th September, 1911.

The Representatives of the Rathdrum Rural District Council and of the Arklow Urban District Council at this Financial Adjustment Conference, hereby agree that the Rathdrum Rural District Council do pay to Arklow Urban District Council a sum equal to the Rural District Council expenditure on the area now included in the Urban District during the half-year ended 30th September, 1910, after deducting therefrom the amount already expended on said area during the current half-year. At the close of the current half-year when the books are closed on the 31st March, 1911, the actual balance as between the two Councils to be struck and paid over by the Council liable thereto.

The Representatives of the Arklow and Rathdrum Councils hereby mutually agree that the costs of the Sanitary Officers, Dr. O'Keeffe and Dr. Hamilton, be borne by each Council in the following proportion, that is to say, Rathdrum Rural District to pay £17. 10s. 0d., and the Arklow Urban District £12 10s. 0d.

The foregoing articles were signed by each of the several representatives present.

D. J. COGAN, Chairman.

January 31st, 1911.

Confirmed by the County Council.

M. BYRNE, Chairman.

27th February, 1911.

Proposed by Councillor E. C. Walsh, seconded by Councillor D. Condren. Resolved—"That, in accordance with the finding of the Committee appointed to investigate the Financial Relations between this Council, Rathdrum District Council, and Arklow Urban Council, that there will be an estimated balance of £553 9s. 3d. due to Arklow on the 31st March next, we hereby agree to hand this sum of £553 9s. 3d. over to Arklow Urban Council forthwith." Passed.

REPORT OF THE WORKS COMMITTEE.

Your Works Committee met on Friday, 24th February, 1911. Present: Councillor Patrick Short (in the chair); Councillors J. J.

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Reilly, and Joseph McCarroll. Having carefully considered the letter from the Roads Board, dated 9th February, 1911, and the accompanying map showing the one road in this county, through Roundwood, Laragh, and Rathdrum, and having heard a deputation from the Wicklow Urban Council protesting against the main county road through The Downs, Newtownmountkennedy, and Ashford being left out, passed the following resolution:—Proposed by Councillor Joseph McCarroll, seconded by Councillor J. J. Reilly. Resolved—“That this Committee of the County Council, having fully considered the letter dated 9th February, 1911, from the Roads Board, forwarding a map of the proposed roads, strongly urge on the County Council the absolute necessity of making the Main Trunk Road from Bray to Wicklow and Arklow, the old Coach road via Rathdrum, to be done in conjunction with the Tourist road from Kilmacanogue to Roundwood, to Glendalough and Rathdrum, and that it should be started forthwith. That Councillors Short and Reilly be suggested as representatives of Council, with County Surveyor, to attend Conference in Dublin.”

(Signed), PATRICK SHORT, Chairman.

24th February, 1911.

Having heard a deputation from Wicklow Urban District Council, protesting against the Main County Road from Bray to Wicklow, via The Downs, Newtownmountkennedy and Ashford, being passed over by the Roads Board when framing their proposals, it was proposed by Councillor P. Short, seconded by Councillor John Murphy, and resolved—“That we confirm and adopt the report of our Works Committee on the Roads Board's letter, and that Councillors D. J. Cogan, P. Short, J. J. Reilly, and the County Surveyor be the County Council's representatives; and we consent to raise a loan amounting to a sum equal to five times the costs of said roads on a three years' average.” Passed.

Proposals for Payment from the Proposals Committee, and from the Five Rural District Councils, were passed as follows:—

#### COUNTY-AT-LARGE:

Proposed by Councillor Patrick Short, seconded by Councillor J. McCarroll. Resolved—“That we hereby approve of the foregoing Proposals for Payment on the County-at-Large, amounting to £6.015 17s. 3d. (any modification made therein having been first initialled by the Chairman), and order the same to be paid.” Passed.

#### BALTINGLASS NO. 1:

Proposed by Councillor D. Condren, seconded by Councillor E. C. Walsh. Resolved—“That we hereby approve of the foregoing Proposals for Payment on Baltinglass No. 1 Rural District, amounting to £806 13s. 9d. (any modification made therein having been first initialled by the Chairman), and order the same to be paid.” Passed.

#### NAAS NO. 2:

Proposed by Councillor John Murphy, seconded by Councillor E. J. Byrne. Resolved—“That we hereby approve of the foregoing

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Proposals for Payment on Naas No. 2 Rural District, amounting to £479 12s. 9d. (any modification made therein having been first initialled by the Chairman), and order the same to be paid.” Passed.

#### RATHDOWN NO. 2:

Proposed by Councillor Morgan Travers, seconded by Councillor John Murphy. Resolved—“That we hereby approve of the foregoing Proposals for Payment on Rathdown No. 2 Rural District, amounting to £723 18s. 4d. (any modification made therein having been first initialled by the Chairman), and order the same to be paid.” Passed.

#### RATHDRUM:

Proposed by Councillor Patrick Short, seconded by Councillor E. C. Walsh. Resolved—“That we hereby approve of the foregoing Proposals for Payment on Rathdrum Rural District, amounting to £2,490 10s. 1d. (any modification made therein having been first initialled by the Chairman), and order the same to be paid.” Passed.

#### SHILLELAGH:

Proposed by Councillor E. J. Byrne, seconded by Councillor John Murphy. Resolved—“That we hereby approve of the foregoing Proposals for Payment on Shillelagh Rural District, amounting to £607 1s. 3d. (any modification made therein having been first initialled by the Chairman), and order the same to be paid.” Passed.

#### WICKLOW URBAN:

Proposed by Councillor Patrick Short, seconded by Councillor E. C. Walsh. Resolved—“That we hereby approve of the foregoing Proposals for Payment on Wicklow Urban District, amounting to £18 1s. 0d. (any modification made therein having been first initialled by the Chairman), and order the same to be paid.” Passed.

#### ARKLOW URBAN:

Proposed by Councillor E. C. Walsh, seconded by Councillor D. Condren. Resolved—“That we hereby approve of the Proposal to Pay the Treasurer of Arklow Urban Council the sum of £553 9s. 5d., being the amount estimated to be due to this body on 31st March, 1911, Paying Order to issue on or after 1st April next.” Passed.

#### ELECTION EXPENSES:

Proposed by Councillor J. McCarroll, seconded by Councillor P. Short. Resolved—“That we hereby approve of the foregoing Proposal for Payment to meet Election Expenses, amounting to £300, and order the same to be paid.” Passed.

Proposed by Councillor E. C. Walsh, seconded by Councillor Patrick Short. Resolved—“That the Treasurer's Advice Notes for the Quarterly Payments, as approved by this Council, be now signed.” Passed.

Proposals for Contracts from the Proposals Committee, and the Five Rural District Councils.

#### PROPOSALS COMMITTEE:

Form 20—Proposal, already passed provisionally, to raise a loan for the purpose of erecting and equipping buildings for Technical

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Instruction purposes in Arklow and in Baltinglass, in the County of Wicklow. The said loan to be raised upon the security of the rate now levied for Technical Instruction purposes over the whole of the County of Wicklow, excluding Bray Urban District and Wicklow Urban District, and the interest on and repayment of loan to be made from the funds now allocated to Technical Instruction, and as provided for in the Scheme of Technical Instruction for the said County of Wicklow. The amount to be expended on the buildings in the town of Arklow to be £2,500, and the amount to be expended on the buildings in Baltinglass to be £500. The cost of same not to exceed the total sum of three thousand pounds, to be raised by loan extending the repayment of same over a period of forty-four years. Approved.

## BALTINGLASS NO. 1:

The tender of John Burke, Knocknadruce, Valleymount, was accepted for Permanent Index No. 55, 1,162 perches of road, at 6d. per perch; £29 1s. 0d. per annum. Guarantors—Patrick Walsh, Killafeen, Sevéchurches, and John Merrigan, Brockagh.

Remaining contracts, as submitted, approved and confirmed.

## NAAS NO. 2:

Contracts, as submitted, approved and confirmed.

## RATHDOWN NO. 2:

Road No. 365 in the District Register, 148 perches, was placed in charge of the County Surveyor.

The contract sent forward for road No. 376 in the District Register, 1,277 perches, was rejected, and the road placed in charge of the County Surveyor.

Remaining contracts, as submitted, approved and confirmed.

## RATHDRUM:

The tender of Patrick Byrne, The Downs, Delgany, was accepted for Road No. 37 in the District Register, 903 perches, at 6 $\frac{3}{4}$ d. per perch, amounting to £24 16s. 5d. per annum. Guarantors—Edward Connolly, Downs, Delgany, and Edward Cleary, Kilcoole.

The tender of William Hollingsworth, Poulaphuca, Ovoca, was accepted for Road No. 51 in the District Register, 1,196 perches, at 6 $\frac{3}{4}$ d. per perch, amounting to £33 12s. 7d. per annum. Guarantors—William Prestage, Carracole, Arklow, and John Cuthbert, Ballydonnell, Ovoca.

The tender of Patrick Doyle, Ballyguilemore, Wicklow, was accepted for Road No. 75 in the District Register, 669 perches, at 5d p.p., amounting to £13 18s. 9d. per annum. Guarantors—John Murphy, Kilpoole Hill, Wicklow, and Patrick Murphy, Kilpoole Hill, Wicklow.

The proposals for Contracts sent forward for the following roads were rejected, and the roads given in charge of the County Surveyor:

District	Register	No.	perches.
		27	892
	"	32	668
	"	33	624
	"	83	845
	"	97	945
	"	100	998
	"	101	642

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The following roads, for which there were no tenders, were also given in charge of the County Surveyor:

District	Register	No.	perches.
		9	1024
	"	10	310
	"	19	523
	"	21	1052
	"	25	880
	"	31	825
	"	36	664
	"	38	510
	"	60	570
	"	72	470
	"	86	937
	"	87	877
	"	98	960
	"	99	370
	"	102	547

Remaining Contracts, as submitted, were approved and confirmed.

An application received from Major T. W. Gardiner's Agent, Mr. James Currie Trench, Estates Office, Dundrum For permission to place a weighing machine temporarily at the side of the road at Ballycullen Wood, for the weighing of timber, was referred to the County Surveyor.

## SHILLELAGH:

Contract No. 73 in the District Register, 1,010 perches, taken by James Tallon, Killabeg, Shillelagh, was cancelled for neglect, on the application of the County Surveyor, and the road given in his charge from 1st April, 1911.

Contracts and Provisional Proposal, Form 21, as submitted, approved and confirmed.

Proposed by Councillor John Murphy, seconded by Councillor Michael Byrne. Resolved—"That all roads not tendered for be placed in charge of the County Surveyor." Passed.

Proposed by Councillor John Murphy, seconded by Councillor D. J. Cogan. Resolved—"That the several contracts which have been approved of at this Quarterly Meeting be now signed and sealed." Passed.

Proposed by Councillor E. J. Byrne, seconded by Councillor Edward Byrne. Resolved—"That we now sign and seal the two Certificates for Refund of Expenses under the Diseases of Animals Acts." Passed.

## SECRETARY'S REPORT

To the County Council, Wicklow, 27th February, 1911.

Gentlemen,

The estimates for the rates which will require to be struck for the service of the twelve months ending 31st March, 1912, come before you for adoption at this meeting. The Finance Committee has reported on them; I need not, therefore, further refer to them. You

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should at this meeting appoint the date for holding the Triennial Election of Councillors. I would recommend that Wednesday, the 31st May next, be fixed for that purpose; this will enable the Annual Meeting of the Council to be held on Monday, the 12th of June. I would ask the Council to give specific directions with regard to the application for payment of the solicitor's bills of costs. Every other application for payment has to comply with the Statute, and be lodged with the Council at the time prescribed by Statute and by the Order in Council, in order that they may be carefully gone through by the Council's officials, and any question that may arise on them be noted, and that they may then be checked by your Finance Committee before payment. But these bills of costs, amounting to hundreds of pounds each are, practically without exception, handed to the Chairman while the Quarterly Meeting of the County Council is in progress, and he is desired then and there to sign and seal a requisition and hand them back to the solicitor, which requisition contains the statement that the Council binds itself to pay whatever sum the bill may come to when taxed, and this without the bill ever having been seen by an one connected with the Council. I have drawn attention to this matter on a number of occasions, and comprises have been suggested, but I feel that the matter as it stands is irregular and unsatisfactory. I do not for one moment suggest that anything in the bills themselves is irregular or improper, but your officials cannot, and will not, be responsible for payments made on accounts submitted in this manner. I would ask you to direct that all these costs and the applications for their payment be given in accordance with Article 7, etc., of the Procedure of Councils' Order, as every other application is, and that the Finance Committee when checking them shall, if necessary, strike out or amend any item in same which they find is not authorised, before recommending the Council to direct its taxation, and, lastly, that the Council, and not the solicitor claiming payment, should nominate the gentleman to represent the Council at the taxation. I have since the last Quarterly Meeting received anonymously through the post a sum of one pound twelve shillings as restitution or conscience money, apparently from some former temporary clerk, which I have lodged to credit of the county. You should now make a final decision with regard to the injuries done to the standard scale beam and the county measures. The final report from the Constabulary is before you. It appears evident that the damage was caused by negligence. Since writing this report I have received a very belated payment from the Treasury, being the contested Capitation Grant to the Lunatic Asylum of £423 for the three months from 1st January, 1899, to 31st March of that year.

I am, Gentlemen, yours faithfully,

E. WYNNE, Secretary.

Adopted.

Proposed by Councillor D. J. Cogan, seconded by Councillor E. C. Walsh. Resolved—"That we hereby confirm and adopt the Estimates (Forms 45 and 46), now submitted to us, and determine

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the Rates in the £1 to be levied in each Rural District in the County by means of the Poor Rate.

Name of Rural District.	Rates on Land.		Rates on Other Hereditaments.	
	s.	d.	s.	d.
Baltinglass No. 1 ...	1	8	3	3 $\frac{1}{4}$
Naas No. 2 ...	1	10 $\frac{3}{4}$	3	5 $\frac{3}{4}$
Rathdown No. 2 ...	2	5 $\frac{1}{2}$	3	7
Rathdrum ...	2	7 $\frac{1}{2}$	4	0 $\frac{1}{4}$
Shillelagh ...	2	0 $\frac{1}{2}$	3	6 $\frac{1}{2}$

## SEPARATE CHARGES.

	d.
Baltinglass No. 1, Public Health ...	0 $\frac{1}{2}$
Sewerage—Dunlavin Dispensary District ...	1 $\frac{1}{4}$
Hollywood and Dunlavin County Divisions—Compulsory Education ...	0 $\frac{1}{4}$
Naas No. 2, Public Health Charge ...	1 $\frac{1}{2}$
Criminal Injury—Killbeg and Lackan Townlands ...	12 $\frac{1}{4}$
Rathdown No. 2, Public Health Charge ...	2 $\frac{1}{2}$
Greystones Water Supply and Delgany Sewer ...	2 $\frac{1}{2}$
Greystones Sewerage ...	13 $\frac{1}{2}$
Enniskerry Sewer ...	3 $\frac{1}{4}$
Greystones Lighting ...	1 $\frac{1}{4}$
Rathdrum Public Health Charge ...	...
Newcastle Dispensary District—Compulsory Education ...	0 $\frac{1}{4}$
Annamoe Dispensary District—Compulsory Education ...	0 $\frac{3}{4}$
Johnstown Water Supply ...	3 $\frac{1}{4}$
Killoughter Water Supply ...	2
Shillelagh Public Health Charge ...	0 $\frac{3}{4}$
Criminal Injury—Shillelagh E.D. ...	0 $\frac{3}{4}$
Arklow Harbour ...	2
Wicklow Harbour ...	3 $\frac{3}{4}$
Dublin and Blessington Steam Tramway ...	3
Criminal Injury—Barony of South Ballinacor ...	0 $\frac{3}{4}$

Passed.

Proposed by Councillor D. J. Cogan, seconded by Councillor E. C. Walsh. Resolved—"That we hereby, in accordance with the Estimates on Forms 45 and 46, and with the Valuation Lists (so far as they have been supplied to us by the General Valuation Office) do determine the amounts to be demanded from each Urban District Council, as follows:—

Name of Urban District.	General Charges.			Separate Charges.			Total.		
	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
Arklow ...	767	8	0	166	10	0	933	18	0
Bray ...	2,673	10	1	—	—	—	2,673	10	1
Wicklow ...	714	15	6	147	10	0	862	5	6

Passed.



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Proposed by Councillor D. J. Cogan, seconded by Councillor J. McCarroll. Resolved—"That having received a sum of £423 6s. 7d. in favour of the County-at-Large since the Rates Estimates were completed, we hereby set this sum off as against the halfpenny in the pound now passed for Scholarships in the National University, thus including this latter in the General Estimate of Rates without altering the calculations." Passed.

Proposed by Councillor E. J. Byrne, seconded by Councillor E. Byrne. Resolved—"That in future tenders not taken up at the Rural District meetings be not sent forward or accepted before the County Council at their Quarterly Meeting; if not tendered for before the District Council, the roads and works concerned will be left derelict." Passed.

Proposed by Councillor E. J. Byrne, seconded by Councillor John Murphy. Resolved—"That this Council will not in future accept or approve any tender sent forward from a Rural District Council which does not comply with the terms of the tender form prepared by the Council and approved by the Local Government Board, copies of which form are supplied free from the County Council's Offices." Passed.

Proposed by Councillor E. J. Byrne, seconded by Councillor E. Byrne. Resolved—"That we hereby direct that the Solicitor to this Council shall furnish his bill of costs once in each financial year in respect of all completed business transacted for the Council, and that every such bill of costs and notice of application for payment of same shall be delivered and given in accordance with Article 7, etc., of the Procedure of Councils' Order, 1899, and that no order for taxation shall be signed without the recommendation of the Proposal and Finance Committee, who shall first check such bill of costs and, if necessary, strike out any item which is not authorised." Passed.

An application was submitted from Mr. Patrick Cullen, Grocer, Newtownmountkennedy, for a License under the Poisons and Pharmacy Act, 1908. Granted.

### COUNTY SURVEYOR'S REPORT.

27th February, 1911.

Gentlemen,

The number of road contracts coming before you to-day is unusually large, but, with the exception of those proposed to be dealt with under the improvement scheme, they do not require special mention.

The Roads Board have sent you a map on which is set out certain roads for the reconstruction of which they propose to contribute. Your Special Committee have intimated that they consider certain other roads should also be included in the scheme. As contracts for most of these roads are included in those above mentioned, it will be necessary to carefully consider whether it would be advisable to ratify these contracts, refer them back to the Rural District Council, or place them in my charge for say twelve months. I suggest that the latter course would be the most advisable. The roads in question

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are:—No. 14, Rathdown No. 2 R.D., Kilmacanoge to Roundwood, as far as the R. D. bounds at Calary. No. 77, Rathdrum R.D., Rathdrum to Roundwood, as far as Ballyhad. No. 78, Rathdrum R.D., Rathdrum to Roundwood, from Ballyhad, as far as Furnace Bridge. No. 79, Rathdrum R.D., Rathdrum to Roundwood, from Furnace Bridge, as far as Laragh. No. 73, Rathdrum R.D., Rathdrum to Roundwood, from Laragh, as far as Annamoe. No. 167, Rathdrum R.D., Rathdrum to Roundwood, from Annamoe, as far as Roundwood. No. 125, Bray to Rathdrum R.D., from the bounds to the South end Glen of Downs. No. 122, Bray to Rathdrum, from South end Glen of Downs to Newtownmountkennedy. No. 42, Bray to Rathdrum, from Newtownmountkennedy to the Milton road. No. 84, Bray to Rathdrum, from the Milton road to Ashford. No. 132, Bray to Rathdrum, from Ashford to Rathnew. No. 121, Bray to Rathdrum, from Rathnew to Ballymerrigan. No. 85, Bray to Rathdrum, from Ballymerrigan to Glenealy. No. 113, Rathnew to Wicklow, from Rathnew to the Urban District bounds at Bollarney.

It would also be necessary for you to consider to what extent you could contribute to the proposed reconstruction of these roads.

No tender has been received for the re-building of Aughavanagh bridge, although offered for tender at an enhanced price.

The bails for contractor for road No. 16, Shillelagh, after a spasmodic attempt to work the road, have now apparently abandoned it. I now recommend that this contract be cancelled, that I be instructed to cause the road to be repaired, and that proceedings be taken against the contractor and his sureties to recover the penalty under the bond.

The War Department have intimated their willingness to contribute £180 towards the special repair of a short length of road near Kilbride Camp, and have sent a draft copy of an agreement which they propose to be entered into by the Council.

I submit an application from the Post Office Telegraph's Office, asking for leave to erect a telegraph pole at Donard. There appears to be no objection to this.

I also submit applications received for—(1) Permission to erect a temporary weighbridge at Ballycullen; (2) to erect a protection railing at Tuckmill cross-roads.

Yours faithfully,

S. G. GALLAGHER.

Orders:—

Paragraph 2—Roads referred to placed in charge of the County Surveyor for twelve months. See resolution.

Paragraph 4—Contract cancelled. County Surveyor to act as set forth in his report.

Paragraph 5—The agreement to be modified and submitted at next meeting for approval.

Paragraph 6—Permission given.

Paragraph 7—Permission given.

Proposed by Councillor D. Condren, seconded by Councillor E. C. Walsh. Resolved—"That this Council hereby agrees to allow the County Surveyor to act as Surveyor for the Arklow Urban District until 30th September, 1911." Passed.

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Proposed by Councillor E. J. Byrne, seconded by Councillor D. Condren. Resolved—"That we now seal the bond of the 'Wicklow Press' from the Royal Insurance Company." Passed.

Proposed by Councillor Patrick Short, seconded by Councillor Joseph McCarroll. Resolved—"That this Council tender their sincere sympathy to the Archbishop of Dublin, the Clergy, Parishioners and Friends of the late Father Dunphy, of Barndarrig, and Father Farrelly, of Ashford, on the great loss to the Diocese of Dublin and County Wicklow, sustained by the lamented deaths of these two patriotic and distinguished priests. That copies of this resolution be sent to His Grace the Archbishop of Dublin, Canon Staples, and Clergy of Barndarrig and Ashford Parishes." Passed.

Proposed by Councillor Joseph McCarroll, seconded by Councillor Edward Byrne. Resolved—"That this Council thank the Irish Party for pointing out to the House and Mr. Birrell, the urgency of the necessity for the full amount of those deductions from Local Taxation Account, and to insist on these deductions being paid in the full, pending the settlement of the whole question of Local Taxation re-adjustment." Passed.

Proposed by Councillor D. J. Cogan, seconded by Councillor Joseph McCarroll. Resolved—"That we impress on the Irish Party the absolute necessity of having provision made out of the Grant to be made in aid of Intermediate Education a sufficient sum to be specially ear-marked for the purpose of providing scholarships for deserving students to carry them from the Primary to the Secondary Schools, to enable them to qualify for the University Scholarships under the County Council Schemes." Passed.

The following notice of motion was handed in by Councillor E. J. Byrne:—"I beg to give notice that I will move at a future meeting that the resolution regarding solicitor's appearance at malicious injury cases be rescinded."

The Reports from the Deputy Checkers of the various Unions on the attendance of the Poor Rate Collectors and the state of their collections were submitted.

## OFFICIAL CORRESPONDENCE.

No. 62210/1908. Local Government Board, Dublin, 16th November, 1910—Sealed Order fixing the Dispensary District of Newcastle and the Dispensary District of Wicklow as the area of charge for Killoughter Water Supply.

No. 75590/1910; Arklow Urban District. Local Government Board, Dublin, 9th December, 1910—Enclosing copy of a report from their Medical Inspector on an outbreak of typhus fever in Arklow Urban District, and also copy of the Board's letter to the Committee of the Arklow Fever Hospital on the subject. Read.

No. 76965/1910; Arklow Urban District. Local Government Board, Dublin, 20th December, 1910—Stating that their Medical Inspector reports that the Arklow Fever Hospital Committee have expressed their desire to carry out at once the recommendations suggested by him towards improving the Fever Hospital.

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No. 69436/1910; Miscellaneous. Local Government Board, Dublin, 25th November, 1910—Enclosing two copies of a Sealed Order, authorising the Irish Automobile Club to perform for a further period of six months the duties as regards Ireland specified in Article 1 (1) of the Motor Car (International Circulation) Order, 1910.

No. 74982/1910; Wicklow County. Local Government Board, Dublin, 6th December, 1910—Stating that Collectors who failed to attend for checking of their accounts should be called on for explanations of their neglect; also stating that, owing to the unsatisfactory state of the collection, collectors should be called on to discharge their duties more efficiently.

No. 177M/1910; Miscellaneous. Local Government Board, Dublin, 2nd January, 1911—Circular letter dealing with the appointment of a Returning Officer, and the fixing of the day for the Local Government Elections in 1911.

Order—The Local Government Elections to be held on Wednesday, the 31st May, 1911.

No. 77639/1910; Miscellaneous. Local Government Board, Dublin, 6th January, 1911—Stating that by the Expiring Laws Continuance Act, 1910, the Motor Car Act, 1903, has been continued until the 31st December, 1911.

No. 2088/1911; Miscellaneous. Local Government Board, Dublin, 23rd January, 1911—Enclosing copy of the Board's circular letter to the Boards of Guardians in Ireland, in reference to the inclusion in their estimates for 1911-1912, a sum to provide for payment of any contribution towards pensions to paupers which may be required under forthcoming legislation.

No. 1505/1911. Local Government Board, Dublin, 23rd January, 1911—Sealed Order fixing Naas No. 2 Rural District as the area of charge for the well and pump at Oldcourt.

No. 133 M/1911; Arklow Urban District. Local Government Board, Dublin, 24th January, 1911—Enclosing copy of a Sealed Order issued by the Board, assigning six (6) Guardians to the Arklow Urban District.

No. 109. Department of Agriculture, Dublin, 6th December, 1910—Copy of a Sealed Order prohibiting the landing of hay and straw from Denmark (excluding Iceland).

No. 26173/1910. Department of Agriculture, Dublin, 21st December, 1910—Stating that three samples of butter purchased at Dunlavin, and two samples purchased at Baltinglass, under Sale of Food and Drugs Acts, were certified by the Public Analyst to be pure.

No. 827/1911. Department of Agriculture, Dublin, 24th February, 1911—Transmitting copies of an Order issued by the Department, entitled: "The Curragh Sheep Order of 1911."

Reformatory and Industrial Schools Office, Dublin Castle, 24th November, 1910—Circular letter asking if the Council would have any objection to the proposal that the half-yearly accounts for maintenance of children, in future be to the end of February and August in each year, instead of to the end of March and September as at present.

No. 205. The Roads Board, Queen Anne's Chambers, Broadway, Westminster, London, S.W., 14th February, 1911—Stating

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that the Board had fixed the 7th, 8th, 9th and 10th March, in the Shelbourne Hotel, Dublin, for conferences with the representatives from the County Councils of Ireland, and inviting the County Council to appoint delegates to attend. See resolution.

Board of Trade. Department of the Official Receiver in Companies Liquidation, London, January, 1911—Enclosing two copies of printed notice, that on the 20th December, 1910, the Court had made an Order for the Compulsory winding up of the Law, Car, and General Insurance Corporation, Ltd., and stating that the claims of all policy holders will be dealt with in liquidation.

Dublin Castle, 20th February, 1911—Enclosing a Paying Order, value £423 6s. 7d., payable in respect of Maintenance of Pauper Lunatics for the three months ended 31st March, 1899, in Richmond District Asylum.

13th February, 1911. To the Presiding Chairman, from the Chairman. Councillor E. P. O'Kelly—Forwarding a copy of a resolution with respect to the re-instatement of evicted tenants in their holdings, as he was unable to be present in person at the Council's meeting.

20th January, 1911. From Clerk, Rathdown No. 2 Rural District Council—Asking the County Council to apply to the Local Government Board to extend the limit of road expenditure in his Rural District.

Proposed by Councillor D. Condren, seconded by Councillor Jas. Galvin. Resolved—"That the Rural District Council of Rathdown No. 2 having requested the County Council to obtain an extension of the limit of expenditure on road repairs in that Rural District, we, the County Council for the County of Wicklow, approve of said extension, and we hereby apply to the Local Government Board to grant that the limit of expenditure on roads in Rathdown No. 2 Rural District be extended to £2,200 for the year ending 31st March, 1912." Passed

21st February, 1911. From Clerk, Rathdrum Rural District Council—Enclosing resolution protesting against the proposal of the Roads Board to contribute to the improvement of only one line of road through this county.

25th February, 1911. From Clerk, Wicklow Harbour Commissioners—Enclosing resolution, pointing out the absolute necessity of having the main road from Bray, via The Downs, Newtown, Ashford, Wicklow and Arklow, included in the proposed grant from the Roads Board for road improvements.

16th February, 1911. From Robert Myles, 3 Herbert Road, Bray—Asking what decision the Council had arrived at in connection with his application for the £100 contributed by Mr. Guinness towards the repairs to the Featherbed Bog road. See Finance Committee's report.

27th January, 1911. From Secretary, Irish County Councils' General Council, 10 Leinster street, Dublin—Enclosing printed copy of a memorandum issued by his Executive Committee to constituent Councils re University Education.

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20th February, 1911. From Same—Enclosing map of proposed Trunk Road Scheme prepared by the County Surveyors' Association of Ireland, together with copy of a resolution passed by his Executive Committee, dealing with the inadequacy of the proposed Roads Board Grant to Ireland.

6th December, 1910. Anonymous letter signed, "A Servant, Belfast"—Enclosing postal orders value £1 12s. 0d., restitution money, stated to be due to the County Council.

2nd February, 1911. From County Inspector, R.I.C., Wicklow—Giving the result of his second inquiry into the cause of the breakages of certain articles belonging to the sub-standard weights.

Order—Referred to the Finance Committee.

February, 1911. From Hon. Secretaries, Second Irish Road Congress, 10 Leinster street, Dublin—Enclosing a circular setting forth the objects of the Congress, List of Committee, and Programme, and inviting the Council to nominate two representatives to attend the Congress on the 19th, 20th and 21st April, 1911.

Order—Councillors D. J. Cogan and Michael Byrne to represent the Council at the Congress.

February, 1911. From Rev. Edward McGuinness, Superintendent, St. Patrick's Inebriate Home, Hennessy's Road, Waterford—asking the Council to contribute 5s. 6d. per week towards the maintenance of each patient from the county who may be committed to the Home. Read.

31st January, 1911. From Mr. S. J. Doyle, 7 Leitrim Place, Wicklow—Reporting on his Audit of the Accounts of the Dublin and Blessington Steam Tramway Company for the half-year ended 31st December, 1910.

27th February, 1911. From Same—Applying for six days' special leave during the month of March next. Order—Granted.

## RESOLUTIONS FROM VARIOUS BODIES.

10th December, 1910. From Waterford Corporation—Resolution that in future all advertisements in local papers be inserted also in the "Freeman's Journal." Read.

6th February, 1911. From Monaghan County Council—Resolution requesting the Department of Agriculture to take every step possible to prevent the widespread sale of foreign and inferior products as Irish bacon. Passed.

10th February, 1911. From Irish Arterial Drainage Association—Enclosing copies of resolutions passed at public meetings on the drainage question, recently held at Portarlinton, Athy, Mountmellick, and Monasterevan.

## MINUTES OF MEETING, 15TH MAY, 1911.

The Spring Quarterly Meeting of the County Council, held in the Council Chamber, Court House, Wicklow, at 11.30 a.m. on Monday, the 15th May, 1911.

The following members attended:—Councillor Michael Byrne, in the chair; Councillors John Murphy, John J. Reilly, William Osborne, James Galvin, William Costello, William Byrne (Coolbeg), James Byrne, E. C. Walsh, Joseph McCarroll, Patrick Kenny, Edward Byrne, Patrick Short, and John Storey.

A telegram was read from the Chairman, Councillor E. P. O'Kelly, regretting his inability to attend.

## BUSINESS:

- 1—To consider reports from the Finance Committee.
- 2—To sign Quarterly Transfers on foot of Demands from the several Unions and Rural District Councils.
- 3—To consider the proposals from the Proposals Committee.
- 4—To consider proposals for payment from five Rural Districts.
- 5—To sign Treasurer's Advice Notes for the past quarter's payments.
- 6—To consider proposals for contracts from the five Rural Districts.
- 7—To consider Tenders sent forward to the County Council.
- 8—To seal such contracts as have been approved by the County Council.
- 9—To make the Rates for the Financial Year ending 31st March, 1912, and Sign and Seal the Rate Books and the Rate Collectors' Warrants.
- 10—To authorise the Secretary of the County Council to appoint a Deputy or Deputies for the discharge of his duties in examining the Books of the Collectors of the Poor Rate.
- 11—To sign and seal Demands (Form 51) on the Urban District Councils of Arklow, Bray, and Wicklow.
- 12—To sign and seal Poor Rate Collectors' Bonds for Nos. 7 and 12 Collecting Districts.
- 13—To sign Application for Refund of Expenses under the Diseases of Animals Acts.
- 14—To appoint an Auditor for the Accounts of the Dublin and Blessington Steam Tramway Company, to represent the County Council for the current year.
- 15—To consider the following Notice of Motion handed in by Councillor E. J. Byrne:—"I beg to give notice that I will move at a future meeting that the resolution regarding Solicitor's appearance at Malicious Injury Cases be rescinded."
- 16—To consider and deal with the offer of the War Department—To contribute £180 towards the improvement and maintenance of roads in connection with Kilbride Camp, in Naas No. 2 Rural District.
- 17—To consider and deal with the proposals of the Road Board with

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regard to the improvement, repair and maintenance of certain roads in this county, and to hear the report of the Representatives sent forward by the County Council to the Road Conference in Dublin.

- 18—To fill the vacancy on the School Attendance Committee for Rathdown No. 2 Rural District, caused by the death of Mr. Peter Tyrrell.
- 19—To fill the vacancy on the School Attendance Committee for Hollywood and Dunlavin Electoral Divisions, caused by the disqualification of Rev. J. Doyle, C.C., Donard, through non-attendance.
- 20—To fill two vacancies on the County Wicklow Committee of Agriculture, caused by the resignation of Rev. Peter Early, C.C., Newtown-Mount-Kennedy, and the death of Mr. William Boothman, Miley Hall, Blessington.
- 21—To receive and consider Reports from Committees.
- 22—To consider Reports from County Officers.
- 23—To consider Official Correspondence.
- 24—To consider General Correspondence.
- Minutes of previous meeting were read and confirmed.

## FINANCE COMMITTEE'S REPORT.

Your Finance Committee met on Tuesday, the 25th April, 1911, when the following members were present:—Councillor Patrick Short (in the chair); Councillors Michael Byrne, and Joseph McCarroll.

The Committee, having examined the proposals for payment by the Proposals Committee, and from the Rural District Councils, recommend them for payment as follows:—

	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
County-at-Large				4,091	16	11
Baltinglass No. 1—						
District proposals	713	0	8			
Proposals Committee's proposals	67	19	4	781	0	0
Naas No. 2—						
District proposals	284	18	3			
Proposals Committee's proposals	23	16	8	308	14	11
Rathdown No. 2—						
District proposals	342	15	11			
Proposals Committee's proposals	152	8	6	495	4	5
Rathdrum—						
District proposals						Form not received
Proposals Committee's proposals	1,048	7	5	1,048	7	5
Shillelagh—						
District proposals	505	17	11			
Proposals Committee's proposals	303	3	4	809	1	3
Wicklow Urban—						
Proposals Committee's proposals				57	14	6

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Arklow Urban—				53	12	3
Proposals Committee's proposals						
Bray Urban—				1	6	8
Proposals Committee's proposals						
Transfer to Subsidiary Account						
(Included in the total for the County-at-Large).	465	1	5			
The Committee examined the Union and Rural District demands submitted to them, and recommend the Council to make the following payments on foot of same:—						

## TRANSFERS TO FUNDS OF UNIONS.

	£	s.	d.
Baltinglass	836	15	0
Naas	255	15	0
Rathdown	942	0	0
Rathdrum	2,750	0	0
Shillelagh	744	10	0
<b>Total</b>	<b>£5,529</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>

## TRANSFERS TO FUNDS OF RURAL DISTRICT COUNCILS.

	£	s.	d.
Baltinglass No. 1	42	10	0
Naas No. 2	15	15	0
Rathdown No. 2	101	10	0
Rathdrum	787	10	0
Shillelagh	17	10	0
<b>Total</b>	<b>£964</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>0</b>

We recommend the payment of the following Irrecoverable Rates to the several Rate Collectors, Paying Orders in respect of same not to issue until the respective amounts have been ratified by the Local Government Board:—

	£	s.	d.
1.—Joseph Doyle ...	11	7	2
2.—Richard Geoghegan ...	6	11	0
3.—Richard Lynch ...	28	0	6
4.—William Burke ...	2	8	4
5.—Michael Kelly ...	1	0	6
6.—Michael McGrath ...	9	14	0
7.—Charles S. Sutton ...	0	19	2
8.—Patrick Toole ...	1	12	2
9.—Joseph Keane ...	4	19	0
10.—John Murphy ...	11	13	10
11.—John Kelly ...	3	7	5
12.—Wm. J. Cardiff ...	9	6	3
13.—George Evans ...	3	6	4
14.—James Byrne ...	28	14	1
15.—John Brennan ...	13	13	11
16.—P. J. Carey, junior ...	5	12	8
17.—Charles Byrne ...	15	2	9
19.—Terence Byrne ...	0	8	9

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The Committee directed that a Special Meeting of the Finance Committee be summoned for one o'clock on Wednesday, the 3rd May, 1911, to consider the Bills of Costs submitted by Mr. J. H. McCarroll, Solicitor, and the Parliamentary Agents, Messrs. Lees and Co., in respect of the Council's opposition to the Alliance and Dublin Consumers Gas Bill.

P. SHORT, Chairman.

25th April, 1911.

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Your Finance Committee met on Thursday, the 4th May, 1911, when the following members were present:—Councillor Patrick Short (chairman), Councillors Joseph McCarroll, Michael Byrne, William Byrne, and J. J. Reilly.

Having carefully considered two Bills of Costs, incurred in opposing the Alliance and Dublin Consumers' Gas Bill in Parliament, submitted by Mr. J. H. McCarroll, solicitor, who attended before the Committee, we recommend Mr. McCarroll to be paid £150 which, with £100 already paid, comes to the amount authorised by resolution to meet cost of opposition of Dublin Gas Bill.

The Committee had before them the following additional Proposals for Payment, and recommend the same to the County Council for payment:—

County-at-Large—

	£	s.	d.
Bray Urban District Electric Lighting Account	0	16	6
Rathdrum—			
District Proposals	£1,652	4	10
Arklow Roads	90	10	9—1,742
			15 7

The Committee had before them the following Supplemental List of Rates claimed as Irrecoverable, and recommend the same for payment, subject to the approval of the Local Government Board:—

	£	s.	d.
No. 10—John Murphy	...	0	6 2
No. 15—John Brennan	...	0	13 4

Having considered the Constabulary Reports on the injuries to the Standard Weights and Measures, consideration of which was referred to the Committee by the County Council, the Committee made the following order:—

Order—The Constabulary being responsible, the Committee cannot recommend the Council to pay for repairing the Discs.

The injury to the beam shows negligence on the part of some official, the Committee therefore recommend the Council to warn the Constabulary that they will expect that greater care will be taken in future.

Signed,

PATRICK SHORT, Chairman.

4th May, 1911.

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#### FINANCE COMMITTEE'S REPORT.

Your Finance Committee met on Monday, the 15th May, 1911, when the following members were present:—Councillors Patrick Short (Chairman), Councillors E. C. Walsh, Joseph McCarroll, Michael Byrne, William Byrne, and J. J. Reilly.

In consequence of the Local Government Board refusing to sanction the full amounts of irrecoverable rates recommended by the Finance Committee the Committee recommend that the following sums be paid, instead of the amounts previously recommended:—

	£	s.	d.
10—John Murphy	...	7	10 1
12—Wm. J. Caffiff	...	4	0 7
15—John Brennan	...	10	11 6
17—Charles Byrne	...	3	7 11

The Committee recommend the Council to apply to the Local Government Board to accede to refunding and carrying forward for collection items 1093 and 1230 in Charles Byrne's irrecoverable rate list, amounting to £1 14s. 9d. and £1 10s. 6d., the land having changed hands and being sub-divided, not having then been revised in Valuation Lists.

The Committee recommended that Mr. McCarroll's bill of costs be paid, less the amount of £3 13s. 0d., which he can recover from the persons who employed him.

Signed,

P. SHORT, Chairman.

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Proposed by Councillor E. Byrne, seconded by Councillor J. J. Reilly. Resolved—"That the Finance Committee's reports be hereby adopted." Passed.

Proposed by Councillor James Byrne, seconded by Councillor J. McCarroll. Resolved—"That the Treasurer's Advice Note for the Quarterly Transfers on Foot of Demands from the several Unions and Rural Districts be now signed." Passed.

Proposals for Payments from the Proposals Committee, and from the Five Rural District Councils, were passed as follows:—

#### COUNTY-AT-LARGE:

Proposed by Councillor Patrick Short, seconded by Councillor Wm. Byrne. Resolved—"That we hereby approve of the foregoing Proposals for Payment on the County-at-Large, amounting to £4,089 2s. 5d. (any modification made therein having been first initialled by the Chairman), and order the same to be paid." Passed.

#### BALTINGLASS NO. 1:

Proposed by Councillor Wm. Osborne, seconded by Councillor John Murphy. Resolved—"That we hereby approve of the foregoing Proposals for Payment on Baltinglass No. 1 Rural District, amounting to £781 0s. 0d. (any modification made therein having been first initialled by the Chairman), and order the same to be paid." Passed.

#### NAAS NO. 2:

Proposed by Councillor Wm. Osborne, seconded by Councillor

P. Kenny. Resolved—"That we hereby approve of the foregoing Proposals for Payment on Naas No. 2 Rural District, amounting to £308 14s. 11d. (any modification made therein having been first initialled by the Chairman), and order the same to be paid." Passed.

#### RATHDOWN NO. 2:

Proposed by Councillor John Murphy, seconded by Councillor J. J. Reilly. Resolved—"That we hereby approve of the foregoing Proposals for payment on Rathdown No. 2 Rural District, amounting to £495 4s. 5d. (any modification made therein having been first initialled by the Chairman), and order the same to be paid." Passed.

#### RATHDRUM:

Proposed by Councillor James Galvin, seconded by Councillor P. Short. Resolved—"That we hereby approve of the foregoing Proposals for Payment on Rathdrum Rural District, amounting to £2,779 10s. 8d. (any modification made therein having been first initialled by the Chairman), and order the same to be paid." Passed.

#### SHILLELAGH:

Proposed by Councillor Michael Byrne, seconded by Councillor E. Byrne. Resolved—"That we hereby approve of the foregoing Proposals for Payment on Shillelagh Rural District, amounting to £797 6s. 5d. (any modification made therein having been first initialled by the Chairman), and order the same to be paid." Passed.

#### WICKLOW URBAN:

Proposed by Councillor J. McCarroll, seconded by Councillor Wm. Byrne. Resolved—"That we hereby approve of the foregoing Proposals for Payment on Wicklow Urban District, amounting to £57 14s. 6d. (any modification made therein having been first initialled by the Chairman), and order the same to be paid." Passed.

#### ARKLOW URBAN:

Proposed by Councillor E. C. Walsh, seconded by Councillor James Byrne. Resolved—"That we hereby approve of the Proposal to Pay the Treasurer of the Arklow Urban Council the sum of £53 12s. 3d., being the amount estimated to be due to this body on 31st March, 1911, Paying Order to issue on or after 1st April next." Passed.

#### BRAY URBAN:

Proposed by Councillor John Murphy, seconded by Councillor J. J. Reilly. Resolved—"That we hereby approve of the foregoing Proposals for Payment on Bray Urban District, amounting to £1 6s. 8d. (any modification made therein having been first initialled by the Chairman), and order the same to be paid." Passed.

Proposed by Councillor Wm. Byrne, seconded by Councillor Wm. Costello. Resolved—"That the Treasurer's Advice Notes for the Quarterly Payments, as approved by this Council, be now signed." Passed.

Proposals for Contracts from the Five Rural District Councils were passed, as follows:—

#### BALTINGLASS NO. 1:

Road No. 135 in the District Register was placed in charge of the County Surveyor.

Remaining contracts, as submitted, approved and confirmed.

#### NAAS NO. 2:

The proposal for Pitching and Metalling the road from Ballyfolan road to Kilbride Camp Gate was given in charge of the County Surveyor, provided the agreement with the War Office is entered into by County Council.

Remaining contracts, as submitted, approved and confirmed.

#### RATHDOWN NO. 2:

Contracts, as submitted, approved and confirmed.

The following resolution, from the Clerk, Rathdown No. 2 Rural District Council, was submitted. Resolved—"That the Wicklow County Council be requested to cancel the contract for road maintenance of James McGuirk, Tonygarrow, Enniskerry, No. 369, Index 24, and of Lawrence Toole, Ballyreigh, Enniskerry, No. 368, Index No. 23, as both these contracts were entered into by the contractors under a misapprehension as to the quality of metal to be supplied. This Council is aware the price allowed would be wholly inadequate to provide the class of metal specified, and the contractors and their sureties signed the bonds after bringing this subject before the Council, at the adjourned Quarterly Meeting, and when they were given the impression that another class of metal would be allowed."

A letter, dated 13th May, 1911, was also read from A. Chatterton, R.D.C., Estate Office, Enniskerry—Pointing out the extreme difficulties the contractor for the road from Enniskerry to Glenree would labour under in carrying out the terms of his specification.

Order—The grievances of the two contractors referred to in the resolution from the District Council left in hands of County Surveyor to be dealt with.

#### RATHDRUM:

The following roads were given in charge of the County Surveyor:—District Reg. No., 108, 523 perches; district reg. No. 120, 470 perches; district reg. No. 127, 573 perches; district reg. No. 128, 700 perches; district reg. No. 134, 960 perches; district reg. No. 135, 510 perches; district reg. No. 136, 370 perches; district reg. No. 137, 570 perches; district reg. No. 140, 547 perches. Work No. 148 (in the district register) Aughavannagh Bridge, was ordered to be advertised; tenders to be taken at the annual meeting of the County Council. Work No. 154 in the district register, was given in charge of the County Surveyor, provided Local Government Board sanction payment.

Remaining contracts, as submitted, approved and confirmed.

6th May, 1911—Application from A. A. Bourke, Ballyshemane House, Rathdrum—Application for permission to open the road to convey water pipes opposite Mr. Hanly's Gate Lodge.

Order—Permission given, provided Mr. Bourke gives an indemnity to the County Council—every expenses in connection with the same to be paid by Mr. Bourke.

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SHILLELAGH:

Contracts, as submitted, approved and confirmed.

13th May, 1911—From Rev. J. Bennett, Rockingham House, Tinahely—With reference to the road contract held by Mr. Andrew Malone, Rosbane, Tinahely.

Proposed by Councillor E. C. Walsh, seconded by Councillor James Galvin. Resolved—“That the several contracts which have been approved of at this Quarterly Meeting be now signed and sealed.” Passed.

Proposed by Councillor P. Short, seconded by Councillor John Storey. Resolved—“That we now sign and seal the Rates for the Financial Year ending 31st March, 1912.” Passed.

Proposed by Councillor Patrick Short, seconded by Councillor John Murphy. Resolved—“That the Rate Collectors' Warrants for the Collection of the Rates for the Financial Year ending 31st March, 1912, be signed and sealed, the warrants not to be issued until the several Collectors' Bonds are duly lodged with the Secretary.” Passed.

Proposed by Councillor Patrick Short, seconded by Councillor John Murphy. Resolved—“That we hereby authorise the Secretary to the County Council to appoint a Deputy or Deputies for the discharge of his duties in examining the books, etc., of the Collectors of the Poor Rate.” Passed.

Proposed by Councillor James Byrne, seconded by Councillor E. C. Walsh. Resolved—“That we now duly sign and seal Demand (Form 51) on the Urban District Council of Arklow for the amount of £933 18s. 0d., determined to be demanded for the financial year ending the 31st March, 1912.” Passed.

Proposed by Councillor James Byrne, seconded by Councillor John Murphy. Resolved—“That we now duly sign and seal Demand (Form 51) on the Urban District Council of Bray for the amount of £2,673 10s. 1d., determined to be demanded for the financial year ending the 31st March, 1912.” Passed.

Proposed by Councillor James Byrne, seconded by Councillor Joseph McCarroll. Resolved—“That we now duly sign and seal Demand (Form 51) on the Urban District Council of Wicklow for the amount of £862 5s. 6d., determined to be demanded for the financial year ending 31st March, 1912.” Passed.

Proposed by Councillor J. J. Reilly, seconded by Councillor John Murphy. Resolved—“That we now sign and seal Poor Rate Collector William J. Cardiff's Bond for No. 12 Collecting District and Poor Rate Collector Charles S. Sutton's Bond for No. 7 Collecting District.” Passed.

Proposed by Councillor William Byrne, seconded by Councillor Wm. Costelloe. Resolved—“That we now sign the two Certificates for Refund of Expenses under the Diseases of Animals Acts.” Passed.

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SECRETARY'S REPORT

Gentlemen,—As directed, I give you below a comparative statement, showing the amount of law costs incurred by the County Council and by the former Grand Jury.

For the 12 years the County Council has been in office the costs amount to	...	£2,531
or adding the amount now disallowed	...	£2,600
For the last 12 years under the Grand Jury the costs amounted to	...	£750
or, if we omit the one year, 1893-94, when the Enniskerry Railway and Arklow Bridge were fought	...	£466

These figures represent £211 per annum under the County Council, and £62 (or £38) per annum under the Grand Jury.

Yours faithfully,  
E. N. WYNNE,  
Secretary.

Adopted.

COUNTY SURVEYOR'S REPORT.

Gentlemen,

During the past quarter the greater number of roads in your county have been maintained in a fairly satisfactory manner, and with the exception of where the roads are subject to timber traffic, and in a couple of cases where the contractors have been negligent, the general condition is much as usual for the time of the year.

In Shillelagh R.D. the contractor for the road No. 20 persists in neglecting his work. I recommend that authority be granted me to issue the usual notice and take proceedings against the contractor and his sureties.

Proceedings were taken at Quarter Sessions against contractor for road No. 16, Shillelagh R.D., and a decree granted.

The contracts coming before you to-day are of the usual character. In Rathdrum R.D. an application was passed to construct a footbridge at Ballinatone, not to exceed £15. This bridge has been already erected by the Royal Engineers, and the £15 passed at Rathdrum is more or less by way of a contribution towards the cost. No doubt this bridge is a most useful work, but I much regret to report that after careful inquiry I am unable to find you have any power to authorise the expenditure of any money for such a purpose.

The War Office have made an offer to contribute £180 towards the reconstruction of a portion of the road at Kilbride (Brittas) Camp; however, a part of the road to be constructed is not a county road. I had an interview with the Representative of the Chief Crown Solicitor, and it is understood that this can be adjusted. There are also a few matters in the proposed agreement which can be altered. These I will point out when the matter comes before you.

The deputation to the Road Board duly attended at the Con-



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ference, and I submit the reports as signed by Councillors Reilly and Short, and a report as approved by Councillor Cogan.

I much regret to report that I do not consider the grant of £1,100 offered by the Road Board sufficient to enable you to permanently improve, with the best stone available, any of the route proposed, unless at some increased cost over and above the annual expenditure, more especially as the grant is given on condition that the roads be maintained to the same standard.

Your Obedient Servant,

S. G. GALLAGHER.

Order—That all road contracts not tendered for in Rathdrum and Baltinglass No. 1 be placed in charge of the County Surveyor. That the work at Aughavannagh Bridge be advertised and tenders taken at the annual meeting of the County Council, the work being urgent. That all other works not tendered for be referred back to the respective Rural District Councils in whose districts the works are situate.

Orders—

Par. 2—Postponed for three months to see if contractor will do the work.

Par. 4—Work to be given in charge of County Surveyor, provided the Local Government Board sanction payment.

Par. 5—Given in charge of County Surveyor, provided the agreement with the War Office is entered into.

County Surveyor's Office, Courthouse, Wicklow, 15th May, 1911. Gentlemen,—I should be glad if you grant me two weeks' leave of absence from and including the 22nd inst., and that during my absence you would direct and authorise the Assistant County Surveyors to attend to any urgent matters which may occur in their districts.—Your obedient servant, S. G. Gallagher. Granted.

Proposed by Councillor Joseph McCarroll, seconded by Councillor Patrick Kenny. Resolved—"That Mr. S. J. Doyle, of 7 Leitrim place, Wicklow, be re-appointed auditor of the Dublin and Blessington Steam Tramway Company, to audit their accounts on behalf of the Wicklow County Council for the year ending 31st March, 1912." Passed.

Consideration of the following notice of motion, standing in the name of Councillor E. J. Byrne, was postponed:—"I beg to give notice that I will move at a future meeting that the resolution regarding Solicitor's appearance at Malicious Injury cases be rescinded."

The Council had before them the offer of the War Department to contribute £180 towards the improvement and maintenance of roads in connection with Kilbride Camp, in Naas No. 2 Rural District.

Reported on by County Surveyor. See order following his report.

The County Surveyor having read the report from the Representatives of the Council appointed to attend before the Road Board at the Conference held in Dublin on the 7th and 9th March, and also the Minority Report (signed by Councillor D. J. Cogan), the Secretary read the letter from the Road Board, dated 14th

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March, 1911, notifying the Council that the Board had allocated the sum of £1,100 to the County Wicklow for the carrying out of such works as were urgently needed, on condition that the County Council expended a similar sum.

The Secretary also read a report drawn up on the 18th March, 1911, at an informal meeting of several members of the Council (Councillor E. P. O'Kelly being in the chair)—Recommending that the sum of £1,100 allocated by the Road Board for road improvement be set aside until such times as the question of a further grant in the coming years shall be under consideration, and a general scheme of road improvement on larger lines shall be before the Council and the Road Board.

Order—Referred to the Rural District Councils of Rathdown No. 2 and Rathdrum for consideration.

Proposed by Councillor John Murphy, seconded by Councillor J. J. Reilly. Resolved—"That we hereby appoint Rev. Michael Flood, P.P., of Greystones, to fill the vacancy on the School Attendance Committee for Rathdown No. 2 Rural District, caused by the death of Mr. Peter Tyrrell." Passed.

Proposed by Councillor Wm. Osborne, seconded by Councillor E. C. Walsh. Resolved—"That we hereby appoint Rev. J. Doyle, C.C., of Donard, to fill the vacancy on the School Attendance Committee for Hollywood and Dunlavin Electoral Divisions, caused by the disqualification of Rev. J. Doyle, C.C., Donard, through non-attendance." Passed.

Proposed by Councillor J. J. Reilly, seconded by Councillor John Murphy. Resolved—"That we hereby appoint Rev. W. Russell, C.C., Newtownmountkennedy, to fill the vacancy on the School Attendance Committee for Newcastle Dispensary District, caused by the Rev. Peter Earley, C.C., having been transferred from Newtownmountkennedy." Passed.

Proposed by Councillor Wm. Osborne, seconded by Councillor E. C. Walsh. Resolved—"That we hereby appoint the following gentleman to fill the vacancy on the County Wicklow Committee of Agriculture, caused by the death of Mr. William Boothman, of Mile Hall, Blessington:—(1) Mr. Samuel Boothman, Mile Hall, Blessington." Passed.

The Council decided to fill the vacancy on the County Committee of Agriculture, caused by the resignation of Rev. Peter Earley, C.C., at the annual meeting on 12th June, when the appointment of the whole County Committee would be under consideration.

City Laboratory, 17 Castle street, Dublin, 6th March, 1911. Report of Sir Charles Cameron, C.B., M.D., Public Analyst for the County Wicklow, on articles submitted to him for analysis during the quarter ended 31st December, 1910. 80 articles were received from the Food Inspectors, R.I.C., as follows:—Article—Butter, 41; milk, 19; whiskey, 13; cheese, 5; rum, 1; margarine, 1; total, 80. There were eleven specimens of butter analysed by directions from the Department of Agriculture and Technical Instruction for Ireland, Upper Merrion street, Dublin, which were taken up in the County Wicklow, and were pure. For the Guardians of Shillelagh Union six drugs were analysed. Two were incorrect. Two

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specimens of water analysed for Shillelagh Rural District Council had the following compositions. One imperial gallon contained in grains—Total solid matter, No. 1, 10.500, No. 2, 30.100, including albuminoid ammonia, No. 1, 0.005, No. 2, 0.0035; saline ammonia, No. 1, 0.001, No. 2, 0.001; nitric acid, No. 1, 1.500, No. 2, 3.890; chlorine, No. 1, 1.680, No. 2, 3.280. Good waters. For the Guardians of Baltinglass Union six drugs were analysed. One was incorrect. For the Guardians of Rathdrum Union twenty-one drugs, ten specimens of milk, one of butter and one of whiskey were analysed. Four drugs were incorrect. One specimen of water analysed for B. Somerville, Esq., Rathnew, was free from dangerous micro-organisms. One fertiliser was analysed for Michael Moynihan, Esq., Newcastle. For the Guardians of Naas Union twenty-eight drugs, two specimens of milk and one of water were analysed. Two drugs were incorrect. The specimens of milk were of poor quality. The specimen of water had the following composition. One imperial gallon contained in grains—Total solid matter, 52.500, including ammonia, 0.027; saline ammonia, 0.029; nitric acid, 1.800; chlorine, 5.960. A polluted water. One specimen of water analysed for Naas Rural District Council had the following composition. One imperial gallon contained in grains—Total solid matter, 28.000, including albuminoid ammonia, 0.010; saline ammonia, 0.020; nitric acid, trace; chlorine, 1.490. A tolerably good water. For the Richmond District Lunatic Asylum four specimens of soap, two of cocoa, one of milk, and one of butter were analysed, and were pure. Total analyses, 189; adulterated and defective articles, 9.

CHARLES A. CAMERON.

The Reports from the Deputy Checkers of the various Unions on the attendance of the Poor Rate Collectors and the state of their collections, were submitted.

5th May, 1911. From Messrs. J. E. Griffin and Sons, 91 Main street, Bray—Applying for a renewal of the licence granted him under the Poisons and Pharmacy Act, 1908. Read.

13th May, 1911. From Messrs. Hamilton and Craig, Solicitors, 30 South Frederick street, Dublin—Objecting on behalf of Mr. C. N. Vance, of Main street, Bray, to the granting or renewal of a license to sell poisons to persons other than Pharmaceutical Chemists in the Town of Bray, as there are ample facilities for the purchase of poisons in that town from Pharmaceutical Chemists.

The following Three Notices of Motion were handed in by Councillor James Galvin:—

“I beg to give notice that I will move at next Meeting that resolution passed November Quarterly Meeting, 1910, governing granting of Licences for Sale of Poisons on certain dates be rescinded, and that Mr. J. J. Griffin, of Bray, be granted renewal of Licence for such sale.”

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order to be retrospective as far as to apply to one case from County Wicklow, already in the Institution.”

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“I beg to give notice that, at the next meeting of the Council, I, or someone for me, will move that in future no application for a revision of road contracts be entertained unless on the recommendation of the County Surveyor.”

Proposed by Councillor James Galvin, seconded by Councillor Patrick Short. Resolved—That this Council tender to our respected colleague, Mr. Joseph McCarroll (and his family) our sincere regret on the death of his wife. That copies of this resolution be sent to Mr. McCarroll and family. Passed.

## OFFICIAL CORRESPONDENCE.

No. 9293/1911; Miscellaneous. Local Government Board, Dublin, 28th February, 1911—Stating that the amount which will be deducted from the Estate Duty Grant, in respect of liability for Land Purchase payable in the course of next month, is £669 8s. 6d.

No. 11414/1911; Wicklow County. Local Government Board, Dublin, 13th March, 1911—Approving of the arrangements for the maintenance of roads in Arklow Urban District until the 30th September, 1911, and the collection of the Poor Rate to 31st March, 1911.

No. 12686/1911. Local Government Board, Dublin, 23rd March, 1911—Sealed Order, consenting to the increase of road expenditure in Rathdown No. 2 Rural District, and limiting same to £2,200 for the current financial year.

No. 22293/1911; Wicklow County. Local Government Board, Dublin, 1st May, 1911—Enclosing copy of the Auditor's Report on the County Council's Accounts for the half-year ending 30th September, 1910. (Copy.) No. 22293/1911; Wicklow County. April 28th, 1911. Gentlemen—I have the honour to report that I have audited the accounts of the County Council of Wicklow for the half-year ended September last, and I forward herewith a certified Abstract thereof, in pursuance of your Order. The accounts were prepared and submitted for audit in a very satisfactory manner, and no item of expenditure calls for any remark on my part.—I have the honour to be, gentlemen, your obedient servant, C. D. Barry. The Local Government Board, Dublin.

No. G. 917/1911. Department of Agriculture, Dublin, 1st March, 1911—Stating that 3 samples of butter, taken up in Rathdrum, and 3 samples of butter, taken up at Wicklow, under the Sale of Food and Drugs' Acts, were certified by the Public Analyst to be pure.

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No. 934/11. Department of Agriculture, Dublin, 21st March, 1911—Pointing out the desirability of putting in force in the county, or in parts of it, the powers conferrable under the Dogs' Act, 1906, and enclosing a specimen copy of such an Order.

No. A. 7755/11. Department of Agriculture, Dublin, 11th April, 1911—Asking if the Council propose this year to give their consent to an Order being made putting in force the provisions of Part 1 of the Weeds and Agricultural Seeds Act, 1909, relating to the prevention of the spread of noxious weeds. See notice of motion.

No. 2307/11; F.B. Department of Agriculture, Dublin, 18th April, 1911—Circular letter pointing out the danger of pollution of streams by washings from newly-tarred roads, and consequent damage to fisheries.

No. 113. Department of Agriculture, Dublin, 29th April, 1911—Order revoking the Hay and Straw (Movement from Great Britain to Ireland) Order of 11th March, 1911, as from the 1st May, 1911.

Circular Form A. 176 (b), 1911—Pointing out terms of the Farm Apprenticeships available at the Department's Agricultural Station, Ballyhaise, Co. Cavan, under the Department's Scheme of Agricultural Education for Young Men, Session 1911-12.

Chief Secretary's Office, Dublin Castle, 10th March, 1911—Circular letter, dealing with the deductions made from the Grant in aid of maintenance of pauper lunatics, for the year ended 31st March, 1911.

Dublin Castle, 22nd April, 1911—Further circular letter re same, in respect of the year ended 31st March, 1911.

C.O. 761. Office of National Education, Dublin, 11th April, 1911—Giving the names and addresses of the newly-appointed School Attendance Committee for the Dispensary District of Annamoe.

April 1911. From the Road Board—Printed general directions and specifications relating to the tar treatment of roads.

9th May, 1911. From Clerk, Baltinglass No. 1 Rural District Council—Resolution asking for an explanation why Baltinglass is to receive no instruction in woodwork, under the scheme of Technical Instruction.

Order—Referred to County Committee for Technical Instruction.

5th April, 1911. From Clerk, Naas No. 2 Rural District Council—Stating that his Council read with much discontent the County Council's letter refusing to exclude their Rural District from the penny in the £1 rate levied for Agricultural and Technical Instruction.

8th April, 1911. From Clerk Shillelagh Rural District Council—Resolution asking the Council to defend Road Contractor Thos. Murphy in the action about to be taken against him by William Kealy, of Quigginroe, owner of the quarries from which the stones for this contract are obtained under an Order made by the Magistrates sitting at Shillelagh Petty Sessions.

Order—County Council to oppose.

7th March, 1911. From Clerk, Arklow Urban District Council—Enclosing sealed resolution embodying certain points agreed

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upon at the Conference held to adjust the Finances of Arklow, consequent on the town's urbanization.

8th May, 1911. From Clerk, Wicklow Urban District Council—Enclosing paying order value £5, being their proportion of the annual cost of maintenance of the road contract entered into by the County Council with Mr. Manley, Ballinabarney, Rathnew, for the Ashtown road, 244 perches.

The Abbey, Wicklow, 9th March, 1911.

Dear Mr. Wynne,

Kindly convey to the County Council my heartfelt appreciation of the sincere sympathy which they have shown in tendering that unanimous resolution of regret to the fellow-workers of the two distinguished clergymen who have gone to the enjoyment of their eternal reward for work well done in the Lord's vineyard.

I remain, very sincerely yours,

JOHN CANON STAPLES, P.P., V.F.

E. N. Wynne, Esq.

5th May, 1911. From the Very Rev. M. Butler, P.P., D.D., Roundwood—Chairman of the Annamoe School Attendance Committee—Notifying the appointment of Mr. George Power, Glassnamullen, as School Attendance Officer at a salary of £20 per annum, and as Secretary to the new Committee at a salary of £10 per annum.

29th April, 1911. From Mr. George Power, Glassnamullen—Also notifying these appointments.

10th March, 1911—From County Inspector, R.I.C., Wicklow—Asking the Council to make four new appointments as Food and Drugs Inspectors in consequence of recent transfers in the county.

Proposed by Councillor William Byrne, seconded by Councillor William Osborne. Resolved—"That we hereby appoint Sergeant H. A. Downs, Tinahely; Sergeant Thomas Maguire, Aughrim; Sergeant Patrick Wall, Dunlavin; and Acting Sergeant Michael Rabbit, Roundwood, to be Inspectors under the Provisions of the Food and Drugs Act within this County of Wicklow, in place of Sergeant James Clifford, Tinahely; Acting Sergeant Terence Maguire, Aughrim; and Sergeant William J. Watson, Hollywood." Passed.

8th May, 1911. From the Hon. Secretary, Greystones Improvement Association—Enclosing a resolution of his Executive Committee, suggesting the limitation of speed of motor cars on all roads in the village of Greystones, and the erection of cautionary notices. Passed.

30th March, 1911. From Secretary, Irish County Councils' General Council, 10 Leinster street, Dublin—Resolution from his Executive Committee protesting against the smallness of the amount allocated by the Road Board for the purpose of road improvement in Ireland. Approved.

11th May, 1911. From Secretary, The Royal Sanitary Institute, 90 Buckingham Palace road, London, S.W.—Inviting the Council to appoint delegates to the Congress of the Institute to be held in Belfast from 24th to 29th July, 1911.

Abstract of the Accounts of the Wicklow Harbour Commissioners for the year ended 31st December, 1910.

Annual Report of the Wicklow County Infirmary for the year ended 5th January, 1911.

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11th April, 1911. Circular letter from Sir Thomas H. C. Troubridge, Bart., Chairman of the Syndicate promoting the "All Red Route" from Great Britain to New Zealand and Australia, via Blacksod Bay and Halifax—Dealing with certain resolutions passed, proposing Galway as a Transatlantic port.

Order—Referred to annual meeting.

15th April, 1911. From Hon. Secs., Galway Transatlantic Port Committee, Courthouse, Galway—Enclosing a resolution for adoption by the County Council approving of the proposed Transatlantic route, and claiming that Galway is the most suitable Irish port to connect with Halifax, etc.

Order—Referred to Annual Meeting.

13th April, 1911. From Secretary, Irish Peace Society, 50 Lower Sackville street, Dublin—Enclosing for signatures a copy of the World Petition to the Third Peace Conference which will meet at the Hague in 1914.

Two Forms 2. Preliminary notices of intention to make application for compensation for alleged malicious injury to property from the following:—Thomas Braddell, Coolmelagh, Enniscorthy R.D., £131 5s. 0d.; Dr. Arnold Henry, Kilshane House, Bray, £10.

24th March, 1911. From Secretary, Dublin Industrial Development Association, 9 Dawson street, Dublin—Inviting the Council to appoint six delegates to attend the All-Ireland Industrial Conference in City Hall, Dublin, 14th and 15th June, 1911.

20th March, 1911. From Secretary, Queen's County Committee of Agriculture and Technical Instruction—Stating that the County Council for his county, and his Committee, have approved of the Rev. P. J. Dowling's proposal for the establishment of an Irish Bureau of Industries.

## RESOLUTIONS FROM VARIOUS BODIES.

6th February, 1911. From President, Evicted Tenants' Association, Railway Hotel, Limerick—Resolutions pleading the cause of the Evicted Tenants of Ireland.

27th February, 1911. From Hon. Secs., South of Ireland Cattle Trade Association, 32 King street, Cork—Resolution pointing out the desirability of passing into law as soon as possible Mr. Field's Meat Marking Bill, which would cause all meat sold to be labelled with the name of the country in which it was raised.

March, 1911. From Secretary, Irish Cattle Traders' and Stockowners' Association, City Arms Hotel, Prussia street, Dublin—Resolution in support of same.

22nd March, 1911. From Secretary, Dublin Victuallers' Association, 43 Lower O'Connell street, Dublin—Resolution urging the necessity for Mr. Wm. Field's Meat Marking (Ireland) Bill being passed into law.

21st April, 1911. From Limerick County Council—Resolution urging the necessity for placing Irish Secondary Education on a sound financial basis.

29th April, 1911. From Ballymena Rural District Council—Resolution that the Irish Forestry Society ought to have a bye-law to Enable an Auxiliary Branch of that Society to be established in each County of Ireland.

## MINUTES OF MEETING, 12TH JUNE, 1911.

The Annual Meeting of the County Council, held in the Council Chamber, Court House, Wicklow, at 12 o'clock, noon, on Monday, the 12th June, 1911. The following councillors were present, and signed their declarations before the Secretary, accepting office:—Councillors Wm. Costello, Joseph McCarroll, D. J. Cogan, Joseph Dunne, John Storey, James Byrne, Edward Byrne, J.P.; Michael Byrne, J.P.; James Galvin, John Murphy, Daniel Condren, Michael Kelly, William Byrne (Kilmurry); Thomas Burke, Laurence Hanlon, Morgan Travers, J. W. Reigh, Martin Langton, E. C. Walsh.

In the absence of the Chairman, Councillor E. P. O'Kelly, M.P., owing to illness, the chair was taken by the outgoing Vice-Chairman, Councillor Michael Byrne.

## BUSINESS:

- 1.—The chair to be taken by the outgoing Chairman.
- 2.—The Councillors to sign the Declaration accepting Office.
- 3.—To consider question of choosing, and, if so determined, to choose two additional County Councillors.
- 4.—To elect a Chairman.
- 5.—To elect a Vice-Chairman.
- 6.—To appoint a Financial and Proposals Committee of nine councillors.
- 7.—To appoint a County Committee of Agriculture.
- 8.—To appoint a Joint Technical Instruction Committee for County Wicklow.
- 9.—To recommend revisions required in the Valuation Lists.  
The new Finance Committee will adjourn to appoint a Chairman, and to order Payments from Subsidiary Account.
- 10.—The receive Finance Committee's Report.
- 11.—To appoint Representatives upon the following Joint Committees of Management:—
 

(a) Richmond District Lunatic Asylum	(4)
(b) Wicklow County Infirmary	(12)
(c) Wicklow Fever Hospital	(8)
(d) Arklow Fever Hospital	(6)
(e) Newtown-Mount-Kennedy do	(8)
- 12.—To receive and consider Tenders for the rebuilding of Aughavanagh Bridge, in ferro-concrete, to include a temporary road and bridge.
- 13.—To consider the following Notice of Motion, by Councillor E. J. Byrne, postponed from previous meeting:—"I beg to give notice that I will move at a future meeting that the resolution regarding Solicitor's appearance at Malicious Injury Cases be rescinded."
- 14.—To consider the following Three Notices of Motion, handed in by Councillor James Galvin:—"I beg to give notice that I will move at next meeting that resolution passed November Quarterly Meeting, 1910, governing granting of Licenses for Sale of Poisons on certain dates be rescinded, and that

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15.—To consider the following two Notices of Motion handed in by Councillor E. C. Walsh:—

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- 16.—To receive and consider Reports from Committees.  
 17.—To receive and consider Reports from County Officers.  
 18.—To receive and consider Official Correspondence.  
 19.—To receive and consider General Correspondence.

Proposed by Councillor D. Condren, seconded by Councillor Morgan Travers. Resolved—That Mr. William Byrne, of Coolbeg, Wicklow, and Mr. Patrick Short, of Rathnew, Wicklow, be co-opted as members of the Council. Passed.

Proposed by Councillor Joseph McCarroll, seconded by Councillor E. C. Walsh. Resolved—That Councillor Edward P. O'Kelly, J.P., M.P., be and is hereby elected Chairman of the County Council for the ensuing year, and until his successor shall have been appointed. Passed.

Proposed by Councillor Daniel Condren, seconded by Councillor Joseph McCarroll. Resolved—That Councillor Michael Byrne, J.P., be and is hereby elected Vice-chairman of the County Council for the ensuing year, and until his successor shall have been appointed. Passed.

The Minutes of the previous Meeting were then confirmed and signed.

Proposed by Councillor J. McCarroll, seconded by Councillor J. W. Reigh. Resolved—That the following nine Councillors be appointed, along with the Chairman and Vice-Chairman of this Council, to form the Proposals and Finance Committee:—Patrick Short, E. C. Walsh, J. W. Reigh, J.P.; Wm. Byrne, J.P.; D. J. Cogan, James Byrne, E. J. Byrne, J.P.; Joseph McCarroll, John J. Reilly. Passed.

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Proposed by Councillor Daniel Condren, seconded by Councillor Morgan Travers. Resolved—That the following gentlemen be appointed to form the County Committee of Agriculture:—

James Byrne, Tinnakilly Lower, Auhgrim.  
 Very Rev. John Canon Staples, P.P., V.F., The Abbey, Wicklow.  
 Patrick Short, Rathnew.  
 Daniel Condren, Lower Main Street, Arklow.  
 John Storey, Moneystown, Roundwood.  
 William Osborne, J.P., Ballyknockan House, Blessington.  
 William Byrne, J.P., Coolbeg, Rathnew, Wicklow.  
 E. J. Byrne, J.P., St. Mullins, Tinahely.  
 Joseph McCarroll, Church Street, Wicklow.  
 Michael Fleming, Ballynultagh, Shilllagh.  
 Joseph Dunne, Merginstown, Dunlavin.  
 Michael Byrne, J.P., Coolalug House, Tinahely.  
 E. C. Walsh, 1 Vale Road, Arklow.  
 John Murphy, J.P., Vive-Vale, Delgany.  
 Andrew Halpin, Whiterock, Roundwood.  
 Peter Kearns, Tigroney, Ovoca.  
 Very Rev. Wm. C. Byrnes, P.P., Barndarrig, Kilbride, Wicklow.  
 Thomas Burke, Hollywood, Ballymore-Eustace.  
 Samuel Boothman, Miley Hall, Blessington.  
 Canon J. R. Willis, Moyne Rectory, Rathdrum.  
 Rev. Philip Doyle, C.C., Annacurra, Auhgrim.  
 Denis J. Cogan, 115 Thomas Street, Dublin.  
 Very Rev. Wm. Duggan, P.P., Kilquade, Greystones.  
 J. J. Reilly, Kilmullen, Newtown-Mt.-Kennedy.  
 Very Rev. Dr. Butler, P.P., Roundwood.  
 Laurence Hanlon, Crosscoolharbour, Blessington.  
 Very Rev. J. H. O'Donnell, P.P., Rathdrum.

Passed.

Proposed by Councillor E. C. Walsh, seconded by Councillor James Galvin—That the following gentlemen be appointed to form the Joint Technical Instruction Committee for County Wicklow:—

Rev. Thomas P. O'Byrne, C.C., Wicklow.  
 Very Rev. J. O'Carroll, P.P., Valleymount, Blessington.  
 Very Rev. Dr. Butler, P.P., Roundwood.  
 Very Rev. J. O'Donnell, P.P., Rathdrum.  
 Rev. Philip Doyle, C.C., Annacurra, Auhgrim.  
 Very Rev. Wm. Duggan, P.P., Kilquade, Greystones.  
 Daniel Condren, 81 Lower Main street, Arklow.  
 Francis W. MacPhail, Bayview House, Wicklow.  
 D. J. Cogan, 115 Thomas street, Dublin.  
 Wm. Osborne, J.P., Ballyknockan House, Blessington.  
 E. J. Byrne, J.P., St. Mullins, Tinahely.  
 William Byrne, J.P., Coolbeg, Rathnew, Wicklow.  
 Very Rev. Wm. C. Byrnes, P.P., Barndarrig, Wicklow.  
 James Galvin, Mount Avon, Rathdrum.  
 Patrick Short, Rathnew, Wicklow.

As an amendment it was proposed by Councillor D. J. Cogan, seconded by Councillor Wm. Costello. Resolved—"That the list with E. P. O'Kelly's name substituted for F. W. MacPhail be now passed." Carried.

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The amendment was then put by the Chairman to the meeting as a substantive resolution and declared passed.

Proposed by Councillor E. C. Walsh, seconded by Councillor J. McCarroll. Resolved—"That we have considered the changes and alterations necessary in the Valuation Lists, as given on the accompanying Revision Sheets, and request the Commissioner of Valuation to have the Lists revised accordingly." Passed.

Proposed by Councillor J. McCarroll, seconded by Councillor M. Langton. Resolved—"That the following gentlemen be the Representatives of this Council upon the Joint Committee of Management of Richmond District Lunatic Asylum:—

Edward P. O'Kelly, J.P., M.P., St. Kevins, Baltinglass.

E. C. Walsh, 1 Vale road, Arklow.

Denis J. Cogan, 115 Thomas street, Dublin.

J. W. Reigh, J.P., Glencoe, Herbert road, Bray.

Passed

Proposed by Councillor J. W. Reigh, seconded by Councillor J. McCarroll. Resolved—"That the following be the Representatives of the County Council upon the Joint Committee of Management of Wicklow County Infirmary:—

Very Rev. John Canon Staples, P.P., V.F., The Abbey, Wicklow.

Very Rev. Pierce O'Donnell, P.P., Ashford.

Very Rev. Wm. C. Byrnes, P.P., Barndarrig, Wicklow.

Daniel Condren, 81 Lower Main street, Arklow.

Joseph McCarroll, Church street, Wicklow.

Very Rev. Wm. Duggan, P.P., Kilquade, Greystones.

E. M. Collins, Abbey street, Wicklow.

James Gernon, Abbey street, Wicklow.

James Galvin, Mount Avon, Rathdrum.

J. J. Reilly, Kilmullen, Newtown-Mount-Kennedy.

William Byrne, J.P., Coolbeg, Rathnew, Wicklow.

Patrick Short, Rathnew, Wicklow.

Passed

Proposed by Councillor E. C. Walsh, seconded by Councillor Edward Byrne. Resolved—"That the following be the Representatives of the County Council on the Joint Committee of Management of Wicklow Fever Hospital:—

Joseph McCarroll, Church street, Wicklow.

Very Rev. John Canon Staples, P.P., V.F., The Abbey, Wicklow.

William Byrne, J.P., Coolbeg, Wicklow.

E. M. Collins, Abbey street, Wicklow.

Rev. P. B. Johnson, M.A., Wicklow.

Sylvester Delahunt, J.P., Furzeditch, Wicklow.

Colonel C. G. Tottenham, D.L., Ballycurry, Ashford.

James Gernon, Abbey street, Wicklow.

Passed

Proposed by Councillor J. McCarroll, seconded by Councillor J. W. Reigh. Resolved—"That the following be the Representatives of the County Council on the Joint Committee of Management of Arklow Fever Hospital:—

Peter Kavanagh, Arklow.

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Daniel Condren, 81 Lower Main street, Arklow.

Thomas Birthistle, Main street, Arklow.

Michael Waldron, Main street, Arklow.

E. C. Walsh, 1 Vale road, Arklow.

Charles Murray, Ferrybank, Arklow.

Passed

Proposed by Councillor Morgan Travers, seconded by Councillor Wm. Costello. Resolved—"That the following be the Representatives of the County Council on the Joint Committee of Management of Newtown-Mount-Kennedy Fever Hospital:—

Very Rev. Wm. Duggan, P.P., Kilquade, Greystones.

Very Rev. Dr. Butler, P.P., Roundwood.

J. J. Reilly, Kilmullen, Newtown-Mount-Kennedy.

John Murphy, J.P., Vive Vale, Delgany.

Thomas Short, Newtown-Mount-Kennedy.

Major C. W. R. Tottenham, Woodstock.

Rev. W. Russell, C.C., Newtown-Mount-Kennedy.

R. W. Condell, Newtown-Mount-Kennedy.

Passed

Proposed by Councillor Edward Byrne, seconded by Councillor James Galvin. Resolved—"That the following dates be fixed for the Meetings of the Rural District Councils, of the Proposals and Finance Committee, and of the County Council for the year 1911-1912:—

Name of District and Place of Meeting.	Hour.	Summer Quarter 1911.	Autumn Quarter 1911.	Winter Quarter 1912.	Spring Quarter 1912.
RATHDOWN No. 2 ... Court-house, Enniskerry.	11-30	Mon. July 10	Mon. Oct. 23	Mon. Jan. 8	Mon. Apl. 15
RATHDRUM ... Court-house, Rathdrum.	12-15	Mon. ,, 24	Mon. Nov. 6	Mon. ,, 29	Mon. ,, 29
BALTINGLASS No. 1 ... Court-house, Baltinglass.	12-30	Mon. ,, 17	Mon. Oct. 30	Mon. ,, 22	Mon. ,, 22
NAAS No. 2 ... Court-house, Blessington	1-45	Tues. ,, 18	Tues. ,, 31	Tues. ,, 23	Tues. ,, 23
SHILLELAGH ... Court-house, Shillelagh	1	Fri. ,, 21	Fri. Nov. 3	Fri. Feb. 2	Fri. ,, 26
PROPOSALS COMMITTEE Court-house, Wicklow.	11-30	Wed. ,, 26	Wed. ,, 8	Wed. ,, 7	Wed. May 1
COUNTY COUNCIL ... Court-house, Wicklow	11-30	Mon. Aug 14	Mon. ,, 27	Mon. ,, 26	Mon. ,, 20

Passed

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Proposed by Councillor J. Murphy, seconded by Councillor Morgan Travers. Resolved—"That the Contractor for the road from Tonygarrow to Glencree having opened a quarry containing a stone approved of by the County Surveyor, permission is granted to the County Surveyor to accept stone from this quarry instead of limestone gravel as specified." Passed.

The County Surveyor submitted the one tender received in answer to the following advertisement:—

"Wicklow County Council. Notice to Contractors. Aughavannagh Bridge. Tenders are invited for the Construction of a Bridge at Aughavannagh, in Ferro-Concrete (Hennebique System), including the Removal of the Old Arch, etc., and the Erection of a Temporary Wooden Bridge for use during construction of new bridge; cost not to exceed £350. Plan and Specification can be seen at County Surveyor's Office, Wicklow. Tenders will be received up to 12 o'clock, noon, on Monday, 12th June, 1911, by the County Surveyor, Courthouse, Wicklow, from whom any further information about this work can be had. It will be necessary for Contractor and two Sureties to attend at Courthouse, Wicklow, on above date at 12 o'clock."

From Messrs. J. and R. Thompson, Ltd., Roden street, Belfast, who for the sum of £325 proposed to execute the several works required in the erection of Aughavannagh Bridge in accordance with the County Surveyor's Plans and Specifications.

Order—That the work be given in charge of the County Surveyor, and that he arrange to accept Messrs. Thompson's tender.

## ANALYST'S REPORT.

City Laboratory, 17 Castle street Dublin, 22nd May, 1911. Report of Sir Charles Cameron, C.B., M.D., Public Analyst for the County Wicklow, on articles submitted to him for analysis during the quarter ended 31st March, 1911. Fifty-six articles were received from the Food Inspectors, R.I.C., as follows:—Article—Butter, 27; milk 16; whiskey, 7; cheese, 4; margarine, 2; total, 56. They were all pure. Strychnine was discovered in the viscera of a fox-hound, which was sent for analysis by Sergeant Wall, Dunlavin. For the Guardians of Rathdrum Union fourteen drugs, ten specimens of milk, one of butter, and one of whiskey were analysed. Three drugs were incorrect. One of the specimens of milk was deprived of at least 23 per cent. of its fats. One specimen of water analysed for Baltinglass Rural District Council had the following composition:—one imperial gallon contained in grains—Total solid matter, 42,000, including—Albuminoid ammonia, 0.035; saline ammonia, 0.066; nitric acid 1.120; chlorine, 1.390. A polluted water, dangerous to drink. For the Guardians of Baltinglass Union nine drugs were analysed. Three were incorrect. For the Guardians of Shillelagh Union three drugs were analysed, and were correct. Two specimens of water analysed for Shillelagh Rural District Council had the following compositions:—One imperial gallon contained in grains—Total solid matter, No. 1, 5,320—No. 2, 6,300; including—Albumi-

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noid ammonia, 0.003—0.008; saline ammonia, 0.0015—0.006; nitric acid, trace—1.000; chlorine, 0.890—1.090. An unusually pure water. No. 2 is fit for use. There were six specimens of butter analysed by directions from the Department of Agriculture and Technical Instruction for Ireland, Upper Merrion street, Dublin, which were taken up in the County Wicklow, and were pure. Two fertilisers were analysed for the County Committee of Agriculture, Wicklow. There were sixteen fertilisers analysed for the Dublin and Wicklow Manure Company, Wicklow. One specimen of feeding stuff was analysed for M. Moynihan, Esq., The Rookery, Newcastle. For the Richmond District Lunatic Asylum four specimens of soap, five of butter, three of cocoa and two of milk were analysed, and were pure. For Naas Union, which is partly situated in the County Wicklow, twenty-four drugs and two specimens of milk were analysed. Two drugs were incorrect. The specimens of milk were under the average quality of pure milk. One specimen of water analysed for Naas Rural District Council, which is partly situated in the County Wicklow, had the following composition:—One imperial gallon contained in grains—Total solid matter, 19,600; including—Albuminoid ammonia, 0.020; saline ammonia, 0.006; nitric acid, 4.120; chlorine 2.080. A rather inferior water. In the original reports on the waters above referred to, full details, chemical and microscopical, were given, but in the foregoing only the more important points are given. Total analysis, 164; adulterated and defective articles, 10.

CHARLES A. CAMERON.

Consideration of the following Notice of Motion standing in the name of Councillor E. J. Byrne, was again adjourned:—"I beg to give notice that I will move at a future meeting that the resolution regarding Solicitor's appearance at Malicious Injury Cases be rescinded."

On the Notice of Motion standing in Councillor Galvin's name having been read, it was proposed by Councillor E. C. Walsh, seconded by Councillor James Galvin. Resolved—"That on this occasion the Licenses for Selling Poisons be granted to those omitting to renew, and notice to be given in the local papers that in future all applications must be sent in before February." Passed.

In accordance with Notice of Motion, it was proposed by Councillor James Galvin, seconded by Councillor J. McCarroll—"That the provisions of the Noxious Weeds and Seeds Act be put in force in County Wicklow."

As an amendment it was proposed by Councillor D. J. Cogan, seconded by Councillor E. C. Walsh. Resolved—"That consideration of the motion be postponed until next meeting."

A poll having been called for, there voted:—For the amendment—Councillor E. C. Walsh, D. Condren, Michael Byrne, D. J. Cogan, Wm. Costello, Thomas Burke, James Byrne, John Storey, Michael Kelly, Wm. Byrne (Kilmurry), and Edward Byrne—11. Against—Councillors M. Langton, J. W. Reigh, Morgan Travers, James Galvin, J. McCarroll, and John Murphy—6.

The Chairman declared the amendment carried by eleven votes to six.

The following Notice of Motion by Councillor Galvin was considered, and agreed to with certain verbal alterations of which no

written record was received:—"That the sum of 5s. 6d. per head per week be paid to St. Brigid's Home for Inebriates, Wexford, for cases (not to exceed three at any time) to be sent from County Wicklow. This order to be retrospective as far as to apply to one case from County Wicklow, already in the Institution."

Councillor E. C. Walsh having withdrawn the Notice of Motion standing in his name, it was proposed by Councillor J. W. Reigh, seconded by Councillor John Storey. Resolved—"That it is the wish of the County Council that the Technical Committee's deliberations should in future be open to the Press." Passed.

In accordance with Notice of Motion it was proposed by Councillor E. C. Walsh, seconded by Councillor J. McCarroll. Resolved—"That in future no application for a revision of road contracts be entertained unless on the recommendation of the County Surveyor." Passed.

Proposed by Councillor E. C. Walsh, seconded by Councillor J. McCarroll. Resolved—"That the Wicklow County Council beg to tender John Dillon, M.P., our heartiest congratulations on his rapid recovery from the very serious accident through which the Irish Nation was nearly losing one of its most distinguished leaders." Passed.

The Council again adjourned the consideration of the following two letters referred to the Annual Meeting from the May Quarterly Meeting:—"11th April, 1911. Circular letter from Sir Thomas H. C. Troutbridge, Bart., Chairman of the Syndicate promoting the 'All Red Route' from Great Britain to New Zealand and Australia, via Blacksod Bay and Halifax—Dealing with certain resolutions passed, proposing Galway as a Transatlantic port." "15th April, 1911. From Hon. Secs., Galway Transatlantic Port Committee, Courthouse, Galway—Enclosing a resolution for adoption by the County Council approving of the proposed Transatlantic route, and claiming that Galway is the most suitable Irish port to connect with Halifax, etc."

#### OFFICIAL CORRESPONDENCE.

No. 12734/1911; Miscellaneous. Local Government Board Dublin, 16th May, 1911—Enclosing two Sealed Orders amending the Motor Cars (Use and Construction) (Ireland) Order, 1904, and the Heavy Motor Car (Ireland) Order, 1905.

Proposed by Councillor J. W. Reigh, seconded by Councillor D. J. Cogan. Resolved—"That this County Council strongly protest against the Orders issued by the Local Government Board, dated 13th April, 1911, by which the weight of motor vehicles and traction engines using the public road has been increased from 5 to 6 tons in one section and from 6½ to 8 tons in another, on the grounds that the roads, bridges, water pipes, gas pipes, etc., in the Urban and Rural portions of our country were never intended to carry these heavy motors, which we consider extraordinary traffic." Passed.

No. 75325/1910; Miscellaneous. Local Government Board, Dublin, 24th May, 1911—Sealed Order authorising the Irish Automobile Club to perform for a further twelve months the duties as

regards Ireland specified in Article 1 (1) of the Motor Car (International Circulation) Order, 1910.

Correspondence with Local Government Board, and with the Secretary to the County Joint Technical Instruction Committee—With regard to the proposed loan of £3,000 for new Technical Schools in Arklow and Baltinglass.

No. 27224/1911; Wicklow County. Local Government Board, Dublin, 23rd May, 1911—Notifying the Board's decisions on the Supplemental Lists of Rates declared to be irrecoverable.

Treasury Chambers, Whitehall, London, S.W., 26th May, 1911—From Secretary to the Imperial and Local Taxation Committee—Asking the Council to furnish him by 30th June, 1911, with a memorandum embodying any suggestions they wish to lay before his Committee relative to the method of distributing Imperial Aids to Local Authorities.

Royal Engineers' Office, Dublin Castle, 7th June, 1911. From Major J. J. Galloway, R.E.—Enquiring as to the Council's decision concerning the repairs to Kilbride Roads.

No. T. 4835/1911. Department of Agriculture, Dublin, 10th June, 1911—Stating that the Department would suggest that the number of Representatives to be appointed by the County Council on the County Joint Committee for Technical Instruction should be fifteen, and that the Urban District Councils of Arklow and Wicklow should each be represented by five members on the Committee.

No. 2232/1911. Department of Agriculture, Dublin, 10th June, 1911—Bringing under the Council's notice their powers exercisable in putting in force the Regulations under Section 2 of the Dogs Act, 1906.

6th June, 1911. From Clerk, Baltinglass No. 1 Rural District Council—Notifying the re-election of Mr. William Byrne, Baltinglass, as Chairman of his Council for the ensuing year.

6th June, 1911. From Clerk, Naas No. 2 Rural District Council—Notifying the election of Mr. Laurence Hanlon, of Crosscoolharbour, Blessington, as Chairman of his Council for the ensuing year.

8th June, 1911. From Clerk, Rathdown No. 2 Rural District Council—Notifying the re-election of Mr. John Murphy, J.P., of Vive Vale, Delgany, as Chairman of his Council for the ensuing year.

6th June, 1911. From Clerk, Rathdrum Rural District Council—Notifying the re-election of Mr. P. J. Carey, J.P., of Tomanerrin, Aughrim, as Chairman of his Council for the ensuing year.

7th June, 1911. From Clerk, Shillelagh Rural District Council—Stating that Mr. Edward Byrne, J.P., of Muskeagh, Tinahely, has been again nominated on the County Council for the ensuing year to take the place of the Chairman, Mr. E. J. Byrne, J.P., who is already a County Councillor.

8th June, 1911. From the Secretary, County Wicklow Joint Technical Instruction Committee—Letter of explanation in reply to the resolution received by the County Council from Baltinglass No. 1 Rural District Council relative to the absence of Courses of Woodwork in that district during the year 1910-1911.

29th May, 1911. From Michael Kelly, Coolkenno—Asking the County Council to register his place as a butter factory.

24th May, 1911. From Mr. Myles Healy, Woodend, Blessington, late Chairman of Naas No. 2 Rural District Council—Stating that the



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County Council could take his Rural District Council as totally objecting to paying anything towards the proposed new Technical Schools in Arklow and Baltinglass. Read.

8th June, 1911. From J. H. McCarroll, Solicitor, Church street, Wicklow—Notifying that the County Court Judge had awarded £20 compensation in the Braddell Criminal Injury Claim, to be levied off the County Electoral Division of Newtownbarry.

May, 1911. From Secretary, Irish County Councils' General Council, 10 Leinster street, Dublin—Resolution suggesting that the cost of applying the National Insurance Bill to Ireland should be placed in a suspense account to the credit of Ireland, and placed at the disposal of the coming Irish Parliament, to be applied in aid of a measure specially suited to Irish conditions. Also enclosing a memorandum criticising the National Insurance Bill.

June, 1911. From the National Association for the Prevention of Consumption and other forms of Tuberculosis, 20 Hanover Square, London, W.—Asking the Council to appoint Delegates to the Annual Conference to be held on 19-21st July, 1911, in the Caxton Hall, Westminster, London.

30th April, 1911. From Principal and Manager, St. Patrick's Orphanage, Elphinstone Park, Adyar, Madras—An appeal for funds to be used in making certain improvements in the above Orphanage.

2nd June, 1911. From Dublin Branch of the Amalgamated Society of Telephone Employees—Resolution protesting against the appointment of military to do the usual duty of the Staff of the National Telephone Company, consequent on the transfer to the State of the Company's undertakings. Adopted.

11th May, 1911. From McDougall Brothers, Port street, Manchester—Re Sheep Dipping Regulations for 1911, and quoting prices of dips.

30th May, 1911. From the Wexford Engineering Company, Ltd.—Placing before the Council their catalogue dealing with sprayers.

9th June, 1911. From Superintendent, St. Patrick's Inebriate Home, Hennessy's road, Waterford—Notifying his intention to appear before the Council to urge on the Council the necessity for contributing to the maintenance of inmates from the County Wicklow in his Institution.

30th May, 1911. From Irish Manager, The Automobile Association and Motor Union, 12 College Green, Dublin—Asking the Council to co-operate with his Association in erecting notices where required in Greystones, etc.

Proposed by Councillor John Murphy, seconded by Councillor Morgan Travers. Resolved—"That these notices be applied for." Passed.

## RESOLUTIONS FROM VARIOUS BODIES.

2nd May, 1911. From Corporation of Waterford—Resolution putting forward the claims of Secondary Education in Ireland.

18th May, 1911. From Newcastle West Rural District Council—Resolution suggesting the formation of an Irish Finance Committee

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to report and advise the people of Ireland on the present financial position of Ireland. Adopted.

10th June, 1911. From Wicklow Branch, Irish National Foresters—Resolution asking the Council to pass a resolution requesting the Joint Committee of Management to appoint Dr. W. J. McCormack as Honorary Surgeon to the Wicklow County Infirmary.

Proposed by Councillor M. Langton, seconded by Councillor J. W. Reigh. Resolved—"That this Council request the Committee and Governors of the County Infirmary to nominate Surgeon McCormack, of Wicklow, to be an Honorary Visiting Member to said Infirmary." Passed.

10th June, 1911. From Baltinglass Branch of the Gaelic League—Resolution expressing emphatic disapproval of the unjust treatment meted out to Baltinglass by the County Wicklow Technical Committee in withholding the services of their Instructress. Read.

10th June, 1911. From Monaghan County Council—Resolution dealing with certain statements alleged to have been made at a recent meeting of Convocation of the National University.



## MINUTES OF MEETING, 14TH AUGUST, 1911.

The Summer Quarterly Meeting of the County Council, held in the Council Chamber, Court House, Wicklow, at 11.30 a.m., on Monday, the 14th August, 1911. The following members were present:—Councillor E. P. O'Kelly (Chairman); Councillors Michael Byrne, Martin Langton, Wm. Osborne, Thomas Burke, P. J. Carey, Joseph McCarroll, Edward Byrne, William Byrne (Coolbeg), Patrick Short, John Murphy, James Galvin, and Patrick Kenny.

The following Councillors signed their Declarations before the Secretary, accepting office:—Councillors Michael Byrne (as Vice-Chairman), William Byrne (Coolbeg), Wm. Osborne, P. J. Carey, and Patrick Kenny.

## BUSINESS:

- 1—To consider report from the Finance Committee.
  - 2—To consider the proposals from the Proposals Committee.
  - 3—To consider proposals for payment from the five Rural Districts.
  - 4—To sign Treasurer's Authorities for the past quarter's payments.
  - 5—To consider proposals for contracts from the five Rural Districts.
  - 6—To consider Tenders sent forward to the County Council.
  - 7—To seal such contracts as have been approved by the County Council.
  - 8—To sign Certificates for Refund of Expenses under the Diseases of Animals Act.
  - 9—To sign return for Bounty in lieu of Rates.
  - 10—To sign return for Bounty in lieu of Rates on Avondale Estate.
  - 11—To re-appoint the County Pension Committee under the Old Age Pensions Act, 1908.
  - 12—To re-appoint the School Attendance Committee for the Dispensary District of Newcastle.
  - 13—To execute Agreement between the County Council and His Majesty's Principal Secretary of State for the War Department, with regard to improving and strengthening a portion of road in connection with Kilbride Rifle Range and Camp.
  - 14—To consider the following Notice of Motion by Councillor E. J. Byrne, postponed from previous meetings:—"I beg to give notice that I will move at a future meeting that the resolution regarding Solicitor's appearance at Malicious Injury Cases be rescinded."
  - 15—Consider the following Notice of Motion, standing in the name of Councillor James Galvin, which was postponed from the Annual Meeting:—"I beg to give notice that I will move at next meeting that provisions of Noxious Weeds and Seeds Act be put in force in County Wicklow."
  - 16—To receive and consider Reports from Committees.
  - 17—To consider Reports from County Officers.
  - 18—To consider Official Correspondence.
  - 19—To consider General Correspondence.
- Minutes of previous meeting were read and confirmed.

## FINANCE COMMITTEE'S REPORT NO. 1.

Your Finance Committee met on Wednesday, the 26th July, 1911. The following members were present: Councillor D. J. Cogan (in the chair); Councillors Joseph McCarroll, and Patrick Short.

The Committee, having examined the Proposals for Payment by the Proposals Committee, and from the Five Rural District Councils, recommend them for payment as follows:—

	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
County-at-Large—				5,549	9	9
Baltinglass No. 1—						
District Proposals	756	2	11			
Committee's Proposals	34	6	4	790	9	3
Naas No. 2—						
District Proposals	271	15	2			
Committee's Proposals	437	5	2	709	0	4
Rathdown No. 2—						
District Proposals	393	13	7			
Committee's Proposals	97	3	0	490	16	7
Rathdrum—						
Arklow Roads:						
District Proposals						
Committee's Proposals	369	17	1			
Shillelagh—						
District Proposals	475	9	4			
Committee's Proposals	60	3	7	535	12	11
Arklow Urban—						
Committee's Proposals				30	0	3
Wicklow Urban—						
Committee's Proposals				17	10	8
Transfer to credit of Subsidiary Account (included in total for County-at-Large)				939	4	5

The Committee examined the Union and Rural District demands submitted to them, and recommend the Council to make the following payments on foot of same:—

## TRANSFERS TO FUNDS OF UNIONS.

	£	s.	d.
Baltinglass	870	5	0
Naas	270	5	0
Rathdown	1,042	0	0
Rathdrum	2,900	0	0
Shillelagh	755	10	0
Total	£5,838	0	0

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## TRANSFERS TO FUNDS OF RURAL DISTRICT COUNCILS.

	£	s.	d.
Baltinglass No. 1	227	10	0
Naas No. 2	119	15	0
Rathdown No. 2	891	10	0
Rathdrum	1,137	10	0
Shillelagh	407	10	0

Total £2,783 15 0

Mr. J. H. McCarroll's bill of costs, incurred in opposing the Alliance and Dublin Consumers Gas Bill. Order—Recommended for payment, subject to the production of the Certificate of Taxation.

Signed, D. J. COGAN, Chairman.

## FINANCE COMMITTEE'S REPORT NO. 2.

Your Finance Committee met on Monday, the 14th August, 1911, at 11 a.m. The following members were present:—Councillor E. P. O'Kelly (Chairman); Councillors J. McCarroll, and Michael Byrne.

The Committee had before them the following additional Proposals for Payment, and we recommend them to the County Council for payment:—

	£	s.	d.
Rathdrum—			
District Proposals	1,457	6	8
Arklow Urban—			
Agricultural Grant for half-year to 30th September, 1911			44 16 0

The Committee recommend that the Certificate for Taxation of Mr. McCarroll's Bill of Costs be signed and sealed by the County Council, provided Mr. McCarroll signs the note at foot.

Signed, EDWARD P. O'KELLY, Chairman of Committee.

Adopted—Certificate to be held by Secretary until signed by Mr. McCarroll.

Proposed by Councillor J. McCarroll, seconded by Councillor Edward Byrne. Resolved—"That the Finance Committee's Reports be hereby adopted." Passed.

Proposed by Councillor Wm. Osborne, seconded by Councillor Langton. Resolved—"That the Treasurer's Advice Note for the Transfers on foot of Demands from the several Unions and Rural Districts be now signed." Passed.

Proposals for Payment from the Proposals Committee, and from the Five Rural District Councils, were passed as follows:—

## COUNTY - AT - LARGE:

Proposed by Councillor Wm. Osborne, seconded by Councillor Thomas Burke. Resolved—"That we hereby approve of the foregoing Proposals for Payment on the County-at-Large, amounting to £5,594 5s. 9d. (any modification made therein having been first initialled by the Chairman), and order the same to be paid." Passed.

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## BALTINGLASS NO. 1:

Proposed by Councillor E. P. O'Kelly, seconded by Councillor M. Byrne. Resolved—"That we hereby approve of the foregoing Proposals for Payment on Baltinglass No. 1 Rural District, amounting to £790 9s. 3d. (any modification made therein having been first initialled by the Chairman), and order the same to be paid." Passed.

## NAAS NO. 2:

Proposed by Councillor Wm. Osborne, seconded by Councillor T. Burke. Resolved—"That we hereby approve of the foregoing Proposals for Payment on Naas No. 2 Rural District, amounting to £709 0s. 4d. (any modification made therein having been first initialled by the Chairman), and order the same to be paid." Passed.

## RATHDOWN NO. 2:

Proposed by Councillor M. Langton, seconded by Councillor J. McCarroll. Resolved—"That we hereby approve of the foregoing Proposals for Payment on Rathdown No. 2 Rural District, amounting to £490 16s. 7d. (any modification made therein having been first initialled by the Chairman), and order the same to be paid." Passed.

## RATHDRUM:

Proposed by Councillor P. J. Carey, seconded by Councillor Wm. Byrne. Resolved—"That we hereby approve of the foregoing Proposals for Payment on Rathdrum Rural District, amounting to £1,827 3s. 9d. (any modification made therein having been first initialled by the Chairman), and order the same to be paid." Passed.

## SHILLELAGH:

Proposed by Councillor Michael Byrne, seconded by Councillor E. Byrne. Resolved—"That we hereby approve of the foregoing Proposals for Payment on Shillelagh Rural District, amounting to £535 12s. 11d. (any modification made therein having been first initialled by the Chairman), and order the same to be paid." Passed.

## ARKLOW URBAN:

Proposed by Councillor M. Langton, seconded by Councillor P. J. Carey. Resolved—"That we hereby approve of the foregoing Proposals for Payment on Arklow Urban District, amounting to £30 0s. 3d. (any modification made therein having been first initialled by the Chairman), and order the same to be paid." Passed.

## WICKLOW URBAN:

Proposed by Councillor J. McCarroll, seconded by Councillor Wm. Byrne. Resolved—"That we hereby approve of the foregoing Proposals for Payment on Wicklow Urban District, amounting to £17 10s. 8d. (any modification made therein having been first initialled by the Chairman), and order the same to be paid." Passed.

Proposed by Councillor P. J. Carey, seconded by Councillor Thos. Burke. Resolved—"That the Treasurer's Advice Notes for the Quarterly Payments, as approved by this Council, be now signed." Passed.

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Proposals for Contracts submitted from the Five Rural District Councils.

## BALTINGLASS NO. 1:

Road No. 26 in the District Register, 684 perches, was given in charge of the County Surveyor.

Road No. 31 in the District Register, 282 perches, and Road No. 32 in the District Register, 603 perches, were also given in charge of the County Surveyor.

Contracts, as submitted, approved and confirmed.

## NAAS NO. 2:

Works Nos. 26 and 31 in the District Register were placed in charge of the County Surveyor.

Contracts, as submitted, approved and confirmed.

## RATHDOWN NO. 2:

Contracts, as submitted, approved and confirmed.

## RATHDRUM:

Road No. 155 in the District Register, 523 perches, was placed in charge of the County Surveyor.

Contracts, as submitted, approved and confirmed.

## SHILLELAGH:

Contracts, as submitted, approved and confirmed.

Proposed by Councillor Michael Byrne, seconded by Councillor M. Langton. Resolved—"That the several Contracts which have been approved of at this Quarterly Meeting be now signed and sealed." Passed.

Proposed by Councillor E. Byrne, seconded by Councillor J. McCarroll. Resolved—"That we now sign and seal the two Certificates for Refund of Expenses under the Diseases of Animals Acts." Passed.

Proposed by Councillor Wm. Osborne, seconded by Councillor T. Burke. Resolved—"That the Certificate for Bounty in lieu of Rates be now signed and sealed." Passed.

Proposed by Councillor Wm. Byrne, seconded by Councillor John Murphy. Resolved—"That the Certificate for Bounty in lieu of Rates on Avondale Estate be now signed and sealed." Passed.

## COUNTY SURVEYOR'S REPORT.

To Wicklow County Council.

Gentlemen,

Of the contracts coming before you to-day, but one requires any particular attention before you ratify them. This contract is in Rathdown No. 2 R.D., and it is to rebuild a retaining wall at the N. end of Delgany. This wall sustains a bank of earth some 6 feet high over the level of the roadway, and a footpath which runs at the base of the wall. The present wall is considerably out of the plum and overhangs the path, and is apparently in a dangerous state. The owners of the land have offered to contribute £25 to the cost of the work, which was estimated at a total of £75. However, the contractors cut down the price, and it has been let at £58 10s. 0d., and I presume the contribution will be reduced in proportion.

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There has been a considerable amount of damage caused by traction engine traffic, especially on the road from Ashford to Ballyduff. An extremely heavy engine is in use on this road, and at every journey more or less damage is done. The unfortunate road contractor is doing his best, and has been put to very heavy expense to keep the road open for traffic. I consider that an effort should be made to recover the cost of this additional work.

In Baltinglass No. 1 R.D. there is a somewhat similar case. The damage was done on a very isolated road, and was caused by the engine sinking through the crust of the roadway. The men employed with the engine excavated large holes about the engine, and when they extricated the latter they proceeded on their way, leaving the holes in the road made by the engine and by their excavations. Fortunately, this was by chance discovered before any accident occurred.

I regret to report that the Road No. 20, Shillelagh R.D., is still in a neglected state. This road I reported to you at the last Quarterly Meeting, but you considered it inexpedient to permit me to take steps to have the usual remedial measures put in force.

Road No. 40—Rathdown No. 2—is quite neglected by the contractor, although both the contractor and the sureties have been called on to fulfil the contract. The contractor for Road No. 23—Rathdown No. 2—has offered to supply a portion of the quantity of metal required, using a stone of a class other than that specified. I suggest that for this season it would be advisable to permit him to substitute this particular stone for, say, half of his specified quantity.

The Rathdrum R. D. Council, at their Quarterly Meeting, considered the proposed grant from the Roads Board, and decided to postpone any action until a more comprehensive scheme would be laid before the County Councils.

I remain, your obedient servant,

S. G. GALLAGHER.

County Surveyor.

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Orders:—Par. 1—The contribution by owners to be in proportion to contract price.

Pars. 2 and 3—Applications to be made to owners of engines doing the damage, and, in case they refuse to pay, the matter to be handed to the Council's Solicitor to act as he may be advised.

Par. 4—County Surveyor to issue a ten days' notice.

Par. 5—Permission granted, for this measurement.

#### REPORT ON THE DUBLIN AND BLESSINGTON TRAMWAY.

12th August, 1911.

Gentlemen,

On the 5th and 11th inst. I carried out the inspection of the Dublin and Blessington Steam Tramway. In general, the line presents the usual weed and grass grown appearance, although on certain sections some attempt would appear to have been made to remedy this, while on other parts the growth of grass, weeds and moss is worse than ever.

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The ballast, except where some little work has been done at a comparatively recent date in replacing sleepers, is baked hard, and the drainage is defective.

There are yet a considerable number of sleepers quite decayed (especially between 14th-mile and 15th-mile) and which should at once be removed and replaced with sound timbers. Many of the sleepers, which although to all appearance sound on top, give a very hollow ring on being struck. This may be due to decay underneath or to want of packing.

The fastenings, both fish plates and bolts and holding down bolts, are in much better order, especially on the section of line between Blessington and Cross Chapel, but I noticed a few loose rails and some joints at which there was a "step" from one rail to that adjoining.

The sheds and buildings at Blessington and at Brittas have recently been repaired, and the iron work repainted. The sheds over the engine shop in Templeogue are in need of repair. A new shed has been erected as a painting shop. This is a useful improvement, which will tend to a saving. I also noticed that a small gantry has been constructed in the yard, and which will tend to reduce the heavy expenses of locomotive and wagon repairs.

The rolling stock appears to be in a satisfactory condition, Engine No. 8 being in the shops undergoing a thorough overhaul and repair. Engine No. 1 is also in the shops, and I understand is to be overhauled at an early date.

I made inquiries as to the working of the ram, erected to supply the works with water, and, from what I could learn, it would appear that this machine is working satisfactorily.

I remain, your obedient servant,

S. G. GALLAGHER.

County Surveyor.

To Wicklow County Council.

Proposed by Councillor J. McCarroll, seconded by Councillor T. Burke. Resolved—"That this Council suggests to the Directors of the Dublin and Blessington Steam Tramway that it would be most desirable that the Directors should communicate with the Directors of the Dublin United Tramways Company, with a view of ascertaining upon what terms the latter company would either take over the line altogether, or adapt it to, and work the system by electric power. Further, that the Dublin County Council be invited to propose a similar resolution, with a view to co-operation with this Council." Passed.

"Wentworth Place, Wicklow, 14th August, 1911. To Wicklow County Council. Gentlemen,—I should be much obliged if you would grant me twenty-one days' leave of absence, dating from the 21st inst., and that you authorise and direct the Assistant Surveyors to attend to any urgent matter which may arise during that period.—Your obedient servant, S. G. Gallagher." Order—Granted.

Proposed by Councillor Michael Byrne, seconded by Councillor P. J. Carey. Resolved—"That the Old Age Pension Committee for

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County Wicklow during the ensuing three years be constituted as hitherto, of all the members of the County Council for the time being." Passed.

Proposed by Councillor Patrick Short, seconded by Councillor P. J. Carey. Resolved—"That the following persons be appointed as the Council's moiety of the new School Attendance Committee for the Dispensary District of Newcastle:—Thomas Short, Newtownmountkennedy; Thomas Byrne, Killadreenan, Newtownmountkennedy; J. J. Reilly, Kilmullen, Newtownmountkennedy; Rev. W. Russell, C.C., Newtownmountkennedy; R. W. Condell, Newtownmountkennedy." Approved.

Proposed by Councillor Wm. Byrne, seconded by Councillor P. J. Carey. Resolved—"That we the County Council of the County of Wicklow, hereby approve the Draft Agreement with the War Department and His Majesty's Principal Secretary of State, for the improvement of a road at Kilbride Rifle Range, now submitted to us, and we authorise our Chairman to sign the completed Agreement on behalf of this Council when the same has been engrossed, and direct Councillor McCarroll to seal the said agreement for the County Council." Passed.

In the absence of Councillor E. J. Byrne, consideration of the following notice of motion was again adjourned:—"I beg to give notice that I will move at a future meeting that the resolution regarding solicitor's appearance at malicious injury cases be rescinded."

In accordance with notice of motion, it was proposed by Councillor James Galvin, seconded by Councillor Patrick Short:—"That Provisions of Noxious Weeds and Seeds Act be put in force in County Wicklow."

The Secretary having read a letter, dated 12th August, 1911, No. A.15718/1911, from the Secretary to the Department of Agriculture, explaining the procedure adopted by the Department in enforcing the Provisions of the Weeds and Agricultural Seeds (Ireland) Act, 1909—when a Noxious Weeds Order has been made in respect of any particular county—a show of hands was taken by the Chairman, who declared the motion lost.

Proposed by Councillor James Galvin, seconded by Councillor Patrick Short. Resolved—"That the sum of 5s. 6d. per head per week be paid to St. Brigid's Inebriate Home, Wexford, and to St. Patrick's Inebriate Home, Waterford, for cases sent to them from this county (not to exceed three cases in each Home at any time). This order to be retrospective so far as to apply to one case in each Institution already sent from County Wicklow." Passed.

The reports from the Deputy Checkers of the various Unions, on the attendance of the Poor Rate Collectors, and the state of their collections, were submitted.

## OFFICIAL CORRESPONDENCE.

No. 32633/1911; Wicklow County. Local Government Board, Dublin, 29th June, 1911—Stating that the Council do not appear to have any power to incur the expenditure of £15 in the erection of a footbridge at Ballinatone, nor are the Board empowered to sanction the Council's proposal.

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No. 35644/1911; Miscellaneous. Local Government Board, Dublin, 18th July, 1911—Forwarding a copy of a statement which the Board have received from the Development Commissioners with regard to applications for advances from the Development Fund for the establishment of Motor Services in Rural Districts, and asking the Council to communicate with the several Rural District Councils in the county on the subject.

No. 109M/1911; Miscellaneous. Local Government Board, Dublin, 21st July, 1911—Directing attention to the present unsatisfactory state of the poor rate collection for the half-year ending the 30th September, 1911.

No. 31692/1911; Wicklow County. Local Government Board, Dublin, 27th July, 1911—Returning, for amendment, the Council's application for sanction to a loan of £3,000 for the purpose of erecting schools for Technical Instruction in the towns of Arklow and Ballynaglass.

No. 35597/1911. Local Government Board, Dublin, 8th August, 1911—Sealed Order fixing Ballynaglass No. 1 Rural District as the area of charge for the pump at Castleruddery cross-roads.

Correspondence with the Secretary to the Department of Agriculture, George Newsom, V.S., and the Secretary to the County Committee of Agriculture—Relative to an outbreak of sheep scab amongst certain sheep on Ballygobbin mountain (near Aughrim), the property of Mr. James Byrne, of Aughavannagh, and amongst certain sheep on Ballyteigue mountain, the property of Surgeon John S. McArdle.

No. 114. Department of Agriculture, Dublin, 27th June, 1911—Enclosing a copy of County Kildare (Control of Dogs) Order of 1911.

No. G 2647/1911. Department of Agriculture, Dublin, 27th June, 1911—Stating that three samples of butter purchased in Carnew, under the Sale of Food and Drugs Acts, were certified by the Public Analyst to be pure.

No. G 2702/1911. Department of Agriculture, Dublin, 1st July, 1911—Stating that two samples of butter taken up in Shillelagh, two taken up in Aughrim, two taken up in Delgany, and three taken up in Arklow, under the Sale of Food and Drugs Acts, were certified by the Public Analyst to be pure.

No. G 2722/1911. Department of Agriculture, Dublin, 5th July, 1911—Asking to be informed as to what action the Council had taken in regard to an application for the Registration of a Butter Factory received from Mr. Michael Kelly, Coolkenno, under the Butter and Margarine Act, 1907.

12th August, 1911—Application under the Butter and Margarine Act, 1907, from Mr. Michael Kelly, Coolkenno, asking to have his premises, situated at Coolkenno, registered as a butter factory, and stating that the name of the occupier carrying on the manufacture is Michael Kelly. Order—Application granted.

Proposed by Councillor Michael Byrne, seconded by Councillor J. McCarroll. Resolved—"That we hereby authorise and empower our Secretary to issue the Certificates of Registration under the Margarine Acts, 1887-1907, and fix the fee for each registration at two shillings, and for each transfer of such registration one shilling, subject to the approval of the Local Government Board." Passed.

No. 115. Department of Agriculture, Dublin, 7th July, 1911—

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Copy of the Hay and Straw (Movement from Great Britain to Ireland) Order of 1911, No. II.

No. G 2833/1911. Department of Agriculture, Dublin, 12th July—Stating that three samples of butter taken up in Shillelagh, under the Sale of Food and Drugs Acts, were certified by the Public Analyst to be pure.

Annual Report of the School Attendance Officers of the Rathdown No. 2 Rural District School Attendance Committee for the year ended 31st March, 1911.

4th August, 1911. From Clerk, Rathdrum Rural District Council—Enclosing copy of a resolution suggesting that the £1,100 allocated by the Road Board to County Wicklow be set aside until the question of a further grant in the coming year shall be under consideration.

12th August, 1911. Application from Arklow Petty Sessions Court for the County Council to contribute towards children committed under Section 58 (4) of the Children's Act.

Proposed by Councillor Michael Byrne, seconded by Councillor J. McCarroll. Resolved—"That the Secretary be directed to reply to the letter of the Clerk of Petty Sessions, Arklow, regarding children sent to Reformatory Schools under Sub-Section 4 of Section 58 of the Children's Act, 1908, that, as will be seen by the said Act, the County Council are only required to contribute to the maintenance of children committed under Sub-Sections 1, 2 and 3 of Section 58, and the Secretary's letter of the 8th August, 1911, informs him that they will so contribute. Under the present circumstances, although not required by the Act to contribute towards the maintenance of refractory children, the Council will contribute their usual Capitation Grant of 2s. per week towards the cost of these two particular children if committed to an Industrial School included in the Council's list." Passed.

5th August, 1911. From Secretary, University College, 86 St. Stephen's Green, Dublin—Enclosing copy of Scheme for Examination for County Council Scholarships, to be held by the College for Councils desiring to have such examinations held locally, and also a list of the pamphlets which may be had free. Order—Referred to Finance Committee.

29th July, 1911. From Secretary Irish County Councils General Council, 10 Leinster street, Dublin—Outlining the arrangements that have been made with the Governing Body of University College, Dublin, for holding a Special Examination for the purpose of enabling students to compete for County Council Scholarships tenable at the Dublin College of the National University.

On the motion of Councillor J. McCarroll, seconded by Councillor Michael Byrne, the letter was referred to the Finance Committee; the County Surveyor having stated that he would be requiring a meeting of that Committee shortly.

On the motion of Councillor J. McCarroll, seconded by Councillor Michael Byrne. Resolved—"That the Finance Committee be appointed the Committee to deal with the Scholarships in connection with the National University." Passed.

5th July, 1911. From Secretary, Irish County Councils' General Council, 10 Leinster street, Dublin—Enclosing a copy of the recommendations made to the Imperial and Local Taxation Committee by

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the Executive Committee of his General Council, with a view to assisting the County Council when framing their reply to the circular of the Imperial and Local Taxation Committee.

27th June, 1911. From Hon. Secretary, Dublin Chamber of Commerce—Enclosing a copy of a Report of the Law and Parliamentary Committee, presented to the Council of that Chamber in reference to the National Insurance Bill.

21st June, 1911. From J. H. McCarroll, solicitor, 4 Church street, Wicklow—Reporting that the County Court Judge refused, with costs and witnesses' expenses, the malicious injury application of Mr. Pierce O'Mahony. Further reporting that the applicant had served notice of appeal.

21st June, 1911. From same—Notifying the decision of the County Court Judge in the Dr. Arnold Henry Criminal Injury Application, when £10 compensation was awarded, with costs.

Form No. 2. Application from Walter F. Tighe, Rossanagh, for £200 compensation for alleged malicious injury to a wood of his by fire at Ballyknockenmore. Police report on same.

Form No. 2 Application from John Hutchinson, of Kilpedder, for £10 compensation for alleged malicious injury to a mowing machine of his when reaping a field of oats on his lands which was spiked.

30th June, 1911. From Irish Manager, Automobile Association and Motor Union, 12 College Green, Dublin—Acknowledging the Council's list of special localities needing caution signs.

11th April, 1911. Circular letter from S'r Thomas H. C. Troubridge, Bart., Chairman of the Syndicate promoting the "All-Red Route" from Great Britain to New Zealand and Australia, via Black-sod Bay and Halifax—Dealing with certain statements and alleged inaccuracies in the resolutions passed proposing Galway as a Trans-Atlantic port.

15th April, 1911. From Hon. Secretaries, Galway Transatlantic Port Committee, Courthouse, Galway—Enclosing a resolution for adoption by County Council approving of the proposed Transatlantic route, and claiming that Galway is the most suitable Irish port to connect with Halifax, etc.

Return of Admissions of Patients to Richmond District Asylum from County Wicklow for the quarter ended 30th June, 1911.

23rd June, 1911. From Hon. Secretary, Select Vestry of Wicklow Parish—Enclosing copy of resolution strongly protesting against the action of the Council in erasing the names of their Rector and that of the Incumbent of Kill'skey Parish from the Council's List of Representatives on the Committee of the County Infirmary. Order—The Council see no reason to interfere with the Committee as amended.

The following notice of motion was handed in by Councillor Patrick Short:—"I beg to give notice that I, or some councillor for me, will move at next meeting of County Council, that the County Council petition the Local Government Board to make such arrangements as will give the Council a majority of the Board of Management of County Wicklow Infirmary, such as their contribution of £594, out of a total of £812, entitles the County Council to."

From Joint Technical Instruction Committee for County Wicklow—Third Triennial Report for period ending 31st July, 1910, and Year Book for 1911-12.

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June, 1911. From Hon. Secretaries, Conference of Sanitary Authorities in Dublin, and Congress of the Royal Institute of Public Health, Municipal Buildings, Dublin—Inviting the Council to appoint Delegates to the Conference to be held on 15—21 August, 1911, in Dublin.

22nd July, 1911. From Dublin Industrial Development Association, 9 Dawson street, Dublin—Inviting information from the Council on several indicated points relating to Forestry in Ireland.

29th July, 1911. From Town Tenants' League, 43 Rutland Square W., Dublin—Inviting the Council to appoint Delegates to the Annual Convention in the City Hall, Dublin, on Wednesday, the 23rd August, 1911.

Order—The following four members to represent the Council at the Convention:—Councillors J. McCarroll, Martin Langton, John Murphy, and D. J. Cogan.

Correspondence from Edward J. Burrow, Art Printer and Publisher, Cheltenham—Asking if the Council desire the various points of interest in their county dealt with in a volume about to be printed as a Motoring Guide on behalf of the Royal Automobile Club Touring Department.

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The Autumn Quarterly Meeting of the County Council, held in the Council Chamber, Court House, Wicklow, at 11.30 a.m. on Monday, the 27th November, 1911. The following members were present:—Councillor Michael Byrne, and, subsequently, Councillor D. J. Cogan (in the chair); Councillors Daniel Condren, Martin Longton, P. J. Carey, William Byrne, Joseph Dunne, William Costello, Thomas Burke, Laurence Hanlon, E. C. Walsh, Edward Byrne, Patrick Short, James Galvin, Joseph McCarroll, and E. J. Byrne.

## BUSINESS :

- 1—To consider reports from the Finance Committee, including application from the Clerical Staff for advances in their salaries, referred to the Council by the Committee.
- 2—To sign Quarterly Transfers on foot of Demands from the several Unions and Rural District Councils.
- 3—To consider the proposals from the Proposals Committee.
- 4—To consider proposals for payment from the five Rural Districts.
- 5—To sign Treasurer's Advice Notes for the past quarter's payments.
- 6—To consider proposals for contracts from the Five Rural Districts.
- 7—To seal such contracts as have been approved by the County Council.
- 8—To sign Applications for Refund of Expenses under the Diseases of Animals Acts.
- 9—To fill the vacancy on Rathdown No. 2 Rural District School Attendance Committee, caused by the disqualification of Mr. Patrick Kinlen, through non-attendance.
- 10—To fill the vacancy on Dunlavin School Attendance Committee, caused by the disqualification of Mr. Thomas Grace, through non-attendance.
- 11—To consider the following Notice of Motion by Councillor E. J. Byrne, postponed from previous meetings:—" I beg to give notice that I will move at a future meeting that the resolution regarding Solicitor's appearance at Malicious Injury Cases be rescinded."
- 12—To consider the following Notice of Motion, by Councillor Patrick Short: " I beg to give notice that I, or some Councillor for me, will move at next meeting of County Council that the County Council petition the Local Government Board to make such arrangements as will give the Council a majority of the Board of Management of County Wicklow Infirmary, such as their contribution of £594, out of a total of £812, entitles the Council to."
- 13—To receive and consider Reports from Committees.
- 14—To consider Reports from County Officers.
- 15—To consider Official Correspondence.
- 16—To consider General Correspondence.

Minutes of previous meeting were read and confirmed.

Proposed by Councillor Michael Byrne, seconded by Councillor E. C. Walsh. Resolved—" That we, the County Council of the County of Wicklow, at this our first available opportunity, hereby extend to our worthy and respected Chairman, Mr. Edward P. O'Kelly, M.P., J.P., the expression of our deep and sincere sorrow on the occasion of the sad bereavement he has recently suffered in the loss of his beloved wife."



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FINANCE COMMITTEE'S REPORT NO. 1.

Your Finance Committee met on Wednesday, the 8th November, 1911, when the following members were present:—Councillor E. C. Walsh (in the chair); Councillors William Byrne, and Joseph McCarroll.

The Committee, having examined the Proposals for payment by the Proposals Committee, and from the Rural District Councils, recommend them for payment as follows:—

	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
County-at-Large				4,524	11	0
Baltinglass No. 1—						
District proposals	662	10	4			
Proposals Committee's proposals	26	4	9	688	15	1
Naas No. 2—						
District proposals	284	9	7			
Proposals Committee's proposals	19	14	5	304	4	0
Rathdown No. 2—						
District proposals	558	15	9			
Proposals Committee's proposals	181	5	4	740	1	1
Rathdrum—						
District proposals	1,496	4	3			
Proposals Committee's proposals	1,002	16	5	2,499	0	8
Shillelagh—						
District proposals	538	6	3			
Proposals Committee's proposals	290	6	3	828	12	6
Arklow Urban—						
Proposals Committee's proposals				53	8	4
Wicklow Urban—						
Proposals Committee's proposals				57	2	4
Transfer to Subsidiary Account (Included in the total for the County-at-Large)				548	5	1

The Committee examined the Union and Rural District demands submitted to them, and recommend the Council to make the following payments on foot of same:—

TRANSFERS TO FUNDS OF UNIONS.

	£	s.	d.
Baltinglass	836	15	0
Naas	255	15	0
Rathdown	942	0	0
Rathdrum	2,750	0	0
Shillelagh	744	10	0
<b>Total</b>	<b>£5,529</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>

TRANSFERS TO FUNDS OF RURAL DISTRICT COUNCILS.

	£	s.	d.
Baltinglass No. 1	42	10	0
Naas No. 2	15	15	0
Rathdown No. 2	101	10	0
Rathdrum	787	10	0
Shillelagh	17	10	0
<b>Total</b>	<b>£964</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>0</b>

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We recommend the payment of the following Irrecoverable Rates to the several Rate Collectors, Paying Orders in respect of same not to issue until the respective amounts have been ratified by the Local Government Board:—

	Amount of Refund.
	£ s. d.
1.—Joseph Doyle	9 3 6
2.—Richard Geoghegan	4 13 2
3.—Richard Lynch	5 0 8
4.—William Burke	0 17 5
5.—Michael Kelly	5 13 1
6.—Michael McGrath	65 1 11
7.—Charles S. Sutton	0 4 10
8.—Patrick Toole	16 5 3
9.—Joseph Keane	6 14 0
10.—John Murphy	3 2 0
11.—John Kelly	3 9 10
12.—Wm. J. Cardiff	3 3 2
13.—George Evans	2 6 6
14.—James Byrne	10 9 5
15.—John Brennan	2 18 9
16.—P. J. Carey, junior	2 17 3
17.—Charles Byrne	
18.—Thomas Fleming	
19.—Terence Byrne	

The Committee had before them the following application:—To the Presiding Chairman and Members of the Finance Committee. Gentlemen,—We, the undersigned members of your Clerical Staff, respectfully beg to apply for an advance in our salaries. During the five years that have elapsed since we had a similar application before the Committee, the cost of living, it is universally admitted, has enormously increased, and for this reason we hope that our request may meet with favourable consideration at your hands.—We beg to remain, Gentlemen, your obedient servants, Simon J. Doyle, Thomas Langton, P. T. Healy, L. Wolohan.

Order—The attendance at Finance Committee being so small we refer application to the County Council—the subject being of such importance.

We wish to draw the attention of the County Council to the very large annual charge made on rates for the maintenance of children in Industrial and Reformatory Schools. This charge at present is £532 per annum, an amount capable of raising a capital sum of £15,200. While approving of the principle of the Industrial Schools Act, we fear that it is frequently abused, and we strongly recommend that the County Council issue a circular to the Justices requesting them in each case to order, so far as possible, that the parent contribute something towards the child's maintenance, remembering that the children while at home must cost something to support.

Signed,

EDMOND C. WALSH, Chairman.

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FINANCE COMMITTEE'S REPORT NO. 2.

Your Finance Committee met on Monday, the 27th November, 1911, at 11 a.m. The following members were present:—Councillor E. C. Walsh (in the chair); Councillors D. J. Cogan, J. McCarroll, and Michael Byrne.

The Committee had before them the following additional Proposals, and recommend the same to the Council for payment:—

County-at-Large:

To Frank McPhail ... ..	£1 19 6
To the Manager, Inebriate Reformatory, Wexford	£7 2 0

The Committee recommend for payment the following lists of irrecoverable rates, paying orders in respect of same not to issue until the amount has been ratified by the Local Government Board:—

Collector William Burke ... ..	14s 4d.
Collector Terence Byrne ... ..	11s 3d.

(Signed), E. C. WALSH (in the chair).

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Proposed by Councillor E. C. Walsh, seconded by Councillor D. J. Cogan. Resolved—"That the Finance Committee's Reports be hereby adopted." Passed.

The following application, consideration of which was referred to the County Council by the Finance Committee, was submitted:—"To the Presiding Chairman and Members of the Finance Committee. Gentlemen,—We, the undersigned members of your Clerical Staff, respectfully beg to apply for an advance in our salaries. During the five years that have elapsed since we had a similar application before the Committee, the cost of living, it is universally admitted, has enormously increased, and for this reason we hope that our request may meet with favourable consideration at your hands.—We beg to remain, Gentlemen, your obedient servants, Simon J. Doyle, Thomas Langton, P. T. Healy, L. Wolohan." Order—No action taken.

Proposed by Councillor P. J. Carey, seconded by Councillor Edward Byrne. Resolved—"That the Treasurer's Advice Note for the Transfers on foot of Demands from the several Unions and Rural Districts be now signed." Passed.

Proposals for Payment from the Proposals Committee, and from the Five Rural District Councils were passed as follows:—

COUNTY - AT - LARGE:

Proposed by Councillor E. C. Walsh, seconded by Councillor Martin Langton. Resolved—"That we hereby approve of the foregoing Proposals for Payment on the County-at-Large, amounting to £4,533 12s. 6d. (any modification made therein having been first intialled by the Chairman), and order the same to be paid." Passed.

BALTINGLASS NO. 1:

Proposed by Councillor Joseph Dunne, seconded by Councillor P. J. Carey. Resolved—"That we hereby approve of the foregoing Proposals for Payment on Baltinglass No. 1 Rural District, amounting to £689 9s. 5d. (any modification made therein having been first intialled by the Chairman), and order the same to be paid." Passed.

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NAAS NO. 2:

Proposed by Councillor D. Condren, seconded by Councillor Wm. Byrne. Resolved—"That we hereby approve of the foregoing Proposals for Payment on Naas No. 2 Rural District, amounting to £304 4s. 0d. (any modification made therein having been first intialled by the Chairman), and order the same to be paid." Passed.

RATHDOWN NO 2:

Proposed by Councillor M. Langton, seconded by Councillor Wm. Costello. Resolved—"That we hereby approve of the foregoing Proposals for Payment on Rathdown No. 2 Rural District, amounting to £740 1s. 1d. (any modification made therein having been first intialled by the Chairman), and order the same to be paid." Passed.

RATHDRUM:

Proposed by Councillor P. J. Carey, seconded by Councillor D. J. Cogan. Resolved—"That we hereby approve of the foregoing Proposals for Payment on Rathdrum Rural District, amounting to £2,499 0s. 8d. (any modification made therein having been first intialled by the Chairman), and order the same to be paid." Passed.

SHELLELAGH:

Proposed by Councillor Michael Byrne, seconded by Councillor Edward Byrne. Resolved—"That we hereby approve of the foregoing Proposals for Payment on Shillelagh Rural District, amounting to £829 3s. 9d. (any modification made therein having been first intialled by the Chairman), and order the same to be paid." Passed.

ARKLOW URBAN:

Proposed by Councillor E. C. Walsh, seconded by Councillor P. J. Carey. Resolved—"That we hereby approve of the foregoing Proposals for Payment on Arklow Urban District, amounting to £53 8s. 4d. (any modification made therein having been first intialled by the Chairman), and order the same to be paid." Passed.

WICKLOW URBAN:

Proposed by Councillor Martin Langton, seconded by Councillor William Costello. Resolved—"That we hereby approve of the foregoing proposals for Payment on Wicklow Urban District, amounting to £57 2s. 4d. (any modification made therein having been first intialled by the Chairman), and order the same to be paid." Passed.

Proposed by Councillor D. Condren, seconded by Councillor Wm. Byrne. Resolved—"That the Treasurer's Advice Notes for the Quarterly Payments, as approved by this Council, be now signed." Passed.

Proposals for Contracts submitted from the Five Rural District Councils:—

BALTINGLASS NO. 1:

Road No. 35 in the District Register, 684 perches, was given in charge of the County Surveyor.

Remaining Contracts were approved and confirmed.

NAAS' NO. 2:

Work No. 33 in District Register, repairing the parapets of Cloghlea Bridge, was given in charge of the County Surveyor to try and get work done.

Remaining Contracts were approved and confirmed.

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RATHDOWN NO. 2:

Road No. 388 in the District Register, 148 perches, was placed in charge of the County Surveyor.

RATHDRUM:

The Contract for road No. 166 in the District Register was rejected, and the road, 523 perches, placed in charge of the County Surveyor.

The Contract for Work No. 170 in the District Register was also rejected, and the work placed in charge of the County Surveyor.

Work No. 168 in the District Register, Kilcandra Bridge repairs, was placed in charge of the County Surveyor.

The County Surveyor was directed to obtain the material for Work No. 169 in the District Register.

Remaining two Contracts were approved and adopted.

SHILLELAGH:

Contract, as submitted, approved and confirmed.

Proposed by Councillor Wm. Byrne, seconded by Councillor P. J. Carey. Resolved—"That the several contracts which have been approved of at this Quarterly Meeting be now signed and sealed." Passed.

Proposed by Councillor Wm. Costello, seconded by Councillor J. Dunne. Resolved—"That we now sign and seal the two applications for Refund of Expenses under the Diseases of Animals Acts." Passed.

SECRETARY'S REPORT.

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Gentlemen,

The County Inspector, R.I.C., writes that the Board of Trade have reported that the 56lb. scale beam forwarded from this county for verification is unfit for further use; he, therefore, asks the Council's authority to have it replaced. I have had a conversation with the District Inspector on the subject, and he informs me this scale beam is of an old pattern, and, even if in good order, might have been required to be replaced by the standard pattern. I recommend that the desired authority be given.

He also applies for boxes for the several beam, scales, etc. I have referred him to the request sent him this time last year, to supply a clear list of boxes required, and an estimate of the cost of same, the many notes interlarded in the list supplied rendering it difficult to ascertain what is actually wanted; meanwhile, he has the authority then given to supply five boxes.

On examining the return of patients admitted from this county during the past quarter to Richmond District Asylum, I found that a lunatic named John McLoughlin, resident in Magheraw, County Sligo, had been committed from Blessington, and was charged to this county. I, therefore, wrote to the Petty Sessions Clerk on the subject. He courteously replied as follows—"The magistrates are bound to send a lunatic to the asylum for the county in which he is apprehended. The representative of the Wicklow County Council on the Board of Richmond Asylum should now bring the matter before the Board and have this man transferred to the asylum for the County Sligo." I recommend that you instruct your representatives on that Board accordingly.

Messrs. Archer and Co., Dublin, notify their intention of making

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a claim for damage caused, they say, to a motor car at 9 p.m. on the 9th September last, by a stone which, they allege, measured over 10 inches in diameter, and lay on the main road from Loch Dan to Roundwood, four feet from the edge of the road. I showed this to the County Surveyor, and informed Messrs. Archer I would submit their letter to you.

The Constabulary wrote to me on the subject of the resolution passed by the County Council in 1907, requesting the police to prosecute for offences against the Sheep-Dipping Order where the parties complained of were aware of the provisions of the Order. I wrote for instructions to the Department of Agriculture, as it was in consequence of a circular from that Department that the resolution was passed. The Department replied:—"I have to state that the Department are advised that—The Constabulary do not require the authority of the County Council for any prosecution for any offence against the Order (The Sheep-Dipping (Ireland) Order of 1911), the right of the Constabulary to prosecute being reserved by Article 18. If the resolution is to be interpreted as putting a restriction on the Constabulary it is illegal, but if it is only a recommendation or request it is one deserving of consideration, and cannot be said to be illegal."

A memorandum has just been issued by the Local Government Board, pointing out the duties imposed on every County Council and its officers by the Finance Act (1909-10) 1910, and the Order in Council of August, 1910, in regard to Motor Car License Duties. The important part of these duties is seeing that these license duties are duly paid, for it is only upon the duties actually levied in each county that the payments to such county are made. (Sec. 89 (2.)) Article 10 of the Order provides that if a person shall not have paid the duties to which he is liable within the prescribed time, the officer of the County Council shall serve him with a notice requiring payment within seven days of the license duties to which he is liable, and, upon neglect or refusal to pay same, it shall be lawful for such officer to proceed for the recovery of the penalty imposed, viz., twenty pounds over and above the duty to which such person is liable. Proceedings should be commenced by order of the Council, or of a Committee appointed for the purpose, and in the name of the officer appointed under Sec. 8 of the Order in Council of 2nd August, 1910, and must be commenced within six months of the date when the offence was committed. All penalties awarded by the Court of Summary Jurisdiction go to the County Fund. The powers and duties must be exercised by the County Council or a Committee of its members in the name of the officer appointed as above, but cannot be delegated to an individual officer. I have had very considerable correspondence trying to ensure payment of these duties, which has so far resulted in obtaining payment of £88 13s. 0d. out of a total of £832 10s. 0d., up till now paid in this county, but a number of persons on whom I served the notices provided by the Treasury, still neglect and refuse to pay, and a considerable number still have not paid on whom I have yet to serve notices. The work connected with this duty is very much greater than you can imagine, or than I at first had any idea of. I have to examine every declaration sent in, and, from the data given, calculate out the horse power of each motor car engine in order to check whether the correct amount of duty has been charged by the Post Office. In numbers of cases I find the Post Office has charged much less duty than

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what the declaration handed to them shows to be due, such as granting licenses for £12 where the declarations by their data show £21 due. One gentleman gave me data showing 40 h.p., and tendered duty on 25 h.p. A number of these duties I have succeeded in getting paid, which, except for this constant supervision would have been lost to the county, and as proceedings will have to be taken to enforce the payment by those who have refused to pay, I would suggest that you pass a resolution authorising your Finance Committee to exercise (on behalf of the County Council) the powers and duties transferred to the Council by Article 3 of the Order in Council of 2nd August, 1910. You appointed me generally to act as the officer of the Council to perform the duties in connection with these motor car licenses when the Act commenced, and granted me two shillings for each certificate issued in connection with it. In consequence of the particulars now given in this memorandum, this appointment is not sufficient. I would therefore ask you to appoint me specifically in accordance with Article 8 of the above Order, to carry out the orders of your Committee as above, and to perform the duties prescribed by that Order. Article 8 provides that any officer so appointed shall be subject to the same liabilities as an Officer of Customs and Excise, and shall give such security for his good conduct as the County Council deem necessary. I would ask you to fix this security, and to grant me two shillings and sixpence for each licence duty registration.

The Local Government Board have written that it has been pointed out to them that the Procedure of Councils Order is quite unsuitable for contracts for works of road improvement under grants from the Roads Board, and ask for suggestions from the County Council before drafting an Amending Order. I would suggest you refer this letter to your Finance Committee, with the County Surveyor and Secretary, to reply to.

I see two proposals sent forward by Rathdrum Rural District Council—one for delivering road metal at a railway station, and the other for carting 240 tons of road metal. In my opinion there is no legal power to pass these proposals, as the only powers in connection with county works transferred to the Rural District Councils were those possessed by the Baronial Presentment Sessions (see Section 27). The powers of Presentment Sessions are very clearly defined in the several Sections of the Grand Jury Act, and the carting and supply of materials are not included; for I recollect we had a case under the Grand Jury Act, where it was sought to enter into a contract to supply one John Byrne, of Barnbawn, with an additional quantity of road material for certain roads, and it was held that we could contract for gravelling, macadamizing, paving, repairing, etc., any part of any road, under Section 50, or for gravelling, or repairing with broken stones, any road, under Section 52, but that we had no power to contract for the material or the transport without including the spreading or repairing a road therewith in the contract price; the whole of the Act being concerned with the making, repairing, surfacing and maintaining the roads only, inferring that the contractor for so doing should supply or obtain the materials required to accomplish that work.

The County Printer brought up some points connected with his contract at the Audit, and the Auditor suggests that for the remainder of this contract the Printer be paid £1 for printing each Schedule of Proposals from Rural District Councils, and that the clause in the

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specification regarding orders for not less than 50 or 500 copies respectively should only operate for quantities over the first 100 or 1,000 copies respectively. I think the Council might adopt the suggestion.

I am, gentlemen, yours faithfully,

E. N. WYNNE, Secretary.

Orders:—

Paragraph 3.—Transfer not possible.

„ 4.—Council not liable.

„ 6.—Referred to Finance Committee.

„ 8.—Proposals given in charge of County Surveyor.

„ 9.—Approved.

Remaining paragraphs approved.

## COUNTY SURVEYOR'S REPORT.

Autumn Quarter, 27th November, 1911.

Gentlemen,

During the past quarter the greater number of the roads in your county were kept in very fair order.

The metal supply, the measurement of which has just been completed, is well up to the average.

None of the contracts coming before you to-day require particular mention, as all are for works which appear to be lawful.

A new footpath has been constructed at Greystones, and it will be necessary to cause telephone post to be removed in accordance with an agreement entered into between the County Council and the Telephone Company.

The contractor for the road No. 1. Rathdown No. 2 R.D., is neglecting or not giving sufficient attention to his contract. Authority should be given to take legal proceedings against this contractor and his sureties.

A wooden paling has been erected at the old Turnpike Cottage, Tuckmills, Baltinglass. The Rural District Council appointed a Committee to inspect this trespass, and they have (per Mr. J. R. Dagg) informed me that they do not think it should be removed pending an application to the Rural District Council, and to the County Council in the usual manner at a quarterly meeting.

Your obedient servant,

S. G. GALLAGHER.

Orders:—

Paragraph 4—Telephone Company to be asked to remove post.

„ 5—Authority granted.

„ 6—No steps to be taken until next Quarterly Meeting at Baltinglass.

Proposed by Councillor P. Short, seconded by Councillor James Galvin. Resolved—“That the Local Government Board be asked to reconsider their decision and allow the Rathdrum Rural District Council to pay as grant the sum of £15 towards the erection of Ballinacorney Bridge. The erection of the bridge cost over £160, and it is of enormous convenience to a whole countryside.” Passed.

Proposed by Councillor J. McCarroll, seconded by Councillor M. Langton. Resolved—“That in the event of the cost of supplying the use of a steam-roller being defrayed by any private person or associa-

tion, that the County Surveyor be permitted to accept any such offer." Passed.

Proposed by Councillor M. Langton, seconded by Councillor J. McCarroll. Resolved—"That we hereby appoint Mr. John Maguire, of Delgany, to fill the vacancy on Rathdown No. 2 Rural District School Attendance Committee, caused by the disqualification of Mr. Patrick Kinlen through non-attendance." Passed.

16th October, 1911. From Rev. P. Kavanagh, C.C., Chairman of Dunlavin School Attendance Committee—Notifying a vacancy on his Committee through the non-attendance of Mr. Thomas Grace, and asking the Council to appoint Mr. Thomas Burke to fill it.

23rd November, 1911. From John O'Brien, Dunlavin—Offering himself as a candidate to fill the vacancy on Dunlavin School Attendance Committee, caused by the non-attendance of Mr. Thomas Grace, and enclosing a reference from the Rev. Michael Flynn, P.P., Dunlavin.

The Secretary read the following telegram received that morning from the Secretary of the Dunlavin School Attendance Committee:—"Sanction no member for Dunlavin School Attendance Committee.—Gorman."

Proposed by Councillor E. C. Walsh, seconded by Councillor J. McCarroll. Resolved—"That we hereby appoint Mr. Thomas Burke, of Hollywood, to fill the vacancy on Dunlavin School Attendance Committee, caused by the disqualification of Mr. Thomas Grace through non-attendance."

As an amendment, it was proposed by Councillor Joseph Dunne, seconded by Councillor Wm. Costello—"That we hereby appoint Mr. John O'Brien, of Dunlavin, to fill the vacancy on Dunlavin School Attendance Committee, caused by the disqualification of Mr. Thomas Grace through non-attendance."

A show of hands having been taken, the Chairman declared the resolution carried, appointing Mr. Thomas Burke to fill the vacancy.

The time having expired within which his original notice of motion should have been moved, the following fresh notice of motion was handed in by Councillor E. J. Byrne:—"I hereby give notice that I, or some councillor on my behalf, will, at the next Quarterly Meeting of the County Council, move that the resolution of the 26th November, 1906, directing our Solicitor to deal with claims for compensation for malicious injuries be rescinded; and I hereby further give notice that in the event of said resolution being rescinded, I, or such other councillor will then move a resolution to the same effect as the resolution so rescinded, with the addition of the following words: Provided that our Solicitor shall not so deal with any such claim for compensation which may arise in the Shillelagh Rural District, until he has received the written authority of the Council of that Rural District to do so."

In accordance with his notice of motion, it was proposed by Councillor Patrick Short, seconded by Councillor E. C. Walsh. Resolved—"That the County Council petition the Local Government Board to make arrangements to make their representation on the Joint Committee of Management of the County Infirmary proportional to their contributions." Passed.

#### ANALYST'S REPORTS.

City Laboratory, 17 Castle street, Dublin, 19th August, 1911.

Report of Sir Charles Cameron, C.B., M.D., Public Analyst for the County Wicklow, on articles submitted to him for analysis during the quarter ended 30th June, 1911. 44 articles were received from Food Inspectors, R.I.C., as follows:—Article—Butter, 15; milk, 11; whiskey, 11; cheese, 6; kokotee, 1; total, 44. One certificate was sent to Sergeant Johnston, Donard, for specimen of whiskey, which was 28.2 degrees under proof, and was therefore adulterated with 4.27 per cent. of water. There were sixteen specimens of butter analysed by directions from the Department of Agriculture and Technical Instruction for Ireland, Upper Merrion street, Dublin, which were taken up in the County Wicklow, and were pure. For the Guardians of Shillelagh Union thirteen drugs were analysed. Two were incorrect. There were three fertilizers analysed for the County Committee of Agriculture. For the Guardians of Rathdrum Union nineteen drugs, ten specimens of milk, one of whiskey, one of butter, and one of water were analysed. One of the drugs was incorrect. The specimen of water had the following composition:—One imperial gallon contained in grains—Total solid matter, 14,700, including—Albuminoid ammonia, 0.016; saline ammonia, 0.008; nitric acid, 0.500; chlorine, 1.980. An inferior water. For the Guardians of Baltinglass Union three drugs and a specimen of milk were analysed. The drugs were correct. The specimen of milk was of poor quality. One specimen of water from Baltinglass Rural District Council had the following composition:—One imperial gallon contained in grains—Total solid matter, 7,700, including—Albuminoid ammonia, 0.009; saline ammonia, 0.005; nitric acid, 1.370; chlorine, 1.391. A tolerably good water. There were two fertilizers analysed for the Dublin and Wicklow Manure Company, Wicklow. For Naas Union, which is partly situated in the County Wicklow, thirty-four drugs, three specimens of milk and one of water were analysed. Three drugs were incorrect. The specimens of milk were of rich quality. The specimen of water had the following composition:—One imperial gallon contained in grains—Total solid matter, 21,700, including—Albuminoid ammonia, 0.017; saline ammonia, 0.005; nitric acid, 5.000; chlorine, 2.730. An inferior water. One specimen of water analysed for Naas Rural District Council, which is partly situated in the County Wicklow, had the following composition—One imperial gallon contained in grains—Total solid matter, 4,900, including—Albuminoid ammonia, 0.0045; saline ammonia, 0.0015; nitric acid, trace; chlorine, 0.894. A good water. In the original reports on the water referred to, full details, chemical and microscopical were given, but in the foregoing only the more important points are given. Total analyses, 154; adulterated and defective articles, 7.

CHARLES A. CAMERON.

City Laboratory, 17 Castle street, Dublin, 13th October, 1911. Report of Sir Charles Cameron, C.B., M.D., Public Analyst for the County Wicklow, on articles submitted to him for analysis during the quarter ended 30th September, 1911. 47 articles were received from the Food Inspectors, R.I.C., as follows:—Article—Butter, 19; milk, 12; whiskey, 9; cheese, 6; margarine, 1; total, 47. They were all pure. There were ten specimens of butter analysed by directions from the Department of Agriculture and Technical Instruction for Ireland, Upper Merrion street, Dublin, which were taken up in the County Wicklow, and were pure. Four specimens of water analysed for Wick-

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low Urban District had the following compositions:—One imperial gallon contained in grains:—

	No. 1	No. 2	No. 3	No. 4.
Total solid matter, ...	8.400	7.000	7.000	9.800
including—				
Albuminoid ammonia ...	0.010	0.008	0.008	0.009
Saline ammonia ...	0.004	0.003	0.007	0.002
Nitric acid ...	Trace	Trace	Trace	Trace
Chlorine ...	1.560	1.590	1.590	1.590

All fairly good waters.

From the Guardians of Rathdrum Union fifteen drugs, six specimens of milk, two of butter, and one of whiskey were received. The specimens of milk, butter and whiskey were pure. Two drugs were incorrect, and three are in process of analysis. Three specimens of water analysed for the Rathdrum Rural District Council had the following compositions:—One imperial gallon contained in grains:—

	No. 1	No. 2	No. 3
Total solid matter, ...	14.700	28.000	18.200
including—			
Albuminoid ammonia ...	0.020	0.168	0.122
Saline ammonia ...	0.056	0.840	0.029
Nitric acid ...	Trace	Trace	Trace
Chlorine ...	2.580	1.980	1.290

No. 1 was much polluted and unfit for use. No. 2 was enormously polluted, as was also No. 3.

For the Guardians of Baltinglass Union nine drugs were analysed. One was incorrect.

For the Guardians of Shillelagh Union three drugs were analysed, and were correct.

One specimen of water analysed for J. W. Judd, Esq., Bray, had the following composition:—One imperial gallon contained in grains—Total solid matter, 65.100, including—Albuminoid ammonia, 0.012; saline ammonia, 0.0055; nitric acid, 9.740; chlorine, 11.530. A fairly good water. Two specimens of butter were analysed for P. MacDonnell, Esq., E.S.O., Bray, and were pure. For the Dublin and Wicklow Manure Company, Wicklow, one fertiliser was analysed. Four specimens of water analysed for Dr. Hamilton, Arklow, had the following compositions:—One imperial gallon contained in grains:—

	No. 1	No. 2	No. 3	No. 4.
Total solid matter, ...	6.300	6.300	6.300	53.200
including—				
Albuminoid ammonia ...	0.006	0.007	0.005	0.008
Saline ammonia ...	0.0005	0.0035	0.003	0.003
Nitric acid ...	Trace	Trace	Trace	6.500
Chlorine ...	0.890	1.390	1.490	5.960

All fit for use.

One specimen of water analysed for F. W. Pennefather, Esq., Colbinstown, had the following composition:—One imperial gallon contained in grains—Total solid matter, 27.300, including—Albuminoid ammonia, 0.009; saline ammonia, 0.005; nitric acid, 1.000; chlorine, 1.780; sulphuric acid, trace. A fairly good water. For the Richmond District Lunatic Asylum two specimens of soap, one of cocoa, and one of butter were analysed, and were pure. For Naas Union, which is partly situated in the County Wicklow, twenty-three

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drugs and three specimens of milk were analysed. Two of the drugs were incorrect. One of the specimens of milk was of very poor quality. In the original reports on the waters above referred to, full details, chemical and microscopical, were given, but in the foregoing only the more important points are given. Total analyses, 139.

CHARLES A. CAMERON.

Proposed by Councillor E. C. Walsh, seconded by Councillor J. McCarroll. Resolved—"That we, the County Council of Wicklow, entirely disassociate ourselves from, and condemn the action of our Secretary for his unprovoked insult to the Gaelic League by returning unopened a courteous communication addressed to him in his capacity as our Secretary by the Gaelic League, endorsed—"Not known here; no foreigners resident at Wentworth House." Passed.

Proposed by Councillor D. Condren, seconded by Councillor James Galvin. Resolved—"That the following be the three Councillors selected to appoint the Temporary Staff of Clerks to prepare the new rate books, etc.:—Michael Byrne, John Murphy, John Storey." Passed.

## OFFICIAL CORRESPONDENCE.

No. 44090/1911; Wicklow County. Local Government Board, Dublin, 21st August, 1911—Enclosing Auditor's Report on his Audit of the Council's accounts for the half-year ended 31st March, 1911, as follows:—"Auditor's Report. No. 44090/1911; Wicklow County. (Copy). August 21st, 1911. Gentlemen,—I have the honour to report that I have audited the accounts of the County Council of Wicklow for the half-year ended March last, and I forward, herewith, a certified abstract thereof, in pursuance of your order. The accounts were prepared and submitted for audit in a most satisfactory manner by the Accountant, Mr. Doyle; the accounts presented exceptional difficulty in their preparation and revision owing to the financial adjustments with the Urban District of Arklow.—I have the honour to be, gentlemen, your obedient servant, C. D. Barry, Auditor. To the Local Government Board, Dublin." Order—Satisfactory.

No. 51824/1911; Dublin County. Local Government Board, Dublin, 9th October, 1911—Enclosing Auditor's Report on his Audit of the Accounts of the Richmond District Lunatic Asylum for the half-year ended 31st March, 1911. Order—Referred to Finance Committee.

No. 41385/1911. Local Government Board, Dublin, 28th August, 1911—Sealed Order fixing Newcastle Dispensary District as the area of charge for supply of water at Kilpedder.

No. 50118/1911; Miscellaneous. Local Government Board, Dublin, 28th September, 1911—Stating that, by the Expiring Laws Continuance Act, 1911, the Motor Car Act of 1903 has been continued until the 31st December, 1912.

No. 42835/1911; Antrim County. Local Government Board, Dublin, 29th August, 1911—Circular letter asking for the Council's views on the procedure to be adopted by Road Authorities (in connection with advances made by the Road Board in aid of road improvement works) in authorising the expenditure to be raised locally, and in accepting tenders for the execution of the works. Order—Referred to Finance Committee and Officers of the Council.

No. 38138/1911; Rathdrum R.D. Local Government Board,

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Dublin, 7th September, 1911—Enclosing, in connection with an outbreak of enteric fever in Newbridge Dispensary District, extract from the report of their Medical Inspector with reference to the Fever Hospital at Arklow. Order—Referred to Finance Committee.

No. 56505/1911; Wicklow County. Local Government Board, Dublin, 24th November, 1911—Enclosing copy of a letter received by the Board from Honorary Secretary to the Arklow Fever Hospital, with respect to the present condition of the hospital, together with a copy of the Board's reply, and a copy of the observations of their Medical Inspector, Dr. Browne, on the subject. Order—Referred to Finance Committee.

No. 55958/1911. Local Government Board, Dublin, 14th November, 1911—Sealed Order fixing Baltinglass No. 1 Rural District as the area of charge for Pump at Brewershill.

No. 55620/1911; Miscellaneous. Local Government Board, Dublin, 20th November, 1911—Enclosing copies of Memorandum for the guidance of Local Authorities as to their powers and duties with respect to the Collection of Motor Car Licence Duties. Order—Referred to Finance Committee.

No. G. 3828/1911. Department of Agriculture, Dublin, 10th October, 1911—Stating that two samples of butter taken up in Donard, and two samples taken up in Stratford-on-Slaney, under Sale of Food and Drugs Acts, proved on analysis to be pure.

No. G. 3916/1911. Department of Agriculture, Dublin, 17th October, 1911—Stating that three samples of butter taken up in Wicklow, and three samples taken up in Bray, under Sale of Food and Drugs Acts, proved on analysis to be pure.

No. 120. Department of Agriculture, Dublin, 19th October, 1911—Order prohibiting the Landing of Hay and Straw from Sweden. Order—Noted.

No. G. 4400/1911. Department of Agriculture, Dublin, 21st November, 1911—Stating that two samples of butter taken up in Rathnew, and four samples taken up at Wicklow butter market, under Sale of Food and Drugs Acts, proved on analysis to be pure.

Dublin Castle, 25th November, 1911—From Chief Crown Solicitor, enclosing certified copy of the agreement entered into with the War Department for the repair of Kilbride Roads.

C.O. 761. Office of National Education, Dublin, 22nd September, 1911—Circular letter giving the names and addresses of the entire School Attendance Committee for the Dispensary District of Newcastle for the three years commencing 1st October, 1911, as approved by the Commissioners of National Education. Order—Noted.

Royal Engineer Office, Dublin Castle, 25th September, 1911—From Commanding Royal Engineer, asking the Council to make certain repairs to the road approaches to Kilbride, which repairs are not included in the agreement executed with the War Department, and stating that he is not in a position to offer any additional contribution.

7th November, 1911. From Clerk, Baltinglass No. 1 Rural District Council—Enclosing (a) resolution requesting the Council to introduce a Scheme for Direct Labour on the roads in and around the Town of Baltinglass; and (b) resolution asking to have the District Division of Togher, and the portion of Lugglass Division in Valley-mount Parish, taken from under the supervision of Dunlavin School

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Attendance Committee and placed under the Committee for Naas No. 2 Rural District.

Orders:—

Resolution (a)—Consideration postponed until next revision of road schemes.

Resolution (b)—Noted.

24th November, 1911. From Rev. Patrick Kavanagh, C.C., Hollywood, Dunlavin, and Rev. H. Acheson, Dunlavin, Chairman and Vice-Chairman, respectively, of Dunlavin School Attendance Committee—Petition protesting, on behalf of their Committee, against any change being made in the District in which the Dunlavin School Attendance Committee administer the Compulsory Provisions of the Irish Education Act. Order—Noted.

23rd and 25th November, 1911. Letters from Richard Wake, Secretary to County Joint Technical Instruction Committee, Wicklow—Drawing the Council's attention to the financial condition of his Committee, and enclosing copies of two letters from the Department of Agriculture and Technical Instruction, re same.

Mr. Wake, having attended and read correspondence on the subject, the Council made the following order:—

Order—What Mr. Wake has now to do is to fill out and send in the new Notice of Motion for a loan to the Proposals Committee.

12th October, 1911. From George W. Tully, Main Street, Boyle—Stating that the County Court Judge has ordered an extensive change in the making up of this year's Parliamentary Register of Voters, and notifying his intention to do this extra work on condition that he is paid extra for it. Order—Referred to Finance Committee.

19th October, 1911. From J. H. McCarroll, Solicitor, Church Hill, Wicklow—Stating that the County Court Judge refused compensation in the Gower Criminal Injury Application, and that notice of appeal has been served by the applicant.

19th October, 1911. From Same—Reporting that the County Court Judge awarded £120 compensation at the hearing of the Tighe Criminal Injury Application; to be levied off Rathdrum Rural District.

20th October, 1911. From Same—Reporting that the County Court Judge awarded £4 compensation at the hearing of the O'Mahony Criminal Injury Application; to be levied off the Townland of Aughavannagh.

20th October, 1911. From Same—Reporting that the County Court Judge awarded £3 compensation at the hearing of the Hutchinson Criminal Injury Application; to be levied off the Townlands of Kilpedder West, Johnstown, and Ballyronan.

12th September, 1911. From R. W. Archer and Co., Clare Street Garage, Dublin—Giving notice that it is their intention to make a claim for £4 18s. 8d. against the Council for damage which occurred to a motor car of theirs on the main road from Loch Dan to Roundwood, on the 9th inst. Order—Council not liable.

Form 2. Preliminary Notice of Application for Compensation for alleged malicious injury by fire to a rick of hay, the property of William Fleming, of Ballygobbin. Amount claimed, £12.

23rd November, 1911. From James J. Dowling, Blessington—Applying for renewal of Licence to sell Sheep Dip. Order—Granted; to be renewed.

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9th November, 1911. From W. C. Merry, C.P.S., Blessington—Relative to a lunatic, a native of County Sligo, committed at Blessington Petty Sessions to Richmond Asylum. Order—Noted.

19th October, 1911. From County Inspector, R.I.C., Wicklow—Asking the Council to appoint Acting-sergeant Thomas Roberts, Rathdrum, and Acting-sergeant Mark Turnbull, Kiltegan, to be Inspectors under Food and Drugs Acts. Order—Appointments approved.

10th November, 1911. From Same—Reporting that the Board of Trade has stated that the 56lb. scale beam from County Wicklow is unfit for further use by Inspectors of Weights and Measures, and asking to have it replaced by a new one of the approved pattern. Order—Authority granted.

18th November, 1911. From Secretary, Irish County Councils' General Council, 10 Leinster Street, Dublin—Asking if the Council desire any question placed on the agenda for the meeting of the General Council on the 7th proximo. Order—Noted.

From Mrs. Mary F. Earl, 39 Raglan Road, Pembroke, Dublin—Stating that Councillor Martin Langton has undertaken to propose a resolution in favour of the Conciliation Bill, and enclosing a copy of the resolution, also a pamphlet putting forward certain arguments in favour of the Bill. Order—Postponed.

11th November, 1911. From William Thompson, Bray—Offering steam rollers for hire, in view of the fact that the County Council would seem to be in favour of steam-rolling roads. Order—Refer to County Surveyor.

16th November, 1911. From Irish Manager, The Automobile Association and Motor Union, 12 College Green, Dublin—Complaining of the extensive sheets of loose stones that have been placed for a considerable distance along Church Street, Greystones.

25th October, 1911. From the Secretary, Royal Sanitary Institute, 90 Buckingham Palace Road, London, S.W.—Inviting the Council to appoint Delegates to their 27th Congress and Exhibition in York, from July 29th to August 3rd, 1912.

25th October, 1911. From Hon. Secretary, The Royal Institute of Public Health, 37 Russell Square, London, W.C.—Circular letter directing the Council's attention to the facilities which their Institute possess for the investigation of outbreaks of illness suspected to be due to food poisoning, and pointing out the necessary arrangements which should have been arranged beforehand.

25th October, 1911. From Same—Inviting the Council to appoint Delegates to their Congress to be held in Berlin from 25th July to 28th July, 1912.

## RESOLUTIONS FROM VARIOUS BODIES.

22nd August, 1911. From Dublin County Council—Resolution in support of the proposal that Greenwich Time should be adopted in Ireland. Order—Approved.

22nd August, 1911. From Tralee Rural District Council—Resolution suggesting that practical steps be taken to inaugurate a National Civil Service System in Ireland. Order—Read.

19th September, 1911. From Patrick O'Daly, General Secretary Gaelic League, 25 Rutland Square, Dublin—Two resolutions: (1) Asking the Council to make Irish (oral and written) and Irish History

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essential subjects in their Scholarship Schemes; and (2) Stating that it is right and proper that Irish should be one of the subjects in all Scholarship Schemes for apprentices, and in all Technical Schools under County and Urban Councils. Order—The Council have already agreed to the principles of this first resolution.

24th October, 1911. From General Synod of the Church of Ireland—Resolution protesting against the rule in many counties prohibiting students for scholarships entering the University of Dublin. Order—Referred to Scholarships Committee.

From Joint Committee of Management of Mullingar District Lunatic Asylum—Resolution suggesting the classification of patients, as a means of dealing with the present congestion in asylums. Order—Adopted.

23rd November, 1911. From Secretary to the Lord Mayor of Cork—Forwarding two resolutions: (1) Urging the desirability of extending to this country the medical benefits provided by the National Insurance Bill; (2) Stating that it is regarded of the greatest importance that Refuge Homes and Magdalen Asylums be excluded from the operation of the Insurance Bill. Order—Resolution No. 2 adopted, as amended.



## MINUTES OF MEETING, 30TH JANUARY, 1912.

Special Meeting of the County Council, held in the Council Chamber, Court House, Wicklow, at 11.30 a.m., on Tuesday, the 30th January, 1912. The following members were present:—Councillor Michael Byrne, in the chair; Councillors Martin Langton, James Byrne, William Costello, Laurence Hanlon, Patrick Short, Edward Byrne, Joseph McCarroll, E. J. Byrne, Patrick Kenny, James Galvin, and John Storey. A telegram was read from the Chairman, stating that he was detained on legal business.

## BUSINESS :

To consider the following resolution received from the Rathdrum District Council:—"Resolved—That we call on the County Council to oppose the present proposed deviation of the Dublin and South Eastern Railway line as being entirely insufficient to avoid the dangers of the travelling public now existing at Bray Head and Ballygannon," and, if approved, to take the necessary steps to carry out the objects of said resolution. And, further, to receive and reply to a letter from the Board of Trade in connection with the Dublin and South Eastern Railway (New Works) Bill, Session 1912.

The Secretary read the following telegram from the Chairman, on which the meeting was convened:—"Secretary, County Council, Wicklow. Reilly, Byrne, and Short requisition me to summon special meeting relative to diversion South Eastern Railway; please summon for Tuesday next.—O'Kelly."

From Wm. Fry and Son, Solicitors, 14 Lower Mount street, Dublin—Five Parliamentary Notices relative to the Dublin and South Eastern Railway (New Works) Bill, Session 1912.

No. R 140, 18th January, 1912—From the Assistant Secretary (Railway Department) Board of Trade, London, S.W.—Asking the County Council to insert on a form (enclosed) the particulars of Road No. 18, and any objections they may have to the alterations proposed in the Dublin and South Eastern Railway (New Works) Bill, Session 1912, and to return the form by 7th February at latest.

The County Surveyor having brought up the question regarding the ownership of the road marked No. 18, the Secretary was directed to reply that the road in question is not a county road.

23rd January, 1912—From the Clerk, Rathdrum Rural District Council—Enclosing the following resolution:—"That we call on the County Council to oppose the present proposed deviation of the Dublin and South Eastern Railway line as being entirely insufficient to avoid the dangers of the travelling public now existing at Bray Head and Ballygannon; and that, if the next ordinary meeting of the County Council would not be in time to offer such opposition, that proper steps be taken to have a special meeting of the County Council called in time to discuss and take action in this very important matter."

Proposed by Councillor E. J. Byrne, seconded by Councillor P. Kenny. Resolved—"That this County Council calls on the Board of Trade to take the necessary steps to compel the Dublin and South

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Eastern Railway Company to proceed without delay, either permanently to secure the safety of their passengers where their line is defective, or to make such practical and permanent deviation of the line as will meet the requirements of the district and the safety of the travelling public."

It was proposed as an alternative resolution by Councillor John Storey, seconded by Councillor James Byrne—"That the County Council lodge a petition against the Dublin and South Eastern Railway Company's proposed deviation of the line at Bray Head, at a cost not exceeding £5 5s. 0d."

A poll being called for, there voted:—

For the resolution—Councillors Michael Byrne, Wm. Costello, Patrick Kenny, E. J. Byrne, Laurence Hanlon, and Edward Byrne—6.

For alternative resolution—Councillors Martin Langton, James Byrne, John Storey, James Galvin, Joseph McCarroll, and Patrick Short—6.

The voting for the original resolution and for the alternative resolution being equal, the Chairman gave his casting vote for the original resolution, and declared the same carried.

Proposed by Councillor James Galvin, seconded by Councillor Joseph McCarroll. Resolved—"That this Council rejoices in the rapid recovery of the Irish Leader, and hopes he will be sufficiently himself to take part in the Belfast meeting of 8th February." Passed.

Proposed by Councillor M. Langton, seconded by Councillor P. Short. Resolved—"That we condemn in the strongest manner the action of Lord Londonderry, Edward Carson, the Craigs, and other Unionists of Belfast, in their attempt to muzzle free speech, strangle liberty of thought, engender hate and ill-will between Irishmen, and so far as possible deprive Ireland of Home Rule and the prosperity which invariably follows from a self-governing nation." Passed.

Proposed by Councillor M. Langton, seconded by Councillor James Byrne. Resolved—"We, the County Council of Wicklow, hereby request that Mr. P. J. McAndrew, C.E., be appointed Commissioner of Valuation when the vacancy occurs, as we consider him, having regard to his wide and varied experience of the necessary work tending to the efficient administration of the said office, and his intimate knowledge of the people and the country generally, to be the most suitable man for the position, and we are satisfied that his services will be faithfully and impartially administered, and that the country would have the greatest confidence in his administration." Passed.

## MINUTES OF MEETING, FEBRUARY 26TH, 1912.

The Winter Quarterly Meeting of the County Council, held in the Court House, Wicklow, at 11.30 a.m., on Monday, the 26th February. The following members were present: Councillor Edward P. O'Kelly, M.P., Chairman; Councillors Michael Byrne, Martin Langton, D. J. Cogan, William Osborne, Thomas Burke, Daniel Condren, J. W. Reigh, Joseph McCarroll, E. C. Walsh, E. J. Byrne, P. J. Carey, Laurence Hanlon, Joseph Dunne, William Byrne, Edward Byrne, Patrick Short, John J. Reilly, John Storey.

## BUSINESS :

- 1—To consider reports from the Finance Committee.
- 2—To sign Quarterly Transfers on foot of Demands from the several Unions and Rural District Councils.
- 3—To consider the proposals from the Proposals Committee.
- 4—To consider proposals for payment from the five Rural Districts.
- 5—To sign Treasurer's Advice Notes for the past quarter's payments.
- 6—To consider proposals for contracts from the five Rural Districts.
- 7—To seal such contracts as have been approved by the County Council.
- 8—To sign Applications for Refund of Expenses under the Diseases of Animals Acts.
- 9—To consider the Estimates and strike the Rates for the year ending 31st March, 1913.
- 10—To appoint two persons to serve on the Council of Agriculture for a term of three years, commencing 1st April, 1912.
- 11—To consider applications received for Licenses under the Poisons and Pharmacy Act, 1908.
- 12—To consider the following Notice of Motion by Councillor E. J. Byrne—" I hereby give notice that I, or some Councillor on my behalf, will, at the next Quarterly Meeting of the County Council, move that the resolution of the 26th November, 1906, directing our Solicitor to deal with claims for compensation for malicious injuries, be rescinded. And I hereby further give notice that in the event of said resolution being rescinded, I, or such other Councillor, will then move a resolution to the same effect as the resolution so rescinded, with the addition of the following words—' Provided that our Solicitor shall not so deal with any such claim for compensation which may arise in the Shillelagh Rural District until he has received the written authority of the Council of that Rural District to do so.' "
- 13—To receive and consider Reports from Committees.
- 14—To consider Reports from County Officers.
- 15—To consider Official Correspondence.
- 16—To consider General Correspondence.

Minutes of previous Meetings were read and signed.

## FINANCE COMMITTEE'S REPORT NO. 1

Your Finance Committee met on Wednesday, the 13th December, 1911, when the following members were present:—Councillor D. J. Cogan (Chairman); Councillors Patrick Short and Joseph McCarroll.

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Having considered the Memorandum from the Local Government Board on Motor Car License Duties, of November, 1911, and the Motor Car License Duties (Ireland) Collection Order, 1910, of the 2nd August, 1910, the Committee recommend the County Council to authorise the Finance Committee of the Council for the time being to exercise the powers and duties transferred to the County Council under Article 3 of the above-mentioned Order, and to select and appoint Edward N. Wynne, the Secretary of the County Council, as the officer to exercise the powers and duties transferred to such officer under Article 8 of the same Order, requiring him to give security for his good conduct in a Bond for £25, and we further recommend that he be granted a remuneration for such duties of two shillings and sixpence (2s. 6d.) per Motor Car License Duty registered within the county.

The Committee recommend that the attention of the Irish Executive Government be drawn to the defects in the Motor Licensing Act in regard to its proper working and administration, and we are of opinion that the police should take the necessary steps to inform the County Council's officers the number of motor vehicles owned in each county, and to take all necessary steps to assist in the enforcing of the Motor Car Acts.

The Committee sent forward for consideration by the County Council the Parliamentary Notices received from the Solicitors for the Dublin and South Eastern Railway Company—re promotion of a Bill in Parliament for New Works.

Having read the correspondence from the Irish County Councils' General Council; from the Secretary, University College, Dublin; and resolutions from other Bodies, the following Scheme for University Scholarships for the County Wicklow for the year 1912, was drawn up by the Committee for submission to the County Council:—

## WICKLOW COUNTY COUNCIL.

## UNIVERSITY SCHOLARSHIPS, 1912.

The Wicklow County Council offers for competition at the Special Examination to be conducted by the Authorities of University College, Dublin, in the year 1912:—

3 Scholarships of £50 per annum each, for three years.

1 Bursary of £25 per annum, for three years, tenable at the National University College, Dublin, only, and subject to the following conditions:—

1. Candidates must be the children of parents:—
  - (a) Who have resided in the Administrative County of Wicklow for five years previous to the date of the Examination.
  - (b) Whose average yearly income the County Scholarship Committee is satisfied does not exceed £300.
2. Students must satisfy the County Scholarships Committee that they possess a knowledge of Irish equal to what is taught in the Primary Schools.
3. The Students gaining the highest number of marks in the Examination shall be granted the Scholarships.
4. The Student coming next in order of merit at the Examination shall obtain the Bursary.

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5. The Students must reside in a Collegiate Hostel approved of by the Committee.
6. The cost of the maintenance of each student, estimated at £31 per session of 31 weeks, shall be paid direct by the County Council to the Managers of the Collegiate Hostel selected.
7. The fees for the University Course of each student shall be paid direct to the University Authorities from the Scholarship Fund. These fees amount, approximately, to £10.
8. The balance of the Scholarship Fund, amounting to £8 or £9, shall be paid to each student for travelling and other expenses.

A Rate of one half-penny in the £1 on the County Wicklow-at-Large is estimated to raise £616.

3 Scholarships of £50 yearly (£150 each) ...	£450
1 Bursary of £25 yearly ...	75
Grant to building purposes ...	50
Cost of Examinations, about ...	18

Total ... .. £593

(Signed), D. J. COGAN, Chairman.

## FINANCE COMMITTEE'S REPORT NO. 2.

Your Finance Committee met on Wednesday, the 7th February, 1912, when the following members were present:—Councillor P. Short, in the chair; Councillors Michael Byrne and Joseph McCarroll.

The Committee having examined the Proposals for Payment by the Proposals Committee, and from the Rural District Councils, recommend them for payment as follows:—

	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
County-at-Large				6,495	13	3
Baltinglass No. 1—						
District proposals	687	16	3			
Proposals Committee's proposals	29	17	7	717	13	10
Naas No. 2—						
District proposals	302	8	6			
Proposals Committee's proposals	191	5	5	493	13	11
Rathdown No. 2—						
District proposals	449	18	3			
Proposals Committee's proposals	82	3	0	532	1	3
Rathdrum—						
District proposals	1,748	7	1			
Proposals Committee's proposals	321	5	9	2,069	12	10
Shillelagh—						
District proposals	572	16	5			
Proposals Committee's proposals	56	19	11	629	16	4
Arklow Urban—						
Proposals Committee's proposals				30	0	3
Wicklow Urban—						
Proposals Committee's proposals				17	0	2
Transfer to Subsidiary Account						
(Included in the total for the County-at-Large)	1,297	5	3			

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The Committee examined the Union and Rural District demands submitted to them, and recommend the Council to make the following payments on foot of same:—

## TRANSFERS TO FUNDS OF UNIONS.

	£	s.	d.
Baltinglass	793	10	0
Naas	270	0	0
Rathdown	1,072	15	0
Rathdrum	2,945	0	0
Shillelagh	768	0	0
Total	£5,849	5	0

## TRANSFERS TO FUNDS OF RURAL DISTRICT COUNCILS.

	£	s.	d.
Baltinglass No. 1	172	15	0
Naas No. 2	129	0	0
Rathdown No. 2	1,051	10	0
Rathdrum	927	10	0
Shillelagh	450	0	0
Total	£2,730	15	0

We recommend for refund to the respective Collectors, subject to the approval of the Local Government Board, the following lists of rates declared to be irrecoverable:—

No. 7. Collector C. S. Sutton for year ending 31st March, 1912,	£61	2	2
No. 9. Collector Joseph Keane do. do. do.	£16	12	1.

The Secretary's Estimates of the amounts required to provide for the liabilities and requirements of the Council for the ensuing financial year 1912-13 were approved and adopted.

After hearing reports from the other counties on the subject, the Committee recommend that the Secretary be paid five per cent. on each Motor License Duty collected in the county, instead of our first recommendation dealing with this remuneration.

The Committee recommend that the poundage of all collectors who have closed their rate collection on the 31st March be payable on 1st April, and direct that paying orders for this purpose be drawn in advance, the Secretary to retain the paying orders in cases of collectors who do not then close their collections.

We recommend that our Accountant, Mr. Doyle, be paid the sum of £25 for the extra work thrown upon him owing to the Urbanisation of Arklow.

(Signed), PATRICK SHORT, Chairman.

7th February, 1912.

## FINANCE COMMITTEE'S REPORT NO. 3.

Your Finance Committee met on Monday, the 26th February, 1912, when the following members were present:—Councillor P. Short (in the chair); Councillors Michael Byrne, J. McCarroll, E. C. Walsh, E. J. Byrne.

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The Committee recommend the following additional Proposal to the County Council for payment:—

## RATHDRUM:

Collector Joseph Keane, poundage deducted in respect of his collection for the year ending 31st March, 1912, he having closed his collection before the end of February ... .. 16s. 10d.

(Signed), PATRICK SHORT, Chairman.  
26-2-'12.

Proposed by Councillor D. J. Cogan, seconded by Councillor P. J. Carey. Resolved—"That the paragraph in the Report of the Finance Committee of the 7th February, 1912, recommending five per cent. on Motor Car Licenses, be eliminated." Passed nem. con.

Proposed by Councillor D. J. Cogan, seconded by Councillor P. Short. Resolved—"That the Finance Committee's Reports, as amended, be hereby adopted." Passed nem. con.

Proposed by Councillor D. J. Cogan, seconded by Councillor Martin Langton. Resolved—"That, whereas by Article 3 of the Motor Car Licence Duties (Ireland) Collection Order, 1910, and under Sub-section 3 of Section 20 of the Local Government Act, 1888, there has been transferred to us, the County Council for the County of Wicklow, all the powers and duties now vested in the Commissioners of Customs and Excise for carrying into execution within this County of Wicklow every enactment relating to the duties as defined by the said Motor Car Licence Duties (Ireland) Collection Order, 1910, now we, the said County Council, hereby direct that the said powers and duties so transferred to us shall be exercised through a Committee of our members, consisting of those Councillors who for the time being shall have been appointed to act as the Finance Committee; three Members to form a quorum." Passed nem. con.

Proposed by Councillor D. J. Cogan, seconded by Councillor Martin Langton. Resolved—"That we, the County Council of the County of Wicklow, in exercise of the powers conferred upon us by Section 89 of the Finance (1909-10) Act, 1910, and by the Motor Car Licence Duties (Ireland) Collection Order, 1910, and of all other powers in that behalf, do hereby select, appoint, and authorise our Officer, Edward N. Wynne, the Secretary to this County Council, to exercise and perform for the County of Wicklow any powers and duties now vested in Officers of Customs and Excise in relation to the duties, as defined by the said Motor Car Licence Duties (Ireland) Collection Order, 1910, and direct that his appointment be signed and sealed, and we require him to give security for his good conduct in the exercise of said duties, in a Bond of Twenty-five Pounds sterling." Passed.

Proposed by Councillor E. J. Byrne, seconded by Councillor E. C. Walsh. Resolved—"That the Treasurer's Advice Note for the transfers on foot of Demands from the several Unions and Rural Districts be now signed." Passed.

Proposals for Payments from the Proposals Committee, and from the Five Rural District Councils, were passed, as follows:—

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## COUNTY-AT-LARGE:

Proposed by Councillor Michael Byrne, seconded by Councillor Patrick Short. Resolved—"That we hereby approve of the foregoing Proposals for Payment on the County-at-Large, amounting to £6,415 13s. 3d. (any modification made therein having been first initialled by the Chairman), and order the same to be paid." Passed.

## BALTINGLASS NO. 1:

Proposed by Councillor E. P. O'Kelly, seconded by Councillor Thomas Burke. Resolved—"That we hereby approve of the foregoing Proposals for Payment on Baltinglass No. 1 Rural District, amounting to £717 13s. 10d. (any modification made therein having been first initialled by the Chairman), and order the same to be paid." Passed.

## NAAS NO. 2:

Proposed by Councillor E. C. Walsh, seconded by Councillor D. Condren. Resolved—"That we hereby approve of the foregoing Proposals for Payment on Naas No. 2 Rural District, amounting to £493 13s. 11d. (any modification made therein having been first initialled by the Chairman), and order the same to be paid." Passed.

## RATHDOWN NO. 2:

Proposed by Councillor M. Langton, seconded by Councillor Edward Byrne. Resolved—"That we hereby approve of the foregoing Proposals for Payment on Rathdown No. 2 Rural District, amounting to £532 1s. 3d. (any modification made therein having been first initialled by the Chairman), and order the same to be paid." Passed.

## RATHDRUM:

Proposed by Councillor D. Condren, seconded by Councillor E. C. Walsh. Resolved—"That we hereby approve of the foregoing Proposals for Payment on Rathdrum Rural District, amounting to £2,070 9s. 8d. (any modification made therein having been first initialled by the Chairman), and order the same to be paid." Passed.

## SHILLELAGH:

Proposed by Councillor Michael Byrne, seconded by Councillor Edward Byrne. Resolved—"That we hereby approve of the foregoing Proposals for payment on Shillelagh Rural District, amounting to £629 16s. 4d. (any modification made therein having been first initialled by the Chairman), and order the same to be paid." Passed.

## ARKLOW URBAN:

Proposed by Councillor E. C. Walsh, seconded by Councillor D. Condren. Resolved—"That we hereby approve of the foregoing Proposals for Payment on Arklow Urban District, amounting to £30 0s. 3d. (any modification made therein having been first initialled by the Chairman), and order the same to be paid." Passed.

## WICKLOW URBAN:

Proposed by Councillor J. McCarroll, seconded by Councillor Thomas Burke. Resolved—"That we hereby approve of the foregoing Proposals for Payment on Wicklow Urban District, amounting

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to £17 0s. 2d. (any modification made therein having been first initialled by the Chairman), and order the same to be paid." Passed.

Proposed by Councillor Joseph McCarroll, seconded by Councillor Daniel Condren. Resolved—"That the Treasurer's Advice Notes for the Quarterly Payments, as approved by this Council, be now signed." Passed.

Proposals for Contracts submitted from the Proposals Committee, and from the Five Rural District Councils:—

## PROPOSALS COMMITTEE:

Proposal to raise a loan for the purpose of erecting and equipping buildings for Technical Instruction purposes in Arklow and in Baltinglass.

Order—Adjourned to next Meeting. Approved provisionally. Plans to be lodged with County Council Secretary thirty (30) days before next Proposals Committee Meeting.

A discussion took place regarding the form of this Provisional Proposal, and the Secretary was directed to write and obtain the advice of the Local Government Board on the matter. This direction was subsequently withdrawn, and a deputation, consisting of the Chairman, Councillor Cogan, and the Secretary, was named to call and ask the advice of the Local Government Board, at noon the following day, if an appointment could be obtained from the Vice-President.

The following telegrams were then sent, and received:—

3 p.m. 26-2-'12. "Local, Dublin. Could Vice-President see small County Council Deputation on Procedure of Councils, about noon to-morrow (Tuesday).—County Secretary, Wicklow."

4.20 p.m. 26-2-'12. "Secretary, County Council, Wicklow. Vice-President regrets that owing to other engagements he cannot receive proposed County Council Deputation to-morrow.—Local, Dublin."

## BALTINGLASS NO. 1:

Contract No. 53 in the District Register, 684 perches, was rejected, and the road placed in charge of the County Surveyor.

The County Surveyor was requested to have the fence at the old Toll House, Tuckmill, removed within three days, or immediate proceedings to be taken.

Remaining contracts, as submitted, were approved and confirmed.

## NAAS NO. 2:

Contracts, as submitted, were approved and confirmed.

## RATHDOWN NO. 2:

Contracts, as submitted, were approved and confirmed.

## RATHDRUM:

The following roads, for which no Tenders were received by the District Council, were given in charge to the County Surveyor:—

Dist. Reg. No. 185	...	875 perches.
" 186	...	777 "
" 209	...	370 "
" 210	...	978 "
" 211	...	244 "

The tender accepted by the District Council for Work No. 221

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in District Register—supplying and delivering 600 tons road metal—the contract was rejected, and the work placed in charge of the County Surveyor.

Remaining contracts, as submitted, were approved and confirmed.

## SHILLELAGH:

Work No. 124 in the District Register, was given in charge of the County Surveyor.

Remaining Contract, as submitted, was approved and confirmed.

Contract No. 77 in District Register, 542 perches, entered into by Andrew Malone, Rosbane, Tinahely, at Winter Quarterly Meeting in February, 1910, was cancelled, and given in charge of the County Surveyor. (See County Surveyor's Report re same).

Proposed by Councillor E. J. Byrne, seconded by Councillor Wm. Byrne. Resolved—"That the several Contracts which have been approved of at this Quarterly Meeting be now signed and sealed." Passed.

Proposed by Councillor Michael Byrne, seconded by Councillor M. Langton. Resolved—"That we now sign and seal the two Certificates for Refund of Expenses under the Diseases of Animals' Acts." Passed.

## SECRETARY'S REPORT.

Gentlemen,

The Estimates for the Rates necessary to be raised for the service of the coming Financial Year will be laid before you to-day for your consideration. They have been approved by your Finance Committee, and have been printed and circulated among the Councillors.

In three of the Rural Districts the rates are higher than they were last year—namely, in Naas No. 2, Rathdown No. 2, and in Shillelagh. One principal factor in this rise of the rates is that the Estate Duty Grant received on this occasion is £1,627 less than that received the previous year.

BALTINGLASS DISTRICT Rate is 3s. 3½d., same as before.

NAAS DISTRICT Rate is 4s. 3d., being 9½d. higher than last year, for, in addition to the falling off in the grants, the District Demand and Road Expenditure is £256 higher, and the credit balance was wiped out last year.

RATHDOWN DISTRICT Rate is 3s. 11½d., being a rise of 4½d., for in addition to the reduced grant their demand is £430 higher.

RATHDRUM DISTRICT Rate is 4s. 0½d., same as before.

SHILLELAGH DISTRICT Rate is 3s. 9½d., being a rise of 3d. above last year's rate, when we gave them a credit balance of £347, and the grant was £64 higher than it is this year.

A new Act of Parliament has been passed, named, "The Public Roads (Ireland) Act, 1911," which will relieve the ratepayers of the costs which have heretofore fallen on them, of making good the damage caused to roads by excessive weight or traffic passing over them, such as traction engines, or special timber traffic.

Such costs may now be recovered from the person by whose order such extra traffic was caused. And, further, new locomotives not complying with certain regulations regarding weight, etc., are prohibited on public roads, under a penalty of £5. Power is also given

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to County Councils to make by-laws granting annual licences to non-agricultural locomotives to use the roads for a fee not exceeding £10.

Correspondence from Dunlavin School Attendance Committee shows that a meeting was held to appoint a new School Attendance Officer. The notice summoning the meeting did not give the number of days' notice required by the Irish Education Act, and the Chairman refused to proceed with the meeting as not legally summoned.

The Committee, however, voted another member into the chair, and elected an officer by the votes of three members out of eight present, several of the members not voting. I wrote and pointed out that the election was not legal. I have not heard that any steps have since been taken to remedy this.

Waterford sends forward a request to recommend an "Irish Public Bodies Insurance Scheme" to cover risks of fire losses on all public buildings throughout Ireland, such as Courthouses, Workhouses, Dispensaries, Doctors' Residences, Labourers' Cottages, etc. The proposal must recommend itself to every practical business man and Irishman, for it would mean a vast saving in premiums to the rates, would give absolute security, viz.: The rates over the whole of Ireland, losses would be paid in full on the actual cost of replacement of the damage done, and the entire money would be kept in the ratepayers' pockets, and not a farthing would go for profits, or out of Ireland. I hope the scheme will receive full consideration by the Council.

The Local Government Board have replied to the second application from the Rathdrum Rural District Council, informing them that there is no power which would enable them to authorise the payment of the £15 for the erection of the footbridge at Ballinatone.

It is important that the County Council should not let too much time pass by without renewing their application to the Roads Board for a substantial grant to carry out road improvements in the county.

Your obedient servant,

E. N. WYNNE, Secretary.

Order—A second Election to be held for the purpose of filling the vacant positions of Secretary and School Attendance Officer to the Dunlavin School Attendance Committee.

Proposed by Councillor Edward Byrne, seconded by Councillor P. J. Carey. Resolved—"That we hereby confirm and adopt the Estimates (Forms 45 and 46) now submitted to us, and determine the Rates in the £1 to be levied in each Rural District in the County, by means of the Poor Rates.

Name of Rural District.	Rates on Land.		Rates on other Hereditaments.	
	s.	d.	s.	d.
Baltinglass No. 1	1	8	3	3½
Naas No. 2	2	8	4	3
Rathdown No. 2	2	9	3	10½
Rathdrum	2	7½	4	0½
Shillelagh	2	3½	3	9½

Separate Charges:

Baltinglass No. 1 Public Health Charge, 1½d.; Sewerage, Bal-

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tinglass Dispensary District, 1½d.; Sewerage, Dunlavin Dispensary District, 0½d.; Compulsory Education, Hollywood and Dunlavin County Divisions, 0½d.; Naas No. 2 Public Health Charge, 0½d.; Rathdown No. 2 Public Health Charge, 1½d.; Greystones Water Supply and Delgany Sewerage, 3d.; Greystones Sewerage, 13½d.; Eniskerry Sewer, 3½d.; Greystones Lighting, 3½d.; Rathdrum Public Health Charge, 0½d.; Kilpedder Sewerage, Newcastle and Stylebawn Water Supplies, 5½d.; Compulsory Education, Newcastle Dispensary District, 0½d.; Compulsory Education, Annamoe Dispensary District, 0½d.; Criminal Injury, Rathdrum R. D., 0½d.; Shillelagh Public Health Charge, 0½d.; Arklow Harbour Loan, 2½d.; Wicklow Harbour Loan, 3½d.; Dublin and Blessington Tramway, 4½d.; Criminal Injury, three Townlands of Aughavannagh, 6½d.; Criminal Injury, Kilpedder West, Johnstown, and Ballyronan, 2½d. Passed.

Proposed by Councillor Edward Byrne, seconded by Councillor P. J. Carey. Resolved—That we hereby, in accordance with the Estimates on Forms 45 and 46, and with the Valuation Lists (so far as they have been supplied to us by the General Valuation Office) do determine the amounts to be demanded from each Urban District Council, as follows:—

Name of Urban District.	General Charges.			Separate Charges.			Total.		
	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
Arklow ...	787	16	10	165	17	0	953	13	10
Bray ...	3,225	11	8	—	—	—	3,225	11	8
Wicklow ...	913	15	0	148	0	0	1,061	15	0

Passed.

Proposed by Councillor D. J. Cogan, seconded by Councillor E. C. Walsh. Resolved—“Having regard to the fact that this county is a mountainous one, with roads that, as originally built, did not contemplate the bearing of heavy traffic of any kind, and that the largest amount of motor traffic which takes place in any county in Ireland occurs in this county, owing to the fact that it is a tourist county, and is the artery through which a very large proportion of the motor traffic for the South of Ireland runs, this Council should make a strong representation to the Roads Board in favour of special consideration for an increased grant.”

As an amendment, it was proposed by Councillor Patrick Short, seconded by Councillor J. J. Reilly—“That this Council avail of Roads Board's offer; that a similar sum be borrowed for a period of seven years; loan to be charged to district in which money is expended.”

On a show of hands being taken, the amendment was rejected. The resolution was then put to the meeting, and declared to be passed.

Proposed by Councillor E. J. Byrne, seconded by Councillor J. McCarroll. Resolved—“That, in accordance with the Department's circular letter, dated 11th December, 1911, No. G. 3942/1911, we hereby appoint the following gentlemen as Members of the new Council of Agriculture, to hold office for the three years commencing 1st April, 1912, under Sections 8 and 27 (1) of the Agriculture and

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Technical Instruction (Ireland) Act, 1899:—D. J. Cogan, Esq., 115 Thomas Street, Dublin; P. J. Carey, Esq., J.P., Tomanierrin, Aughrim, Co. Wicklow.” Passed.

Proposed by Councillor J. McCarroll, seconded by Councillor E. J. Byrne. Resolved—“That we grant licences under the Poisons and Pharmacy Act, 1908, to the following applicants:—John E. Griffin, Bray; Thomas M. Barker, Tinahely; Patrick McCarthy, Aughrim; Thomas Ellison, Shillelagh; Thomas Miller, Blessington; John P. Hopkins, Wicklow; James Bradshaw, Kiltegan; Mary Toomey, Hollywood; Samuel Cole, Kilboy, Wicklow; Patrick O'Neill, Rathdangan; Samuel Alcorn, Wicklow; Edward Byrne, Tinahely; S. V. Delahunt, Wicklow; Laurence Murphy, Roundwood.” Passed.

Proposed by Councillor J. J. Reilly, seconded by Councillor Patrick Short—“That John Sinnott, of Newtown-Mount-Kennedy, be licensed to sell poisonous substances, under Section 2 of the Poisons and Pharmacy Act.”

On the Secretary pointing out that there was no application for a license before the Council from Mr. Sinnott, the motion was withdrawn.

## COUNTY SURVEYOR'S REPORT.

Winter Quarterly Meeting, 26th February, 1912.

Gentlemen,

During the past Quarter the majority of the roads in the county were fairly well attended to by the contractors, and, until the heavy frost, and wet weather which followed same, they were in good order.

The following contractors have done little or no work on their contracts, and I recommend that authority be given to me to take the necessary steps to enter on the contracts: Baltinglass No. 1—The contractor for the road No. 214, Index 11, 3 roads on Kill to 3 roads on Keadeen; contractor for the road No. 218, Index 20, 3 roads on Kill to George's bridge; contractor for road No. 274, Index 86, Ballyhook to Crossogue. Rathdrum—Contractor for road No. 878, Index 174, Toghernmore to Sraghmore; contractor for road No. 1, Index 201, Ballinakill to Barnbawn. Rathdown No. 2—Contractor for road No. 291, Index 40, Onagh bridge to the Upper Long Hill; contractor for road No. 374, Index 29, Annacrevy to Barnamire; contractor for road No. 352, Index 17, Annacrevy to Bahana; contractor for road No. 338, Index 15, Kilmacanogue to Kilmurry. Shillelagh—Work No. 118, to fill road, etc., at Mill Land.

I had to enter on road No. 77, Index 20, Shillelagh Rural District, and get the road put into safe condition. I recommend that this contract be cancelled, and placed in my charge until the 31st March next.

I beg to report that the grounds of Tinahely Courthouse were entered, and certain trees cut down. As far as I am aware, no authority was given by you to allow this to be done. However, I understand that the person who caused these trees to be cut and removed planted them many years ago under the authority of a permissive presentment. This matter should be considered by you and enquired into.

At the last Quarterly Meeting I reported to you that a fence had

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been erected, enclosing a small area of the grass margin on the county road at Tuckmill cross-roads, near Baltinglass. As it was understood that this trespass was committed through lack of knowledge of the law on the subject, I was instructed not to take any action, pending an application by Notice of Motion, to be made at the next following Quarterly Meeting of Baltinglass Rural District Council. The application was duly made and passed in the usual manner, and I prepared a specification setting out therein such provisions as I considered necessary to safeguard the public using the road, and your right to resume the use of the area enclosed. No tender was received on this specification at the ensuing Adjourned Quarterly Meeting, and no contract was taken for the work, but a letter was handed in and read at the meeting. This letter is from a Captain M. H. Tynte, and is referred to in the Form 11 forwarded to you by the Clerk to the Baltinglass No. 1 R. D. Council. However, up to 24th inst. the letter itself has not been received at the County Council Offices, or by me.

The Roads Board have apparently not formulated the extended Scheme for Road Improvement, which was to follow the tentative distribution of monies pending such Scheme. You were offered £1,100, provided you expended a similar sum from your own resources. The total, so provided, was to be expended by you on the reconstruction, etc., of any or all of a certain line of roads, but it was distinctly stated that on any road where such money was expended no further grant would be made. I have recently been informed that now the Roads Board will, unless the £1,100 offered be now accepted, permanently divert this sum from the County Wicklow, and will not place it to credit, as they previously gave you to understand.

In Rathdram Rural District a tender was accepted to supply and deliver 600 tons of Whinstone. The tender in the case is not a proper tender, inasmuch as the contractor only proposes to carry out a portion of the work. I recommend that you reject this tender, and place the work in my charge.

I am glad to report that a new fence which was being placed too near the road at Ballygobbin, has been set back to a safe distance.

An application has been received from a Mr. Cole, of Kilboy, for permission to erect a weigh-bridge on the side of the road at Kilboy. I understand that the people in the locality are anxious to have this weigh-bridge erected.

Your obedient servant,

S. G. GALLAGHER.

Orders:—

- Paragraph 2.—Authority granted to take proceedings.  
 „ 3.—Contract cancelled.  
 „ 4.—Person to be warned not to trespass again. No action to be taken.  
 „ 5.—County Surveyor requested to have fence at Old Toll House, Tuckmill, removed within three days, or immediate proceedings to be taken.  
 „ 6.—See resolution.  
 „ 7.—Contract rejected; work placed in charge of County Surveyor.

Report adopted.

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Proposed by Councillor J. W. Reigh, seconded by Councillor Patrick Short. Resolved—“Engineer to report to Council re telephone poles.” Passed.

“County Surveyor’s Office, Wicklow, 26th February, 1912. Gentlemen—I should be glad for permission to absent myself from the County Wicklow from 16th to 19th March, 1912.—Your obedient servant, S. G. Gallagher. To Wicklow County Council.” Order—Leave granted.

## ANALYST’S REPORT.

City Laboratory, 17 Castle Street, Dublin, 19th January, 1912. Report of Sir Charles Cameron, C.B., M.D., Public Analyst for the County Wicklow, on articles submitted to him for analysis during the quarter ended 31st December, 1911. 74 articles were received from the Food Inspectors, R.I.C., as follows:—Articles—Butter, 36; milk, 15; whiskey, 13; cheese, 5; sugar, 2; flour, 2; brandy, 1—total, 74. They were all pure. There were seven specimens of butter analysed by directions from the Department of Agriculture and Technical Instruction for Ireland, Upper Merrion Street, Dublin, which were taken up in the County Wicklow, and were pure. For the Guardians of Shillelagh Union nine drugs were analysed. One was incorrect. For the Guardians of Rathdram Union fourteen drugs, four specimens of milk, one of butter, and one of whiskey were analysed. Two drugs were incorrect. The specimens of milk, butter and whiskey were pure. For the Dublin and Wicklow Manure Company, Wicklow, three fertilizers were analysed. For the Guardians of Baltinglass Union nine drugs and a specimen of milk were analysed. Two drugs were incorrect. The specimen of milk was of rich quality. One specimen of water analysed for Baltinglass Rural District Council had the following composition:—One imperial gallon contained in grains—Total solid matter, 31.500, including—Albuminoid ammonia, 0.087; saline ammonia, 0.280; nitric acid, trace; chlorine, 1.880. Enormously polluted and dangerous to use.

One specimen of water analysed for the Portrane District Lunatic Asylum had the following composition:—One imperial gallon contained in grains—Total solid matter, 65.100, including—Albuminoid ammonia, 0.0055; saline ammonia, 0.001; nitric acid, 1.870; chlorine, 11.920. A very pure water.

One specimen of water analysed for Major J. Logan Ellis, Ashford, had the following composition: One imperial gallon contained in grains: Total solid matter, 9.800, including—Albuminoid ammonia, 0.005; saline ammonia, 0.0045; nitric acid, 2.250; chlorine, 1.680. A good water.

For Naas Union, which is partly situated in the County Wicklow, seventeen drugs and two specimens of milk were analysed. The drugs were correct. The specimens of milk were pure.

In the original reports on the waters above referred to, full details, chemical and microscopical, were given, but in the foregoing only the more important points are given. Total analyses, 142.

CHARLES A. CAMERON.

In accordance with notice of motion, it was proposed by Councillor E. J. Byrne, seconded by Councillor Edward Byrne:—“That in future



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all applications for compensation for malicious injury be sent direct to our solicitor, immediately they are received from the applicant or his solicitor, with instructions that each case be dealt with on its merits, and to protect the interests of the county-at-large ratepayers; provided that our solicitor shall not so deal with any such claim for compensation which may arise in the Shillelagh Rural District until he has received the written authority of the Council of that Rural District to do so."

The Secretary read the following resolution sent forward by the Shillelagh Rural District Council in support of the notice of motion:—"That we request the Wicklow County Council to instruct their solicitor to abstain from interfering in malicious injury applications from Shillelagh Rural District, as this Council lost a sum of £25 5s. 0d. costs through his appearance in the case of John Doyle, Park, v. County Council."

A poll being called for, there voted:—

For the motion—Councillors Michael Byrne, Joseph Dunne, E. J. Byrne, Laurence Hanlon, and Edward Byrne—5.

Against the motion—Councillors E. C. Walsh, D. Condren, Wm. Osborne, Martin Langton, J. W. Reigh, D. J. Cogan, Thomas Burke, J. J. Reilly, John Storey, J. McCarroll, P. J. Carey, Patrick Short, and William Byrne—13.

The Chairman declared the motion rejected by thirteen votes to five.

Proposed by Councillor D. J. Cogan, seconded by Councillor J. McCarroll. Resolved—"That this Council hereby decides to form a County Society under the National Insurance Act, and that the Finance Committee be and is hereby requested to formulate a scheme and report to the County Council." Passed.

Proposed by Councillor D. J. Cogan, seconded by Councillor J. McCarroll. Resolved—"That the Secretary shall in future provide a typed list of the heads of the correspondence to be submitted to each meeting of the Council, and placed on the table for each member. No business to be brought before the Council unless lodged in the office three days prior to each meeting." Passed.

Proposed by Councillor J. McCarroll, seconded by Councillor E. C. Walsh. Resolved—"That the Committee of the Wicklow Coal Club be granted the use of the waiting-room on ground floor of Wicklow Court House one morning in the week for the collection of the Coal Fund subscriptions, provided this does not interfere with Court House business and its present uses." Granted.

The reports from the Deputy Checkers of the various unions on the attendance of the Poor Rate Collectors, and the state of the poor rate collections, were submitted.

## OFFICIAL CORRESPONDENCE.

No. 50571/1911; Miscellaneous. Local Government Board, Dublin, 29th November, 1911—Enclosing copies of clauses recommended by the Fair Wages Advisory Committee for use in contracts, with a view to carrying out the objects of the Fair Wages Resolutions of the House of Commons.

No. 62805/1911; Wicklow County. Local Government Board,

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Dublin, 6th December, 1911—Enclosing copy of a letter addressed to the Rathdrum Rural District Council, regretting that the Board has no power to authorise the payment for the erection of footbridge at Ballinatone.

No. 61455/1911; Miscellaneous. Local Government Board, Dublin, 6th December, 1911—Enclosing a certified statement showing the value of Motor License Duties levied during the year ended 31st March, 1911, by each County and Borough Council in Ireland.

No. 6806/1912. Wicklow County. Local Government Board, Dublin, 7th February, 1912—Stating that if Collector Michael Kelly is unable to discharge his duties owing to illness, arrangements should be made to appoint a deputy, the collector to furnish a medical certificate as to his state of health.

No. 9311/1912; Wicklow County. Local Government Board, Dublin, 20th February, 1912—Stating that rate collectors must actually sign all unused receipts, etc., and not use a stamp, and that such signature should not be appended until the collector has received the money from the ratepayer concerned.

No. 2340/1912; Miscellaneous. Local Government Board, Dublin, 14th February, 1912—Circular letter directing attention to the more important provisions of the Public Roads (Ireland) Act, 1911—copy of which is enclosed.

No. A 407/1912. Department of Agriculture, Dublin, 3rd February, 1912—Enclosing copy of a resolution passed by the Council of Agriculture, asking the Council to co-operate with the Department in putting in force Part I. of the Weeds and Agricultural Seeds (Ireland) Act, 1909.

No. 122. Department of Agriculture, Dublin, 6th February, 1912—Order revoking the Hay and Straw (Movement from Great Britain to Ireland) Order of 1911, No. II., dated 7th July, 1911, as from 7th February, 1912.

Law Department, Office of Public Works, Dublin, 13th December, 1911—Notifying particulars of a loan to be made by the Commissioners of £760 to the Joint Committee of Richmond Asylum under the Local Government (Ireland) Act, 1898.

Reg. No. 22643/1912. General Post Office, London, 24th January, 1912—Circular letter dealing with Telephone Control and Rates; also enclosing copy of the Postmaster-General's reply to a Deputation from a Conference of Local Authorities and others, re same.

National Health Insurance Commissioners, 63 Dawson street, Dublin, February, 1912—Circular letter asking the Council to co-operate with the Commissioners in explaining the objects and provisions of the National Insurance Act throughout the county by means of public meetings to be addressed by the Organising Lecturers to be appointed by the Commissioners.

R. 1244. Board of Trade, Railway Department, 7 Whitehall Gardens, London, S.W., 1st February, 1912—Acknowledging receipt of the Council's resolution with regard to the Dublin and South Eastern Railway (New Works) Bill, 1912.

8th January, 1912—From the Clerk, Rathdown No. 2 Rural District Council—Enclosing resolution asking the Local Government

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Board to extend the limit of road expenditure in that district for this and future years to £2,200.

Proposed by Councillor J. J. Reilly, seconded by Councillor J. W. Reigh. Resolved—"That the Rural District Council of Rathdown No. 2 having requested the County Council to obtain an extension for the coming and future years of the limit of expenditure on road repairs in that Rural District, we, the County Council for the County of Wicklow, approve of said extension, and we hereby apply to the Local Government Board to grant that the limit of expenditure on roads in Rathdown No. 2 Rural District be extended to two thousand two hundred pounds (£2,200). Passed.

20th December, 1911. From the Clerk, Rathdrum Rural District Council—Requesting the Council to put the Compulsory School Attendance Clauses of the Education Act in force in the Ashford District. Order—Notice of motion to be served.

"House of Commons, London, 1st December, 1911. Dear Mr. Wynne,—I am indeed deeply grateful to my fellow members and the officials of our County Council for their kind sympathy to me and my family in our dire bereavement. It is another instance of the kindness I have always received at your hands.—Yours sincerely, Edward P. O'Kelly."

4th December, 1911. From Secretary, County Committee of Agriculture, Court House, Wicklow—Enclosing a letter from Mr. Robert C. Barton, of Glendalough House, Annamoe, complaining of the absence of facilities for getting soils analysed.

Correspondence from James Gorman, Dunlavin—In reference to his recent election to fill the vacant Secretaryship to the Dunlavin School Attendance Committee; also letter from Rev. H. Acheson, The Rectory, Dunlavin, dated 24th February, 1912, re same; also certificate, notifying Mr. James Gorman's appointment, signed by the Presiding Chairman of the Dunlavin School Attendance Committee, the Rev. H. Acheson. Fresh election ordered—See order on Secretary's report.

23rd February, 1912—From Secretary, Irish County Councils' General Council, 10 Leinster street, Dublin—Circular letter drawing the Council's attention to the provisions contained in the National Insurance Act for the formation of County Health Insurance Societies by County Councils.

23rd December, 1911. From M. Brown, Woodenbridge—Claiming £25 for injuries sustained by his horse, car, and harness on the road between Woodenbridge and the Slate Quarry on the night of the 20th December, to a ditch having, as alleged, been erected on the thoroughfare.

2nd January, 1912. Report from County Surveyor, re same. Order—Read.

14th February, 1912—From Clerk, Urban District Council, Arklow—enclosing a resolution of his Council undertaking to pay over to the County Council towards repayment of principal and interest on the proposed loan of £3,000 for building technical schools in Arklow and Baltinglass, the produce of the eighth of a penny rate in the £ to be struck in Arklow.

20th January, 1912. From S. J. Doyle, 7 Leitrim Place, Wicklow—Reporting on his audit of the accounts of the Dublin and Blessington Steam Tramway Company for the half-year ended 31st December, 1911.

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24th January, 1912. From J. H. McCarroll, solicitor, Church street, Wicklow—Reporting that the County Court Judge refused the malicious injury of Thomas Fleming, with £1 witnesses' expenses.

26th January, 1912. From Same—Stating that he had received a notice of appeal to the next Assizes from the solicitors for Thomas Fleming.

10th February, 1912. From County Inspector, R.I.C., Wicklow—Asking the Council to appoint Sergeant John Buckley, of Arklow, as an Inspector under the Food and Drugs Acts. Order—Appointed.

25th November, 1911. From P. J. Redmond, Arklow—Application for permission to hold the quarterly meetings of the Arklow Division of the Ancient Order of Hibernians in the Court House, Arklow.

The Council having heard a deputation from Arklow in support of the application, it was proposed by Councillor E. J. Byrne, seconded by Councillor J. W. Reigh. Resolved—"That the permission asked for by the Arklow deputation for use of Arklow Court House for holding the meetings of the A.O.H., pending the erection of a hall of their own, be granted, subject to their meetings not being allowed to clash with the usual business of the court, at the rent of one shilling a month for a period not exceeding six months." Passed.

25th February, 1912. From Very Rev. John Dunne, P.P., St. Kevin's, Tinahely—Asking for the County Council's permission to use the two upper apartments in Tinahely Court House as reading rooms for the Catholics of that village and district, and stating that the Sub-Sheriff had given his consent, provided the local Justices of the Peace and the County Council had no objection to the arrangement. Order.—Permission granted.

From Mrs. Mary F. Earl, 39 Raglan Road, Pembroke, Dublin—Consideration of which was postponed from November Quarterly Meeting—Stating that Councillor Martin Langton has undertaken to propose a resolution in favour of the Conciliation Bill, and enclosing a copy of the proposed resolution, also a pamphlet putting forward certain arguments in favour of the Bill. Order—Read.

18th January, 1912. From Secretary, Irish Industrial Development Association, 33 Westmoreland street, Dublin—Circular letter, dealing with the "Irish Trade Mark," and asking the Council to favour him with replies to certain queries concerning same.

3rd December, 1912. From J. J. Feely, Hon. Secretary to the Meeting of Delegates from Public Bodies in the Counties of Kilkenny, Tipperary, Waterford, and County Borough of Waterford, held in Town Hall, Waterford—Enclosing copy of a proposed Irish Public Bodies Insurance Scheme, and a resolution approving and supporting same. Order—Read.

## RESOLUTIONS FROM VARIOUS BODIES.

28th November, 1911. From Hon. Secretary to the Committee of United Irishwomen—Resolution urging the importance of appointing women to serve on Technical Committees of County Councils.

13th December, 1911. From Secretary, Irish Farmers Union—

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Resolution pointing out how desirable it is that Land Purchase should be completed without delay.

19th December and 25th November, 1911. From Kerry County Council—Resolution urging that the question of the Local Taxation Account, and the deductions from Grants be brought before Parliament, so as to have the Account placed in a solvent state.

29th December, 1911. From Newcastle West Rural District Council—Resolution urging Members of Parliament to press on the Irish Insurance Commissioners the claims of officers of County and District Councils, Municipal Bodies, etc., to act as Officers under the National Insurance Act.

23rd January, 1912. From Lismore Rural District Council—Resolution dealing with the removal of certain obstacles to Land Purchase in relation to intending tenant purchasers.

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The Spring Quarterly Meeting of the County Council, held in the Council Chamber, Court House, Wicklow, at 11.30 a.m. on Monday, the 20th May, 1912. The following members were present:—Councillor Edward P. O'Kelly, Chairman; Councillors Michael Byrne, Martin Langton, John J. Reilly, Thomas Burke, Joseph Dunne, William Costello, William Byrne (Coolbeg), Edmond C. Walsh, James Galvin, Patrick Short, James Byrne, J. McCarroll, D. J. Cogan, Edward Byrne, E. J. Byrne.

## BUSINESS:

- 1—To consider reports from the Finance Committee.
- 2—To sign Quarterly Transfers on foot of Demands from the several Unions and Rural District Councils.
- 3—To consider the proposals from the Proposals Committee.
- 4—To consider proposals for payment from the five Rural Districts.
- 5—To sign Treasurer's Advice Notes for the past quarter's payments.
- 6—To consider proposals for contracts from the Proposals Committee, and from the five Rural Districts.
- 7—To seal such contracts as have been approved by the County Council.
- 8—To make the Rates for the financial year ending 31st March, 1913, and sign and seal the Rate Books and the Rate Collectors' Warrants.
- 9—To authorise the Secretary to the County Council to appoint a Deputy or Deputies for the discharge of his duties in examining the Books of the Collectors of the Poor Rate.
- 10—To sign and seal Demands (Form 51) on the Urban District Councils of Arklow, Bray, and Wicklow.
- 11—To sign and seal Poor Rate Collector's Bond for No. 7 Collecting District.
- 12—To sign Applications for Refund of Expenses under the Diseases of Animals Acts.
- 13—To appoint an Auditor for the Accounts of the Dublin and Blessington Steam Tramway Company, to represent the County Council for the current year.
- 14—To receive and consider Reports from Committees.
- 15—To consider Reports from County Officers.
- 16—To consider Official Correspondence.
- 17—To consider General Correspondence.

Minutes of previous meeting were read and confirmed.

## FINANCE COMMITTEE'S REPORT NO. 1.

Your Finance Committee met on Wednesday, the 1st May, 1912, when the following members were present:—Councillor D. J. Cogan (Chairman); Councillors Michael Byrne, William Byrne, and Joseph McCarroll.

The Committee, having examined the Proposals for payment by

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the Proposals Committee, and from the Rural District Councils, recommend them for payment as follows:—

	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
County-at-Large				3,961	17	9
Baltinglass No. 1—						
District proposals						
Proposals Committee's proposals	31	9	2			
Naas No. 2—						
District proposals	297	19	6			
Proposals Committee's proposals	10	3	5	308	2	11
Rathdown No. 2—						
District proposals	442	8	8			
Proposals Committee's proposals	113	12	1	556	0	9
Rathdrum—						
District proposals						
Proposals Committee's proposals	987	18	1			
Shillelagh—						
District proposals	527	17	9			
Proposals Committee's proposals	292	13	7	820	11	4
Arklow Urban—						
Proposals Committee's proposals				53	8	4
Wicklow Urban—						
Proposals Committee's proposals				57	2	4
Transfer to Subsidiary Account (Included in the total for County-at-Large)				557	18	6

The Committee examined the Union and Rural District demands submitted to them, and recommend the Council to make the following payments on foot of same:—

## TRANSFERS TO FUNDS OF UNIONS.

	£	s.	d.
Baltinglass	777	10	0
Naas	254	0	0
Rathdown	973	15	0
Rathdrum	2,805	0	0
Shillelagh	757	0	0
Total	£5,567	5	0

## TRANSFERS TO FUNDS OF RURAL DISTRICT COUNCILS.

	£	s.	d.
Baltinglass No. 1	97	5	0
Naas No. 2	20	10	0
Rathdown No. 2	191	10	0
Rathdrum	582	10	0
Shillelagh	25	0	0
Total	£916	15	0

We recommend the payment of the following Irrecoverable Rates to the several Rate Collectors, Paying Orders in respect of same not

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to issue until the respective amounts have been ratified by the Local Government Board:—

	£	s.	d.
1.—Joseph Doyle	11	18	0
2.—Richard Geoghegan	3	3	5
3.—Richard Lynch	7	11	10
4.—William Burke	1	9	5
5.—Michael Kelly	0	16	6
6.—Michael McGrath	6	6	11
7.—Charles S. Sutton			
8.—Patrick Toole			
9.—Joseph Keane			
10.—John Murphy	8	15	11
11.—John Kelly	4	5	9
12.—Wm. J. Cardiff	3	14	2
13.—George Evans	1	13	6
14.—James Byrne	2	14	4
15.—John Brennan	12	8	1
16.—P. J. Carey, junior			
17.—Charles Byrne	4	15	0
18.—Thomas Fleming			
19.—Terence Byrne	0	9	7

The Committee had before them a letter from George W. Tully, Main street, Boyle, stating that the County Court Judge has ordered an extensive change in the making up of this year's Parliamentary Register of Voters, and notifying his intention to do this extra work, on condition that he is paid extra for it.

Order—Cannot accept the condition.

Signed,

D. J. COGAN, Chairman.

## FINANCE COMMITTEE'S REPORT NO. 2.

Your Finance Committee met on Monday, the 20th May, 1912, when the following members were present:—Councillor E. J. Byrne, in the chair; Councillors James Byrne, Michael Byrne, and Joseph McCarrroll.

The Committee had before them the following additional Proposals and recommend the same to the County Council for payment:—

	£	s.	d.	
Baltinglass No. 1—				
District Proposals, Form 22	725	2	2	
Rathdown No. 2—				
Collector Patrick Toole, Amount of Irrecoverable Rates		0	11	10
Rathdrum—				
District Proposals, Form 22	1,701	5	11	
Collector P. J. Carey, junr., Amount of Irrecoverable Rates		7	13	10

(Signed),

E. J. BYRNE, Chairman.

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Proposed by Councillor D. J. Cogan, seconded by Councillor E. J. Byrne. Resolved—"That the Finance Committee's Reports be hereby adopted." Passed, *nem. con.*

Proposed by Councillor P. Short, seconded by Councillor J. McCarroll. Resolved—"That the Treasurer's Advice Note for the Quarterly Transfers on foot of Demands from the several Unions and Rural Districts be now signed." Passed.

Proposals for Payment from the Proposals Committee, and from the Five Rural District Councils were passed as follows:—

## COUNTY - AT - LARGE:

Proposed by Councillor D. J. Cogan, seconded by Councillor Michael Byrne. Resolved—"That we hereby approve of the foregoing Proposals for Payment on the County-at-Large, amounting to £3,961 17s. 9d. (any modification made therein having been first initialled by the Chairman), and order the same to be paid." Passed.

## BALTINGLASS NO. 1:

Proposed by Councillor Thomas Burke, seconded by Councillor E. J. Byrne. Resolved—"That we hereby approve of the foregoing Proposals for Payment on Baltinglass No. 1 Rural District, amounting to £756 11s. 4d. (any modification made therein having been first initialled by the Chairman), and order the same to be paid." Passed.

## NAAS NO. 2:

Proposed by Councillor J. McCarroll, seconded by Councillor Edward Byrne. Resolved—"That we hereby approve of the foregoing Proposals for Payment on Naas No. 2 Rural District, amounting to £318 2s. 11d. (any modification made therein having been first initialled by the Chairman), and order the same to be paid." Passed.

## RATHDOWN NO. 2:

Proposed by Councillor Michael Byrne, seconded by Councillor D. J. Cogan. Resolved—"That we hereby approve of the foregoing Proposals for Payment on Rathdown No. 2 Rural District, amounting to £556 12s. 7d. (any modification made therein having been first initialled by the Chairman), and order the same to be paid." Passed.

## RATHDRUM:

Proposed by Councillor James Byrne, seconded by Councillor J. McCarroll. Resolved—"That we hereby approve of the foregoing Proposals for Payment on Rathdrum Rural District, amounting to £2,689 4s. 0d. (any modification made therein having been first initialled by the Chairman), and order the same to be paid." Passed.

## SHILLELAGH:

Proposed by Councillor James Byrne, seconded by Councillor E. J. Byrne. Resolved—"That we hereby approve of the foregoing Proposals for Payment on Shillelagh Rural District, amounting to £820 11s. 4d. (any modification made therein having been first initialled by the Chairman), and order the same to be paid." Passed.

## ARKLOW URBAN:

Proposed by Councillor Michael Byrne, seconded by Councillor

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Edward Byrne. Resolved—"That we hereby approve of the foregoing Proposals for Payment on Arklow Urban District, amounting to £53 8s. 4d. (any modification made therein having been first initialled by the Chairman), and order the same to be paid." Passed.

## WICKLOW URBAN:

Proposed by Councillor J. McCarroll, seconded by Councillor Thomas Burke. Resolved—"That we hereby approve of the foregoing proposals for Payment on Wicklow Urban District, amounting to £57 2s. 4d. (any modification made therein having been first initialled by the Chairman), and order the same to be paid." Passed.

Proposed by Councillor Michael Byrne, seconded by Councillor William Byrne. Resolved—"That the Treasurer's Advice Notes for the Quarterly Payments, as approved by this Council, be now signed." Passed.

Proposals for Contracts submitted from the Five Rural District Councils:—

## PROPOSALS COMMITTEE:

Proposed by Councillor D. J. Cogan, seconded by Councillor E. C. Walsh. Resolved—"That the necessary Standing Orders be and are hereby suspended, in order to enable the Council to take into consideration the report and recommendation of the Proposals Committee, dealing with the proposed application for a loan of £3,000 for building Technical Schools in Arklow and Baltinglass." Passed.

All Standing Orders bearing on this subject being suspended, the Council unanimously approved of the following Proposal:—

Resolution to raise a Loan for the purpose of erecting and equipping buildings for Technical Instruction purposes in the Town of Arklow, and in the Town of Baltinglass, both in the County of Wicklow. The amount to be expended on the buildings in the Town of Arklow to be £2,500, and the amount to be expended on the buildings in the Town of Baltinglass to be £500, or together, Three Thousand Pounds (£3,000), in accordance with the provisions of the Scheme approved by the Department of Agriculture and Technical Instruction for Ireland. Said Loan to be raised upon the security of the Rates levied for Technical Instruction purposes equally over the whole of the Five Rural Districts in the County of Wicklow, and to be repaid, along with interest, by half-yearly instalments, extending over a period of not less than forty-four (44) years. The cost of same not to exceed the sum of One Hundred and Twenty-Five (£125), to be raised equally over the whole of the Rural Districts comprised within the County of Wicklow, Arklow Urban District Council having undertaken to pay to the County Council their proportion.

## BALTINGLASS NO. 1:

The following three roads, not having been tendered for, were placed in charge of the County Surveyor:—

Dist. Reg. No. 58	...	276 perches
" 59	...	260 "
" 64	...	1,016 "

Remaining contracts, as submitted, were approved and confirmed.

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## NAAS NO. 2:

Work No. 51 in the District Register was placed in charge of the County Surveyor.

Remaining contracts, as submitted, were approved and confirmed.

## RATHDOWN NO. 2:

Contracts, as submitted, were approved and confirmed.

## RATHDRUM:

The following four roads and works, for which no Tenders had been received, were given in charge of the County Surveyor:—

Dist. Reg. No. 223	...	370 perches.
" 229	...	*Repairing Fence.
" 230	...	Making Catchpit.
" 231	...	Build Topping on Wall.

16th May, 1912. From Wm. Mellon, Slieveroe, Rathdrum—Asking the County Council to cancel the contract entered into by the Rathdrum Rural District Council with John Jordan, Ballinderry, Rathdrum, on the grounds that one of his sureties is a casual labourer.

The Council, not being satisfied with Wm. Lee as surety, cancelled the contract entered into by John Jordan for Road No. 222, in the District Register, 866 perches.

Remaining contracts, as submitted, were approved and confirmed.

21st September, 1912. From John Byrne, Ballylusk, Ashford—Asking the County Council to enquire into the solvency of the sureties offered by John R. Willoughby when his tender was accepted by the District Council for Road No. 226 in the District Register, 1,024 perches.

Order—This matter has been duly considered, and the sureties approved of.

## SHILLELAGH:

Road No. 126 in the District Register, 286 perches, was given in charge of County Surveyor, to make enquiries.

Work No. 128 in the District Register was given in charge of the County Surveyor.

Contracts, as submitted, were approved and confirmed.

Proposed by Councillor E. J. Byrne, seconded by Councillor Edward Byrne. Resolved—"That the several contracts which have been approved of at this Quarterly Meeting be now signed and sealed." Passed.

Proposed by Councillor D. J. Cogan, seconded by Councillor E. J. Byrne. Resolved—"That we now sign and seal the Rates for the Financial Year ending 31st March, 1913." Passed.

Proposed by Councillor Michael Byrne, seconded by Councillor Martin Langton. Resolved—"That we hereby authorise the Secretary to the County Council to appoint a Deputy or Deputies, for the discharge of his duties in examining the Books, etc., of the Collectors of the Poor Rate." Passed.

Proposed by Councillor E. J. Byrne, seconded by Councillor E. C. Walsh. Resolved—"That the Rates Collectors' Warrants for the Collection of the Rates for the Financial Year ending 31st March, 1913, be signed and sealed; the warrants not to issue until the several

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Collectors' Bonds are duly lodged with the Secretary." Passed.

Proposed by Councillor J. McCarroll, seconded by Councillor J. J. Reilly. Resolved—"That we now duly sign and seal Demand (Form 51) on the Urban District Council of Arklow for the amount of £953 13s. 10d., determined to be demanded for the financial year ending the 31st March, 1913." Passed.

Proposed by Councillor J. McCarroll, seconded by Councillor J. J. Reilly. Resolved—"That we now duly sign and seal Demand (Form 51) on the Urban District Council of Bray, for the amount of £3,225 11s. 8d., determined to be demanded for the financial year ending the 31st March, 1913." Passed.

Proposed by Councillor P. Short, seconded by Councillor James Byrne. Resolved—"That we now duly sign and seal Demand (Form 51) on the Urban District Council of Wicklow, for the amount of £1,061 15s. 0d., determined to be demanded for the financial year ending the 31st March, 1913." Passed.

Proposed by Councillor Michael Byrne, seconded by Councillor E. J. Byrne. Resolved—"That we now sign and seal Poor Rate Collector Charles S. Sutton's Bond for No. 7 Collecting District, and the Secretary to the Council's new Bond." Passed.

Proposed by Councillor Edward Byrne, seconded by Councillor M. Langton. Resolved—"That we now sign and seal the two certificates for Refund of Expenses under the Diseases of Animals Acts." Passed.

## SECRETARY'S REPORT.

Gentlemen,

Since our last meeting my brother the Venerable Archdeacon Wynne, who was my surety in my bond to the County Council, has died. I have therefore provided a fresh bond, with the same wording, and have given Captain Charles Acton, of Kilmacurragh, as my surety in the place of the late Archdeacon Wynne, and submit the same for your acceptance.

The following report has appeared in the local papers:—

"Co. Wicklow Committee of Technical Instruction. Finances. The Principal (Mr. R. Wake) submitted the financial statement, from which it appeared that the total receipts during March amounted to £13 16s. 5d.; balance due by treasurer as per last monthly statement, £71 12s. 4d.; total receipts at close of month, £13 16s. 5d.; total, £85 8s. 9d.; payments ordered at last finance meeting, £90 13s. 10d.; net balance due to treasurer, £5 5s. 1d.; reconciliation, balance per bank book, £4 17s. 7d. due to treasurer. The debit balance, said the Secretary, was rather awkward, because it came at the end of the half-year, and he expected the auditor would have something to say about it.—Mr. McCarroll: Is it on account of the County Council contribution being late?—Secretary: By the time the County Council collect the money and lodge it we have incurred liabilities, and we have to meet them. Our plan has always been to pay every month, and not to allow them to accumulate, and the consequence is, we have so many accounts to pay and we don't get our money from the County Council till the end of the six months."

The true facts are that the County Council has never waited to

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collect and lodge the money, but pays the Technical Instruction Committee at the first Council meeting in every Quarter, the same as all other payments are made, not, as stated, at the end of the six months.

Again, on the day that this debit balance was reported, which it was stated was rather awkward on account of what the Auditor would have to say about it, the Committee's Secretary was holding over in his hands for a whole month the paying order from this Council for £67 15s. 0d., issued after February's Council meeting.

Had this been collected in the natural way, the receipts for March should have been £81 11s. 5d. instead of only £13 16s. 5d., as shown.

The blame should not therefore be cast on the County Council.

I am, gentlemen, yours faithfully,

E. N. WYNNE.

Adopted.

Proposed by Councillor E. P. O'Kelly, seconded by Councillor J. McCarroll. Resolved—"That the most sincere sympathy of our Council be extended to our Secretary in his bereavement by the death of his brother, the late Archdeacon Wynne." Passed *nem. con.*

County Surveyor's Office, Court-house, Wicklow, 20th May, 1912. To Wicklow County Council. Gentlemen—I should be glad if you would grant me fourteen days' leave of absence, from 21st inst. to 3rd June, inclusive; the Assistants to attend to any urgent matters which may require attention during that period.—Your obedient servant, S. G. Gallagher.

Order—Granted.

The County Surveyor submitted the following telegram received by him from Dr. Cruise, Baltinglass:—"Will County Council allow me to extend footpath in front of Parkmore House, Baltinglass."

Order—Application to be made to Rural District Council in the usual way.

The County Surveyor also submitted the following telegram received from his Assistant, Mr. J. J. O. Ramsay, Dunlavin:—"Could anything be done to-day about Baltinglass stone depots? Urgent complaints about damaging wall. Could stones be put behind Town Hall, and beyond Whitehall three roads?"

Order—Refer to Local Council.

Proposed by Councillor J. J. Reilly, seconded by Councillor Michael Byrne. Resolved—"That the County Surveyor be directed to permit Miss L. Neale, Baltinglass, to place a concrete path in front of her house in Main street, Baltinglass; also that he be directed to permit the space at Annamoe, as indicated in Dr. Harte's letter, be used as a Ball Alley." Passed.

Proposed by Councillor E. J. Byrne, seconded by Councillor James Galvin. Resolved—"That the Secretary be directed to write to Mr. Pierce O'Mahony, and point out the dangerous condition of the road at Ballygobbin, where he has erected a new fence, and to ask him kindly to have the fence so erected moved back a few feet further from centre of the road." Passed.

Proposed by Councillor Michael Byrne, seconded by Councillor J. McCarroll. Resolved—"That the Solicitor to the County Council be directed to discontinue all legal proceedings in the case, County

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Council v. Andrew Malone and his Sureties, for a road contract in Shillelagh Rural District." Passed.

Proposed by Councillor J. McCarroll, seconded by Councillor E. J. Byrne. Resolved—"That Mr. S. J. Doyle, of 7 Leirim Place, Wicklow, be re-appointed Auditor of the Dublin and Blessington Steam Tramway Company, to audit their accounts on behalf of the Wicklow County Council, for the year ending 31st March, 1913." Passed.

Proposed by Councillor E. C. Walsh, seconded by Councillor J. McCarroll. Resolved—"That it be intimated to the Manager of the Dublin and Blessington Steam Tramway that if he convene a meeting of the Wicklow and Dublin County Councils, and of his own Board, to discuss the readjustment of the term of guarantee, etc., this County Council will be prepared to consider the question." Passed.

The Reports from the Deputy Checkers of the various Unions, on the attendance of the Poor Rats Collectors, and the state of their Collections, were submitted.

## OFFICIAL CORRESPONDENCE.

No. 9354/1912; Miscellaneous. Local Government Board, Dublin, 1st March, 1912—Transmitting Paying Order for the sum of £759 8s. 7d., balance in respect of expenditure incurred for medical and educational purposes by Boards of Guardians in the county, for year ended 30th September, 1911; also stating that, owing to the insufficiency of the amount paid to the Local Taxation (Ireland) Account in the current financial year to meet the sums payable thereout in the same period, the above sum, together with the amount already advanced, represents the proportion of the expenditure above-mentioned, after the necessary abatements have been made.

No. 9354/1912; Miscellaneous. Local Government Board, Dublin, 1st March, 1912—Transmitting Paying Order for the sum of £99 7s. 11d., balance in respect of the amounts paid as salaries to Sanitary Officers of the Rural Districts in the county, for the year ended 30th September, 1911; also stating that, owing to the insufficiency of the amount paid to the Local Taxation (Ireland) Account in the current financial year to meet the sums payable thereout in the same period, the above sum, together with the amount already advanced, represents the proportion of the expenditure above-mentioned after the necessary abatements have been made.

No. 10424/1912; Wicklow County. Local Government Board, Dublin, 5th March, 1912—Stating that the Board do not consider that the Council has shown any necessity for any alteration in the present representation of the Wicklow County Council on the Joint Committee of Management of the Wicklow County Infirmary.

Proposed by Councillor J. McCarroll, seconded by Councillor Wm. Byrne (Coolbeg). Resolved—"That the County Council are of opinion that their request of increased Representation on the Infirmary Board is justified by all the surrounding circumstances connected with the Infirmary, and accordingly reiterate their first application to the Local Government Board." Passed.

No. 11676/1912; Wicklow County. Local Government Board,

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Dublin, 6th March, 1912—Stating that the Board assent to the limit of expenditure on roads in Rathdown No. 2 Rural District being permanently increased to £2,200.

No. 11676/1912. Local Government Board, Dublin, 19th March, 1912—Sealed Order, fixing £2,200 as the new limit of road expenditure in Rathdown No. 2 Rural District.

No. 12925/1912; Baltinglass No. 1 R.D. Local Government Board, Dublin, 8th March, 1912—Asking the Council to furnish the Board with their observations on enclosed copy of a letter received by the Board from Mr. Patrick Cullen, Ballenfoyle, Knockenarrigan, with reference to the non-acceptance of his tender by the Baltinglass No. 1 Rural District Council.

Order—Dealt with.

No. 8697/1912; Miscellaneous. Local Government Board, Dublin, 12th March, 1912—Enclosing two copies of a General Sealed Order amending, with respect to the excessive noise of motor cars, the Regulations issued under the Motor Car Acts, 1896 and 1903.

No. 13392/1912; Wicklow County. Local Government Board, Dublin, 12th March, 1912—Acknowledging copies of the Estimate of Rates adopted by the Wicklow County Council, for the year ending 31st March, 1913.

No. 14011/1912; Wicklow County. Local Government Board, Dublin, 21st March, 1912—Stating that the Board are not prepared to grant an extension of time for the payment of the accounts for salary and expenses, furnished by Mr. A. J. Gorman, late Secretary to the Dunlavin School Attendance Committee, he having been granted extensions on previous occasions.

No. 15426/1912; Wicklow County. Local Government Board, Dublin, 22nd March, 1912—Relative to the questions of procedure respecting a loan of £3,000 applied for by the County Council of Wicklow, for the purpose of erecting Technical Schools at Arklow and Baltinglass, and suggesting the suspension of Standing Orders as the easiest way of meeting any difficulty.

No. 12562/1912. Local Government Board, Dublin, 25th March, 1912—Sealed Order extending the time within which the Baltinglass No. 1 Rural District Council may appoint a Member of the Joint Committee of the Dublin and Blessington Steam Tramway.

No. 67069/1912. Local Government Board, Dublin, 12th April, 1912—Sealed Order fixing Newcastle Dispensary District as the area of charge for the supply of water at Killadreenan.

No. 21211/1912; Wicklow County. Local Government Board, Dublin, 24th April, 1912—Enclosing copy of the Auditor's Report on his audit of the County Council's Accounts for the half-year ended the 30th September, 1911, together with an attested abstract of the Accounts.

No. 21,211/1912. Wicklow County. April 20th 1912. Gentlemen,—I have the honour to report that I have Audited the Accounts of the County Council of Wicklow for the half-year ended September last, and I forward herewith a certified Abstract thereof, in pursuance of your Order in that behalf made. The Accounts were prepared and submitted for audit in a most satisfactory manner, and no item of expenditure calls for any remark on my part.—I have the honour to be,

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gentlemen, your obedient servant, C. D. Barry. To the Local Government Board, Dublin.

No. 24308/1912; Rathdown No. 2 R.D. Local Government Board, Dublin, 15th May, 1912—Asking to be furnished with a report from the County Surveyor on the enclosed copy of a letter received by the Board from Mr. Henry Dawson, Kilmacanogue, Bray, relative to the erection of a gate across a public road in Rathdown No. 2 Rural District.

Order—County Surveyor to reply.

No. G. 892/1912. Department of Agriculture, Dublin, 26th February, 1912—Stating that three samples of butter taken up in Dunlavin, under Sale of Food and Drugs Acts, proved on analysis to be pure.

No. G. 1151/1912. Department of Agriculture, Dublin, 12th March, 1912—Stating that three samples of butter taken up in Baltinglass, under Sale of Food and Drugs Acts, proved on analysis to be pure.

No. G. 1910/1912. Department of Agriculture, Dublin, 7th May, 1912—Stating that thirteen samples of butter taken up in Shillelagh, Rathdrum, Ashford, Greystones, and Enniskerry, under Sale of Food and Drugs Acts, proved on analysis to be pure.

No. G. 1910/1912. Department of Agriculture, Dublin, 7th May, 1912—Stating that an Officer of the Department, proceeding under Sections 2 (1) and 14 (1) of the Butter and Margarine Act, 1907, obtained a sample of butter at a registered butter factory at Coolkenno, which proved on analysis to be pure.

Department of Agriculture, Dublin, 10th April, 1912—Enclosing two copies of the Department's Order, No. 124, dated 29th March, 1912, entitled "The Foreign Hay and Straw (Ireland) Order of 1912."

Census of Ireland, 1911—Blue Book, showing census figures for the County of Wicklow.

National Health Insurance Commission, Dublin, 11th May, 1912—Circular letter, pointing out the urgency of appointing the representatives of the Council on the Insurance Committee for the county.

Proposed by Councillor William Byrne (Coolbeg), seconded by Councillor M. Langton. Resolved—"That the following be the Members to represent the County Council on the County Insurance Committee for County Wicklow:—Miss A. Tottenham, Woodstock, Newtown-Mount-Kennedy; Mrs. McLeod, Bank House, Baltinglass; John J. Reilly, Kilmullen, Newtown-Mount-Kennedy; James Galvin, Mount Avon, Rathdrum; Denis J. Cogan, 115 Thomas Street, Dublin; Edmond C. Walsh, 1 Vale Road, Arklow; Patrick Short, Rathnew; Michael Byrne, J.P., Coolalug House, Tinahely." Passed.

Women's National Health Association of Ireland, Vice-Regal Lodge, Dublin, 4th May, 1912—Invitation to the Council from Lady Aberdeen to appoint Delegates to attend a Central Health Conference, with reference to the proposed National Scheme under the Insurance Act, for the Suppression of Tuberculosis, to be held in the Lecture Hall of Leinster House, on 23rd and 24th May, 1912.

Order—Delegates appointed: Councillors E. P. O'Kelly, M.P., and E. C. Walsh.

University College, 86 St. Stephen's Green, Dublin, 23rd April,



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1912—Correspondence from the President, Dr. D. J. Coffey, dealing with Regulations governing the granting of County Scholarships and the preliminary examination.

Order—Refer to Committee.

University College, 86 St. Stephen's Green, Dublin, 2nd May, 1912—Further letter re same, and enclosing regulations governing the Special Examination for County Council Scholarships.

Order—Refer to Committee.

13th March, 1912. From the County Inspector, R.I.C., Wicklow—Asking the Council to appoint Acting-sergeant John P. O'Regan, of Roundwood, as Inspector under the Food and Drugs Act.

Order—Appointment approved.

28th March, 1912. From Secretary, Irish County Councils' General Council, 10 Leinster Street, Dublin—Forwarding, for the Council's information, a draft scheme for a County Society, under the National Health Insurance Act, with a view to having a uniform County Scheme, for greater convenience in working the Act.

26th April, 1912. From Same—Submitting, for the Council's information, a Report on National Finance prepared by the Standing Committee of the Irish County Councils' General Council, on Legislation, together with supplementary tables; also a Report on the Financial Provisions of the Home Rule Bill, all of which were unanimously adopted at the meeting of the General Council.

Correspondence from Miss Littledale, Avoca—with reference to the preservation of Tom Moore's Tree, in which a locally formed Memorial Committee are interested.

Proposed by Councillor James Galvin, seconded by Councillor Patrick Short. Resolved—"That the County Council accept the transfer, free of cost, of the plot of land on which Moore's Tree now stands."

"This Council beg to tender their thanks to Miss Littledale, Victoria Lodge, Avoca, for her kindness in handing over to this Council the plot of land on which Moore's Tree stands."

Passed.

29th February, 1912. From Very Rev. John Dunne, P.P., St. Kevins, Tinahely—Conveying his sincere thanks to the Council for their kindness in granting the use of two rooms in Tinahely Court-house as Reading Rooms.

6th March, 1912. From Secretary, Irish Industrial Development Association, 33 Westmoreland Street, Dublin—Circular letter, giving the items usually contracted for under the heading of leather, etc., which are procurable of Irish manufacture.

16th March, 1912. From Secretary, Dublin Industrial Development Association, 9 Dawson Street, Dublin—Transmitting, for adoption by the Council, resolution putting forward Ireland's claims for a share of all contracts for supplies to Government Departments in Ireland.

April, 1912. From the Chairman of Council of National Association for the Prevention of Consumption, 20 Hanover Square, London, W.—Inviting the appointment of delegates to the Annual Conference to be held in Town Hall, Manchester, on 5th, 6th, and 7th June, 1912.

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4th May, 1912. From Secretary to the Council of the Royal Sanitary Institute, 90 Buckingham Palace Road, London, S.W.—Inviting the Council to appoint delegates to the Congress of the Institute, to be held in York, from July 29th to August 3rd.

5th May, 1912. From Collector Wm. J. Cardiff, Hillside, Rathdrum—Submitting, for the Council's approval, the names of the following two gentlemen who are willing to enter into a Bond with the Council as sureties for him—Mr. Thomas Mullins, Farmer, Ballyrogan, Redcross, and Mr. John Cardiff, Farmer, Fairview, Rathdrum.

Order—Names approved.

18th May, 1912. From Reuben J. Dodd, Solicitor, 34 Upper Ormond Quay, Dublin—Asking the Council, on behalf of Mr. James Gorman, to declare the election of Mr. Francis Whittle, as School Attendance Officer to Dunlavin School Attendance Committee, to be irregular, and to order a fresh election.

18th May, 1912. From Mr. A. J. Gorman, Dunlavin—Notifying the Council that if not paid the amount of £9 17s. 0d., claimed by him as salary and expenses whilst School Attendance Officer to Dunlavin School Attendance Committee, he will be reluctantly compelled to place the matter in the hands of others.

## RESOLUTIONS FROM VARIOUS BODIES.

15th February, 1912. From Westmeath County Council—The following resolution in support of the claim of the Irish National Teachers to have their salaries paid monthly:—

Proposed by Councillor J. McCarroll, seconded by Councillor D. J. Cogan. Resolved—"That as no one acquainted with the necessities of life can fail to acknowledge that practical economy in the routine of daily affairs requires the undelayed payment of earned income, this Council considers that the claim of the Irish National Teachers to have their salaries paid in monthly instalments is an eminently just and pressing one; that the present quarterly system is not only unjust to the Teachers, but, as it means large sums of money are withheld from circulation for lengthened periods, it is a source of loss to the general community, and that the plea tendered by the Treasury for withholding monthly payments from the teachers is only an excuse for saving money at the expense of the teachers and of Irish Education, we respectfully ask Mr. Redmond, the Irish Party, and the Irish Members of Parliament generally, to use every means in their power to force the Treasury to redeem the vital promise made on its behalf last May by Mr. Birrell that the Irish Teachers' salaries would be paid in monthly instalments from April 1st, 1912."

26th February, 1912. From Londonderry County Borough Council—The following resolution suggesting that an immediate and impartial inquiry be held into the pay and prospects of the rank and file of the Royal Irish Constabulary:—

Proposed by Councillor J. J. Reilly, seconded by Councillor M. Byrne. Resolved—"That, in view of the increases of salary now being granted to the various police forces in Great Britain, and to the increased cost of living in all parts of the United Kingdom, we consider

that an immediate and impartial inquiry, at the same time as the inquiry is held into the condition of the Dublin Metropolitan Police, in the interest of the taxpayers and of the efficiency of the force, should be held into the pay and prospects of the rank and file of the Royal Irish Constabulary, with a view to the re-organisation of the force, the reduction of the cost of command, and the granting of a living wage to the general body of the men, and that this inquiry should be held by independent public men of business experience, and that copies of this resolution be sent to the different Corporations of Ireland, requesting their support." Adopted.

1st March, 1912. From Waterford County Council—Resolution urging the advisability of the Local Government Board adopting a standard system of account for direct labour.

From Secretary, Irish Cattle Traders' and Stock Owners' Association, City Arms Hotel, Dublin—Resolution strongly approving of the Meat Marking (Ireland) Bill, again introduced by Mr. William Field, M.P.

April, 1912. From Limerick Borough Council—Resolution suggesting means whereby the Irish Language may be more universally taught.

5th April, 1912. From Committee of Management of Down District Asylum—Resolution demanding that the deficiency in the certified Grants in Aid towards maintenance of Pauper Lunatics should be made good by a special supplementary grant.

Proposed by Councillor D. J. Cogan, seconded by Councillor E. C. Walsh. Resolved—"That we, the County Council of the County of Wicklow, feel strongly that combined action on the part of Asylum Committees is necessary to bring effective pressure to bear on the Government, in support of the demand that the deficiency in the certified Grants in Aid towards the maintenance of Pauper Lunatics in District Asylums, and all other services, should be made good by a special supplementary grant. The Committee have acted all through in the assurance of the full Grant in Aid, and the curtailment of the Grant has thrown an additional and unexpected burden on the ratepayers, whereas the intention of the Local Government (Ireland) Act was to give greater relief to County Lunacy Charges, while it imposed larger responsibilities on County Authorities to meet lunacy requirements, such as accommodation and maintenance." Adopted.

The Annual Meeting of the County Council, held in the Council Chamber, Court House, Wicklow, at 1 o'clock, p.m., on Wednesday, the 12th June, 1912. The following members attended:—Councillor Michael Byrne, Vice-chairman; Councillors John J. Reilly, Martin Langton, John Storey, Michael Kelly, William Costello, William Byrne, Thomas Burke, Patrick Short, P. J. Carey, J. W. Reigh, Patrick Kenny, E. J. Byrne, and Edward Byrne.

#### BUSINESS :

- 1—The chair will be taken by the outgoing chairman.
- 2—To elect a Chairman.
- 3—To elect a Vice-Chairman.
- 4—To recommend Revisions required in the Valuation Lists.
- 5—To receive and consider Reports from Committees.
- 6—To receive and consider Reports from County Officers.
- 7—To receive and consider Official Correspondence.
- 8—To receive and consider General Correspondence.

In the absence of the Chairman, owing to his Parliamentary duties, the chair was taken by the outgoing Vice-Chairman, and the Minutes of the previous meeting were confirmed and signed.

Proposed by Councillor P. J. Carey, seconded by Councillor E. J. Byrne. Resolved—"That Councillor Edward P. O'Kelly, J.P., M.P., be and is hereby re-elected Chairman of the County Council for the ensuing year, and until his successor shall have been appointed." Passed, *nem. con.*

Proposed by Councillor Patrick Short, seconded by Councillor P. Kenny. Resolved—"That Councillor Michael Byrne, J.P., be and is hereby re-elected Vice-chairman of the County Council for the ensuing year, and until his successor shall have been appointed." Passed, *nem. con.*

Proposed by Councillor E. J. Byrne, seconded by Councillor J. W. Reigh. Resolved—"That, the Finance Committee having recommended that application be made to the Insurance Commissioners to except Officials in the County Council's Office, under Paragraph (b) of Part II. of the First Schedule to the Act, from contribution under the National Insurance Act, we hereby apply to the Commissioners to grant this exception Order." Passed unanimously.

Proposed by Councillor John J. Reilly, seconded by Councillor Martin Langton. Resolved—"That we have considered the changes and alterations necessary in the Valuation Lists, as given on the accompanying Revision Sheets, and request the Commissioner of Valuation to have the Lists revised accordingly." Passed.

Dr. E. Coey Biggar, Local Government Board Medical Inspector, attended before the Council, with reference to the Irish share of the Parliamentary Grant for Sanatorium Purposes, under the Finance Act, 1911, and National Insurance Act, 1911, and explained the basis on which grants would be made by the Local Government Board to

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County areas, and the special considerations which would have to be taken into account in making these grants.

Proposed by Councillor Patrick Short, seconded by Councillor Thomas Burke. Resolved—"That the Finance Committee be appointed Sanatorium Committee; first meeting to be held on 29th June, 1912, at 12.30 p.m. o'clock." Passed.

Dr. Biggar having informed the Council that Dr. J. T. Browne, Local Government Board Medical Inspector, would be free to attend the proposed meeting, the Secretary was directed to communicate with Dr. Browne, and invite him to be present at the meeting on the 29th June, to assist the Committee in their deliberations.

Proposed by Councillor Michael Byrne, seconded by Councillor William Byrne. Resolved—"That Councillor John Storey and Councillor E. J. Byrne be the two added members of the County Insurance Committee, to complete the Council's moiety of ten members." Passed.

## SECRETARY'S REPORT.

## Motor Car Acts.

Some steps should be taken to enable the County Council to ascertain the names of persons within the county owning or using Motor Cars or Cycles, or it would be impossible to carry out the Motor Car Acts with any kind of efficiency. The following I would suggest as the best means of preparing a complete Register of such users of Motors:—

(1) That the Constabulary should be asked to send the Council the names of all such persons in each of their Districts as use Motors.

(2) That the Local Government Board be asked to issue a circular to the Secretaries of the Local Authorities, under the Motor Car Acts, to send to each county the names of persons resident in such counties as may Register cars with them; this is at present done in England.

The Local Government Board's circular, dated 22nd November, 1910, does not meet this point, but, on the contrary, it has started a custom which is contrary to the provisions of the Motor Car License Duties (Ireland) Collection Order, 1910—namely, that Secretaries of one county now constantly issue notices to Motorists residing in other counties not under their jurisdiction, demanding payment of Licence Duty. Whereas it is the County Council of the County in which the Motorist resides who is alone vested with the power to demand or enforce payment of these duties.

I would also point out that the Constabulary alone are empowered to ask for the production of a motor driver's licence; but though I have informed the Constabulary of numbers of instances of persons having no driving licence (in one case a Constabulary Officer running a motor for a year without a licence, and another case of a motorist using motor car and cycle for two years without a licence, etc.), but no prosecution is instituted.

To a great extent the Act is practically a dead letter in this county.

E. N. WYNNE.

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## COUNTY SURVEYOR'S REPORT.

## Draft Report on Roads Board's Grant.

County Surveyor's Office, Wicklow,

12th June, 1912.

To the County Council, Wicklow.

Gentlemen—I respectfully suggest that the most objectionable conditions attached to the Roads Board proposals are those relative to the finality of the grant in regard to the roads upon which the money proposed to be now given is expended, and the condition that the Council should be bound to maintain such roads for all time to the standard set by the initial improvement.

Obviously these conditions are based on the assumption that because in some of the counties, where, under the most favourable conditions as to traffic, materials available, the nature of the road itself, and the relatively large present cost, steam rolling has been carried out, the life of the road was or has been estimated at from 5 to 7 years. It is within common knowledge that the leading roads in this county receive a very large amount of motor traffic, and the materials locally available are of the poorest type; that the roads were not constructed with a view to heavy traffic; that they are what is generally called "hard to keep," and also the present cost is extremely low as compared with similarly situated roads in other counties.

On a portion of the highest priced road in this county, a small length of a road belonging to County Dublin cuts in, the nature of the road and the traffic being the same; and although the County Dublin portion has been frequently steam rolled with a superior class of material, obtained some miles away in County Dublin, the results are most discouraging; the standard set by the steam rolling not showing a "life" of more than 2-3 years.

I consider that if the Roads Board proposals were modified, as suggested below, that the Rural District Councils would favourably consider them.

1—As to allow the initial improvement to be carried out as what might be described as an ordinary steam rolling, using therefor the best stone obtainable in the immediate neighbourhood of the roads.

2—That the initial free grant be twice the 7 years' purchase of the present cost, and that, for the purpose of the grant and road improvement, the whole length of the road from Bray to Ashford be taken as one road; also from Ashford to Rathdrum, and from Rathdrum to Woodenbridge be each considered as one road.

3—That within 3 years from the completion of the initial improvement, a further free grant be made to finish off such roads with a coating of good whinstone.

The Roads Board and others appear to ignore the fact that the funds raised—in part by the tax on motors and petrol—was mainly created to recoup the road authorities for the undue wear and tear, and damage done on their roads by motor car traffic, and not solely to improve the roads for this new extensive and important form of locomotion.

Your obedient servant,

S. G. GALLAGHER, County Surveyor.

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## ANALYST'S REPORT.

City Laboratory, 17 Castle Street, Dublin, 25th May, 1912. Report of Sir Charles Cameron, C.B., M.D., Public Analyst for the County Wicklow, on articles submitted to him for Analysis during the quarter ended 31st March, 1912. 32 articles were received from the Food Inspectors, R.I.C., as follows:—Article—Butter, 15; whiskey, 6; milk, 5; cheese, 2; margarine, 2; pepper, 1; skim milk, 1—total, 32.

One certificate was sent to Sergeant Wall, Dunlavin, for specimen of whiskey, which was 27 degrees under proof, and was therefore adulterated with 2.69 per cent. of water.

One certificate was sent to Sergeant Slator, Bray, for specimen of skim milk, which proved on analysis to be new milk adulterated with at least 14 per cent. of added water.

There were six specimens of butter analysed by directions from the Department of Agriculture and Technical Instruction for Ireland, Upper Merrion Street, Dublin, which were taken up in the County Wicklow, and were pure.

For the Guardians of Rathdrum Union nineteen drugs, six specimens of milk, one of butter, and one of whiskey were analysed. Two drugs were incorrect. The specimens of milk, butter and whiskey were pure.

For the Guardians of Shillelagh Union twelve drugs were analysed. Two were incorrect.

Five specimens of water, analysed for Wicklow Urban District Council, had the following compositions—One imperial gallon contained in grains:—

	No. 1	No. 2	No. 3	No. 4	No. 5
Including—					
Total solid matter, ...	36.400	9.800	7.000	23.800	7.700
Albuminoid Ammonia ...	0.006	0.008	0.007	0.0055	0.007
Saline Ammonia ...	0.0035	0.003	0.0035	0.002	0.005
Nitric Acid ...	7.250	Trace	Trace	1.000	Trace
Chlorine ...	5.560	1.780	1.780	3.260	2.180
Colour	very light yellow	yellow	yellow	almost colourless	yellow

All these waters were fit for potable purposes.

For the Guardians of Baltinglass Union nine drugs were analysed, and were correct.

There were two fertilizers analysed for the County Committee of Agriculture.

For the Dublin and Wicklow Manure Company, Wicklow, seven fertilizers were analysed.

For R. T. Evans, Esq., Greystones, one specimen of feeding stuff was analysed.

For J. P. Hopkins, Esq., Wicklow, one fertilizer was analysed.

Strychnine was found in the viscera of a dog which was sent for analysis by Thomas S. Edge, Esq., Rathdrum.

For Naas Union, which is partly situated in the County Wicklow, thirty-three drugs were analysed. Two were incorrect.

For the Richmond District Lunatic Asylum one specimen of white

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lead and one of butter were analysed. The butter was pure. The specimen of white lead was adulterated with 10.6 per cent. of barium sulphate.

In the original reports on the waters above referred to, full details chemical and microscopical, were given, but in the foregoing only the more important points are given.

Total analyses, 138; adulterated and defective articles, 9.

CHARLES A. CAMERON.

Proposed by Councillor Patrick Short, seconded by Councillor P. J. Carey. Resolved—"That the following dates be fixed for the Meetings of the Rural District Councils, of the Proposals and Finance Committee, and of the County Council, for the year 1912-1913.

Name of District and Place of Meeting.	Hour.	Summer Quarter 1911.	Autumn Quarter 1911.	Winter Quarter 1912.	Spring Quarter 1912.
RATHDOWN No. 2 ... Court-house, Ennis-kerry.	11-30	Mon. July 8	Mon. Oct. 21	Mon. Jan. 13	Mon. Apr. 7
RATHDRUM ... Court-house, Rathdrum.	12-15	Mon. ,, 22	Mon. Nov. 4	Mon. ,, 27	Mon. ,, 28
BALTINGLASS No. 1 ... Court-house, Baltinglass.	12-30	Mon. ,, 15	Mon. Oct. 28	Mon. ,, 20	Mon. ,, 21
NAAS No. 2 ... Court-house, Blessington	1-45	Tues. ,, 16	Tues. ,, 29	Tues. ,, 21	Tues. ,, 22
SHILLELAGH ... Court-house, Shillelagh	1	Fri. ,, 19	Fri. Nov. 1	Fri. ,, 31	Fri. ,, 25
PROPOSALS COMMITTEE Courthouse, Wicklow	11-30	Wed. ,, 24	Wed. Oct. 30	Wed. Feb. 5	Wed. ,, 30
COUNTY COUNCIL ... Courthouse, Wicklow	11.30	Mon. Aug 12	Mon. Nov 18	Mon. ,, 24	Mon. May 19
ANNUAL MEETING ...	1	—	—	—	Thus. June 12

Passed.

The County Surveyor submitted an application, dated 6th June, 1912, from the General Manager of the Dublin and Blessington Tramway Company—For the Council's permission to instal a short piece of track connecting his line with a new sand pit on Mr. Gyves' land, on Dublin side of the Town of Blessington.

Order—Apply to Rural District Council.

## OFFICIAL CORRESPONDENCE.

8th June, 1912. Telegram from Clerk, Baltinglass No. 1 Rural District Council—Stating that, owing to a mistake in dates in summon-

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ing his Council, no Chairman had been yet elected for his District Council.

13th June, 1912. From Clerk, Baltinglass No. 1 Rural District Council—Telegram and letter, notifying the re-election of Mr. William Byrne, Kilmurry, Baltinglass, as Chairman of his Council for the ensuing year.

5th June, 1912. From Clerk, Naas No. 2. Rural District Council—Telegram, notifying the re-election of Mr. Laurence Hanlon, Crosscoolharbour, Blessington, as Chairman of his Council for the ensuing year.

8th June, 1912. From Clerk, Rathdown No. 2 Rural District Council—Telegram, notifying the re-election of Mr. John Murphy, Vive-Vale, Delgany, as Chairman of his Council for the ensuing year.

6th June, 1912. From Clerk, Rathdrum Rural District Council—Telegram, notifying the re-election of Mr. P. J. Carey, Tomanierin, Aughrim, as Chairman of his Council for the ensuing year.

6th June, 1912. From Clerk, Shillelagh Rural District Council—Stating that Mr. Edward Byrne, J.P., Muskeagh, Tinahely, has been again nominated on the County Council for the ensuing year to take the place of the Chairman of the District Council, who is already a County Councillor.

From County Wicklow Rate Collectors' Association—Resolution requesting the Council to appoint the Rate Collectors as their officials in connection with the working of the National Insurance Act.

Order—Referred to Insurance Committee.

3rd June, 1912. From Collector C. S. Sutton—Enclosing, on behalf of the County Wicklow Rate Collectors' Association, an application to the Council to arrange with some Insurance Company, and pay the premium for a Joint Bond for all their Rate Collectors, and so dispense with the present different forms of security.

## MINUTES OF MEETING, 8th JULY, 1912.

A Special Meeting of the Wicklow County Council was held in the Council Chamber, Court House, Wicklow, at 12.30 p.m., on Monday, 8th July, 1912. The following members attended:—Councillor Michael Byrne, in the chair; Councillor E. Byrne, Joseph McCarroll, James Galvin, Joseph W. Reigh, Martin Langton, D. J. Cogan.

## BUSINESS:

- 1—To consider the Scheme drafted by the Council's Sanatorium Committee, for providing for the treatment of Tuberculosis in all stages of the disease, by means of dispensaries, sanatorium accommodation, and medical attendance, and to adopt a scheme for this county.
- 2—To consider and deal with the recommendations of the Finance Committee, in reply to the Circular XI, from the National Health Insurance Commissioners, with regard to issuing a certificate exempting the Council's permanent clerks from the provisions of the National Insurance Act, 1911.

The following report was submitted:—

## SANATORIUM SCHEME.

The Sanatorium Committee appointed by the Wicklow County Council met on the 29th June, 1912.

Dr. Browne, Medical Inspector from the Local Government Board attended, and explained the duties of the County Council and their functions and powers in connection with Tuberculosis and Sanatorium Benefits under the National Insurance Act, 1911.

After full consultation with Dr. Browne, the Committee drafted the following scheme for providing for the treatment of Tuberculosis in all stages of the disease within this County, and recommend its adoption by the Council.

## SCHEME

For Treatment of the Disease of Tuberculosis, in all its stages, in County Wicklow.

## CENTRAL DISPENSARY.

- (1). One Central Dispensary to be provided at Wicklow or its vicinity, with four beds for observation purposes, and accommodation for a nurse.

## DEPOTS.

- (2). The five Dispensaries at Arklow, Bray, Baltinglass, Holly-wood, and Tinahely to be employed as depots.

## SANATORIUM.

- (3). An arrangement to be entered into for five years with the Board of the Royal National Hospital for Consumption for Ireland at

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Newcastle in this County (in accordance with their letter of the 20th June, 1912), for the allocation of ten beds for the use of patients from this county on payment of £1 1s. 0d. per bed per week, the payment to commence in each case from the date upon which a bed is first occupied. No advanced cases to be sent to this Sanatorium.

The Board to be asked to favourably consider any application for the allocation of further beds should they be found necessary.

## ADVANCED CASES.

(4). A hospice in a suitable locality to be provided for advanced cases.

(5). One doctor to be appointed for the County (to reside in the neighbourhood of the Central Dispensary), at a salary of £400, rising (on approved service) by yearly increments of £20 to £500, and an allowance of £100 per annum travelling expenses.

(6). One whole-time Nurse to be appointed for the Central Dispensary at a salary of £50, and suitable board and lodgings.

(7). The services of the four Jubilee Nurses at Arklow, Aughrim, Grange Con, and Rathdrum, to be made use of, and a payment of £20 a year to be made to their Society for each so employed.

## FINANCE.

The expenses of the foregoing for the first year would be as follows:—

## TUBERCULOSIS DISPENSARY.

## Medical Officer:—

Salary	...	£400	
Travelling	...	£100	£500

## Whole Time Nurse:—

Salary	...	£50	
Board & Lodging	...	£50	£100

## Four Jubilee Nurses (Part Time

Officers) each		£20	£80
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Rent, Rates, Taxes, &c			£100
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Ten beds in Newcastle Sanatorium (if occupied) at £1 1s			£540
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Total	...		£1,320
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## HOSPICE FOR ADVANCED CASES.

Dr. Browne informs us that about £2,000 will approximately be the capital sum the County is entitled to, and about £1,000 a year from the capitation payment under Part I of the Act, in addition to which the Treasury will contribute a sum equal to one-half of any cost over and above £1,000.

Government also allows four-fifths of the cost of providing a Tuberculosis Dispensary up to £300, and a further sum of £70 per bed.

## COUNTY FRIENDLY SOCIETY.

Your Committee having obtained lists from each collecting district showing the approximate number of employed persons who might join

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such a society, and also considered the replies received from the Counties of Wexford, Carlow, and Kildare to their suggestion that the four Counties should combine, and form one good County Friendly Society, do not recommend the formation of such a County Friendly Society for this County at present.

The question can come up again if necessity is found to arise after the National Insurance Act has been in force for some time.

D. J. COGAN, Chairman.

29th June, 1912.

Proposed by Councillor D. J. Cogan,  
Seconded by Councillor Martin Langton:—

“Resolved:—That we hereby approve and adopt the scheme submitted to us by the Sanatorium Committee of the Council, to provide sanatorium, dispensary and medical treatment for patients suffering from tuberculosis in the County, subject to the following amendments:—I. Central Dispensary—That the words in the scheme “at Wicklow or its vicinity” be deleted, and the words “in a suitable locality in the County” be inserted. II.—That negotiations be opened with the Dublin Joint Hospitals Board with a view to providing accommodation for advanced cases at reasonable charges for patients.” Adopted.

MICHAEL BYRNE, Chairman.

8th July, 1912.

Printed copies of scheme and resolution were directed to be issued to the members of the County Council.

## FINANCE COMMITTEE'S REPORT.

The following report of the Finance Committee was read:—

The Finance Committee met on the 29th June, Mr. D. J. Cogan presiding; also present—Messrs. Edward P. O'Kelly, M.P.; Joseph McCarroll, E. J. Byrne, Wm. Byrne, Patrick Short, and Michael Byrne. The Committee had before them Circular No. 1 from the National Insurance Commissioners (Ireland), being the reply to the County Council's application for a certificate from the Commissioners excepting the permanent clerks employed in the County Council office from the operation of Part I. of the National Insurance Act, 1911. The following resolution, proposed by Councillor E. J. Byrne, and seconded by Councillor P. Short, was unanimously adopted:—“That, in order to meet the requirements of the National Insurance Commissioners, before the issue by them of a certificate of exception, under par. (b) of Part 2 of Schedule 1 of the National Insurance Act of 1911, it is hereby resolved that the National Health Insurance Commissioners be informed that the Wicklow County Council will pay full salary to their four permanent clerks for the first six months of illness, and in the event of a continuance of an illness, benefit for the further period of illness not less than those to be derived by insured persons under Part I. of the Act. Further, that the Commissioners be informed that it has been the invariable practice of the Council in deal-

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ing with retiring officials to put in force the powers they possess, under section 83, sub-section 11, of the Local Government (Ireland) Act, 1898, which incorporates the provisions of the Poor Law Superannuation Act, 1865, and they agree to continue this practice so far as it relates to the employees whose names are set out in schedule A, and in form X 18, and inasmuch as these employees have already served the Council in their present capacity for a period of 13 years, the Council has legal power under the above Acts, in cases of permanent disablement, to superannuate them under the Civil Service scale, established by section 7 of the Superannuation Act, 1859, at a rate which will confer on them greater benefits than those provided by the National Insurance Act, 1911."

The Committee considered the report from the Secretary, re Motor Acts, and ordered that the necessary proceedings be taken in any case where the requirements have not been complied with.

(Signed), D. J. COGAN, Chairman.

Proposed by Councillor Cogan, seconded by Councillor Reigh. Resolved—"That we hereby approve and adopt the recommendations of the Finance Committee, contained in their resolution of the 29th June, 1912, in reference to the application of the permanent clerks in the County Council office to a certificate of exception under Paragraph (b) of Part II. of Schedule I. of the National Insurance Act, 1911." Adopted.

## MINUTES OF MEETING, 12TH AUGUST, 1912.

The Summer Quarterly Meeting of the County Council, held in the Council Chamber, Court House, Wicklow, at 11.30 a.m., on Monday, the 12th August, 1912. The following members were present:—Councillor E. P. O'Kelly, chairman; Councillors Michael Byrne, John Murphy, John J. Reilly, Morgan Travers, Thomas Burke, D. Condren, Joseph McCarroll, P. J. Carey, J. W. Reigh, Edward Byrne, E. J. Byrne, D. J. Cogan, E. C. Walsh, William Byrne (Coolbeg), William Costello, Patrick Short, James Byrne.

Councillors P. J. Carey and Edward Byrne signed their Declarations before the Secretary, accepting office.

## BUSINESS:

- 1—To consider reports from the Finance Committee.
- 2—To consider the proposals from the Proposals Committee.
- 3—To consider proposals for payment from the Five Rural Districts.
- 4—To sign Treasurer's Authorities for the past quarter's payments.
- 5—To consider proposals for contracts from the Five Rural Districts.
- 6—To seal such contracts as have been approved by the County Council.
- 7—To sign Certificates for Refund of Expenses under the Diseases of Animals Acts.
- 8—To sign return for Bounty in lieu of Rates.
- 9—To sign return for Bounty in lieu of Rates on Avondale Estate.
- 10—To re-appoint the School Attendance Committee for Rathdown No. 2 Rural District.
- 11—To receive and consider Reports from Committees.
- 12—To consider Reports from County Officers.
- 13—To consider Official Correspondence.
- 14—To consider General Correspondence.

Minutes of previous meeting were read and confirmed.

## FINANCE COMMITTEE'S REPORT NO. 1.

Your Finance Committee met on Wednesday, the 24th July, 1912. Present—Councillor Patrick Short (Chairman); Councillors Joseph McCarroll and William Byrne.

The Committee, having examined the proposals for payment by the Proposals Committee, and from the Rural District Councils, recommend them for payment as follows:—

	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
County at Large				5,546	12	7
Baltinglass No. 1—						
District proposals	669	3	9			
Proposals Committee's proposals	32	12	11	701	16	8
Naas No. 2—						
District proposals	363	18	0			
Proposals Committee's proposals	338	4	0	702	2	0
Rathdown No. 2—						
District proposals	541	13	9			
Proposals Committee's proposals	24	13	9	566	7	6

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	£	s	d	£	s	d
Rathdrum—						
District proposals ...	—					
Proposals Committee's proposals	291	8	8	291	8	8
Shillelagh—						
District proposals ...	503	14	6			
Proposals Committee's proposals	57	0	6	560	15	0
Arklow Urban—						
Proposals Committee's proposals				30	0	6
Wicklow Urban—						
Proposals Committee's proposals				17	0	6
Transferred to Subsidiary Account—						
(Included in the total for the County-at-Large)				915	1	6

The Committee examined the Union and Rural District demands submitted to them, and recommend the Council to make the following payments on foot of same:—

## TRANSFERS TO FUNDS OF UNIONS.

	£	s	d
Baltinglass ... ..	793	10	0
Naas ... ..	270	0	0
Rathdown ... ..	1,072	15	0
Rathdrum ... ..	2,945	0	0
Shillelagh ... ..	768	0	0
Total ... ..	£5,849	5	0

## TRANSFERS TO FUNDS OF RURAL DISTRICT COUNCILS.

	£	s	d
Baltinglass No. 1 ... ..	172	15	0
Naas No. 2 ... ..	129	0	0
Rathdown No. 2 ... ..	1,051	10	0
Rathdrum ... ..	927	10	0
Shillelagh ... ..	450	0	0
Total ... ..	£2,730	15	0

The Committee had before them an application from the District Inspector, R.I.C., Wicklow, for authority to procure 18 boxes for the weights and measures, &c., in possession of Ex-officio Inspectors in the County, and also an estimate attached for supplying same, from Mr. Wm. Clarke, Wicklow.

Order—Authority recommended. Estimate approved.

An application was before the Committee from Mr. Thos. Langton, for a reduction from £180 to £100 in the amount of his Bond in the event of his providing a Bond with a Guarantee Society, instead of a Personal Security Bond, as is allowed by the Council in the case of a Poor Rate Collector.

Order—The Committee recommend that the application be acceded to.

The Committee had before them a further letter from the National

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Health Insurance Commissioners, stating that they would be in a position to grant the necessary Certificate of Exception on behalf of the four permanent Clerks employed in the County Council's Office, if the County Council undertake to make the terms of the resolution of the 29th June a condition of the contract of service, and, in addition, agree to pay an amount equal to the capital sum referred to in Section 9 (4) of the National Insurance Act, 1911, to any of the four employees who may leave the Council's service and join an Approved Society.

Order—The Committee recommend the Council to agree to the suggestions of the Insurance Commissioners.

An application was before the Committee from the County Insurance Committee for accommodation for their office, and their meetings, in the County Courthouse, and also thanking the County Council for having placed the Council Chamber at the disposal of the Committee for its first meeting.

Order—The Committee recommend the Council to accede to this application.

A circular from the Women's National Health Association was submitted, stating that it is proposed to give a Special Course of Lectures and Demonstrations on Tuberculosis, to meet the requirements of qualified medical men, who contemplate offering themselves for appointment as Chief Tuberculosis Officer in connection with Tuberculosis Dispensaries, and letters dealing with same from Dr. T. Lyndon, Dr. James H. Halpin, and Dr. Edward Lyons, were also submitted.

Following a direction given at a special meeting of the Council held on 29th June, 1912, communications were submitted from Cavan County Council, Armagh County Council, Tyrone County Council, Down County Council, and Westmeath County Council, as to the terms upon which these Councils had obtained grants from the Road Board towards the upkeep of their roads.

The Committee directed that they be submitted to the County Council.

Signed, PATRICK SHORT, Chairman.

2nd August, 1912.

## FINANCE COMMITTEE'S REPORT NO. 2.

Your Finance Committee met on Monday, the 12th August, 1912, when the following members were present:—Councillor E. J. Byrne, chairman; Councillors Joseph McCarroll, Michael Byrne, and D. J. Cogan.

The Committee had before them the following additional Proposals, and recommend them to the County Council for payment:—

Rathdrum Rural District:

District Proposals (Form 22) ... .. £1,645 1 3

An application was submitted by the County Surveyor, asking that a further sum of £100 be set aside to meet cost of upkeep of County Court-Houses, the amount previously set aside in November, 1910, having become exhausted.

Order—The Committee recommend that the £100 asked for be set aside to meet these expenses.

In the contract for printing the Parliamentary and Local Govern-



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ment Lists it is to be understood that the first fifty (50) names in each List are to go on the first page.

We recommend that Mr. George W. Tully be paid a sum of £25 for full settlement in respect of additional printing put upon him, the County Court Judge having ordered certain extra work.

Mr. Jasper Tully has accepted payment of this amount on behalf of the contractor, in full discharge of his claims.

D. J. COGAN, Chairman.

12th August.

Proposed by Councillor Edward Byrne, seconded by Councillor James Byrne. Resolved—"That the Finance Committee's Reports be hereby adopted." Passed.

Proposed by Councillor P. J. Carey, seconded by Councillor Wm. Byrne. Resolved—"That the Treasurer's Advice Note for the transfers on foot of demands from the several Unions and Rural Districts be now signed." Passed.

Proposed by Councillor D. J. Cogan, seconded by Councillor P. J. Carey. Resolved—"That, in accordance with the recommendation of the Finance Committee on the letter from the National Health Insurance Commissioners, dated 18th July, 1912, No. 4868/1912, we hereby undertake to make the terms of the resolution passed by the Finance Committee on the 29th June, 1912, and approved by resolution of the County Council on the 8th July, 1912, a condition of the contract of service of the four permanent clerks employed in the County Council's offices; and, in addition, we agree to pay an amount equal to the capital sum referred to in Section 9 (4) of the National Insurance Act, 1911, to any of the four employees referred to who leave our service and who join an approved Society, and we hereby request the Commissioners to grant to these clerks the required certificate of exception." Passed.

Proposals for payment from the Proposals Committee and from the Five Rural District Councils were passed, as follows:—

## COUNTY-AT-LARGE:

Proposed by Councillor D. J. Cogan, seconded by Councillor J. McCarroll. Resolved—"That we hereby approve of the foregoing Proposals for Payment on the County-at-Large, amounting to £5,546 12s. 7d. (any modification made therein having been first initialled by the Chairman), and order the same to be paid." Passed.

## BALTINGLASS NO. 1:

Proposed by Councillor E. P. O'Kelly, seconded by Councillor Thomas Burke. Resolved—"That we hereby approve of the foregoing Proposals for Payment on Baltinglass No. 1 Rural District, amounting to £701 16s. 8d. (any modification made therein having been first initialled by the Chairman), and order the same to be paid." Passed.

## NAAS NO. 2:

Proposed by Councillor James Byrne, seconded by Councillor Wm. Costello. Resolved—"That we hereby approve of the foregoing Proposals for Payment on Naas No. 2 Rural District, amounting to £702

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2s. 0d. (any modification made therein having been first initialled by the Chairman), and order the same to be paid." Passed.

## RATHDOWN NO. 2:

Proposed by Councillor John Murphy, seconded by Councillor J. J. Reilly. Resolved—"That we hereby approve of the foregoing Proposals for Payment on Rathdown No. 2 Rural District, amounting to £566 7s. 6d. (any modification made therein having been first initialled by the Chairman), and order the same to be paid." Passed.

## RATHDRUM:

Proposed by Councillor Morgan Travers, seconded by Councillor Wm. Byrne. Resolved—"That we hereby approve of the foregoing Proposals for Payment on Rathdrum Rural District, amounting to £1,936 9s. 11. (any modification made therein having been first initialled by the Chairman), and order the same to be paid." Passed.

## SHILLELAGH:

Proposed by Councillor Edward Byrne, seconded by Councillor E. J. Byrne. Resolved—"That we hereby approve of the foregoing Proposals for Payment on Shillelagh Rural District, amounting to £560 15s. 0d. (any modification made therein having been first initialled by the Chairman), and order the same to be paid." Passed.

## ARKLOW URBAN:

Proposed by Councillor E. C. Walsh, seconded by Councillor D. Condren. Resolved—"That we hereby approve of the foregoing Proposals for Payment on Arklow Urban District, amounting to £30 0s. 6d. (any modification made therein having been first initialled by the Chairman), and order the same to be paid." Passed.

## WICKLOW URBAN:

Proposed by Councillor J. McCarroll, seconded by Councillor E. C. Walsh. Resolved—"That we hereby approve of the foregoing Proposals for Payment on Wicklow Urban District, amounting to £17 0s. 6d. (any modification made therein having been first initialled by the Chairman), and order the same to be paid." Passed.

Proposed by Councillor D. Condren, seconded by Councillor Wm. Costello. Resolved—"That the Treasurer's Advice Notes for the Quarterly Payments, as approved by this Council, be now signed." Passed.

Proposals for Contracts submitted from the Proposals Committee, and from the Five Rural District Councils:—

## PROPOSALS COMMITTEE:

Printing.—A: Printing, binding, etc., the various Parliamentary and Local Government Registration Lists. Not to exceed 7s. per page (as per specification) annually, on the number of pages in one copy each of samples 1 to 8 inclusive, for the Three Years ending 30th September, 1915.

The Council accepted the tender of Frank McPhail, Milton Villa, Wicklow, at 2s. 5d. per page.

Guarantors—James G. McPhail, Glenview, Wicklow; and Francis Wm. MacPhail, Bayview, Wicklow.

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Advertising—B: Executing the Advertising required by the County Council and by the Clerk of the Crown and Peace. Not to exceed 3d. per line (the line to be taken as measuring 15 ems pica type), for the Three Years ending 30th September, 1915.

The Council accepted the following three Tenders, at Twopence per line:—

Frank McPhail, "Wicklow News-Letter," Main Street, Wicklow. Guarantors—James G. McPhail, Glenview, Wicklow, and Francis Wm. MacPhail, Bayview, Wicklow.

Thomas Doyle, "Wicklow Press," 59 South Main Street, Wexford. Guarantors—James G. McPhail, Glenview, Wicklow, and Frank McPhail, Milton Villa, Wicklow.

John M. Walsh, "Wicklow People," North Main Street, Wexford. Guarantors—Edward M. Collins, Abbey Street, Wicklow, and Francis Wm. MacPhail, Bayview, Wicklow.

## BALTINGLASS NO. 1:

Road No. 71 in the District Register, 276 perches, and Road No. 73 in the District Register, 1,016 perches, were given in charge of the County Surveyor.

Work No. 75 in the District Register was also given in charge of the County Surveyor.

Contracts, as submitted, were approved and confirmed.

9th August, 1912. Application from J. Hubert Grogan, Slaney Park, Baltinglass—For permission to raise his demesne wall at Slaney Park some nine inches or so, for the purpose of putting up against it a lean-to shelter shed for cattle. Order—Granted.

## NAAS NO. 2:

Road No. 52 in the District Register, 620 perches, was given in charge of the County Surveyor.

Contracts, as submitted, were approved and confirmed.

## RATHDOWN NO. 2:

No contracts sent forward.

8th August, 1912. From Contractor Patrick McCabe, Oldboleys, Enniskerry—Asking the Council to allow him extra remuneration for the necessary continual repairs of the damage done to his road at Ballyreigh by timber traffic.

## RATHDRUM:

Works Nos. 235 and 238 in the District Register were given in charge of the County Surveyor.

Contracts, as submitted, were approved and confirmed.

6th August, 1912. From James Kenny, Tigroney, Avoca—Letter submitting the circumstances under which the District Council gave the contract for 866 perches of road to William Mellon, Slieveroe, Rathdrum, and asking the County Council to investigate the same.

## SHILLELAGH:

Contracts, as submitted, were approved and confirmed.

Proposed by Councillor Michael Byrne, seconded by Councillor Edward Byrne. Resolved—"That the several contracts which have been approved of at this Quarterly Meeting be now signed and sealed." Passed.

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Proposed by Councillor Michael Byrne, seconded by Councillor Patrick Short. Resolved—"That we now sign and seal the two certificates for Refund of Expenses under the Diseases of Animals Acts." Passed.

Proposed by Councillor Michael Byrne, seconded by Councillor Patrick Short. Resolved—"That the Certificate for Bounty in lieu of Rates be now signed and sealed." Passed.

## SECRETARY'S REPORT.

12th August, 1912.

Gentlemen—The Local Government Board have written approving generally of the County Council's Scheme for treatment of persons suffering from Tuberculosis, subject to satisfactory arrangements being come to in regard to Branch Dispensaries, but they advise that the arrangements in regard to District Nurses be left in abeyance for the present until a Medical Officer has been appointed.

I think it would be well that the Finance of the Scheme should be placed upon a definite footing before the Council commits itself to appointments and outlay, which may entail charges on the rates which they had not contemplated; for, since the Scheme was first formulated, I have seen that the Chancellor of the Exchequer, in reply to a deputation from the County Councils' Association, stated that the sum set apart under the Insurance Act would not provide treatment for the insured persons, and that the County Councils would have to provide out of the rates at least 25 per cent. of the cost of treating consumption within their areas.

At the last meeting of the County Insurance Committee, I asked Mr. English, the Inspector under the Insurance Commissioners, who attended, out of what fund the doctor to be appointed under the scheme would be paid, and with some difficulty extracted from him that the cost of the doctor would be a charge on the rates.

Again, one out of the only two Boards of Guardians who have replied on the subject, has point blank refused the use of the Dispensaries in its Union. From a statement made by a doctor on the County Insurance Committee, it would seem that there will be rather general opposition to the proposed use of the existing Dispensaries, on the ground that it will be spreading the disease by bringing those suffering from it into contact with the general patients, and this, although I and the Chairman of the Committee tried in vain to point out that the Council's Scheme on the contrary would effect the separation of those affected from the general patients with whom they at present necessarily associate. If the use of the Dispensaries is refused (which I do not think is reasonable), it will cause a further charge to provide other premises. There is also considerable opposition to the proposed central Dispensary. The expense of a Hospice for advanced cases has also to be provided.

After the contract for printing the various voters' lists for the Clerk of the Crown's Office had been given on the last occasion, the Chairman of the Finance Committee raised a very proper objection to the form in which the payments were to be calculated in the specification provided, and I was directed by the Council to tell the Clerk of the Crown, when preparing the specification for the new contract to be taken out this year, that he should provide for the payment being made according to the total number of names

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printed in the lists, and not according to the complex arrangement by pages, with an imaginary number of names to a page.

The Clerk of the Crown prepared his Specification on this occasion in the form desired by the Council, and this specification is marked as "approved" by the Proposals Committee which met during my leave of absence, but subsequently the Committee added words to the notice of motion for this contract prepared by me, which have the effect of annulling the provision inserted in the specification by the direction of the Council, and so reverting to the former objectionable mode of payment. I am told this was at the request of a prospective contractor.

The Baltimore Fishery School, which refused after the passing of the Children's Act to accept the children sent from this county on the terms agreed to by the other Industrial Schools, has now written agreeing to those terms. I recommend that their offer be accepted, and that the name of this School be restored to the list of schools contributed to by the Council.

The Local Government Board, in reply to the Council's application for consent to the loan of £3,000 for erecting Technical Schools, write with regard to the Council's contribution being marked not to exceed £125 yearly, that the first year's instalment would amount to about £187 10s., and ask how the amount is to be made up; they also ask for an estimate showing how the loan is made up and how the sites are provided for. I have written to the Secretary of the Technical Committee, and his reply is before you.

I am, Gentlemen,

Yours faithfully,

E. N. WYNNE.

Order—Paragraph 6 expunged.

Proposed by Councillor J. McCarroll, seconded by Councillor Michael Byrne. Resolved—"That the Wicklow County Council, before proceeding further in connection with the Sanatorium Scheme, insist on a clear statement as to the funds—to be at the disposal of the County Council—from the Treasury, the Commissioners, the Local Government Board, or any other source." Passed.

#### COUNTY SURVEYOR'S REPORT.

Gentlemen,

The works coming before you to-day are not numerous, and but two require special mention; they are the so-called permissive contracts for railway lines crossing county roads. In one case, that relating to the line into the Rathnew Brick Works, no tender has been received; and in the second case, that relating to the proposed line into a gravel pit near Blessington, tenders were received and accepted by the Naas No. 2 Rural District Council. I respectfully suggest that it would be a much better system if the parties requiring these railway lines entered into a deed or agreement with the County Council, and thereby do away with the clumsy procedure of the permissive contract method.

The past quarter has been very severe on the roads, and I am glad to report that, despite the heavy rains and floods, no damage was caused to the roads, etc., which required a sudden damage order.

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Most of the contractors are making a fair effort to prepare the metal required for the roads.

In accordance with instructions given by you, I intimated to the General Manager of the Dublin and Blessington Steam Tramway Co. that you would be willing to consult with the Directors of the Company, and the Dublin County Council, as to the back debt due to the Counties Wicklow and Dublin arising from moneys paid under the guarantee, etc., and I beg to report that I have received a communication from the General Manager of the Company that he would be glad to arrange a suitable date for the proposed conference, and suggesting the 3rd prox., if it would meet with your approval.

Your obedient servant,

S. G. GALLAGHER.

To Wicklow County Council.

12th August, 1912.

Proposed by Councillor Patrick Short, seconded by Councillor P. J. Carey. Resolved—"That the system of permissive presentments dealing with railways be done away with, and that the parties for which these presentments were required should enter into an agreement with the County Council, and pay all costs connected therewith." Passed.

Proposed by Councillor Thomas Burke, seconded by Councillor D. J. Cogan. Resolved—"That agreements be entered into with the Dublin and Blessington Steam Tramway Company, and the Rathnew Brick Company, with reference to the level crossings, to maintain the crossings on road in good order, and indemnify the County Council against accidents and claims for damages; said agreements to be prepared by our solicitor at expense of the companies." Passed.

Proposed by Councillor Michael Byrne, seconded by Councillor P. J. Carey. Resolved—"That the following Councillors represent this County Council on the Conference on the financial affairs of the Dublin and Blessington Steam Tramway Company, about to be held:—E. P. O'Kelly (chairman), Denis J. Cogan, Wm. Osborne, Laurence Hanlon, S. J. Doyle (accountant), S. G. Gallagher (county surveyor)." Passed.

Mr. J. P. Tierney, General Manager of the Dublin and Blessington Tramway, who was present, undertook to summon the respective Members of the Conference to a meeting to be held on a day to be subsequently fixed.

#### COUNTY SURVEYOR'S REPORT ON THE DUBLIN AND BLESSINGTON STEAM TRAMWAY.

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To Wicklow County Council.

Gentlemen,

On June 24th, July 16th, and August 9th, I carried out the annual inspection of the Dublin and Blessington Steam Tramway Company's line.

The permanent way presents much the usual weed-grown appear-

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ance; however, in a few places some weeding has been done, and a slight improvement may be recorded.

The fastenings and rail connections were found in a much better state than they were in at any previous inspection I have carried out. One or two loose rails and fish-plates were noted on 24th June, but these have been since tightened.

Between the 13 $\frac{1}{4}$  and 13 $\frac{3}{4}$  distance posts, and in some other places, the holding-down bolts are projecting clear of the rails, and doing but little work.

The matter of re-sleeping portions of the line is becoming urgent; however, I understand that a stock of new sleepers has been ordered, and that this work will now be put in hand. Some of the new sleepers have been delivered; they are of good shape, creosoted, and apparently of good quality. The use of untreated timber for sleepers has at last been abandoned.

New ballast is required on the greater part of the line, and more attention is required to be given to the drainage, which is still very defective.

The rails are in fairly good condition, but somewhat battered at the joints from the "pounding" resulting from the slack connections and loose fish-plates, which on previous inspections I found very numerous.

The rolling stock appears to have been well looked after. During the year Engine No. 9 has had a complete overhaul, and is practically a new engine. Engine No. 8 is in the workshop undergoing a similar thorough repair. Composite Coach B has been re-fitted with many improvements, tending to the safety of the passengers, and which also, by adding to the comfort of the coach, will induce people to make more use of the line for pleasure trips, and thus increase the income from this source.

A site for a new coal shed is being prepared at the Templeogue depot. When this shed is erected it will replace the present coal shed, which will be cleared out and the space added to the adjoining engine and machine shop, where more room is wanted.

An additional shed is being constructed to accommodate two new forges. A saw bench has been provided, and will be fitted up at an early date.

The roof of the engine shop and a large part of that over the coal shed has been renewed.

The stock of coals appears ample, and I understand will be well maintained.

At the Blessington depot I noted that the roof of the engine shed is in need of repairs, and also that the doors on the goods store require some patching, etc.

It is very gratifying to note that practically all the work in the engine and carriage shops is carried out at the Company's depot, and by their own workmen.

The net profits for the past half-year show an increase of £200 over those of the previous corresponding half-year.

Yours faithfully.

S. G. GALLAGHER.

Wicklow, August 12th, 1912.

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County Surveyor's Office, Wicklow, 12th August, 1912. To Wicklow County Council, Wicklow. Gentlemen—I should be glad if you would permit me to take the balance of my leave of absence—viz., 16 days; the proposed dates to be submitted to and receive the approval of the Chairman. As heretofore, I request that the different Assistants be directed and authorised to attend to any urgent matters arising in my absence.—Your obedient servant, S. G. Gallagher.

Order—Allowed.

Proposed by Councillor J. J. Reilly, seconded by Councillor Morgan Travers. Resolved—"That the following persons be appointed as the Council's moiety of the new School Attendance Committee for the Rural District of Rathdown No. 2, for the period of three years, from 1st October, 1912:—Patrick McGuirk, Tonygarrow, Enniskerry; Patrick J. Kinlen, J.P., Montrose, Greystones; John Murphy, J.P., Vive-Vale, Dalgany; rev. Michael Flood, P.P., Greystones; John J. Healy, Killincarrick, Dalgany." Passed.

## ANALYST'S REPORT.

City Laboratory, 17 Castle street, Dublin, 8th August, 1912. Report of Sir Charles Cameron, C.B., M.D., Public Analyst for the County Wicklow, on articles submitted to him for analysis during the quarter ended 30th June, 1912. 107 articles were received from the Food Inspectors, R.I.C., as follows:—Article—Butter, 44; milk, 23; whiskey, 21; cheese, 7; buttermilk, 3; margarine, 2; port wine, 2; brandy, 1; rum, 1; flour, 1; lard, 1; porter, 1—total, 107. One certificate was sent to Sergeant McInerney, Glendalough, for specimen of milk deprived of at least 43 per cent. of its fats. One certificate was sent to Sergeant Buckley, Arklow, for specimen of buttermilk adulterated with at least 25 per cent. of added water, exclusive of 25 per cent. allowed for churning purposes. There were thirty-five specimens of butter analysed by directions from the Department of Agriculture and Technical Instruction for Ireland, Upper Merrion street, Dublin, which were taken up in the County Wicklow. One contained an excess of water—namely, 18.7 per cent. For the Guardians of Baltinglass Union twelve drugs and two specimens of water were analysed. The drugs were correct. The specimens of water had the following compositions: One imperial gallon contained in grains—

	No. 1.	No. 2.
Total solid matter, ... ..	14.700	11.200
Including—		
Albuminoid ammonia ... ..	0.0045	0.005
Saline ammonia ... ..	0.0015	0.0015
Nitric acid ... ..	1.090	0.500
Chlorine ... ..	1.290	1.090
Colour	Almost colourless.	Light Yellow.

Both were pure waters.

For the Guardians of Rathdrum Union eighteen drugs, nine specimens of milk, one of whiskey, and one of butter were analysed. The drugs were correct. One of the specimens of milk was adulterated with at least 10 per cent. of added water. The specimen of butter was composed almost entirely of fats foreign to butter. For the Lady

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Superintendent, Meath Industrial School for Girls, Bray, one specimen of milk and one of water were analysed. The milk was of rich quality. The specimen of water had the following composition: One imperial gallon contained in grains—Total solid matter, 4.900; including, albuminoid ammonia, 0.0055; saline ammonia, 0.001; nitric acid, trace; chlorine, 0.990; colour, light yellow. A very pure water.

For the Dublin and Wicklow Manure Company, Wicklow, three fertilizers were analysed.

One specimen of water, analysed for Mrs. McCausland, Delgany, had the following composition: One imperial gallon contained in grains—Total solid matter, 19.400; including, albuminoid ammonia, 0.004; saline ammonia, 0.002; nitric acid, trace; chlorine, 1.980; colour, very light yellow. A very pure water.

For Naas Union, which is partly situated in the County Wicklow, twenty-four drugs were analysed. Three were incorrect.

In the original reports on the waters above referred to, full details, chemical and microscopical, were given, but in the foregoing only the more important points are given. Total analyses, 215; adulterated and defective articles, 8.

A sample of milk, sent by Sergeant McInerney, was certified by me to be deficient in fats to the extent of 43 per cent. In court a certificate from analyst was produced, certifying that it was pure. The sample examined by me was quite fresh; the sample sent to the other chemist must have been very stale, as it was not examined until a month later. I regret that the third portion of the sample was not sent to Somerset House Laboratory, as I am certain my analysis would have been confirmed there. The milk was twice examined in this laboratory, to ensure accuracy. The magistrates cautioned the defendant.

CHARLES A. CAMERON.

The reports from the Deputy Checkers of the various Unions on the attendance of the Poor Rate Collectors, and the state of their collections, were submitted.

## OFFICIAL CORRESPONDENCE.

Local Government Board, Dublin—Copy of Interim Report of the Departmental Committee on Tuberculosis.

Local Government Board, Dublin, 20th May, 1912—Circular letter on the subject of the distribution of the Irish share of the Parliamentary Grant for Sanatoria; and the question of procedure of local authorities and voluntary associations.

No. 85 M/1912; Miscellaneous. Local Government Board, Dublin, 24th June, 1912—Further letter re same.

No. 92 M/1912; Miscellaneous. Local Government Board, Dublin, 24th July, 1912—Enclosing copy of Sealed Order made by the Board, prescribing the qualifications of the Medical Superintendent of a Hospital or Dispensary established by a County Council.

Circular, dated 27th June, 1912, from the Women's National Health Association—Stating that it is proposed to give a Special Course of Lectures and Demonstrations on Tuberculosis, to meet the require-

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ments of qualified medical men, who contemplate offering themselves for appointment as Chief Tuberculosis Officer in connection with Tuberculosis Dispensaries, and letters dealing with same from Dr. T. Lyndon, Dr. James H. Halpin, and Dr. Edward Lyons.

No. 36,746/1912; Wicklow County. Local Government Board, Dublin, 10th July, 1912—Acknowledging receipt of the Council's Scheme for Treatment of Tuberculosis.

No. 36,746/1912; Wicklow County. Local Government Board, Dublin, 16th July, 1912—Suggesting, in connection with the Council's Sanatoria Scheme, that the Boards of Guardians should be asked for their consent to the proposed use of certain Dispensary buildings as Tuberculosis Dispensaries.

Attached, replies received from Shillelagh Board of Guardians, and Rathdown Board of Guardians, re same.

Order—The Secretary to write, pointing out that the suggested system will be a safeguard, as the tuberculosis patients can now go on days that all patients may attend.

No. 40,850/1912; Wicklow County. Local Government Board, Dublin, 2nd August, 1912—Approving of the Council's Scheme for the treatment of persons in the county suffering from Tuberculosis, and making certain suggestions re details of same.

No. 41,805/1912; Wicklow County. Local Government Board, Dublin, 7th August, 1912—Enclosing copy of letter to County Insurance Committee, approving temporary arrangements being made for treatment of insured persons suffering from Tuberculosis with the authorities of the Royal National Hospital for Consumption, Newcastle, at the request of that Committee.

20th June, 1912. From Hon. Sec., The Royal National Hospital for Consumption for Ireland, 13 South Frederick Street, Dublin—Enclosing a resolution, stating the terms on which the Board of that Hospital will allocate such beds as may be required by County Authorities, under their Sanatoria Schemes.

3rd August, 1912. From Acting Clerk, County of Wicklow Insurance Committee, Court-house, Wicklow—Stating that, in the main, his Committee approve of the County Council's Scheme for the treatment of Tuberculosis, but suggesting a re-arrangement of that part of the Scheme dealing with the employment of existing Jubilee Nurses in connection with it.

No. 91 M/1912; Miscellaneous. Local Government Board, Dublin, 12th July, 1912—Circular, and copies of two plans, dealing with the various details which will arise in establishing a County Dispensary system for the treatment of Tuberculosis.

Order—Postponed.

20th July, 1912. From Clerk, Dublin Joint Hospital Board, Municipal Buildings, Dublin—Stating that his Board have not yet finally considered the rate of charge for admission to their sanatorium at Brittas in the case of persons resident outside their contributory districts, but the same will be communicated after their next meeting.

No. 37,646/1912; Wicklow County. Local Government Board, Dublin, 29th July, 1912—Asking for further particulars concerning sites, procs of preliminary proceedings, and as to how the liabilities

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concerning the proposed loan of £3,000 for Technical Instruction purposes are to be met.

Attached, letters from Secretary to County Wicklow Technical Instruction Committee, dated 1st August, and 8th August, 1912—Enclosing two copies of statement re same for submission to the Local Government Board and Commissioners of Public Works.

Also a further undated letter from the Secretary, re same.

No. 21,660/1912; Miscellaneous. Local Government Board, Dublin, 17th May, 1912—Enclosing copy of Sealed Order, authorising the Irish Automobile Association and Motor Union to perform for a further twelve months the duties as regards Ireland specified in Article I. (1) of the Motor Car (International Circulation) Order, 1910.

No. 27,597/1912; Wicklow County. Local Government Board, Dublin, 12th June, 1912—Stating that no further facts were submitted, such as would alter the Board's views in regard to the representation of Wicklow County Council on the Joint Committee of Management of the Wicklow County Infirmary, as expressed in their letter of the 5th March last.

No. 34,218/1912; Wicklow County. Local Government Board, Dublin, 3rd July, 1912—Stating that the Board see no objection to the form or amount of the new Bond submitted by the Secretary to the Council.

No. 34,218/1912; Wicklow County. Local Government Board, Dublin, 3rd July, 1912—Approving of the new Bonds submitted by Poor Rate Collectors C. S. Sutton, Wm. J. Cardiff, and Joseph Keane.

No. 21,883/1912; Miscellaneous. Local Government Board, Dublin, 1st August, 1912—Enclosing copies of Regulations issued by the Board under The Public Roads (Ireland) Act, 1911.

No. 4868/1912; Miscellaneous. National Health Insurance Commissioners, Dublin, 18th July, 1912—Stating that they would be in a position to grant the necessary Certificate of Exception on behalf of the four permanent Clerks employed in the County Council's Office, if the County Council undertake to make the terms of the resolution of the 29th June a condition of the contract of service, and, in addition, agree to pay an amount equal to the capital sum referred to in Section 9 (4) of the National Insurance Act, 1911, to any of the four employees who may leave the Council's service and join an Approved Society.

Order—See resolution following Finance Committee's Report.

No. 1953/1912. National Health Insurance Commission, Dublin, 29th May, 1912—Acknowledging the Council's letter submitting their eight representatives for appointment on the County Insurance Committee, under the National Insurance Act, 1911.

No. 6634/1912. National Health Insurance Commission, Dublin, 24th July, 1912—Stating that as the construction of the Provisional Insurance Committee for the County Wicklow has already been completed, the Commissioners regret that they are unable to appoint any additional representatives of the Council on the Committee.

Proposed by Councillor Michael Byrne, seconded by Councillor James Byrne. Resolved—“That this County Council again apply in the strongest manner to the Insurance Commissioners to give them their full representation of ten members on the County Wicklow In-

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urance Committee, in consideration of the Council undertaking to defray part of the cost of Sanatorium Benefits, which they had done some considerable time before the date on which the Act came into force, although a copy of the scheme could not have been submitted to the Commissioners until it had been approved by the Local Government Board. The Council had also nominated two of their members as additional members of the County Committee, so far back as 12th June last, though, through the oversight or neglect of their Secretary, the names were not sent forward until 22nd July; but the Council respectfully point out that this cannot affect the Council's equitable right to the representation which the Commissioners are empowered by the 81st Section of the National Insurance Act, 1911, to give them.” Passed.

Board of Trade Unemployment Insurance Office, 21 Parliament Street, Dublin—Circular, and copy of poster, dealing with the necessity for the widespread publicity of the provisions of Part II. of the National Insurance Act (Unemployment Insurance), and asking the Council's co-operation.

Department of Agriculture, Dublin, 27th June, 1912—Enclosing copy of the Hay and Straw (Movement from Great Britain to Ireland) Order of 1912.

No. G. 2770/1912. Department of Agriculture, Dublin, 3rd July, 1912—Stating that eleven samples of butter, taken up in Carnew, Tinahely, Auhgrim, and Arklow, under the Sale of Food and Drugs Acts, proved on analysis to be pure.

No. G. 3044/1912. Department of Agriculture, Dublin, 20th July, 1912—Stating that thirteen samples of butter, taken up in Rathnew, Newtown-Mount-Kennedy, Wicklow Butter Market, Kiltegan, and Grange Con, under the Sale of Food and Drugs Acts, proved on analysis to be pure.

Department of Agriculture, Dublin, 7th July, 1912—Asking the Council to take immediate steps, through their Veterinary Officers, to co-operate with the Department in stamping out the recent outbreak of Foot and Mouth Disease amongst cattle in this country.

Office of Public Works, Dublin, 6th July, 1912—Notifying particulars of a proposed loan of £770 to the Joint Committee of Richmond Asylum, under the Local Government (Ireland) Act, 1898.

Office of Public Works, Dublin, 6th July, 1912—Notifying particulars of a proposed loan of £375 to the Guardians of Naas Union, under the Poor Relief (Ireland) Acts, 1838-1900.

23rd June, 1912. From the Manager, Fishery Schools, Baltimore—Stating, in answer to the Council's letters, that he is prepared to accept boys from County Wicklow, as heretofore, at 2s. per head per week.

31st July, 1912. From Engineer, Post Office Telegraphs, Telephone Buildings, Crown Alley, Dublin—Asking the Council's permission to erect a Telephone in La Touche Road, Greystones, in the position indicated on enclosed plan.

Order—Permission granted, subject to approval of County Surveyor. Certain other telephone poles to be shifted.

8th August, 1912. From Road Contractor Patrick McCabe, Oldboleys, Enniskerry—Asking the Council to allow him extra remuneration

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ration for the continual repair of the damage done to his road at Ballyreigh by timber traffic.

16th and 24th July, 1912. From the Irish Manager, Automobile Association and Motor Union, 12 College Green, Dublin—Enclosing a plan shewing certain marked roads in respect of which the Motor Union will supply Direction Signs, if the Council will undertake to have them erected.

Form 2—Notice of application for compensation for alleged malicious injury to two horses, the property of James Webb, Kilmurry, Delgany. Amount claimed, £45.

Police Report on same.

3rd June, 1912. From Collector C. S. Sutton—Enclosing, on behalf of the County Wicklow Rate Collectors' Association, an application to the Council to arrange with some Insurance Company, and pay the premium for a Joint Bond for all their Rate Collectors, and so dispense with the present different forms of security.

Order—Read.

28th June, 1912. From Albert E. Murray, C.E., 37 Dawson Street, Dublin—Sending Block Plan, also plan and elevation for two cottages proposed to be built for Mrs. Evans, Kilpedder, for the Council's approval.

Order—To be built according to plan.

2nd August, 1912. From Secretary, Tinahely Branch of the Ancient Order of Hibernians—Asking the Council's permission to use the body of Tinahely Court-house for their fortnightly meetings.

Order—Granted.

Following a direction given at a special meeting of the Council held on 29th June, 1912, communications were submitted from Cavan County Council, Armagh County Council, Tyrone County Council, Down County Council, and Westmeath County Council, as to the terms upon which these Councils had obtained grants from the Road Board towards the upkeep of their roads.

Abstract of the Accounts of the Wicklow Harbour Commissioners, for the year ended 31st December, 1911.

24th July, 1912. From Town Tenants' League, 43 Rutland Square, Dublin—Asking the Council to appoint Delegates to the Annual Convention to be held in City Hall, Dublin, on Wednesday, the 28th August, 1912.

Statement in favour of the Uniform Time Bill, at present in the House of Lords, and shortly to be sent down for passage through the House of Commons.

Order—Approved.

24th June, 1912. From Publisher of "Slainte," the journal of the Women's National Health Association—Asking for a statement of the work done by the Council in the treatment of Tuberculosis under the National Insurance Act, and to be favoured with a share of the advertising under the Scheme adopted by the Council.

From the Hon. Secretaries, Dr. Wm. E. Ellis Testimonial Committee—Circular, forms, etc., inviting subscriptions.

## MINUTES OF MEETING, 12th AUGUST, 1912.

## RESOLUTIONS FROM VARIOUS BODIES.

25th May, 1912. From Londonderry County Council—Resolution advocating an Inquiry into the pay and prospects of the rank and file of the Royal Irish Constabulary.

15th June, 1912. From Kerry County Council—Resolution dealing with the want of a properly organized system of Secondary Education in Ireland.

24th June, 1912. From Kerry County Council—Resolution dealing with deductions from County Council Grants.

25th June, 1912. From Hon. Secretary, Irish Division of the Medico-Psychological Association—Resolution, enclosing statement, demanding that the Mental Deficiency Bill, now before Parliament, be extended to Ireland.

2nd August, 1912. From Lord Mayor of Dublin—Enclosing resolution from Meeting held in Mansion House, petitioning the Government to open all Irish Ports for the shipment of cattle for immediate slaughter.

3rd August, 1912. From Hon. Secretary, Sinn Fein, 6 Harcourt Street, Dublin—Resolution protesting against the restrictions enforced in consequence of the recent outbreak at Swords of Foot and Mouth Disease.

## MINUTES OF MEETING, 5TH OCTOBER, 1912.

Special Meeting of the County Council, held in the Council Chamber, Court House, Wicklow, at 1 o'clock, on Saturday, the 5th October, 1912. The following members were present:—Councillor Edward P. O'Kelly, chairman; Councillors Michael Byrne, James Galvin, John Murphy, Daniel Condren, William Byrne (Ccolbeg), P. J. Carey, Edward Byrne, E. J. Byrne.

## BUSINESS:

- 1.—To consider the Sanatorium Scheme for the County of Wicklow, and the Financial Provisions of the same.
- 2.—To apply for extension of time to close certain Poor Rate Collectors' Accounts.

The following replies, received from the National Health Insurance Commission, and from the Local Government Board, with regard to the information asked for by the Council in their resolution passed at the August Quarterly Meeting, were submitted and read:—

No. 8417/12; National Health Insurance Commission, Dublin, 17th August, 1912—Stating that it was contemplated that the Insurance Committee would arrange with the County Council for the treatment of insured persons, in which case the Committee would pay the Council such sums as might be agreed upon, and referring the Council to the Local Government Board for the information on the other points raised.

No. 11671; National Health Insurance Commission, Dublin, 4th October, 1912—Further letter, referring to Paragraph 21 (1) of Memo. No. 102/I.C., and stating that it was estimated that there are about 15,000 insurable persons in the County Wicklow, and that the amount available for the use of the County Insurance Committee to the 12th January next, based on the estimate of £4 5s. 0d. per thousand of the population—viz., 60,711—is about £255.

No. 45898/1912; Miscellaneous. Local Government Board, Dublin, 27th August, 1912—Stating that County Wicklow's share of the Parliamentary Grant in aid of Institutions for the treatment of Tuberculosis is £1,659 8s. 10d.; the allocation of the grant to county areas in Ireland being made upon the basis of population.

No. 46322/1912; Wicklow County. Local Government Board, Dublin, 10th September, 1912—Stating that the Sanatorium Grant of £1,659 8s. 10d. will be available for contributions towards the capital cost of the establishment of Institutions (including Sanatoria, Hospitals, and Dispensaries); also stating that the cost of maintenance of such Institutions would be found in Part II. of the Tuberculosis Prevention (Ireland) Act, 1908, and that the appointment of the Medical Superintendent and Nursing Staff rests with the County Council. Further, that the Insurance Committee could enter into agreements with the County Council with regard to making payments towards the maintenance of



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such Institutions, and referring the Council to the Insurance Commissioners with regard to the other points raised.

Other correspondence from the British Medical Association, the Royal National Hospital for Consumption for Ireland, the Women's National Health Association of Ireland, and the Conjoint Committee of the Irish Medical Profession, dealing with the subject, were submitted and read, and the following resolution was

Proposed by Councillor E. J. Byrne, seconded by Councillor P. J. Carey—"That the consideration of the Sanatorium Scheme for Tuberculosis treatment be postponed for one year."

As an amendment, it was

Proposed by Councillor Michael Byrne, seconded by Councillor E. P. O'Kelly. Resolved—"That the Sanatorium Scheme proposed by this County Council on 8th July, 1912, be hereby approved and confirmed, Article 5 being first amended by omitting the words from "rising" to "£500" inclusive, and omitting the four localities from Article No. 7; and, further, that the total cost of the Scheme on the Poor Rates shall not in any one year exceed one farthing in the pound."

A poll being taken, the amendment was carried by five votes to four.

The terms of the appointment of Chief Tuberculosis Officer, drawn up by the Kildare County Council, was submitted by Dr. T. J. Browne, Local Government Medical Inspector, and the Council approved and adopted the same for the proposed Scheme.

Proposed by Councillor Wm. Byrne, seconded by Councillor Daniel Condren. Resolved—"That Collectors Michael Kelly, Richard Lynch, Michael McGrath, and P. J. Carey, junior, be granted an extension of one month to close their collections, subject to the approval of the Local Government Board." Passed *nem. con.*

Collector John Kelly (No. 11 Collecting District) attended before the Council, and submitted two letters from Messrs. Wallace Brothers, refusing to pay Poor Rate on Rathnew Brickworks, and asked the Council's direction as to how he was to deal with the matter.

Proposed by Councillor E. J. Byrne, seconded by Councillor P. J. Carey. Resolved—"That, the rates on the Rathnew Brickworks not having been paid, we hereby direct the County Surveyor to take such steps as may be necessary to have the rails crossing the public road into the works taken up and removed, and the road surface put into proper order, in the event of the rates on said Works remaining unpaid for fourteen days from this date."

No. 166. Department of Agriculture, Dublin, 4th October, 1912—Circular letter enclosing copy of the Mid-Leinster (Foot and Mouth Disease) Order, 1912 (No. 12).

14th August, 1912. From the Hon. Secretary, Newcastle and District Nursing Association, Tinnapark, Kilpedder—Requesting that the Nurse to that Association be appointed a "part time" nurse under the Council's Sanatorium Scheme, with a salary of £20 a year.

Order—Read.

Resolution from James Brien, Hazelhatch, Co. Kildare, Hon.

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Secretary to a public meeting of the residents within the Parishes of Saggart, Rathcoole, Newcastle, Lucan, and Celbridge—Protesting against the erection of a Sanatorium at Peamount, and condemning the action of Kildare and Kerry County Councils in taking beds in the said Sanatorium.

Order—Read.

14th September, 1912. From Conference Secretary, Irish Industrial Development Association, 29 Queen Street, Belfast—Requesting the Council to nominate two delegates to attend the Eighth Industrial Conference, to be held in the Guildhall, Londonderry, on Thursday and Friday, the 17th and 18th October.

MINUTES OF MEETING, 18TH NOVEMBER, 1912.

The Autumn Quarterly Meeting of the County Council, held in the Council Chamber, Court House, Wicklow, at 11.30 a.m., on Monday, the 18th November, 1912. The following members were present:—Councillor Michael Byrne, in the chair; Councillors Edward Byrne, Joseph McCarroll, James Byrne, Daniel Condren, P. J. Carey, Martin Langton, D. J. Cogan, William Costello, Morgan Travers, John J. Reilly, John Murphy, William Byrne, P. Kenny, E. C. Walsh, James Galvin, and John Storey.

BUSINESS:

- 1—To consider reports from the Finance Committee
- 2—To sign Quarterly Transfers on foot of Demands from the several Unions and Rural District Councils.
- 3—To consider the proposals from the Proposals Committee.
- 4—To consider proposals for payment from the five Rural Districts.
- 5—To sign Treasurer's Advice Notes for the past quarter's payments.
- 6—To consider proposals for contracts from the five Rural Districts.
- 7—To seal such contracts as have been approved by the County Council.
- 8—To sign Applications for Refund of Expenses under the Diseases of Animals Acts.
- 9—To receive and consider Reports from Committees.
- 10—To consider Reports from County Officers.
- 11—To consider Official Correspondence.
- 12—To consider General Correspondence.

ON SPECIAL REQUISITION.

- 13—To consider the advisability of rescinding the proposed Sanatorium Scheme as it at present stands.

Minutes of previous Meetings were read and confirmed.

FINANCE COMMITTEE'S REPORT No. 1.

Your Finance Committee met on Wednesday, the 30th October, 1912, when the following Members were present—Councillor Patrick Short (in the chair); Councillors William Byrne, and Joseph McCarroll.

The Committee, having examined the proposals for payment by the Proposals Committee, and from the Rural District Councils, recommend them for payment as follows:—

	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
County at Large				4,294	4	8
Baltinglass No. 1—						
District proposals			—			
Proposals Committee's proposals	29	15	7			
Naas No. 2—						
District proposals			—			
Proposals Committee's proposals	13	15	0			
Rathdown No. 2—						
District proposals			—			
Proposals Committee's proposals	195	17	6			

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	£	s	d	£	s	d
Rathdrum—						
District proposals	...	—	—			
Proposals Committee's proposals	10	10	2			
Shillelagh—						
District proposals	...	—	—			
Proposals Committee's proposals	2	9	11			
Arklow Urban—						
Proposals Committee's proposals				53	10	0
Wicklow Urban—						
Proposals Committee's proposals				57	0	8
Transferred to Subsidiary Account— (Included in the total for the County-at-Large)				398	16	9

The Committee examined the Union and Rural District demands submitted to them, and recommend the Council to make the following payments on foot of same:—

## TRANSFERS TO FUNDS OF UNIONS.

	£	s.	d.
Baltinglass	...	777	10 0
Naas	...	254	0 0
Rathdown	...	973	15 0
Rathdrum	...	2,805	0 0
Shillelagh	...	757	0 0
Total	...	£5,567	5 0

## TRANSFERS TO FUNDS OF RURAL DISTRICT COUNCILS.

	£	s.	d.
Baltinglass No. 1	...	97	5 0
Naas No. 2	...	20	10 0
Rathdown No. 2	...	191	10 0
Rathdrum	...	582	10 0
Shillelagh	...	25	0 0
Total	...	£916	15 0

We recommend the payment of the following Irrecoverable Rates to the several Rate Collectors, Paying Orders in respect of same not to issue until the respective amounts have been ratified by the Local Government Board:—

	Amount of Refund.
	£ s. d.
1.—Joseph Doyle	...
2.—Richard Geoghegan	...
3.—Richard Lynch	...
4.—William Burke	...
5.—Michael Kelly	...
6.—Michael McGrath	...
7.—Charles S. Sutton	...
8.—Patrick Poole	...
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	Amount of Refund.
	£ s. d.
9.—Joseph Keane	...
10.—John Murphy	...
11.—John Kelly	...
12.—Wm. J. Cardiff	...
13.—George Evans	...
14.—James Byrne	...
15.—John Brennan	...
16.—P. J. Carey, junior	...
17.—Charles Byrne	...
18.—Thomas Fleming	...
19.—Terence Byrne	...
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Signed, PATRICK SHORT, Chairman.

7th November, 1912.

## FINANCE COMMITTEE'S REPORT No. 2.

Your Finance Committee met on Monday, the 18th November, 1912, when the following members were present:—Councillor James Byrne in the chair; Councillors Joseph McCarroll and Michael Byrne.

The Committee had before them the following additional proposals, and recommend the same to the County Council for payment:—

## BALTINGLASS No. 1:

District Proposals ... .. £585 3s 2d

## NAAS No. 2:

District Proposals ... .. £301 4s 9d

## RATHDOWN No. 2:

District Proposals ... .. £426 2s 3d

## RATHDRUM:

District Proposals ... .. £1,683 14s 11d

## SHILLELAGH:

District Proposals ... .. £467 12s 9d

(Signed) JAMES BYRNE, Chairman.

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Proposed by Councillor James Byrne, seconded by Councillor P. J. Carey. Resolved—"That the Finance Committee's Reports be hereby adopted." Passed.

Proposed by Councillor M. Langton, seconded by Councillor J. McCarroll. Resolved—"That the Treasurer's Advice Note for the Transfers on foot of Demands from the several Unions and Rural Districts be now signed." Passed.

Proposals for payment from the Proposals Committee, and from the five Rural District Councils, were passed as follows:—

## COUNTY-AT LARGE:

Proposed by Councillor J. McCarroll, seconded by Councillor D. J. Cogan. Resolved—"That we hereby approve of the foregoing Proposals for Payment on the County-at-Large, amounting to £4,294 4s 8d (any modification made therein having been first initialled by the Chairman), and order the same to be paid." Passed.

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## BALTINGLASS No. 1:

Proposed by Councillor P. J. Carey, seconded by Councillor E. Byrne. Resolved—"That we hereby approve of the foregoing Proposals for Payment on Baltinglass No. 1 Rural District, amounting to £614 18s 9d (any modification made therein having been first initialled by the Chairman), and order the same to be paid." Passed.

## NAAS No. 2:

Proposed by Councillor James Byrne, seconded by Councillor M. Langton. Resolved—"That we hereby approve of the foregoing Proposals for Payment on Naas No. 2 Rural District, amounting to £314 19s 9d (any modification made therein having been first initialled by the Chairman), and order the same to be paid." Passed.

## RATHDOWN No. 2:

Proposed by Councillor P. J. Carey, seconded by Councillor James Byrne. Resolved—"That we hereby approve of the foregoing Proposals for Payment on Rathdown No. 2 Rural District, amounting to £621 19s 9d (any modification made therein having been first initialled by the Chairman), and order the same to be paid." Passed.

## RATHDRUM:

Proposed by Councillor P. J. Carey, seconded by Councillor J. McCarroll. Resolved—"That we hereby approve of the foregoing Proposals for Payment on Rathdrum Rural District, amounting to £2,694 13s 1d (any modification made therein having been first initialled by the Chairman), and order the same to be paid." Passed.

## SHILLELAGH:

Proposed by Councillor Edward Byrne, seconded by Councillor James Byrne. Resolved—"That we hereby approve of the foregoing Proposals for Payment on Shillelagh Rural District, amounting to £761 3s 8d (any modification made therein having been first initialled by the Chairman), and order the same to be paid." Passed.

## ARKLOW URBAN:

Proposed by Councillor J. McCarroll, seconded by Councillor D. Condren. Resolved—"That we hereby approve of the foregoing Proposals for Payment on Arklow Urban District, amounting to £53 10s (any modification made therein having been first initialled by the Chairman), and order the same to be paid." Passed.

## WICKLOW URBAN:

Proposed by Councillor D. J. Cogan, seconded by Councillor J. McCarroll. Resolved—"That we hereby approve of the foregoing Proposals for Payment on Wicklow Urban District, amounting to £57 0s 8d (any modification made therein having been first initialled by the Chairman), and order the same to be paid." Passed.

Proposed by Councillor D. Condren, seconded by Councillor Edward Byrne. Resolved—"That the Treasurer's Advice Notes for the Quarterly Payments, as approved by this Council, be now signed." Passed.

Proposals for Contracts submitted from the Five Rural District Councils:—

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## BALTINGLASS No. 1:

Road No. 76 in the District Register, 276 perches, was given in charge of County Surveyor for three months.

Contract, as submitted, approved and confirmed.

## NAAS No. 2:

Contracts, as submitted, approved and confirmed.

## RATHDOWN No. 2:

Works Nos. 414 and 415 in the District Register were given in charge of the County Surveyor.

Contracts, as submitted, approved and confirmed.

Letter of 8th November, 1912. From W. H. Hinde, Killincarrick Lodge, Delgany—Complaining of the condition of the road and foot-path between Delgany and Greystones, and of the short steep hill between Killincarrick and the Delgany road.

Submitted.

## RATHDRUM:

Works Nos. 242, 243, 244, and 245 in the District Register were given in charge of the County Surveyor.

Contracts, as submitted, approved and confirmed.

## SHILLELAGH:

The Council, on hearing the County Surveyor's Report, cancelled the Contract entered into at the August Quarterly Meeting, 1912, by Patrick Byrne, Cronelea, Shillelagh, for the replacing of an old gullet at Gowle Hill by a pipe gullet.

Contracts, as submitted, approved and confirmed.

Proposed by Councillor P. J. Carey, seconded by Councillor James Byrne. Resolved—"That the several Contracts which have been approved of at this Quarterly Meeting be now signed and sealed." Passed.

Proposed by Councillor J. McCarroll, seconded by Councillor E. Byrne. Resolved—"That we now sign and seal the two Certificates for Refund of Expenses under the Diseases of Animals Acts." Passed.

## SECRETARY'S REPORT.

Gentlemen,—You may remember that in Spring, 1910, the Naas School Attendance Committee, and also the Naas No. 2 Rural District Council, each separately, sent in unanimous resolutions requesting that the School Attendance Committee be dissolved, and that no further Compulsory Education Rate be raised on that District, as from the geographical position of the Schools and the very scattered population it was quite impossible to work the Act there with any benefit. The County Council, after very careful consideration of all the points raised in the correspondence, etc., unanimously approved of the resolutions, and directed me, as Secretary of the Council, to take the necessary steps to have the School Attendance Committee dissolved.

I wrote to the Commissioners of National Education, laying before them all the facts in the case, and asked for instructions as to the steps necessary to effect the object in view. The Commissioners replied that they could give no instructions as to the necessary steps for dis-

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continuing the Compulsory Clauses of the Act, and drew attention to Section 3 (4) of the Act, which enacts that if the Local Authority, after warning, fails to perform their duty in the matter, the Commissioners may perform them.

At the August Meeting, 1910, the County Council, having read this reply, directed that in future no rate be made in Naas No. 2 for Compulsory Education. Since then the School Attendance Committee has ceased to meet or act, and no further rate has been struck or payments made. I think it well thus to bring the facts of the case before you, as the Commissioners of National Education have now written stating that the date for the new School Attendance Committee for Naas No. 2 to be appointed has arrived, and enclosing a form on which the County Council is to return to the Commissioners the names of the persons they appoint for the three years following January next.

When the Roads Board held its first meeting in Dublin the County Council applied for a grant to enable the Main County Road to be put into good order and steam-rolled, the Board offered an amount which was considered totally inadequate (especially with the conditions attached to it) to effect any practical improvement, and was therefore not accepted, as it involved the Council's raising, and to all intents and purposes throwing away, £1,100 of the ratepayers' money.

Recently it has appeared that the Roads Board has made a grant, so far as we hear, of some £10,000 to County Kerry, and a further similar sum in one of the Northern Counties (Donegal, I believe) in return for a very small county contribution. I would, therefore, most strongly recommend this Council to apply for a substantial grant that will enable an efficient work being done on a considerable length of the main trunk road of the county in return for the county contributing a capitalised sum equal to, say, seven years' purchase of the present expenditure on the length of road capable of being properly dealt with by the amount granted us. I have reason to believe that if we insist on this demand we shall receive official support.

An unfortunate obstacle in the way now is the very foolish and suicidal step taken by a large number of residents in the county who own motor cars, at the instigation, I am told, of the Secretary to the Automobile Club in Dawson Street, namely, that of paying the licence duty on their cars to the credit of other counties and not to that of their own. These licence duties are entered to the credit of the county in which they are paid. Had they been paid, as every practical person would have done, to the credit of this county in which the owners reside, the County Council could have demanded as of right that as such and such an amount had been paid in to the credit of this county a proper proportion of the same should be made available for road improvements, but this leverage the motorists, for reasons best known to themselves, have chucked away.

I would nevertheless urge that this application be made and pressed home, as I have done before. If the Roads Board gives a grant equal to ten times the local contribution in one county, they cannot equitably refuse it in another, except on the grounds I mentioned.

In reply to the Council's application to have the loan of £3,000

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for Technical School buildings grant on the annuity principle, and the term for repayment extended to 60 years, the Local Government Board wrote pointing out that the statute governing such loans limited the period to 50 years, and enacted that the repayments must be by equal half-yearly instalments. I forwarded a copy of this letter to the Secretary of the Technical School Committee on the 26th August last; but have received no acknowledgment of my letter nor any other communication from him since. The Commissioners of Public Works, to whom I also sent the Council's application—although the matter is not yet before them—wrote later on to the same effect, as the Local Government Board had done.—Yours faithfully,

E. N. WYNNE, Secretary.

Order—Approved.

Proposed by Councillor D. J. Cogan, seconded by Councillor E. C. Walsh. Resolved—"That application to the Local Government Board be now made by our Secretary for the completion of the loan of £3,000—required for the erection of Technical Schools in Arklow and Baltinglass on the terms of their letter No. 43,480/12, dated 22nd August, 1912, read at this day's meeting, and that the sums necessary to pay the annual sinking fund and interest shall be deducted from the sums agreed to be paid by this Council to the Joint Technical Education Committee until such loan is repaid. That when the sanction to the loan is obtained, the seal of this Council shall be affixed to the leases." Passed.

Proposed by Councillor J. McCarroll, seconded by Councillor Jas. Byrne. Resolved—"That this Council wish to place on record their strong disapprobation of the action of the Road Board in connection with their treatment of the County Wicklow. With a view to remedy this unjust treatment we appoint the following deputation to wait on the Road Board at the earliest date that can be arranged:—Edward P. O'Kelly, Esq., M.P., Chairman of the County Council; D. J. Cogan, Esq., Chairman of the Finance Committee; P. J. Carey, Esq., J.P., Chairman, Rathdrum District Council; S. G. Gallagher, Esq., B.E., County Surveyor; Edward N. Wynne, Esq., J.P., Secretary to the County Council; Captain Donelan, M.P., to be asked to accompany the deputation." Passed.

## SECRETARY'S REPORT

To the County Council, for the Meeting of 18th November, 1912.

Gentlemen,—

Since you formulated the Scheme proposed to provide Sanatorium Treatment for tuberculous patients in this County, Dr. Donoghoe visited the County Insurance Committee, by direction of and representing the National Insurance Commissioners, and gave certain information in connection with duties and requirements of the Committee, in order to deal with Tuberculosis, and (stating that the Scheme, as formulated by this Council, was quite inadequate and financially unworkable) submitted an amended Scheme for dealing in a small way with this disease.

In consequence of the information given by him, a number of Councillors sent a requisition to your Chairman to have a meeting sum-

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moned to enable the financial basis of the proposed Scheme to be reconsidered and the resolutions approving of the same rescinded.

The approaching Quarterly Meeting being so near, I have been directed to place the question on the agenda for it, and to submit a report on the whole question.

You may remember the following was the financial basis of the Sanatorium Scheme as proposed by the Council :—

## EXPENDITURE.

1 Tuberculosis Officer—Salary, including travelling expenses (starting at) ... ..	£500
1 Permanent Nurse, rations, &c. ... ..	100
Contribution of £20 each to 4 Jubilee Nurses ... ..	80
10 Beds in Newcastle Sanatorium ... ..	545
Rents, Taxes, and Medicines of Dispensaries ... ..	100
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	£1325

## RECEIPTS.

Estimated produce of 1s. 3d. per annum per insured person ... ..	£750
A Rate of One Farthing in £1 on the County ... ..	302
An equal sum contributed by the Treasury ... ..	302
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	£1354

But the foregoing makes no provision whatever for the cost of Home treatment of incipient cases, or Hospice treatment for advanced cases, or for the £100 suggested increment to Tuberculosis Officer's salary, or travelling expenses of patients, extra beds in the Sanatorium, or any extras.

This finance Dr. Donoghoe declared to be useless, and asked me to submit the following Scheme, based on a rate of  $\frac{1}{2}$ d. in £1 as a very minimum, but allowed it would only make a beginning, and that a rate of at least double the amount he has taken would be required to be at all effective.

After giving Valuation, Population, &c., of the County, his Scheme goes on :—

Under Section 17 of the National Insurance Act, the Insurance Committee may extend Sanatorium benefit to the dependents of insured persons, and may pay the additional cost out of the funds at their disposal, if they are sufficient to pay for the cost of the treatment of this Class in addition to the insured persons. If, however, it is estimated that a deficiency will arise, half the deficit may be borne by the Treasury and half by the County Council. The Chancellor of the Exchequer has also promised to defray half of the cost of treating persons who are neither insured persons nor the dependents of insured persons.

Such treatment may be :—

- In a Sanatorium.
- In a Hospital, County Infirmary, or Cottage Hospital.
- In an Institution or Home for advanced cases.
- In the Tuberculous Dispensary and in the patients' homes.

It must be clearly understood that more than half the cases will receive treatment, either in the Tuberculosis Dispensary, or in their own homes.

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Many cases will be entitled to treatment under the Medical Charities Act by the Dispensary Medical Officer. Others will be able to contribute something towards the cost of their treatment, and some will be able to defray the entire cost.

## MAINTENANCE AND OTHER CHARGES.

1 Tuberculosis Officer's Salary and Travelling Expenses ... ..	£500
1 Principal Nurse ... ..	100
Contributions to 4 District Nurses—£20 ... ..	80
Rent of Dispensary, Drugs, &c. ... ..	80
12 Beds in Sanatorium, at £54 10s., will treat 48 patients ... ..	654
8 Beds in General Hospital will treat about 200 patients ... ..	100
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	£1514

Leaving available the sum of £453 for Domiciliary treatment, treatment of advanced cases in special Institutions, the provision of shelters and travelling expenses of patients, or the provision of additional beds in a Sanatorium ... ..	453
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	£1967

## FINANCE OF SCHEME.

Contributions from Insurance Committee, about ... ..	£759
Balance will be met in equal parts by Treasury and County Council ... ..	1208
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	£1967

This new Scheme, you see, proposes to increase the County Council Rate to be levied to  $\frac{1}{2}$ d. in the £1.

According to it, a maximum of 48 persons could get Sanatorium benefit in the year, and 200 more be treated in the Central Dispensary, or, say, 250 cases in all.

There would then remain £453 to cover every other case—at home—in advanced cases, Hospice—travelling and all other expenses.

Now, the following figures will show that this would be totally inadequate for the purpose :—

When I asked Dr. Donoghoe how the Insurance Commissioners estimated the probable number of cases of Tuberculosis that might require treatment in the County Wicklow, he desired me to take down these figures, which he read out from a Schedule :—

“ Number of deaths from tuberculosis in the County Wicklow during the year 1911=223. The Registrar-General states that for every death there remain 10 further persons suffering from this disease. But, as Sir Chas. Cameron says that this is too high a figure, and that it is nearer 1 to 5, the Commissioners take the estimate at 1 to 8.”

This gives 1,784 as the number of cases to be treated in the County.

Dr. Donoghoe further gave the Insurance Committee the figure £1 as the payment they would have make to Medical Practitioners (other than the Tuberculosis Officer) for each 4-week home treatment of incipient cases, and I take it we may put down a further £1 to represent mainten-

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ance for the same period, or, say, £4 for only 8 weeks' treatment in the year of each such case.

Now, to treat only one-half of the 1,784 cases, we would get the following as the costs of treating 900 cases:—

According to Dr. Donoghoe's Scheme—Salaries, Beds, in Sanatorium, Rents, Taxes, &c., and treatment for 250 cases	...	...	£1514
Proposed Increment to Tuberculosis Officer's Salary	...	...	100
Say, 50 advanced cases in Hospices, at 21s. a week	...	...	2730
Deducting these 300 cases from the above 900, leaves 600 cases, at £4 a year, for Home Treatment	...	...	2400
Travelling Expenses for Patients, Disinfecting, &c.	...	...	50
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			£6794
Deduct the 1s. 3d. per insured person	...	...	750
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Balance to be made up	...	...	£6044
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Rate of 2½d. in the £1 on whole County	...	...	£8020
Treasury Contribution	..	...	3020
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			£6040
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In the foregoing estimate I have taken what appears to me, as a layman, the very lowest amount of treatment to be any practical value. But, to be quite well within the mark, I have only taken one-half the estimated number of cases into account.

I see the County Wexford and other Counties which we were told had adopted similar Schemes, have dropped them, and will await more complete statistics before they will commit themselves to any Scheme.

The County Insurance Committee has now appointed two temporary Tuberculosis Doctors for this County, so that the County Council will have ample time to give this matter full consideration before committing itself to any final Scheme, which latter should have a complete and practical financial basis, after the real number of insured persons has been definitely ascertained.

Yours faithfully,

E. N. WYNNE.

The following Notices of Motion were handed in:—

By Councillor Edward Byrne—"I hereby give notice that I, or some Councillor on my behalf, will, at the next meeting of the Council, move that the resolutions of the County Council of the 8th July and the 5th October, 1912, approving or confirming a Sanatorium Scheme for this county be rescinded."

By Councillor D. J. Cogan—"I hereby give notice that I, or some Councillor for me, will move, if Councillor Edward Byrne's motion is adopted, that the Scheme for the treatment of tuberculosis drafted by Dr. O'Donoghoe be and is hereby adopted."

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## COUNTY SURVEYOR'S REPORT

To Wicklow County Council,

Autumn Quarterly Meeting, 18th November, 1912.

Gentlemen,

None of the contracts submitted to you for approval require special report, except a couple in Rathdown No. 2, as they are all for the usual class of County works. The works in Rathdown No 2 referred to are the repairs of the river walls on the Enniskerry road. These works are proposed to be paid for out of the balance of the loan obtained in 1905.

During the past quarter the contractors have, in general, paid reasonable attention to the roads. The recent measurement of materials in most of the districts has been satisfactory as regards the quantity supplied, but not in respect to the quality of stone and the gauge. Each season it appears more difficult to get the stones broken to the proper size. The drainage of the roads has been, in some districts, fairly well attended to, but in others some slackness has been noted; however, on the whole, there is an improvement. The contractors have been pressed to get the trees and hedges, which in any way prejudice the roads, cut back.

In Shillelagh Rural District an opportunity offers to try, as an experiment, the effect of fixing the freshly spread road metal by a steam roller. As this will not cause any expense to the county, I request that you give me permission to avail of the opportunity.

I note in the daily papers that the Road Board have granted to the County Donegal a free grant of £10,000 and a free loan for five years of £5,000, provided that the County Council of that county contribute the sum raised by a rate of ½d in the £ on the county at large (according to the published valuation of the County this would be less than £700). It will be no harm to recall to your minds that the same Board offered to this County £1,100, provided that the County Wicklow contributed £1,100, or 2¼d in the £, on the restricted area on which it is lawful for you to raise such a sum for the purpose.

No one can deny that, of all the counties in Ireland, no county receives such a weight of motor traffic, and receives so little profit from it in any way, as County Wicklow. I again most respectfully press you to urge your claims to a proper share in the distribution of this money, which was primarily raised for the purpose of compensating road authorities for the extra wear and tear on the roads in their charge from motor traffic and incidentally to enable them, in repairing the damage done, to improve the roads. I may add that Co. Kerry (which, no doubt, receives much of the motor traffic, but which also, by reason of the distance from the large Cities, and the absence of the "between lunch and dinner" tripper, derives considerable profit from it) has received £10,000 from the Road Board, provided £1,000 would be contributed from the other sources. Apparently much of the required £1,000 was contributed by private subscriptions.

The contractors for the following roads have, for all practical purposes, abandoned their contracts:—Rathdrum R.D. No. 30, 1024 p., Ballylusk Road; do., No. 162, 1000 p., The Dark Lane; do., No. 174,

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700 p., The Balisland (Roundwood) Rd.; Baltinglass No. 1, No. 120, 693 perches; No. 11, 829 perches; and No. 86, 1,240 perches.

I have received an application from the agent of Captain Tynte to erect a fence at the Toll House, Baltinglass, the fence to be erected in accordance with the specification, etc., prepared by me when such work was previously proposed. I have also received an application from the R.I.C. authorities in regard to the construction of a drain from the Barracks at Arklow on the County Council's property. There would not appear to be any reason why you should not, if you so desire, grant these favours.

There are four cases where the flow of water from old-established outlets have been obstructed to the prejudice of your roads and the public using them. I request that these cases be submitted to your solicitor for advice as to the procedure, etc., to be adopted in order to cause removal of the obstructions, and maintain the rights to discharge the water from the roads at these places. The circumstances in each case are peculiar, and any proceedings should only be taken under legal advice. Otherwise, in the event of failure to establish your rights or by error in legal procedure, much expense would be caused. For obvious reasons it would be indiscreet to discuss these cases in public.

Certain of the roads leading from Auhgrim to Auhavannagh are now considerably used by motor cars. As these are very narrow, wild mountain roads, and they get much cut up, as this class of traffic was not expected at the time these roads were last up for contract, no provision was made for the extra metal required for such repairs.

The contract entered into last quarter to reconstruct a gullet at Gowle should be cancelled, as it now transpires that the water to be dealt with is controlled by the owners of the land adjoining and cannot be interfered with as proposed.

Some damages have been done to roads by traction engines, and steps should be taken to recover the costs of these damages.

Your obedient Servant,

S. G. GALLAGHER,

County Surveyor.

Orders:—

- Paragraph 4.—See resolution.  
 „ 5.—County Surveyor to take necessary steps and issue ten day notices.  
 „ 6.—Permission granted in both cases  
 „ 7.—See resolution.  
 „ 8.—County Surveyor to deal with this matter at the Rural District Council Meetings.  
 „ 9.—Contract cancelled.—See Form 20, Summer Quarterly Meeting, 1912.  
 „ 10.—Steps to be taken to recover cost.

Proposed by Councillor J. Byrne, seconded by Councillor J. J. Reilly. Resolved—“That we authorise the County Surveyor to place the questions regarding the flow of water from old-established gullets, etc.—referred to in his Report—into the hands of our Solicitor, who may obtain Counsel's opinion if he thinks it necessary.” Passed.

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## ANALYST'S REPORT.

City Laboratory, 17 Castle Street, Dublin, 5th November, 1912. Report of Sir Charles Cameron, C.B., M.D., Public Analyst for the County Wicklow, on articles submitted to him for analysis during the quarter ended 30th September, 1912. 33 articles were received from the Food Inspectors, R.I.C., as follows:—Article—Butter, 17; whiskey, 7; cheese, 4; milk, 3; buttermilk, 2; margarine, 1; total, 34. They were all pure.

For the Guardians of Rathdrum Union eighteen drugs, ten specimens of milk, two of butter, one whiskey were analysed and were correct. One specimen of water analysed for Rathdrum Rural District Council had the following composition. One imperial gallon contained in grains:—

Total solid matter	...	...	...	4.900
Including—				
Albuminoid ammonia	...	...	...	0.012
Saline ammonia	...	...	...	0.007
Nitric acid	...	...	...	Trace
Chlorine	...	...	...	0.790
Colour...	...	...	...	Light yellow

Fairly good water.

For the Guardians of Shillelagh Union six drugs were analysed and were correct. One specimen of water analysed for Shillelagh Rural District Council had the following composition. One imperial gallon contained in grains:—

Total solid matter	...	...	...	3.850
Including—				
Albuminoid ammonia	...	...	...	0.015
Saline ammonia	...	...	...	0.017
Nitric acid	...	...	...	Trace
Chlorine	...	...	...	1.090
Colour	...	...	...	Yellow

A rather inferior water.

For the Guardians of Baltinglass Union six drugs were analysed and were correct.

There were four specimens of butter analysed by directions from the Department of Agriculture and Technical Instruction for Ireland, Upper Merrion Street, Dublin, which were taken up in the County Wicklow, and were pure.

One specimen of water analysed for F. Brooke, Esq., Shillelagh, had the following composition. One imperial gallon contained in grains:—

Total solid matter	...	...	...	93.800
Including—				
Albuminoid ammonia	...	...	...	0.0065
Saline ammonia	...	...	...	0.003
Nitric acid	...	...	...	26.35
Chlorine	...	...	...	7.45
Colour	...	...	...	Almost colourless

A rather unsatisfactory water.

For Mr. Patrick Doyle, Clash, Rathdrum, one specimen of medicine was examined.



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One specimen of water analysed for O'Brien Hickson, Esq., Greystones, had the following composition. One imperial gallon contained in grains:—

Total solid matter ... ..	6.300
Including—	
Albuminoid ammonia ... ..	0.015
Saline ammonia ... ..	0.025
Nitric acid ... ..	Trace
Chlorine ... ..	1.390
Colour ... ..	Yellow

An inferior water.

For the Dublin and Wicklow Manure Company, Wicklow, one fertilizer was analysed.

For Naas Union, which is partly situated in the County Wicklow, thirty drugs were analysed. Two were incorrect.

For the Richmond District Lunatic Asylum two specimens of soap, one of cocoa, and one of butter were analysed and were pure.

In the original reports on the waters above referred to full details, chemical and microscopical, were given, but in the foregoing only the important points are given.

Total analyses, 121.

CHARLES A. CAMERON.

Proposed by Councillor J. McCarroll, seconded by Councillor Wm. Byrne. Resolved—"That, in deference to the wishes of all interested in Primary Education in Ireland, we call for the resignation of Dr. Starkie, the Resident Commissioner of National Education, and the reconstruction of the National Board, under whose auspices a sum of £94,715 4s 5d was returned to the Treasury in the last ten years, to the great loss of the National Teachers, and to the impoverishment of National Education. That we call for the reinstatement of Mr. Mansfield, who, judging from the Press and public opinion, has been so cruelly and unjustly deprived of his situation. Copies of this resolution to be sent to Mr. John E. Redmond, Mr. Birrell, the Chief Secretary; Mr. John Dillon, and the Central Association of the National Teachers' Organization." Passed.

## OFFICIAL CORRESPONDENCE.

The following letters were submitted and read:—

No. 42386/1912; Wicklow County. Local Government Board, Dublin, 12th August, 1912—Enclosing copy of a letter from Mr. James Kenny—and the Board's reply—complaining of the non-acceptance of his tender for a road, by the Rathdrum Rural District Council.

No. 43480/1912; Wicklow County. Local Government Board, Dublin, 22nd August, 1912—Stating that the Public Health (Ireland) Act prevents the Loan for Technical Schools being issued for longer than 50 years, and repayments must be by equal instalments.

No. 45794/1912; Wicklow County. Local Government Board, Dublin, 29th August, 1912—Enclosing Auditor's Report on his Audit of the Accounts of the County Council for the half-year ended 31st March, 1912.

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No. 47208/1912; Wicklow County. Local Government Board, Dublin, 13th September, 1912—Approving, in the special circumstances of the case, of the payment of £31 11s. 10d. to Mr G W Tully, in respect of his printing contract.

No. 39834/1912. Local Government Board, Dublin, 16th September, 1912—Sealed Order, fixing Newcastle Dispensary District as the area of charge for water supply at Newtown-Mount-Kennedy.

No. 47944/1912; Wicklow County. Local Government Board, Dublin, 17th September, 1912—Extending the time within which the Council may pay a sum of £2 11s. 0d. for maintenance of a patient in Waterford Inebriate Reformatory.

No. 39421/1912; Miscellaneous. Local Government Board, Dublin, 20th September, 1912—Enclosing Statement from Postmaster-General, showing the value of the Motor Licence Duties levied by each County and Borough Council in Ireland for the year ended 31st March, 1912.

No. 46321/1912; Wicklow County. Local Government Board, Dublin, 23rd September, 1912—Enclosing Sealed Orders remitting the surcharge of £15 made by the Auditor, at his audit of the Council's accounts for the half-year ended 31st March, 1912.

No. 34335/1911; Miscellaneous. Local Government Board, Dublin, 10th October, 1912—Enclosing an Order in Council amending the Motor Car (International Circulation) Order, 1910, so as to abolish fees payable on the registration of foreign motor cars and cycles visiting this country.

Copies of Sealed Orders received from the Department of Agriculture and Technical Instruction for Ireland, Dublin, were submitted as follows:—

No. 134—Foot and Mouth (Infected Places) Order (No. 4), (dated 15th August, 1912.) No. 139—Mid-Leinster (Foot and Mouth Disease) Order of 1912 (No. 5), (dated 19th August, 1912.) No. 144—Mid-Leinster (Foot and Mouth Disease) Order of 1912 (No. 6), (dated 28th August, 1912.) No. 151—Mid-Leinster (Foot and Mouth Disease) Order of 1912 (No. 7), (dated 2nd September, 1912.) No. 154—Mid-Leinster (Foot and Mouth Disease) Order of 1912 (No. 9), (dated 6th September, 1912.) No. 155—Foot and Mouth (Infected Places) Order (No. 12), (dated 6th September, 1912.) No. 157—Mid-Leinster and District (Foot and Mouth Disease) Order of 1912 (No. 10), dated 16th September, 1912.) No. 163—Foot and Mouth Disease (Movement of Hay and Straw) Order of 1912 (No. 10) (dated 18th September, 1912.) No. 171—Foot and Mouth (Infected Places) Order (No. 17), (dated 3rd October, 1912.) No. 181—Mid-Leinster (Foot and Mouth Disease) Order of 1912 (No. 13), (dated 22nd October, 1912.) No. 190—Mid-Leinster (Foot and Mouth Disease) Order of 1912 (No. 15), (dated 28th October, 1912.) No. 192—Mid-Leinster (Foot and Mouth Disease) Order of 1912 (No. 16), (dated 1st November, 1912.) No. 199—Mid-Leinster (Foot and Mouth Disease) Order of 1912 (No. 17).

From Department of Agriculture—Abstracts (in book form) showing the acreage under crops, and the numbers and descriptions of live stock in each county and province, 1911-12.

No. 8418/1912. National Health Insurance Commission, Dublin,

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17th August, 1912—In reply to the Council's resolution of the 13th inst., stating that the Commissioners can take no further action in the matter.

No. 95 M/1912; Miscellaneous. National Health Insurance Commission, Dublin, 23rd October, 1912—Circular letter asking as to the present condition of any Scheme promoted by the Council for the treatment of tuberculosis, in pursuance of the Tuberculosis Prevention (Ireland) Act, 1908.

12th November, 1912. From the Secretary, Wicklow County Insurance Committee, Kilmuaen, Newtown-Mount-Kennedy—Resolution enclosing, for the County Council's approval, a Permanent Scheme of Sanatorium Benefit, as suggested by the Insurance Commissioners, and adopted and recommended by his Committee.

No. 13270/1912. Office of Public Works, Dublin, 19th September, 1912—Stating that the maximum period of 50 years for Loans for Erection of Technical Schools is fixed by Statute, and that payments must be made by half-yearly instalments of principal, and not on the annuity system.

Dublin Castle, 28th October, 1912—Enclosing copy of The Leinster Winter Assize Order, 1912.

B. O./17-9-'12. Office of National Education, Dublin, 19th September, 1912—Form C.O. 761, showing the full School Attendance Committee for Rathdown No. 2 Rural District for the period of three years from 1st October, 1912, as approved by the Commissioners.

Proposed by Councillor John Murphy, seconded by Councillor Morgan Travers. Resolved—"That, Mr. Kinlen having refused to act, I propose John Maguire, Delgany, be appointed in Mr P. J. Kinlen's place on No. 2 Rathdown School Attendance Committee." Passed.

No. 935. Office of National Education, Dublin, 24th October, 1912—Asking the Council to furnish particulars as to the persons appointed to represent the Council on Naas No. 2 Rural District School Attendance Committee for the three years commencing 1st January, 1913.

Fiftieth Report of the Chief Inspector appointed to visit the Reformatory and Industrial Schools of Ireland, for the year ended 31st December, 1911.

22nd October, 1912. From the Clerk, Rathdown No. 2 Rural District Council—Stating that his Council intended to make application to the Local Government Board for permission to repair certain damages to the Enniskerry road, caused by floods in August last, out of the unexpended balance of the loan of £3,500 granted to the County Council in 1906, and asking the amount of this unexpended balance.

Order—Permission to use the balance of the loan granted.

8th October, 1912. From the Registrar, University College, Dublin—Enclosing the marks obtained by the three candidates who presented themselves for examination for County Council Scholarships.

November, 1912. From Secretary, Irish County Councils' General Council, 10 Leinster Street, Dublin—Asking particulars of any matters intended to be brought before the Annual Meeting of the General Council, on Friday, the 6th December, 1912.

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November, 1912. From Same—Enclosing Report of the Standing Committee on Legislation, on the conditions attached to the proposed Scheme for Scholarships tenable at Intermediate Schools by boys and girls from Primary Schools, to be held in connection with Scholarships at Irish Universities.

4th October, 1912. From Dr. Denis P. Kenna, J.P., Baltinglass, Coroner for West Wicklow—Appointing Dr. Francis J. Cruise, J.P., of Baltinglass, to be his Deputy Coroner for West Wicklow (8 Edw. 7, cap. 37, sec. 1).

19th August, 1912. From Clerk, Bray Urban District Council—Resolution requesting the Council to make an Order limiting the speed of all cars to eight miles within the Urban District of Bray.

Order—Secretary directed to reply that the Council has no power to deal with the matter.

29th August, 1912. From J. Hubert Grogan, Slaney Park, Baltinglass—Thanking the Council for their courtesy in granting him permission to raise his demesne boundary wall.

27th September, 1912. From Secretary, County Wicklow Committee of Agriculture—Enclosing a letter from Rev. P. B. Johnson, Wicklow, asking how it comes that the Noxious Weeds Act does not appear to be enforced in this County.

11th October, 1912. From County Inspector, R.I.C., Wicklow—Asking to have Sergeant Patrick Gormanly, Arklow, appointed an Inspector of Food and Drugs, in room of Sergeant Buckley, transferred to County Waterford.

Proposed by Councillor E. Byrne, seconded by Councillor M. Langton. Resolved—"That Sergeant Patrick Gormanly, R.I.C., Arklow, be hereby appointed an Inspector under the Food and Drugs Acts." Passed.

5th November, 1912. From Same—Asking to have Acting Sergeant Joseph Glynn, Wicklow, appointed an Inspector of Food and Drugs, in room of Sergeant John O'Leary, promoted to be Head-Constable, and transferred to Co. Donegal.

Proposed by Councillor E. Byrne, seconded by Councillor M. Langton. Resolved—"That Acting-Sergeant Joseph Glynn, R.I.C., Wicklow, be hereby appointed an Inspector under the Food and Drugs Acts." Passed.

26th October, 1912. From J. H. McCarroll, Solicitor, Wicklow—Advising, under the peculiar circumstances of the case, the Council to enter an appeal against the decision of the County Court Judge at Tullow, awarding £40 in the Kealy alleged malicious injury case, £10 of which was directed to be levied off County Wicklow.

Submitted.

30th October, 1912. From Same—Enclosing copy of a letter from counsel, advising an appeal against the decision in the Kealy malicious injury case.

Submitted.

25th October, 1912. From Browne and Maunsell, Solicitors, 40 Westland Row, Dublin—Threatening legal proceedings with regard to the stoppage of a drain through the property of Mr. W. Q. Fitzgerald, Glenowen, Delgany, which appears to have been designed for carrying off the surface water from the high road.

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August, 1912. From Managing Director, The Irish Industrial Journal, 63 Middle Abbey Street, Dublin—Asking the Council to pass a resolution undertaking to place all future advertisements in his journal, as the public organ of the Irish Industrial Revival Movement.

October, 1912. From Secretary, Irish Society of Arts and Commerce, 4 Lower O'Connell Street, Dublin—Drawing the Council's attention to the Examinations held annually under the auspices of the Society.

## RESOLUTIONS FROM VARIOUS BODIES.

16th August, 1912. From Limerick County Council—Resolution protesting against the appointment of an English Official to the Secretaryship of the Post Office in Ireland.

22nd August, 1912. From Dublin County Council—Resolution stating that the appointment of an English Official to the Secretaryship of the Post Office in Ireland would be strongly resented in Ireland.

8th October, 1912. From County Tipperary, S.R., County Council—Resolution protesting against the regulations referring to the feeding of troops in Ireland, by which it is compulsory to issue frozen meat on three days of the week.

Order—Approved.

22nd October, 1912. From Limerick County Council—Resolution condemning the tyrannical action of the Commissioners of National Education, in dismissing the Vice-President of the Teachers' Association, Mr. E. Mansfield.

25th October, 1912. From the Board of Guardians of South Dublin Union—Resolution stating that the Criminal Law Amendment Act, now before Parliament, should apply to Ireland, and that Clause I. of the Bill should be passed in its original form.

27th October, 1912. From the Secretary, Kerry County Council—Relative to the Deductions from County Council Grants (Local Taxation Account), and Land Purchase Leases.

Order—Adopted.