Read letter from Mr James O'Connor W.S. acknowledging receipt of resolutions and stating that Town Commissioners may rest assured that the different subjects will have his most careful attention"—

Read letter from Asst Secr's Catholic University Education acknowledging receipt of resolution"—

Read letter from County Inspector Williamson stating that Sergeant John O'Leary of Wicklow Station had been selected for Town Commissioners appointment as Inspector under Esoplosives Act for Township of Wicklow

Read letter from Post Master General with regard to letter receivers in Convent Wall and Wentworth Place;

Read letter from Colonel Clutterbuck stating that the Secretary of State for War had decided that no water Agreement is necessary;

Resolved "That we await their application for hire of Murrough the question of supply of water to Artillery Barracks to be included in Agreement for Murrough;

Seven Reports from the Medical Officer of Health were referred to the Managing Committee also List Sanitary Offices and Caretakers Reports.

Proposed by Patrick Padin, seconded by Peter O'Brien and resolved "That Denis Briens Tender of £3. 15/- for cleaning streets and catch pits month of February be accepted on the usual conditions";

Tho Darcy Chairman
March 7th 1898

Town Hall. Wicklow
23rd February 1898

A special meeting of the Town Commissioners was held this Evening in pursuance to a requisition signed by Messrs John Neill, Patrick Padin, Peter O'Brien, Robert Lees, John Shaw, Frank McPhail and Gerald Byrne

To reconsider Tenders for improvements on Murrough Mr Thomas Doyle having failed to obtain Security and withdrawn his tender;—

To consider Mr. Thomas Little's terms for supervision and Engineering duties in connection with the building of Cross roads cottages;—

Members present Mr Thomas D'arcy Chairman Messrs Peter O'Brien, John Shaw, John Neill, Frank McPhail, Edward Gleeson and David Haskins;

Messrs Edward Gleeson and David Haskins took the usual declaration after which the business was proceeded with;—

Proposed by John Neill, seconded by Frank McPhail and resolved; "That "Mr Edward Rylands tender for improvements on Murrough be accepted "at £55, he to enter into a bond in his personal security for amount "of the Contract and sign an agreement as to the work to be carried out "Same to be done to the satisfaction of the Managing Committee, work "to be completed within two months."—

Rathdrum 22nd Feb 1898

Dear Sir,

In reply to yours of the 18th Inst I will undertake the entire supervision as far as visiting the cottages continually during course of Construction for the Sum of £25, this to include all professional fees, but not preparation of plans, specification, or Estimates which you state are already prepared—

Faithfully Yours
Thomas Little

F. W. McPhail

Proposed by Frank McPhail, seconded by David H. Haskins and resolved "That "Mr Thomas Little architect be engaged to superintend the Erection of twelve or "Eighteen cottages, as the case may be, at Convent Road at a sum of 28/- per "cottage, said fees to be paid at the option of the Managing Committee."—

Tho Darcy Chairman
March 7th 1898

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Town Hall Wicklow
7th March 1898

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

Members present Mr Thomas D'arcy Chairman Messrs Edward N. Wynne, Patrick Padin, Edward Gleeson, Robert Lees, Peter O'Brien, John Shaw, Nicholas H. Haskins, Alexander Flynn, David H. Haskins, Mark Byrne, Thomas Kavanagh and Peter Doolittle:—

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

No 1 — To consider Finance Committee's Report:
2 — To consider Managing Committees Report:
3 — Mr Haskins "Notice of Motion" That the resolution appointing the Town Clerk as Registrar of Stock, be rescinded, at a Salary of £50 per annum"
4 — Mr Robert Lees "Notice of Motion" That I will at the next monthly Meeting of the Town Board, move that the resolution authorising the Gas Company to put up ten lamps in Brickfield Lane be rescinded":—
5 — Mr Darcy's Notice of Motion — "That, pursuant to offer of Messrs Guinness Mahon & Co 17 College Green, Dublin, as per their letters dated 23rd December 1897 and 24th December 1897, to give 102 per cent, for all allotments of the Wicklow Town 3½ per cent Redeemable Debenture Stock to themselves or their nominee, and in exercise of the powers of Local Government Board Consent Order, No 42.247 and resolutions of Wicklow Town Commissioners of 16th December 1897, 3rd day of January, 1898, and 18th day of January, 1898, creating £20.500 Wicklow Town 3½ per cent, Redeemable Stock, we hereby Allot to nominees of Messrs Guinness Mahon & Co, Llewellyn Charles Wynne Esq £200, and Madame Sophie Niaudet £490 of said Stock, at £102 per cent, that is to say £102 for every nominal amount of £100 Stock, and authorize the Registrar to issue Sealed Certificates for same, proceeds to be placed to credit of Wicklow Town Stock Capital Account"—
6 — To consider Tenders for the erection of Cross-road Cottages":
7 — To consider Auditors Report":

8 — To consider letter from Local Government Board relating to the Sanitary condition of Wicklow Urban Sanitary District"
9 — To consider application for Hire of Murragh for training Wicklow and Dublin Artillery Militias."
10 — To consider Sanitary Officers Reports."
11 — To consider Waterworks Caretakers Report".
12 — To consider Miscellaneous Correspondence".
13 — To consider Tender for cleaning streets."

Town Hall Wicklow
4th March 1898

Your Finance Committee met this Evening and checked over accounts, books, and Vouchers and found that during the past month there was lodged to your credit the following sums:—

Mr William Desaix	Agent	£5 . 11 . 4
" Francis W MacNeill	Town Clerk	1 . 6 . 1
" Michael Doyle	Water Rate	2 . 10 . 0
	Total	£9 . 7 . 5

Giving a Cr Balance of £20 . 8 . 9

We recommend the following payments

Francis. W. MacNeill	One months Salary	£5 . 0 . 0
Same	Petty Cash Outlay	4 . 9 . 3
William Desaix	5 per cent on Collection of £1287 . 13 . 4d Rents and stamps	65 . 17 . 8
Michael Doyle	One months Salary	4 . 11 . 8
Edward Connor	ditto	5 . 0 . 0
Denis Brien	Cleaning Streets month of Feb	3 . 15 . 0
Thomas Douglas	Income Tax	25 . 8 . 8
Samuel E. Pim	Amt of Agreement for building Gable of Mrs Newmans house	7 . 0 . 0
Messrs Ham & Baker	Balance of Account for Water Meters	32 . 10 . 0
	Total	£153 . 12 . 3

Having recommended the above payments you will find a debit balance against the Commissioners of £133 . 3 . 6, however on the Stock Capital Account you will find a Credit balance of more than will

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cover our debit balance on the general account:

With regard to your Stock Capital account we find a credit balance of £532.11.5 this sum together with an allotment to be made on Monday will increase our credit balance to £736.11.5.— We recommend that a cheque be drawn for the sum of £600 to be lodged on deposit until such times as we may require the money to pay the Contractor for the Cross Roads Cottages:— In accordance with the Board of Works letter of the 12th January 1898 cheques were drawn at our last monthly meeting to the amount of £5585.18.1 to pay off principal, interest and premium on repayment of Loans to Board of Public Works to the 16th February 1898, and on the 11th February 1898 a further letter was received enclosing a receivable order for the sum of £5567.13.1:— we directed your Town Clerk to forward the cheques and to request a refund of £18.5/- the difference between the cheques drawn and the amount now claimed—

The Board of Works accordingly forwarded the amount and same has now been lodged to credit of your Stock Capital account:

Signed Thomas D'arcy Chairman
John Neill

Proposed by Peter O'Brien, seconded by Mark Byrne and resolved:" That our Finance Committees Report be confirmed and adopted and that £1000 be lodged on deposit instead of £600, a further ~~a further~~ application for an allotment of £490 having come in since our Finance Meeting"

Town Hall Wicklow
18th February 1898

Your Managing Committee met this Evening and having considered your Medical Officer of Healths Report with regard to the urinal on South Quay have given directions to your Town Clerk to obtain prices for the carrying out of the recommendations contained in our report dated 17th June 1897:

The Commissioners have had the various Subjects contained in the Medical Officers Report of 7th February 1898 before them and have already made arrangements to meet his Suggestions so soon as the funds at the disposal of the Commissioners will be sufficient to meet the several Expenses:

We have given directions to have notices served on the owners or occupiers of the following premises in accordance with Medical Officer of Healths Report

Messrs William Devlin, Patrick Kavanagh, Joseph A Mulhall, Michael Nolan, and Eliza Doyle:

With regard to the Sub Sanitary Officers Report we recommend that the main drain in Summer Hill be completed:

We have drawn up and sent for publication advertisements for Tenders for building Cross Roads Cottages to be laid before your Board at next meeting:

Thomas D'arcy Chairman
Edward N. Wynne
Mark Byrne
Peter O'Brien
Frank McPhail

Proposed by Edward N Wynne, seconded by Robert Lees and resolved "That the Report of the Managing Committee be adopted as soon as we have funds to have same carried out:—"

Monday 28th February 1898

At the request of the Secretary of the Gas Company your Managing Committee was summoned for this Evening to visit the Brickfield Lane Messrs D'arcy McPhail and Lees attended, together with Mr Kennedy and the Gas Manager.

A telegram was read from Mr Wynne with regard to the number and positions in which he considered the Gas lamps ought to be erected and after carefully considering the matter your Committee have fixed the number at 7 and the positions as follows

No 1 To be Erected at right hand side of road opposite the centre of Mr James McPhails new houses a distance of 91 yards from the lamp post at entrance to Lane:—

2— Left hand side of road and at a distance of 90 yds from first lamp post:

3— Right hand side of road nearly at Mr Kerr's gate and at a distance of 88 yds from Second lamp post:

4— Left hand side 80 yds from third post.

5— Left hand side 86 yds from fourth post.

6— Left hand side 90 yds from fifth post.

7— Left Hand side 85 yds from sixth post and at railway side of culvert.

The above arrangements are subject to the Managing Committees Report of the 30th August 1897 being rescinded on Monday next 7th

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March 1898 ;

Signed Thomas D'arcy Chairman
Frank McPhail

My opinion that five lamps would be sufficient. Robert Lees ;

Proposed by Edward A. Wynne, seconded by Peter O'Brien and resolved:" That for the present we erect six lamps in the Brickfield Lane one ~~north~~ near new houses north gate one half way to Mr. Kerr's gate, one at Kerr's gate, one half way to the sharp corner towards railway road, one at the sharp bend and one just beyond fullet

17 College Green Dublin
11th February 1898

Dear Sir,

Please allot £200 of the Stock remaining to our order to the name of Llewellyn Charles Wynne c/o Messrs Guinness Mahon & Co of 17 College Green Dublin, Esquire, sending us allotment-letter, on receipt of which we shall forward you cheque

Yours faithfully,
Guinness Mahon & Co

Town Clerk
Town Hall Wicklow.

17 College Green Dublin
4th March 1898

Dear Sir,

We have your letter of 3rd ; Mr Wynne's address is care Guinness Mahon & Co 17 College Green Dublin ;

Please allot £490 to

Madame Sophie Niaudet
260 Boulevard St Germain
Paris

We shall send you a cheque for this and Mr Wynne's allotment on hearing from you that allotments have been made.

In any allotments held back at our request, we understand that interest only runs from date of allotment

Yours faithfully,

Guinness Mahon & Co

Town Clerk
Wicklow.

Wicklow Town 3½% Redeemable Debenture Stock

Notice of Motion handed in by Mr Thomas D'arcy

Proposed by Thomas D'arcy.
Seconded by Peter O'Brien.

Resolved; " That pursuant to offer of Messrs Guinness Mahon & Co, 17 "College Green, Dublin, as per their letters dated 23rd December "1897, and 24th December 1897, to give £102 per cent, for all "allotments of the Wicklow Town 3½ per cent Redeemable Debenture "Stock to themselves or their nominee, and in Exercise of the "powers of Local Government Board Consent Order No 42. 247, "and resolutions of Wicklow Town Commissioners of 16th day of "December, 1897, 3rd day of January 1898 and 18th day of January "1898, creating £20.500 Wicklow Town 3½% per cent Redeemable "Stock, we hereby allot to nominees of Messrs Guinness Mahon & Co "Llewellyn Charles Wynne Esq £200 and Madame Sophie "Niaudet, 260 Boulevard St Germain, Paris, £490 of said "Stock, at £102 per cent, that is to say £102 for every nominal "amount of £100 Stock, and authorise the Registrar to issue "Sealed certificates for same, proceeds to be placed to credit of "Wicklow Town Stock Capital Account" ; —

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Two tenders were received for Building of Cross Roads Cottages Messrs John Flynn and Joseph Pine

Copy of Mr Flynn's Tender
Wicklow 7th March 1898

To the Chairman & Town Commissioners
Gentlemen,

I propose to build 18 or 12 Cottages on the Cross Roads as per Advertisement in the papers to complete them all in accordance with plan and specification and to the satisfaction of the Engineer finding all materials and labour and to find security as required for the sum of £98 " 10/= per house — Should my Tender be accepted I would require an Extension of time as the six months allowed is too short." —

John Flynn

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Steam Saw Mills Wicklow
7th March 1898

To the Chairman & Town Commissioners

Gentlemen,

In response to your Advertisement inviting tenders for the erection of Eighteen Artisans Dwellings at Convent Road according to your plan and specification I shall have much pleasure in completing the work for ninety three pounds each house: I offer the following as my Securities Alexander Keene Esq J.P. Castle Grange and Henry Shepard Esq Oatlands: The following is a schedule of prices: —

Excavation 1/= per yard, Dry work foundation 8/6 yd, Rubble Masonary 10/6 yd, Brickwork 17/6 do, Concrete 7/6 do, Plaster walls 9/= Sq yard, Latto & plaster 1/4 do, Cement plaster 1/6, Roofing complete 50/= Sqr 10 × 10, Flooring 20/= do, Painting 3 coats paint 9/= Sq yd, Doors 1/= per Sq foot, Windows 1/6 do.

Trusting you will give my tender your favorable consideration

I am Gentlemen
Yours faithfully
Joseph Pim

Proposed by Peter O'Brien, Seconded by Edward. N. Wynne and resolved "That we accept Mr. Pims tender for erecting the Cross Roads Cottages or so many as may be directed at £93 per Cottage upon the terms of his bond being approved of by the Commissioners." —

Albany Lodge Monkstown
18th February 1898

Gentlemen,

I have the honour to report that I have audited the Accounts of the Wicklow Town Commissioners for the year ended 31st December last, a certified abstract of which I now forward herewith.

The accounts were presented for audit in a satisfactory manner and were well kept. The collection of rents from the Town Estate was on the whole well maintained, there are however some instances which I pointed out to the Agent, in respect of which it will be necessary that stringent measures be adopted to compel payment. The manner in which the Water Rates and Rents have been collected deserves commendation.

A Ratepayer Mr Fanning, attended the audit and objected to the

allowance of the expenses of the School attendance Committee, I however overruled his objection and at his request assigned my reasons for allowing the expenditure, in accordance with statutory requirements

I have the honour to be Gentlemen
Your Obd Servant
James W. Drury. Auditor.

To the Local government Board
Dublin

Mr Drury directed that a certified copy of the abstract enclosed be published in some newspaper circulating locally

Proposed by Patrick Padin, seconded by Peter O'Brien and resolved; "That our Agent take no legal proceedings against Tenants who owe "only ½ years rent in the cases now reported by Mr Drury; should our "Agent consider that rent was in danger of being lost our Agent then "shall use his own discretion." — Mr Wynne dissented on the grounds of Mr Drury's Statement at the audit;

Local government Board
Dublin 17th February 1898

Sir,

The Local government Board for Ireland have received the Report of their Medical Inspector, Dr Stafford, relating to the Sanitary condition of the Wicklow Urban Sanitary District, an extract from which is Enclosed; and the Board trust that the matter therein referred to will receive the attention of the Sanitary Authority.

I am Sir etc
H. M. Swaine; acting Secretary;

Extract from Dr Staffords Report, dated 20th January 1898

The sewers of Wicklow Town require a thorough overhaul by a competent Sanitary Engineer with a view to the system being brought up to the Standard of modern requirements. The Urban Sanitary Authority would do well to get a report upon the subject from a Sanitary Engineer and proceed to carry out the works necessary for rendering the sewers sufficient and suitable

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Proposed by Patrick Padin, seconded by Mark Byrne and resolved:- That in view of the County Government Bill now before Parliament, we leave the question of Dr Staffords sanitary report upon the subject of our sewers for future consideration":—

Militia Training 1898

100/98

Barrack Office South
Lower Castle Yard Dublin
2nd March 1898

Sir,

The preliminary drill of the Wicklow Artillery will commence on 7th Inst at Wicklow and terminate on 8th May when the whole will leave on the following day for training at Portsmouth:

The Recruits of the Dublin City Artillery will arrive on 2nd May and the Corps will assemble there for period of training on 16th May. The date of dismissal will take place on 25th June:

The Wicklow Artillery will be billetted whilst in Wicklow, but the Dublin City Artillery will be placed under canvas on the Murrough;

If the Commissioners will Kindly allow the use of the Murrough, will you please furnish me with the usual form of Agreement, stating terms. &c:

I am &c
J Edwards
Lieut A.S.C.

Town Clerk: Wicklow.

Proposed by Mark Byrne, seconded by Edward N. Byrne and resolved:
"That we agree to let the Murrough for the Militia training 1898 at "£15 for the season and to pay six pence per thousand gallons of "water supplied to the camp and Artillery Barracks, Subject to the "Military Authorities supplying a name in which the Agreement is to be "drawn."—

Read a letter from Colonel Clutterbuck in reference to a report stated to have appeared in the Wicklow News Letter of 12th ultimo: The Board considered they were not responsible for News paper reports and to reply to letter accordingly;

Read a letter from Lieutenant Edwards A.S.C. requesting the Commissioners to Kindly allow the Water Meters to be read and bills rendered for the water consumed during the period 1st Jan to 20th March instead of 31st March as usual:

Resolved "That we give directions to our Water Rate collector to comply with their request, and that we authorise our Town Clerk to reply to Lieutenant Edwards accordingly;

Wicklow 7th March 1898

Mr Chairman & Gentlemen,

I respectfully beg to report that during the past month the public lighting of the Town was well maintained and two additional lamps have been erected and ready for lighting, one opposite the Wesleyan Church Bay View Terrace, the other at the Convent new Entrance. — The Scavenger was attentive to his business. I would suggest to your Board that the following work be done during the present month, the Stones picked off that portion of the Murrough where the soil was spread and properly laid down with grass seeds. The Public seats and watering cart repaired and painted.

By directions of your Managing Committee I have invited tenders for alterations to two surface water channels in Baths St Murrough — All the Sanitary orders made by your Board up to the 7th ultimo have been complied with, but for one exception and that order was served on the 7th December 1897, but no notice has been taken of it. I made usual inspections during the month and served four notices under the Public Health act for Sanitary work — The Medical Officers attention has been directed to some Sanitary matters;

I have the honour &c
Michael Doyle: Sub San Officer.—

Resolved. "That the Report of the Sub Sanitary Officers be referred to the Managing Committee

Two tenders were considered for surface water channels in Baths St. William Carroll £7. 10/= ; Charles Kavanagh £3. 12. 6

Proposed by Patrick Padin, seconded by Mark Byrne and resolved:- That Charles Kavanagh be given the Sum of £4. 10/= for raising two sewer traps Suitable to take the water from the paved channel, also to raise the paved channel 66 yds and to repair it with suitable fall to sewer; traps also in Baths St to raise 100 yds paved channel and to repair it with suitable fall to sewer traps total number 166 yds finding all materials and labour; same to be done to the satisfaction of the Managing Committee

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Read Waterworks Caretakers Report shewing the reservoir 6 inches under overflow and enumerating certain works done during the month;

Resolved "That the Waterworks Caretakers Report be referred to the Waterworks Committee Directions were given to procure a full way sluice valve and I piece to be placed under Connors house;"—

Mr. William Hampton attended and made an application with regard to the rates on his house; Resolved "That the subject be referred to the Managing Committee."—

Local Government Board
Dublin. 4th March 1898

No 31 M/98

Sir,

I am directed by the Local Government Board for Ireland to request that you will be so good as to inform them, by return of post, of the names of the townlands, if any, which are intersected by the Municipal Boundary of the Town of Wicklow and of the Electoral division in which each such townland is situate.

I am &c
Thomas A. Mooney

The Town Clerk stated that he had forwarded the desired information;

Read a letter from Mr. Edward Collins with regard to the water from our water mains leaking into his cellar;

Resolved." That our Waterworks Caretakers attention be directed to the matter with a view to having the cause of complaint remedied."—

Read a letter from Captain William Darragh requesting to have the leases of his property signed;

Notice of Motion

I beg to give notice for our next monthly meeting that I will move to rescind the resolution requiring Captain Darragh to take down the railings and cancel his Agreement."—

Patrick Padin
7th March 1898

Read an application from Mr. William Toomey Late Sheriff seeking the use of the Town Hall for 17th and 19th March for the Grand Jury to lunch in

By direction of the Chairman the Town Clerk wrote to Mr. Toomey acceding to his request;—

Office of Public Works Dublin
11th February 1898

Wicklow Town Commissioners
1372: 98

Sir,

I am directed by the Commissioners of Public Works to refer to previous correspondence arising out of the questions put by your letter of the 5th ultimo with regard to redemption by the Wicklow Town Commissioners of their outstanding loans from this Board, and I am to enclose herewith a Receivable Order for £5567. 13. 1— The lodgment of this sum on or before the 16th Instant will redeem the Loans and premium of which particulars are endorsed on the order

I am Sir &c
H. Williams; Secretary

Read a letter from Messrs Casey & Olay requesting a settlement of their costs
Resolved— "That Messrs Casey & Olay's bill of costs be forwarded to Messrs Toomey & Toomey to have taxed."—

Read correspondence between our Town Clerk, Collis & Ward and Messrs Toomey & Toomey with regard to Collis & Ward's demand of 5/- per cent underwriting commission in connection with Mr. Luscombe's application for £11764. 14/- Wicklow Town Redeemable Debenture Stock and demanding costs of application to the Court for liberty to convert his Mortgage into Stock."—

Proposed by Patrick Padin, seconded by Peter O'Brien and resolved:"—
"That we lodge cheque for £12. 10/- to credit of the County Treasurer as our contribution towards repair of Wooden Bridge and also that a further cheque be drawn for £4. 10/- and lodged to supplement road repairs New Street."—

Proposed by Patrick Padin, seconded by Mark Byrne and resolved— "That Denis Briens Tender for £3. 15/- for cleaning Streets and catch pits to month of March be accepted on the usual conditions";

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Notice of Motion

"That the resolution appointing the Town Clerk as Registrar of Stock, be rescinded at a Salary of £50 per annum

Nicholas. A. MacRinn

Notice of Motion

"I beg to give notice for our next monthly meeting that I will move to rescind the resolution requiring Captain Darragh to take down the railings and to cancel stamped agreement."—

Patrick Padin

Notice of Motion

"I beg to give notice that at the next monthly meeting I will move "That a lamp be erected at the End of Church Road opposite the Rathnew Road also another lamp on Friars Hill at End of the Rocky Road"—

Edward Fleeson.——

County Treasurer	Cheque to Supplement repair to Wooden Bridge	£ 12 " 10 " 0
Same	Cheque to Supplement repair to New Street	£ 4 " 10 " 0
	Mad	£ 17 " 0 " 0

Thomas Darcy
Chairman
April 4/98

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Town Hall Wicklow
18th March 1898

A special meeting of the Town Commissioners was held this evening in pursuance to a requisition to transact the following business;

No 1 — To consider Managing Committees Report:
2 — To consider Tenders for removing old houses, debris etc at Cross Roads:
3 — To approve of Mrs Finis Bond:
4 — To consider an important letter from Mr MacDonnell in reference to investing credit balance on Capital Account in Saleable stock:
5 — To consider the advisability of supplementing street crossing in Leitrim Place:
6 — To consider Local Government Bill and move a resolution thereon:
7 — To consider Mr Frank McPhails "Notice of Motion" That one of the lamps in the Brickfield Lane be placed in the position named in resolution of 6th Sept 1897 and which has not since been rescinded:

Members present Mr Thomas Darcy Chairman Messrs Mark Byrne, John Neill, John Shaw, Andrew Finlayson, Edward N. Wynne, Frank McPhail and Walter Roche:

Town Hall Wicklow
14th March 1898

Your Managing Committee met this evening and having visited the Cross Roads have directed your Town Clerk to issue advertisements by posters for Contractors to clear away all the unoccupied houses, debris etc at Cross Roads, packing the stones in convenient heaps, same to be carried out and by direction of our Engineer Mr Thomas Little: The Contractor to state a price per house or a lump sum for the entire work: work to be completed within one month:

Signed Thomas Darcy
Frank McPhail
Mark Byrne
Walter Roche

Proposed by John Neill, seconded by Edward N. Wynne and resolved
"That the Report of the Managing Committee be confirmed and
"adopted"

Wicklow Town Commissioners I hereby propose to clear away the debris of 4 old houses at Cross Roads wheel the clay to the gardens and the stones to the rere, all carried out to the satisfaction of the Engineer for the sum of £3 . 18/-

Henry Ellis

Convent Road Wicklow
18th March 1898

To the Chairman
& Town Commissioners:

Gentlemen,

I propose to remove 17 ruins of houses at the Cross Roads and to leave the stones in convenient heaps to the builders and to clear them and leave them level with the old floors and to comply with the instructions of the Engineer for the amount of £10 or 12/- per house: Should my tender the be accepted I would thank the Commissioners for an advance of money each week

Michael Byrne

A tender was also received from John Byrne to execute above work at 10/- per house:

Proposed by Frank McPhail, seconded by John Neill, and resolved. —
"That Ellis tender for the removal of four houses at Cross Roads
"beginning at house next door to Mr Charles Kavanagh's holding be accepted
"at £3 . 18/-, the work to be carried out within one fortnight and an
"Agreement be signed by the Contractor to properly execute the work in
"accordance with the direction of the Architect Mr Little." —

Proposed by Frank McPhail, seconded by John Shaw and resolved. —
"That Michael Byrne's tender for the removal of 8 houses at Cross Roads
"beginning with the fifth from Mr Charles Kavanagh's be accepted at 12/-
"per house, the work to be carried out within one month and an Agreement
"be signed by the Contractor to properly execute the work in accordance with
"the direction of the Architect Mr Little:" —

Proposed by Edward N. Wynne, seconded by John Shaw and resolved —
"That Mr Pim be given Six months to finish twelve houses and we
"given him an Extension of time for any further houses required" —

17 College Green Dublin
16th March 1898

Dear Sir,

Please allot a further £10 of Wicklow 3¼% Stock in the name of Madame Sophie Niaudet of 260 Boulevard St Germain Paris who is already a holder of £490 Stock: We shall be happy to send you cheque as soon as we

hear from you that this allotment has been made:

Yours faithfully
Guinness Mahon & Co

Town Clerk Wicklow:

Proposed by Thomas D'arcy seconded by Mark Byrne and resolved — "That pursuant
"to offer of Messrs Guinness Mahon & Co 17 College Green Dublin as per their letters
"dated 23rd and 24th December 1897, to give £102 per cent, for all allotments
"of the Wicklow Town 3¼ per cent Redeemable Debenture Stock to themselves
"or their nominee, and in exercise of the powers of Local Government Board's
"Consent Order No 42. 247, and resolutions of Wicklow Town Commissioners
"of the 16th day of December 1897, 3rd January and 18th January 1898,
"creating £20.500 Wicklow Town 3¼% per cent Redeemable Stock, we
"hereby allot to nominee of Messrs Guinness Mahon & Co: Madame Sophie
"Niaudet, 260 Boulevard St Germain, Paris £10 of said Stock, at
"£102 per cent, that is to say £102 for every nominal amount of £100
"Stock and authorise the Registrar to issue sealed certificate for same, proceeds
"to be placed to credit of Wicklow Town Stock Capitas Account": —

Bray 12th March 1898

Dear Sir,

If you have £1200 to credit of Stock and that you will want some of it in three months I would advise you to invest say £1000 in some trust Stock, say Bank of Ireland, Dublin Corporation or Rathmines and to place £200 on deposit at 2% with your Treasurer for approaching payments

You could always dispose of Dublin Corporation Stock which ought to be your best investment, Either of undermentioned Brokers would get you the Stock. J. D. Carnegie Esq 48 Dame St Dublin or George Drury Esq 5 Church Lane College Green Dublin

Yours truly
P. MacDonnell

F. McPhail

Proposed by Thomas D'arcy, seconded by Edward N. Wynne and resolved; That we
"hereby resolve to cancel cheque drawn in our favour for £1000. directed to be lodged
"on deposit with our Treasurers; and in pursuance of Local Government Board
"Regulations article 23 with regard to temporary investments and on the advice given
"us by Mr MacDonnell we hereby now resolve to invest said sum of £1000 in
"Dublin Corporation Stock and for that purpose we direct that the services of
"George Drury Esq, 5 Church Lane, College Green Dublin Stock Broker be retained to
"invest said sum of £1000 in above mentioned Stock in our name and on our

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behalf, the interest on said stock to be paid into the dividends fund."—

Proposed by Mark Byrne, Secnded by John Shaw and resolved:- That a cheque be drawn in favour of the County Treasurer for the Sum of £10 . 10/- our contribution towards level crossing in Leitrim Place."—

Proposed by Frank McPhail, Secnded by John Neill and resolved"— That we "direct that the lamps opposite Mr. James McPhail's houses be erected in the "position named in the resolution of 6th September 1897."—

Cheque to George Drury Esq To invest in Dublin Corporation Stock £1000—

County Treasurer (For grand Jury) £10 . 10 . 0

Thomas Darcy
Chairman
April 4th 1898

Town Hall Wicklow
4th April 1898:

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

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

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

No1 — To consider Finance Committee's Report.
2 — " " Mr. Haskins "Notice of Motion" That the resolution appointing the Town Clerk as Registrar of Stock, be rescinded, at a Salary of £50 per annum:
3 — " " Mr Paddis "Notice of Motion" That I will move at our next monthly meeting, to rescind the resolution requiring Captain Darragh to take down the railings, and to cancel Stamped Agreement:—
4 — " " Mr Gleesons "Notice of Motion" That I will move at our next monthly meeting, to have a lamp erected at the end of Church Road, opposite the Railway Road, also another Lamp on Friars Hill, at the end of the Rocky Road:
5 — " " Mr Thomas Darcy's "Notice of Motion" That I will move at our next monthly meeting "That as the Government have determined upon increasing Her Majesty's Army, and that as some of the Regiments are to be sent to Ireland, we petition the War Office to send one of them to Wicklow, pointing out that Wicklow Gaol could be converted into a first-class Military Barracks, and that the Commissioners are in a position to let them additional Training Ground:"—
6 — " " Sanitary Officers Reports "
7 — " " Waterworks Overseers Report "
8 — " " Miscellaneous Correspondence "
9 — " " Tender for cleaning Streets: "

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Town Hall Wicklow 1st April 1898

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

Mr William Desaix	Agent	£ 54 " 0 " 7
" F. Wm MacPhail	Town Clerk	7 " 11 " 10
" Michael Doyle	Water Rate	36 " 3 " 6
Treasury in lieu of Public Rates		15 " 0 " 2
	Total £	112 " 16 " 1

Showing a Debit Balance against the Commissioners of £47 " 17. 5

"We recommend the following payments:"

Francis W. MacPhail	One months Salary	£ 5 " 0 " 0
Same	Petty Cash Outlay	10 " 16 " 11
Michael Doyle	One months Salary	4 " 11 " 8
Edward O'Connor	do do	5 " 0 " 0
Denis Brien	Tender cleaning Streets	3 " 15 " 0
William White	Smiths Work	" 17 " 8
Messrs Kearon & Tyrrell	Packing for Saltwater pumps	" 5 " 4
Thomas Fellettie	Insurance of Town Hall	1 " 0 " 0
N. Haskins	Amount of account	1 " 6 " 8
	Total £	32 " 13 " 3

In accordance with your directions Mr George Drury invested £1000 in Dublin Corporation Stock at £112 for cash, we directed your Town Clerk to forward him cheque for amount and have since received contract note together with letter stating certificate would be forwarded in due course;

Messrs Guinness Mahon & Co have forwarded cheque value £10. 4/- amount of £10 Wicklow Town 3½ per cent Redeemable Stock allotted to Madame Sophie Niaudet; your Registrar has lodged amount to credit of Capital account and has forwarded Stock certificate for same;

We recommend that cheques be drawn on the Capital account for payment of the following:

Francis W. MacPhail:	Amount payable to Henry Ellis £3. 18/- and Michael Byrne £4. 16/- for removal of old Houses at Cross Roads as per their Tenders	£ 8 " 14 " 0
Irish Times	Advertising for Contractors to build Cross Roads Houses	" 18 " 8
Daily Independent	Do do	" 17 " 6
	Total £	10 " 10 " 2

Your Town Clerk has advanced the sum of £3 " 10/- on account of Contract entered into by Messrs Ellis & Byrne, hence we recommend the cheque for the work being made payable to him, the poor men not being able to complete the work without a weekly allowance;

Signed Thomas Darcy Chairman
Frank MacPhail
Walter Roche

Proposed by John Neill, seconded by Thomas Kavanagh and resolved: "That the Report of the Finance Committee be confirmed and adopted"—

Proposed by Nicholas H. Haskins, seconded by Edward N. Wynne "That the resolution appointing the Town Clerk as Registrar of Stock at Salary of £50 per annum be rescinded and that same be fixed at £20 per annum

(Amendment)

Proposed by Thomas D'arcy, seconded by John Neill "That we hereby confirm our resolution of the 7th February 1898 appointing our Town Clerk as Registrar of Stock at £50 per annum."—

The Amendment first having been put there voted as follows for the Amendment J.D. and against the resolution: Messrs Gerald Byrne, Peter O'Brien, Andrew Finlayson, Thomas Kavanagh, John Phillips, Mark Byrne, John Neill, Walter Roche, Alexander Flynn and Thomas D'arcy (10)

Against the Amendment, J.D. and for the resolution Messrs Nicholas H. Haskins, David H. Haskins, Edward N. Wynne, Robert Lees, John Shaw, Edward Gleeson, and Peter Doolittle (7)

The Chairman then declared Mr Haskins resolution lost by a majority of Three and the resolution of the 7th February 1898 duly confirmed and adopted"—

Mr Peter O'Brien obtained permission to move Mr Tadius "Notice of Motion"

Proposed by Peter O'Brien, seconded by John Neill and resolved"—
"That we rescind the resolution requiring Captain Darragh to take down the railings and cancel Stamped Agreement"

The Notice of Motion Standing in the name of Mr Edward Gleeson to erect a lamp at the end of Church Road and also another on Friars Hill at End of Rocky Road was referred to the Managing Committee to Report on;

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Proposed by Thomas Darcy, Seconded by Thomas Kavanagh and resolved "That-
"as the Government have determined upon increasing Her Majesty's Army, and
"that as some of the Regiments are to be sent to Ireland, we petition the War
"Office to send one of them to Wicklow, pointing out that Wicklow Gaol
"could be converted into a first-class Military Barracks, and that the
"Commissioners are in a position to let them additional Training Ground"

Read Three Reports from the Medical Officer of Health

No 1 — The unsanitary state of the Sewers in the yards belonging to Michael Duffy and Miss Collins and I recommend them to be put in proper order

Resolved "That Notice be served on the parties requiring them to have the cause of complaint remedied within 14 days";

2 — I hereby report to you the weeds in the Reservoir and I recommend them to be removed

Resolved "That No 2 Report be referred to the Waterworks Committee

3 — I hereby report to you the necessity of putting the Dairies Act in force in this Town

Resolved "That No 3 Report be referred to the Managing Committee

4th April 1898.

James A. Halpin Medical Officer of Health

Wicklow 4th April 1898

Mr Chairman & Gentlemen,

I respectfully beg to report that during the past month the Public Lighting of the Town was carefully attended to; The Scavenger was also attentive to his business; The principal portion of the chairs in your Board Room are in a shaky condition they are unsafe to sit upon, I made usual inspections during the month visiting seventy premises and served three notices under the Public Health Act for Sanitary work — The Medical Officers attention I have directed to some Sanitary matters;

I am Gentlemen &c

Michael Doyle Sub Sanitary Officer.

Resolved "That the Report of the Sub Sanitary Officer be referred to the Managing Committee."

Read Waterworks Caretakers Report shewing the Reservoir is 16½ inches from overflow and Enumerating certain works done during the month. A diagram was laid before the Board shewing that the waste of water at present is

within 25 gallons of been as low as ever it has been since the meter was put up.

I respectfully ask you to rescind the resolution which was passed last November regarding the little gratuity which I have been in the habit of receiving from parties requiring repairs to their water pipes inside their houses;

Edward O'Connor Waterworks Overseer

Proposed by Edward N. Wynne, Seconded by Frank McNeill and resolved
"That a clack valve be placed outside every water meter erected
"in the Town and District;" —

Proposed by Frank McNeill, Seconded by John Neill and resolved;" —
"That special notice be served on all persons whose premises are connected
"with the water supply that no flushing arrangement discharging
"more than three gallons at a time, or self acting in any manner
"will be permitted, that any existing connection exceeding that
"amount be disconnected by the occupier of the premises, or on
"refusal, that the supply be cut off from the main, that no
"further licenses for use of hoses be granted for the present season
"and that the Caretaker be directed to immediately report to the
"Chairman any premises wherein he believes there is an excessive
"use of water supply with a view to having a meter placed on
"such premises;" —

Talbot Street Dublin
25th March 1898

To the Chairman &
Town Commissioners

Gentlemen,

I am now making arrangements for my Summer Tour and shall be pleased to know if the Commissioners will let me the use of the Murrough for my Merrygarounds &c for the Regatta week for which I am prepared to give £20 Twenty pounds but no more; awaiting the favour of your reply

I remain Yours respectfully
William Toft

Proposed by Frank McNeill, seconded by Thomas Kavanagh and resolved " —
"That we agree to let portion of the Murrough to Mr Toft on the same
"terms as offered last year viz £35 for first working day and £1
"per working day afterwards; —

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Read three letters from the Military Authorities with regard to the Agreement for the hire of the Murrough and forwarding Major General M. W. E. Gossett's C. B. name to be inserted in Agreement;

The Town Clerk Wicklow

22nd March 1898

Sir,

I laid the letter of the Town Commissioners dated 6th August 1897, relative to the dangerous condition of the Wooden Bridge Wicklow, before the Grand Jury at the recent assizes and was directed to inform the Town Commissioners that a presentment has now been passed and a contract entered into for the repair of this Bridge

Yours etc

Edward N. Wynne ——

Chambers 4 Upper Ormond Quay
Dublin 21st March 1898

Dear Sir,

Wicklow Town Commissioners Luscombe Mortgage

We are in receipt of yours of the 19th Inst nothing has been done as far as we can learn by Messrs Collis & Ward to push on this matter. We had a letter from them the other day in which they asked us to undertake to pay the costs of an application to the Court, but we informed them that the Commissioners had already refused this and we expressed our surprise that they should again return to the Subject

Yours truly
Tomey & Tomey

Wm MacNeill, Town Clerk.

Proposed by John Neill, secnded by Peter O'Brien and resolved:" —
"That Messrs Tomey & Tomey be instructed to request Messrs Collis
"& Ward to have the reconveyance of Mortgage executed at once" —

Proposed by Thomas D'arcy, seconded by John Neill and resolved:" That we the
Town Commissioners of Wicklow do hereby adopt the Seal of which we direct
an impression to be made hereupon, and we hereby further declare and
acknowledge the said seal to be henceforward
the Common Seal of the Town Commissioners
of Wicklow for all purposes for which a seal
is, or shall be required and we acknowledge
any document that has been heretofore been
sealed therewith:" —

Read a letter from Mr Samuel E. Pim requesting the Commissioners to give him to the 31st December next to complete his Contract for building 12 Cottages at the Cross Roads Wicklow" —

Proposed by John Neill, seconded by Peter O'Brien and resolved" — That we give Mr Pim to 31st December to complete 12 houses, ~~and~~ sic to be completed and handed over within four months:" —

Read a second letter from Mr Samuel E. Pim requesting the Commissioners to include his two plots under Mall in one lease and requesting a refund of his deposit. —

Proposed by Peter O'Brien, seconded by John Neill and resolved "That we agree to include the two plots in one lease to Mr Pim, the rents as they stand to be added together and lease to date from last letting";

Proposed by Edward N. Wynne, Seconded by Peter O'Brien and resolved "That our Agent be directed to Endorse conveyance of premises to Thmas Gregory Pim, in similar manner as done on the original

Proposed by Peter O'Brien, seconded by Thomas D'arcy and resolved "—
"That we respectfully urge on Mr Gerald Balfour the advisability
"of inserting in his County Councils Bill a clause empowering
"towns and cities to procure, by compulsory sale, suitable land
"for parks or recreation grounds. That Copies of this resolution be
"sent to the Chief Secretary for Ireland. That it be sent to the
"Members of Parliament for the District, asking at the same time,
"their warm support for the measure

Proposed by John Neill, seconded by Thomas Kavanagh and resolved
"That Denis Briens Tender for £3. 15/= for cleaning streets
"and catch pits for the months of April be accepted on the usual
"conditions;" —

Read letter from Glenfield Company stating that the order for the sluice valve and I piece would receive their immediate attention"

Read letter from Captain Dennis R.A. seeking permission for the Militia to practise Football on the Murrough;

The Town Clerk stated he had given Captain Dennis a permit-

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Proposed by David A. Staskuis, Seconded by Andrew Finlayson and resolved
"That we the Town Commissioners representing the inhabitants and
"ratepayers of the Town of Wicklow observe with pleasure that the
"Dublin & Wicklow Railway Company have at last granted this district
"the great advantage of a train to Dublin in the middle of the day
"which we have frequently applied for and we hope the Company
"will continue this train in the future as it will be of the greatest
"advantage to all business men in country parts;" —

Five Tenders were received for the supply of lawn permanent grass seeds to sow on Murrough

Proposed by Edward N. Wynne, Seconded by Frank McPhail and resolved
"That the Tender of Mr Silas Stevens for lawn seeds be accepted
viz 22/6 per acre with 70 lbs to Irish acre" —

Notice of Motion

I beg to give notice to move at next meeting that the resolution prohibiting the Waterworks Caretaker from charging fees for repairs to the water service to private houses be rescinded" —

Frank McPhail
4th April 1898:

Thomas D'Arcy
Chairman
May 2nd 1898

Town Hall Wicklow
2nd May 1898

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

Members present Mr Thomas Darcy Chairman Messrs Patrick Nadin, Frank McPhail, Peter O'Brien, John Neill, Andrew Finlayson and Alexander Flynn

The minutes of the former meeting having been read over it was ordered by the Board to be signed, after which the following business was proceeded with; —

No 1 — To consider Finance Committees Report
2 — " " Mr Frank McPhails "Notice of Motion" — That the resolution prohibiting the Waterworks Caretaker from charging fees for repairs to the water service to private houses, be rescinded;—
3 — " " Mr Frank McPhails "Notice of Motion" — I beg to give notice to move at the next meeting of Town Commissioners, that steps be taken immediately to provide and erect a Public Bathing Box for men;
4 — " " To adopt a resolution in conformity with the requirements of the Registrars of the Dublin Corporation Stock" —
5 — " " Miscellaneous Correspondence.
6 — " " Managing Committees Report.
7 — " " Waterworks Committees do.
8 — " " Sanitary Officers do.
9 — " " Waterworks Overseers do,
10 — " " Tender for cleaning Streets.

Town Hall Wicklow
29th April 1898

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

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