"is granted in consequence of the outlay of £100 and to be no precedent to
"past or future lettings"—

To the Medical Officer of Health of the Wicklow Urban Sanitary District-

Sir,

I hereby draw your attention to the unsanitary condition of five premises in Castle St. The drains want new traps to replace old open gratings, there is also an absence of closets and ash-pits: The Tenants are James Oldham, M. Moody, Mary Reilly, Thomas Wilkinson and Andrew Kirwin

Signed

Michael Doyle: Sub Sanitary Officer:

I recommend that the above Report be complied with Earthenware fully traps to be used

James. H. Halpin: Medical Officer of Health

November 7th 1898

Second Report

I recommend that ash-pits and privies be constructed in following houses Gilbert Goodman, James Gray, George Doyle, Charles Mitchell, John Ward, Michael Casey, Edward Merrigan, Frank Doyle, George Stokes, and Michael Reilly

James. H. Halpin
Medical Officer of Health

Wicklow November 7th 1898

Proposed by Thomas Darcy, seconded by Peter OBrien and resolved—
"That Notice be served on the owners of the unsanitary premises
"complained of by the Medical Officer of Health"—

Wicklow 7th November 1898

Gentlemen,

I respectfully beg to report that during the past month the Public Lighting of the Town was well attended to, however on different occasions I found ten lamps not lighting. I have no doubt that the Gas Manager will be able to explain the cause of it: By directions of your Board your Town Clerk wrote to Mr. Little on the 4th and 19th Ultimo informing him that I was directed to obtain his services in connection with the construction of pipe sewer in Main St, he called on me on two different occasions

when I gave him all the information in my power, Mr. Little has sent plan and estimate for your approval. I made usual Sanitary inspections during the month visiting a large number of premises and served six notices under the Public Health Act for sanitary purposes: The Medical Officers attention has been directed to some sanitary matters. I would suggest that you order a practice of the fire hose— The cleaning of the Streets were fairly well attended to

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

Proposed by Peter OBrien seconded by Thomas Darcy and resolved:
"That the Sub Sanitary Officers Report be referred to the Managing
"Committee and that Mr Town Serjt be requested to have a practice
"with the fire hose"—

Rathdrum 3—11—1898

Wicklow Town Commissioners Sewage

Dear Sir,

I enclose tracing showing proposed new sewage, I believe it would be advisable to clear the present gullets to convey all storm water and lay a new 12" pipe as shown by red line: The cost will be £75, including traps, ventilators &c

Faithfully Yours
Thomas Little

F. McPhail: Town Clerk:

Proposed by Peter OBrien, Seconded by Peter J. Byrne and resolved
"That as we have no funds we recommend that the Main
"Street sewer be left over until there is a proper Sanitary
"Scheme carried out"

Read Waterworks Overseers Report showing the reservoir is four feet from overflow and enumerating certain works done during the month and asking the Board to give him his usual supply of coals:

Proposed by Frank McPhail, seconded by Peter J. Byrne and unanimously resolved: "That the Report of the Waterworks Overseer be referred to the Waterworks Committee and that Mr OConnor be given his usual supply of coals, Mr. Frank McPhails name to be added to Waterworks Committee"—

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Wicklow Harbour

Office of Public Works
Dublin 5th November 1888

Sir,

I am directed by the Commissioners of Public Works to transmit herewith a certificate under the Wicklow Harbour Advances Act 1887, sec 7, of the amount due on 1st November 1888 (£53.6.8) from the Town of Wicklow in respect of the proportion of the "Consolidated Debt" charged on the rates of the Town

Town
I am Sir &c
D.H. Braddell
Accountant

The Town Clerk Wicklow;

Resolved; That the application from the Board of Public Works for interest due 1st Nov 1888 under the "Wicklow Harbour Advances Act" 1887 be referred to the Finance Committee:—

Main Street Wicklow
7th November 1888

To the Chairman
& Town Commissioners of Wicklow

Gentlemen,

I now beg to make an application for the lease of my Houses Bay View Terrace Road; It will be remembered that the Lords of Her Majesty's Treasury offered to allow your Board to grant me a lease of 150 years at the rent of £4 or in other words double the amount of rent fixed by the Commissioners for a 75 years Lease;— I shall feel much obliged if your Board will petition the Treasury again on my behalf to obtain a reduction in the rent fixed by their representative

I originally bound myself to expend £850 and now as a matter of fact the houses cost me over £1200, surely I am entitled to some consideration for the increased outlay. Hoping for a favorable reply

I am Gentlemen
Yours respectfully
S. V. Delahunt.

Proposed by Peter O'Brien, seconded by Peter J. Byrne and resolved "That we hereby direct our Town Clerk to petition the Lords of Her Majesty's Treasury to grant Mr Delahunt a lease for 200 years at £3 per annum, we request the reduction in consequence of Mr Delahunt's increased outlay on the premises and we believe it would be a fair rent in accordance with other lettings on the Commissioners Property"—

John N. Haskins
Wicklow

} To The Secretary
Town Commissioners

Nov 7th 1888

Dear Sir,

When taking premises Travers Stones we paid £5 deposit, same has not yet been returned to us having fulfilled all the requirements of the Agreement, premises been amply insured etc; We request same to be returned or credited to our rent Acct

Yours truly
Haskins Bros

Proposed by Thomas Darcy, seconded by Peter O'Brien and resolved "That Messrs Haskins be requested to comply with the terms of their "Agreement and to insure the premises in accordance with the resolution "of the Board"

Proposed by Thomas Darcy, seconded by Peter J. Byrne and resolved "That we sanction the action of our Agent in allowing John Murphy "Cross Roads, back into his premises as a Caretaker at a penny "a week"

Proposed by Thomas Darcy, seconded by Edward Gleeson and resolved "That we give our Agent the services of our Solicitor in the different "cases reported to the Board Messrs Whelan, Murphy and Byrne "for next Petty Sessions

The Grand Hotel Wicklow
November 5th 1888

Sir,

I beg to take exception to your method of charging for water as registered by meter. I find I am charged £4/7 for water used over my allowance for quarter ending September 30th; It is quite true I used water corresponding to that amount, but then I had 7180 gallons to my credit at the commencement of quarter of which you have not taken Account, Besides which as the Consumption in the present quarter is small it is quite probable I will be well within my allowance at the End of the year; I am sure I have only to bring this matter under your notice in order to have it rectified

Yours faithfully
John Wynne

To the Chairman
Wicklow Town Commissioners;

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The Grand Hotel Wicklow
John Wynne Proprietor
} For Mr Francis McPhail
Town Clerk Wicklow

5th November 1898

Dear Sir,

Kindly lay the enclosed letter before your Board at their general meeting on Monday next & oblige

Yours faithfully
John Wynne

Enclosure

Resolved "That Mr Doyle be given directions to give Mr Wynne credit for his allowance as per his Agreement"

Local Government Board
Dublin 6th October 1898

No 44,779: 1898
Wicklow (Town)

Sir,

I am directed by the Local Government Board for Ireland to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 4th Inst relating to the proposal of the Wicklow Urban Sanitary Authority to obtain a Loan of £300 for the purpose of forming Public Walks or Pleasure grounds, and I am to enclose a form in which application may be made for Sanction to the Loan in question

I am &c
Thomas A. Mooney Secretary

To F. W. MacPhail

Proposed by Joseph McCarroll, Seconded by Thomas Darcy and unanimously resolved "That we give power to the Managing Committee to Engage the services of a Competent man to give a plan and bona fide Estimate for the improvements on Murrough in accordance with Local Government Board requirements, Mr Frank McPhail's name being added to the Managing Committee"

Local Government Board Dublin
13th October 1898

No 46031: 1898
Wicklow (Town)

Sir,

I am directed by the Local Government Board for Ireland to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 11th Inst stating that the Town Commissioners of Wicklow are of opinion that the number of Commissioners should be fixed at twenty one, and I am to state that the matter will receive the attention

of the Board

I am Sir &c
Thomas A. Mooney Secretary

Francis W. MacPhail

Proposed by Thomas Darcy, Seconded by Frank McPhail and unanimously resolved "That the Report of the Special Committee with regard to the Town been divided into Wards be referred to a special meeting of the Board for Confirmation"

Local Government Board
Dublin 17th October 1898

No 46,181: 1898
Wicklow (Town)

Sir,

I am directed by the Local Government Board for Ireland to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 11th Instant, relative to the maintenance of South Quay, Road, Wicklow, and, in reply, I am to state that until the appointed day the Town Commissioners of Wicklow have no authority over the roads in the district, and any money expended for the purpose of maintaining the road in question will be expended at their own risk

I am &c
Thomas A. Mooney Secretary

To F. W. MacPhail

26 Grosvenor Road, Rathmines
Dublin 13th October 1898

South Quay: Wicklow

Dear Sir,

In reply to your letter of 11th Inst I am not aware of any amount provided each half year to meet such cases as that referred to.

Yours faithfully
Carter Draper

The Town Clerk
Wicklow

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Second letter from Mr Draper dated 31st October 1898:

Dear Sir,

In reply to your letter of the 29th Inst I regret that I cannot arrange to keep the South Quay in repair until January next as I have no funds at my disposal for the purpose:

Yours faithfully
Carter Draper

The Town Clerk: Wicklow:

Read two letters from the Local Government Board requesting the usual forms as to Salaries &c of Sanitary Officers of the district to be filled up and forwarded to them without delay: — The Town Clerk stated he had complied with the Local Government Board's request:

Local Government Board Dublin
3rd November 1898

No 47.782: 1898
Office

Sir,

I am directed by the Local Government Board for Ireland to inform the Wicklow Town Commissioners that their accounts will be audited by Mr C. Pelly, Local Government Board Auditor

I am Sir &c
Thomas A. Money: Secretary

The Clerk to the
Town Commissioners of Wicklow

Copy of Order Local Government Board

In Exercise of the power given to us by the Local Government (Ireland) Act, 1898, section 124, We, the Local Government Board for Ireland hereby order and appoint that the provisions of sub sections (1) and (2) of section 41 of the said Act shall come into operation on the 7th of November, 1898

Given under our Hands and Seal of Office, this 31st day of October 1898

(Signed),
H. A. Robinson
William L. Micks
T. J. Stafford
R. Bazwell

(Seal)

Rathdrum Poor Law Union 6th Oct 1898

Dear Sir,

Will you kindly fill in the enclosed return the two items respecting the Township rates and the County Cess, as I have no means of ascertaining these items, and then forward it on to R. O'Brien Smyth Esq: L.G.B.

Yours truly
Bernard Manning

F. W. Mac Phail
Town Clerk: Wicklow:

The Town Clerk stated that he had complied with Mr Mannings request:

Lower Castle Yard Dublin
6th October 1898

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Sir,

I have to acknowledge, with thanks, the receipt of your letter of the 4th Inst in regard to the hiring of plot of ground on the Murrough, and note that a draft lease &c may be Expected in due course:

I am Sir
Yours faithfully
L. A. Clutterbuck: Colonel
D. A. A. G.

Chambers 4 Upper Ormond Quay
Dublin 2nd November 1898

Wicklow Town Commissioners
War Office Lease

Dear Sir,

We send you a draft lease as prepared by us, before forwarding it to the War Office Authorities: — Will you please see that the descriptions of the premises are correct, and instruct the Commissioners Engineer, whoever he may be, to prepare a map of the premises to be demised Showing the measurements of the Plot and its boundaries.

We return you the plan belonging to the Militia Authorities which you sent us. We also wish to point out that we have slightly varied the Surrender clause, as it would be impossible to give 12 calendar months notice previous to the 25th March 1899, the terms of the Lease having been only agreed upon on the 1st of October 1898, instead of framing the proviso for the 25th March 1899, we put on a year to the

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25th March 1900: This is all we think arises on the Lease, which you can return to us at your earliest convenience when we will forward it on for approval to the Secretary of State for War.

Yours truly
Toomey & Toomey

F. W. MacPhail
Town Clerk: Wicklow.

4 Upper Ormond Quay Dublin
5th October 1898

Dear Sir,

Board of Works Loans and War Office Lease

We are in receipt of your two letters of the 4th Inst and shall give these two matters our immediate attention: We send you the following leases in duplicate upon which maps must be endorsed

No 1 John Flynn. No 2: Alfred Wall: No 3 George & Sophia Nichols
No 4. William Haughton's together with draft map:

Yours truly
Toomey & Toomey

F. W. MacPhail
Wicklow

Chambers 4 Upper Ormond Quay Dublin
12th October 1898

Wicklow Town Commissioners
Re Loans

Dear Sir,

We send you herewith the following original Mortgages which we have received from the Commissioners of Public Works:

	Date:	Parties:	Amount
1:	13 June 1881	The Town Commissioners of Wicklow to the Commissioners of Public Works	£6.000
2.	15 July 1885:	Ditto	1.000
3.	1st March 1888:	Ditto	239 " 18 . 1
4.	17 Sept 1888:	Ditto	100 " 0 . 0

As the Mortgages all appear to ~~th~~ Effect the rates the receipts endorsed by the Accountant of the Commissioners is a good discharge, and there are no further documents to be handed over:

Yours truly
Toomey & Toomey

F. W. MacPhail, Esq
Town Clerk: Wicklow

4 Upper Ormond Quay Dublin
12th October 1898

Wicklow Town Commissioners

Dear Sir,

We send you the letter of the Local Government Board as requested by yours of the 11th Inst:

Toomey & Toomey

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5 Church Lane Dublin Nov 4th 1898

F. W. McPhail Esq

Dear Sir,

You put to me a difficult question and one that I fear I am unable to answer, namely; — to get a statutory security yielding 3%. — My impression is that the best thing your Commissioners could do would be to invest in Corporation Stock as you are doing, and of course you could open an Acct for the sinking Fund Stock separately from the investment previously made.

You see you are limited in the number of Stocks you will take in as much as you require to invest broken amounts (in this case £125 . 14 . 6) You must therefore take Either Corporation Stock or some of the Government Stocks in which you can invest to an Even penny:

I shall be glad to advise you further if you let me know.

Yours faithfully
George Drury

Proposed by Thomas Darcy, seconded by John Neill and resolved "That the Leases as prepared by our Solicitor for the following Tenants be signed viz: George and Sophia Nichols, William Haughton, William Gregg and Alfred B. Wall:

Proposed by Frank McPhail, Seconded by Thomas Darcy and resolved:
"That our Town Clerk make arrangements with our Solicitors to
"approve of Messrs Carroll & Kavanagh's Leases, the Commissioners
"to pay the cost of same"

Proposed by Edward Gleeson, seconded by Peter J. Byrne and resolved
"That Denis Breen's Tender for cleaning Streets, catch-pits and
"urinals for the month of November be accepted at the usual
"amount £4:

Proposed by Frank McPhail, seconded by Thomas Kavanagh and resolved:
"That Lord Carysfort be requested to convene a meeting of our County
"for the purpose of discussing and supporting the All Ireland Committees
"Efforts to obtain Justice to Ireland in the overtaxation of Ireland."

Mr McCarrolls Notice of Motion with regard to allowing the Railway Co to open up the Murrough to clear their water pipes was referred to the Managing Committee"

E. W. Byrne Chm
5th Decr 98

Town Hall Wicklow
14th November 1898

A special meeting of the Wicklow Town Commissioners was held this day in pursuance to a requisition signed by John Neill, Patrick Nadin, Peter O'Brien, John Shaw, Francis B. Grigg, Thomas Darcy, Frank McPhail, Thomas Kavanagh & Peter J. Byrne,

To Consider Managing Committees Report with regard to altering plan of Monkton Row Cottages, and other important business referred to said Committee at last Board Meeting: —
To Consider urgent Correspondence:
To Consider the advisability of having the Town of Wicklow divided into Wards, and to rescind the resolution of the 10th of October 1898, fixing the number of Commissioners at 21: —

Members present Messrs Patrick Nadin, Samuel M. Kent, Frank McPhail, Thomas Darcy, Peter O'Brien, John Neill, William Darragh, Edward Fleeson and Thomas Kavanagh

On the motion of Mr Thomas D'arcy, Mr Nadin took the chair after which the business was proceeded with:

Town Hall Wicklow
10th November 1898

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Com Managing Committee met this day who together with Hugh R. Hamilton Esq, Agent to the Earl Carroll Estate proceeded to Convent Road for the purpose of making arrangements with regard to the boundary between Cross Roads Cottages and Mr Rowe's Field: Com Committee recommend that the present iron gate leading to Mr Rowe's field be moved up above the upper pillar, the Commissioners to erect the gate and provide a granite gate post as a substitute for the old pillar intended to be dispensed with, and that a wall be built by the Commissioners dividing the two properties as agreed on and pegged out by direction of Mr Hamilton and com Committee: —

Mr Pim Contractor for the cottages brought under our notice several springs in the ground ~~under~~ upon which the six upper houses are to be built and before proceeding further with the work it will be

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necessary to divert the water from under the houses to some little distance
Com Engineer Mr Little pointed out to Mr Pim the diversion of the springs and requested him to give an Estimate for same which will be laid before the Board for their sanction and approval —
Com Committee also visited Monkton Row in company with com Engineer and Agent and recommend that the plans prepared by Mr Alfred D. Price C.E. be departed from, we have requested com Engineer to give us a rough plan and estimate for larger Cottages than those contemplated, 4 rooms to be in each house 14ft x 11ft hall and Stair case and having a frontage say 30 feet
We have directed com Town Clerk to obtain our Solicitors advice with a view to compelling William Dinkinson to remove his hay from off the Commissioners Property: —

Signed: Patrick Nadin.
Peter O'Brien.
John Neill.
Thomas Darcy.
Peter J. Byrne.

Proposed by John Neill, Seconded by Peter O'Brien and resolved
"That the Managing Committees Report be confirmed and adopted"

Proposed by Thomas Darcy, Seconded by John Neill and resolved
"That we give authority to our Engineer to make arrangements
"with Mr Pim to divert the water from under the houses,
"to the iron pipe across the road; cost not to Exceed £3. 5/9

Proposed by Thomas Darcy, Seconded by Frank McPhail and resolved
"That we request Mr Rylands to replace the dead shrubs
"in Enclosure Leitrim Place this being the time of year for
"doing so": —

Read letter from C. H. Oldham Esq B.L. stating that he desires to offer a course of Barrington Lectures to Wicklow during present winter: —

Proposed by Samuel M. Kent, Seconded by Edward Fleeson and unanimously resolved: That the following be requested to act on the Committee to make arrangements with regard to the Barrington Lectures viz Rev Canon Cooke Rev Canon O'Donnell, Rev M Clarke, Rev Samuel Mathews, Rev

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Irvine Johnston, Messrs Edward N. Wynne, Patrick Nadin, Thomas Darcy, Peter O'Brien and Frank McPhail "

Proposed by Peter O'Brien, Seconded by Thomas Darcy and unanimously resolved: That we, the Town Commissioners of Wicklow, in special meeting assembled, after a very careful consideration of the Financial Clauses of the Local Government (Ireland) Act 1898, consider our treatment by the Government as most unjust and untenable:

According to Section 48, sub section 4 of this Act, we are deprived of any share of the Agricultural Grant, because of our being an Urban Sanitary Authority at present: whereas Section 50 Enacts that the Agricultural Grant shall be paid on all lands within the boundaries of any Township not now an Urban Sanitary Authority, and which shall, become one after the 13th February next six months after the passing of the Act. We therefore invite the Co-operation of other Towns in Ireland Similarly circumstanced, in taking action with us in pressing on the Government to have this great injustice remedied and that we direct our Clerk to forward printed copies of this resolution to all Town Commissioners who are at present Sanitary Authorities:

Treasury Chambers
Whitehall S. W. 10 Nov 1898

Sir,

The communication signed by yourself and dated yesterday has been this day received, and will be submitted to the Board of Treasury in due course.

I am Sir &c.
Francis Mowatt

The Town Clerk. Wicklow:

Glenart Arklow
November 9th 1898

Sir,

I have to acknowledge the receipt of your letter dated 8th Instant stating that the Town Commissioners of Wicklow request me to convene a County Meeting for the purpose of discussing and supporting the "All Ireland Committees" Efforts to obtain justice in the over taxation of Ireland: I regret that I do not feel justified at present in calling a meeting for the purpose:

I am Sir
Your faithfully
Carysfort

Francis A. MacPhail

Proposed by Peter O'Brien, seconded by Samuel M. Peat and unanimously resolved " That in order to bring Wicklow into line with all other Urban Districts in Ireland we hereby request the Local Government Board to take such steps as may be necessary to divide the Town of Wicklow into Wards "

Local Government Board for Ireland

Transitory Arrangements Under the Local Government (Ireland) Act 1898:

No 215 M — 1898

Local Government Board Dublin
7th November 1898

Sir,

The Local Government Board for Ireland forward to be laid before the Town Council or Town Commissioners the accompanying copy of a memorandum which they have prepared for the guidance of Town Authorities and their Officers with a view to preventing, as far as possible, complications and difficulties in the Accounts on "the appointed day" when the provisions of the Local Government (Ireland) Act come into operation;

The special attention of the Town Authorities and their Officers is directed to the instructions and recommendations contained in the memorandum, and they are requested to furnish the Local Government Board, as soon as possible, with full and accurate replies to the queries contained in the annexed form: —

I am Sir &c
Thomas A. Money: Secretary:

Resolved — That the Memorandum referred to be sent forward to our next Finance Meeting for their Consideration: —

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Omitted from Managing Committee's Report dated 10th Nov 1898

By direction of your Board we have Employed Mr. Little. C.E. Dublin as a Plan and Estimate of Murrough Improvements as required by the Local Government Board in connection with the Loan of £ 300; and also to prepare for the War Office Authorities approval, a draft map of the plot about to be leased;

Signed

Patrick Padin
Peter O'Brien.
John Neill.
Thomas D'arcy.
Peter J. Byrne.

P. Padin Chm
5th Dec 1898

Town Hall Wicklow
21st November 1898

A special meeting of the Town Commissioners was held this day in pursuance to a requisition signed by William Darragh, Walter Roche, Thomas D'arcy, John Shaw, Peter J. Byrne, Thomas Kavanagh and Peter O'Brien:—

To consider letter from Local Government Board requesting to be furnished with a statement, showing the number, boundaries, and population of each of the proposed wards, together with a map having the boundaries marked thereon;——
To consider letter from War Office and miscellaneous correspondence

Members present: Messrs Patrick Padin, Peter Doolittle, Thomas Darcy, David H. Haskins, Frank McPhail, Edward Fleeson, John Neill, Garret Byrne, William Darragh and Nicholas H. Haskins:—

On the motion of Mr Darcy, Seconded by Captain John Neill and unanimously resolved Mr Patrick Padin took the Chair:—

N52, 057: 1898
Wicklow (Town)

Local Government Board
Dublin 18th November 1898

Sir,

I am directed by the Local Government Board for Ireland to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 15th Instant, transmitting a copy of a resolution adopted by the Town Commissioners of Wicklow, proposing to divide the Town into Wards under the Local Government (Ireland) Act, 1898, and I am to state that the Commissioners should furnish the Board with a statement showing the number, boundaries, and population of each of the proposed Wards, together with a map having the boundaries marked thereon

I am Sir &c
A. Courtenay Assist Secretary

To
Francis. P. MacPhail

Proposed by Thomas Darcy, seconded by John Neill and unanimously resolved:— "That a Committee of this Board be hereby appointed with the assistance of your Town Clerk and Agent to carry out the requirements of the Local Government Boards Letter with regard to dividing the Town of Wicklow into Wards, said Committee to have full power to make all arrangements necessary for that purpose"——

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Proposed by Thomas Darcy, seconded by William Darragh and unanimously resolved)—" That the following Committee be hereby appointed to carry out resolution with regard to Local Government Boards letter; Messrs Gleeson, M. Haskins, O'Brien, Padin, McPhail, Darcy and Jarret Byrne, three members to form a quorum": —

Local Government Board
Dublin 18th November 1898

No 220 M/98

Sir,

I am directed by the Local Government Board for Ireland to inform you that under clause 5 of the Schedule to an Order proposed to be made by His Excellency the Lord Lieutenant in Council, under Section 104 of the Local Government (Ireland) Act 1898, in accordance with a notice published in Dublin Gazette of the 11th Inst, the Board will be empowered with when such order is made to issue Rules regulating the procedure to be followed at the Elections of Councils of County Boroughs, Town Council of Boroughs other than County Boroughs, Councils of Urban Districts which are not Boroughs and Commissioners of Towns and Townships not being Urban Districts, to be held under the said act

Inasmuch as the said Order cannot be made until after 40 days from the date of the publication of the said notice, the Local Government Board think it advisable to circulate for the instruction and guidance of the Town Commissioners of Wicklow and their Officers a draft of the Rules which it is proposed to issue, in order that due preparation may be made for carrying out the necessary arrangements for holding the first Elections of Urban District Councillors for their District

I am &c

Clerk Town Commissioners Wicklow: H. M. Swaine: Assist Secretary

Read letter from Colonel Clutterbuck stating that they were anxious to commence work of fitting platform to mount guns on plot of ground recently let on lease and asking if the Commissioners would have any objection to their entry on the land pending drafting of lease:—
Resolved: "That our Town Clerk be directed to reply to letter stating that the Commissioners have no objection to their entry on land for the purposes contained in their letter" —

Proposed by William Darragh, Seconded Jarret Byrne and resolved "That we give permission to the Gaelic Association to use lower portion of Market Hall at such times as not required by the Commissioners; two members to give a written guarantee to be responsible for any damage done:—

5th Dec 1898

Town Hall Wicklow
1st December 1898

A special meeting of the Wicklow Town Commissioners was held this evening in pursuance to a requisition signed by John Neill, Peter O'Brien, Walter Roche, John Shaw, Thomas Darcy, Frank McPhail, Thomas Kavanagh and William Darragh:

To confirm Special Committees Report with regard to dividing the Town into Wards:
To rescind resolution of the 10th of October 1898 fixing the number of Commissioners, leaving same to the discretion of Local Government Board:
To consider letter from War office with regard to field at Blackcastle
To consider important letters from Local Government Board:
To consider miscellaneous correspondence: —

Members present Messrs Patrick Padin, John Neill, Thomas Darcy, Frank McPhail, Peter Doolittle, William Darragh, Walter Roche, Francis B. Greg, James P. Byrne, Nicholas M. Haskins, Joseph McCarroll, John Shaw & Thomas Kavanagh; David M. Haskins: —
On the motion of Mr Darcy: Mr Patrick Padin took the chair:

Town Hall Wicklow
21st November 1898

A special Committee meeting of members appointed by resolution to make arrangements with regard to dividing the Town into Wards met this Evening: —
Members present Messrs Patrick Padin, Edward Gleeson, Jarret Byrne, Thomas Darcy and Frank McPhail: —

On the motion of Mr Padin it was resolved "That the Town be divided into three Wards viz Abbey Ward, Castle Ward and Kilmantin ~~Hill~~ Ward: —

No 1 Abbey Ward to comprise of Murrough, Wentworth Place, right-hand side of Abbey St, Bachelors Walk, Friars Hill, Bolarney and all to right-hand side or north of Marlton Road: —

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No 2. Castle Ward, commencing at Murphy's Hotel Bridge St, South 2nay all on left-hand side of Main St, Summer Hill to Dunbur flew, Irishtown, Castle St, Quarantine Hill etc: ——

3 Kilmantin Ward, commencing from South side of Marlton Road, Fitzwilliam Row, all right-hand side of Main St, Summer Hill to Dunbur flew, Ball alley, High St, Bay View Terrace Road)

Directions were given to purchase two Ordance maps

Signed Patrick Nadin, Edward Gleeson, Garret Byrne, Thomas Darcy, Frank McPhail

Town Hall Wicklow
23rd November 1898

Your Committee met again this Evening and after carefully considering the question of Wards, Population, Valuation and Voters in each Ward

It was proposed by Garret Byrne, seconded by Frank McPhail and unanimously resolved; That the map as made out dividing the Town into three Wards be sent forward to the Local Government Board and to request that they will hold their inquiry at their Earliest convenience: The number of Commissioners to be fixed at 15 and the names of the Wards to be as follows Kilmantin Ward, Castle Ward, Abbey Ward, — The sum of £3.3/- to be paid to Mr Naylor for making maps and attending Local Government Board inquiry

Name of Ward	Population	Valuation £ s. d	No of Local Government Electors
~~Kilmantin~~ Castle Ward	756	1174. 16. 3	121
Kilmantin Ward	1504	1935. 16. 0	201
Abbey Ward	930	2389. 5. 3	165
	3190		487

Signed Thomas D'arcy, Garret Byrne, Nicholas ~~H~~ Haskins, Frank McPhail, Edward Gleeson.

Proposed by John Neill, seconded by William Darragh and unanimously resolved; That we hereby confirm and adopt the Reports of Special Committee appointed by resolution to make arrangements with regard to dividing the Town into Wards in pursuance to the provisions of Section 41 (2) of the Local Government (Ireland) Act 1898; —

Local Government Board Dublin
22nd November 1898

No 52. 399: 1898
Wicklow Town
Sir,

I am directed by the Local Government Board for Ireland to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 17th Instant relative to transitory arrangements under the Local Government (Ireland) Act 1898, in connection with the Accounts of the Town Commissioners of Wicklow and with reference to your inquiry on the subject, I am to state, that having regard to the difficulty the Town Commissioners anticipate in meeting their obligations prior to the "appointed day" they should take such steps as they may be advised to ensure that all rents and other monies due and properly collectible by that day are lodged to their credit

I am &c
H. M. Swain for Secretary

The Town Clerk Wicklow:

Local Government Board
Dublin 18th November 1898

No 52. 057: 1898
Wicklow Town
Sir,

I am directed by the Local Government Board for Ireland to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 15th Instant, transmitting a copy of a resolution adopted by the Town Commissioners of Wicklow, proposing to divide the Town into Wards under the Local Government (Ireland) Act, 1898, and I am to state that the Commissioners should furnish the Board with a statement showing the number, boundaries, and population of each of the proposed Wards, together with a map having the boundaries marked thereon

I am Sir &c
H. Courtenay
For assistant Secretary

To
Francis. W. MacPhail

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No 53513 / 1898 /
Wicklow Town

Local Government Board Dublin
29th November 1898

Sir,

I am directed by the Local Government Board for Ireland to acquaint you, for the information of the Wicklow Town Commissioners, that the Board have instructed their Engineering Inspector Mr O'Brien Smyth to hold a Local Inquiry at the Town Hall, Wicklow, on Tuesday 6th December, at 11.30 o'clock am into the matter of the petition of the Town Commissioners to have the Town of Wicklow divided into Wards under the Local Government (Ireland) Act, 1898: — Placards relating to the Inquiry will shortly be forwarded and I am to request that you will cause them to be posted throughout the District for the information of all parties concerned —

I am Sir &c
Thomas A. Money / Secretary

Copy of Notice

Local Government (Ireland) Act 1898
Town of Wicklow
Notice of Inquiry

Whereas, the Town Commissioners of Wicklow have made application to the Local Government Board for Ireland, to divide the Town of Wicklow into Wards, pursuant to the provisions of Section 41 (2) of the Local Government (Ireland) Act 1898: Now, Therefore the Local Government Board for Ireland hereby give notice that they have instructed their Engineering Inspector, Mr O'Brien Smyth, to hold a Local Inquiry into the application, on Tuesday 6th day of December, 1898, in the Town Hall Wicklow, at 11.30 o'clock am, All persons interested may attend and give Evidence at the Inquiry

Thomas A. Money
Secretary.

Local Government Board, Dublin,
28th November 1898:

Read a further letter from Local Government Board forwarding Copy of Article 7 of the draft Order in Council making certain transitory provisions for bringing the Local Government (Ireland) Act 1898 into operation and stating that the clause will come into force on the 21st December next:

No 16923
98

Treasury Chambers
24th November 1898

Sir,

The Lords Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury have given their careful consideration to your letter of the 9th Instant relative to the conditions of the Lease of a certain building site to Mr Delahunt; and I am now directed to inform you that My Lords are unable to regard the fact that the Occupier has Expended a sum of £1,200 instead of £850 on the premises as a sufficient reason for lowering the ground rent from £4 to £3 per annum — My Lords are further of opinion that the circumstances represented do not afford sufficient justification for the proposed Extension of the term of the lease to 200 years. — My Lords regret therefore that they are unable to sanction any modification of the conditions already fixed

I am Sir &c
Francis Moratt

The Town Clerk Wicklow;

R.E. Office Portobello Barracks
Dublin 18—11—98

No 5340

The Secretary Town Commissioners Wicklow

Sir,

I should be obliged if you would give me the following information to enable me to Estimate for fencing the field which it is proposed to lease for the purpose of Erecting a practice battery at Blackcastle: I believe the field in question is fenced by a bank and ditch somewhat of the section shown, can you tell me where the boundary will run on top of the bank or Edge of the ditch and whether I should be right in Estimating for a paling all round on the top of the Bank

I am &c
W. Cairnes Major R.E.

The Secretary was directed to reply that inasmuch as the War Office had not replied to our letter with regard to leasing the field in question it was premature to come to any arrangements with regard to the fencing

Read letter from Colonel Clutterbuck acknowledging receipt of letter of the 21st Inst granting permission for the entry on the plot of ground at Murrough, to be leased by the Town Commissioners by the War Department: —

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Notice of Motion

That we the Town Commissioners of Wicklow at our monthly meeting to be held on Monday 5th December 1898 rescind the resolution of the 10th of October 1898 fixing the number of Commissioners, leaving same to the discretion of the Local Government Board pursuant to the provisions of section 41 (2) of the Local Government (Ireland) Act 1898

Frank McPhail

1st December 1898

Notice of Motion

I beg to give notice that I will move at our next monthly meeting that permission be given to the Billy Byrne Committee to erect a monument on their property Market Square Wicklow

James P. Byrne

1st December 1898: —

E. W. Wynne Chm.
5th Decr 1898

Town Hall Wicklow
5th December 1898

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

Members present. Mr. Edward N. Wynne Chairman Messrs John Neill, Patrick Nadin, Garret Byrne, Thomas D'arcy, James P. Byrne, David H. Haskins, Nicholas H. Haskins, Peter Doolittle, Frank McPhail, William Darragh, and John Shaw: —

Mr. Nicholas H. Haskins asked the permission of the Board to bring forward a resolution before the reading of the minutes the subject of which is contained in the following resolution.

Proposed by Nicholas H. Haskins, Seconded by Peter Doolittle and unanimously resolved — "That we the Wicklow Town Commissioners present our compliments to our Chairman Mr. Edward N. Wynne and wish him our hearty congratulation on his recent marriage wishing him and his Bride long life and every happiness" —

The minutes of the former meetings were then read over and signed after which the following business was proceeded with —

No 1 — To consider Finance Committees Report: —
2 — To consider Sanitary Officers Report: —
3 — To consider Waterworks Overseers Report: —
4 — To consider Miscellaneous Correspondence: —
5 — To consider Tenders for Cleaning Streets: —
6 — To consider Mr. Frank McPhail's "Notice of Motion" That at the next monthly meeting of the Town Commissioners, I will move to rescind the resolution of the 10th October 1898, fixing the number of Commissioners leaving same to the discretion of the Local Government Board pursuant to the provisions of section 41 (2) of the Local Government (Ireland) Act 1898" —
7 — To consider Dr. J. P. Byrne's Notice of Motion "That I will move at our next monthly meeting, that permission be given to the Billy Byrne Committee to erect a monument on our property Market Square Wicklow: —

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Town Hall Wicklow
2nd December 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	£	17 . 6 . 11
" F. W. MacPhail	Town Clerk		1 . 9 . 9
" Michael Doyle	Water Rate		12 . 12 . 6
	Total	£	31 . 9 . 2

Giving a Cr Balance of £ 104 . 12 . 2

We recommend the following payments

Francis W. MacPhail	One months Salary	£ 9 . 3 . 4
Same	Petty Cash Outlay	4 . 18 . 1
Michael Doyle	One months Salary	4 . 11 . 8
Edward O'Connor	do do	5 . 0 . 0
Denis Brien	Cleaning Streets, catch pits & urinal	4 . 0 . 0
Treasurer Fever Hospital	Annual Contribution	5 . 0 . 0
	Total	£ 32 . 13 . 1

We have directed your Town Clerk to call in all Accounts due by your Board and recommend that a special Finance Committee Meeting be held immediately after next rent collection to ascertain our Financial position and as far as possible make provision to enable us to fall in with the transitory arrangements of Local Government Board — Your Redeemable Stock Dividends and Redemption Fund Account will be gone into and a Special meeting of your Board convened to consider Finance Committees Report and authorise the issue of Dividend Warrants to Debenture Holders for interest due 1st January 1899

It will also be necessary to make an Estimate of the Local Rate required for 1899 or such other period as shall be determined by the Local Government Board, Your Town Clerk has written to the Board for information on the subject"—

Mr Thomas Little C.E. has certified that the Sum of £ 400 is due to Mr Joseph Pim under his Contract for building Cottages at Convent Road, We recommend that the £ 300 ~~lodged~~ on deposit be placed to credit of Capital Account and that a cheque for same be made

payable to Mr Pim and an Order made that the balance be realized by the Sale of Dublin Corporation Stock

Signed Edward N. Byrne Chrm
John Neill
Thomas D'Arcy

Proposed by Patrick Nadin seconded by David H. Haskins and unanimously resolved " That the Report of the Finance Committee be confirmed and adopted"—

To the Wicklow Urban Sanitary Authority

As Medical Officer of Health I hereby report to you again the sewer in Main St between Mr Haskins and Mr Byrne— If the Town Commissioners do not provide a new sewer immediately I will be reluctantly compelled to make a special report to Local Government Board on the subject

Dated this 5th day of December 1898
James H. Halpin
Medical Officer of Health

Proposed by Frank McPhail, seconded by Thomas D'Arcy and resolved
" That Messrs. Byrne, N Haskins, F McPhail and the Chairman
" be authorised as a Committee to carry out the resolution of 3rd
" of October, at a cost not to exceed £ 50 said works to be
" subject to the approval of a Sanitary Expert:
" Mr Nadin objects to any but a general drainage scheme"

Wicklow 5th December 1898

Gentlemen,

I respectfully beg to report that during the past month the Public Lighting of the Town was well maintained, I made usual sanitary inspections during the month and served four notices under the Public Health Act, for sanitary purposes

The street cleaner was careful and attentive to his duties, but if the Road Contractor paid a little more attention to the roads the Streets of the Town would be in a better ~~pos~~ condition than they have been for the past month:— By your directions I had a practice of the fire hose out of 30 hydrants in the Town I had a stand pipe and a couple of lengths of hose attached to 23 of them

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I found them in good working order and the pressure of water appeared also good, but there is no fire brigade :— Some time ago I called attention to the unprotected and dangerous state of a plot of ground in Castle St at the rear of Mr Kents mill the Landlord ought to be called on to have it in some way protected — The Medical Officers attention has been directed to some sanitary subjects

I am &c
Michael Doyle; Sub. San. Officer

Resolved "That notice be served on the Landlord to protect the plot of ground complained of

Read Waterworks Overseers Report shewing reservoir is down 3 inches from top of woodwork and enumerating certain work done during the month

Wicklow 5th December 1898

To the Chairman &
Town Commissioners of Wicklow

Gentlemen,

I beg to surrender the right to a lease granted me of a Plot at Bay View Road for 75 years at £2 per annum and to apply that a lease be granted me from March 1899 at £4 per annum for 150 years in accordance with the Treasury Sanction

I am Gentlemen &c
S. V. Delahunty.

Proposed by William Darragh, Seconded by Thomas Darcy and unanimously resolved "That we accept Mr S. V. Delahunty surrender of his right to a Lease of 75 years, and grant him a Lease of 150 years at £4 per annum in accordance with Treasury Sanction. Lease to date from 29th Sept 1898"—

R. C. Office Dublin Castle
3rd December 1898

Wicklow 36

Sir,

In reply to your letter of 25—11—98 I am to inform you that War Office have approved generally of the hiring of the field near Blackcastle — It is presumed that the Chief Crown Solicitor is in communication with you as to the form of Lease; —

I am &c
C. A. Bayot Col

Town Clerk; Wicklow:

Directions were given to the Town Clerk to refer Colonel Bayot to our letter of 28th July 1898 to him on the Subject of the field at Blackcastle and to state that no reply has been received to the terms contained therein:—

No 54193; 1898
Wicklow: Town

Local Government Board Dublin
22nd December 1898

Sir,

Adverting to your letter of the 26th ultimo, I am directed by the Local Government Board for Ireland to refer you to their circular letter of the 29th ultimo, and to add that the Board will again address the Wicklow Town Commissioners on the subject of the Rates to be made for the year 1899

I am Sir &c
Thomas A. Mooney; Secretary

Francis MacNeill: Town Clerk:

Read letter from Michael Byrne asking the Commissioners to clean out the land slip at the Quarry, also a Gullet to be made across the neck of the Quarry:—

Resolved "That Michael Byrne be requested to carry out his stamped Agreement with this Board

Read letter from Daniel Byrne drawing the attention of the Commissioners to the removal of gravel above notice board opposite his property

Resolved "That the parties above referred to be watched with a view to having them prosecuted for removal of gravel on prohibited ground" Mr Byrne to assist in the matter—

Proposed by Patrick Nadin, Seconded by Thomas Darcy and unanimously resolved "That our Town Clerk be given the services of our Solicitor for coming Elections"—

Proposed by Patrick Nadin, Seconded by Thomas Darcy & resolved "That Denis Briens Tender of £4 for Cleaning Streets, catch "pits and Urinals for the months of December 1898 be accepted "in the usual conditions:"—

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