

the Bill on behalf of the Commission and return it to Messrs. Beaton & Co.

Read a letter from The Town Clerk of Armagh relative to the Rating of Premises used for Public Charities - and that no reply was had from Coleraine or Parsonstown.

Read a letter from Messrs. Laidlaw & Co. dated 19<sup>th</sup> December 1859, stating that they can only agree to let their account stand over as requested on the grounds that interest be paid them on the amount from 6 months after date of the various items in the account till it is settled.

Resolved - That communication be made to Messrs. Laidlaw & Co. requesting they may be good enough to furnish the particulars of their account making up to 37.11.4, the account which Messrs. Laidlaw originally rendered amounted to only £29.14.4 and from which deductions were to be made, pursuant to the agreement <sup>entered</sup> into for the repairs of the station meter, and to which Messrs. Laidlaw's attention be requested. The station meter having been sent on two occasions to Messrs. Laidlaw for repairs and for which it appears a second charge has been made, while the Commissioners are of opinion that in accordance with the arrangement referred to one charge should only be made. That Messrs. Laidlaw's attention be also directed to the fact of the meter having been forwarded from here enveloped in a wooden case which cost 18/- and returned without being

so secured, for which wooden case the Commissioners claim credit, and also for empty cases returned but charged in Messrs. Laidlaw's account above rendered and valued at 18/- together with the cost of carriage for the meter a second time to which the Commissioners also claim exemption, the necessity having occurred by reason of Messrs. Laidlaw not fulfilling their contract.

The Clerk said he had been requested by the Freeman and others to make application for the usual Christmas allowance.

Resolved - That the usual annual allowance of 5/- each to Fiely, Boland, Caulfield, Higgins and Dolan be made.

The Clerk reported he would have to attend at Loughrea Sessions on Wednesday next on the hearing of the case of John McKeown for the Rates due on the Agricultural Hall.

Approved of.

The Clerk having made application for his Quarters Salary due the 30<sup>th</sup> instant.

It was ordered - That a Draft be made accordingly.

John Keill Collector having made application for £10. on account of his Collection fees, a Draft for the sum of Five Pounds being the amount due Keill was ordered to be made on the Treasurer.

Resolved - That a Draft for £3.16.6 be made in favour of Mr. Smythe for Printing, Advertising &c. to 31<sup>st</sup> July last.

Resolved - That communication be made to the Chairman of the Town Commissioners for Parsonstown requesting he would be good enough to direct that replies may be returned to the queries contained in the letter addressed by this Board to the Town Clerk of Parsonstown on the 16th instant, and that a copy of said letter be forwarded to the Chairman of Parsonstown Town Commissioners.

Resolved - That communication be made to Messrs Heiton relative to a small supply of coal for present use, and that the inferior quality of the last; particularly the New Castle coal had from them be noted, and they be requested to say if a better and a more economical description can be obtained, to state its properties and qualities in the manufacture of gas and also its price per ton.

Galway County Council Archives

Ballinasloe Town Improvement Commissioners.

9TH GEORGE IV., CAP. 82.

Valuation of Ratable Property £

The Weekly Meeting of the Board was held on Friday, the 30<sup>th</sup> day of December 1854.

Present in the Chair, Francis J. Liberty.

Other Members present, —

John A. Craig, Patrick Ward, Fred A. A. Harpur, William Lynes, Andrew Banfield, The Hon. Robert Carter French, & Joseph Murrell

The Minutes of proceedings at the last meeting were read and authenticated by the Signature of the Chairman.

The Clerk's Report on the Execution of Orders at the previous meeting was read as follows:—

That the orders of the Board at the last meeting were conveyed as directed. That 3 tons, 6 cwt 3 qrs and 14 lb of each description of Coal was issued from Store during the past week.

The Treasurer's Book of Receipts and Payments was submitted, by which it appeared there had been

Lodged during the Week, - - £ 64 11 4  
Paid out during the Week, - - £ 23 5 7  
Balance remaining against the Board, £ 45 11 5

The preceding Minutes having been read and approved of was authenticated by the Signature of

*Francis J. Liberty*  
Presiding Chairman,

And Countersigned by

*Thomas Murrell*  
Clerk of the Commissioners.



to Parliament, adopted relative to the subject of the Grand Canal, which was signed by 46 of the Gentry, Traders, and Inhabitants of the Town.

Read a letter from Messrs. Helton & Co. forwarding an Invoice of Five Tons of Coal at 17/6 p ton, and stating the Coal is of good quality, and is much approved of by other Gas Companies, whom they supply at the same price charged to the Ballinascloe Town Commissioners, also showing that they are daily expecting a vessel laden with Kirkless Hall Wigan Coal, a Boat Load of which they can supply at the shipside for 17/6 p ton or delivered at the Railway Station for 1/6 p ton in addition, for any quantity which the Commissioners may think well of ordering.

The Clerk stated Mr Hannin informed him that Coal engaged to return 9000 feet of gas p Ton could be had at the shipside for 13/- p Ton, and that should the Commissioners wish he would make application and ascertain the terms.

Resolved. That communication be made to Messrs. Helton, and ascertain the lowest price at which a Boat Load of Kirkless Coal would be supplied at the shipside, that Mr Hannin be requested to communicate with the party he has mentioned

mentioned, and ascertain the Terms upon which a Boat Load would be supplied.

Read a letter from Colonel Lorcum, Under Secretary, stating that he was directed by the Lords Justice, to request that he may be furnished with a Return shewing for one year the amount levied under the provisions of the Act 9th Geo 4th Cap. 82, for local purposes in the Town of Ballinascloe.

Resolved. That the Chairman be requested to communicate with Col. Lorcum, and afford the necessary information, which the Clerk be directed to supply.

Mr. Banfield submitted a statement which he had prepared relative to the Grand Canal.

The subject of poisoning Dogs through Town having been brought under the consideration of the Board by Mr. William Hynes, who apprehended serious consequences might arise from the vicious practice, having observed that a large number of Dogs, Poultry, and a Pig, had been lately poisoned through Town, and that on yesterday a Child had picked up off the Street some dough which was afterwards eaten by a Dog that died immediately from the effects of poison supposed to be contained in the dough.

The Chairman with Messrs. Hynes, Harper, and Craig having proposed a subscription of One Pound each as a reward for the detection of the Person or persons engaged in distributing  
Poison

Person in the reckless manner referred to. -

It was

Resolved. That advertisement be made in the Star newspaper and by hand bills to be posted through Town, offering a reward of Ten pounds for such information as will lead to the discovery, and prosecute to conviction the person or persons engaged in so nefarious and abominable a practice.

The subject of the formation of the Town into wards under the Towns Improvement Act of 1854, being before the Board,  
It was resolved.

That a special meeting of the Commissioners be called for next day of meeting to take the matter into consideration, and that a Committee consisting of the Chairman, The Hon Robert Carter French and Mr. Joseph Shupe, be appointed to communicate with the Government on the subject.

Ballinasloe Cotton Improvement Commissioners.

9TH GEORGE IV., CAP. 82.

Valuation of Ratable Property £

The Weekly Meeting of the Board was held on Friday, the Sixth day of January 1857.

Present in the Chair, Francis O'Flaherty.

Other Members present, — The Hon. Robert Espar French, Dr. Burke, Thomas Hyde, John Nowke, Robert Sharpe, Dr. Moran, William Lynes, William Ivens, Thomas Carroll, Robert H Smythe, Andrew Banfield, Patrick Morda.

The Minutes of proceedings at the last meeting were read and authenticated by the Signature of the Chairman.

The Clerk's Report on the Execution of Orders at the previous meeting was read as follows: — That the orders of the Board at the last meeting were conveyed as directed.

That 2 Tons, 16 cwt, 3 qrs, and 14 lb of each description of coal was issued from store during the past week.

The preceding Minutes having been read and approved of was authenticated by the Signature of

*F. O'Flaherty*  
Presiding Chairman,

And Countersigned by

*W. Nowke*  
Clerk of the Commissioners.

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The Treasurer's Book of Receipts and Payments was submitted, by which it appeared there had been

Lodged during the Week, - - £ 14<sup>11</sup> 12<sup>11</sup> -

Paid out during the Week, - - £ 3<sup>11</sup> 9<sup>10</sup>

Balance remaining against the Board, £ 34<sup>11</sup> 1<sup>11</sup> 4.

The Clerk's Account of Receipts and Payments was submitted, examined, and authenticated, by the Signature of the Chairman.

The following Bills of Expenses, &c., incurred during the Week, were submitted, and Orders made thereon, viz.:-

That Freely be paid Twelv Moys	£-	12..6
Boland and Caulfield	1..	4..0
Higgins and Dolan		18..0
Leonard 47 Caulfield and Hire changing streets	3	10..7
Finerty 23 days with Finerty	2..	9
Harpur for Ink, Pens and Repairs	8..	11
Smythe, Printing and advertising	1..	0..6
Brooms		9
	£	4..18..0

The Clerk submitted the following Bills for payment by the Board, being first certified by him:-

Thomas Hogan Freight and Delivery of coal	3	20..
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The following Letters were read and considered, and directions given thereon, viz.:-

Read a letter from Messrs Thomas Heiton & Co., forwarding retived Bill for £55.10.0.

Read a letter from Messrs Thomas Heiton stating they could not supply the best Kirkless Hall coal for less than 17/- per Ton at Ships side; and observing that coal at 13/- per Ton would not suit for the manufacture of gas.

The Clerk stated he had been speaking to Mr Hannin who informed him he did not as yet receive any reply to his inquiry regarding the coal he mentioned, the Clerk further stated that a supply of coal was required and also of Linn.

Resolved- That a Boat Load be procured viz Thirty Ton of Kirkless Hall "ovell" and Ten Ton of Cannell coal of the very best description and that Messrs Heiton be requested to forward with as little delay as possible.

Mr Robert Sharpe a Member of the Board having inquired if it would be practicable to take lime free of charge - in lieu of soiled lime after condensing and if so Mr John O'Shaughnessy of Birchgrove would supply the lime.

Resolved- That Mr Sharpe be requested to communicate with Mr O'Shaughnessy and if he agrees to supply Roche lime the Board will Return it back to him after being condensed.

Read



Read a letter from the Clerk to the Town Commissioners of Parsonstown, stating that at a meeting of that body held on Monday the 2nd January 1860 - a form of Petition was unanimously adopted to be presented to Parliament against the leasing of the Canal to either Railway Companies, and suggesting for the purpose of effecting opposition that a subscription list be opened to defray the expenses that may be incurred in opposing this Bill in Committee to which they apprehend it will be referred and by the production of persons to give evidence before such Committee and requesting to be informed of the views of the Ballinasloe Town Commissioners on the suggestion.

Resolved - That the suggestions contained in the communication made by the Parsonstown Commissioners be approved of, and that communication be made to the Parsonstown Board with the view of ascertaining the probable expenses, and the amount of subscription necessary and how it is proposed same should be raised.

Read a letter from Messrs Laidlaw forwarding a statement of account for the repairs of the station meter, and demanding payment of the account forthwith amounting to £37.11.4, and denying in the most positive manner that he ever entered into any arrangement, regarding the repair of the station meter, and stating that the meter was destroyed through the ignorance of the workmen  
connected

connected with the Gas Works at Ballinasloe.

Resolved - That communication be made to Messrs Laidlaw, stating the Board feel surprised at the tone of their letter, or that they should have considered their account was overlooked. The Commissioners were led to believe by their former Clerk that an agreement was entered into by Messrs Laidlaw for the repairs of the station meter, and that therefore deductions were to be made from the account furnished, the Board now desire to say if Messrs Laidlaw should draw a bill at three months for the amount of their account after making the deductions mentioned in their letter of the 29th ultimo the Commissioners will accept and return the bill to Messrs Laidlaw.

The Board proceeded to the consideration of the Division of the Town into Wards under the Towns Improvement Ireland Act 1854.

When Dr. Burke proposed and William Tiers seconded

That a Memorial be forwarded to His Excellency the Lord Lieutenant praying that the Town may be divided under the new Towns Improvement Act, into two Wards, viz by making the Town as at present constituted within the Public Lamps One Ward and making the Country and rural districts One Ward. That the number of Commissioners be Twenty one viz Fourteen for the Town Ward and Seven for the Country Ward, and that our Chairman be

be requested to forward the Memorial to His Excellency.

The Hon. Robert Peter French proposed as an amendment and Robert Shreve seconded that this Board do not interfere with the prerogative of His Excellency.

The Board having divided on the subject the Chairman declared the original motion carried by a majority of 4, to 2.

Galway County Council Archives

Ballinasloe Toton Improvement Commissioners.

9TH GEORGE IV., CAP. 82.

Valuation of Ratable Property £

The Weekly Meeting of the Board was held on Friday, the thirtieth day of January 1860

Present in the Chair, Francis Flaherty

Other Members present, John McCreary Wm Hayes

Andrew Danfield the Hon Robert Le Poer Trench Robert St John the Hon A Harpur Thos Skyele Misha Finerty, Thos Carroll, Wm Jovers Joseph Sheehy, Pat J Burke and Pat McWard

The Minutes of proceedings at the last meeting were read and authenticated by the Signature of the Chairman.

The Clerk's Report on the Execution of Orders at the previous meeting was read as follows:— That the orders of the Board at the last meeting were conveyed as directed That 2 Tons, 12 Cwt. and 2 Drs of each description of Coal were issued from store during the past week

That the stock of Coal was just out, and showed a deficiency of 15 Tons, 12 Cwt of Common and 4 Tons, 4 Cwt and 1 Dr of Carmell Coal,

The Treasurer's Book of Receipts and Payments was submitted, by which it appeared there had been

Lodged during the Week, - - £ 42 7 9

Paid out during the Week, - - £ 7 8 0

Balance remaining in favour the Board, £ - 18 5

The preceding Minutes having been read and approved of was authenticated by the Signature of

F. Flaherty Presiding Chairman,

And Countersigned by W. J. Jovers Clerk of the Commissioners.

The Clerk's Account of Receipts and Payments was submitted, examined, and authenticated, by the Signature of the Chairman.

The following Bills of Expenses, &c., incurred during the Week, were submitted, and Orders made thereon, viz:—

That J. Kelly paid 1 Mr's Wages	£ 12 <sup>0</sup> 0
Bolton & Humphreys	14 4 <sup>0</sup> 0
Higgins & Dolan	18 <sup>0</sup> 0
Gen Cameron Advertising	17 <sup>0</sup> 0
Leonard & Humphreys	
Cleaning of Streets	13 <sup>0</sup> 11
Fiveerty 2 days Labour	2 <sup>0</sup> 0
	£ 4 <sup>0</sup> 7 <sup>0</sup> 3

The Clerk submitted the following Bills for payment by the Board, being first certified by him:—

Wm D Henderson for		
Drink	£ 2	13 6

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The following Letters were read and considered, and directions given thereon, viz:—

The Clerk submitted a Memorandum from the Income Tax Commissioners stating that an Office for the collection of Income Tax would be held at Craigs Hotel on Friday the 20<sup>th</sup> January instant, and that the Apportionment for the year ending 5<sup>th</sup> April 1864 amount to £110

ordered that the amount to be paid The Clerk submitted bills from Messrs Gen and Cameron for advertising amount 17/- and from Wm Henderson of Belfast for Drink for £ 2<sup>0</sup> 13<sup>0</sup> 6

ordered to be paid Read a letter from Messrs Laidlaw & Son forwarding a draft for amount of accounts £ 35<sup>0</sup> 2<sup>0</sup> 2 at three months, from the 9<sup>th</sup> of January instant, having made a deduction of £ 2<sup>0</sup> 9<sup>0</sup> 2, for empty boxes and freight and requesting same might be accepted and returned

ordered that the Clerk do accept Messrs Laidlaw's draft for the above amount and return same

The Clerk reported that in consequence of Messrs Sutton not having forwarded the Coal, and the present stock being exhausted, he had ordered 3 Tons of Cannel and 3 Tons of Common Coal to be forwarded by Rail

Approved of

The Clerk

The Clerk reported that the Municipal  
Promissory Note for \$50, to the  
National Bank would fall due on  
Tuesday the 17<sup>th</sup> instant, and stated that  
on that occasion of Renewing this Bill  
a draft was made for the amount, not  
to be presented until the bill came to  
maturity.

Resolved

That the Treasurer be  
requested to allow the account to be  
overdrawn that amount.

The Clerk reported that Mr McAvoy  
auctioneer had lodged a sum of  
\$15<sup>00</sup> 3<sup>00</sup>, the proceeds of the sale of  
soiled Linn and Manure.

Mr Martin Colohan having come before  
the Board and made application for  
payment of the Debenture No 41, for \$50  
issued to the late Dr Colohan, of  
which he is the holder.

The Board informed Mr Colohan the  
Finances of the concern were not in  
a position just now, to pay off that  
Debenture, but assured Mr Colohan  
he might rest satisfied of the  
security of the Debenture.

Read a letter from John J. Shinghupay  
of Birch Grove, proposing to supply Linn on  
the following terms viz

"If on Examination the amount heretofore  
paid by the Commissioners for Linn during  
the twelve months is equal to or even more

"what exceeds the sum received for soiled  
Linn and Street Manure collected in the  
same space, that the account be held as  
balanced between myself and the Commis-  
sioners, but if the money expended on Linn  
falls short of that received for the above  
mentioned manure, that I pay the  
difference

Signed  
"John J. Shinghupay"

ordered

That the receipt of Mr Shinghupay  
letter be acknowledged, and the Clerk  
directed to make out a statement of the  
amount paid for Linn during our year  
and also the expenses incurred in cleaning  
the streets during the same period, and  
the amount received for manure and soiled  
Linn during that time.

Read a letter from John Higgins Lamp  
lighter requesting to be allowed as hereto-  
fore an oil cloth coat, the expense of which  
will be about Nine Shillings

ordered

That Nine Shillings be allowed  
to Higgins to procure a coat.

Read a letter from Mr Wm Leachey  
requesting to be supplied with New Meters  
instead of those he has in use, or otherwise to  
be allowed to burn Gas by time, without a  
cost as those he has in use are very defective

and

and also calling attention to previous applications made by him regarding those meters.

Ordered

That Mr Leake be informed the Board have not New Meters in store at present, and that burning gas by time is against the rules of the Commissioners and cannot be allowed.

Messrs Ross & Murray, having furnished a Bill amounting to £74<sup>11</sup> 8<sup>11</sup> 11, which the Board having inquired into find that Messrs Ross and Murray's account amounting to £69<sup>13</sup> 8. was settled, and finally closed up to and for 18<sup>th</sup> June 1859, by a Bill at 3 months, for the balance which then appeared at foot thereof, and that said Bill was duly honoured through the Bank of Ireland Office here by the Commissioners on 21<sup>st</sup> September 1859.

Ordered  
That communication be accordingly made to Messrs Ross & Murray, and the Clerk directed to exhibit the books showing the transaction to Messrs Ross and Murray on application.

Mr Banfield having introduced the subject of the Canal with the view of a Committee being appointed for the purpose of preparing Statistics, and procuring information having reference to the subject

Resolved

Resolved 97

That Mr Banfield be requested to prepare the necessary information on the subject and that he be good enough to report to the Board from time to time;

Dallinasloe Toton Improvement Commissioners.

9TH GEORGE IV., CAP. 82.

Valuation of Ratable Property £

The Weekly Meeting of the Board was held on Friday, the 20<sup>th</sup> day of January 1860.

Present in the Chair, Francis O'Flaherty.

Other Members present, — The Hon Robert Esau French, Dr, Burke, Robert H Smyth, Thomas Hyde, William Ives, Patrick Ward, Thomas Carroll.

The Minutes of proceedings at the last meeting were read and authenticated by the Signature of the Chairman.

The Clerk's Report on the Execution of Orders at the previous meeting was read as follows:— That the orders of the Board were conveyed as directed, and that by next meeting of the Board, the Returns regarding the Cost of Soiled Lime and Manure will be prepared.

That 3 Ton, 3 cwt, 0 qrs & 14 lb of Common and 3 Ton, 4 cwt, 1 qr, and 14 lb Cannel Coal were issued from store during the past week.

The Treasurer's Book of Receipts and Payments was submitted, by which it appeared there had been

Lodged during the Week, - - £ 12<sup>4</sup> 2<sup>4</sup> 5<sup>-</sup>

Paid out during the Week, - - £ 5<sup>2</sup> 0<sup>4</sup> 11

Balance remaining against the Board, £ 44<sup>4</sup> 0<sup>4</sup> 1

The preceding Minutes having been read and approved of was authenticated by the Signature of

*W. Mahony*  
Presiding Chairman,

And Countersigned by

*[Signature]*  
Clerk of the Commissioners.

The Clerk's Account of Receipts and Payments was submitted, examined, and authenticated, by the Signature of the Chairman.

The following Bills of Expenses, &c. incurred during the Week, were submitted, and Orders made thereon, viz.:

That Freely be paid 1 m <sup>o</sup> Salary £ -	12.0
Boland and Caulfield Fire men	14.0
Higgins and Dobson	18.0
Income Tax	2.10
Hynes Oil 9 <sup>o</sup> Brooms 9 <sup>o</sup>	1.6
Leonard 5/4 & ap Hire of cleaning streets	14.7
Labour & Repairs of Burrow	6.6
Lime	10.0
Sharpe for Oil Coat to Higgins	9.0
Paid for Draft Stamps	1.0
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	£41 19 11

The Clerk submitted the following Bills for payment by the Board, being first certified by him.:

Thomas Hogan, Carriage			
and delivery of coal	4	7	7

Galway County Council

The following Letters were read and considered, and directions given thereon, viz.:

The Clerk submitted the acceptance for £384.10. passed through the Bank of Ireland, in payment of Nass & Murray's Account, and inquired if the Commissioners wished to have their Vouchers returned from the Bank.

Ordered - That the Vouchers be taken back from the Bank.

Read a letter from Fergo Grehan and Michael Connors, complaining of a nuisance by Mrs. Carroll in the Market Square, by reason of a sewer in the yard of Mrs. Carroll, which they have requested of her to have same put into proper order which she refused to do.

Ordered - That the complaint be referred to Martin Dobson Town Sergeant with directions to inspect same and report upon the subject.

Resolved - That a copy of the Petition to Parliament adopted on the subject of the Grand Canal be forwarded to Mr. John Barrett of Ballinacree.

H. H. Harty

Chairman  
Pursuing

Horshill  
Clerk to the Commissioners



## Ballinasloe Cotton Improvement Commissioners.

9TH GEORGE IV., CAP. 82.

## Valuation of Ratable Property £

The Weekly Meeting of the Board was held on Friday, the *Twenty Seventh*  
day of *January 1860*.

Present in the Chair, *Francis O'Leary*

Other Members present, — *William Hynes, John A. Craig, Andrew  
Bonfield, Joseph Sharpe, William Sives, Thomas  
Carroll, Robert Sharpe, Patrick Wards, Dr. Burke,  
The Hon Robert de Pree French, Dr. Horn, Patrick  
J. Burke, Frederick A. Harper, and Robert H  
Smythe.*

The Minutes of proceedings at the last meeting were read and authenticated by the  
Signature of the Chairman.

The Clerk's Report on the Execution of Orders at the previous meeting was read  
as follows:— *That the orders of the Board at the last  
meeting were executed as directed.*

*That 2 Ton, 13 cwt, 3 qrs and — lbs of  
each description of coal were issued from store during  
the past week.*

*That owing to the coals ordered on the 6th  
instant not having come to hand the Clerk was  
obliged to procure Eight Ton from Messrs Heaton  
which has to come by Rail.*

The Treasurer's Book of Receipts and Payments was submitted, by which it appeared  
there had been

Lodged during the Week, - - £ 5. 5. 3

Paid out during the Week, - - £ 8. 19. 11

Balance remaining against the Board, £ 47. 14. 9

The preceding Minutes having been read and approved of was authenticated by the  
Signature of

*Presiding Chairman,*

And Countersigned by

*Clerk of the Commissioners.*

The Clerk's Account of Receipts and Payments was submitted, examined, and authenticated, by the Signature of the Chairman.

The following Bills of Expenses, &c., incurred during the Week, were submitted, and Orders made thereon, viz.:-

That Feely repaired on Micks Mages	£ 12.6
Poland and Caulfield Firemen	1.4.0
Higgins and Dolan	18.0
Leonard 4/9 & Caulfield 4/9 - Cleansing streets	10.9
Labour 2/- at yard & Coal 1/6	3.6
Oil for Higgins	10.
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The Clerk submitted the following Bills for payment by the Board, being first certified by him:-

Thomas Hogan Freight and Delivery of Coal & Empty Boxes	4	1	0
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The following Letters were read and considered, and directions given thereon, viz.:-

The Clerk submitted a letter from Messrs Heiton by which it appeared that owing to the boisterous state of the weather the vessel which they having been expecting laden with coal had not yet arrived.

The Clerk informed the Board that it would be necessary to increase the order for Cannel Coal issued on the 6th instant as equal quantities of each description of Coal were being used in the manufacture of gas.-

Ordered That the order issued for a supply of Coal on the 6th instant be rescinded and that 20 Tons of each description be procured.

The Clerk submitted the following statement regarding the Expenditure for Lime and Cleansing of streets during the year ended 31st July 1859, and of the proceeds of soiled Lime and Manure sold during the same period:-

Lime for Purifying	£ 9. 12. 2
Labour & exp this cleansing streets	10. 15. 1
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	20. 7. 3
Proceeds of Sale by auction for Lime and Manure Sold -	3. 15. 0
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Balance	£ 16. 12. 3

The Board having under consideration the proposition made by Mr. John O'Shaughnessy regarding the supply of Lime for purifying purposes.

It was Resolved - That Lime be purchased and

and disposed of as heretofore, and the manure sold as usual, and that same be notified to Mr. O'Shaughnessy.

Mr. Carroll from the Market Square attended and handed in a letter complaining of her Premises being in a bad state by reason of a sewer having been opened by Conry and Eehan. —

The Chairman promised to call and see the Premises in course of the day.

The Clerk stated that by direction of the Board he had forwarded to Mr. William Cowan of Glasgow five empty Meter Boxes last November which were returned by Railway Company in consequence of the Cross Channel freight amounting to 6/9 not being paid, and that as Mr. Cowan's account was settled without any Credit being given for these Boxes — he had taken them into Store. —

Approved of

Read a letter which The Hon. Robert Colver French had received from His Excellency The Lord Lieutenant, approving of the adoption of the Towns Improvement Act and stating that the number of Commissioners shall be 15, and also stating that His Excellency does not feel called upon to divide the Town into Wards.

W. Wakely

Chairman

Thomas  
Clerk

Ballinasloe Town Improvement Commissioners.

9TH GEORGE IV., CAP. 82.

Valuation of Ratable Property £

The Weekly Meeting of the Board was held on Friday, the Third day of February 1860.

Present in the Chair, Francis O'Flaherty.

Other Members present, — Dr. Burke, Pat. J. Burke, Robert Sharpe, Thomas Carroll, Robert H. Smythe, Andrew Banfield, Patrick Ward, Michael Finneerty, Frederick A. Carpenter, Thomas Hyde, William Ivers, The Hon Robert C. Peck French, William Hynes.

The Minutes of proceedings at the last meeting were read and authenticated by the Signature of the Chairman.

The Clerk's Report on the Execution of Orders at the previous meeting was read as follows:— That the orders of the Board at the last meeting were conveyed as directed.

That 2 Tons, 12 cwt and 2 qrs of each description of Coals were issued from store during the past week.

That in consequence of the Coal not having arrived from Messrs. Heiton, he had ordered a few Tons by Rail, which was expected to arrive this day.

The Treasurer's Book of Receipts and Payments was submitted, by which it appeared there had been

Lodged during the Week, - - £ 9" 2" 5

Paid out during the Week, - - £ 7" 10" 4

Balance remaining against the Board, £ 46" 3" 11

The preceding Minutes having been read and approved of was authenticated by the Signature of Presiding Chairman,

And Countersigned by

Clerk of the Commissioners.



Ballinasloe Town Improvement Commissioners.

9TH GEORGE IV., CAP. 82.

Valuation of Ratable Property £

The Weekly Meeting of the Board was held on Friday, the 10th day of February 1860

Present in the Chair,

Other Members present,—

No person having attended the last meeting in Mr. Flaherty, who pursuant to Resolution at last meeting signed the request for weekly expenditure. See next page

The Minutes of proceedings at the last meeting were read and authenticated by the Signature of the Chairman.

The Clerk's Report on the Execution of Orders at the previous meeting was read as follows:—

The preceding Minutes having been read and approved of was authenticated by the Signature of

Presiding Chairman,

And Countersigned by

Clerk of the Commissioners.

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The Treasurer's Book of Receipts and Payments was submitted, by which it appeared there had been

Lodged during the Week, - - £ 11. 5. 2

Paid out during the Week, - - £ 4. 14. 4

Balance remaining against the Board, £ 39. 17. 3

The Clerk's Account of Receipts and Payments was submitted, examined, and authenticated, by the Signature of the Chairman.

The following Bills of Expenses, &c., incurred during the Week, were submitted, and Orders made thereon, viz. :—

That Fees be paid	£	12-6
Boland 12/- & Caulfield 12/-	1-1	4-0
Higgins & Dolan		18-0
Leonard, Cleansing streets <sup>7/6</sup> & Housefield <sup>4/6</sup>	12-11	
Labours at Coal		1-6
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The Clerk submitted the following Bills for payment by the Board, being first certified by him:—

The Mogan for Freight & Convoigt delivery of Coal	5-2-
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The following Letters were read and considered, and directions given thereon, viz. :—

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Ballinasloe Town.

Towns Improvement Ireland Act 1854.  
17th & 18 Vic Cap 103.

First meeting of the Town Improvement Commissioners held under the above Act at the Board Room at the Gas Works, on Monday the 13th day of February 1860.

Present. - The Hon Robert Le Poer French, Joseph Shoupe, Henry J Gascoyne, Michael E Murphy, Patrick Howe, Robert Shoupe, Garret Larkin, John A Craig, Frederick A Harpur, Tho? Hyde, John Mc Swain, Tho? Dillon, Alexander Elliott, and William Hynes.

The declaration required by section 12 of the Act 17th Vic cap 103, having been made by each of the Commissioners present,

Michael E Murphy Proposed and Thomas Dillon seconded, and

Resolved Unanimously

That the Hon Robert Le Poer French, be elected Chairman of the Commissioners.

The Chair having been taken by the Hon Robert Le Poer French,

It was Resolved - That this meeting at its rising do adjourn to Friday next the 17th of February instant.

Resolved - That a Committee consisting of

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of the whole Board of Commissioners be appointed "for the purposes" of the Towns Improvement Ireland Act 1854 to hold weekly meetings, and that any three Members do form a Quorum, and that the day of meeting of such Committee be Friday in each week at 12 o'clock at noon to be held at the Board Room at the Gas Works.

Joseph Shoupe proposed and unanimously Resolved,

That Thomas Gill be appointed Clerk to the Commissioners at a salary of £50 per year and that he be required to enter into security in a joint bond for the sum of £100. for the due and faithful discharge of the duties of his Office.

Resolved That the Bank of Ireland Office be appointed Treasurer.

Resolved That John Skell be appointed Collector at a remuneration of six pence in the £, that he be required to attend and settle his accounts weekly, and lodge with the Treasurer all moneys weekly or oftener, should the Commissioners require him so to do, and that he be required to enter into security in the sum of £100.

Resolved - That James Caulfield be appointed Clerk to Justice's for the purposes of the Towns Improvement Ireland Act 1854

The Chairman having brought under the consideration of the Board the subject of the financial state of the late Commission as also the unsuitableness of the gas Works and

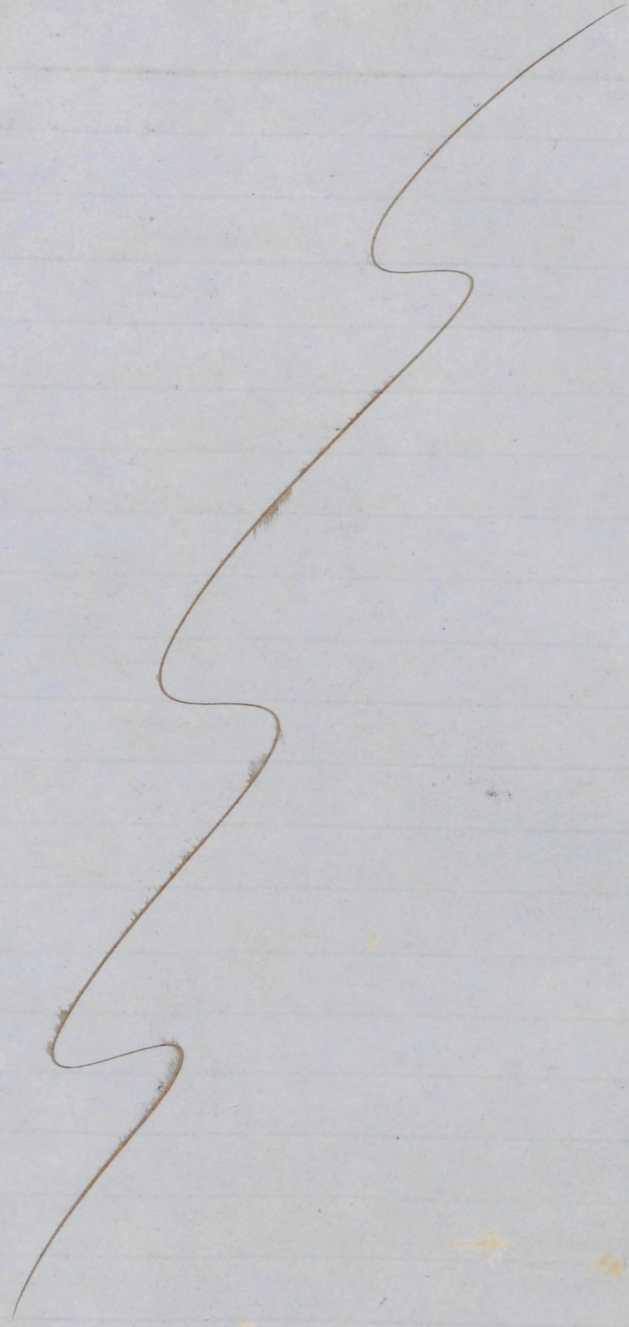


and having made some suggestions,

It was Resolved - That each Commissioner be requested to consider the circumstance and make to the meeting of the Committee to be held on Friday next any suggestions which might occur for the improvement of the concern and well working of the Commission

Read a letter from Mr. R. H. Smythe Proprietor of the Western Star requesting to be informed if the Commissioners will admit the Public Press to be represented at their meeting. -

It was Unanimously Resolved That the Press be admitted to all the meetings of the Commissioners. -



The preceding Minutes having been read and approved of was authenticated by the  
Signature of *Robert French* Presiding Chairman,

And Countersigned by *W. Hill* Clerk of the Commissioners.

Ballinasloe Toton Improvement Commissioners.

~~Act GEORGE IV, CAP. 82.~~  
17th & 18th Vic Act 103.

Valuation of Ratable Property £ 8,885.

Population according to the Census of 1851—8,321

The Weekly Meeting of the Board was held on Friday, the 17th  
day of February 1860—

Present in the Chair, *The Hon Robert Esler French.*

Other Members present—*Thomas Hyde, Patrick Moore, Joseph  
Sharpe, Michael E. Murphy, Wm. Hayes, Gouret  
Larkin, Captain Gascoyne, Robert Sharpe, John  
McNeill, Frederick A. Harper.*

The Minutes of proceedings at the last meeting were read and authenticated by the  
Signature of the Chairman.

The Clerk's Report on the Execution of Orders at the previous meeting was read  
as follows:— That 4 Tons, 18 cwt, 3 qrs of each  
description of Coals were issued from Store during  
the past fortnight.

The Treasurer's Book of Receipts and Payments was submitted, by which it appeared  
there had been

Lodged during the Week, - - £ 32<sup>0</sup> 8<sup>0</sup> 9  
Paid out during the Week, - - £ 8<sup>0</sup> 10<sup>0</sup> 11  
Balance remaining against the Board, £ 15<sup>0</sup> 19<sup>0</sup> 5

The Clerk's Account of Receipts and Payments was submitted, examined, and authenticated, by the Signature of the Chairman.

The following Bills of Expenses, &c., incurred during the Week, were submitted, and Orders made thereon, viz.:

Feely be paid 1 weeks Wages	£ 12..6
Boland & Caulfield	144..0
Dolan and Higgins	18..0
Leonard & Caulfield 3/4 Hire at Streets	5..1
Leonard & Caulfield 3/4 at Coal	4..0
Power Brooms	9.
Hampur for Gas Cores	1..10
Receipt Stamps	6.
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	£ 379..8

The Clerk submitted the following Bills for payment by the Board, being first certified by him:—

John Hannin Freight and Delivery of 30 Tons of Coal	10	2	6
Pat McDonnell Surf	"	14	11
RH Smythe, for Printing and advertising therein the Introduction of the Towns Improvement Act.	16	12	2
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			27..8

The following Letters were read and considered, and directions given thereon, viz.:

Read a letter from the <sup>Dublin</sup> Committee on the subject of the <sup>Grand</sup> Canal, Midland Great Western of Ireland and Great Southern and Western Railway Companies, on the subject of a Bill, to lease or Dispose of the Grand Canal, to the Railway Companies or either of them, and forwarding copies of Petitions to Parliament on the subject, and if adopted by the Commissioners that signatures should be obtained thereon, and also that subscriptions in aid of the opposition should be entered into.

The Board having had under consideration the subject of the Petitions forwarded by the Committee as also the Petition previously adopted by the late Commissioners,

It was Resolved - That the Petition previously adopted by the late Commissioners be forwarded to Mr. John Hornesey M.P. for the Kings County for Presentation to the House of Commons; and that a Committee, consisting of Messrs. Hampur, Hayes, & Lovell be appointed for the purpose of procuring signatures to the Petitions forwarded by the Committee, and also subscriptions in aid of furthering the object.

The Clerk submitted Letters forwarded to him by Mr O'Flaherty Chairman of the late Commissioners, which he received from Parsonstown Town Commissioners on the subject of the Grand Canal.

The Board proceeded to the consideration of